

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Celebration

ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY

THE SEVENTEENTH OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE



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AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL PRACTICE

Manuel and Ana María Benítez Award for Clinical Excellence in Immigration Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated extraordinary ability in their work in the Immigration Clinic and who possesses the personal qualities of the namesakes, both immigrants, including initiative, creativity, zeal, loyalty, and integrity.

Lily Brickman

Community Legal Clinics Volunteer Service Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who excelled in volunteering their time and energy to promote the goals and ideals of law in the public interest by contributing to the efforts of the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics.

Nina Bundy Ori Fedida Deborah Jaffee

The Clinical Legal Education Association Outstanding Student Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who excelled in a clinical course of law.

Kelly Hennessy

Richard C. Lewis, Jr. Memorial Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who exhibited extraordinary dedication to their work in the Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics and unusual compassion and humanity toward clients and colleagues.

Carla Moss Anissa Tanksley

Susan Jones Memorial Social Entrepreneur and Community Empowerment Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who exemplifies Professor Jones's values of community empowerment, financial literacy, and social entrepreneurship.

Lauren Sturm

AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED ACCOMPLISHMENT

Justice Thurgood Marshall Civil Liberties Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who demonstrated outstanding performance in and dedication to the field of civil rights and civil liberties.

Gideon Epstein Jasmine Williams

Michael Dillon Cooley Memorial Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who shared most generously of their time, compassion, and vitality to aid the intellectual and spiritual growth of fellow students.

Jasmine Williams

National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Law Graduate Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who contributed to the advancement of women, promoted concerns of women in the legal profession, achieved academic success, and earned the respect of the law school faculty and administration.

Sarah Gates Picchini

Robert E. Thibault and Richard B. Schenck Award for Service to the Military

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who have undertaken extraordinary efforts to honor, assist, or otherwise support veterans and current members of the United States Armed Forces.

Luke Schlobohm Allie Vaughn

Judge Roger W. Titus Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who seeks or obtains a federal district court clerkship and who embodies the qualities of academic excellence, personality, and humility that Judge Titus sought in his law clerks.

Elijah Pardo

The Ledakis and Weston George Washington Law Review Award

to a member of Law Review for excellence in authorship of a note.

Shloke Nair

Thelma Weaver Memorial Award

to a foreign student in the graduating Master of Laws class who contributed most to the intellectual and professional life of the law school, its students, and its faculty.

Enya Stephan

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN A GENERAL FIELD OF STUDY

Ogden W. Fields Labor Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated the highest overall proficiency in the area of labor law.
Hannah Katz

Lawrence E. Seibel Memorial Award in Labor and Employment Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who has demonstrated excellence in the labor and employment law field.
Christina Hitchcock

Richard L. Teberg Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated the highest overall proficiency in the area of securities law.
Michael Schulien

Henry R. Berger Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who has demonstrated excellence in the area of tort law.
Joseph Arkfeld

Chris Bartok Memorial Award in Patent Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who has exhibited excellence in the area of patent law.
Brian Smallshaw

Finnegan Prizes in Intellectual Property Law

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who wrote the best publishable articles on an aspect of intellectual property law.

1st place: Natalie Smith 2nd place: Nicholas Earl Barker 3rd place (tie): Lexi Murman 3rd place (tie): Brian Smallshaw

Peter D. Rosenberg Prize in Patent and Intellectual Property Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who exhibited excellence in the study of patent and intellectual property law.
Lorna Strachan

Charles and Kathryn Miller Environmental Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who demonstrated excellence in the field of environmental law.
Sidney Lee

Jamie Grodsky Prize for Environmental Law

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class for the best paper written in the previous year in the field of environmental law.
Coleman Wheeler

Joel B. Rosenthal Commercial Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the area of commercial law.
Lenni Elias

Howard J. Rudge Creative Solutions Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class for the best paper proposing a creative solution to a serious societal problem in the United States.
Yolanda Heman-Ackah

Patricia A. Tobin Government Procurement Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who demonstrated excellence in the area of government procurement law.
Bryan Dewan

Jennie Hassler Walburn Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the area of civil procedure.
Erin McGuire

Imogen Williford Constitutional Law Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who demonstrated excellence in the area of constitutional law.
Daniel Cooper

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ORAL ADVOCACY

Jacob Burns Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who were the winning team in the Van Vleck Moot Court Competition.
2024-25: Claire Housley 2024-25: Emma Stinson

Cohen & Cohen Mock Trial Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who were the winning team of the Cohen & Cohen Mock Trial Competition.
2024: Chase O'Brien 2024: Emma Wardour

Judge Albert H. Grenadier Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor or Master of Laws class who represented the law school in the National Moot Court Competition and the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.
2023-24: Saksham Sabarwal 2024-25: Caitlin Hyers
2024-25: Jasmyn Montano 2024-25: Hagar Sivan
2024-25: Joanne Wicki

Pamela Spanogle International Commercial Arbitration Competition Award

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who represented the law school in the Willem Vis International Arbitration Competition.
Eric Anthony Nawal Seedat Raisa Shah Melis Ulusel

Rothwell, Figg, Ernst and Manbeck Award

to a member of the graduating class who was on the winning team in the Rothwell Intellectual Property Law Moot Court Competition.
2024: William Shorter

M. Ethan Lucarelli Moot Court Award

to a member of the graduating class who demonstrated overall excellence in moot court competitions.
William Schubert

AWARDS FOR OVERALL ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Kappa Beta Pi Awards

to the female members of the graduating Juris Doctor class in the full- and part-time courses of study who attained the highest cumulative averages in the first year.
Full-time: Lexi Orgill Part-time: Eliza Puritz

Phi Delta Delta Award

to the female member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest average in the first semester of study for the degree.
Abigail Stein

John Ordronaux Awards

to the members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative averages in the first year, full-time course of study and in the second year, full-time course of study.
1L: Lexi Orgill 2L: Sean Hullihan

Charles Glover Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative average in the third year, full-time course of study.
Nicole Economou

Willard Waddington Gatchell Award

to the three members of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative averages in the entire course of the degree.
Charles Arnett Nicole Economou Sean Hullihan

Anne Wells Branscomb Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative average in the part-time division for the entire course of the degree.
Charles Arnett

John Bell Larner Award

to a member of the graduating Juris Doctor class who attained the highest cumulative average for the entire course of the degree.
Nicole Economou