



FSU PANAMA CITY
**2020 VIRTUAL
COMMENCEMENT**

CELEBRATING THE 2020 SUMMER GRADUATES





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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DEDMAN SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY

Bachelor of Science in Hospitality & Tourism Management
Gregory Ward Ammons

COLLEGE OF APPLIED STUDIES

Bachelor of Science in Crime Scene Investigation
Elizabeth Blume

“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

“I am very excited to be graduating with my bachelors in Crime Scene Investigation!! This is something that I have been looking forward to for years, and I have worked so hard to get here!! I will never forget all the memories that I’ve made and the friends that I’ve gained during my time at FSU!! It has been an amazing journey, and I can’t wait to see what the future has to hold!! I would like to thank all my friends and family that have supported me along this journey!! I could not have done it without y’all’s continuous support. To my fellow graduates, I have loved getting to know so many of you. I wish you all good luck on your next adventure.”
Caylynn Reeder,
Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Law Enforcement Intelligence

“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 Dawn Ortiz, *Cum Laude*

Kalvin Christian Peterson,
Cum Laude

“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 Nicole Galbreath
double major in Psychology

“Graduating is very bittersweet. I have met so many amazing people along the way and have made memories that I will remember forever. I have worked very hard and am proud of all that I have accomplished, but I am excited to start this new chapter in my life.”
Caylynn Ruth Pigott,
Cum Laude

Taylor Reed

David Shirley

“We have worked very hard to get where we are; however, the hard work does not end



“I am thrilled to be graduating with my bachelor’s. I have worked hard over the past three years to get to where I am today. I look forward to what comes next! I would like to thank my family and friends for supporting me through my college years and always motivating me to continue studying. These past three years have flown by so fast. Thank you for celebrating my college graduation with me, I couldn’t have done it without you.”
Anet Hernandez,
Summa Cum Laude

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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 Devon Lewis



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*

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“I feel that I am reaching the end of the marathon that is my academic career. I would like to thank my family for all of the support and would like to wish all of my fellow graduates’ luck in all of their future endeavors.”

Johnny Ray Aaron, *Cum Laude*

Cameron Perry Cook,
Cum Laude

Christopher Robert Delbaugh,
Summa Cum Laude

*Bachelor of Science in
Professional Communication*

Rebecca Cate Kemp

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“I feel like I really accomplished a huge life goal for myself. I know my dad would be really proud of me if he was still here. Thank you to my family for never letting me give up on my goals, especially

my dad. Also, thank you to my new boss for giving me my first “big girl” job at an insurance agency, where I’ve realized my potential to do great things in the insurance world. Thank you to my loving and all supportive boyfriend for always encouraging me to finish my degree and thank you to all of the staff at FSU PC for assisting and guiding me in the right direction.”

Madison Elizabeth Parker

**Daidreonia Shannon
Phillip Andrew Simmons
Emma Civita Sipperly**

*Bachelor of Science in
Recreation, Tourism & Events*

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“Although the Class of 2020 may have been robbed of some of life’s most precious moments — a 21st birthday, a graduation, a final goodbye — what we have forever are the unforgettable moments that will stay with us forever. I am so thankful to FSU for fostering an environment that set me up to be the person I am today and wouldn’t have changed a second of it. To everyone who has been there for me, worked next to me, guided me, or laughed with me, know that I appreciate you so much. If I could list every single person who has affected my life over the last 3 years, this message would be far too long. Please know that I love you, I’m grateful for you, and I will always remember you.”

Heather Christine Carpenter,
Magna Cum Laude

FAMU-FSU COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

*Bachelor of Science in
Civil Engineering*

Kristin C. Medlin

*Bachelor of Science
in Electrical Engineering*

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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

Christopher L. Phillips

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“(I’m) excited and nervous (about graduating)! But prepared knowing I have a degree from Florida State! Thank you friends for the fun these last couple of years. You’re gonna do amazing with the work you’re going to do, and I’m excited to see what you accomplished. To my loved ones, thank you for your time and patience as it took me to complete this degree. Your love and support were always there, and it definitely kept me on my feet. I love you all!”

Marshall Daniel Sowell,
Summa Cum Laude

David William Trexler,
Magna Cum Laude

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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 Cooper 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*

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES & PUBLIC POLICY

*Bachelor of Science in
Social Science, Interdisciplinary*

**Judi W. Brooks
Ashley Nicole Lashbrook
Samantha Wagner
Breydon Wilson**

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

*Bachelor of Science in
Business Administration*

Ronald Lee Bailey, Jr.

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“(I feel) conflicted (about graduating). Happy it happened, but sad that it’s over. I love y’all. Thanks for making me who I am and helping me get where I want to go.”

Rice Martello

Kyle Adam Norbut,
Magna Cum Laude

**Hunter Romans
Micah Ryan**

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

Bachelor of Social Work

Adira-Danique Philyaw,
Magna Cum Laude

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

*Bachelor of Arts in
Computer Science*

**Jonathan Cory Cummings
Luciana Michelle Mullen,**
Cum Laude
double major in Political Science

*Bachelor of Science in
Computer Science*

**Harley Jeremiah Jackson
Laurie Kirk,** *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 thankful that I was able to meet some great friends and transition into this new chapter with them.”

Keegan Wade Lawley

**Constantine Nikolayevich
Logvin
Shawn Reeves**

*Bachelor of Science in
Psychology*

Marwa Nasir Abdelkader,
Summa Cum Laude

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“It feels almost unreal, I have been focusing on graduating for such a long time and now it is finally here. I cannot wait to continue making memories and accomplishing many more things in the future. Continue to strive for your goals and dreams, they are not as far away as they seem!”

Anna Corene Bowers

**Theo’C T. Christopher
Carlee Rita Wilson**

CANDIDATES FOR MASTER'S DEGREES

COLLEGE OF APPLIED STUDIES

Master of Science in Corporate & Public Communication

Molly Shawna King

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(I'm) excited for the next step in my journey. To my fellow graduates, congratulations for making it to this special moment in our education. Graduating is a huge accomplishment and well deserved. To my family and loved ones, thank you so much for all the support in me. Without you all, I would not be where I am now. Thank you for knowing that I can accomplish things even when I was nervous that I wouldn't."

Brittney Leigh Sanders

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"Nothing can stop us!"

Trista Raquel Waits

**Chastity Wofford
Ambur Wright**

Master of Science in Law Enforcement Intelligence

Cynthia Lynn Barnes

FAMU-FSU COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

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"When I started this journey it felt like I was climbing a mountain. As I reflect on the journey that took place, I am proud of myself for accomplishing this goal and setting my sights on the next mountain to tackle. Always push yourself, you never know what you can accomplish! I would like to say thank you to my friends and family for staying positive

and assisting me through the years. I appreciate all the love and support from my mother, father and brothers. I would also like to say thank you to Nicole Blais for being a great cheerleader when times got tough. Also, I would like to say thank you to my dogs for constantly distracting me while I studied for exams. I love you Xena, Sansa, Trapper, Courtney, Bear and my big girl Eve."

Michael W. Ballack

**Christian Casey
Tasneem Salman**

Master of Science in Systems Engineering

**Thomas J. McCroan
Ronald Allen Miller
Thomas Mooney**

HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

GARNET KEY HONOR SOCIETY

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

Molly King

**Ashley Lashbrook
Bittney Leigh Sanders**

Emma C. Sipperly

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.

**Johnny Ray Aaron
Christopher Robert
Delbaugh**

**Eric Devon Lewis
Constantine Nikolayevich
Logvin**

**Taylor Reed
Chastity Wofford**





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The Florida State University Alumni Association was established in May 1909 to serve the University and its alumni. When you came to Florida State University, you joined a community of tradition, excellence and pride. Becoming a member of the Alumni Association allows you to stay connected. You also receive many other benefits when you join and become a member. Visit the Alumni Association website at alumni.fsu.edu.

**FSU PANAMA CITY
LEGACY BRICK PROGRAM**

Leave a lasting legacy with your name on a commemorative brick in a courtyard between the Holley Academic Center and the Technology and Barron buildings at FSU Panama City. Bricks cost \$200, and all proceeds benefit campus enrichment and alumni initiatives. To place your order, call (850) 770-2168 or visit <https://one.fsu.edu/foundation/donate/unit/applied-studies/panama-city/brick-form>.

FSU PANAMA CITY WILL ALWAYS BE YOUR HOME

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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