Welcome and Opening Remarks
Daniel Girard Gavin
Professor, Department of Geography
Department Head, Department of Geography

Congratulatory Remarks
Department of Geography
Faculty

Commencement Address
Julia Olson
Class of 2020 – Bachelor of Science

Lauren Tierney
Class of 2012 – Bachelor of Arts; Class of 2015 – Master of Science
Graphics Reporter – Washington Post

Recognition of 2020 Graduates:
Grad Roll
Graduating Class of 2020
2020 GEOGRAPHY AWARD WINNERS

THE IRWIN AND RENE H. HOLZMAN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
Award Recipient: 
Cora Bordley

BILL LOY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CARTOGRAPHY
Award Recipients: 
Nathaniel Douglass  
“A Landscape of Change: Fourteen Years of Field Study Routes in China & Tibet”
Michala Garrison  
“Hypoxia Season: Low Oxygen Events off the Pacific Northwest Coast”
Julia Olson  
“Great Divide Mountain Bike Route”

Honorable Mentions: 
Nicole Merrill  
“Surtsey: Born in Fire, Lost at Sea”
Dion Webster  
“The Ogallala Aquifer: Agricultural Chokehold”

THE SANDRA F. PRITCHARD MATHER GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP
Award Recipients: 
Tianna Bruno
Justin Menke
Adriana Uscanga Castillo

THE EVERETT G. SMITH GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP
Award Recipient: 
Samuel McLaughlin

THE TRUSSELL FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
Award Recipients: 
Mason Leavitt
Grace Montague
Julia Olson
ADVANCED DEGREE
CANDIDATES

Doctor of Philosophy

Dylan Patrick Brady
“Navigating Chinese-ness: Infrastructure, Community and the More-Than-Human Nation”
Advisor: Daniel Buck

Lauren Bea Hendricks
“Fire in the Rainforest: Fire History and Carbon pools in Southwestern Borneo’s Tropical Rainforest”
Advisor: Daniel Gavin

María Belén Noroña
“Peripheries of Extraction in the Amazon of Ecuador: An Analysis of Indigenous Territory, Livelihoods and Voices”
Advisor: Shaul Cohen

Master of Arts

David Antonio Bachrach
“Analyzing Livelihood Strategies in China: Lessons Learned from Taiyuan”
Advisor: Daniel Buck

Bianca Nicole Malkoc
"Rebuilding Precarity: Dwellings & Demolitions in Jamestown Harbor, Accra, Ghana"
Advisor: Leigh Johnson

Weicheng Wang
“Fifteen Years of Land Cover Change in Oregon: A Case Study of Climatic Impacts, Disturbance, and Other Potential Drivers”
Advisor: Lucas Silva

Master of Science

Riley O’Darby Anderson
“High Resolution Remote Sensing of Eelgrass (Zostera marina) in South Slough, Oregon”
Advisor: Mark Fonstad

Michael David Farinacci
“Impacts of Management on Forest Response to Climate Variability in Oregon’s Western Cascades”
Advisor: Lucas Silva
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Department Honors

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Department Honors

Shaylee Nicole Muhs

Thomas Joseph Navarro

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Kelsey Maura-Frances Odenthal

Julia Anne Olson  
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Zachary Charles Sumey

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Robert D West

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Spatial Data Science & Technology

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