

## 2025 UIAA AWARDS

Each year, University of Idaho Alumni Association (UIAA) and Alumni Relations recognize outstanding alumni, friends and students through a number of awards that celebrate achievements in volunteerism, success and commitment to the university.

### AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Presented to undergraduate senior-level students, graduate students and/or law students who have demonstrated outstanding academic success, campus community leadership, and involvement/leadership on campus and in communities.

#### College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

##### STUDENT

Firuza Allahgulyeva, Graduate student

Rayla Atwood, Senior  
(double major, College of Letters,  
Arts and Social Sciences)

Hadley Beechinor, Senior

Kenzie Eppey, Senior

Shelby Hobbs, Senior

Brianna Leon, Senior

Tegan Macy, Senior

Claire Shelton, Senior  
(double major, College of Science)

Paul Tietz, Graduate student

Jenna Whitaker, Senior

##### MENTOR

Hydee Becker

Erin Chapman

Norm Ruhoff

Chelsey Byrd Lewallen

Denise Konetchy

Sharon Murdock

Paul Tietz

Candi Heimgartner

Robert Heinse

Marvin Heimgartner

#### College of Art and Architecture

##### STUDENT

Isabelle Jackson, Senior

Brayden Jones, Graduate student

Nathan Kindall, Senior

Gianna Palazzolo, Senior

Connor Reakes, Graduate student

Daniel Stevenson, Senior

Josie Williams, Graduate student

##### MENTOR

Miranda Anderson

Xiao Hu

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Xiao Hu

Dave Gottwald

Xiao Hu



### **College of Business and Economics**

#### **STUDENT**

Lynara Bennett, Senior  
*(double major, College of Letters,  
Arts and Social Sciences)*

Maribel Garcia, Senior

Aleisha Hander, Senior

Catherine Hubinger, Senior

Megan Kiser, Senior  
*(double major, College of Letters,  
Arts and Social Sciences)*

Terra Miller, Senior

Catherine Niehenke, Senior  
*(double major, College of Letters,  
Arts and Social Sciences)*

Sofia Vakhrusheva, Senior  
*(double major, College of Letters,  
Arts and Social Sciences)*

Conner Zeff, Senior

#### **MENTOR**

Bill L. Smith

Janice Raykovich

Shenghan Xu

Brian Bergquist

Erick Larson

Erick Larson

Erick Larson

Stefanie Ramirez

Erick Larson

### **College of Education, Health and Human Sciences**

#### **STUDENT**

Cari Fealy, Graduate student

Sierra Harlan, Senior

Emily Pearson, Senior

#### **MENTOR**

Laura Holyoke

Laurel Meyer

Andrew Scheef

### **College of Engineering**

#### **STUDENT**

Hunter Hawkins, Graduate student

Halie Resleff, Senior  
*(double major, College of Letters,  
Arts and Social Sciences)*

Dristanta Silwal, Senior

#### **MENTOR**

Mary Everett

Wudneh Admassu

Mimi Kestle



### **College of Law**

#### **STUDENT**

Nellie Christensen  
Kristin Henrich  
Alexandra Koper  
David McNeill  
Faith Quigley  
Alisha Urrutia

#### **MENTOR**

Jessica McKinlay  
Jessica McKinlay  
Marie Kellner  
Tim Murphy  
Marie Kellner  
Tim Murphy

### **College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences**

#### **STUDENT**

Annai Aguilera Gonzalez, Senior  
Rayla Atwood, Senior  
*(double major, College of Agricultural  
and Life Sciences)*  
Alexa Benitez, Senior  
Elexis Bennett, Senior  
Lynara Bennett, Senior  
*(double major, College of Business  
and Economics)*  
Elisa Brinton, Senior  
Ella Clark, Senior  
Jamie Dougall, Senior  
Mary Margaret Hunter, Senior  
Megan Kiser, Senior  
*(double major, College of Business  
and Economics)*  
Bergen Kludt-Painter, Senior  
Noah Lindsley, Senior  
Michelle Mendoza Ybarra, Senior  
Nathan Moody, Graduate student  
Catherine Niehenke, Senior  
*(double major, College of Business  
and Economics)*

#### **MENTOR**

Bill L. Smith  
Erin Chapman  
  
Florian Justwan  
Romuald Afatchao  
Bill L. Smith  
  
Renaë Campbell  
Caitlin Ciesilk-Miskimen  
Katrina Eichner  
Laurel Meyer  
Erick Larson  
  
Markie McBrayer  
Mengying Zhai  
Bill L. Smith  
Dale Graden  
Erick Larson



**College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences, cont.**

**STUDENT**

Willow Oswald, Senior

Halie Resleff, Senior  
*(double major, College of Engineering)*

Jennifer Yu, Graduate student

**MENTOR**

Laurel Meyer

Wudneh Admassu

Tyler Easterbrook

**College of Natural Resources**

**STUDENT**

Abby Evans, Senior

Jovale Vincent Tongco, Graduate student

**MENTOR**

Greg Latta

Armando McDonald

**College of Science**

**STUDENT**

Reagan Johnson, Senior

Claire Shelton, Senior  
*(double major, College of Agricultural  
and Life Sciences)*

**MENTOR**

Esteban Hernandez Vargas

Candi Heimgartner