

# CONVOCATION 2018



## Department of Hispanic Languages and Literature

### INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Professor Paul Firbas  
Director of Undergraduate Studies

### COMMENCEMENT SALUTES AND READINGS

Sally Scott-Sabo, PhD, Summer 2018  
Raúl Cárdenas, BA in Spanish  
D. Camille O'Brien, BA Spanish & Political Sc

### HONORS AND AWARDS PRESENTATION

#### UNDERGRADUATE BEST ESSAY AWARD PRESENTATION

Presented by Professor Joseph Pierce

Belinda B. Castiblanco,  
“El ojo del alma: detective, ciudad y sociedad”

#### UNDERGRADUATE HONORS

Presented by Professor Kathleen Vernon

**Best Spanish GPA:** Raúl Cárdenas  
**Best Overall GPA:** Stephanie Galluzo

***Cum Laude*** (GPA 3.5+): Elizabeth R.  
D'Alessandro, Camille O'Brien, Hazy Pérez

***Magna Cum Laude*** (GPA 3.7+): Raúl  
Cárdenas, Jamie Lynn Greco, Bianca Linares  
Palucci, Lorena Pérez

***Summa Cum Laude*** (GPA 3.85+): Stephanie  
Galluzo, Sarrah Mackin

**Undergraduate Honor Thesis:**

Hazy Katherine Pérez, “La honra de la mujer  
en la época medieval”

Raman Budhani, “La idea de la locura en 2666,  
de Roberto Bolaño”

**EXCELLENCE IN GRADUATE TEACHING AND  
TERESA SCHUEREN TUTORING AWARDS  
PRESENTATION**

Presented by Professor Lilia Ruiz-Debbe

Ignacio Arellano Torres, Graduate Teaching  
Award

Sally Scott-Sabo, Graduate Tutoring Award

**GRADUATE BEST ESSAY AWARD  
PRESENTATION**

Presented by Professor Adrián Pérez-Melgosa  
Alberto Sánchez Medina,  
“El pensamiento trágico en *Los olvidados*”

## PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

### **B. A. MAJOR IN SPANISH**

BOLAÑOS, THALIA EUNICE  
BUDHANI, RAMAN  
CÁRDENAS, RAÚL FRANCISCO  
ESQUIVIAS, ABIGAIL  
GRECO, JAMIE LYNN\*  
MASSEY, VICTORIA LYNN  
NUNEZ, COSETTE BRONTE  
O'BRIEN, DEBORAH CAMILLE  
PALUCCI, BIANCA LINARES\*  
PÉREZ, HAZEY KATHERINE\*  
PÉREZ, LORENA  
PRIORE, FALLON NICOLE \*  
THOM, STEPHANIE MICHELLE

(\* ) BA/MA TEACHING SPANISH COMBINED PROGRAM

### **MINOR IN SPANISH**

ARATA, JACQUELINE  
BEHAR, CARA ELLEN  
BISSOON, NANDINI  
D'ALESSANDRO, ELIZABETH ROSE  
DRIK, ANASTASIYA  
GALLUZZO, STEPHANIE ANN  
GUTIERREZ, YESENIA  
HARLEY, ASHLEY MARIE  
HERNÁNDEZ MONTIEL, RUTH FABIOLA  
KIM JR., GAHYE  
MACKIN, SARAH L

MERCED, ASHLY IVETTE  
PUGLISI, JAMES ALEXANDER (SUMMER 18)  
VEITCH, ERICH ROBERT (SUMMER 18)

### **M.A. IN TEACHING SPANISH**

CRYSTAL CONTRERAS (S 18)  
ADRIANA GONZALEZ (F 17)  
OMAR GARCÍA (F 17)  
ANDREW LA GRECA (S 18)  
KELLIE LYNCH (SP 18)  
JAQUELYN NICHOLS (S 18)

### **PH. D.**

Pilar Consuelo Espitia, *Queering the Andean Mystics: Represiones, subversiones y deseos en las prácticas religiosas de la América colonial (Perú, siglos XVI-XVII)*, spring 2018

Rubén González-Jiménez, *Soldados del infortunio: sustratos de la colonialidad en la literatura bélica caribeña*, fall 2017

Sally Scott-Sabo, *Reading Remains and Imagining New Beginnings in Present Day Guatemala and Spain*, summer 2018

### **RECEPTION**