

## 2021 Award Recipients

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### Academic Achievement Award

*Highest grade point average in the graduating class*

**Indira Tirumala, MIA**  
**Mark Enmeier, MAS-IA**

**Tanvi Jaluka, MPP**  
**Rachel Lietzow, MCEPA**

### Ayal Margalith Memorial Award for Leadership

*Graduate student who has shown leadership,  
excellence and devotion to the GPS student body*

**May Thach**

### MAS-IA Peer Award

*For professionalism, scholarship, collegiality, integrity and service*

**Lance Garnett**

### Econometrics Prize

*Best quantitative research paper*

**Tanvi Jaluka**

### Richard Covington Award

*Best program design and evaluation research paper*

**Mario Rodriguez Heredia**

### Ruth Adams Award

*Best analytic writing research paper*

**Aurora Livingston**

### Language Achievement Award

*Outstanding achievement in language study*

**Kathryn Hillis**

### Dean's Teaching Award

*Best core curriculum teaching assistant  
as voted by Class of 2022*

**Jesse Nasland**

### Faculty Recognition Award

*Awarded and voted on by the students*

**Gordon McCord**

### Joseph Grunwald Memorial Award

*Significant contributions in the promotion of  
Inter-American understanding*

**Emily Carlton**



# School of Global Policy and Strategy

## University of California San Diego

# 2021 Commencement Exercises

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Sunday, June 13, 2021

2 p.m.

Hybrid: In-person and Virtual

# Graduating Class of 2021

## Master of Advanced Studies in International Affairs

Abdirisak Abdi	Mark R. Enmeier	Jayong Kim	Alexander Schiller
Rummer Bershtein	Julio Flores	Younggon Kim	Yeon Hee Shim
Ricardo Blanco	Collin Alexander Ford	Paul King	Thayne Stiefvater
Andrew Bowman	Daniel Franke	Hansol Kwak	Chang Su
Stacie LeAnn Devitt	Lance Michael Garnett	Scott McGowan	Jonathan Brian Wallace
Devin Dugard	Manabu Hiratsuka	Michael D. Poor	
Edward Enberg	Lola Ingram-Manas	Maria Jose Riquelme Sordo	

## Master of Chinese Economic and Political Affairs

Rolando Almada Reyes	Chaoran Li	Huizhong (Sonia) Tan*
Couret*	Aaron Lien	Qiao Ye
James L. Lee	Rachel Deanna Lietzow	Songyue Zhang

## Master of International Affairs

Ahsun Ahmed	Marco Gutierrez Casale	Lingyu Meng	Ashley Marie Schmidt
Karl Nikolaus Antonsson	Ayn Hatfield	Ari Michelson	Magaly Sosa
Andrew Baker	Kathryn Hillis	Mikenna Montgomery	Rachel Stephens
Lincoln Berget	Ming-Ju (Tony) Hsieh*	Jesse Nasland*	Meng Sun
Samantha Marie Beu*	Sihe Huang	Kathryn Nelson	Christopher (Topher) Taylor
Smarika Bista	Christian Martin Hundley	Martin Jesus Olvera	May Thach
Daniel Blaugher	Kyle Hurst	Dominic Joseph Palazzolo*	Indira Tirumala
Camille Caterina	William (Chandler) Katschke	Lu Pang	Camila Alejandra Urzúa
Yuhui Chen	Caitlyn Khuu	Jongbeom Park	Rivas
Zhilin Chen	Kyle Kissinger	Kihoon Park	Brian Bonan Wan
Sheng Cheng	Zhijing (April) Kuang	Matthew De La Torre Patel	Yizheng Wang
Tenzin Rabga Chomphel	Alana Laanui*	Joshua Paull	Yue Wang
Becky Christofferson	Yingying (Carmen) Lai*	James Radcliffe*	Mengtian Wenren
Thomas Sebastian Cooney	Austin Vinh Le	Josef Rein	Yi Wu
Damin Justice Curtis	Tu Le	Kyle Philip Rose	Sohee Kelly Wun
Ahmad Darweesh	Kangjun Lee	Ethan Roseman*	Siwen Xiao
Austin M. Dickey	Elissa Raye Levy	Rachel Elizabeth Rozak	Yaosheng Xu
Leo Xuan Do	Mo Li	Yuichi Sakai	Yuma Yamada
Nickolas Emilio	Soohoon Lim	Tallon Payton Thunder	Bohan Yao
Yi Geng	Kohei Matsumoto	Sandoval	Kexin Zhang
Jasmin Natalie Gomez	Gabriel Mayan	Satomi Sato*	Sara Zhang
Erim Muhtar Gulum		Danielle Satterwhite	Zhuoming Zhong

## Master of Public Policy

Mohammed Alghaiheb	Claudia Fernández Calleros	Aurora Rose Livingston	Romie Tejada-Barron
Summer Yousif Bales*	Lily Ariya Folkerts	Jimi Meng	Ada Tong
Joseph (Joe) Bettles*	Marianna Garcia	Xin Meng	Francisco Torres
Deyu Cao	Byeongseong Gu	Eli Mogel*	Seiya Uchinami
Emily Carlton	Elise Hanson	Junya Nomura	Laura Elizabeth Vossler*
Alejandra Chaidez*	Trevor Brandon Hill	Caroline Benson Novit*	Joshua Thomas Woodaz
Feng Chen	Jin Huang	Sun Young Park	Alex Wyckoff
Peipei Chen	Tanvi Jaluka*	Seth William Jon Patton	Wenxi Zhou
Sijin Chen	Nolan Kelly	Angel Perez	Jiaqi Zhu
Mineko Chiba	Hana Kim	Mario Rodriguez Heredia*	Yunting Zhu
John (Jack) Christensen *	Victoria Evalyn Lawless	Anran Shi	Bahati Zhuliduosi
Richard (Tracy) Collins	Jungyun Lee	Amber Gayle Sonka	Vanessa Zweifel
Marcelo Colombo Czenky	Lei Lei	Benjamin (Ben) Swearingen*	
Ama Debrah	Yajie Li	Zhuo Tang	
Ryan Ellis	Yucong Li	Zichen Tang	
Jennifer Escobar	Xinchang Liu		

# Commencement Exercises

## Welcome

*Peter F. Cowhey, Dean*

## Commencement Address

*Alicia Garza*

*Principal at Black Futures Lab and co-founder of the Black Lives Matter Global Network*

## Student Awards Video

## Class Commencement Address

*Joseph (Joe) Bettles, MPP, Class of 2021*

## Hooding of Degree Candidates

*Gordon McCord, Associate Dean*

*Jennifer Burney, Associate Professor*

*Elizabeth Lyons, Associate Professor*

\* Dean's Fellow

This graduation program was printed prior to posting of final grades; inclusion is not an indication of degree completion.