

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

# Celebration 2023

## **GRADUATION CELEBRATION**

THE TWENTIETH OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY THREE



Graduate School  
of Education  
& Human Development

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY



# **2023 GRADUATION CELEBRATION**

MAY 20, 2023 | 8:30 AM | CHARLES E. SMITH CENTER

# ORDER OF EXERCISES

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| THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION .....                                 | Cherry Blossom Quartet   |
| ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GSEHD CELEBRATION .....                   | Dr. Edward Vest<br><i>Class of 1972</i>  |
| DEAN'S OPENING REMARKS & INTRODUCTION OF GW'S PRESIDENT ..... | Michael J. Feuer<br><i>Dean</i>  |
| PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS .....                                    | Mark S. Wrighton<br><i>President</i>   |
| INTRODUCTION OF THE CELEBRATION ADDRESS .....                 | Michael J. Feuer<br><i>Dean</i>  |
| CELEBRATION ADDRESS .....                                     | Dr. Maranda Ward<br><i>Assistant Professor and Director of Equity, The George Washington<br/>University School of Medicine and Health Sciences</i>             |
| INTRODUCTION OF THE STUDENT SPEAKER .....                     | Lionel C. Howard<br><i>Academic Dean</i>   |
| STUDENT SPEAKER ADDRESS .....                                 | Yasmeen Hilmi Richards<br><i>Master of Arts in Education and Human Development<br/>Clinical Mental Health Counseling</i>                                       |
| DEAN'S OUTSTANDING ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD .....             | Michael J. Feuer, <i>Dean</i><br>to Kendall Isadore<br><i>Master of Arts in Education and Human Development<br/>in Education Policy Studies, Class of 2019</i> |
| <b>RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES</b>                               |  |
| <b>Doctoral Graduates</b>                                     |  |
| <b>Education Specialist Graduates</b>                         |  |
| <b>Master's Graduates</b>                                     |  |
| Counseling and Human Development                              |  |
| Curriculum and Pedagogy                                       |  |
| Educational Leadership  |  |
| Human and Organizational Learning                             |  |
| Special Education and Disability Studies                      |  |
| ALUMNI ADDRESS .....  | Dr. Maxwell Gocala-Nguyen<br><i>Class of 2016</i>  |
| CLOSING REMARKS .....   | Michael J. Feuer<br><i>Dean</i>  |
| RECESSIONAL .....   | Cherry Blossom Quartet   |

*Remain standing as the academic procession leaves the auditorium.*



**Michael J. Feuer**

*Dean, Graduate  
School of Education and  
Human Development*

*Dear Graduate:*

On behalf of the faculty, students, and staff of the Graduate School of Education and Human Development, I congratulate you on this special event, your 2023 GSEHD Graduation. This milestone in your academic career represents many hours of work and dedication, and I commend you for your efforts.

As you leave us, I encourage you to pursue your ambitions and dreams with passion. To improve the quality of life in our nation, we must stay focused on high quality education, the nurturing of human talent, and the unflagging commitment to increased opportunity for all our people. We have been a beacon to many other countries committed to high standards of access and performance, and we have much to learn from their efforts and successes, especially as the world becomes more complex and interdependent. I hope you will use your talents, knowledge, and passions to strive for these goals.

We hope you will remain connected; please stay in touch! We want to hear about your accomplishments, we would love for you to visit with us, and we will always turn to you for advice on how to improve our programs.

Welcome to the distinguished ranks of alumni of the George Washington University Graduate School of Education and Human Development!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Michael J. Feuer, Ph.D.

## CELEBRATION SPEAKER



**Dr. Maranda Ward**  
*Assistant Professor and  
Director of Equity*

**Dr. Maranda C. Ward (Ed.D. '17)** is an Assistant Professor and Director of Equity in the Department of Clinical Research and Leadership in the GW School of Medicine and Health Sciences. In this role, she designs, evaluates, and teaches a health equity curriculum for undergraduate students that integrates her #EquityMatters podcast. Her teaching excellence was recognized with 2021 Morton A. Bender Teaching Award, the highest teaching honor at GW.

Dr. Ward is an expert in advancing anti-racism efforts within health sciences education and in designing curricula to enable students and faculty to competently promote health and racial equity in practice. Her research focuses on diversity, equity, inclusion, justice and antiracism educational interventions as well as stakeholder-engaged community-focused studies on HIV, Black women's health, and youth identity.

A member of the DC Center for AIDS Research (DC CFAR), she is the principal investigator for the project Two in One: HIV and COVID Screening & Testing Model. She serves as the Ambassador Program Lead for the GW Health Careers Opportunity Program, which supports students from historically excluded backgrounds as they are introduced to a range of health professions and the skills needed to be successful in those fields. Her research is further converted into practice as the Co-Founder and Executive Director of Promising Futures - a youth development pipeline for DC students that integrates a social justice approach to positive youth development. In addition, she is a certified trainer for three Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) evidence-based interventions: Focus on Youth + ImPACT, VOICES/VOCES, and Project AIM.

Dr. Ward engages in the DC community in a range of capacities as well. She is on the board of trustees for the Washington School for Girls and a founding board member of Girls Rock DC. She also serves on the Sibley Memorial Hospital & Johns Hopkins Medicine advisory board for wellness projects in Wards 7 and 8. The DC Mayor, Muriel Bowser, appointed her to fill an advisory board seat on the Mayor's Commission on Health Equity.

Dr. Ward has received many awards for promoting justice, equity, and inclusion and fighting discrimination among historically marginalized populations. She has been consulted by *Ebony.com*, *Rolling Out Magazine*, *DCist*, and *The Washington Post* for her expertise in HIV disparities and featured on a live segment of *Good Morning Washington*, NPR's *Morning Edition* and the KevinMD podcast for her research and background in health equity.

She earned her doctorate in education from GW, her master's in public health from Tulane University, and her bachelor's degrees in sociology and anthropology from Spelman College. She enjoys learning from youth, traveling, and brunch.

For more information, visit [www.marandaward.com](http://www.marandaward.com)

## STUDENT SPEAKER



**Yasmeen Hilmi Richards**

*Master of Arts, Clinical  
Mental Health Counseling*

**Yasmeen Richards** is a 2023 graduate of the GSEHD Clinical Mental Health Counseling program, specializing in Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders. She is passionate about ensuring access to quality mental healthcare for individuals and families experiencing the transition to parenthood, as well as advocating for safer birthing outcomes and paid parental leave. Yasmeen places a strong focus on supporting first generation Americans through the intricacies of parenting “between” cultures. She previously earned a master’s degree in Sociology from the University of Amsterdam (Netherlands) and was the 2022 recipient of the Dr. Chris Erickson Mental Health Service Advocacy Award.

# COMMENCEMENT AWARDS

## DEAN'S OUTSTANDING ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

**Dean's Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award** is an annual honor bestowed upon a worthy alumnus or alumna who has made considerable contributions to their chosen field as well as their community.

**Recipient:** *Kendall N. Isadore*

## DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELING AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

**Chi Sigma Iota Outstanding Master's Counseling Student Award** is presented to a Chi Sigma Iota graduate student who has displayed excellence in academics, the field of counseling, and has shown leadership in both the classroom and experiential settings.

**Recipient:** *Sravya Gummaluri*

**Chris Erickson Mental Health Service Advocacy Award** was named in honor of Dr. Chris Erickson, a late faculty member who was deeply committed to the provision of quality care to all people with severe mental illness. This recognition is awarded to a graduate of the counseling program who shares her passion for working with these special clients.

**Recipient:** *Maya B. Deshpande*

**Clemmont E. Vontress Cross-Cultural Award** recognizes a graduating counseling student who is best known for dedication to the promotion of cross-cultural understanding, social justice, and racial harmony.

**Recipient:** *Claudia Mai Nguyen*

**Donald C. Linkowski Award for Outstanding Scholarship in Rehabilitation Counseling** is presented to a rehabilitation counseling graduate who demonstrates a commitment to advancing the field through leadership, consumer advocacy, and promoting consumer welfare through vocational rehabilitation services.

**Recipient:** *Marjan Kasizadeh*

**Harry Grubb Detwiler Memorial Award** recognizes the student who is best known for outstanding achievement, professionalism, and dedication in the field of counseling.

**Recipient:** *Margaret Hess Van Cleve*

## DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND PEDAGOGY

**Elementary Education Program Award** recognizes outstanding development as a graduate student in the field of elementary education.

**Recipients:** *Megan Teresa Lysowski*

**Sylvén Seid Beck Elementary Education Prize** recognizes an outstanding student who comes from an underrepresented population and is a leader in the field of elementary education.

**Recipient:** *Sadaf Sayar*

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

**Doris and Sam Buchalter Museum Education Prize** recognizes a graduating student who exemplifies a love of learning and teaching.

**Recipient:** *Laura Melissa Hernandez*

**Dorothy A. Moore Award in International Education** recognizes outstanding leadership in the field of international education.

**Recipients:** *Alexander M. Erickson, Isabella McCallum*



**Henry Willett Scholarship Award** recognizes academic achievement and leadership abilities. To receive this award, students must demonstrate a positive attitude in their leadership goals and maintain a record of academic excellence throughout their program.

**Recipient:** *Erica Ballard*

**Jere Trout Award in Educational Technology Leadership** recognizes outstanding work in the field of educational technology leadership.

**Recipient:** *Jesse Franco*

**Marcella Brenner Museum Education Award** recognizes merit, encompassing academic performance and leadership/service while in the museum education program, as well as potential for contributing to the field of museum education.

**Recipient:** *Madelyn C. Sisson*

**Nakyuin Shin International Education Award** recognizes outstanding academic and professional contributions to the field of international education.

**Recipients:** *Olufikayo A. Akintola, Caroline Natalie Rakus-Wojciechowski, Savannah Smith*

**Rosetta A. and Sadie B. Feldman Museum Education Award** recognizes merit, encompassing cultural advocacy and academic performance while in the Museum Education Program, as well as promise for contributing to the field of museum education through leadership.

**Recipient:** *Anjali Diezman*

## **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN AND ORGANIZATIONAL LEARNING**

**Leonard Nadler Leadership Award** recognizes students in the organizational leadership and learning master's program who have demonstrated academic excellence and leadership and have also contributed to the collaborative learning process both within and outside the classroom.

**Recipients:** *Dominica Ashley Chavez, Zoe Nicole Newcomb Donahoe*

## **DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND DISABILITY STUDIES**

**Bertice Cornish Award in Early Childhood Special Education** recognizes outstanding performance in the early childhood special education master's degree program.

**Recipient:** *Manal Jash Alazemi*

**The Culturally Responsive Special Education Award** recognizes an outstanding student in the field of culturally and linguistically diverse special education.

**Recipient:** *Ayleen Santiago*

**Perry Botwin Award in Special Education** recognizes outstanding development as a graduate student in the field of special education.

**Recipient:** *Jeannine Kaye Louca*

**Rita Ives Award** recognizes outstanding performance as a professional in the field of emotional and behavioral disabilities.

**Recipient:** *Bryan Daniels*

# 2022-2023 GRADUATES

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## DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

### CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

|                       |                                  |            |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| Zachary P. Goldman    | Anita Shantha Sagar              | Binyu Yang |
| Angela Patrice Howard | Mary Elizabeth Short             |            |
| Fredrica M. Nash      | Maria Goretti Vinuales Del Egido |            |

### EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY STUDIES

|                     |                        |                        |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Anhthy Nguyen Bey   | Anne Matthews Morris   | Tifanie R. Witherspoon |
| Jenise Nicole Bland | Juliana L. Pearson     |                        |
| Aileen Hawkins      | Natasha Renee Saunders |                        |

### EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

|                    |                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Tom Alexander, Jr. | Tanganyika Harris Millard |
| Kara Jane Grasser  | Micah Andre Pate, Jr.     |

### HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

|                   |                     |              |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Julia Rae Collett | Margaret M. Holland | Ohyoung Kwon |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|

### HUMAN AND ORGANIZATIONAL LEARNING

|                                 |                          |                     |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Farah Fuad Al Hinai             | Angel Alexander Diaz     | Shawn Lynn Riordan  |
| Neenia Chrissie Barlatt-Higgins | Cindy Helene Dupree      | Melissa Kay Scott   |
| Chrishon Latrice Blackwell      | Rachael Amy Flores       | Joanna Sztandur     |
| Courtney A. Boyce               | Ricco Bernard Hall       | Danielle Elyse Tope |
| Alysha Gabrielle Cieniewicz     | Kristina Marie Maccubbin |                     |
|                                 | Samuel Earl Odom, Jr.    |                     |

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

Jessica Estelle Lunde

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## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

### COUNSELING

|                         |                        |              |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Amanda Raquel Friday    | Samara Gelb Richmond   | Aliya Subhit |
| Katherine Blaine Hurley | Cassandra Judith Riedy |              |
| Kshipra Jain            | David J. Ruda          |              |

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## EDUCATION SPECIALIST

### CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Renee Jahan Dorrity

### EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

Zenia Anthony

Erica Ballard

Christina Marie Davis

Anastasia Morgan

Orion Michael Pelausa

Brittany Ann Price

Jean Carlos Suarez

Melissa Sawyer Vick

Leah Watkins

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## COUNSELING AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

### CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

Jennifer Marie Alexander

Batool Al-Shaar

Angela Marie Benitez

Sara Catherine Bond

Morgan M. Canner

Catherine Cottrell

Maya B. Deshpande

Faith E. Eckhoff

Jisandry A. Gonzalez

Tala Halik

Megan E. Jackson

Sophie Elaine Juola

Leah Katherine Mcneil

Kathleen E. O'Donnell

Yasmeen Hilmi Richards

Jennifer Rose Robinson

Kayla Williams

Colleen Zorc

### INDIVIDUALIZED M.A.

Caroline Grace Fennell

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### REHABILITATION COUNSELING

Linda Marie Barnes

Samantha R. DeFranco

Pengkun Du

Ketia Gray

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Harmeyer

Jacqueline Kanupp

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Aisha Dineen Lawrence\*

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Jonathan R. May

Kelly Linkous Mclamb\*

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Kingsley Chukwudi Ogbuji

Stephen L. Upchurch\*

Megan K. Wagner  
Siyu Wang

### SCHOOL COUNSELING

Emily A. Abate

Samantha Ari Cooper

Yvan L. Gelbard

Jenna Gordon

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Ivy Jun

Mia Kimboko

Michele E. Lett

Julia Alyse Lohmann

Allison Robin Maraun

Matthew B. Murray

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## SCHOOL COUNSELING *(CONTINUED)*

Lindsay S. O'Keefe

Alexandra Fendel

Ostrander

Borja Rebaza

Rosa E. Reyes

Alicia Lynn Shelby

Margaret Hess Van Cleve

Kassandra Elizabeth Wilson

Brianca LeShaie Wright

Yunlan Zhu

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## CURRICULUM AND PEDAGOGY DEPARTMENT MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

### CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Yi Hui Chen

Erik J. Child

Joseph Albert Diconsiglio

Megan Louise Ehrnriter

Allison Elias-De Jesus

Charlotte Rogneda Gage

Yuxin Hou

Colleen H. Kent

Caitlin Mccrimmon

Karly Kristine O'Brien

Kaeli J. Rathmann

Esther Stanton

Xinyuan Yu

Jiangshan Yuan

### INDIVIDUALIZED M.A.

Caitlin E. Vanderwolf

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## CURRICULUM AND PEDAGOGY DEPARTMENT MASTER OF EDUCATION

### ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Kari Anderson

Bridget Molly Burke

Scott B. Gellman

Megan Teresa Lysowski

Mara Moettus

Kathleen Quinn

Sadaf Sayar

Rachel Jenna Sorkenn

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

### ASSESSMENT, TESTING, AND MEASUREMENT IN EDUCATION

Eunji Lee

Titiksha Raj Kashyap

### EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

Deja Baskerville

Caitlin Marie Bronk

Eboni Sherell Brown

Qin Chen

Stephanie Draeger

Allison Leigh Ford

Madison Nicole Gerisch\*  
Rose Danielle Goff  
Shantel Stacey-Ann  
Hanniford  
Kelly Leonard

Luke Timothy Maclay  
Atara A. Muhammad  
Sarah Elizabeth Quintal  
Anna R. Ramach

Lashaunda Antoinette  
Robinson  
Charles Jason Smith\*  
Michaela C. Walsh

## EDUCATION POLICY STUDIES

John Herbert Bobrowski  
Marie A. Falcone  
Tanai S. Hall

Samantha Ann Kaplan  
Elizabeth Rose Kapuscinski  
Haoyang Li

Yanli Liu  
Ashley Juliana Mitchell  
Nicholas S. Yannopoulos

## EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP

Melissa A. Banks  
Edessa Mae Ortiz Bautista  
Sydney Jaison Brouse\*  
Tanya Marie Camp  
Lynn Noel Codispoti  
Liliane Vilmenay Duncan

Madeline Eberhardt  
Fafoutis  
Jacquelyn Flot\*  
Huda Shaheen Khan  
Ethan LeSage\*  
Claire E. Morra  
Margaret A. Pisarski

Paula Azahara Reyes  
Garcia\*  
Adriana D. Salinas  
Jessica Ann Schwartz  
Sarah Woldemar Tama  
Kelli Nicole Willis

## HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

Courtney Elizabeth Boaz  
Luther Johnson Britt, IV  
Isobel Kate Forsyth  
Mindy Galvan

Chrystel Roach Jeffrey\*  
Karen Olivas  
Julie Eileen Servidio\*  
Brianna Jean Simmons

Joshua Smith, Sr.  
Alexa Mary Vergelli

## INDIVIDUALIZED M.A.

Afsana Alakbarli  
Orkhan Alakbarli  
Gulnar Aliyeva  
Venera Aliyeva  
Nigar Altayzade  
Gulnara Aslanbayli

Faina Gachabayova  
Rufat Huseynzade  
Gunatay Kazimova  
Shahriyar Lachinov  
Rauf Mammadov  
Aydan Mammadova

Parvin Namazova  
Farida Orujova  
Gulaya Sadigova  
Fidan Valiyeva  
Taleh Zamanov

## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Olufikayo A. Akintola  
Rachel Margaret Anstatt  
Anna D. Beucler

Cecilia Bonazzi  
Maya K. Burke\*  
Jiji Choi

Annika F. Clausen  
Yeshieka S. Copeland  
Breanna N. Cox

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## INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

|                                |                               |                                       |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Yulia Efremova                 | Signo Badou Christelle Kouame | Hayley Pottle*                        |
| Alexander M. Erickson          | Jessica J. Lee                | Caroline Natalie Rakus-Wojciechowski* |
| Anna-Maria Nikolaeva Ezekilova | Maha T. Malik                 | Kyra Victoria Ramos                   |
| Stephanie Ferweda              | Isabella Mccallum*            | Austin Marshall Reading*              |
| Aris Jabris Hines*             | Grace DeSales McMahan         | Kelly J. Richard                      |
| Benjamin K. Hiromura           | Samantha Elizabeth Mele       | Haley E. Skeens                       |
| Isabelle Evelyn Hoagland       | Jesse Thomas Nelson           | Savannah M. Smith                     |
| Ciara Catherine Hoyne          | Carly Ellen O'Connell         | Quiera Lanaijah Thomas                |
| Youngsoo Jang                  | Tyler Isaiah Packer           | Min-En Yu                             |
| Rebekah Kim Jong               | Stacy A. Peralta-Ortiz        |                                       |

## ISRAEL EDUCATION

|                       |                           |                         |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Shay Ashkenazi        | Ariel Lapson*             | Chen Shoval*            |
| Adam Blue*            | Rebecca Harriet Lewis*    | Daniel Mark Sirdofsky   |
| Caroline Allegra Dorf | Gary H. Litt*             | Zoe Acavia Smith        |
| Roei M. Eisenberg*    | Gal Malka                 | Jason S. Steckler       |
| Daniel Epstein*       | Tzlib B. McDonald*        | Mikayla E. Stokes*      |
| Mauricio Friedman     | Naomi Mitchell            | Daniel Tatar            |
| Jody L. Gerth         | Elana Paice Lidsky*       | Shira Rebecca Weissbach |
| Daniel Elimelech Gil  | Maian Elizabeth Rahvalshi | Caroline Winstel-Mcleod |
| Elinoy Granot*        | Ari Sean Rubinstein       | Yotam Wolk              |
| Lisa Jacobs*          | Rachel Nicole Sasiene     |                         |
| Alexandra Klyachkina  | Nathan Schachter*         |                         |

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

### MUSEUM EDUCATION

|                         |                          |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Mina Catherine Altman   | Elena M. Free            | Kennedy Simpson*   |
| Hannah Benson*          | Laura Melissa Hernandez* | Madelyn C. Sisson* |
| Jessica Lynn Black*     | Meghan Marie Kolbusch    | Carlie M. Smith    |
| Marlisa D. Bongiovanni* | Maxwell Lauren Miller    | Talia Marie Smith  |
| Alexander Wayne Cotnoir | Karah Delise Pena        | Bethany Wells      |
| Natalie De La Cruz      | Emma Star Rosenstein*    | Connie Yu          |
| Anjali Diezman          | Madalyn Sadler           |                    |

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## HUMAN AND ORGANIZATIONAL LEARNING DEPARTMENT

### MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

#### INDIVIDUALIZED M.A.

Andrea Antoinette  
Anderson, MD

Nicole Elaine DeVaul, PhD  
Spandana Induru, MD

Simone Lorraine Lawson,  
MD

Caitlin Elizabeth Mingey,  
MD

Laura O'Neill, MD

Geoffrey Leon Shapiro,  
EMT-P

#### ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

Mohanad O. Alsaid, Jr.

Almas Ayaz\*

Alex Stuart Bauer

Olivia Grace Benner

Jernee Danielle Bramble

Bailey Lauren Calderon

Jonathan Tan Cao-Nguyen

Randi Joy Cappadora

Dominica Ashley Chavez

Soann Chng\*

Charles C. Clunk, IV

Ann Elizabeth Anastacio  
DaSilva

Jenifer Rae Davidson

Rehana Manji Dharani\*

Lisa Dodd

Zoe Nicole Newcomb  
Donahoe

Shavon Doyle-Holton

Erik James Dubuc

Alexandra C. Engelkemier

Endira Ferrara

Kyra M. Germany

Somayyah Ghariani

Ariana Gil

Camille Lindsay Green\*

Jessica Grillo

Stephany L. Guachamin  
Coyago

Christine Jane Hanna

Rebecka Viktoria  
Hellbergh

De' Von Lee Henderson

Laura Hesse

Carin Ritter Hunt

Brooke Tyson Hynes

Zachary Larry Jacobson

Julie Ann Katz

Jonathan Christian Lamb

Megan Ilyssa Leon\*

Kathleen Lovito

Dawn Lucovich

Connor Luong

Mikka Seon Joy  
McCracken

Bridget-Kate Sixkiller  
McNulty

Luis A. Mitchell, Jr.

Saja Mohsin

Shaquille Nelson

Katie Nicole Nissley

Maria-Lynn Iretiogo  
Okanlawon\*

Beste Ozer

Carly A. Perri

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Deiadre Lynn Rauch

Michael C. Ryan

Molly Teresa Ryan

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Sarah Margaret Seggel

Kacie Alyssa Sherrell

Rebecca Ann Silver

Agne Stone

Leah Christine Terry

Emily Margaret Vandegrift

Grace Sophia Varda

Priya William

Jessica Wingfield\*

Logan Samuel Woodard

Michael Yarrish

Leia Zeitlin

# 2022-2023 GRADUATES

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## SPECIAL EDUCATION AND DISABILITY STUDIES DEPARTMENT MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

### EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION

|                    |                           |               |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Meshal M. Alafeasi | Anna Kathleen Falk        | Marisa Welsh* |
| Manal Jash Alazemi | Lily Anne Hyman           | Qiujie Yang   |
| Emilie C. Cherau   | Gabriela S. Perez Purcell |               |

### INDIVIDUALIZED M.A.

Ez Sheppard-Saidel

### INTERDISCIPLINARY SECONDARY TRANSITION SERVICES

|                      |                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Ellen Joan El-Hajj   | Alexandra Mazzeo     | Karen Denise Pizzini |
| Kimara Medina Joseph | Ernesto Narvaiz, Jr. |                      |
| Jeannine Kaye Louca  | Christina Nelson     |                      |

### SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN WITH EMOTIONAL AND BEHAVIORAL DISABILITIES

|                       |                        |                |
|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Carolina O. Daughtry* | Kenede Rashida Herbert | Aryana S. Ware |
| Kristie Araina Harvey | Shanaia Rochea Lewis   |                |

### SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY DIVERSE LEARNERS

|                      |                                  |                       |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Kenesha Davis        | Cindy L. Maldonado-<br>Contreras | Margaret Jean Poorman |
| Alanta Monee Futrell |                                  |                       |
| Erica M. Luczak      | Daniel John Vaughan<br>Merrick   |                       |

*Please note, this program does not serve as an official transcript or record of graduation.*

*\* Summer 2023 graduate; Degrees will be conferred on August 31, 2023 after the completion of degree requirements during the Summer 2023 semester.*



## *Dear Graduates,*

On behalf of the GW Alumni Association (GWAA) – congratulations! Today you join a distinct group of more than 27,000 alumni of the Graduate School of Education and Human Development (GSEHD) and over 320,000 George Washington University alumni from around the world. In recognition of your accomplishment, we are honored to welcome you to the GWAA, an invested community that inspires lifelong loyalty through alumni engagement. As a graduate of GW, your membership to the GWAA is automatic.

As you begin a new chapter and pursue your post-academic life and career, please know that the Alumni Association exists to foster connectivity among the GSEHD and GW alumni community. As alumni, you have access to our lifelong learning opportunities (such as our career webinars, library resources and our online networking platform) and our many in-person and virtual events where you can connect with our faculty and network with fellow alumni. And, as the most important stakeholders of the school and the university, we hope you will continue our mission to connect by sharing your insights, knowledge, and expertise with our current and future GSEHD students through mentoring and panel discussions.

Stay in touch with the Alumni Association through our website at [alumni.gwu.edu](http://alumni.gwu.edu) and through our social media channels. Connect back not only with your faculty and cohort, but with the larger GSEHD and GW network around the globe.

Thank you for the work you have done and the work that you will do as leaders in education and human development! All of us at GW are proud of your accomplishment and we look forward to hearing the stories of your continued success.

Welcome to the George Washington Alumni Association!

Patty Carocci

*AVP, Alumni Relations & Annual Giving  
The George Washington University*





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## #GWCommencement

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