

This program recognizes recipients of academic honors and awards, and various service, clinic and advocacy awards for 2015-16. Congratulations to all of the students who have attained these distinctions.

ACADEMIC HONORS (Degree Honors)

In accord with the Academic Rules of the University of San Diego School of Law, degree honors are conferred upon those students who distinguish themselves by their academic achievement.

SUMMA CUM LAUDE	CUM LAUDE	
Hannah Elizabeth Brown	Natalie Anderson	Brittney Shea Slack
James Young Hurt	Estee M. Bartell	Kacie B. Wagner
Janet Song Hee Kim	Ross Eleazer Bautista	Kevin Wayne Waldron
Deborah Margaret Smith	Rishi S. Bhatt	Hailey Marie Williams
Ronald R. Webb (LLM)	Matthew Thomas Borgquist	Katrina W. Wu (LLM)
	Katherine Nicole Brown	
	Jenna Gabrielle Campbell	
MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Lauren Nicole Crosby	
Tony Grant Carvalho	Zachary Amparo Damian	
Andrew B. Cates	Kevin Michael DeBruin	
Min Young Chan	Wen-Jeng Duh	
Derek Michael Dahlin	Paul Michael Gonia	
Vincenzina Georgousopoulos	Nicolas Guerard Grice (LLM)	
Clayton Reid Henson	Courtney Ann Jakofsky	
Evan Kravitz	Tamim Jami	
Sieun Jennifer Lee	Dillon Danehy Jones	
Lara A. Major	Daniel E. Kim	
Kevin Michael McKenna	Davin Hideki Kono	
Anastasiya V. Menshikova	Samuel Aaron Lemon (LLM)	
Jeffrey W. Monsell	Kathleen Anne Lepore	
Sarah Elizabeth Orloff	Madison Suzanne Levine	
Shauna Rose Riley	Xiaowan Mao	
Mark Rubinshtein	Tyler Belmont McQuillan	
Stasia A. Rudiman	Keisha M. Mello-Hall	
Evan J. Spano	Auty Moayeri	
Brianne Adrian Sparkman	Keenan P. O'Connor	
Brooke Read Squiller (LLM)	Ethan A. Reimers	
Byron C. Taylor (LLM)	Mellania Emily Safarian	
Jessica Patricia Wallach	Tej P. Singh	
Yoshihisa Watanabe (LLM)		

ORDER OF THE COIF

Steeped in the history of serjeants-at-law in medieval England, the American Order of the Coif dates back to 1902 and is the preeminent honor society for recognition of high academic attainment in the study of law. Membership in Coif is limited to those students in the top 10 percent of the graduating class.

Hannah Elizabeth Brown	Janet Song Hee Kim	Shauna Rose Riley
Tony Grant Carvalho	Evan Kravitz	Mark Rubinshtein
Andrew B. Cates	Sieun Jennifer Lee	Stasia A. Rudiman
Min Young Chan	Lara A. Major	Deborah Margaret Smith
Derek Michael Dahlin	Kevin Michael McKenna	Evan J. Spano
Vincenzina Georgousopoulos	Anastasiya V. Menshikova	Brianne Adrian Sparkman
Clayton Reid Henson	Jeffrey W. Monsell	Jessica Patricia Wallach
James Young Hurt	Sarah Elizabeth Orloff	

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Recipients of the Irvin J. Kahn; Dean's Comparative Law Award; Paul, Plevin, Sullivan & Connaughton; and Dean's Tax Scholar awards also will have their names engraved on perpetual plaques which remain on display in the law school.

VALEDICTORIAN AWARD

For the highest cumulative grade point average overall.

James Young Hurt

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FOR THE HIGHEST CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE, FULL-TIME DIVISION

James Young Hurt

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FOR THE HIGHEST CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE, PART-TIME DIVISION

Deborah Margaret Smith

MASTER OF LAWS: DEAN'S TAX SCHOLAR

For the highest cumulative grade point average in the Master of Laws in Taxation program.

Ronald R. Webb

MASTER OF LAWS: DEAN'S COMPARATIVE LAW AWARD

For the highest cumulative grade point average in the Master of Laws in Comparative Law program.

Yoshihisa Watanabe

JUDGE GERALD BROWN PROGRESS AWARD

For the student with the greatest increase in grade point average, from first year to graduation.

Ashton Shahyad Cohen

IRVIN J. KAHN AWARD

For the outstanding student in real property courses.

Katrina Louise Wraight

PAUL, PLEVIN, SULLIVAN & CONNAUGHTON, LLP AWARD

For the highest cumulative grade point average in the employment and labor law concentration.

Kevin Michael DeBruin

VIRGINIA C. NELSON GRADUATION PRIZE IN ADVANCED ADVOCACY

For the outstanding student in advanced advocacy courses.

Vincenzina Georgousopoulos

SERVICE AWARDS

USD ENHANCEMENT AWARD

For the outstanding graduates who exemplify leadership and have improved and enriched the USD law community.

Ross Eleazer Bautista

Brody Charles Burns

Jared Dwight Leigh

Siobhán Elizabeth Stade Murillo

ALEC L. CORY PRO BONO AWARD

For contributions to *pro bono* causes during law school.

Kevin Wayne Waldron

PRO BONO SERVICE RECOGNITION

The *Pro Bono* Service Recognition is given to those students who have completed in excess of 100 hours of pro bono legal service during their law school career.

Hala Dina Alskaf	Lijue Jiang	Hannah J. Sharp
Nancy Emad Bassali	Vaishnavi S. Katarey	Victoria Ellen Sherlin
Hannah Elizabeth Brown	Daniel E. Kim	Brittney Shea Slack
Katherine Nicole Brown	Ronald Patrick Kline Jr.	Daniel Stephen Smith
Kenneth William Brown Jr.	Christina Michelle Lynch	Laura Michelle Supanich
Brody Charles Burns	Caitlin Elizabeth Macker	Emily Frances Jacqueline Tepper
Cameron John Cain	Ryan James Mackintosh	Keith Van Wagner
Lindsay Caro	Lara A. Major	Aeriel Villanueva
Steven Michael Chang	Kosta Holden Martikas	Phillip D. Viramontes
Irene Borry Choe	Denise April Martinez	Kevin Wayne Waldron
Kiley McCarthy Connolly	Keisha M. Mello-Hall	Hailey Marie Williams
Nicholas John Directo	Anastasiya V. Menshikova	Lu Zhang
Sarah Katherine Farnsworth	Auty Moayeri	
Catherine Annette Ferguson	Amanda Sefidvash Moazzaz	
Gina Marguerite Foran	Jennifer Jane Moore	
Devon R. Franza	Sally Thi Nguyen	
Ian Kenneth Frost	Natalia Wiktorja Nyczak	
Eidon Joseph Hamamlow	Dyanne Christina Lawlor Peters	
Elizabeth Alice Harland	Christina Janelle Prejean	
Genevieve R. Herbert	John David Roehrick	
James Young Hurt	Stasia A. Rudiman	
Courtney Ann Jakofsky	Sarah E. Serrano	

CLINIC AWARDS

OUTSTANDING APPELLATE CLINIC INTERN
Samuel Averbach Leff

OUTSTANDING CIVIL CLINIC INTERN
Caitlin Elizabeth Macker

OUTSTANDING EDUCATION & DISABILITY CLINIC INTERN
Jennifer Jane Moore

OUTSTANDING ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLINIC INTERN
Tyler Belmont McQuillan

OUTSTANDING FEDERAL TAX CLINIC INTERN
David Domenick Romberger

OUTSTANDING IMMIGRATION CLINIC INTERN
Sarah Katherine Farnsworth

OUTSTANDING SMALL CLAIMS CLINIC INTERN
Eric O. Zeiger

OUTSTANDING STATE INCOME TAX CLINIC INTERN
Amanda Kathleen Elmgren

OUTSTANDING STATE SALES & USE TAX CLINIC INTERN
Denise April Martinez

OUTSTANDING VETERANS CLINIC INTERN
Ryan James Mackintosh

ADVOCACY AWARDS

CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW’S
OUTSTANDING PUBLIC INTEREST ADVOCATE AWARD
For outstanding external advocacy in the legislature, courts, or before administrative agencies.
Katherine Nicole Brown

CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW’S OUTSTANDING
CONTRIBUTOR TO *THE CALIFORNIA REGULATORY LAW REPORTER*
For contributions to the journal that monitors the activities of 25 California regulatory agencies.
Lauren Nicole Crosby

CHILDREN’S ADVOCACY INSTITUTE’S JAMES A. D’ANGELO
OUTSTANDING CHILD ADVOCATE AWARD
For the graduates who have demonstrated the special skills, knowledge, and dedication necessary to be effective child advocates.

Hala Dina Alskaf
Gregory Edward Catangay
Ashley L. Lafargue

COMMUNITY DEFENDERS AWARD
For commitment to constitutional protections in indigent criminal defense.
Ronald Patrick Kline Jr.

ORDER OF BARRISTERS
For demonstrated excellence in appellate and/or trial advocacy.

Tony Grant Carvalho
Kiley McCarthy Connolly
Alina Leonidovna Litoshyk
Caitlin Elizabeth Macker
Keisha M. Mello-Hall
Caitlin Margaret Ryan
Mellania Emily Safarian
Keith Van Wagner
Hailey Marie Williams
Cody James Wisniewski

Statute of Justice: Hailey Marie Williams

MICHAEL T. THORSNES TRIAL ADVOCACY AWARD
For the outstanding National Mock Trial team member.
Caitlin Elizabeth Macker

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