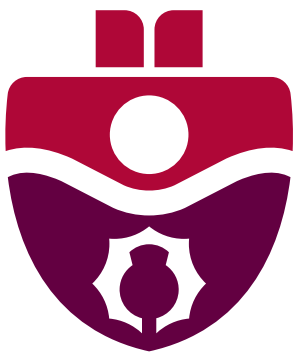


Spring Convocation 2026





O CANADA

*O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all of us command.
Car ton bras sait porter l'épée,
Il sait porter la croix!
Ton histoire est une épopée
Des plus brillants exploits.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.*

Convocation

This joyous yet solemn event is bound by traditions that have evolved over centuries. It is a continuum with a formal beginning and end. By being present here today, you have indicated your interest in being part of this academic tradition. Graduating students and their guests are therefore expected to remain in their seats until this formal ceremony has been completed in its entirety—until the Chancellor of the University has officially closed Convocation and the stage party and graduates have recessed.

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Message

from the President

Graduates, on behalf of the Saint Mary's University community, congratulations! This is your day. I am so proud to share it with you.

At Saint Mary's, our top priority is to prepare you to succeed, not just in completing a degree or securing that first job, but for success throughout your careers and lives.

As you cross the stage today, I hope you feel a sense of pride. The degree you receive today represents a wonderful academic achievement.

It's also a symbol of all you gained on this journey: a diverse, rich education and connections with people and ideas from around the world. The ability to think differently, to innovate and create. Experiences beyond the classroom as leaders, volunteers, athletes, community builders and more. And the confidence to go beyond what you thought was possible.

Today's milestone also reflects your growth as lifelong learners, your resilience, and your readiness to navigate the challenges and exciting opportunities that lie ahead.

As you move forward, I encourage you to dream big, keep exploring, stay positive and take pride in what you do. And most of all, enjoy the ride!

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your journey. You will always be part of the Saint Mary's University community.

Dr. Michael Khan,
President and Vice-Chancellor





Message *from the* **Chancellor**

Congratulations graduates!

Today, faculty, staff, family and honoured guests join with you on campus and online. It is fitting we are all here together to witness this major milestone in your lives.

Please know how proud we are—of you and your accomplishments! Convocation is a special time, a time for thanks, reflection and, above all, celebration!

Please remember that no matter where you go, or whatever future endeavours you pursue, you will always be part of the large, extended family of proud SMU alumni.

We will stay connected at events and homecomings.

We will stay connected online.

You always have a home at Saint Mary's University.

We will never forget this day and the unique circumstances that bring us together. You will always hold a special place in the history of this great university.

Dr. Michael Durland BComm'87 DComm'10,
Chancellor





Order of Academic Procession

Marshal of Convocation

Alumni Honour Guard

Graduates

Faculty

Board of Governors

Deans of Faculties

Vice-Presidents

President and Vice-Chancellor

Chancellor

The audience is requested to stand when the Academic Procession arrives and at the close of Convocation, to remain standing until all of the Academic Procession has recessed.

Please note that names of graduates listed in this program are subject to revision.





Order of Proceedings

Processional (*Audience stands*)

Welcome Remarks:

Shannon Dea, BA (Hons.), MA, PhD, Provost and VPAR

Indigenous Honour Song (*Audience stands*)

Presidential Remarks:

Michael Khan, BSc, MA, PhD

Presentation of Awards

Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates:

Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

Adam J. Sarty, BSc (Engineering), PhD, Associate Vice-President Research,
Dean of Graduate Studies and Research

Sobey School of Business

Michel Delorme, PhD, Dean of the Sobey School of Business

Faculty of Science

Sam Veres, BEng, PhD, Dean of Science

Faculty of Arts

Marc G. Doucet, BA, MA, PhD, Acting Dean of Arts (10 a.m. session)

Tatjana Takševa, BA (Hons.), MA, PhD, Acting Dean of Arts (2 p.m. session)

Valedictory Addresses:

Dhanushki Thilini de Tissera Anthony (IMTE)

Lydia Anne Ramsay (BComm)

Chloe May Pobjoy-Ridolfo (BComm)

Melissa Maria Alvarez Del Angel (BSc Hons.)

Tashauna Ramona Reid (BSc Hons.)

Elizabeth Lynn Ganton (BA Hons.)

Grayson Lynn Kennedy (BA Hons.)



Conferral of Honorary Degree:

Wednesday, May 27 | 2 p.m.

To be Doctor of Civil Law (honoris causa):

Dr. Sanjeev Singh Chowdhury

Closing of Convocation:

Michael Durland BComm'87 DComm'10, Chancellor

O Canada *(Audience stands)*

Recessional *(Audience remains standing)*

Chancellor of Saint Mary's University:

Michael Durland BComm'87 DComm'10

Chairperson of Convocation:

Shannon Dea, BA (Hons.), MA, PhD, Provost and VPAR

Marshals of Convocation:

Jason Grek-Martin, PhD, Associate Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies, Bachelor of Environmental Studies Program Coordinator, Chairperson of the Academic Senate

Karen Grandy, BA, MA, PhD, Chair and Associate Professor of Marketing, Vice-Chairperson of the Academic Senate

Student Marshals:

Tom Brophy, BA, MEd, Associate Vice-President of Student Affairs and Services

Miyuki Arai, MA, Director, Global Learning Services



The Ceremonial Mace

The ceremonial mace, carried by the Marshal of Convocation, was presented to Saint Mary's University in 1980. It symbolizes the University's authority to grant degrees and is a gift from Maritime Command in honour of alumni killed in both world wars. The mace also recognizes serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have been students at Saint Mary's.

The mace is made of oak with a cast brass crown and brass plates carrying traditional ceremonial engravings; the plates represent the contributions to Saint Mary's by the Jesuit Fathers, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, the LaSalle Christian Brothers, the Lay Teachers and the Armed Forces.



University Motto

AGE QUOD AGIS

means to 'do what you do.' This phrase exhorts us to focus on our work, to be in the moment and devote our fullest attention to the task at hand. It is a call for dedication, a focus on duty and perseverance, a statement of process. It is a proclamation of the importance of disciplining ourselves to our studies, to our scientific, artistic, cultural, commercial and athletic pursuits. It is a call to action to act in the world, to shoulder responsibility, to champion social justice, environmental justice and ethical values.

Flags on the Stage



The flags which you see displayed on the stage

for Convocation are from the countries representing our graduating students. The globalization of the Saint Mary's University community is a feature of justifiable pride which contributes markedly to the growth and understanding of both Canadian and non-Canadian students.

Included in the University's permanent collection of flags is one from the International Year of the Disabled signifying the University's commitment to people with disabilities. The Mi'kmaq Grand Council flag is an important part of this collection in recognition of their First Nation's status. The University's Bicentennial flag was made a part of our permanent collection in 2002.



Academic Hoods

Graduates and members of the academic procession are attired in the basic elements of formal academic dress, which follow general guidelines established at England's Oxford and Cambridge Universities. It consists of the academic robe, hood and mortar board (at Saint Mary's, the latter is limited to Master's graduates).

The academic hood symbolizes the degree into which each graduate has been admitted, its outer edge trimmed with a colour to indicate a particular Faculty and degree: white symbolizes Arts; gold, Science; grey, Commerce, and green for Environmental Studies. Bachelor-level hoods are lined with satin in the colours of the institution granting the degree. Hence at Saint Mary's, they are maroon satin with a white chevron. The Master's hood is lined with maroon satin only, giving it added distinction.



Degrees and Diplomas

Awarded with Distinctions

At Saint Mary's University in the general undergraduate degree and diploma programs, academic distinctions are awarded to successful candidates on the basis of the following cumulative grade point averages of all courses taken at Saint Mary's University. There are no distinctions awarded in graduate and certificate programs.

BA, BES, BComm, & BSc	Grade Point Av.	Diploma in Engineering
summa cum laude	4.00 - 4.30	with greatest distinction
magna cum laude	3.85 - 3.99	with great distinction
cum laude	3.70 - 3.84	with distinction

The President's Hall of Academic Excellence, located in the main hallway of the McNally Building, directly outside the President's Office, displays the names of all students who earned one of these distinctions. The Hall also includes the names of students who won academic medals at graduation.



Medals & Awards

Governor General Medals

❁ Governor General's Silver Medal – Undergraduate

Recipient: Molly Euphemia Munroe

Donor: Governor General of Canada

❁ Governor General's Gold Medal – Graduate

Recipient: Margaret Z. Buhariwalla

Donor: Governor General of Canada

Gold Medals – Undergraduate

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| ❁ Bachelor of Arts | <i>Recipient:</i> Vanessa Fadi Safatli |
| ❁ Bachelor of Commerce | <i>Recipient:</i> Michael Robert Strugnell |
| ❁ Bachelor of Science | <i>Recipient:</i> Sarah Catherine Chiasson |
| ❁ Diploma in Engineering | <i>Recipient:</i> Aiden Nicholas Sheppard |

Faculty Medals – Graduate

❁ Master of Business Administration:

Dr. Harold G. Beazley Medal*

Recipient: Jacob Pitre

Donor: Dr. Harold G. Beazley

❁ Master of Science (Applied Psychology) Medal

Recipient: Mallory Olivia Coish

Donor: Aramark Canada Ltd.

❁ Master of Science (Applied Science):

The Georgia Pe-Piper Medal for Excellence in Applied Science

Recipient: Islam Matar

Donor: Applied Science Faculty Members

Prizes & Awards for Graduates

✿ **CAG Undergraduate Award in Geography**

Recipient: **Keyara Lyn Marie Nelson**

Donor: Canadian Association of Geographers

✿ **Durland Family Doctoral Convocation Award**

Recipients: **Nikhil Bhati**

Lingjian Chen

Meghan Donohoe

Lauren Lyn Grant

Aditya Vikram Kashyap

Richard William Orton

Damian Canagasuriam

Brianna Rochelle Cregan

Gary Peter Ernest

Malcolm Joeseeph Hedrick

Vanessa Myers

Donor: Durland Learning Foundation

✿ **Edna and Velma Thomas Kane Writers Award***

Recipient: **Rokea Ramadan Murshan**

Donor: Floyd Kane

✿ **Edwin C. Harris Tax Prize***

Recipients: **Chloe May Pobjoy-Ridolfo**

Conrad Joanah Scotchburn

Hazzaa Sujeer

Donor: Atlantic Provinces Tax Conference Planning Committee

✿ **Environmental Science Prize**

Recipient: **Sophie May Kent-Purcell**

Donor: Dr. Tony Charles

✿ **Environmental Studies Prize**

Recipients: **Mackenzie Barbara Joyce Crawford**

Donor: Dr. Tony Charles

✿ **Eric & Ingeborg Enns Family IMTE Convocation Award**

Recipient: **Sangay Tshering**

Donor: Enns Family

*** French Prize**

Recipients: **Amy Alexandra Emily Morton**
Léa Magali Pluta
Paris Woodland

Donor: Department of Languages and Cultures

*** Hermann F. Schwind Award for Excellence in Human Resource Management***

Recipient: **Noor Omar Khartabil**

Donor: Department of Management Faculty Members, past and present

*** J. Kevin Vessey Award for the PhD in Applied Science***

Recipient: **Malcolm Joseph Hedrick**

Donor: Dr. J. Kevin Vessey

*** Linguistics Book Prize**

Recipient: **Molly Euphemia Munroe**

Donor: Linguistics Program

*** Mary Ann and Edward J. McBride Law Prize***

Recipient: **Armon Lorenzo Jefferies**

Donor: Professor Edward J. McBride

*** The Dr. Brij M. Kapoor Memorial Award**

Recipient: **Claire Margaret Cullinan**

Donor: The Family of Dr. Brij M. Kapoor

*** The John and Heather Fitzpatrick Valedictorian Award***

Recipients: **Dhanushki Thilini de Tissera Anthony**

Lydia Anne Ramsay

Chloe May Pobjoy-Ridolfo

Melissa Maria Alvarez Del Angel

Tashauna Ramona Reid

Elizabeth Lynn Ganton

Grayson Lynn Kennedy

Donors: John BA'81 DCL'17 and Heather Fitzpatrick

*** The McMullan & Rege Honours in Criminology Convocation Award**

Recipient: **Kyra Nicole Christie**

Donor: Dr. Aunshul Rege



Saint Mary's University is grateful for the continued support to scholarships, bursaries, awards and services provided to our students. These awards are given to qualifying students during convocation ceremonies and are made possible by our friends and valued supporters. With this support, our graduates are prepared to take their place in the world of tomorrow.

In addition to awards presented during Spring 2026 Convocation, please note awards presented at other Convocation ceremonies.

Faculty Medals - Graduate

Executive Master of Business Administration Medal

James Morrison International Development Studies Medal

Master of Finance Gold Medal

Master of Management – Co-operatives and Credit Unions: Pobihuschy Medal

Prizes & Awards for Graduates

History Honours Thesis Award

O'Brien Award in Irish Studies*

Faculty Awards

President's Award for Excellence in Research

**** Represents endowed awards***

Endowments are the most enduring investment you can make to Saint Mary's as they provide stable, dependable support for programs and students—now and in the future. Visit smu.ca/graduation to learn more about our donated convocation awards and to make a gift today!

Emeritus/ Emerita





Librarian Emeritus

Peter Webster



Peter Webster joined Saint Mary's, Patrick Power Library in 1993. He has served as Information Technology Services Librarian, as Associate University Librarian for more than 10 years, and as Interim University Librarian for several periods. He has an MLS degree from Dalhousie University, and BA in History and English from the University of Alberta.

Peter has played a leading role in the development of library technology, digital library collections, and online library services at Saint Mary's. He has also made important contributions to the development of academic library infrastructure at the regional and national level. He has

represented Saint Mary's University serving in management and project leadership roles with the NOVANET Nova Scotia academic library consortium, the Council of Atlantic Academic Libraries (CAAL-CPUA), The National Library of Canada, the Canadian Research Knowledge Network (CRKN), Statistics Canada's Data Liberation Initiative, and the Digital Research Alliance of Canada. He was the recipient of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association (APLA) Merit Award in 2010.

Peter has written numerous articles, reports, and book contributions on academic library technology related subjects. He has presented at conferences, including the IASSIST, EDUCAUSE, Computers in Libraries, Library and Information Technology (LITA) Forum, and ACCESS.

His recent and notable publications and presentations include:

AI and the problem of identifying concepts from keywords in scholarly article search. *Information Today Europe*. 2024.

Integrating Discovery and Access to Canadian Data Sources. Contributing to Academic Library Data Services by Sharing Data Source Knowledge Nation Wide. *IFLA Conference Proceedings*. 2019

Research Data Repositories: Review of Current Features, Gap Analysis, and Recommendations for Minimum Requirements. with C Austin, S Brown, N Fong, C Humphrey, A Leahey, *IASSIST Quarterly* 39 (4), 24-38. 2016

Interconnected and Innovative Libraries: Factors Tying Libraries More Closely Together. *Library Trends* 54 (3), 382-393. 2006

Managing Electronic Resources: New and Changing Roles for Libraries. Elsevier; 2008.

Peter's ongoing areas of research interest include the development of open research data in Canada, and the artificial intelligence issues for scholarly research search and discovery.



Professor Emeritus

Dr. Stella Gaon



Stella Gaon joined the Department of Political Science (as it was then called) at Saint Mary's in 2003, having previously held sessional appointments, a term appointment, and a Grant Notley Memorial Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Department of Political Science at the University of Alberta. Since 2008 they have been Adjunct to the Women and Gender Studies Program at Saint Mary's.

Professor Gaon was also an Associate Fellow of the Foundation Year Programme of the University of King's College (2016-17), and was recently appointed Senior Research Fellow at the International Centre for Artificial Intelligence (AI), Society, and Critique.

As a Political Science faculty member, Professor Gaon was solely responsible for curricular and program development for more than two decades in the area of political theory. They undertook a complete restructuring of the field upon their arrival and created upwards of twenty new courses over the course of their career at Saint Mary's. These include courses on the history of political thought, theories of the state, Marx and Marxism, and Enlightenment political thought, as well as courses that thematize urgent political issues, such as democracy and dissent, human rights, authoritarianism, and populism. Throughout the years, the pedagogical aim has always been to provide students with critical analytical skills to help them navigate the increasingly complex world in which they find themselves. In addition to extensive curricular development, Dr. Gaon also supervised many Honours theses, mentored undergraduate and graduate teaching and research assistants, and served on various Master's and PhD committees outside the Department.

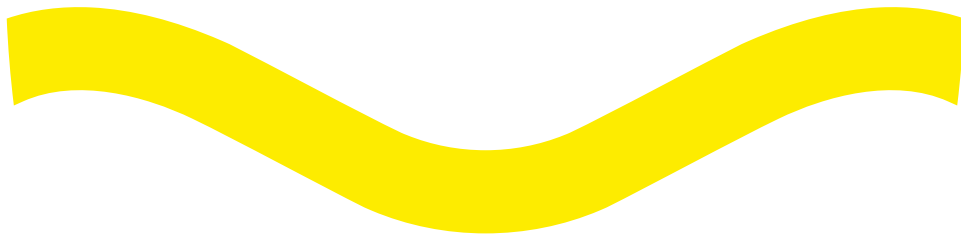
Professor Gaon is recognized internationally as a leading Derrida scholar, having published dozens of articles and book chapters on contemporary continental critical theory and deconstruction, as well as an award-winning monograph. Specifically, their book, *The Lucid Vigil: Deconstruction, Desire, and the Politics of Critique*, won the international Symposium book prize from the Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy in 2020. A previous book, *Democracy in Crisis: Violence, Alterity, Community*, was based on a workshop attended by top North American scholars. Professor Gaon organized, directed, and hosted this event at Saint Mary's University, and won funding for it from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). These initiatives led to invitations to speak and lecture throughout Canada, the US and Europe. Notable engagements include presentations at the "Just Theory" series at SUNY at Buffalo; the "Colloquium" series at the John F. Kennedy Institute for North American Studies in Berlin; and the "Guest Lecture" series at the Centre for Women's and Gender Research at the University of Bergen, in Norway.



Professor Emeritus

Dr. Stella Gaon

Professor Gaon was also instrumental in co-organizing, co-hosting, and securing SSHRC funding for the 6th Derrida Today international conference, held at Concordia University in Montreal in 2018, as well as co-organizing the 7th Derrida Today international conference in Washington DC in 2020. In addition, they have convened countless conference panels and discussion groups throughout the years, invited numerous internationally-recognized scholars from across North America to deliver public lectures at Saint Mary's, and organized many scholarly events and seminars for students, faculty, and community members on campus, often in collaboration with local universities. Professor Gaon has also sat on various Faculty of Arts and University-level committees, and served as Chairperson of the department (2021-2024; Winter 2025). In this capacity they led the full, formal program review process (2021-2023), oversaw the successful merger of Departments of Political Science and Global Development Studies (completed in 2024), and chaired five hiring committees, which ultimately resulted in the appointments of three new, full-time faculty members and a limited term appointee. Professor Gaon currently sits on the editorial boards of various journals and looks forward to continuing their scholarly work.





Professor Emeritus

Dr. Cristian Suteanu



Cristian studied engineering, physics, and philosophy in his hometown of Bucharest, Romania. He joined Saint Mary's University after 20 years of research and teaching in computer science, computer modeling, and geoscience, mainly at the Institute of Geodynamics of the Romanian Academy and at the Technical University of Munich, Germany.

Over the last 23 years he was a cross-appointed professor at SMU in the Faculty of Arts (Geography) and in the Faculty of Science (Environmental Science). He was the Program Coordinator and then the Chair of the Department of Environmental Science for nine years, relentlessly supporting environmental education.

He has been passionately involved in the theory and practice of learning and education. The topics of his courses at SMU included environmental information, statistics, pattern analysis, and natural hazards; he also taught invited courses on nonlinear science in Australia, Germany, Italy, and Romania.

One of his innovative courses integrates principles of complexity science with elements of semiotics and hermeneutics, leading to a novel approach to the study of the environment. In 2021, he received the Teaching Excellence Award for the Faculty of Arts, granted by the SMU Student Association.

His research focused mainly on the creation of new methods for the analysis and modeling of environmental systems. The results of his research were presented in over 200 journal articles and conference papers and shared at scientific events held on every continent. His paper on wind variability evaluation was featured as a "key scientific article" by Renewable Energy Global Innovations, "the world's leading source of renewable energy research news."

Cristian was also involved in the organization of major scholarly meetings in Australia, Austria, Canada, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, and the USA. At the United Nations Climate Change Conference COP15 he was assigned to the group of experts that answered the questions of the mass media.

Cristian's book "Scale – Understanding the Environment" (Springer, 2023) introduces a new conceptual framework meant to shed light on the processes of understanding patterns in the natural sciences and the humanities. He is currently working on the book "Reason and Our Ardour to Prevail – Signposts for Future Education."



Professor Emerita

Dr. Evangelia (Evie) Tastsoglou



Evangelia (Evie) Tastsoglou, LL.M., Ph.D. is retiring as a Full Professor of Sociology, cross-appointed in Political Science and Global Development Studies Saint Mary's University. Dr. Tastsoglou completed her first degree in Law at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece, with highest honours, and her MA and PhD on scholarships at Boston University in Boston, Mass, USA. Upon the completion of these degrees she taught for three years at Toronto Metropolitan University and in 1993 she moved to Halifax to assume a tenure-track position in Sociology at Saint Mary's University where

she spent the next 33 years. She returned to Law School at Dalhousie University where she completed a LL.M. degree in 2017.

During her 33-year career as a professor at Saint Mary's University Dr. Tastsoglou has conducted research primarily in the areas of: International Migration; Canadian Immigration and Integration; Gender, Migration and Citizenship; Violence in Migration and Refugee Contexts; Immigrant Women; Gender-Based Violence in Migration; and Diasporas. With over 120 publications, including six books and eight special themed journal volumes, her research has appeared in national and international peer-reviewed journals and books, while she has given numerous invited talks in local, national and international conferences, institutions and governments. As Principal Investigator, Co-Principal Investigator, Co-Investigator and Collaborator she has earned a total of \$6,406,306 CAD in external funding. Dr. Tastsoglou was the recipient of the Saint Mary's University President's Award for Excellence in Research (2020); the "Sociologist of the Month" for the journal *Current Sociology* (SAGE Publishers, July 2018) and the "Best article of the Year" (2025) nominee of the journal *International Sociology*. She is currently finishing up as principal investigator of the Canadian inter-university team of researchers in the multi-year CIHR-funded project "Violence against Women Migrants and Refugees: Analyzing Causes and Effective Policy Response". This project has part of an international one funded by GenderNet Plus of the European Horizon 2020, consisting of a consortium of research teams from seven countries.

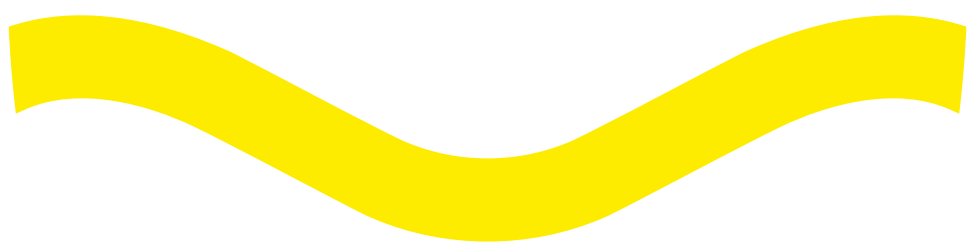


Professor Emerita

Dr. Evangelia (Evie) Tastsoglou

During her career at SMU Dr. Tastsoglou has taught full time many hundreds of students, and supervised: 55 Honours and MA theses; 7 PhD theses as primary supervisor or PhD committee member; and six post-doctoral fellows. In addition, she has employed and trained numerous research assistants, mentored new researchers and colleagues, and supervised summer research undergraduate students. She plans to continue to supervise her five graduate students upon retirement.

Dr. Tastsoglou has served in numerous Departmental and University committees over her long career at Saint Mary's University, including six years as chair of the Department of Sociology and Criminology and four years as Coordinator of the International Development Studies Program. Outside Saint Mary's, Dr. Tastsoglou has served as president of the Canadian Ethnic Studies Association (2018-2022); president of Research Committee on Women in Society (RC 32) of the International Sociological Association (2010-2014), and an elected member of the International Sociological Association's Research Council (2014-2018). She has organized or co-organized numerous conferences at the local, national and international levels. She continues to hold visiting professor and research appointments in other institutions, including Dalhousie University, the Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research at the University of New Brunswick and the Department of International, European and Policy Studies at the Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences in Athens, Greece. She has served as academic reviewer for numerous journals and book publishers, as government and NGO consultant, as member of Editorial Boards and national research funding organizations, and as external assessor in academic promotions.





Professor Emerita

Dr. Madine VanderPlaat



Madine completed a PhD in Sociology at Dalhousie University in 1995. She joined the Department of Sociology at Saint Mary's University in a sessional Lecturer position in 1991 and was appointed as an Assistant Professor in 1995 and promoted to Full Professor in 2010.

Her work on program evaluation, public health, family migration, and youth resilience has influenced multiple

policy fields. Her scholarly contributions span more than three decades. She has produced twenty-one peer-reviewed journal articles, two books, and a wide range of book chapters and research reports for federal agencies as well as numerous invited talks, and public sociology articles and events.

Madine's success with major funders is extensive. As principal investigator, she has secured at least \$216,640 in external research funding. As co-applicant, she has participated in major SSHRC, CIHR, and international projects totaling more than \$7 million. The scale of this funding and the collaborative networks she helped build have had a lasting effect on research culture in the Faculty of Arts and across the University.

Her teaching, supervision, and mentorship have spanned over thirty years, contributing to Sociology, Criminology, International Development Studies and Women's and Gender Studies. Her department acknowledges her support and guidance as a "stabilizing presence in the department and a strong advocate for academic integrity and institutional responsibility."

Madine's administrative record is significant. She has served at virtually every level of governance and academic leadership: Interim Vice-President, Academic and Research; Acting Associate Vice-President, Academic, Enrolment Management & Registrar; Acting Dean of Arts; Associate Dean, Research and Outreach; Chair of Senate; Chair of Sociology and Criminology, and long-standing service on Senate and its standing committees. She has taken on roles that require judgment, diplomacy, and institutional commitment, and she has done so repeatedly. Her leadership of the Atlantic Metropolis Centre, the Centre for the Interdisciplinary Study of Culture, and the Gorsebrook Research Institute further demonstrates sustained service to the University.

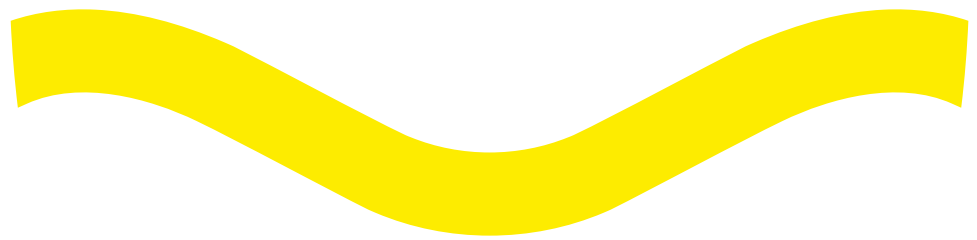


Professor Emerita

Dr. Madine VanderPlaat

Beyond Saint Mary's Madine has served on numerous academic editorial boards, SSHRC and NSHRF adjudication committees, peer review panels and Boards of Directors.

She continues to be actively involved in externally funded research well into retirement. She is a co-applicant on the SSHRC Insight Grant Relational Change: Understanding the Mechanisms of Resilience-Promoting Service Delivery for Youth (2025–2028). This ongoing project maintains a direct research connection with the University and ensures her continued engagement with colleagues and students.



Faculty Awards





The Dr. Geraldine Thomas Educational Leadership Award

Dr. Vurain Tabvuma,

Sobey Professor in Management, Full Professor, Management Department, Associate Dean Undergraduate Programs and Professional Graduate Programs



The Dr. Geraldine Thomas Educational Leadership Award recognizes innovative educational leadership practices by distinguished teachers at Saint Mary's University. Its purpose is to recognize a faculty member's excellence in and long-term commitment to improving teaching, with an emphasis on institutional contributions that extend beyond their own discipline and professional role within Saint Mary's University.

The award was established in 2007 by the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching (previously the Quality of Teaching Committee) with support from the Saint Mary's Faculty Union (SMUFU). This award is named for Dr. Geraldine Thomas, a 3M national teaching fellow (1993) and founding member of the Quality of Teaching Committee. Throughout her academic career, as a former professor of Classics, Dr. Thomas supported efforts to improve teaching and learning within the university, the Atlantic region, and nationally.

The recipient of the 2026 award is Dr. Vurain Tabvuma, Professor in the Department of Management within the Sobey School of Business. Throughout his career as a leadership scholar and educator, Dr. Tabvuma has demonstrated a sustained commitment to advancing student success through innovation, evidence-based teaching, and program design. Central to his approach is his teaching philosophy, "From Spark to Momentum," which is grounded in the belief that when students' potential is ignited early, it expands what is possible for their entire university journey. He has brought this philosophy to life by redesigning SMU's foundational first-year learning experience to emphasize active learning, opportunity, mentorship and coaching, and demonstrating through cohort-based experimental research that building early confidence and capability increases student success and retention throughout their program.



The Dr. Geraldine Thomas Educational Leadership Award

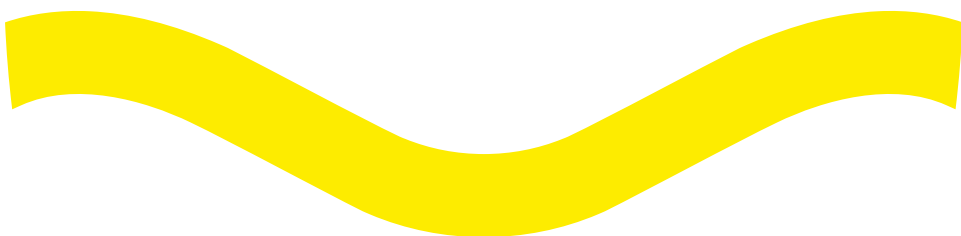
Dr. Vurain Tabvuma,

Sobey Professor in Management, Full Professor,
Management Department, Associate Dean Undergraduate
Programs and Professional Graduate Programs

Dr. Tabvuma's contributions extend well beyond his own classroom and reflect the spirit of the Dr. Geraldine Thomas Educational Leadership Award. He has played an integral leadership role in advancing the First-Year Experience at Saint Mary's University and in supporting the expansion of student success initiatives across multiple faculties. Through collaboration with colleagues, spanning years, he has helped shape institutional approaches to teaching and learning that prioritize student belonging, engagement, and retention. His leadership has encouraged colleagues in the adoption of mentorship-driven, inclusive practices and has strengthened the university's capacity to support students at a critical point in their academic journey.

A committed scholar of teaching and learning, Dr. Tabvuma has also contributed to the broader academic community through funded research, publications and presentations focused on student transitions, inclusion and success. His scholarship has informed educational practices within Saint Mary's University and across other institutions, demonstrating the far-reaching impact of his leadership. Most notably, he is recognized for his commitment to creating inclusive, student-centered learning environments that foster confidence, capability and a strong sense of belonging, especially for first-generation students and those facing barriers to university success. Through his innovation, mentorship and scholarly engagement, Dr. Tabvuma exemplifies the ideals of the Geraldine Thomas Educational Leadership Award.

More information about the award and nomination process can be found at: [Sponsored Awards & Grants at SMU – Studio for Teaching & Learning](#)





The Father William A. Stewart, S.J., Medal for Excellence in Teaching

Dr. Matthew Boland,

Associate Professor in the Department of Accounting,
Saint Mary's University



Matthew Boland is an Associate Professor of Accounting at the Sobey School of Business, Saint Mary's University. Since joining the faculty in 2018, he has focused on helping students build practical skills by integrating data analytics, coding, and large language models into the accounting curriculum.

His teaching emphasizes applied learning, where students work with real-world datasets to navigate the types of complex decisions they will face in their careers.

His work extends into the community through the development of free financial tools for the maritime beekeeping industry and a public-facing research column in the Halifax Examiner. An active researcher in empirical accounting and finance, he is also a dedicated volunteer in youth sport.

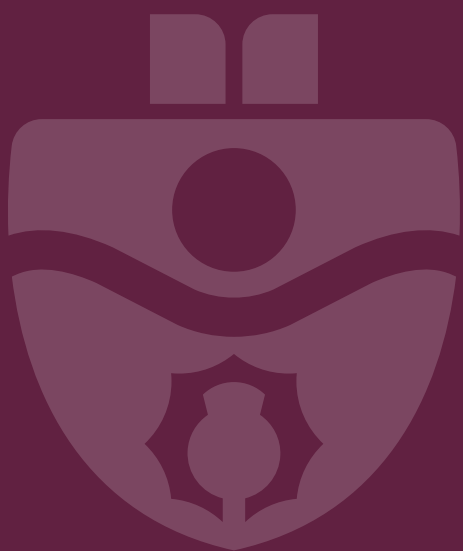
Established in 1983 by the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association in cooperation with the Faculty Union and the Students' Representative Council, The Father William A. Stewart, S.J. Medal for Excellence in Teaching honours the legacy of Father Stewart by annually highlighting full-time faculty members who have made significant contributions to the education of Saint Mary's students through excellence in teaching and service.

More information about the award and nomination process can be found at smu.ca/alumni/father-stewart-medal-excellence-in-teaching



Winter Graduates

2026





International Master of Teaching English

Shimin Chen
Zhuhai, China

Dhanushki Thilini de Tissera Anthony
Colombo, Sri Lanka

Nadeeshani Dissanayake Mudiyansele
Halifax, NS

Rafaela dos Santos Oliveira
Aracruz, Brazil

Jing Han
TianJin, China

Sijia Huang
Yiwu, China

Xinxin Jin
Kunming, China

Yeseo Jo
Paju si, South Korea

Thuc Dao Luu
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

David Alfonso Nerio Romero
La Paz, Mexico

Kyoungyun Park
Busan, South Korea

Camilo Andres Ruiz Bonilla
Bogota, Colombia

Farideh Seddighi Khavidaki
Yazd, Iran

Amina Altaf Shaikh
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Ki Tae Shim
Seongnam, South Korea

Dingdong Shou
Shaoxing, China

Sangay Tshering
Thimphu, Bhutan

Feng Wang
Xinxiang, China

Guidan Xue
Yantai, China

Hong Zheng
Wenzhou, China

Master of Applied Health Services Research

Beatrice Oluwanishola Onwuka
Calgary, AB

Master of Arts (Criminology)

Noah Alec Joncas
Lourdes-de-Blanc-Sablon, QC

Master of Arts (Geography)

Bright Ofori Kwakye
Kumasi, Ghana

Master of Arts (Women & Gender Studies)

Susan Elizabeth O'Neill
Severn, ON

Marie-Anne Therriault Sergent
Halifax, NS

Master of Applied Economics

Maimuna Sowe
Old Yundum, Gambia



Master of Business Administration

Muhammad Azhar
Lahore, Pakistan

Zayd Beitar
Halifax, NS

Sophia Anne Blanchard
Dartmouth, NS

Mia Simone Carey
Halifax, NS

Erica Chiasson
Halifax, NS

Taylor Vanessa Davies
Calgary, AB

Dinithi Namrada Ediriweera
Tangalle, Sri Lanka

Chad Anthony Enwright
Melbourne, ON

Effat Nur Jannatul Ferdushe
Dhaka, Bangladesh

Ellie Kathryn Fisher
Lower Coverdale, NB

Madison Ganong
Riverview, NB

Mathew Alexander MacDougall
Aurora, ON

Bradley Middlemiss
Dartmouth, NS

Jacob Pitre
Dalhousie, NB

Nikhil Irwin Raj
Mississauga, ON

William Bryans Thompson
Fredericton, NB

Josh David William Wainman
Peterborough, ON

Master of Business Analytics

Onyekachi Stella Akpara
Arochukwu, Nigeria





Dipshikha Bheekhee

Dagotiere, Mauritius

Uzoamaka Mary David

Abia, Nigeria

Himanshu Gupta

Jammu, India

Xishan Jin

Beijing, China

Lance Edward Kellner

Halifax, NS

Yuping Li

Halifax, NS

Zixuan Li

Halifax, NS

Ariza Mumtihan Mollick

Rajshahi, Bangladesh

Ahmed Abbas Zeinelden Ali

Noureldin Mostafa

Cairo, Egypt

Jack Sullivan Murtha

Shad Bay, NS

Hoai Lam Giang Nguyen

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Mohamed Abdullah Razeen

Noorullabbai Abdul Mohamed

Halifax, NS

Chidiebere Monday Onwe

Enugu, Nigeria

Crystal Awura-Ama Kosi

Owusu-Amoah

Accra, Ghana

Neelababile Ranhawadigedara

Chamila Piyumali Rathnayake

Halifax, NS

Mirna Saldierna Martinez

Guadalajara, Mexico

Brandon Walker Scott

Halifax, NS

Anjili Jeanita Seereeram

Chaguanas, Trinidad & Tobago

Prithika Suwal

Kathmandu, Nepal

Lei Wei

Guangzhou, China

Feng Xue

Halifax, NS

Chenglong Yao

Halifax, NS

Dongming Yuan

Lanzhou, China

Maria Zhouri

Halifax, NS

Master of Finance

Areeb Abdullah Almekrad

Kuwait City, Kuwait

Master of Technology Entrepreneurship & Innovation

Korede Joshua Afolabi

Owo, Nigeria

Fadi Al Qassar

Halifax, NS

Japjeet Singh Chandok

Delhi, India

Boluwatife Arinola Erogbogbo

Halifax, NS

Tarannum Hasan

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Kenneth Osekhuemen Imadojemun

Ekpoma, Nigeria



Denise Imoru Ayarna
Accra, Ghana

Jacob Gordon Key
Chester, NS

Md Abid Hassan Khan
Halifax, NS

Eleanor Larteley Kumahia
Accra, Ghana

Md Azmain Mahtab
Halifax, NS

Anika Nawar
Dhaka, Bangladesh

Vu Kim Trang Nguyen
Thanh Hoa, Vietnam

Michael Ofori Maccarthy
Accra, Ghana

Adedayo Oyebimpe Ojo
Ota, Nigeria

Amarachi Judith Onwumere
Warri, Nigeria

Stephen Adebayo Osunrinde
Lagos, Nigeria

Sana Raza Khan
Halifax, NS

Dinushi Pamalka Seneviratne
Colombo, Sri Lanka

Master of Science
(Applied Psychology)

Maria Angelina Holley McGee
Westville, NS

Mitchell Gordon Patrick Kilger
Halifax, NS

Master of Science
(Applied Science)

Benjamin S. Dow
Shediac, NB

Sasha Dawn MacArthur
Halifax, NS

Islam Matar
Co-operative Education
Cairo, Egypt

Prince Chimezie Odika
Imo State, Nigeria

Sydney Slaunwhite-Hay
Halifax, NS

Master of Science
(Computing & Data Analytics)

Mohammed Abdul Thoufiq
Halifax, NS

Sudeep Raj Badal
Kathmandu, Nepal

Sukanta Dey Amit
Mymensingh, Bangladesh

Sicong Fu
Halifax, NS

Kedar Ramchandra Gaikwad
Mumbai, India

Anuja Dinuwara Gamage
Kadawatha, Sri Lanka

Karthikeya Kanumuri
Medarametla, India

Sai Vishnu Teja Reddy Pulim
Hyderabad, India

Sri Rama Chandran Ramesh
Arcot, India



Samir Amin Sheikh
Halifax, NS

Yaxuan Zhang
Handan Hebei, China

Pengyao Zhao
Shenyang, China

Doctor of Philosophy
(International Development Studies)

Joel Owani
(posthumously)
Uganda

Doctor of Philosophy
(Applied Science)

Malcolm Joeseph Hedrick
Halifax, NS

Nikhil Bhati
New Delhi, India

Doctor of Philosophy
(Astronomy)

Lingjian Chen
Shanghai, China

Doctor of Philosophy
(Industrial/Organizational Psychology)

Damian Canagasuriam
Markham, ON

Bachelor of Commerce

Mohammed Ismail Abedin
Halifax, NS

Ethan Lawrence Abriel
Dartmouth, NS

Armin Alim
Dhaka, Bangladesh

Raneem Majed Almahbashi
cum laude
Co-operative Education
Sanaa, Yemen





Brady Luke Avery
Lawrencetown, NS

Abigaile D Boone
Enfield, NS

Michael Joseph Clarke
Dartmouth, NS

Natasha Nicole Cohoon
Timberlea, NS

Jacob Richard Conrod
Elmsdale, NS

Jacob Daniel Coyle
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Jennifer Nicole Dadzie
Accra, Ghana

Louise Gabrielle Oliverio De Jesus
Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Justen Gerald Ellis
Dartmouth, NS

Logan Alexander Forward
Enfield, NS

Jacob Ronald Wayne Fournier
Fall River, NS

Adam Grant George Fowlow
magna cum laude
Stillwater Lake, NS

Frederick James Freeman
Centreville, NS

James Martin Gavin
Halifax, NS

Stacey Wangui Githinji
Mweiga, Kenya

Katherine Jeannine Goguen
magna cum laude
Dartmouth, NS

Bethany Kathryn Victoria Hanf
Halifax, NS

Cole Patrick Hardiman
Victoria, BC

Shaunelle Jarne Miranda Hassell
cum laude
Gros Islet, Saint Lucia

Danika Hebert-Bastarache
Moncton, NB

Muntasibul Hoque
Chittagong, Bangladesh

Meilin Huang
Halifax, NS

Sijin Huang
Guangzhou, China

Zixin Huang
Suzhou, China

Theron Victor Hughes
Halifax, NS

Fahim Ahmed Ifty
Dhaka, Bangladesh

Abdullah Iqbal
Halifax, NS

Masuk Arman Jim
Dhaka, Bangladesh

Hikaru Kaino
Ehime, Japan

Ramandeep Kaur
Dartmouth, NS

Intesar Asef Khan
Dhaka, Bangladesh



Megan Rachel King

Halifax, NS

Lara Carmela Lanto

summa cum laude

Lipa City, Philippines

Veronique Anne LeBlanc

Co-operative Education

Hollis, NH, USA

Victoria Sofia Loureiro Rojo

cum laude

Halifax, NS

Matthew Douglas MacDonald

Grand Mira South, NS

Olivia Grace MacGowan

Halifax, NS

Matthew Roderick MacLean

magna cum laude

Stillwater Lake, NS

Keegan Lucas MacQuarrie

Dartmouth, NS

Fahim Mustaqim

Brahmanbaria, Bangladesh

Kevin Amani Muyayalo

*Goma, Democratic Republic of
Congo*

Beamlak Zeleke Negesse

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Joseph Ntambi

Kampala, Uganda

Otuobi Nwagwu

magna cum laude

Lagos, Nigeria

Savannah Crystal Anne O'Neil

Halifax, NS

Matthew Edijs Ozolins

Bedford, NS

Noah Andrew Matthew Parsons

magna cum laude

Truro, NS

Aiden Kenneth Phipps

Halifax, NS

Motiur Rahman

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Ross Michael Rankin

Stillwater Lake, NS

Priyanshi Jagdishbhai Rathod

magna cum laude

Co-operative Education

Mumbai, India

Ethan Kenneth Richards

Port Hawkesbury, NS

Mercy Andrew Rupiano

Halifax, NS

Ma. Veronica Santos Say

Metro Manila, Philippines

Carter Warren Schurman

Windsor, NS

Tanmai Sharma

Halifax, NS

Wameka Shayin

Co-operative Education

Dartmouth, NS

Mukarram Sheheryar

cum laude

Halifax, NS

Kakolya Janmod Indrajith Silva

Colombo, Sri Lanka

Mehak Singh

summa cum laude

Sirsa, India

Joni Spahiu

Tirana, Albania



Kristopher Jordan Stephens

Halifax, NS

Shodai Suzuki

Yokohama, Japan

Fahim Ahnaf Taha

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Ammar Taherzadeh

Dartmouth, NS

Chuyi Tan

Guangzhou, China

Xuanqi Tao

Suzhou, China

Ashlyn Abigail Theodore

Gros Islet, Saint Lucia

Md Farhan Uz Zaman

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Vibhuti Vibhuti

Hisar, India

Ananya Vinodh

Kochi, India

Aaron Abbott Walker

Halifax, NS

Shiqing Wang

cum laude

KaiFeng, China

Nolan Barry Wentzell

Bridgewater, NS

Hannah M. Williams

Timberlea, NS

Junhao Xiong

WuHan, China

Jingqi Xu

Ningbo, China

Dipesh Yadav

Siraha, Nepal

Liam Morris Yetman

Stillwater Lake, NS

Haiyan Yuan

cum laude

Wuhan, China





Certificate of Human Resource Management

Armin Alim

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Sharon Dawn Barss

East River Point, NS

Zoe Jennifer Butterworth

Whitby, ON

Natasha Nicole Cohoon

Timberlea, NS

Jennifer Nicole Dadzie

Accra, Ghana

Bethany Kathryn Victoria Hanf

Halifax, NS

Omar Hashw

Klagenfurt, Austria

Jodi Lynn Hirtle

Halifax, NS

Masuk Arman Jim

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Ayushi Mariam Kurian

New Delhi, India

Matthew Roderick MacLean

Stillwater Lake, NS

Abigail Elizabeth Soosaar

Halifax, NS

Md Farhan Uz Zaman

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Certificate in Sports Business

Ethan Lawrence Abriel

Dartmouth, NS

Bachelor of Science

Muskan Kaur

Ambala, India

Ali Alhousseini

Amûdê, Kurdistan

Manar Alzoubi

Halifax, NS

Daniel Frederick Amirault

summa cum laude

Co-operative Education

Halifax, NS

Lindsay Marie Armstrong

cum laude

Middleton, NS

Kimone Tavia Barrett

Discovery Bay, Jamaica

Darsh Piyushkumar Bhatt

Halifax, NS

Kathryn Buchel

Winnipeg, MB

Said Charafeddine

Halifax, NS

Bethlehem Demissie Degefa

Adama, Ethiopia

Charmaine Punsisi Gamage

Samaraweera

Colombo, Sri Lanka

Shubham Gurung

magna cum laude

Bharatpur, Nepal

Zaid Hedaya

Doha, Qatar

John Laurie Hillier

Honours Psychology

Halifax, NS



Lalita Naryee Joseph

Castries, Saint Lucia

Dhruba Laudari

Pokhara, Nepal

Leigha Angela Marie Laville

New Providence, Bahamas

Grace Christine MacDonald

Dartmouth, NS

Aaliyah Mobinuddin Malik

Valsad, India

Maddison Dawn McKenzie

Lake Echo, NS

Grace Laura Sharon Melanson

Grand Bay-Westfield, NB

Gavin Genson Nesterenko

North Bay, ON

Sharon Osei-Sarfo

Nsuta, Ghana

Wijesuriya Kuranage Sandani

Ann Perera

Marawila, Sri Lanka

Devin Michael Robar

Hammonds Plains, NS

John-Michael Thomas Ryall

Cole Harbour, NS

Claire Michelle Molnar Sauze

summa cum laude

Honours Physics

Edmonton, AB

Farhan Shahriar

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Lipi Sharma

Delhi, India

Flagot Kuma

Halifax, NS

Muttyeb Tahir

magna cum laude

Faisalabad, Pakistan

Abby J. Walker

Creignish, NS

Kayla Ann Wile

Bridgewater, NS

Zhipeng Yu

summa cum laude

Honours Mathematics

Shanghai, China

Bachelor of Science & Diploma in Engineering

Matthew Thomas Darcy

Halifax, NS

John Riley Scallion

Beaver Bank, NS

Diploma in Engineering

Cayden William Bartlett

Middle Sackville, NS

James Geoffrey Erith-Ellwood

Elderbank, NS

Frederick Morawski

Toronto, ON

Connor Riley O'Brien

Halifax, NS

Andreas Rodney Vietinghoff

Sackville, NS

Certificate in Forensic Psychology

John Laurie Hillier

Halifax, NS



Bachelor of Arts

Nameera Amin
Halifax, NS

Jorryn Lynn Auffrey
Moncton, NB

Keegan-Skye Stacie Beazley
Halifax, NS

Annabell Grace Benton
Honolulu, HI, USA

Ainslie Grace Campbell
Shubenacadie, NS

**Keegan James Francis
Carreau-Burns**
Truro, NS

Brandon Scott Cleversey
Lunenburg, NS

Shaaron Anne Cox
Toronto, ON

Julia Cadence Dykens
Halifax, NS

Darcy François Damien Eygun
summa cum laude
Honours Political Science
Halifax, NS

Grant Alban Flinn
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Elizabeth J. Hall
cum laude
Bridgewater, NS

Omar Hashw
Klagenfurt, Austria

Christopher Thomas Helms
Dartmouth, NS

John Laurie Hillier
Halifax, NS

Kieran Min-Kyu Hopfner
Halifax, NS

Anwen Samantha Hutton
Newmarket, ON

Janice Iyiosene Iyorchir
summa cum laude
Lagos, Nigeria

Madison Taylor Johnston
London, ON

Victoria Nicole Jonah
Grand Desert, NS

Ayushi Mariam Kurian
New Delhi, India





Charlotte Teresa Laing

Halifax, NS

Hayden Richard Allen Lockie

Fall River, NS

Zevff Russell Charles Card Low

Halifax, NS

Cheryl Ann MacDonald

Judique, NS

Gordon Zachary MacDonald

Hopewell, NS

Liam Edward Angus MacDonald

Dartmouth, NS

Molly Alice MacKinnon

Dartmouth, NS

Abigail MacPhee

Halifax, NS

Ashley Katherine Malloy

Lower Sackville, NS

Jhenielle S. A. McCalla

St. Catherine, Jamaica

Emily McKenzie

cum laude

Lake Echo, NS

Aidan Luke McKeown

Toronto, ON

Kieran Douglas McPhee

Wellington, NS

Jonathan Manuel Melendez Barteaux

Halifax, NS

Colby Alexander Mercer

Beaver Bank, NS

Kaitlyn Morrison

Cow Bay, NS

Rida Naqvi

Delhi, India

Matthew Lawrence Nault

Brampton, ON

Brayden Anthony John Orman

Halifax, NS

Vivek Philendra

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Léa Magali Pluta

summa cum laude

Honours French

Dartmouth, NS

Logan Alexander John Raftus

cum laude

Dartmouth, NS

Olivia Jade Rankin

Mabou, NS

Erin Joy Robarts

Eastern Passage, NS

Jeremy Brandon Severeys

Hammonds Plains, NS

Noah Sferrazza Papa

Ottawa, ON

Dylan Robert Smith

cum laude

Honours Psychology

Halifax, NS

Shelby Elizabeth Smith

magna cum laude

Honours History

Kingston, NS

Meghan Hope Snyder

Edmonton, AB

Abigail Elizabeth Soosaar

Halifax, NS



Carys Ann Stone
New Glasgow, NS

Raelyn Gail Thibault
Dartmouth, NS

Andrew Wehbe
Bedford, NS

Lucy Joy Francis Welcher
Dartmouth, NS

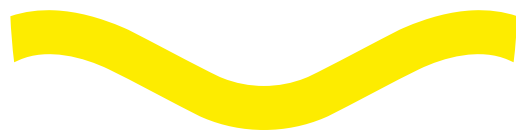
Anna Marie Wozniak
summa cum laude
Abbotsford, BC

Jiaao Wu
Beijing, China

Ellie Reese Yeadon
summa cum laude
Middle Sackville, NS

Certificate of Japanese Studies

Vivek Philendra
Dubai, United Arab Emirates



Spring Graduates

2026





International Master of Teaching English

Seyed Ramin Khorshid
Karaj, Iran

Master of Applied Health Services Research

Karen Liana McEwan
St. Margarets, NS

Meylin Zink Yi
Halifax, NS

Master of Arts (Criminology)

Jessie Ellen Castle
Middle Musquodoboit, NS

Master of Arts (Geography)

Hyunseo Park
Seoul, South Korea

Master of Arts (Philosophy)

Samuel James MacQuarrie
Halifax, NS

Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Applied Economics

Lihua Wang
Beijing, China

Master of Business Administration

Ryan Gregory Cleveland
Halifax, NS

Diprajit Das
Siliguri, India

Derek William Gentile
Sydney, NS

Saranya Sakuntala Mittadoddi
Halifax, NS

Master of Management, Co-operatives & Credit Unions

Louis-H. Campagna
Quebec, QC

Susanne Fuchs
Northampton, MA, USA

Master of Technology Entrepreneurship & Innovation

Xing Mu
Xian, China

Master of Science (Applied Psychology)

Jacqueline Emily Shaw
Halifax, NS

Master of Science (Applied Science)

Madison Margaret Mary Bond
Upper Stewiacke, NS

Samuel MacLean Leverman
Halifax, NS



Lauren Terry Maureen MacDonald
Halifax, NS

Allison Paige MacNeil
Co-operative Education
Timberlea, NS

Deana Lillian Gladys Symes
Lower Sackville, NS

Master of Science *(Computing & Data Analytics)*

Anika Ibnat Anika
Halifax, NS

Executive Doctorate of Business Administration

Gary Peter Ernest
Liverpool, NS

Aditya Vikram Kashyap
New Delhi, India

Doctor of Philosophy *(Applied Science)*

Lauren Lyn Grant
Halifax, NS

Richard William Orton
Dartmouth, NS

Doctor of Philosophy *(Industrial/Organizational Psychology)*

Brianna Rochelle Cregan
Hammonds Plains, NS

Meghan Donohoe
Calgary, AB

Vanessa Myers
Ottawa, ON

Bachelor of Commerce

Harman Kaur
Co-operative Education
Delhi, India

Ralph Joshua Sajonas Acosta
Dartmouth, NS

Colby Russell Adams
cum laude
Lower Sackville, NS

Wasek Ahmed
Dhaka, Bangladesh

Cairi Devree Albuoy
Hamilton Parish, Bermuda

Asmita Ale
magna cum laude
Ilam, Nepal

Mirabel Eloghosa Hephzibah Alile
Benin City, Nigeria

Tomilyn Letitia Allen
magna cum laude
Salisbury, NB

Kaitlyn Alley
cum laude
Milton, ON

Marie Anjilie Almario
summa cum laude
Manila, Philippines

Catarina Almeida Lago
cum laude
São Luís, Brazil

Samuel Bryan Amirault
Fall River, NS

Anna Anushka
Halifax, NS

Apoorva Apoorva
Pathankot, India



Phoebe Rose Ashton
Annapolis Royal, NS

John William Ashworth
cum laude
Newmarket, ON

Braden Michael AuCoin
Timberlea, NS

Cameron Jarrett Avery
Tyngsboro, MA, USA

Rachel C Awalt
Co-operative Education
Dartmouth, NS

Charlotte Mavis Diann Baines
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Alexandra Marie Baker
magna cum laude
Oyster Pond, NS

John Philip Ballard
Truro, NS

Kyle James Thomas Barbour
summa cum laude
Kentville, NS

Marcela Barrionuevo Santa Rosa
Americana, Brazil

Shamus Ryan Beaton
Port Hawkesbury, NS

Paige Benjamin
summa cum laude
Dunstable, United Kingdom

John Cameron Bewsher
Bedford, NS

Jiawen Bian
cum laude
Hangzhou, China

Raine Taylor Bishop
magna cum laude
Hammonds Plains, NS

Ryan Bev Charles Bishop
Kingston, NS





Kawthar T S A Bokhamsin
Kuwait City, Kuwait

Nikolaos Kostadinou Bonvie
New Glasgow, NS

Virginia Jordan Boone
Upper Tantallon, NS

Liam David Thomas Bosworth
Truro, NS

Yanick Alexandre Boudreau
Dartmouth, NS

Mathieu Matheson Bourgeois
Hammonds Plains, NS

Alec Boyd
Glendale, NS

Ben Joseph Boyd
magna cum laude
Dartmouth, NS

Colin Walter Peter Bradley
Stewiacke, NS

Jillian Marie Brien
Co-operative Education
Dartmouth, NS

Emily Dawn Briggs
Plaster Rock, NB

Holly Barbara Bunker
Halifax, NS

Dakota Angela Burrows
Freeport, Bahamas

Joel Hugh Burrows
cum laude
Co-operative Education
Halifax, NS

A'Maiah Laura Butterfield
Warwick, Bermuda

Brooke Erin Caissie
Truro, NS

Charles Gordon Campbell
North Vancouver, BC

Grayson William Paul Cann
Oxford, NS

Max Thomas James Carruthers
Dartmouth, NS

Shaneika Keneish Carter
Saint Ann, Jamaica

Matias Carvajal
Quito, Ecuador

Matthew Isaac Chapman
summa cum laude
Mahone Bay, NS

Rahul Chaubey
Delhi, India

Taowei Chen
magna cum laude
Taizhou, Peoples Republic of China

Yuxi Chen
Quzhou, China

Zachary Max Dixon Chiarotto
Winnipeg, MB

Cleopas Chideme
Harare, Zimbabwe

Leonard Mwelwa Chinkumbi
Lusaka, Zambia

Jeremy Adrian Chitakatira
Harare, Zimbabwe

Simbarashe T. Chiunda
KweKwe, Zimbabwe

Ryan Mitchell Clark
cum laude
Lawrencetown, NS

Lance George Clarke
Glencoe, Trinidad & Tobago



Jason Alexander Cole
Halifax, NS

Chase Denis Comeau
Meteghan River, NS

Noah Comeau
cum laude
Dartmouth, NS

Haley Connolly
Dartmouth, NS

William Errol Walton Cook
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Bobby Cooper
summa cum laude
Middle Sackville, NS

Reece John Edward Cooper
Stratford, ON

Elijah Wayne Corbett
Halifax, NS

Matthew Allan Cormier
cum laude
Moncton, NB

Kayla Cote
Calgary, AB

Heather M. W. Matthews
Halifax, NS

Carson Raymond Charles Cromwell
cum laude
Timberlea, NS

Kailei Magbual Crowe
Badoc, Philippines

Ricardo Joseph Daniel
Dartmouth, NS

Beckett Ronald Sherwood DeLong
Sussex, NB

Rhoda Akuch Deng
Halifax, NS

Adam Dera
Dartmouth, NS

Sawyer John Diepenveen
summa cum laude
Fox Point, NS

Jayrell Diggs
East Preston, NS

Courtney Elizabeth Dingle
Truro, NS

Aram Michael Paul Douglas
Halifax, NS

Hana Dragoshi
cum laude
Moncton, NB

Macleon Alexander Dryden
Hammonds Plains, NS

Kallon David Edwards
Toronto, ON

Arma Ehsan
cum laude
Dhaka, Bangladesh

Chiamaka Onyekachi Ekeadah
Port Harcourt, Nigeria

Raheem Elliott
Halifax, NS

Anna Kathryn Carter English
magna cum laude
Fredericton, NB

Taylor Maria Engram
Hammonds Plains, NS

Benjamin Parker Ervin
Salmon River, NS



Tori Jane Evans
cum laude
Penetanguishene, ON

Netanya Alexandra Eve
magna cum laude
Devonshire, Bermuda

Adam Joseph Farrell
Westville, NS

Nathan Samuel Issac Ferguson
Co-operative Education
Nassau, Bahamas

Jayden Khalil Fernander
cum laude
Nassau, Bahamas

Aidan D. Field
Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago

Liam Peter Eldridge Fingerhut
Dartmouth, NS

Cole Andrew Fisher
magna cum laude
Fall River, NS

Peter Joseph Fitzgerald
magna cum laude
St. John's, NL

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Desiree Marie Barton
Southampton, NS

Aislinn Ann Beddow
cum laude
Hammonds Plains, NS

Arnav Bhogal
Delhi, India

Eric Allan Yves Bilodeau
Halifax, NS



Margaret Isabel Black
Oxford, NS

Kiley Johannah Bleich
magna cum laude
Baden, ON

Grace Laura Boutilier
Honours Philosophy
Halifax, NS

Victoria Abigail Alexandria Bowens
Saint George, Antigua & Barbuda

Ashley Evelyn Brady
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Woking, AB

Lauren Joan Brennan
Dartmouth, NS

Patrick Shawn Arthur Brennan
Elmsdale, NS

Beau Francis Broderick
magna cum laude
Honours Anthropology
Halifax, NS

Annastatia Jean Brooks
summa cum laude
Honours English
Springdale, NL

Hailey Julia Brophy
Halifax, NS

Erin Sophia Buckland
summa cum laude
Waverley, NS

Kennedy Anne Rayne Burrell
summa cum laude
Honours Social Justice & Community Studies
Albert County, NB

Jayden Rose Marie Caines
Middle Sackville, NS

Alexandra Mary Campbell
summa cum laude
Honours Anthropology
Vancouver, BC

Gregory James Warren Campbell
Welland, ON





Matthew D. R. Campbell
Wood Islands, PE

Ashley Gayle Canning
cum laude
Honours Philosophy
Enfield, NS

Frances Isabella Chacón Chávez
Honours Psychology
Ibarra, Ecuador

Denton Kyle Chambers
Halifax, NS

Olivia Faye Chisholm
Halifax, NS

Kyra Nicole Christie
cum laude
Honours Criminology
Toronto, ON

Georgia Maria Cipak
Hammonds Plains, NS

Allison Marie Clayton
Lawrencetown, NS

Nicole Amanda Clerk
Halifax, NS

Alexander Comeau
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Kaylee Jean Elizabeth Connors
Antigonish, NS

Rebecca Maria Coombes
Stewiacke, NS

Emily Cormack
magna cum laude
Halifax, NS

Edwin Tai Cormier
Truro, NS

Véronique Denise Cormier
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Dieppe, NB

Todd Alexander Cranston
Halifax, NS

Faith Krystene Crowell
Barrington, NS

Nathan Daniel Culbert
cum laude
Bridgewater, NS

Alexandra Louise Cullen
Norwalk, CT, USA

Chloe Madison Delano
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Sarah Delorme
summa cum laude
Honours Sociology
Halifax, NS

Carly Elizabeth Grace Dempsey
magna cum laude
Coldbrook, NS

Maria Hawee Dereje
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Joe-Daniel Dib
Bedford, NS

Kayley Elizabeth Dixon
Dartmouth, NS

Hailey Trenaya Diamond Doane
Dartmouth, NS

Madeline Donna Margaret Dodge
Halifax, NS

Brooke Carol Donovan
cum laude
Moncton, NB



Amelie Anne Downer
Dieppe, NB

Alyssia Marie Dresdell
Eastern Passage, NS

Ethan Riley Daniel Duncan
magna cum laude
Cardiff, AB

Adam George Durant
Halifax, NS

James Christopher Dyck
magna cum laude
Honours Psychology
Bedford, NS

**Katherine Annie Bernice Fair-
brother**
Saint John, NB

Jordan Spencer Feeney
Dartmouth, NS

Liam Derek Ferguson
Honours Philosophy
Dartmouth, NS

Kyle Wayne Forbes
Dartmouth, NS

Lauren Elizabeth Rose Freeman
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Gabrielle Grace Meng Xin Frosst
Sundridge, NS

Elizabeth Lynn Ganton
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Milton, ON

Rachel Lynn Gibson
Bedford, NS

Angelique Sadé Gittens
St. John's, Antigua & Barbuda

Hailey Lynne Glassford
magna cum laude
Orangeville, ON

Isabel Sandra Goncalves
Halifax, NS

Justin Douglas Roy Goodine
summa cum laude
Fredericton, NB

Olivia-Rae Britney Gordon
Montego Bay, Jamaica

Amy Lauren Gouthro
cum laude
Honours Psychology
Cole Harbour, NS

Mya Grant
Dartmouth, NS

Charis Gration
magna cum laude
Honours Global Development Studies
Halifax, NS

Katlyn Jean Viola Grimm
New Germany, NS

Atticus J. Hagel
summa cum laude
Honours English
Richmond, BC

Hannah Eileen Diane Hall
cum laude
Catalone, NS

Jaelyn Raine Hallett
magna cum laude
Halifax, NS

Emaly jean Halliday
Annapolis Royal, NS

Olivia Veronica Hardiman-Lee
Halifax, NS

Emma Rachael Lea Harnish
Beaver Bank, NS



Jennifer Buckland Harris
Halifax, NS

Katya Kirsten Harris
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Lindsay Nicole Harvey
summa cum laude
Beaver Bank, NS

Alexa Marie Hawkins
Florence, NS

Jaiden Elizabeth Hayes
Nictaux, NS

Thomas Healy
magna cum laude
Dartmouth, NS

Rebecca Marie Hillier
magna cum laude
Sydney, NS

Ian Michael Hiltz
Honours Political Science
Halifax, NS

Emilee Megan Hirtle
Cambridge, NS

Sebastian-Thorne Howard
Parksville, BC

Moriah Alaiare Humby-Oye
Halifax, NS

Nadra Sophia Husain Alias
Singapore

Tyler Wayne Hutchinson
summa cum laude
Hantsport, NS

Rosalie Candice Hyslop
Dartmouth, NS

Alexa Adora Azuka Ikejiani
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Minesing, ON

Catherine Bibimbuyamba Imbali
Halifax, NS

Isabella Faith Isenor
Lantz, NS

Annabelle Eseohe Iyoha
Lagos, Nigeria

Armon Lorenzo Jefferies
cum laude
Halifax, NS

Ava Grace Jefferies-Aldridge
Dartmouth, NS

Brooke Reign Lee Johnson
Eskasoni, NS

Reign Hyacinth Lee Kaizer
Chester, NS

Jaiden Mary Watetu
Kariuki-MacDonald
Honours Anthropology
Membertou, NS

Grayson Lynn Kennedy
summa cum laude
Honours English
Coldbrook, NS

Ashley Taylor Kenney
summa cum laude
Honours English
Salt Springs, NS

Grace Anne Kirk
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Rebecca Lewis Klassen
Honours Linguistics
Kamloops, BC



Violeta Kuka
Bedford, NS

Nia Kyriakakis
Halifax, NS

Jillian Lanesmith
New Hamburg, ON

Viviana Cristina Larrea Izurieta
Guayaquil, Ecuador

Robyn Paige Lewis
cum laude
Sydney, NS

Hannah Victoria Livesay
Dartmouth, NS

Joshua Nicholas Long
Caledon, ON

Amy Elizabeth Longley
Bedford, NS

Paul Simon Lozano
Halifax, NS

Brittany Lucas
Charlottetown, PE

Alicia Grace MacDonald
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Cole Harbour, NS

Joshua Stephen Joseph MacDonald
Dominion, NS

Mackenzie Ann MacDonald
Scotch Lake, NS

Zoe Catherine Rose MacDonald
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Melissa Catherine Rykunyk Mackay
Whitney Pier, NS

Angel Rose MacMullin
cum laude
Cape Breton, NS

Peyton Reese Marchand
Port Hawkesbury, NS

Georgia Alexandra Marshall
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Renée Marshall
Bedford, NS

Alexander Martin
magna cum laude
Constantine, MI, USA

Dylan Amadeus Martin
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Keely Shae Matheson
Halifax, NS

Fatima Matwawana
Brockton, MA, USA

Chloe Abigail McCarthy
Lawrencetown, NS

Lorna Elizabeth Mary-Ann McClennan
Dartmouth, NS

Emma Merolyn Charleen McFetridge
Hubleys, NS

Skylar Rose McGean
New Glasgow, NS

Hannah Marie McGrath
Middle Sackville, NS

Ryan Clifford McGrath
summa cum laude
Komoka, ON



Lydia Margaret McIntyre
magna cum laude
Honours Sociology
Ottawa, ON

Eva Mae McKenna
Honours Linguistics
Halifax, NS

Alyson Dawn McNamara
Port Hawkesbury, NS

Asliza Md Yusoff
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Geneviève Josée Michaud
Hammonds Plains, NS

Taya Christine Miller
Halifax, NS

Trydell Jonathan Mintis
Halifax, NS

Emma Jane Miskulin
cum laude
Honours Anthropology
Brandon, MB

Jacqueline Chantal Moore
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Dartmouth, NS

Devin Roy Morgan
Halifax, NS

Rayne Marie Morrison
Halifax, NS

Amy Alexandra Emily Morton
cum laude
Honours French
Fall River, NS

Molly Euphemia Munroe
summa cum laude
Honours Linguistics
Sydney, NS

Rian Patricia Murphy
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Emma Kaelin Murray
Fredericton, NB

William Murray
Elmsdale, NS

Rokea Ramadan Murshan
Halifax, NS

Alison Neville
Honours English
Dartmouth, NS

Madison Newell
Halifax, NS

Athena Marilyn Nicoletopoulos
Halifax, NS

Sanu Mustapha Njie
Detroit, MI, USA

Leah Rosalind Oake
cum laude
Honours English
Halifax, NS

Alyssa Jess O'Brien
Halifax, NS

Isaiah Joseph Ikechukwu Okoli
Surrey, BC

Maabena Okyere Nimako
Accra, Ghana

Madalina Oprea
Halifax, NS

Jasmine Tessy Awino Otieno
Nairobi, Kenya

Sineka Palligoda Vithanage
Kalutara, Sri Lanka



Molly Kathleen Palmer
magna cum laude
Honours Psychology
Aylesford, NS

Ally Eva Parkes
Beaver Bank, NS

John Kenneth Parks
Mulgrave, NS

Julia Anne Pasma
Georgetown, ON

Alexander Ray Phillips
summa cum laude
Inverness, NS

Heidi Anne Pike
cum laude
Terra Nova, NL

Kara Leigh Power
Halifax, NS

Karlee Madison Preston
Halifax, NS

Noah Price
Halifax, NS

William Prosser
Nackawic, NB

Leah Madison Pynn
Halifax, NS

Nathaniel Christopher Rafuse
summa cum laude
Halifax, NS

Emma Grace Raistrick
Ottawa, ON

Saige Louise Ranson
Port Hawkesbury, NS

Sasheen Regalado
Eskasoni, NS

Lauren Emily Reid
magna cum laude
Porters Lake, NS

Sara Jean Reid
cum laude
Bridgewater, NS

Alice Mary Evelyn Reynolds-White
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Sydney, NS

Carrie Laura Kate Rice
Hammonds Plains, NS

Maxwell Patrick Riddiford
Kingsville, ON

Sage Angele Eliane Rizcallah
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Bedford, NS

Evony Fate Robertson
Kitchener, ON

Laura Catherine Rodgers
St. Catharines, ON

Lianne Hélène Rogers
summa cum laude
Fletcher's Lake, NS

Abigail Elizabeth Ross
Dartmouth, NS

T. Luke Ruelland
Halifax, NS

Vaishali Sachdeva
Co-operative Education
Aligarh, India

Vanessa Fadi Safatli
summa cum laude
Honours Psychology
Dartmouth, NS



Prabhjot Kaur Saluja
Indore, India

Stuti Sandhu
New Delhi, India

Alex Andrea Saunders
St. James, Jamaica

Olivia Claire Schnare
Halifax, NS

Kristin Gale Schofield
Windsor, NS

Makram Moueen Serieddine
Cole Harbour, NS

Sawsan Shamo
Halifax, NS

Jaxson Hunter Skaling Dunham
Arlington, NS

Kirk Andrew Spencer
Kentville, NS

Kelvin Maurice Spires
Halifax, NS

Reagan Elizabeth St.Croix
Beaver Bank, NS

Peter Robert Stackaruk
Middle Sackville, NS

Melissa Marie Stark
Clare, NS

Kaitlyn Raya Steeves
Honours Psychology
Halifax, NS

Cole Kenneth Stewart
Fall River, NS

Jaden Alexander Storry-Trefry
Debert, NS

Deshea Stubbs
Freeport, Bahamas

Prateek Tamta
Khatima, India

Matthew Paul Thibodeau
Co-operative Education
Lower Sackville, NS

Kaisa Rane Thorsen
Kentville, NS

Ivan Tremblay
summa cum laude
Honours Linguistics
Chicoutimi, QC

Keigan Darren Turnbull
Falmouth, NS

Spencer Vallis
Gander, NL

Noah James van Kessel
Hebville, NS

Michael Robert Wadden
cum laude
Halifax, NS

Cassie Gina Lucille Walker
Bridgewater, NS

Devawn White
cum laude
Montreal, QC

Isabelle Rose Whittle
magna cum laude
Halifax, NS

Georgia Anij Williams
Liverpool, NS

Olivia Abigail Marie Williams
cum laude
Mount Delight, NB

Amy Lauren Wilson
New Waterford, NS



Chloe Madelyn Wisen
summa cum laude
Dartmouth, NS

Paris Woodland
summa cum laude
Honours French
Ajax, ON

Bachelor of Environmental Studies

Gabrielle Celeste Agar
Loubiere, Dominica

Jassim Samir Alsayab
Kuwait City, Kuwait

Marie-Ève Côté
Honours Environmental Studies
Halifax, NS

Mackenzie Barbara Joyce Crawford
magna cum laude
Honours Environmental Studies
Truro, NS

Haley Lynn Martin
Summerstown, ON

Max Gallant McNabb
Sydney, NS

Marina Anne Penner
magna cum laude
Honours Environmental Studies
Peace River, AB

Evan Charles Sears
Beaver Bank, NS

Certificate in Health, Wellness & Sport in Society

Mackenzie Isabella Beggs
Oxford Mills, ON

Ashley Evelyn Brady
Woking, AB

Gregory James Warren Campbell
Welland, ON

Edwin Tai Cormier
Truro, NS

Chloe Madison Delano
Halifax, NS

Kayley Elizabeth Dixon
Dartmouth, NS

Mya Grant
Dartmouth, NS

Sebastian-Thorne Howard
Parksville, BC

Nsama Mutale Lifuka
Lusaka, Zambia

Kara Stephanie MacLean
Antigonish, NS

Jaden Alexander Storry-Trefry
Debert, NS

Certificate of Japanese Studies

Max Arthur Rogers Barton
Hammonds Plains, NS

Eva Mae McKenna
Halifax, NS

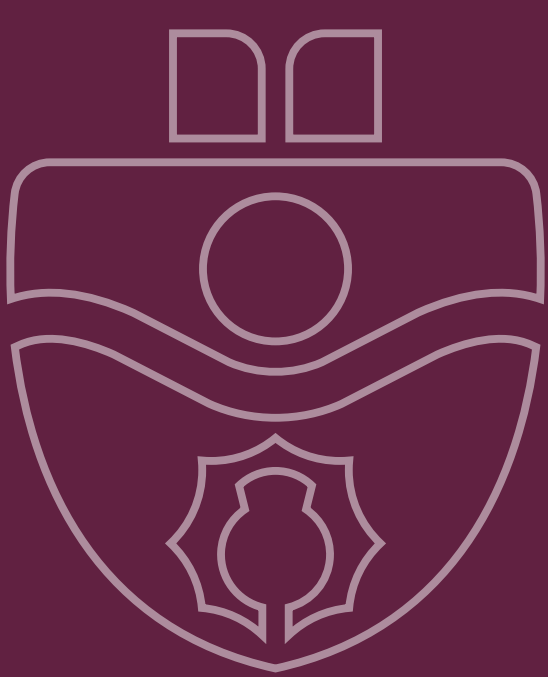
William Prosser
Nackawic, NB

Certificate of Linguistics

Emma Elizabeth Chisholm
Digby, NS

Mikayla Jean Hanlon
Saint John, NB

Valuedictorians





Dhanushki Thilini de Tissera Anthony

Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research



Dhanushki was born and raised in the beautiful island of Sri Lanka and has since had the privilege of living in five different countries, an experience that profoundly shaped her worldview and inspired her passion for language, cultural diversity, and the power of communication. As there could be no better place than Canada to fulfill Dhanushki's calling of working with diverse communities, she moved to Halifax two years ago to pursue the International Master in Teaching English from Saint Mary's University. During these two years, she had the opportunity to volunteer with ISANS and United for Literacy, working

with immigrants from diverse backgrounds, providing them with language support to integrate into the Canadian society.

Balancing full-time graduate studies while working part-time, volunteering, and raising two children has been one of the most demanding yet rewarding chapters of her life. Juggling these responsibilities required resilience, discipline, and sacrifice, but it also strengthened her determination and deepened my appreciation for perseverance.

Dhanushki's teaching journey has extended both nationally and internationally, across literacy to academic English. She is currently working as an EAL Instructor with ISANS, and with United for Literacy, and as an on-call instructor with Dalhousie University, where she has the privilege of supporting newcomers and multilingual learners through equitable, and learner-centered education. Grounded in a deep commitment to inclusive practices and plurilingual pedagogy, Dhanushki strives to create learning environments where every learner feels seen, valued, and empowered.

Dhanushki also holds a Master of Arts in Psychology and an Executive MBA in Human Resources, and have successfully obtained CELTA, TESL Canada, OCELT, and TESOL Certifications.

It is with immense gratitude and humility that Dhanushki represents the graduating Class of 2026 as Valedictorian.



Lydia Anne Ramsay

Sobey School of Business



Born and raised in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Lydia Ramsay graduates from the Sobey School of Business with a Bachelor of Commerce, summa cum laude, with double majors in Finance and Accounting.

Lydia has distinguished herself through a combination of academic excellence, leadership, and a strong commitment to community. Entering university with a passion for leadership, she quickly immersed herself in campus life, serving as a Residence Assistant, Teaching Assistant, and BComm Student Ambassador.

A passionate advocate for female inclusion in business, Lydia co-founded and now serves as President of the Women in Business Society at Saint Mary's. What began as a small initiative has grown into a thriving community of over 200 members, dedicated to empowering and connecting women pursuing careers in business and finance.

Lydia's interest in finance developed through her involvement in the IMPACT Investment Fund, SMU's student-led portfolio of \$1M in AUM; where she progressed from Research Associate to Fund Manager. She further expanded her experience as a Fund Associate with Venture Grade, Saint Mary's student-run venture capital fund, where she helped lead the university's team to its first-ever victory at the Venture Capital Investment Competition in Boston.

Throughout her degree, Lydia represented Saint Mary's at national and international case competitions, earning first place and Best Speaker at the Atlantic Invitational Case Competition, and her team receiving the Top Storytelling Award at the McGill International Portfolio Challenge in Montreal.

Lydia is deeply grateful to the Sobey family for the opportunity to be a Sobey Innovator Scholar, an experience that allowed her to fully engage in her university journey. She is equally grateful for the unwavering support of her family; especially her mother, whose strength and resilience deeply shaped Lydia's perspective and drive throughout her university journey.

Reflecting on her time at Saint Mary's, Lydia credits the university's community of students, faculty, and mentors for helping her discover her passions, build confidence, embrace challenges; and always say yes to new opportunities.

Following graduation, Lydia plans to pursue a career in private capital, building on her experience in the IMPACT Investment Fund and Venture Grade.



Chloe May Pobjoy-Ridolfo

Sobey School of Business



Originally from Thorold, Ontario, Chloe Pobjoy-Ridolfo is graduating with a Bachelor of Commerce, summa cum laude, with double majors in Finance and Accounting. A consistent Dean's List student, Chloe has been recognized for her academic excellence as the recipient of the Accounting Achievement Award and a CFA scholarship.

Throughout her time at the Sobey School of Business, Chloe distinguished herself through her involvement in case competitions, representing Saint Mary's University on the international stage. In addition to her competitive achievements,

she played a key leadership role as Co-Director of Women's Initiatives for the Accounting Society, where she was instrumental in organizing the first Sobey Strategy Case Competition.

Alongside her academic and extracurricular accomplishments, Chloe demonstrated a strong commitment to teaching and mentorship. She worked as a teaching assistant in Computer Information Systems, Accounting, and Finance, and supported fellow students as a peer tutor, reflecting her passion for sharing knowledge and helping others succeed.

During her studies, Chloe also gained valuable experience through a placement with a non-profit housing organization. This work deepened her interest in addressing systemic challenges in low-income housing and inspired her to explore how financial and structural reforms can better support and empower communities.

As valedictorian of the Sobey School of Business, Chloe is honoured to represent her graduating class. Following graduation, she plans to pursue her CPA and CFA designations, with the goal of building a career at the intersection of finance, accountability, and social impact.

Chloe credits her success to the unwavering support of her family, especially her parents and grandparents, as well as her professors, whose guidance has been pivotal throughout her academic journey. She reflects on her experience with gratitude, noting that "success is most meaningful when it is shared and used to uplift others."



Melissa Maria Alvarez Del Angel

Faculty of Science



Born and raised in Tampico, Mexico, Melissa is graduating today with a Bachelor of Science, summa cum laude, with Honours in Psychology.

During her time at SMU, Melissa became involved as Assistant Editor of the SMU Journal, later earning a promotion to Executive Editor. From there, her passion for student support led her to the Residence Wellness Team, where she eventually earned the position of Chair, while also working as a Resident Assistant for three years.

Beyond campus, Melissa volunteered at Peter's Place, assisting individuals recovering from brain injuries. She was also involved in the French Woodland Conservation Project, helping educate children about the preservation of yellow birch trees, and supported initiatives through the IWK Foundation.

Her dedication to leadership and community service was recognised through various honours, including the Renewable Entrance Scholarship, Leonard T. Rambeau Scholarship, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Accessibility (EDIA) Champion Badge, Dean of Science Access to Research Award, Student Leadership Recognition Award, Turning Points in Leadership Award, Wicked Problems Award, and First-Year Undergraduate Summer Research Award.

Inspired by her professors, mentors, and colleagues who shaped her experience, Melissa plans to continue working at Erica Baker Psychological Services Ltd. and to work full-time as a Research Assistant with Dr. Margherita Cameranesi. Looking ahead, she hopes to pursue a master's degree in clinical psychology and become qualified to conduct assessments while collaborating with healthcare professionals to reduce barriers that prevent individuals from reaching their potential. Above all, she hopes to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others. Her favourite quote by Dr. Seuss is, "To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world." That phrase stays with her every day. If she can help even one person feel seen, supported, or hopeful, she will consider her work meaningful.

Melissa would also like to thank her family, friends, and her best friend Sara, whose love, belief, and unconditional support have inspired her to become a person who brings light, kindness, and purpose wherever she goes.



Tashauna Ramona Reid

Faculty of Science



Tashauna is graduating with a Bachelor of Science, magna cum laude, with Honours in Psychology and a minor in Biology.

Some journeys are defined by where you begin, while others are defined by the moment you decide to become more. Tashauna's journey reflects that choice; one of growth, courage and discipline. Born and raised in Jamaica, Tashauna moved to Canada in pursuit of greater

opportunity, carrying ambition and uncertainty. Graduating high school with a 1.8 GPA, she once questioned her place in higher education. However, her acceptance to Saint Mary's became a turning point, offering her a second chance she chose to meet with intention and purpose.

At Saint Mary's, Tashauna redefined her potential by supporting others as a science tutor, receiving the Student Leadership Award, and being recognized for her excellence as an international student through the My East Coast Experience Bursary. She also served as a Welcome Week Pack Leader, supporting new students as they found their place at SMU, just as she once did. Committed to building community, she led the Caribbean Society for three years and founded the Science Society in 2024, later passing on the presidency to empower future student leaders. As the founder of College Life Academy, Tashauna has built a platform that supports over 280,000 students worldwide with academic guidance. Her work has led to partnerships with Best Buy and recognition through media features, including CTV News.

She has also been recognized for her work as a Black Founder and has shared her voice as a panelist at many leadership and empowerment conferences. Tashauna's journey is defined by the standard she chose to hold herself to along the way. She is deeply grateful to her mother, Mirriam Clarke, the backbone of her journey, and to her younger sister, Aliyanna and life-long partner, Okirra, for their endless support and sacrifice. Guided by the words of Joshua 1:9, "Be courageous and strong ... for Jehovah your God is with you wherever you go," Tashauna plans to pursue a career in the field of medical neuroscience.



Elizabeth Lynn Ganton

Faculty of Arts



Originally from Milton, Ontario, Elizabeth Ganton (she/they) is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts, summa cum laude, with Honours in Psychology and a major in Philosophy.

Elizabeth began at Saint Mary's in 2021 as an undeclared arts major and embraced the opportunity to take courses in as many departments as possible. Having been homeschooled from kindergarten to grade 12, her first day at SMU, in a critical thinking class, was her first day of school ever. Elizabeth went on to become a critical thinking tutor, and believes that their path into philosophy was fuelled by their

parents' dedication to encouraging their children to think for themselves. Her involvement in various on-campus societies, interacting and forming community with many other students, and service learning opportunities at Immigrant Services Association of Nova Scotia (ISANS) inspired Elizabeth to pursue psychology along with philosophy.

Elizabeth would like to thank their siblings Xefira, Emma, and Rosemary for their examples of academic dedication, resilience, and passion for justice. She would also like to thank her partner Siyeon for their enduring support, and Jaiden, Mikey, and Shiray for always believing in them. Many faculty have made a lasting impact on Elizabeth, notably her honours supervisor, Dr. Jim Cameron, and Dr. Emma McClure and Dr. Scott Edgar who encouraged her to write better and learn more than she ever thought she could.

Elizabeth looks forward to continuing seeking awe in everyday life and post-graduate education. They are very grateful for the knowledge and skills they have gained at Saint Mary's University, and this opportunity to represent their graduating class.



Grayson Lynn Kennedy

Faculty of Arts



Originally from Coldbrook, Nova Scotia, Grayson is graduating today with a Bachelor of Arts, summa cum laude, with Honours in English and a minor in creative writing.

Throughout his academic journey, Grayson found his home among the creative arts scene in SMU, where he not only received the Robert Hayes Memorial Scholarship in 2024 for his interest and aptitude in creative writing, but he also won 3rd and 2nd place in the Margo Takacs Marshall Memorial Prize

for Excellence in Short Story Writing in 2025 and 2026 respectively. He was an avid member of the Saint Mary's University Drama Society since 2022, serving as the lead role in *Midsummer.com* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*, and a supporting role in *Agamemnon*. Grayson considers his crowning achievement to be the time he wrote and directed his own original play through the Drama Society titled *What You Will* in the winter of 2026.

Aside from creative accomplishments, Grayson was deeply involved in the SMU community through volunteering as a Pack Leader and working as a student assistant at the Patrick Power Library for two years. He was also granted the opportunity to present some of his critical work at the Annual Atlantic Undergraduate English Conference in 2026. During his time at SMU, he studied a variety of topics in English literature, and has taken an interest in further studying queer theory and the ways in how literature represents a world that is a lot less linear and organized than many may think.

After graduation, Grayson plans to pursue a Master of Arts in the near future while continuing his involvement in the arts through creative writing, publishing more work, and producing more plays.

Grayson credits his accomplishments to the unwavering support of his family, who never lost faith in his abilities and encouraged him to pursue his creative ambitions from childhood to the present. He also thanks his mentors and professors in the English department, including Dr. Alexander MacLeod and Dr. Gugu Hlongwane, for providing the confidence and tools he needed to become who he is today.

Honorary Degree





Sanjeev Chowdhury,

Doctor of Civil Law, honoris causa



Sanjeev Chowdhury BComm'89, a graduate of Saint Mary's University, has built an accomplished career in Canada's foreign service, representing the country on the global stage for over three decades.

After earning his Bachelor of Commerce from Saint Mary's University, where he served as President of the Students' Association, Chowdhury pursued graduate studies in international management before joining Canada's diplomatic corps. Over the course of his career, he has served in key postings around the world, including Mumbai, Ho Chi Minh City, Rio de Janeiro, and Bangkok.

As a Senior Trade Commissioner in Thailand, he played a significant role in advancing Canada's international trade relationships, ultimately becoming the longest-serving Canadian diplomat at the Canadian Embassy in Bangkok. His diplomatic career also included appointments as Consul General and leadership roles during major international events, including the Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Chowdhury's contributions have been recognized with numerous honours, including international medals and Canada's Foreign Service Officer of the Year Award. His work reflects a sustained commitment to global engagement, public service, and strengthening Canada's presence abroad.

He will receive a Doctor of Civil Law, honoris causa, at the Sobey School of Business Convocation on May 27 at 2:00 p.m.



Alumni

The Saint Mary's University Alumni Association

welcomes more than 1,100 students into its global family this spring.

The Alumni Honour Guard, which includes members of our diverse alumni community, proudly leads students to and from their convocation ceremony in the academic procession, signifying their transition from student to alumni.

During the ceremony, each graduate will receive an alumni pin from the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association, a tradition dating back more than 30 years. Graduates are encouraged to wear their pins with pride.

Alumni are ambassadors and champions for the university within their community and around the world. We share pride in your success. As part of a powerful network of more than 56,000 alumni worldwide, your impact is felt in your community and beyond. Philanthropic investments from our alumni, whether it be your time, talent or treasure, will pave the way for the next generation of Santamarians to succeed.

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About Saint Mary's University

Saint Mary's University is one of Canada's top primarily undergraduate universities known for international collaborations, leadership in entrepreneurship and research that benefits local and global communities. Programs in Arts, Science, Graduate Studies and the Sobey School of Business are among Canada's best and feature professors who are committed to the success of their students.

Saint Mary's provides approximately 6,000 students with a place that fosters possibility, excellent research opportunities and distinguished graduate and professional programs combined with a caring community. Saint Mary's is community-focused with strong values, operating the way the world should. We embrace diversity, are committed to sustainability and bravely tackle the issues that matter to society.

Graduates of Saint Mary's—who hail from more than 100 countries—share a special pride. Known as Santamarians, 55,000 alumni are contributing to communities and economies around the globe. Nestled in the heart of Halifax, Nova Scotia, on Canada's East Coast, Saint Mary's University is marked by iconic buildings, green spaces and fresh ocean air.

Saint Mary's University is committed to a prosperous future for the world—a World without limits. So, too, are our graduates.

Saint Mary's University is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq.



Photography

Calnen Photography is available in Loyola Academic Building room L271 following each ceremony for graduation photos. To arrange an individual sitting at their studio, please book an appointment on their website, calnenphotography.com.



Framing of Parchments

Simply bring your diploma(s) to the parchment framing room in **SMUshop - Loyola Colonnade - Across from Tim Hortons**. In seconds, it will be professionally framed in a high quality, Canadian-made frame complete with a mat emblazoned with the official crest of Saint Mary's University.

Recording

A recording of the ceremony live-stream can be found on our website, smu.ca/graduation.



Flowers

Flowers are available for purchase in the lobby of the McNally building before and after each ceremony.



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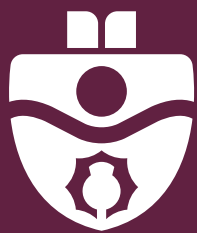
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