

2024 Award Recipients

Academic Achievement Award

Highest grade point average in the graduating class

Minh Nam Pham,
MIA, BA-MIA

Anjali Bhatt,
MAS-IA

Mir Muhtadi Faiaz,
MPP, BA-MPP

**Jonathan Elkobi &
Dinah Shi,** MCEPA



Richard Covington Award

*Recognizes a technically excellent
program design and evaluation paper*

Jonathan Elkobi

Dean's Teaching Award

*Best curriculum teaching assistant or tutor
as voted by the Class of 2025*

Anne Charles

School of Global Policy and Strategy

University of California San Diego

Ruth Adams Award
Recognizes the best analytical paper (qualitative)
Fernanda Andrea Padilla

Commencement Speaker Award
*Chosen by the Class of 2024 to deliver
the Commencement address*
Jordan Ryan Chu

Econometrics Prize
Recognizes the best empirical paper (quantitative)
Akshay Yeddapanudi

**Ayal Margalith Memorial Award
for Leadership**
*Graduate student who has shown leadership,
excellence and devotion to the GPS student body
as voted by the Class of 2024*
Taysia Fu-Jan Leung

2024 Commencement Exercises

Policy Memo Award
*First year GPS student who wrote the
best policy memo paper for a course*
Daniel Hershfield

MAS-IA Peer Award
*For professionalism, scholarship,
collegiality, integrity and service*
Devin McCormick

Language Achievement Award
*Outstanding achievement
in language study at GPS*
Danielle Hannah Eve Groper

Doming Liu Award
*Significant contribution and leadership
to student life within their first year
at GPS as voted by the Class of 2025*
Okilbek Abdumavlanov

Joseph Grunwald Memorial Award
*Significant contributions in the promotion of
Inter-American understanding*
Paula Jaramillo

Faculty Recognition Award
Awarded and voted on by the Class of 2024
**Jesse Driscoll
Gordon McCord**

EDI Award
*Meaningful impact on student life and
well-being through student-initiated Equity,
Diversity and Inclusion activities*
Joy Werner

Friday, June 14, 2024
10 a.m.

LionTree Arena



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Graduating Class of 2024

Commencement Exercises

Master of Advanced Studies in International Affairs

Sean Alexander	Gantuya Larkins	Yuhei Ota	Evan Richards
Shynar Baitukina	Charmas Lee	Francisco Javier	Damarias Russell
Daniel Beebe	Hyun Joon Lee	Palomo	Sonny Safee
Anjali Bhatt	Woojong Lee	Thomas Phillips	Jakob Schwam
Dean Black	Devin McCormick	Robert Anthony	
Philip DeFord	Omar Sebastian Ortiz	Quihuis IV	

Master of Chinese Economic and Political Affairs

Jonathan Elkobi	Zhongqiang Li	Junzhe Shi	Sirui Yao	Xitian Zou
Zhuohan Fang*	J. Martin Mancini*	Dinah Shi*	Sibo Zheng	
Michelle Lai	GianCarlo Samayoa	Yaohong Wang	Wenjie Zhou	

Master of International Affairs

Mariam Altamimi	Jackson Richard Patrick	Ashley Hernandez	Hiroshi Muroi	Annie Sulejmani
Chloe Marie Amiset	Coyle	Guanhao (Edison) Hu*	Hatraman (Elliot)	Riley Sutton
Eliza Adair Appleton*	Samuel F. Crolla	Zhenyang Hu	Nguyen	Kentaro Tahara
Lucienne Valentina	Jeremy Cronig	Paula Jaramillo	Stephanie Orosz	Wei-Hsin Tang*
Arrigoni	Christopher Cuevas*	Yongsun Jin	Fernanda Andrea	Anastasiya Uspenskaya
Putra Farrel Azhar	Alexander David Curry	Gloria Kalt	Padilla	Kynedi Paul Verrett
Mounisha	Cyrus Dettle	Matthew Kazden	Patrick Perrin	Calynn Yanji Wang
Balasubramanian	Dephny C. Duan	Mary Khachatourian*	Minh Nam Pham*	Monica Wang
Skylar Chyann Belden	Laurny Edwards	Tianning (Tini) Lan	Evan Lande Pizzurro	Yelaine Wang
Ray Andrew Berman-	Alperen Efeoglu	Taysia Fu-Jan Leung*	Pavan Raghavendra	Yifei Wang
Schneider*	Anuyjin Anna Enkhtur	Sarah Lewis	Raja Manuri Venkata	Nicholas Watson
Yutong Bo	Nima Esfandiari	Alexander (Alex) Li	Hyeong Cheol Ro	Henry Ziyi Wong
Alex Bogisich	Danielle Hannah Eve	Boyue (Harry) Liu	Adam C. Rosario	Kimothy Wong
Angela Weiyan Cai	Groper	Josephine Lowery	Junna Saito	Akshay Yeddapanudi*
Jasper Junjie Cen	Kevin Guo	Henry Mok	Megha Sanjay*	Qing Yin
Zhiyuan Chi	McKenzie Hartman	Anushka Mokta	Ilaria Simmen	Ye Yuan
Viola Chow	Taylor He	Angela Rose Molina	Dana Suleiman	Genghua Zhuang

Master of Public Policy

Amanda Pinilla Appel	Yuxin Guo	Kazuhiro Kotabe	George Popp	Xuran Wang
Warsan Artan*	Tamara Handfas*	Siyuan Li	Daniel Pryke	Emily Corinna
Anne Charles	Emily Louise Harris*	Xiaoran Li	Gabriela Emilia	Wentworth
Wenxin Chen	Salvador Hernandez Jr.	Yumeng Liu	Quintanilla	Joy Werner
Yuwei (Kay) Chen	Junyi Hua	Chen Long	Courtney Ransom	Di Wu
Arturo Chiquito*	Jocelyn Huitron	Pengyu Lu	Masaaki Sato	Yiyang Wu
Harrison Cho	Gutierrez	Kayla Lutes	Dylan Chase Schneider	Ruixuan Xiang
Jordan Ryan Chu	Karlo Imper-Vuletić	Randi Macrorie	Archita Sharma*	Daisuke Yamakawa
Yihan Duan	Marzhan Ismailova	Fairweather	Masahiro Soji	Aoi Yamashita
Fedor Dukhnovskii	Yoshitake Ito	Zachary McKenzie	Angela Solanilla	Daichi Yamashita
Mir Muhtadi Faiaz*	Rhea Kalra*	Mizuki Murashima	Drew Peeyapat	
Alberto I. Fragoso	Hiroaki Kato	Masaki Nakamura	Suthipongchai*	
Basauri*	Michael Kennedy	John Austin	Alejandra Toro Delgado	
Daniel Jefe Garcia	Dongki (DK) Kim	Newcomer*	Julian Tiberius Verdon	
Gomar	Sangwook Kim	Bryce Sungjin Park	Michael Wagner	

* Dean's Fellow

Welcome
Caroline Freund, Dean

Commencement Address
Liliana Ferrer-Silva
Ambassador of Mexico to Thailand,
concurrent in Cambodia

Class Commencement Address
Jordan Ryan Chu, MPP, Class of 2024

Hooding of Degree Candidates
Jennifer Burney, Professor
Gordon McCord, Associate Dean