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INDIGENOUS, RACE, AND ETHNIC STUDIES

SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 2025



DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENOUS, RACE, AND ETHNIC STUDIES

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 2025 · 1:00 P.M.

MILLER THEATRE COMPLEX

Welcome

Ernesto Javier Martínez

Department Head

Commencement Address

Signe Espinoza

Executive Director of Planned Parenthood Pennsylvania Advocates
Alumna, Indigenous, Race, and Ethnic Studies, '15

Remarks from Graduates

Presentation of Candidates

Courtney Cox

Director of Graduate Studies

Jennifer O'Neal

Director of Undergraduate Studies

Closing Remarks

Laura Pulido

Professor

Adjournment and Reception

Light refreshments will be provided immediately following the ceremony.

DEGREE CANDIDATES

Note: Not an official degree list. Students listed are eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony at the time this program was printed.

Ethnic Studies, Black Studies, Latinx Studies, and Native American and Indigenous Studies Majors and Minors

Graduate Certificate

Roshelle Weiser-Nieto

Master's Candidates

Zoë Gamell Brown

Advisor: Lynn Fujiwara,
Associate Professor

Rachel Cushman

Advisors: Lana Lopesi,
Assistant Professor;
Kirby Brown,
Associate Professor

Mariana Rivera

Advisor: Ernesto Martínez,
Associate Professor

Bryant Taylor

Advisor: Lynn Fujiwara,
Associate Professor

Asako Yonan

Advisor: Lynn Fujiwara,
Associate Professor

Baccalaureate Candidates

Ethnic Studies Majors

Shannon Ahern

Tanner Austin ⁴

Valentine Bentz

David Coodley

Natalie Garcia-Zepeda ^{3 4}

Sol Gutierrez

Mekhi Hepburn

Simone Hunnicutt

Adriana Loera-Segovia

Yair Maoz

Mariana Marquez

Asia Petrus

Nicholas Pickett

Nikko Reed

Mateo Reynaud

Wilhelm Schlieder

Arie Seegers

Bethel Sishu

Jake Stauffer

Maya Tadjiki

Zachary (Karisu, Donggat, Tiku)
Villagomez

Kai Wolfe

Native American and Indigenous Studies Majors

Yudith Chavez-Flores

Miranda Guppy

August Hilkey

Angela Noah

Kaitlynn Spino

Ethnic Studies Minors

Jules Aviles
Anahi Calderon-Arceo
Miya Chan
Yudith Chavez-Flores
Em Fettel
Chaelyn Fuentes
Izzy Kaplan
Sarada Leavitt ⁴
Zahra Matthews
Angela Noah
Susan Remick
Manny Rodriguez
Dylan Squires
Zoe Tandingan
Lou Taylor
Meaghan Watson

Black Studies Minors

Nalah Evans ⁴
Makda Eyobe
Arie Seegers
Bethel Sishu
Samara Walker

Latinx Studies Minors

Emily Andrade Gonzalez
Justine Arias
Claire Aspeitia
Adrian Ayala Pacheco
Kelsey Balcazar
Xcaret Bello
Jimena Castaneda Ramirez
Lisette Catalan
Victor Cendejas Duarte
Daniela Cortes-Montesinos
Clara DeLuna
Audrey Estrada
Brenda Garcia
Armando Garcia Salazar
Lizbeth Gonzalez Gabriel ⁴
Mariali Hernandez Rojas
Mireya Herrera Muro
Gaby Kofler
Adriana Lopez Acosta
Manuela Mena
Carlos Orozco
Elena Ortega
Andrea Plymale
Yesenia Rivas-Ruiz
Yaire Solano Guevara ⁴
Andy Solis
Gabby Torres
Lucia Ventura

Native American and Indigenous Studies Minors

Kiah Albertus
Katarina Allison
Wilma Baker
Lauryn Begay
Addison Caplinger
Sophia Hodgdon ⁴
Jeanette Jones
Autumn Nash
Daisy Ohleyer ⁴
River Rutledge ⁴
Kalena Trachsel
Morgan Vasquez
Zach Villagomez
McKenna Wilson
Kai Wolfe

¹ summa cum laude ² magna cum laude ³ cum laude ⁴ Phi Beta Kappa ⁵ Oregon Six ⁶ department honors

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

John Karl Scholz, President

Christopher P. Long, Provost and Senior Vice President

Chris Poulsen, Tykeson Dean of Arts and Sciences

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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HONORING NATIVE PEOPLES AND LANDS

The University of Oregon is located on Kalapuya Ilihi, the traditional indigenous homeland of the Kalapuya people. Following treaties between 1851 and 1855, Kalapuya people were dispossessed of their indigenous homeland by the United States government and forcibly removed to the Coast Reservation in Western Oregon. Today, descendants are citizens of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon, and continue to make important contributions in their communities, at UO, and across the land we now refer to as Oregon.

We express our respect for all federally recognized tribal nations of Oregon. This includes the Burns Paiute Tribe; the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians; the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon; the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon; the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation; the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs; the Coquille Indian Tribe; the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians; and the Klamath Tribes. We also express our respect for all other displaced Indigenous peoples who call Oregon home.

