



FSU PANAMA CITY  
**2020 VIRTUAL  
COMMENCEMENT**

CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF 2019 – 2020





# ***Congratulations, graduates!***

**You have plenty of reasons to celebrate together (even if it's only virtually for now)**

- You survived a Category 5 hurricane and a global pandemic.
- You have taken on and achieved a goal to earn your degree despite the obstacles that have come your way.
- You join a prestigious network of over 360,000 FSU alumni.
- When your diploma is mailed to you in six to eight weeks, you will have the best office decor imaginable.
- You will always be part of the FSU PC family.

## MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Congratulations on earning your degree at Florida State University. Although our traditional spring commencement ceremony is delayed, this still is a time to celebrate your achievements. You have taken on a goal to earn a degree from Florida State University, and soon you will join the ranks of over 360,000 FSU alumni throughout the world.

You all have faced hardships from a Category 5 hurricane to a global pandemic, but through it all you have come out of this stronger. You are part of history, and your courage and triumphs will go on to inspire the next generation of global citizens.

With the three torches of strength, skill and character, every member of our FSU family can face every obstacle and become even more prepared for the future.

For taking on a goal to earn a degree and refusing to let unimaginable hardships stop you, you already are all successes and an inspiration to others. I look forward to seeing how you will achieve your dreams in the future.

Although this isn't how any of us imagined celebrating the Class of 2020, I hope you know we value each and every one of you. You are part of our Seminole family for life, and, as we say in the FSU PC Promise, FSU PC will always be your home.



Randy Hanna,  
Dean, FSU Panama City  
The College of Applied Studies





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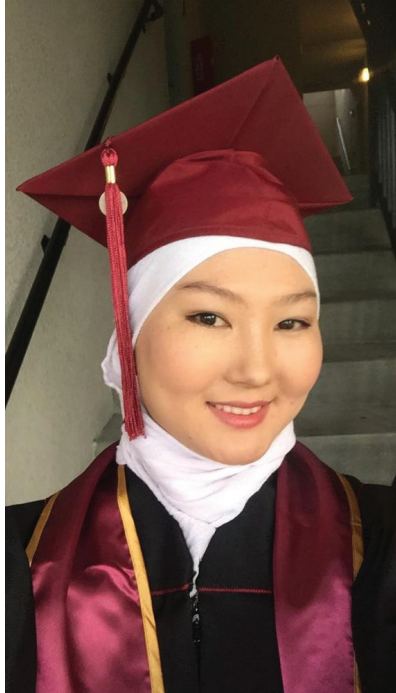
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# CANDIDATES FOR BACHELOR'S DEGREES

## THE JIM MORAN COLLEGE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

*Bachelor of Science in Commercial Entrepreneurship*

**Liudmila Bogusevici**

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“If there's anything we all learned in the last two years in Panama City, it's to push through and there's beauty on the other side. Live in the moment and work for the future.”

– **Cierra Marie Camper**,  
*Magna Cum Laude*

**Mark Lee Dutton**

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“I am very excited to graduate and go on to the next phase of my life! I thank my family for supporting me on this journey.”

– **Michele Finley**

**Natalia Lynn Moormann**  
**Hudson Gabriel Sim**, *Cum Laude*

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“I couldn't be more excited to graduate and start the next chapter in my life and to be able to see all of the amazing things my classmates will accomplish! To my graduating class and to my loved ones, I pray for you all

to find joy in every season and in every new venture!”

– **Sarah Madison Sloane**, *Cum Laude*

## DEDMAN SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY

*Bachelor of Science in Hospitality & Tourism Management*

**Gregory Ward Ammons**  
**Mikayla R Monn**  
**Madalyn Rose Poladian**, *Cum Laude*  
**Samantha Ellen Wiltshire**

## COLLEGE OF APPLIED STUDIES

*Bachelor of Science in Crime Scene Investigation*

**Alyssa Holly Feller**, *Cum Laude*  
**Brenda K Grimm**  
**Jawana M Harris**

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“Congrats to all graduates during these stressful times. To my oldest sister that passed away last January. I DID IT, SIS! Thanks for pushing me to reach this day. Special thanks to Mrs. Perdue. She made it fun for me.”

– **Eric Lewis\***

**Sylvia Elena Luna**,  
*Magna Cum Laude*

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“I am overwhelmed with excitement and pride. During the past two years, I have continued to grow while attending FSU PC. I have had the opportunity to meet great professors and wonderful friends. As I continue my journey forward, I plan to attend FSU College of Law for the Juris Master Program. Go Noles!!! Class of 2020!!!! ‘The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.’ - Eleanor Roosevelt”

– **Stephanie Mages\***

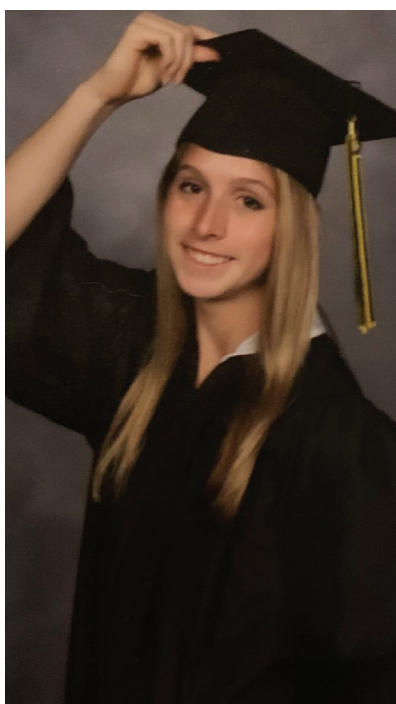
**Rebecca Elizabeth Morris**  
**Alyssa Orr\***, *Magna Cum Laude*

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“Us 2020 graduates have made it through more than most. From Hurricane Michael to COVID-19, we are built FSUPCSTRONG. I want to thank my father for helping me tremendously through my four years of college, my fiance for being my rock for stressful times, and my sister for being my lifelong best friend.”

– **Nicole Ortiz\***, *Cum Laude*

**Sally Elizabeth Pendoley**  
**Kalvin Peterson\***, *Cum Laude*  
**Devin T Rodgers**  
**Megan Stroup\***,  
*Magna Cum Laude*



\*Anticipated degree completion summer or fall 2020

*Bachelor of Science in  
Law Enforcement Intelligence*

**Jacob William Cash**

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“I am thankful for my family and friends. I wouldn’t have been able to do this without them. Here’s to the Class of 2020! We’ve endured a lot between Hurricane Michael and now COVID-19. This is a well-deserved and hard-earned degree!”

– **Mckenzie Galbreath\***

**Kyla Goodwin**

**Kaitlin Belle Herring**

**Gabriella Shannon Jose,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

**Savannah Lang\***

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“Thank you for everything. I would have dropped out a long time ago if it wasn’t for your support.”

– **Hunter Joseph**

**Mendenhall,** *Cum Laude*

**Thomas Patrick Parks**

**Campbell Ray Sears**

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“We have worked very hard to get where we are; however, the hard work does not end here. Whether we move on to continue our education or to start our careers, we will always remember our time here and the people who have made their impressions upon us. Thank you for your support, for pushing us when we thought the world had given up on us, and for never letting us forget that Florida

State University is a family.”

– **Devon Brooke Southwell\*,**

*double major in Psychology*

**Anna White**

*Bachelor of Science in  
Law Enforcement Operations*

**Claritza Noemi Bhikhari**

**Nicholas Dean\***

**Spencer Howard Franklin**

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“None of this would be possible without my family, I treasure them, especially my mother, she has always supported me along the way and I am forever thankful. Thank you for showing me how to be a proper young man. My message to everyone is to look at this graduation in a unique light, to see it as one you will always remember, we may be the first class to ever graduate virtually from FSU.”

– **Austin Grey Martin**

**Ariel Prout**

**Dana Leigh Russell**

*Bachelor of Science in  
Professional Communication*

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“Thank you to my parents and Vicki for supporting me while I took time to rediscover who I needed to become. Thank you to my parents, Vicki, and Don for looking after Jax while I studied my butt off. Thank you Don for helping me pay the bills. And thank you to all of my friends and family

for encouraging me during the moments when I was too overwhelmed to encourage myself. I couldn’t have done any of it without YOU!!”

– **Jessica Ayers**

**Austin Bedford**

**Halie Laurynn Crawford**

**Gabriela Cumbie**

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“Thank you for the continued encouragement and support!”

– **Irene Deliah**

**Field,** *Cum Laude*

**Grace Kathryn Hazzard**

**Zane Austin Holley**

**Steven Delmer Key**

**Kalanne Regan Krause**

**Gavin Livingstone,** *Cum Laude*

**Kyle Ray Middlemass**

**Yousef Ahmed Mohamed**

**Jemaris Newman**

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“This is definitely not the ending I imagined for my senior year of college, but there is so much more to be thankful for! This has been one of the best semesters at FSU PC yet, I want to say thank you to each & every person who trusted in me. I’m thankful for all the memories and fun times I will hold on to forever. I am beyond blessed to be a ‘Nole, and I cannot wait to see what the future holds. Thank you for helping me achieve my dreams. Go ‘Noles!”

– **Michelle Nintzel**

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“Shout out to my sweetest friends, Krina Patel, Hafsa, Angela Donahue, Jennifer Bowers, Isis Smothers, and Kaitlyn Foster.. Thank you for being genuine, and for making me feel that I belong in this community despite coming from a different country. To some of the greatest professors I had, especially, Dr. Halvorson, Sir Elliot, Dr. Ozgen, Prof Ports, who didn’t only share their expertise, but also became a friend to us, students, I am so grateful and blessed to learn from you. Also, special thanks to Dr. Clark and Ms. Hagen, the CGE staff, who assisted me throughout my student life at FSU. To the person who supported me through and through, my mama Weng, thank you and I promise to make all your sacrifices worth it. I love you so much! And to our God who has always been my source, my waymaker, and the one who loves me the most, I give You all the glory for this achievement! Ad majorem dei gloriam! Kudos, Class of 2020!”

– **Gian Clarette Alcebar**

**Pinon,** *Magna Cum Laude*

**Brooke Rogers\*,** *Cum Laude*

**Daidreonia Shannon**

**Emma Civita Sipperly\***

**Arlene J. Sturgus**

**Shekinah Glory Washington**

**Edgar J Abreu**

**Macy Marie Barrickman,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

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“The gratitude I have for my fellow classmates, friends, and family has no bounds. It has been an honor to earn this degree with you by my side, always pushing me to greatness. Thank you for helping me achieve my dream!”

– **Jennifer Lynn Bowers**

**David Lee Carson**

**Shayla Chason**

**Austyn Joy Evans**

**Malcolm Taylor Funderburk**

**Larry Dale Gumm**

**Lisa Jefferson**

**Zachary Collin Lance**

**Parker Wesley McClellan**

**Cara Michelle Murray**

**Mary Mae Phelan**

**Omar Yaseen Pippin**

**Shanna C Salcedo,** *Cum Laude*

**Isis M Smothers**

**Timothy Michael Steele**

**Johnathan David Stukey**

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“My best advice is to learn to love life, and it will love you right back. Thank you FSU PC for providing me an unforgettable experience like no other.”

– **Brooke Washor**

*Bachelor of Science in  
Recreation, Tourism & Events*

**Yocia Alexzandria Bae**

**Abney,** *Cum Laude*

**Wyatt Mac Anger**

**Samantha Marie Awad**

**Kristen Barrentine\***

**Mia Bennett\***

**Tyler James Blass**

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“A special thank you to my fiancé for encouraging me to finish my degree and being totally supportive of my dreams! Thank you to my family for always telling me to find something I am passionate about and going for it! Thank you to my fellow classmates for working together to get through some of these classes and for making great memories during our time here! It’s been absolutely unforgettable!”

– **Alyssa Booher\*,** *Cum Laude*

**Clint J Bowles**

**Heather Christine Carpenter,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

**Justin Delahoz**

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“Believe in your dreams. ‘When you want something, all the universe conspires in helping you to achieve it.’ The Alchemist - Paulo Coelho”

– **Elen Harutyunyan**

**Mackenzie Renee Hatley,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

**Deven Heard**

**Mia Courtney Ledford**

**Sally Place,** *Summa Cum Laude*

**Timothy Daniel Prentice**

**Elijah Tyler Singletary**

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## FAMU-FSU COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

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*Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering*

**Kyree Terrell Baxstresser**

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“We did it!!! I couldn’t do this alone and I appreciate all the love and support along the way!!”

– **Jerica Schmarje Borelli**

**Kevin Sterling Compton**

**Orion Dane Douthit**

**Austin Bryce Hunter**

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“First I want to thank God for giving me the opportunity to go down this path. I know it took a long time to find this road, but here we are, at the end. Where I now graduate with a bachelor’s degree in civil engineering. It is simply the most valuable and exciting achievement in my life. I want to thank my loving family for the years of support as my commitment was focused on this goal. You have been my rock through all of this, without your continual push this would have been a much harder journey. Thank you for being my support, I will always appreciate that memory. Here’s to graduating in the class of 2020 and moving forward to see where the world leads me now. Go Noles!”

– **Christy Elaine Jones**

**Hampton Scott Jordan**

**Justin Lee Lyons**

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“I’m thankful for God’s provision and grace throughout my life and academic journey. Much love to my family and friends who have supported me with encouragement and advice; many thanks to my professors and the excellent FSU PC staff for their help and open doors. Shout-out to Mr. Benton and the Facilities team who keep our campus running smooth and looking great and to Alfred for your warm greetings and encouragement - I brought the ‘stache back just for you! Congratulations Class of 2020, and all the best on your future endeavors.”

– **Gabriel Dale McAfee,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

**Colton Austry Purvis,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

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“Thank you to everyone who has supported me through this chapter of my life. Hurricane Micheal and COVID-19 made it more difficult than it needed to be but the Class of 2020 was resilient through it all and because of that, I know that we will be successful in whatever we do.”

– **Tyler L Robinson**

**Mason Silavent**

**Wiley Daniel Vickers,**

*Summa Cum Laude*

**William Trent Woodham,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

*Bachelor of Science  
in Computer Engineering*

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“I’m excited to finally be done with school and start doing what I love. Thank you to those who helped me get through all the tough times.:

– **Braylee Nicole Brown**

**Joseph Anthony D’Aurora**

**Robert Reed Maddox**

**Matthew Warren Spradley**

*Bachelor of Science  
in Electrical Engineering*

**Devin Blake Dentamaro**

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“We may not be graduating the way we expected, but that is just another thing that makes our experience so unique. Not many people can say they did not let a Category 5 Hurricane or a Global Pandemic get in their way. This is just the beginning of the rest of our lives and we are stronger than we have ever been.”

– **Alexis LeAnn Hughen**

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“I want to give a huge thank you to my classmates, friends, and mentors who have helped me get to this point! I couldn’t have made it this far without you all. To my family, this is just the beginning! Thank you for supporting me and bringing me up to be the person I am today. Guys, we made it!!!”

– **Michael Lewis Kirke\***

**Alexander Arnulfo Lopez Parra**

**Michael Howard Lovett**

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“I want to start by thanking all my classmates, non-blood related families, and friends! Today I am able to complete this chapter of my life due to wonderful professors who believed in me, classmates who were always there to help day or night, and my humans who always cheered on from close or far. I am beyond grateful for FSU PC to show me the love I have been looking for in a university to grow my knowledge. This is not an ending, but a beginning to a new journey.”

– **Priyankaben Patel**

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“To my fellow graduates, thank you for your friendship, time, laughter, and love - I will treasure it always. As we move forward with our lives I cannot wait to see what we all accomplish because we are all destined for great things! To my loved ones, my beloved family... thank you for your unending support. For being flexible for me when I needed to get work done. For supporting me when times got difficult. I love you so much and I will never be able to thank you enough!”

– **Marshall Daniel Sowell\*,**

*Summa Cum Laude*

**Ryan Todd**

**David William Trexler\*,**

*Magna Cum Laude*

**William Melvin Williams**

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“Congratulations to my fellow graduates of 2020! It is hard to believe the day is here and we are graduating. Through all the obstacles and challenges we were able to overcome and achieve one of the greatest accomplishments. This is the proof how dedication, perseverance, and hard work really pays off. Embrace the moment, even when things seem and difficult and remind yourselves it’s just for a duration not a lifetime. I want to personally wish all my fellow graduates, the very best through all their endeavors as they embark on this new journey in life. This is just the beginning and the possibilities are limitless. Finally, we can take the knowledge we learned and do something great with it. Thank you to my family and friends for your support and prayers. My achievements are your achievements. I could not have done this without all of you. Dear Professors, thank you for all the knowledge you have passed on to me. Because of you I have gained necessary knowledge and feel confident to pursue my career.”

– **Raushan Yegizekova**

*Bachelor of Science  
in Mechanical Engineering*

**Brandon Bascetta\***

**Courtney Cumberland\***

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“Thank you to everyone who stuck by me. I have learned

more from you than you could ever know. Joshua, you gave up so much to let me have my dream. Thank you for always being so giving, patient and kind. Kaiden and Zoe, you guys have been so patient and forgiving. I am so proud of you both.”

– **Toni Weaver\*, Cum Laude**

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## COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES & PUBLIC POLICY

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*Bachelor of Science in  
Social Science, Interdisciplinary*

**Kenneth R Anderson IV**

**Philip Joseph Casiano**

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“Thank you to my wonderful family for being with me every step of the way. I couldn’t have done any of this without you.”

– **Jaelyn Christine Gallagher**

**John Carlisle Hamilton**

**Delisa Hewitt**

**Ryan Ison**

**Taunya Kristal James**

**Ashley Lashbrook\***

**Victoria Lynn**

**Raymond Charles Mullinax**

**Brian James Pierce,**

*double major in Sociology*

**Nickolas Wayne Scheffer**

**Kandace Elizabeth Torres**

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“I couldn’t have made it through the past four years without the love and support of my family: my partner, Zak, my children, Olivia and Grant, my parents, and Linda, Cecilia, Amanda, Jordan, Candice, and Jackie. Thank you all so much!”

– **Haley Nicole Weigle**  
**Zachary B Zehner**

*Bachelor of Science in Sociology*

**Sarah Rifai, Cum Laude**

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## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

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*Bachelor of Science in Accounting*

**Anabella Astori**  
**Bryan Austin Bishop**

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“To my wonderful family: We have finally made it! Thank you for everything you have done to help me get through this journey, because we all know it has not been easy. These past several years have been filled with the highest highs and lowest lows, from my health battles, to marriage, to Hurricane Michael and now COVID-19. The world and life are full of uncertainties, but the one thing I can always be certain of is the strength and support I have from all of you. Thank you for being my rock when all I feel is shifting sand beneath my feet.”

– **Daphne Michelle Brown**

**Suracha Mahawongsanun**  
**Christian Baxter Stanford**  
**Casey Ruth Wamsley**  
**Stephen Kenneth Whitfield**  
**Yvette Silva Wilson**

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration*

**Lindsey Michelle Anderson,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

**Zareth Arroliga Gonzalez,**  
*Magna Cum Laude*

**Ronald L. Bailey, Jr.\***

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“Honestly, my favorite part about going to FSU has been meeting an incredible amount of extraordinary people, including those graduating today. I count some of the people I met in college as being among my best friends. I’ve tutored a great many students, and helped others through my roles on the Student Government Council.”

– **William Ray Bradley,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

**Jason Meador Brown,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

**Brittany Butler**  
**Kayla Brooke Campbell**

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“Work hard and stay focused. Whatever your pursuing, don’t quit when there are challenges, instead learn to overcome them. Make sure to enjoy the journey, instead of just focusing on the

final destination because it’ll come sooner than you realize.”

– **Cristina Carr,**  
*Magna Cum Laude*

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“To my family and friends, thank you for supporting me on this adventure. You kept me grounded when I spiraled and lifted me when I was down. I wouldn’t have been able to graduate without you! Especially my mom, who has supported me throughout my college career and always cheered me on.”

– **Carolynn Dawn Cobb**

**Robert Anthony Cortes,**  
*Cum Laude*

**Mackenzie Kristine Dinkins**  
**John James Falero**  
**Elijah Christopher Fogle**

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“I’m so grateful for my experience at Florida State University Panama City. It was a wonderful campus, and all the professors I had were great and very helpful! I want to thank all my family and friends for their support throughout my journey!! I’m excited to be a graduate and anxious to see what the future holds!! To my fellow classmates and graduates, we’ve went through many challenges, Hurricane Michael and this pandemic, and we finished strong!!”

– **Tessa Hall**

**Krinaben Manishkumar Patel,**  
*Cum Laude*  
**Hunter Romans\***

**Kyle Evan Salazar**  
**Valerie Anne Sasser**  
**Brent Michael Stephens**  
**Clint Whaley**  
**Ali Hatsan Yousef**  
**Cheyenne Marie Zeitler**

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## COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

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*Bachelor of Social Work*

**Madison N Beecher**  
**Morgan Nicole Beecher,**  
*Magna Cum Laude*

**Meagan Elizabeth Zhou Lan Beecher Best**

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“We are the Florida State University-Panama City Class of 2020, and we have come along way to get to where we are today. We have battled through not one but two natural disasters along our journey. We have stared into the face of destruction as Hurricane Michael ravished through our community. But we stood steadfast. We made it through and kept pushing forward. Now at the end of our journey, we must again peer into the face of adversity. What will we do? We are Seminole strong, and with that title comes resiliency. We, as the Class of 2020, will stand up to adversity and knock it to the side. We will push forward and conquer our dreams. We are proud! We are Resilient! We are the Florida State University-Panama City Class of 2020! #Resilientnoles”

– **Ilene T Grier,**  
*Cum Laude*

**Taunya James**  
**Pamela Valerie Jennings**

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“Thank you to my wife and daughter for being so supportive. I know it hasn’t been easy on either of you. I absolutely could not have done it without you both motivating me and being my biggest cheerleaders! I love you both more than words can express.”

– **Anthony Duane Love,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

**Candice Lundy,**  
*Cum Laude*

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“To my fellow Social Work class mates, it has been an unforgettable experience to go through these crazy trials with you. I know that each of you will go on to do amazing things. Remember we made it through a hurricane and a pandemic. Anything more is a cake walk!! We truly are FSU- Resilient!!”

– **Jolene Montoya,**  
*Cum Laude*

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“I am so thankful for the amount of support I have received from my family, cohort, and my professors during my time at FSU-PC. Becoming a wife and a mother while being a student was a daunting task. However, my cohort and professors aiding in navigating during these milestones with the utmost compassion, support, and understanding! I can’t wait to

see all the big things my cohort will accomplish in the future!”

– **Alexa Nicole Schultz**

**Susan C Shallenberger,**  
*Cum Laude*  
**Bianca Nicole Vanderripe**  
**Angel Wardlaw,**  
**Magna Cum Laude**

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## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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*Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education*

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“[My favorite memories were] growing so close to my FSU family and classmates. I will never ever forget the memories I’ve made here. Congratulations everyone!”

– **Shatha Alkadah,**  
*Cum Laude*

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“Thank you for believing in me! To my wife... You are the reason I’m graduating. I never thought I was smart enough to go to college, let alone graduate. You inspire me to do more than I ever thought I could and love me even with my many faults. THANK YOU! To my classmates, WE DID IT! We’ve fought through everything imaginable, yet we persevered. I’m blessed to know each of you! To Reana, we all miss you so much! This moment is yours as well, and we all walk this virtual stage together. No Noles left behind!”

– **Jeremy Scott Brannon,**  
*Magna Cum Laude*

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**Hannah L Caskey,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

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“To my friends and family, I could not thank you enough. I tend to doubt myself a lot and you were all there to push me to the finish line. This journey was anything but smooth, yet here I am. Graduating with my Bachelor’s and beginning my Master’s. When I started my journey here, I was just doing it to get a degree. Now, I am doing it for you. I am doing it for those who are no longer able to graduate because of the hurricane. I am doing it for Reana, my friend and classmate who passed away in October. I am doing this, for the little girl that I used to be, dreaming of wearing Garnet and Gold because I was attending FSU. This is for all of us. GO NOLES!!!”

– Morgan Marie Durham

**Emily Hawkinson,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

**Ivy Sophia McDonald,** *Cum Laude*

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“I have been an FSU Seminole for as long as I can remember. I was raised by a family split down the middle of Seminoles and Gators. I have attended FSU football games since the early age of 5. I have always dreamed of calling myself an FSU Alumni, and here I am fulfilling that dream! GO NOLES!”

– Amber Elizabeth Nations

**Rachel Summerville,**  
*Magna Cum Laude*

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“I can’t thank my family enough for the support they have shown me through this journey. I wouldn’t have been able to complete this without them!”

– Lacey Vandel

**Jessica L Isler**  
**Reana Michelle Velez**

## COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

*Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science*

**Luis Ernesto Fernandez de la  
Vara,** *Magna Cum Laude*

**Leiser Garcia**  
**Bruce Jerome Henry**  
**Ashley Joseph**  
**Luciana Michelle  
Mullen,** *Cum Laude*

**Ruben Navarro**  
**Gabriel Pinheiro**  
**Daniel Curtis Powley**  
**Romane Sillon**  
**Corey James Sotiropoulos**

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“Although we never met in person because I was a distance learning student, I remember many of your names from the discussion boards and group projects. I hope our paths cross at some time in the future. Best of luck on all your endeavors.”

– Jason Jay Taylor

*Bachelor of Science in Computer Science*

**William Bassett**  
**Cassandra Leigh Danielle  
Buntin,** *Magna Cum Laude*

**Blake River Canter**  
**Biing Jiun Wang Charles**  
**Nathaniel Scott Craver**  
**Jonathan William Crawford**  
**Andre De Greef,** *Cum Laude*  
**Steven Dallas Fletcher**  
**Glenn A Giordano**  
**Michael A Herz**  
**Adam Chellis Jones**  
**Adil B Lalani,** *Magna Cum Laude*

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“I want to thank my family for allowing me to take the opportunity to pursue an education and supporting me along that journey. I am also thankful that I was able to meet some great friends and transition into this new chapter with them.”

– Keegan Lawley\*

**Nikolas Lennon**  
**Shweta Tiwari LoVoi**  
**Christopher  
Madden,** *Cum Laude*  
**Vivian Martinez**  
**Gustavo A Maturana**  
**Ralph Wayne McCracken**  
**Mark Anthony Nixon**  
**Humphrey John Pachecker**  
**Daniele Teresa Quinn**  
**Hunter Christian Redding**  
**Shawn Reeves**  
**Nicholas D Sobczak**

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“The sky is the limit from here. Always be in yourself and put God first. Life is going to be filled with many ups and downs. And you become stronger and grow more during your times of

adversity. So always keep your up!”

– Tiffany Brown Torres

**William Naphtali Ulrich,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

**Jonathan George  
VanSteenburg**

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“To those classmates that are now more like siblings, thank you for the countless distractions and memories. To my family, especially to my mom and my dad, thank you for your tireless efforts in helping me achieve the success I have. I don’t know if I’ll ever be able to pay you back, but I won’t ever stop trying. I love you all.”

– Braeden Matthew  
Warnick, *Cum Laude*

**Andrew Wood,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

*Bachelor of Science in Psychology*

**Marwa Abdelkader\*,**  
*Summa Cum Laude*

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“To everyone that has supported me: Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I could not have done this without you! To my fellow graduates: WE DID IT!!! You guys are amazing! I can’t wait to see the amazing things you all accomplish! Go NOLES!!!”

– Melissa Annett Adams

**Omar Albibi, Cum Laude**  
**Amanda Brooke  
Anthony,** *Cum Laude*  
**Taylor Allayna Beason**  
**Benjamin Daniel Earnest**

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“Thank you to my family for being my rock! Every day is a gift in the Gainer family. To all my loved ones, thank you for believing in me.”

I won’t let you down!”  
– Kynia Jade Gainer

**Olivia Michelle Geyer**  
**Allison Nicole Harasin**  
**Jessica Holcomb**  
**Ariel Monique Johnson,**  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
**Faith LeAnne Lawhorn**  
**Chelsie Lynn Mowl**  
**Julia Marie Phillips,** *Cum Laude*

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“I’d like to thank God first, and my loving family. I’d like to thank all the professors and administration for helping me along this sometimes difficult road!”

– Dylan Harold  
Schweinsberg

**Hannah Kathryn Waldorff**  
**Sara D Ward,** *Cum Laude*

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“Thank you Mom and Dad!”  
– Christina Grace Watts



\*Anticipated degree completion summer or fall 2020

# CANDIDATES FOR MASTER'S DEGREES

## COLLEGE OF APPLIED STUDIES

*Master of Science in Corporate & Public Communication*

Andrew Castro  
Camerin Hatcher  
Aleta Kay Lyons  
Lauren Marie Moon  
Joyce Marie Smith  
Ellen Marie Truchon

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“Nothing can stop us!”  
– Trista Raquel Waits \*

Chastity Wofford\*  
Ambur Wright

*Master of Science in Law Enforcement Intelligence*

Tania F Aouad  
Cynthia Barnes\*

*Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia*

Derek Ryan Allen  
William Ronan Ash  
Bedishwar Wayne Brathwaite  
Catherine O'Rourke Byrne  
Daniel Cruttenden  
Louise Catherine Dawson  
Jeremy Duckworth  
Justin Riley Giddens  
Laura Pavel Ketelsen  
Kelsi Leonard  
Michael Timothy Maneje  
Sydney Acosta McLaughlin

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James Michael Newton  
Cody Joe Rapp  
Jenette Schaffrath  
Alicia D. Schultz  
Adam Selzler  
Robert B Shearey  
Rosalynn Tracy Solomon  
Tyler Andrew Suddarth  
John Truong Tran  
Lea Nicole White

## COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION & INFORMATION

*Master of Science in Information*

Sarah Schreck\*\*

## FAMU-FSU COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

*Master of Science in Electrical Engineering*

Michael W Ballack  
Christian Casey

*Master of Science in Systems Engineering*

Alex Gregory Burgans  
David Paul Daigle  
Dustin Freeburg  
Keith A Hartless  
Suzy Houser  
Tinsley Ressler Ihaksi  
Tia Lilliman  
Thomas McCroan\*

Ronald Miller\*  
Thomas Mooney\*  
Devin Ramsey  
Payton Alexander Reid

## COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

*Master of Social Work*

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“I am so thankful for the support of my husband, Mike, and my daughters, Bethany and Chloe, for all their support. My mom and dad have always supported me and cheered me through the finish line. My work colleagues, school cohorts, and professors, I appreciate all you have sacrificed to help me be successful in my pursuits of helping others. May you know how blessed that I have been because of the allowances and love you have shown me. It will never be forgotten. Sometimes a person needs someone to believe in them until they can believe in themselves. Thank you each for that belief. ‘Develop enough courage to stand up for yourself and then stand up for someone else.’ Maya Angelou”

– Denise Smith Baril\*

\*\* FSU Tallahassee graduate

## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

*Master of Science in Elementary Education*

Melody Faith Hatfield  
Rebecca Sandy Walker

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“Thank you all for making FSU such a memorable place. I wish you all the best of the luck in your future endeavors! Once a Nole, always a Nole!”

– Katlyn Worley

## COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

*Master of Science in Psychology: Applied Behavior Analysis*

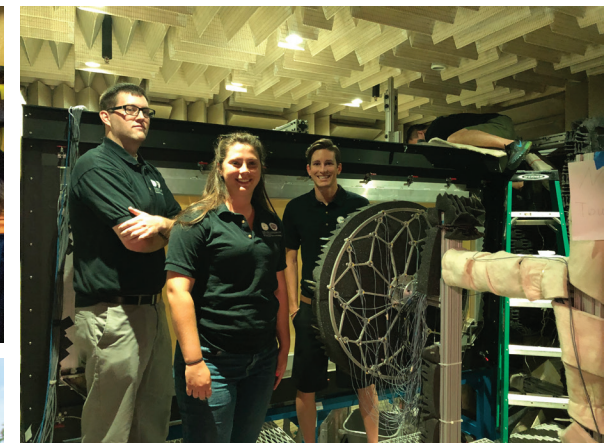
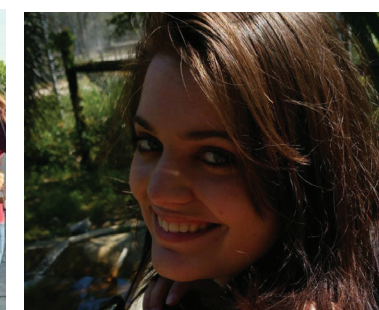
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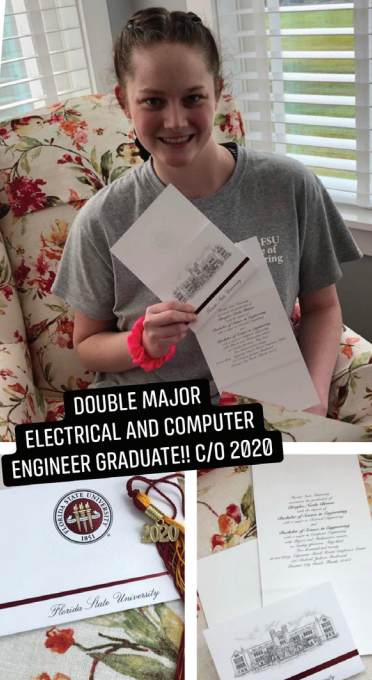
“Congratulations to all who are graduating and made it through two unprecedented and disastrous events. I wish you all the best of luck in life's next chapter. Most of all I want to thank my wife, Shelly for supporting me through these past two years. We made it through the storm, the heat, the mold, the immeasurable stress, and we will survive the pandemic. Without you, I would not be where I am, nor the

person I am today. The future is bright! Now, let's go back where it's cold and there are no hurricanes! :)”

– Bruce Giles Barger

Elaina Lilly Chason  
Amanda Layne Cockrell  
Angelica Elizabeth Cullen  
Loren Ashley Eighmie  
Savannah Faircloth  
Emily Elizabeth Freiberg  
Andrea Elizabeth Gagnon  
Lindsey Ives  
Alexander Michael Knaub  
Stephanie Leon  
Julia Kincaid Mazer  
Hope Victoria McNally  
Frances Pauken  
Sadie Wallace  
Corrie Dean Wilkins





# HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

## GARNET KEY HONOR SOCIETY

*Garnet Key students are recognized for leadership, service, spirit and scholarship.*

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|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Melissa Adams          | Molly King         | Dana Leigh Russell     |
| Jennifer Bowers        | Ashley Lashbrook   | Bittney Leigh Sanders  |
| William Ray Bradley II | Kristi Lawson      | Sarah H. Schreck       |
| Jeremy Scott Brannon   | Lauren Lewis       | Morgan D. Simo         |
| Hannah Lee Caskey      | Ivy McDonald       | Emma C. Sipperly       |
| Chandra Cooper         | Samantha Mistrot   | Issis M. Smothers      |
| La'Quana M. Cooper     | Lauren Marie Moon  | Ariana                 |
| Robert Courson         | Lori W. Morgan     | Sotomayor Maldonado    |
| Angela Donahue         | Amber Nations      | Holly Nicole Stevenson |
| Morgan Durham          | Douglas Martin Orr | Arlene J. Stirgus      |
| Gunnar Gartner         | Stacey Pelham      | Sierra Vertrees        |
| Melody Hartfield       | Julia Philipps     | Rebecca S. Walker      |
| Emily Hawkinson        | Gian Clarette      | Maia Watson            |
|                        | Alcebar Pinon      | Kaitlyn R. Worley      |

## GARNET AND GOLD SCHOLAR SOCIETY

*Garnet and Gold Scholar Society facilitates involvement and recognizes the engaged, well-rounded student who excels within and beyond the classroom in the areas of leadership, internship, service, international and research.*

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| William Ray Bradley II | Irene Field |
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## MILITARY VETERAN GRADUATES

*Our military veteran graduates are presented with red, white and blue honor cords to be worn during the commencement ceremony. These cords show gratitude for their sacrifice and service and expresses our confidence in their future success.*

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| Kenneth R Anderson IV | Lisa Jefferson       | Brian James Pierce   |
| William Ronan Ash     | Alexander Arnulfo    | Sally Place          |
| Bryan Austin Bishop   | Lopez Parra          | Romane Sillon        |
| Jeremy Scott Brannon  | Anthony Duane Love   | Nicholas D Sobczak   |
| Philip Joseph Casiano | Sylvia Elena Luna    | Arlene J. Stirgus    |
| Andrew Castro         | Christopher Madden   | Tiffany Brown Torres |
| Robert Anthony Cortes | Jolene Montoya       | Chastity Wofford     |
| Jessica L Isler       | Thomas Patrick Parks |                      |



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This partnership is more than a commitment for just a few years. You will leave with greater critical thinking skills, a love for learning, and understanding the importance of being an engaged member of your community. Together, we will make sure that FSU continues to meet the needs of students just like you.

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