

This program recognizes recipients of academic honors and awards, and various service, clinic and advocacy awards for 2017-18. 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
Mary Elizabeth Allain
Preston Blake Bennett
Lisa Rose Brevard
David J. Kowalczyk (LLM)
Megan Ione Thiels
Feng Ye

MAGNA CUM LAUDE
Ryan Tyler Cannon
Andre Joaquin Castillo
Emilio A. Cazares
Luke Byungsun Choi
Michael J. Conway II
James Paul de Haan
Thomas E. Diamond
Philip Michael Dodd
Lily Sing Duong
Kathyrn M. Evans
Justin Michael Fontaine
Michelle Jeanne Ganotis
Miguel Eduardo Mendez-Pintado
Sara Elizabeth Miller
Katherine Marie Motsinger
Julianne Renee Odin
Karina Noelle Pundeff
Yan Ren
Seth Henry Skolnik

Alexander Franz Stapley (LLM)
Patrick J. Tunnell
Simone Visosky Ward
Mengke Xing

CUM LAUDE
Whitney Barton (LLM)
Rachael Lee Bollig
Courtney Lynn Bravo
Jean Anne Cook
Erin L. Crane
Kristina Momoko Darrough
Cory Phillip DiBene
Andrew Jonathan Forgy
Robert Maxwell Geiger
Juliana Giacomim Mendes de Andrade (LLM)
Jennifer Mitsu Gong
Karen Gorodzinsky
Lilach Halperin
Stewart Pike Harris
Erik David Hoyle
Jingyuan Huang
Alyssa Michelle Kimmet
Aaron Thomas Koons
Brandon A. Lallande
John C. Mandio
Christian S. Martineau

Amir Moraveji Shoar
Casey Joseph Otis
Nicole Michel Paschoal
Lauren M. Perkins
Samuel T. Plothow
Andrea Tibaduiza Ramos
Lorena Real
Chandra Allynn Roam
Rachel Lauren Ross
Kenneth Michael Rowles
Haylee Saathoff
Terence Ryuto Sanders
Heather Grace Schlesier
David P. Smykowski
Osok Song
Gali Steinberg-Tatman
Jane Susskind
Ryan Matthew Williams
Changwoo Yang
Bu Yin

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.

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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.

Preston Blake Bennett

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

Preston Blake Bennett

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

Feng Ye

MASTER OF LAWS: DEAN'S TAX SCHOLAR

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

David J. Kowalczyk

MASTER OF LAWS: DEAN'S COMPARATIVE LAW AWARD

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

Juliana Giacomim Mendes de Andrade

JUDGE GERALD BROWN PROGRESS AWARD

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

Anthony Phan Ninh Davis

IRVIN J. KAHN AWARD

For the outstanding student in real property courses.

Ryan Matthew Williams

PAUL, PLEVIN, SULLIVAN & CONNAUGHTON, LLP AWARD

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

James Paul de Haan

VIRGINIA C. NELSON GRADUATION PRIZE IN ADVANCED ADVOCACY

For the outstanding student in advanced advocacy courses.

Marina Nicole Hanna

SERVICE AWARDS

USD ENHANCEMENT AWARD

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

Emilio A. Cazares
Ashley N. Fasano
Curtis Myles Jackson
Andrew Steven Rodriguez
Andrew Jacob Van Arsdale

ALEC L. CORY PRO BONO AWARD

For contributions to pro bono causes during law school.

Abbigale E. Cook

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.

Taini Adhikary
Ayushi Agarwal
Michael L. Banks
Malak Behrouznami
Courtney Lynn Bravo
Daniel Patrick Bremer
Lisa Rose Brevard
Aaron David Burden
Ana Maria Burgos-Solis
Katharine Jean Burlington
Mayra Alejandra Castro
Hillary Eloise Chaffin
Ashley Hanae Choy
Sydney Virginia Colbert
Anafrancesca Yvonne Comunale
Chelsea Renee Conde
Abbigale E. Cook
Erin L. Crane
Julia Dalzell
Curtis P. Davis
Tatiana DeVita
Lindsey Brianne Eisenberg
Ashley N. Fasano
Jenna Eve Fiscus
Andrew Jonathan Forgy
Crystal Gamache
Noel Christian Garcia
Eduardo Gustavo Gonzalez
Karen Gorodzinsky

Michelle Grawet
Brendan A. Grech
Maureen Danielle Gregory
Elena L. Gutiérrez
Jennifer Evelyn Halim
Alexandra Eva Happersett
Michaela R. Heil
Darly T. Htike
Mark M. Imada
Samuel Z. Jorgensen
Ian Patrick Kearney
Victoria Ann Koenitzer
Charles S. Kurt
Brandon A. Lallande
Kevin Patrick Lally
Taylor Marie Leuschen
Arthur Llort
Melina Louise Londos
David Augusto Lopes
Donel Revita Lopez
Kendall M. Lovell
Michael Patrick Malady
Shaudi Nicole Malekzadeh
Jenna Renee Mark
Alma Arlene McCoy
Alma Vanessa Montenegro
Amir Moraveji Shoar
Erin Nicole Morgan
Sandra Victoria Ortiz Arias

Lauren M. Perkins
Joseph Powers
Amanda Megan Purcell
Andrea Tibaduiza Ramos
Ryan Alexander Ramos
Lorena Real
Andrew Steven Rodriguez
Isabela Rodriguez
Leah Zharina Gonzales Rosario
Phoebe S. Sadler
Kaylin A. Sangimino
Heather Grace Schlesier
Ericka Katelyn Schwing
Michelle Diane Sellwood
Morgan Rose Small
Jillian Elizabeth Stanley
Jane Susskind
Janice Tang
Nathalie Tang
Hanna Leigh Tavill
Ryan K. Taylor
Megan Ione Thiels
Christopher Frank Thien
Aryan Vahedy
Danielle Jasmine Vukovich
Joshua Mathew Walden
Kelsey Elise Wilson
Lauren N. Wood

CLINIC AWARDS

OUTSTANDING APPELLATE CLINIC INTERN

Lisa Rose Brevard

OUTSTANDING CIVIL CLINIC INTERN

Yarazel Mejorado

OUTSTANDING EDUCATION & DISABILITY CLINIC INTERN

Ericka Katelyn Schwering

OUTSTANDING ENTREPRENEURSHIP CLINIC INTERN

Jason Sydney Miller

OUTSTANDING FEDERAL TAX CLINIC INTERN

Alexandra Michelle Crownhart

OUTSTANDING IMMIGRATION CLINIC INTERN

Garri Shahinyan

OUTSTANDING STATE INCOME TAX CLINIC INTERN

Mark C. Suarez

OUTSTANDING STATE SALES & USE TAX CLINIC INTERN

Justin Michael Fontaine

OUTSTANDING VETERANS CLINIC INTERN

Kaylin A. Sangimino

OUTSTANDING WORKERS' RIGHTS CLINIC INTERN

Brisa Yaneth Velazquez Berber

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.

Jake Thomas Zindulka

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.

Ashley N. Fasano

Lauren M. Perkins

Alyssa Michelle Kimmet

Faye Marie Winkler

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.

Ashley Hanae Choy

Maureen Danielle Gregory

Curtis P. Davis

Nareene Patil Karakashian

Crystal Gamache

Hanna Leigh Tavill

Amanda Kay Gilleland

COMMUNITY DEFENDERS AWARD

For commitment to constitutional protections in indigent criminal defense.

Ryan Tyler Cannon

Michelle Grawet

Erik David Hoyle

ORDER OF BARRISTERS

For demonstrated excellence in appellate and/or trial advocacy.

Maurice Aron Bumbu

Ryan Tyler Cannon

Thomas E. Diamond

Cory Phillip DiBene

Stephanie B. Dusso

Lindsey Brianne Eisenberg

Jennifer Evelyn Halim

Ryan Alexander Ramos

Michelle Diane Sellwood

Kendra Gayle Tovey

Statute of Justice: *Thomas E. Diamond*

MICHAEL T. THORSNES TRIAL ADVOCACY AWARD

For the outstanding National Mock Trial team member.

Lindsey Brianne Eisenberg

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