Please stand for the Processional
Robert F. Young
Senior Faculty Mace Bearer

Processional
Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble
Matthew S. White
Director of Ensembles, Associate Professor of Music

Music
“The Star-Spangled Banner”
John Stafford Smith
Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble
led by Megan Hoffman
Margaret Millus Prize for Voice

Welcome
David A. DeCenzo
President, Coastal Carolina University

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Introductions
J. Ralph Byington
Provost and Executive Vice President,
Coastal Carolina University
ORDER OF EXERCISES

**HTC Honors College and Center for Interdisciplinary Studies**

Sara N. Hottinger  
*Dean*

Interdisciplinary Studies: **Amanda White**

**E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration**

Barbara A. Ritter  
*Dean*

Accounting: **Emily Towne**  
Master of Accountancy: **Dylan Boston**  
Economics (B.A.): **Trevor Bigham**  
Economics (B.S.B.A.): **Madison Wolf**  
Finance: **Stephanie Eliason**  
Hospitality, Resort and Tourism Management: **Allison Cotte**  
Management: **Elizabeth Voigt**  
Marketing: **Elizabeth Voigt**  
Master of Business Administration: **Kristyn Ortiz**

**Spadoni College of Education**

Edward Jadallah  
*Dean*

Early Childhood Education: **Bailey Lewis**  
Elementary Education: **Emily Day**  
Master of Education in Language, Literacy and Culture: **Katherine LaMaster**  
Master of Education in Special Education: **Felicia Martin**  
Special Education, Multi-Categorical: **Rebecca Lopes**  
Educational Specialist in Instructional Technology: **Gregory Johnson Sr.**  
Master of Arts in Teaching: **Camren Schildt**  
Master of Education in Educational Leadership: **Lori Whitaker**  
Master of Education in Instructional Technology: **Tytianna Williams**  
Middle Level Education: **Linda Morris**  
Physical Education: **Nicole Van Norman**
ORDER OF EXERCISES

Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards
College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Daniel J. Ennis
Dean
Anthropology and Geography: Sydney James
Art History: Troy Kinner
Art Studio: Sara Hallstein
Graphic Design: Nathan Paschal
Communication: Morgan Howder
English: Sierra Windham
Master of Arts in Writing: Sarah Navin
History: Katlin Wood
Master of Arts in Liberal Studies: Ragen Johnson
Intelligence and National Security Studies: Madison Scholar
Political Science: Ryan Case
Languages and Intercultural Studies: Kristina Knudtson
Music: Brenna Wiinanen
Theatre (B.A.): Valarie Paterson
Theatre Arts (B.F.A.): Brooke Bloomquist
Philosophy: Yaicha Ocampo

College of Science

Michael H. Roberts
Dean
Biochemistry: Elisabeth Cox
Chemistry: Lucas Bialousow
Biology: Alyssa Risner
Computer Science: Megan Hickman Fulp
Information Systems: Kenneth Lilly
Information Technology: Daniel Miranda
Master of Science in Information
Systems Technology: Hope Epton
Exercise and Sport Science: Hailey Wimmenauer
Health Administration: Jason Gerner
Marine Science: Jessica Myers
Master of Science in Coastal Marine
and Wetland Studies: Kathryn Greiner-Ferris
Mathematics: Alexander Foster
Nursing: Vanessa Suggs
Physics: Katrina Hughes
Psychology: Maria Sparacino
Public Health: Lizeth Alcantar
Recreation and Sport Management: Caroline Brown
Master of Science in Sport Management: Taylor Allman
Sociology: Benzell Vereen
ORDER OF EXERCISES

HTC Honors College

Acknowledgment of Dyer Fellows, Jackson Scholars, Swain Scholars, Teaching Fellows and Wall Fellows

Dyer Fellows: Jacqueline Kurlowski
Adviser
Tiffany Dantzler
Krystina Millar
Alexandria Putman

Jackson Scholars: David Holiday
Adviser
Kaitlyn Dallis
Shadaisha Hamilton
Krystina Millar

Swain Scholars: Sharon Thompson
Adviser
Amber Rahman
Rachel Trudon
Hailey Wimmenauer

Teaching Fellows: Amanda Darden
Adviser
Madison Aaron
Tiffany Barr
Raegan Dore
Alyssa Fencel-Davila
Jessica Garner
Bailey Lewis
Taylor McConnell

Wall Fellows: Gina Cummings
Adviser
Patrick Dempsey
Trevor Greene
Nathan Hord

N. Ralph Byington

Louis E. Keiner
Director

John Quinn
Madison Scholar
Brittany Shaughnessy
Yaicha Ocampo
Jason Renne
Emily Thibeault
Hannah McKinney
Michelle Pitoscia
Hannah Rowles
Kelli Swann
Jenna Tindall
Wilson Wiggins
Morgan Howder
Madison Wolf
Paul Zeuschner
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*Faculty mentor: Donald Sloan* |
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Faculty mentor: Esther Guzman

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First Place: Julie Emory, History and Intelligence and National Security Studies Double Major
Nicole Moravitz, Marine Science Major
Lyle Ciardi, History Major
Faculty mentor: Pamela Martin

Closing

David A. DeCenzo

Please stand for the Alma Mater and remain standing for the Recessional.

Alma Mater

Megan Hoffman

Recessional

Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble
AWARDS

**Departmental Program Academic Awards**
Departmental Awards recognize outstanding academic accomplishments by students as well as contributions to the academic quality of the department. Candidates are nominated and selected by the college faculty.

**Honors College Recognition**
The primary mission of the Honors College at Coastal Carolina University is to encourage and assist honors students in developing reasoning, intellectual, leadership, decision-making, organizational and social skills through high-quality, challenging classroom instruction and participation in community service projects.

**Distinguished Student Award**
The Distinguished Student Award recognizes outstanding academic achievements by a senior student. Selected by a faculty committee with representatives from each college of the University, candidates have attained the endorsement of a faculty adviser and a record of academic honors throughout their enrollment at the University.

**Distinguished Professor of the Year Award**
The Distinguished Professor of the Year Award recognizes excellence in teaching. A student committee chaired by the vice president of the Student Government Association and composed of two representatives from each of the colleges solicits nominations from students. The eight leading candidates receive classroom visitations from at least two members of the committee. The final four candidates are interviewed by the entire committee.

**Jackson Scholars**
Students are chosen every other year for Coastal Carolina University’s two-year Jackson Scholars program, established in 2004 to cultivate and promote awareness in students of the importance of personal and professional integrity.

**Dyer Fellows**
The focus of the Dyer Institute for Leadership and Public Policy is to engage students in active learning opportunities where they may gain knowledge in various areas of policy research. The goal is to provide students with experience that will connect academic theory to practice as well as foster the importance of civic-minded citizens.

**Wall Fellows**
Founded in 1995, the University’s Wall Fellows program is a unique organization designed to prepare top business, science and humanities students for high-level careers in major U.S. and international corporations and organizations.

**Swain Scholars**
Established through the generous donation of Kenneth Swain of Myrtle Beach, this scholarship and credit-bearing program develops students in community health outreach through coursework, training and internships.
Teaching Fellows
The South Carolina Teaching Fellows Program is a scholarship program funded by the Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, and Advancement (CERRA). The program supports high-achieving South Carolina high school students who wish to pursue a degree in education. Following graduation, scholarship recipients must teach in a state public school for a minimum of three years. The Teaching Fellows receive professional training and serve in leadership roles. CCU is one of only 11 institutions in the state identified as a Teaching Fellows Institution, and is highly competitive in receiving 20-25 students each year.
HONOR SOCIETIES

**Alpha Kappa Delta**  
*Sociology honor society*  
Jason Eastman, adviser  
Regina DiPietro  
Talisa Effinger  
Krystina Millar  
Carlie Shaw  
Alexandra Sickmen  
Rachael Trudon  
Ansha Wilds

**Alpha Mu Gamma**  
*Foreign language honor society*  
Gary Schmidt, adviser  
Taylor Dawsey  
Jessica Evans  
Kristin Fisher  
Ashleigh Garrity  
Sarah Hallstein  
Anne Hobdy  
Kristina Knudtson  
Shelby Ladewig  
Anthony Maynard Jr.

**Alpha Psi Omega**  
*Theatre honor society*  
Kristi McIntyre, adviser  
Guy Bannister  
Brooke Bloomquist  
Hannah Coffman  
Amelia Dobbs  
Kiara Donnelly  
John Dudley  
Sophie Goron  
Caroline Huggins  
Brett Klock  
Thomas Little  
Makenzie Owens  
Valarie Paterson  
Ariana Hooberman-Piñiero

**Alpha Sigma Lambda**  
*Adult student honor society*  
Cynthia Port, adviser  
Sebastian Dakin  
Joshua Parsons  
Amy Singleton  
Erin Turman

**Beta Beta Beta**  
*Biology honor society*  
Megan Cevasco, adviser  
Skyla Bailey  
Victoria Ballou  
Nick Bautz  
Zach Cooper  
Travia Franklin  
Shelby Ladewig  
Taylor Landstrom  
Casey McDonald  
Kaitlin Merriner  
Jenna Mullin  
Naisha Pacheco  
Zach Palek  
Madison Redick  
Adrienne Rivers  
Travis Roberts  
Rachel Stevens  
Rob Tracey

**Beta Gamma Sigma**  
*Business honor society*  
Lisa Bernadyn, adviser  
Andrew Achord  
Amidou Bamba  
Steven Bedosky  
Trevor Bigham  
Jacob Blondell  
Dylan Boston  
Noah Breeden  
Mallory Brooke Graham  
Axel Brown  
Olga Cash  
Charles Connett  
Lauren Crites  
Patrick Dempsey  
Rebecca Dickinson  
Emily Eastham  
Erik Eckleben  
Luiz Faria  
Mitchell French  
Matthew Fryar  
Jamie Hambleton  
Chomphunut Jatvitayachan  
Alexa Jeacoma  
Mary Jo Rufo  
Riley Lee  
Ryan Mattingly  
Shannon McCormick  
Alexander McKoy III  
Anna McLean  
Malgorzata Mejer  
Emma Melton  
Melvin Miller  
Shebly Mullins  
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Haley Netchaef  
Sarah Newcomb  
Charles Nicosia  
Charles Ouerson  
Christopher Oxford  
Ketanukumar Patel  
Tuline Peltier  
Hali Phillips  
Madelynn Rodriguez  
Tyler Rogers  
Nicholas Russello  
Jacob Sarver  
Courtney Scott  
Alexis Stein  
Nicoel Storer  
Kaleb Thompson  
Emily Towne  
Elizabeth Voigt  
Erica Winters  
Madison Wolf  
Joseph Wrenn

**Eta Sigma Delta**  
*Hospitality honor society*  
Taylor Damonte, adviser  
Erin Elliott  
Kaitlyn Gallagher  
Anaïya Moore  
Heather Piper  
Savannah Scott  
Jacklyn Spano  
Kaleb Thompson  
Sawyer Vassey  
Carly Ward

**Eta Sigma Gamma**  
*Health promotion honor society*  
Michael Dunn, adviser  
Stephen Firsing, adviser  
Lizeth Alcantar  
Nikki Brown  
Joely Catelmo  
Kourtney Gerald  
Whitney Harris  
McKenna Holmes  
Simiya Kelly  
Angel Murphy  
Carolyn Paul  
Miranda Saucier  
Rachel Uram

**Kappa Delta Pi**  
*Education honor society*  
Adriane Sheffield, adviser  
Madison Aaron  
Alexa Bode  
Brittney Carrano  
Kaitlyn Carroll  
Jacob Church  
Megan Cox  
Bailee Cribb  
Samantha Crouse  
Emily Day  
Madisyn DeMara  
Alyssa Devine  
Ebony Dixon  
Jeanne Eledge  
Justine Facer  
Sarah Jessica Garner  
Ka’Osha Green  
Megan Harris  
Alexandra Johnson  
Ashley Keizer  
Savannah Kellett  
Tiffany Lee  
Bailey Lewis  
Olivia Malle  
Taylor McConnell  
Karlyn McCray  
Rachel Newlands  
Hannah Pecha  
Michelle Pitoscia  
Molly Rae  
Michaela Ryhal  
Victoria Settlemire
HONOR SOCIETIES

Ryleigh Stoll
Katherine Wright

Lambda Pi Eta
Communication honor society
Cassandra Hill, adviser
Brian Roessler, adviser
Jonay Anthony
Kaitlyn Dallis
Morgan Howder
Kiersten Laird
Kyla Miles
Brook Paschal
Kennedy Permenter
Nicolette Pippo
Brittany Shaughnessy
Alexandra Sickmen
Hannah Wolf

Omicron Delta Epsilon
Economics honor society
Andy Weinbach, adviser
Madison Wolf

Omicron Delta Kappa
Leadership honor society
Wendy Weinhold, adviser
Cheyenne Buksch
D’Andre Fletcher
Ashley Fries
Malik Greene
Johanna Rivera
Antonia Thomas

Omicron Sigma Sigma
Intelligence and homeland security honor society
Jonathan Acuff, adviser
Kyle Brossard
Thomas Eagerton
Julia Emory
Kelsey Jones
Colleen Landers
Matthew Lusher

Phi Alpha Theta
History honor society
Thomas Castillo, adviser
Javon Blain
Kiersten Camby

Diana Davidson
Gregory Direnzo
Julia Emory
Samuel Graham
Christopher Keys
Kristina Knudson
Jackson McCracken
Timothy McKellips
Mia Panno
Brandon Stone
Amber Sumpter
Katlin Wood

Phi Eta Sigma
Freshman honor society
Leslie Barrett Brown, adviser
Victoria Ballou
Kayla Basenese
Megan Beasley
Brandon Bellofatto
Trisha Berry
Carson Berry
Kaila Bess
Alexa Bode
Noah Breeden
Amber Brooks
Axel Brown
Sarah Busch
Michael Cahill
James Carpenter
Nicole Carvino
Brooke Collins
Elisabeth Cox
Megan Cox
Emily Day
Alexandria Demopoulos
Patrick Dempsey
Mark Dempsey
Jacob Dietzel
Stephen Dresner
Ashley Dressel
Emily Eastham
Julia Emory
Madison Fama
Jon-Christopher Fenyo
D’Andre Fletcher
Gabrielle Forbes
Ta’Nisha Gibbs-Calloway
Nelda Glaze

Dylan Hadaway
Jamie Hambleton
Mamie Henshaw
Esther Holt
Ashlea Houston
Michaela Hughes
Katrina Hughes
James Johnson
Joseph Jones
Alexis Jordon
Lanie Karstrom
Shelby Ladewig
Taylor McConnell
Karlyn McCray
Marlynn Moss
Jessica Myers
Virginia Novak
Charles Ouerson
Courtney Padgett
Jessica Partin
Hannah Pecha
Matthew Peters
Heather Piper
Amber Rahman
Taylor Ramsey
Madison Ridings
Alyssa Risner
Jennifer Roberto
Brandi Rogers
Cecily Sass
Renzi Smith
Austin Stevens
Marco Tansella
Joseph Tedeschi
Kaleb Thompson
Antonia Thomas
Emily Thornton
Rachael Trudon
Brooke Vu
Kaylynne Wattelet
Courtney Woods

Phi Sigma Pi
National honor fraternity
Shannon Stewart, adviser
Jakayla Bailey
Alexa Bode
Reagan Bond
Danielle Bowers
Olivia Burke
Emily Davis
Matthew Denzler
Taylor Duffy
Alana Jaroska
Alexa Jeacoma
Kiersten Laird
Kaitlin Merriner
Brooke Moen
Shelby Moench
Taylor Morris
Alexandria Nelson
Laura Patterson
Hannah Pecha
Nicole Snow
Kacie Spielman
Antonia Thomas
Huston Todd
Edward Veara
Kaylynne Wattelet
Courtney Woods

Phi Sigma Tau
Philosophy honor society
Jonathan Trerise, adviser
Brandon Adams
Emily Doscher
Nathan Lake
James Martin
Krystina Millar
Yaicha Ocampo

Pi Mu Epsilon
Mathematics honor society
Ogül Arslan, adviser
Adrian Avalos
Alexander Foster
Anna Krenitsky
Ashley Paquette
Alyssa Risner
Brandi Rogers
HONOR SOCIETIES

Pi Sigma Alpha
Politics honor society
Suheir Daoud, adviser
Ryan Case
Emily Johnson
Lendon Little
Alexandria Putnam

Psi Chi
Psychology honor society
Andrew Terranova, adviser
Marlena Ryba, adviser
Alysha Boekhoudt
Taylor Dawsey
Malik Greene
Julia Guarantano
Michaela Hughes
Savanna Ihrcke
Alexis Jordan
Brooke Moen
Alexandria Nelson-Chirau
Virginia Novak
Courtney Padgett
Bryce Puchalski
Kallie Stephens
Diazia Torres-Ferraro
Hiram Vrolijk
Amanda Williams

Triota
Women's and gender studies honor society
Ina Seethaler, adviser
Javon Blain
Zoe Cail
Nicole Cottingham
Valerie Davis
Amelia Dobbs
Krystina Millar

Sigma Tau Delta
English honor society
Anna Oldfield, adviser
Emma Howes, adviser
Brittany Alford
Jacob Anderson
Shakiera Ceo
Sarah Click
Alyssa Conner
Nicole Conner
Olivia Dimatteo

Hailey Ensor
Sarah Jackson
Emily Johnson
Jeremiah Johnson
Anne Kelley
Shannon Parker
Ashley Pirigyi
Jenna Plunkett
Victoria Schimmel
Sunny Smounet
Hope Smith
Tiffany Strange
Jhavoinya Washington
Tiffany Whisenant
Kneshia Williamson
Sierra Windham

Upsilon Pi Epsilon
Computer science honor society
Michael Murphy, adviser
Jakayla Bailey
Bryan Dilone
Thomas Fry
Kelby Martin
Joshua Mercer
Sean Morahan
Destiny Muldrow
Kiera Tyree

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DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

ACCOUNTING
Emily Towne
Emily Towne is an accounting major with a CPA concentration from Levittown, Pa. During her time at Coastal Carolina University, she held a variety of leadership positions, from housing roles as Chanticleer Hall’s community council treasurer and Low Country resident adviser, to the Student Government Association as a senator and chief justice, and finally as a Wall Fellow and Honors Fellow. As a student, Towne has been named to the president’s list every semester and has successfully completed the Degree-In-Three Program. Next year, she will finish the More-In-Four Program, earning her Master of Accountancy at Coastal Carolina University.

ART HISTORY
Troy Kinner
Troy Kinner is an art history major at Coastal Carolina University. With a strong interest in Japanese art history, Kinner was able to study abroad for six months in Osaka, Japan, in 2017. While there, he studied classical Japanese arts, such as fine arts and performing arts, and early Japanese painting. Kinner also studied intensive Japanese language and extensive Japanese religion with a focus on artistic representation. While abroad, he received valuable hands-on experience that became formative in his selection for his capstone thesis, a study of Hokusai’s “Manga” and its impact on Japanese art. Kinner hopes to continue his studies in graduate school with a continued focus on Japanese aesthetics and fine arts while pursuing art conservation or art crime prevention.

ANTHROPOLOGY AND GEOGRAPHY
Sydney James
Sydney James, from Seaford, Del., has earned a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors in anthropology and geography, a minor in history, a certificate in cultural heritage studies, a certificate in applied archaeology, and a certificate in geospatial technologies. She has achieved president’s list every semester and serves as the president of the Anthropology and Geography Club and vice president of the Sprout Club. James has conducted independent research culminating in presentations at the Middle Atlantic Archaeology Conference, the Reconstructive and Experimental Archaeology Conference, and the Archaeological Society of South Carolina conference. She won first place in the Undergraduate Research Competition at Coastal Carolina in 2018. In summer of 2018, she received a National Science Foundation-funded fellowship to attend the prestigious Koobi Fora Field School in Kenya. She presented this research at the Society for American Archaeology conference in 2019. After graduation, James plans to continue to study for a Ph.D. in anthropology and conduct research in East Africa.

ART STUDIO
Sara Hallstein
Sara Hallstein is an artist from Rockford, Ill., currently based in South Carolina. Pulling from her strong theatre background, she uses elements of storytelling in various media to bring her work to life. She graduated from Guilford High School, where she concentrated in art and exhibited her AP Portfolio. She exhibited at the Young Women’s Christian Association and in Archarios. Hallstein is currently working on the production of the new statue with Artist-in-Residence Bryan Rapp.

BIOCHEMISTRY
Elisabeth Cox
Elisabeth M. Cox is from Derry, N.H., and will graduate from CCU with a Bachelor of Science in biochemistry. She has worked as a lab assistant, tutor and research assistant for the chemistry department. Cox has researched phidianidine analogs and presented her research at the Southeastern Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society (SERMACS) in 2018 and South Carolina IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence (SC-INBRE) during the summer of 2018. She also has served as the vice president of the biochemistry and chemistry student club. Cox is both a Women in STEM fellow and research fellow for the College of Science. She is also currently working as a pharmacy technician in hopes of pursuing a degree in pharmacy.

BIOLOGY
Alyssa Risner
Alyssa Risner is a Myrtle Beach, S.C., native. In addition to completing her biology major, Risner earned a minor in mathematics. She is a member of two national honor societies and earned five scholarships, including the President’s Scholar Award, for four years. Risner has been active conducting research in multiple scientific fields. First, she constructed a three-dimensional device to test olfactory memory in fruit flies. Second, she analyzed global weather data from a NASA satellite as part of the National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates Program. Third, she studied how nutrients affect the growth of a species of toxic algae. Risner plans to earn a doctorate in biomedical engineering in order to help advance new biomedical technologies.
## DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

### CHEMISTRY

**Lucas Bialousow**

Lucas Bialousow resides in Myrtle Beach, S.C., where he graduated from Carolina Forest High School. He transferred from Horry-Georgetown Technical College to Coastal Carolina University in 2017 where he has been pursuing a B.S. in chemistry. He has been on the dean’s list each semester since he has been enrolled at Coastal Carolina. Bialousow has been involved in research for the chemistry department in multiple groups. He has worked with professor Bryan Wakefield to develop an alternative synthesis for phidianidine analogs. He has also been involved in professor John Goodwin’s research for determining vitamin B12 analogs’ reactivity with nitrite. He plans to attend medical school and hopes to do clinical research in the development of new pharmaceuticals.

### COMPUTER SCIENCE

**Morgan Howder**

Morgan Howder is from Huntersville, N.C. She has served in many different capacities such as Orientation Team, the Wall Fellows Program, Alpha Delta Pi, University Housing, the CINO series, the communication honors society Lambda Pi Eta, and Women in Philanthropy and Leadership. Howder has held leadership roles as an Orientation leader, resident adviser, a team leader, and a recruitment and marketing vice president. She has also received numerous honors such as being named the 2017 Homecoming Queen, 2017 Rising Leader of the Year, the 2018 Debbie Hardee Heart and Soul Award Recipient, and the 2018-2019 Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Endowed Scholar. She has worked passionately to better the Conway community by volunteering for Habitat for Humanity, the Shepherd’s Table, Relay for Life, Dance Marathon, and the Dalton and Linda Floyd Mentoring Program. Howder is a first-generation college student with a learning disability. However, she does not let these titles define her success. While serving, leading, and investing in so many areas, she still maintained a high GPA, spending several semesters on the dean’s and president’s list.

### COMMUNICATION

**Madison Wolf**

Madison Wolf came to Coastal Carolina in 2015 from Summerville, S.C. While earning her Bachelor of Science in computer science with an applied mathematics minor, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. She was accepted into the computer science honor society (Upsilon Pi Epsilon) and the Honors Fellowship. She helped start various new clubs and programs, including the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) student chapter, the Coastal Carolina Women in STEM Fellowship and the Honors Fellowship. She held various on-campus jobs as a tutor, teaching assistant, and research assistant with affiliation to Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL). After graduation, she plans to further her research over the summer at LANL and pursue graduate studies in computer engineering at Clemson University.

### ECONOMICS (B.S.B.A.)

**Bailey Lewis**

Bailey Lewis is a distinguished teaching fellow from Rock Hill, S.C., and served as a research fellow for the Spadoni College of Education. She is also a peer mentor for the Teaching Fellows Program. She enjoyed leading business meetings, team-building exercises, seminar classes, and attending monthly professional development events with the program. The opportunities provided by the Teaching Fellows Program and her coursework have shaped her into the teacher she is today. In addition, Lewis has shown outstanding work in lesson planning and teaching observed by her professors and focuses highly on meeting the individual needs of her students. Going forward, she plans to return to Rock Hill to pursue teaching in an early childhood classroom.

### ECONOMICS (B.A.)

**Trevor Bigham**

Trevor Bigham is a native to the Myrtle Beach area and attended Socastee High School. After high school, he served a two-year mission where he became fluent in Spanish. From his volunteer experience, he continues to serve his community by helping youth in Myrtle Beach. Bigham is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, the business honor society. He plans to continue his studies through the Master of Accountancy program at CCU and obtain his CPA license.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

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ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Emily Day
Emily Day hails from Easton, Pa. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and Kappa Delta Pi education honor society, and served as a Dalton and Linda Floyd Mentor for three years. She was recognized as a member of the dean’s list her freshman year, and the president’s list for the last three years. She is a recipient of the Teal Scholar Award and the University Scholar Award. While working on her undergraduate degree, Day began her master’s degree in specific learning disabilities. She will teach in Pennsylvania while simultaneously completing her graduate program.

ENGLISH

Sierra Windham
Sierra Windham, originally from Georgetown, S.C., is majoring in English with a minor in creative writing. Windham is a talented fiction writer, whose work has been published in Archarios, Tempo, and SLAB Literary Magazine. Additionally, she has served as editor-in-chief of Archarios and has been an active member of Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society. She is honored to have been named the English Department’s Student of the Year for an unprecedented three consecutive years. Upon graduation, she plans to enroll in Coastal Carolina University’s M.A. in Writing program, where she will hone her writing and editing skills.

EXERCISE AND SPORT SCIENCE

Hailey Wimmenauer
Hailey Wimmenauer is an exercise and sport science major and sport coaching minor from Harleysville, Pa. As a Swain Scholar and Honors College research fellow, Wimmenauer has been active in the study of topics ranging from depression and suicide to the effects of heavy resistance exercise and foam rolling on jump performance. This work was presented at the CCU Undergraduate Research Competition. Wimmenauer is a manager for the University women’s soccer team and has worked at various youth sports camps. She has made president’s list every semester at Coastal Carolina, and will start on her Master of Science in sport management at CCU in August. She is planning a career as a coach and sport-specific trainer.

FINANCE

Stephanie Eliason
Stephanie Eliason will graduate with a bachelor’s degree in finance with a concentration in financial management. She is a member of the Student Executive Leaders and Beta Gamma Sigma business honor society. Since her arrival at CCU in 2016, she has achieved the president’s list and dean’s list for five semesters. After graduation, she plans to pursue a career in financial management and achieve her CFA certification. She is from Myrtle Beach, S.C.

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Nathan Paschal
Nathan Paschal is a graphic design major at CCU. He is originally from Aiken, S.C., and enjoys being outdoors in his spare time. Starting his college career as a marketing major, Paschal quickly learned that he belonged on the creative side of things. Through being a student and holding a graphic design internship at the University, he has gained a passion for the many aspects of design. He is looking forward to pursuing a career after graduation.

THEATRE (B.A.)

Valarie Paterson
Valarie Paterson joined the theatre program after starting her second major in graphic design. Her work has been seen on at least 15 productions at CCU. She has worked as a painter, properties coordinator, projection designer, carpenter, dramaturg and many other production roles; she has excelled at each. Paterson is a three-year member of Alpha Psi Omega, the theatre honorary society, and currently serves as its president. She plans to pursue a career as a scenic artist in theatre, film and television.

EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST IN INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

Gregory A. Johnson
Gregory A. Johnson will graduate from CCU with an educational specialist degree in instructional technology. He also has received a Master of Education in instructional technology degree from CCU with a certificate in online learning, a Bachelor of Science in technology leadership from Fort Hays State University, and an Associate of Applied Science in digital arts from Horry-Georgetown Technical College. Johnson was a successful entrepreneur in Horry County for more than a decade. He has conducted research on digital integration, blended learning and closing the gap on the “digital divide.” Johnson will pursue a Ph.D. in education and aspires to become a professor within the field of education, graphic design and freshman year experience. Johnson is a native of Horry County.
DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

HOSPITALITY, RESORT AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT

Allison Cotte
Allison Cotte has always had a passion for the hospitality industry. Since moving from New Jersey to attend CCU, she has been on the president’s list for one semester and the dean’s list for two semesters. She will graduate in August 2019, with degrees in hospitality, resort, and tourism management, and marketing. She is in the Wall Student Executive Leaders Program. She is also a recipient of the University Scholar Award and the Coastal Transfer Scholar Award. As her final internship, she is completing a management training program with Brittain Resort Management Company.

HISTORY

Katlin Wood
Katlin Wood is originally from Williamsburg, Va. She is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in history with an emphasis in Latin American studies. She was named an inaugural member of the Prince Fellows Program and has been working on a project that focuses on the impact of rural graded schools and integration in Horry County during the 1950s and 1960s. Wood is participating in the development and planning of a 3-D exhibit of Horry County history for the Horry County Museum that was presented at the South Carolina Federation of Museums Conference in March 2019. Her research on the Brookgreen Gardens Wood Charcoal Analysis Project was presented at the South Carolina Association of Historical Archaeologists in Columbia, S.C., this past February and will be presented at the 2019 American Association of Geographers Conference in Washington, D.C. and the Kennesaw State University Undergraduate Research Convention in Kennesaw, Ga. in April 2019. Her interests include traveling and visiting museums. In the future, she hopes to pursue a doctoral degree in history and to teach at the collegiate level.

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Jason Gerner
Jason Gerner is a health administration major who currently resides in Conway, S.C. Gerner previously earned his Associate of Science in nursing from Berkshire Community College (1995) and completed his certification as a Lean Six Sigma Green Belt from Dartmouth University (2017). He is a member of the Golden Key International Honour Society, The Society of Collegiate Leadership and Achievement, and the National Society of Leadership and Success. Gerner has maintained his status on the president’s list every semester while enrolled at the University. He is also currently employed as the director of quality at Conway Medical Center in Conway, S.C. After graduation, Gerner plans to remain in a leadership role in health care quality.

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Kenneth Brandon Lilly
Kenneth Brandon Lilly, a Conway, S.C., native, will be graduating from Coastal Carolina University with a Bachelor of Science in information systems. He has achieved dean’s list status every semester since his arrival at Coastal Carolina and has been an asset to the department of computing sciences, serving as a tutor and lab assistant for the past two years. Lilly has been a recipient of the Nancy and Cathcart Smith Scholarship as well as the South Carolina LIFE Scholarship. His primary areas of interest within the field are computational modeling and software engineering, and he plans to pursue a career as a software developer post-graduation.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Daniel Miranda
Daniel Miranda, from Lowell, Mass., enlisted in the United States Air Force directly after high school and served honorably for six years as an aircraft maintainer. Following his service, Miranda moved to Conway, S.C., in 2016 to pursue his information technology degree, with a business administration minor. As a student at Coastal Carolina, Miranda has distinguished himself, earning a spot on the dean’s list every semester. Additionally, as a volunteer with the American Red Cross, Miranda developed a marketing project that enabled the University to exceed their monthly quota of donations. In the near future, Miranda plans to seek a career as a server administrator.

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Amanda White
Amanda White from Rutland, Mass., was selected as the outstanding student of the year in interdisciplinary studies based upon her personal initiative, intellect and impressive academic record. She tailored her degree to bring together challenging coursework in the scientific fields of chemistry, marine science and biology as well as those in political science, philosophy and religion. White is earning a Bachelor of Science degree in environmental studies and a minor in religious studies. She received the 2017-2018 Department of Religion Community Engagement Award and has been named to the president’s list for seven semesters. She will be receiving the North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners certification for solar panel installation and has spent years working as a Coastal Carolina University Solar Ambassador. White plans to work in the solar energy sector or other related environmental work.
DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

**INTELLIGENCE AND NATIONAL SECURITY STUDIES**

**Madison Scholar**

Madison Scholar is from Marietta, Ga. She was actively involved in the Chanticleer Intelligence Brief at the executive level as the previous chief of operations. She was involved in the Rotaract Club and served on the Coastal Law Enforcement Analysis Report Team. As a Dyer Fellow, she and professor Joseph Fitsanakis worked on research regarding the effects of marijuana on U.S. national security. Scholar also traveled abroad to Norway with the ISFIT program, researching human trafficking and migration. Finally, she received a $50,000 scholarship through Rotary and migration. She was involved in the reunification of Germany. As part of a senior research project, she has been investigating how East Germans experienced the fall of the Berlin Wall and the reunification of Germany.

**LANGUAGES AND INTERCULTURAL STUDIES**

**Kristina Knudtson**

Kristina Knudtson has completed the multiple languages concentration of the languages and intercultural studies major, having studied German as her primary language and taken additional classes in Italian and Russian. She served as a volunteer for the first annual High School Language Day, is a member of the Alpha Mu Gamma National Collegiate Foreign Language honor society, and is a Culture and Language Experience Scholar. In addition to her LIS major, Kristina has completed a history major and a minor in linguistics. As part of a senior research project, she has been investigating how East Germans experienced the fall of the Berlin Wall and the reunification of Germany.

**MANAGEMENT AND MARKETING**

**Elizabeth Voigt**

Elizabeth Voigt, from Bowie, Md., is a double major in marketing and management with a concentration in international management. Voigt is the president of the Beta Gamma Sigma business honor society, a member of the American Marketing Association, student executive leader, and former senior vice president of Delta Sigma Pi. She has made the president’s list every semester at CCU, and her academic achievements have earned her multiple dean and department awarded scholarships. Voigt has volunteered her time to events and causes including the Women in Philanthropy Leadership Conference, Adopt-a-Highway, and Smart Snacks food packaging for Waccamaw Elementary School. After graduation, Voigt is looking to advance her career abroad while bettering her community through sustainable business practices.

**MARINE SCIENCE**

**Jessica Myers**

Jessica Myers is a marine science major with a certificate in sustainability from West Grove, Pa. Her honors thesis focused on observing microplastic pollution within various waterways on the northern coast of South Carolina and the Bahamas under the guidance of professor George Boneillo of Coastal Carolina University’s marine science department. Myers also worked as a lab assistant for the marine science department and was recently promoted to senior lab aide. She is the secretary for the SCUBA diving club and enjoys singing in the University’s choir. She was granted the President’s Scholar Award and has earned placement on the president’s list or dean’s list every semester. After graduation, she plans to continue her research on plastic pollution in pursuit of a Master of Science in coastal and marine system science.

**MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY**

**Dylan Boston**

A native of Pawleys Island, S.C., Dylan Boston began his career in accounting by pursuing an undergraduate degree at Coastal Carolina University. During his time at CCU, he was involved with several academic organizations. He was president of Beta Gamma Sigma business honors society, and was a dedicated member of Women in Philanthropy and Leadership and Beta Alpha Psi accounting honors society. Additionally, Boston is a founding brother for the Tau Psi chapter of Delta Sigma Pi, a professional business fraternity. In 2018, he was awarded Undergraduate Student of the Year for the Department of Accounting and was chosen as one of 10 finalists for the Ronald D. Lackey Community Service Award. Upon graduation, he is excited to move to New York City for an auditing position with one of the four largest multinational accounting firms, Ernst and Young.

**MASTER OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES**

**Ragen Johnson**

Ragen Johnson is the outstanding student in the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS) program at Coastal Carolina University. Her bachelor’s degree was in history from CCU; she also earned a minor in African diaspora studies. Her master’s research brings these fields together to look at a gap in studies of fascism—African soldiers in World War II. She has presented her work at the first annual graduate conference on fascism and antifascism at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va., this spring. Johnson has worked for several semesters as a graduate assistant for the Student Success Initiatives, helping to role out new parts of the Academic Coaching Experience. She is applying for Ph.D. programs in history.
DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

MASTER OF ARTS IN WRITING
Sarah Navin
Sarah Navin is currently finishing the Master of Arts in Writing program, and her fiction and poetry have already appeared in The Apeiron Review, The Allegheny Review, and The Normal School, among other venues. Navin’s fiction piece titled “Chickenfoot” was named an Honorable Mention by Glimmer Train Press. She is a graduate assistant in the Writing Center at Coastal Carolina University and is a tutoring intern with the Horry County Literacy Council, a nonprofit that provides reading, writing, and reintegration support to locals. After graduation, Navin plans to continue her relationship with literacy initiatives and pursue a Master of Fine Arts.

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING
Camren Schildt
Camren Schildt, from Myrtle Beach, S.C., graduated cum laude from Coastal Carolina University in 2018 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in history. During his undergraduate career, Schildt was a member of the Phi Alpha Theta honors fraternity and won an award for the best research paper on the World War II panel at a regional Phi Alpha Theta conference. He also made the dean’s list every semester of his junior and senior year at Coastal Carolina University. As a candidate in the MAT social studies program, Schildt has continued this pattern of excellence and hard work, impressing his professors with his professionalism and attention to detail. Schildt’s future plans are to pursue a teaching career at the secondary level and eventually to pursue a Ph.D. in the field of education.

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION
Felicia Martin
Felicia Martin will be graduating from CCU with a Master of Education (M.Ed.) in special education. A 2015 graduate of Coastal Carolina University, she earned her bachelor’s degree in special education. Martin currently teaches at Ocean Bay Elementary School and has been teaching there for three years. Born and raised in Conway, S.C., Martin has had a passion for teaching since a very young age. She has mentored high school students interested in working in the field of special education and spends her time after school providing homebound education services.

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
Tytianna Williams
It has been full speed ahead for Tytianna Williams since beginning her graduate coursework in Spring 2018 at CCU. Williams will graduate from the University with a Master of Education (M.Ed.) in instructional technology. She earned a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in middle grades education from the University of South Carolina Upstate in Spartanburg, S.C., before returning to her hometown in Fort Mill, S.C., to teach science to middle school learners. This past summer, Williams had the incredible opportunity to work for her school district’s coordinator of educator effectiveness to develop and design a Student Learning Objective (SLO) website for use by teachers. The intent for the development of this website was to make the SLO process easily understandable for all new employees as well as existing teachers within the district. Following graduation, Williams plans to take her leave from the field of education and pursue a career as an instructional designer in the health care industry.

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP
Lori Whitaker
Lori Whitaker, from Lancaster, S.C., is a veteran teacher of more than 15 years. She is happily enrolled in CCU’S Master of Education program in educational leadership. She teaches, serves as a department chairperson, and has led the Myrtle Beach Student Leadership Committee for more than ten years. Most recently, she was recognized within the Chick-fil-A leadership academy. Whitaker has research and publication interests linked to empowering students and positively impacting student achievement. She has been recognized for both her grades and her work ethic. Daily, Whitaker strives for equity, excellence, and engagement at various levels.

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Kristyn Ortiz
Originally from Nassau County, N.Y., Kristyn Ortiz entered the MBA program having completed her bachelor’s degree in business from The State University of New York at Stony Brook and graduating magna cum laude from the Fashion Institute of Technology with an associate’s degree in textile and surface design. Ortiz has held several positions in the fashion industry including design and production internships for fashion brand FUBU and the Wendy Williams television show. Ortiz has served as a graduate assistant on campus, and successfully led the student team producing the Coastal Carolina University Dress 4 Success Fashion Show held this past spring. Ortiz is a member of the American Marketing Association and Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority. After graduation, she plans to pursue a career in the music industry developing and branding musical artists.
Hope Epton

Hope H. Epton is originally from New York and is a veteran of the United States Army. She relocated to the Myrtle Beach area in 2004 with her son Joshua. She always had the goal of attaining a bachelor’s degree, and to that end, first attended Coastal Carolina University in the summer of 2008. During her bachelor’s program, she and husband Stephen got married in 2009 and had their daughter Gabriella in late 2010. Throughout the program, she maintained academic excellence while continuing to work full time as an application developer. She graduated magna cum laude in 2012 with a Bachelor of Science in exercise and sport science, minorig health promotion. In 2016, Epton returned to pursue her master’s degree in information systems technology in an effort to expand her knowledge in data analytics. Upon graduation, she plans to continue to work in the technology field, moving toward a more data analytics-centered role.

Taylor Allman

Taylor Allman is completing her Master of Science degree in sport management. She graduated from Charleston Southern University where she earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration. Allman has worked with CCU Athletics in the area of corporate sponsorship, where she has been instrumental in creating and cultivating relationship with corporate partners as well as creating multimedia platform promotions and advertising for the University. Upon completing her master’s degree, Allman is entertaining a position in event planning and marketing in Charleston, S.C.

Katherine LaMaster

Katherine Banks LaMaster is a student in the Master of Education in language, literacy and culture program. She graduated from the College of Charleston in 2011 with a degree in early childhood education. She then taught English and physical education for a year in Honduras after joining the Peace Corps. LaMaster has taught both kindergarten and first grade, and was named Rookie Teacher of the Year for Charleston County School District in 2013. After graduating, LaMaster hopes to attain her National Board Certification.

Kathryn Greiner-Ferris

Kathryn Greiner-Ferris is currently working toward her master’s degree in coastal marine and wetland studies (CMWS). Before attending CCU in 2010 she earned a bachelor’s degree from Suffolk University (Boston, Mass.) in biology with a focus in marine science. She then went on to work as a medical oncology research assistant at Dana Farber Cancer Institute (Boston, Mass.) where she led efforts to optimize a next generation sequencing panel. At CCU, Greiner-Ferris was appointed a 2018-2019 graduate student representative for the CMWS program and has received a grant from the M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund in support of her research on environmental DNA. Greiner-Ferris’ thesis incorporates both her genetic and ecology research background to investigate the use of dolphin DNA from environmental water samples to track the distribution and abundance of bottlenose dolphins in coastal and estuarine waters. Greiner-Ferris’ future plans are to re-enter the workforce and continue to incorporate multiple branches of science into research.

Linda Morris

Linda Morris is from Newark, Del. Morris is a middle level education major with the two content areas of English/language arts and math. She is the assistant recruitment information manager and vice president of finance for Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, off campus coordinator for A Moment of Magic and a TEAL Trailblazer. Morris has been recognized on the dean’s list for Fall 2016 and 2017 and the president’s list for Spring 2018 and Fall 2018. This past February, she was the roundtable leader at the South Carolina Council for Teachers of English. Morris is a recipient of the President’s Merit Award and Coastal Carolina Alumni Endowment Scholarship. Following graduation, she plans on teaching and earning a master’s degree in literacy. She plans to follow her fiancé, who is currently active duty military, and teach where he is stationed.

Alexander Foster

Alexander Foster, from Little River, S.C., is a mathematics major and computer science minor. He has been named to the president’s list every semester since he started CCU in Fall 2016, and participated in a Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro last summer. He has presented at the Joint Mathematics Meetings and Mathematical Association of America Southeastern Section, including talks entitled “Generalizing Random Fibonacci Sequences” and “Modeling Protection Strategies Against Chikungunya Virus on Reunion Island” and a poster entitled “What’s a DRACKN?” After graduation, he plans to pursue a Ph.D. in mathematics.
DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

NURSING

Vanessa Suggs
Vanessa Suggs will graduate with her BSN this semester. She is from Loris, S.C., and recently completed a five-month mission trip serving as a nurse at a mission hospital in the middle of a jungle on the northern coast of Honduras. She provided care in labor and delivery, emergency medicine, inpatient and outpatient clinics, and recovery. Suggs is currently employed as a registered nurse at Duke University Hospital, and also works at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center. She spoke to a youth group in Loris, S.C., for her community health teaching project to focus on raising awareness of the increased prevalence of anxiety and depression in adolescents. She is currently completing work on human trafficking for her leadership project. Suggs’ future plans include attending nurse practitioner school in the fall, helping to combat human trafficking within the health care field through raising awareness and education, and working with sexual assault victims.

PHILOSOPHY

Yaicha D. Ocampo
Yaicha D. Ocampo is a double major in philosophy and English, with minors in linguistics and women’s and gender studies. She is from Moncks Corner, S.C. Ocampo has a wide variety of achievements while a student. She has been awarded multiple scholarships from CCU’s Women in Philanthropy and Leadership, including the WPL Endowed Scholarship her junior year. She has been an Edwards College research fellow, a Jackson Scholar (in the Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values), assistant director of civic engagement for the Coastal Activities Board, a resident adviser, and assistant editor of The Chanticleer. She has completed two local internships and has been a tutor for students in philosophy. Her long-term goal after graduation this May is to pursue graduate study in philosophy.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Ryan Case
Ryan Case is a political science major and history minor from Surfside Beach, S.C. While at CCU, he worked as an Edwards Research Fellow and presented his work at numerous national academic conferences while earning president’s list honors six times. In January 2019, Case published his capstone thesis, “Democratic Tyranny and the Need for Elites in American Politics,” in the Voegelin View. He is also a member of the Pi Sigma Alpha political science honor society, and served as vice president of the University’s chapter during the spring of 2019. He will be attending law school after graduation.

MUSIC

Brenna Wiinanen
Brenna Wiinanen, a native of Fargo, N.D., is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in music performance, with an emphasis in flute. During her three years at CCU, she became a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success, and has been on the president’s list for outstanding academic achievement during Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, and Fall 2018 semesters. Wiinanen has been awarded several scholarships for both academic and musical success, and was a member of the Chanticleer Regiment, in the fall of 2016 and has served as the principal flutist in the Coastal Carolina Wind Ensemble, as well as for the University Flute Choir. She is a research fellow for the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts and has the distinguished opportunity to research a variety of topics pertaining to music. She was chosen as the University’s Outstanding Sophomore in the Department of Music in the spring of 2016, the Outstanding Student in Performance in the spring of 2017, and most recently, the Outstanding Senior in February 2019. Upon graduation, she plans to attend graduate school for a double master’s degree in musicology and flute performance.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Nicole Van Norman
Nicole Van Norman is the physical education honors student for 2019. She has presented at state conferences in both South Carolina and Georgia. Van Norman has been an active member of the Physical Education Teacher Education Club as secretary and treasurer. She is a participant on the Coastal Carolina field hockey team, where she also has a leadership role as vice president and chair of fundraising. Van Norman received an award for her extended service with the Dalton and Linda Floyd Mentoring Program. She has recently completed her internship at St. James Middle School where she was well received by the students and faculty. She plans to seek employment as a physical educator in New Jersey and pursue a master’s degree in the future.

PHYSICS

Katrina Marie Hughes
Katrina Marie Hughes moved from Hopewell Junction, N.Y., to South Carolina with her family in 2015 to start her first semester at CCU. Her love of science shaped her academic path, and in her four years at the University, not only will she complete a Bachelor of Science in physics with minors in mathematics and computer science, but she will also become the first CCU student to earn a Bachelor of Science in engineering science. She is a learning assistant and tutor for the physics program. While at CCU, Hughes has earned dean’s list for two semesters and the University’s merit-based scholarship for all four years. Outside of the classroom, she served as secretary of the Society of Physics Students and is a member of Sigma Alpha Pi, the National Society of Leadership and Success. In the future, Hughes is considering graduate school or work in the private sector.
**DEPARTMENTAL AWARD RECIPIENTS**

### PSYCHOLOGY

**Maria Sparacino**

Maria Christina Marguerite Sparacino, a native of Wind Lake, Wis., will graduate with a Bachelor of Science in psychology and a minor in intelligence and national security studies. She is enrolled in the Honors College and has achieved the president’s list each semester since entering CCU. She also served as a tutor for the Department of Psychology. Maria is a member of the psychology honor society Psi Chi, the first-year student honor society Phi Eta Sigma, and is a Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Scholar. As a research assistant in the Department of Psychology, she worked in labs with three different professors and was co-author on a presentation at a professional psychology conference. Her senior thesis investigated the influence of Fitbit devices on healthy food choices. After graduation, Sparacino plans to attend graduate school in clinical psychology, eventually earning a Ph.D.

### PUBLIC HEALTH

**Lizeth Alcantar**

Originally from Los Fresnos, Texas, Lizeth Alcantar grew up in Georgetown, S.C. Alcantar is an honors public health major with a minor in communication. Since coming to CCU in 2015, she has been named to the Dean’s List several times and is a member of the public health honor society, Eta Sigma Gamma and the National Society of Leadership and Success. Alcantar traveled to Aruba to conduct her research on tanning behaviors and perceived susceptibility of skin cancer among adults living in tropical climates. While in Aruba, she completed her public health internship with the Aruba Autism Foundation, where she focused on community engagement and awareness for Autism Awareness Month and the “Light it up Blue” autism awareness event with the Aruba Government. She has used her public health experience to work and volunteer for the Coast (SHORE Peer Educators) as part of CCU’s Wellness Office. After graduation, Alcantar will continue work in the public health field and plans to apply to community health graduate degree programs.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION, MULTI-CATEGORICAL

**Rebecca Lopes**

Rebecca Lopes will graduate from Coastal Carolina University with a Bachelor of Arts in special education. While in the education program, she has been on the president’s list each semester. Lopes has completed graduate courses to receive her add-on certificate in severe disabilities. While at CCU, she was a member of the women’s softball team and was invited to join the National Society of Leadership and Success. She is a residential mentor for the LIFE program and is also a mentor for the CEaL and Bridge programs at Coastal Carolina University. After graduation, Lopes plans to complete her master’s and have her own moderate to severe disabilities classroom. She is originally from Watertown, Conn.

### RECREATION AND SPORT MANAGEMENT

**Caroline E. Brown**

Caroline E. Brown is a recreation and sport management major. She has been awarded the Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Scholarship, University Scholar Award, and deans’ excellence awards. She has also been on the president’s and dean’s list and the Sun Belt Conference Commissioners list. Brown has worked and volunteered in a variety of areas. She served as the event director for the annual Beach Birdie Classic, managed events including but not limited to the Nacho Average Golf Tournament and has worked on sponsorship for the annual CCU Triathlon. Additionally, she was a founding member of the Women in RSM program. Following graduation, she plans to enter the event management field.

### SOCIOLGY

**Benzell Vereen**

Benzell Vereen was born and raised in Loris, S.C., where he was an accomplished student, athlete and peer counselor. After high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served in multiple positions, including hand-to-hand combatives instructor. During his 17-year tenure with the military, he served all over the world and in two theaters of conflict. Since arriving at CCU, Vereen has been on both the president’s and dean’s list. He has also maintained an active role within his local community, serving as the head wrestling coach for Loris High School and as a young adult representative for his church, St. Stephen A.M.E. After graduation, he plans to pursue a master’s degree in social work.

### THEATRE ARTS (B.F.A.)

**Brooke Elizabeth Bloomquist**

Brooke Elizabeth Bloomquist came to Coastal Carolina University from Riva, Md. She is a stellar student who is finishing her career here with a 4.0 GPA. However, it is her work in the studios and on stage where she shines. The theatre performance faculty praised her work ethic, attitude and abilities to transform in the studios. While at Coastal Carolina, Bloomquist has appeared on stage in everything from *Julius Caesar* to her star-turn as the hopeless, beleaguered Charlotte in *A Little Night Music*. Following graduation, she plans to pursue a career on the boards in the vibrant Washington, D.C., theatre scene.
Lizeth Alcantar
is a public health major and communication minor from Georgetown, S.C. While attending CCU, she has been named to the president's list and the dean's list, and has been awarded certificates for completion of leadership trainings and volunteer work. She has served as a co-coordinator for the Students Helping Others Reach Excellence (SHORE) Peer Educators program in the LiveWell Office for two years. She is currently a member of the public health honor society Eta Sigma Gamma, as well as the National Society of Leadership and Success. Her honors thesis is titled “Purposeful Tanning and Perceived Susceptibility of Skin Cancer in Aruba,” which she will be collecting data for in Aruba. After graduation, she plans to pursue a career in cyber-security while working to become a published writer.

Kayla Basenese
is a sociology major from Myrtle Beach, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president's list and the dean's list and is also a member of Phi Eta Sigma National Freshman Honor Society. She has been awarded the Teal Scholar Award as well as the SC Life Scholarship. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a career in social services and attend law school.

Nicholas Bautz
is a biology major and chemistry minor from Surfside Beach, S.C. While at CCU, he was named to the president's list or dean's list for all enrolled semesters. He is a SC Palmetto Fellow and President's Scholarship recipient. He has served as executive vice president of recruitment for the Psi Upsilon chapter of the national biological honor society, Beta Beta Beta. His honors thesis is entitled “Temperature Responses of Microbial Extracellular Enzyme Activity Associated with Decaying Submerged Leaf Litter,” which was presented at the 2019 Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, he plans to attend dental school and pursue a career in dentistry.

Carson A. Berry
a marine science major and German minor from Myrtle Beach, S.C., passed away in December 2018, during his senior year at CCU. While enrolled at CCU, he was named to the dean's list several times. In the summer of 2018, he assisted with a project entitled “Increasing Interactivity in Physical Oceanography.” As part of this project, Berry developed an application using MATLAB software that allows students enrolled in physical oceanography courses to visualize salinity data from boat trips in a variety of different formats without needing any programming skills. This work was developed during his senior year at CCU.
presented at the Southeastern Estuarine Research Society (SEERS) spring meeting in March 2019, at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Berry’s honors project, which he did not have an opportunity to complete, was entitled “The Physics of Turbulence” and focused on the range of turbulence values in Winyah Bay based upon seasonal and weather conditions. Through the generosity of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Berry, and many donors, a conference room in the Science II Building will be named in Carson’s memory and an annual marine science scholarship to benefit future marine science majors has been established in his name.

**Kaila Bess**

is a biology major and a marine science minor from Murrells Inlet, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. She held a position in Sigma Kappa sorority, the national biological honor society, Beta Beta Beta, and was a member of the pre-vet club. She did research with fiddler crabs and marine debris, along with a veterinary internship. After graduating from CCU, Bess wants to attend veterinary school in hopes of opening a rescue for animals locally in Myrtle Beach.

**Stephen Bishop**

is a computer science major from Scranton, S.C.

**Reagan Bond**

is a business management major with a concentration in international management from Union, S.C. She is a member of the Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity, where she was elected to the position of new member adviser for the 2018-2019 school year. While at CCU, she was named to the dean’s list and has been awarded the Provost’s Scholarship and the University Honors Program Scholarship for her Maymester abroad. After graduation, Bond plans to travel the world and start working toward her MBA.

**Annie Boyd**

is a marine science major and biology major from Canal Winchester, Ohio. While at CCU, she was named to the dean’s list and has been awarded the President’s Scholar Award, University Scholar Award, Dr. & Mrs. Loring Young Ross Endu Scholarship, and the J. Ralph & Ami S. Byington Annual Scholarship. Her honors thesis is entitled “Demersal Fish Use of Printed Oyster Shells as Nesting Habitat in North Inlet, South Carolina,” which was presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a career in coral restoration and ecotourism.

**Alexandra Brady**

is a music education major from Pasadena, Md. While at CCU, she was named to the dean’s list her first semester and the president’s list for the remainder of her education. She was awarded the Carolyn Cox Annual Music Education Scholarship, the Provost’s Scholarship, the Music Performance Award, and the University Scholar Award. Brady has served as a teaching assistant in the music department, a mentor for freshmen music students, a section leader and student assistant for the Coastal Carolina Concert Choir, and a tutor in the music department for the last two years. She was also selected as the recipient of the Outstanding Music Education Student Award two years in a row. She was inducted as a member into the National Society for Leadership and Success and the Golden Key Honor Society. Her honors thesis was presented as a voice recital that showcased the culmination of her work as a voice student from her time here at Coastal. Brady is proud to be graduating after only three years of undergraduate study, and will be continuing her education at CCU as a part of the Master of Arts in Teaching program; she hopes to one day teach middle school or high school choir.

**Michael Cahill**

is an exercise and sport science major from East Hampton, N.Y. While at Coastal Carolina University, he was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list and awarded the Dean’s Excellence Scholarship. His honors thesis is entitled “Correlation Between Right Rear Hand Punch Maximal Force and Select Anthropometric and Body Composition Variables,” and was awarded second place in the sport science category and presented at the 13th annual Coaches and Sport Science Conference at ETSU. After graduation, his plans are to continue on his track to become a physician assistant.

**James Carpenter**

is an intelligence and national security studies major from McConnells, S.C.

**Ryan Case**

is a political science major and history minor from Surfside Beach, S.C. While at Coastal Carolina University, he worked as an Edwards Research Fellow and presented his work at numerous national academic conferences while earning president’s list honors six times. In January 2019, Case published his capstone thesis, titled “Democratic Tyranny and the Need for Responsible Elites in American Politics,” in the Voegelin View. Case is a member of the Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Society and served as vice president of the University’s chapter during the spring of 2019. He will be attending law school after graduation.

**Hannah Coffman**

is a B.F.A. musical theatre major originally from Fort Worth, Texas. She has been on the president’s list and the dean’s list every semester and has been awarded the Presidential Scholarship. In addition to her time at CCU, she also studied abroad at
Blakeney Coleman
is a psychology major from Cheraw, S.C. She was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list and has been awarded the Freshman Success Award following her achievements her first year. While attending CCU, she was nominated for the Jackson Scholars Program, served as a student employee, researched in Justification of Effort studies by Murphy, Ph.D., and volunteered at a local hospice agency her junior year. Her senior thesis is entitled “Anxiety and its Effects as an Impact on Memory” and is based on the classic study by Simons & Chabris (1999) of Inattentional Blindness. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a Master of Arts degree from Becker College in mental health counseling.

Alyssa Conner
is an English major with a minor in creative writing from Myrtle Beach, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and was a member of Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society, and Phi Eta Sigma, the freshman honor society. She has also been published in the campus literary and art magazine, Archarios. She is a recipient of S.C.’s Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, CCU’s Palmetto Scholarship, and Coastal Carolina’s President’s Scholar Award. After graduation, Conner eventually plans to pursue a M.F.A. in creative writing.

Nicole Conner
is an English major with a minor in creative writing from Myrtle Beach, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and was a member of Sigma Tau Delta. Her work was published in the University literary magazine, Archarios, a publication which she later judged. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a career in writing.

Rachael Cormier
is an exercise and sport science major with a minor in sport coaching from Wilmington, Mass. While at CCU, she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, holding many positions, including serving on their executive board and receiving the Theta Beta chapter scholarship. She worked on campus with University Recreation, spent two years volunteering with the Dalton and Linda Floyd Family Mentor Program, and was named to both the president’s list and dean’s list numerous times. She also assisted in independent research and completed more than 550 internship hours with Manzer Basketball Academy. After graduation, she hopes to continue her work with athletes and eventually become a sport psychologist.

Tiffany Dantzler
is an intelligence and national security studies major from Beaufort, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the dean’s list and has been awarded the Dyer Fellowship, Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Scholarship, and is one of the first two recipients of the Senator Clementa C. Pinckney Memorial Scholarship. Her honors thesis is titled “The Future of Sino-South African relations: Analysis of the Sustainability of a Partnership.” After graduation, Dantzler plans to pursue a graduate degree in international relations.

Sarah Davis
is a marine science and chemistry major from Bel Air, Md. During her time at CCU she was the historian, executive vice president, and president of the Theta Beta chapter of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority, and president of the chemistry/biochemistry club. She was on the president’s list for Fall 2015 and Spring 2018, and on dean’s list for Spring and Fall 2016, 2017 and 2018. Davis was awarded the Panhellenic Woman Scholarship, Deans Excellence Scholarship, and the Chemistry and Physics Scholarship. After graduating from Coastal Carolina, she plans to work toward her Ph.D. pursuing marine science and then continue her career in research.

Whitney Davis
is from Altavista, Va., and will be receiving a dual degree in biology and marine science. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and was awarded the Dr. Loring and Mrs. Young Ross Endowed Scholarship, the Dean’s Excellence Scholarship, and the Rebecca Thomas Jones Memorial Scholarship. She is the vice president of the women’s club volleyball team, and a member of the Golden Key International Honour Society and the Doctors of Coastal pre-med club. Her honors thesis is entitled “The Effects of Marine Natural Products on the Microenvironment of Pancreatic Cancer,” and was presented at Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, the National Conference of Undergraduate Research, and the Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, she plans to pursue medical school.

Annamaria Deitz
is a marine science major with an environmental science minor from Greenville, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and dean’s list and was an eco rep for Sustain Coastal. Her honors thesis is entitled “Pre-juvenile Naked Goby (Gobiosoma bosc) Age and Growth Using Otoliths.” She also conducted research during her study abroad in Jamaica entitled “Coral Disease Prevalence on the West Forereef of Discovery Bay, Jamaica.” After graduation, she plans to pursue graduate studies in fisheries and marine conservation.

Patrick Dempsey
is a finance major with a minor in commercial and investment real estate from Holbrook, N.Y. He has been honored as the finance student of the year in 2018.
along with being consistently named to the president's list. While studying at CCU, he has been a member of the Wall Fellows Program, president of the finance club, and a goalie on the men’s club lacrosse team. Outside of the classroom, Dempsey has interned with Turner Construction Company, Merrill Lynch Wealth Management, the Daily Dirtnap LLC, and Citigroup. Following graduation, he will be returning to Citigroup in New York City, joining Citigroup’s Markets Division.

**Jacob Dietzel**

is a marine science major from Walkersville, Md.

**Olivia Dimatteo**

is a communication major and English minor from Fort Mill, S.C. During her four years at CCU, she was named to the president's list, the dean's list, and was a recipient of the South Carolina Life Scholarship and the President’s Scholar Award. She was a student ambassador for the Arts and Humanities Global Experience Program which allowed her to participate in global workshops in London. Dimatteo also served as an assistant researcher with the Athenaeum Press and participated in the Undergraduate Research Competition in 2018 and 2019. Her plans following graduation are to continue with graduate studies in language, culture and communication.

**Amelia Dobbs**

is a senior originally from Norfolk, Va. She is graduating with a B.F.A. in musical theatre and a minor in women’s and gender studies. During her time at CCU, she has served in leadership roles for Delight Women’s Ministries and worked as a dance assistant in the theatre department. She is a research fellow in the Edwards College and an inductee of Triota, the women’s and gender studies national honor society. She is a recipient of the Presidential Scholarship, the Dean’s Excellence Scholarship, and the Kleber Scholarship. After graduation, her plans are to move to Chicago or New York.

**Kiarra Donnelly**

is a B.F.A. acting major from Atlanta, Ga. While at CCU, her achievements included maintaining president's list status, serving as a resident adviser and honors research fellow, studying abroad in Italy, and presenting research at the Pedagogy of the Theater of the Oppressed Conference in Detroit. Her scholarships include the Dean’s Excellence Scholarship, the President’s Scholar Award, the University Scholar Award, and the Theater Performance Award. After graduation, Donnelly plans to join the film industry in Atlanta while pursuing her interests in arts therapy and arts activism.

**Madison Anne Dunn**

from Yale, Va., is a communication major with a focus in public relations and a minor in new media and digital culture. While at CCU, she was PR co-chairman for Phi Sigma Pi, social chairman for Sigma Sigma Sigma, and an information specialist at CHANT411. Her accomplishments include dean’s list and president’s list, membership in the communication honor society Lambda Pi Eta, and presentation of her honors thesis titled “13 Reasons Why or Why Not: Depicting Teenage Suicide in Streaming Media” at the Undergraduate Research Competition. Dunn’s plans after graduation are to attend the Master of Arts in Communication program beginning at CCU in the fall.

**Emily Eastham**

is a double major in marketing and international management from Adams, N.Y. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list five times and the dean’s list two times. She held leadership roles in the Wall College of Business as the first vice president of operations for the CoBE Institute, as well as multiple executive positions for professional business fraternity Delta Sigma Pi. Her honors thesis was a marketing research project for a law firm based in Barcelona, which was presented in Spain and at the Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, she will be working with Apex Systems in Charlotte, N.C.

**Alexi Echols**

is a marine science major from Kansas City, Mo. While at CCU, she worked at the Wheelwright box office, was a resident adviser, and was vice president of the National Residence Hall Honorary. She was named to both the dean’s and president’s lists at the University, had the opportunity to study coral reefs in Jamaica, and presented her thesis at the Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, she will be pursuing a master’s degree through the Coastal AIMS program.

**Julia Emory**

is a history major from Longs, S.C.

**Jon-Christopher Fenyo**

is a psychology major from Conway, S.C.

**Gabrielle Forbes**

is a marine science major and environmental science minor from Lansdale, Penn. While at CCU, she was a part of the original 501(c)3 national nonprofit called A Moment of Magic and she served on the executive board as the social media chair. She was on the president’s list and dean’s list. Forbes did her honors thesis on microplastics in fiddler crabs, and presented her research at the Undergraduate Research Competition at the University. After graduation, she would like to get involved with sea turtle rehabilitation and conservation, as well as other environmental conservation work.
Alexander Foster
is an applied mathematics major and computer science minor from Little River, S.C. While at CCU, he has received the Presidential Scholarship, CCU Palmetto Scholarship, S.C. Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, and Horry County Higher Education Commission Honors Excellence Scholarship. He was named to the president’s list and was inducted into the National Mathematics Honor Society Pi Mu Epsilon, and the National Honor Society Phi Eta Sigma. He has presented at the Joint Mathematics Meetings and Mathematical Association of America Southeastern Section. His presentations include a poster entitled “What’s a DRACKN?” and lectures entitled “Generalizing Random Fibonacci Sequences” and “Modeling Protection Strategies Against Chikungunya Virus on Reunion Island.” After graduation, he plans to pursue a Ph.D. in mathematics.

Taylor Giallanza
is a communication major from New Hyde Park, N.Y.

Vincent Giovagnoli
is a biology major with a minor in chemistry from Pawleys Island, S.C. During his time at CCU, he was named to the president’s list and dean’s list multiple times. He is a member of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity on CCU’s campus. His honors research was on patient trust and the variables that affect patients’ trust in their primary care provider. After graduation, he plans to attend the Medical University of South Carolina where his two brothers are currently enrolled.

Austen Goodyear
is an intelligence and national security studies major from Surfside Beach, S.C.

Sophie Goron
is a musical theatre major from Laurel, Md.

Malik Greene
is a psychology major and studio art minor from Columbia, S.C. While at CCU, he was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list and has been awarded the Teal Scholar Scholarship. His senior thesis, which was presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition, is entitled “The Effects of Aggressive and Narcissistic Music on Helping Behavior.” After graduation, his plans are to pursue graduate studies in clinical psychology.

Kendall Haffner
is an accounting major from Greeley, Colo. While at CCU, she has actively participated in Student Executive Leaders (SEL) and the Community and Business Engagement (CoBE) Fellowship. Haffner has been named to the president’s list and dean’s list every semester she has attended the University. After graduation, she will be interning with Clifton Larsen Allen in Denver, Colo., for the summer. Following that, she will start the Master of Accountancy program at CCU in the fall.

Shadaisha Hamilton
is a political science major and philosophy minor from Hilton Head Island, S.C. While at CCU, she was a Jackson Scholar, a member of Women of Color, volunteer at a local soup kitchen and member of the Rotaract Club. Hamilton also made the dean’s list for four semesters. In her senior year, she became the president of the Coastal Democrats Club. Her honors thesis is entitled “Racial Disparities within the Criminal Justice System.” After graduation, she plans to attend law school or a graduate program in public policy.

Richard Hawley
is a marine science major from Murrells Inlet, S.C. As a recipient of the Teal Scholarship, he was named to the president’s list four times. His honors thesis is entitled “Density and Species Richness of Macro Infaunal Benthic Bivalves in North Inlet, South Carolina” and was presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition. Hawley plans to attend graduate school after graduation.

Danielle Hayes
from Conway, S.C., is a biochemistry major with a minor in medical humanities.

Taylor Hayes,
is a marine science major and psychology minor from Aynor, S.C. While at CCU, she was on the president’s list and dean’s list. She has conducted multiple independent research studies, some of which were presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition throughout her time at CCU. Her honors thesis, which was presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition in Spring 2019, is entitled “Spatial Distribution and Behavioral Patterns in American Alligators (Alligator mississippiensis) at Huntington Beach State Park, S.C.” After graduation, Hayes plans to continue working with animal behavior, specifically stress behaviors displayed by animals in captivity. Her goal is to work with marine mammals in rehabilitation centers.

Gregory Helmlinger
is a management major from Budd Lake, N.J. While at CCU, he was named to both the president’s list and dean’s list multiple times. He was a member of the Coastal Carolina club baseball team. Upon graduation, he plans to work as a recruiter at Peter Kazella and Associates in Dover, N.J.

Mamie Henshaw
is an exercise and sport science major from Vienna, Va. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and dean’s list. Henshaw is a founder of the women’s club basketball team at the University. After graduation, she plans to attend school to become a physician assistant.

Megan Hickman Fulp
is a computer science major and applied mathematics minor from Summerville, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the
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Ariana Hooberman-Piñeiro
is a theatre major and creative writing minor from Fairfax, Va. While at CCU, she served as the secretary of Alpha Psi Omega, the national theatre honor society. Throughout her time at CCU, she has been named to the president’s list and dean’s list, was awarded Outstanding Sophomore in 2016-2017 for the Department of Theatre, and has maintained the President’s Scholar Award Scholarship. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a career in theatre and to continue to develop her writing.

Brooke Horist
from Buford, Ga., is a double major in marine science and biology, who also plays on the University’s women’s soccer team. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. Her honors thesis is about the changes in concentration of environmental DNA throughout the tidal zone of Murrells Inlet. After graduation, Horist plans to pursue graduate studies in genetic counseling.

Amani Huell
is a theatre arts major from Georgetown, S.C.

Chelsey Hunter
is an interdisciplinary studies psychosocial development of children major from Florence, S.C. She has served as a CeAL mentor, resident adviser, vice president of the Residence Hall Association, small group leader of MIC (Multiethnic Inclusive Community) within Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, Orientation Leader and CCU Dialogue Fellow. She has also volunteered in the cities of Myrtle Beach and Conway, S.C., at the Children’s Museum of South Carolina, and at the Shepherd’s Table. She has been a president’s and dean’s list recipient, and was awarded the South Carolina LIFE Scholarship and South Carolina Hope Scholarship. Upon graduating, her plans are to serve as a City Year AmeriCorps member in Columbia, S.C.

Sydney James
is an anthropology and geography major and history minor from Seaford, Del. She is the president of the anthropology and geography student club, vice president of the Sprout student club, and a member of the Edwards College Research Fellows program. While at CCU, she has been named to president’s list each semester and was awarded the University Honors Program Excellence Award. Her honors thesis is entitled “The Applications of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) on Lithic Raw Material Source Analysis.” After graduation, she plans to pursue a Ph.D. in anthropology.

Alexa Jeacoma
is a marketing major from Massapequa, N.Y. While at Coastal Carolina University, she has been named to the president’s list and dean’s list and was inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma and Phi Sigma Pi. Alexa’s honors thesis, which was presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition, is entitled “Applying the Jeopardy™ Format to a Strategic Case Analysis.” After graduation, she plans to pursue a law degree.

Emily Johnson
is an English major and political science minor from Fairfax, Va. While at Coastal Carolina University, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list and has been awarded the Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Scholarship, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Endowed Scholarship, and two Coast Guard Academy scholarships. She was also involved in various honors societies, including Phi Eta Sigma, the National Society of Leadership and Success, Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society, and Pi Sigma Alpha (served as secretary for 2019). Johnson was also a sister of the Theta Beta chapter of Alpha Delta Pi, and served as merchandise chair for Fall 2018, and worked as a Teal Trailblazer for the entirety of her college career. After graduation, she plans to pursue a graduate degree in law.

Quinn Jones
is a theatre arts major from Greenville, S.C.

Rebecca Jones
is a marine science major and biology minor from Chester, Md. While at Coastal Carolina University, she was named on the dean’s list and was elected to the Coastal sea turtle club’s executive board for multiple semesters. After graduation, her plans are to pursue graduate studies in marine biology.
Alexis Jordan
a psychology major with a forensic concentration is from Hopkins, S.C. While at CCU, she was the president of the Golden Key International Honour Society and was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. She was a member of Psi Chi, the international honour society in psychology and the National Society of Leadership and Success. After graduation, her plans are to pursue graduate studies in clinical psychology or mental health counseling.

Andrew Kline
is a marine science major and biology minor from Reedsville, Penn. While at Coastal Carolina University, he was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. He was the president of the Coastal Carolina swim club for three semesters, and was a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS). Kline’s honors thesis was entitled “Density as Depth Distribution of Two Keystone Echinoderm: Diadema antillarum and Tripeustes ventricosus in Discovery Bay, Jamaica.” After graduation, he plans to pursue graduate studies in coral reef ecology, using his Divemaster qualification to conduct underwater research.

Morgan Kranz
is an art studio major and business minor from Murrells Inlet, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. She is a member of the Golden Key International Honor Society and held a role as fundraising director. She studied abroad in Italy through the Golden Key. She is also a member of the Rotaract Club. After graduation, she plans on either pursuing a master’s degree in art therapy or using her certification as a nursing assistant to pursue an associate degree in nursing.

Ryan Lawrence
from Mechanicsburg, Penn., is an intelligence and national security major and political science minor.

Alexandra Legut
is an honors marketing major from Waukesha, Wis. While at Coastal Carolina University, she was a senior associate at the Community and Business Engagement Institute in the Wall College of Business and she interned at the Conway Innovation Center. She has been consecutively named to the dean’s list each semester. Her undergraduate research thesis is entitled “SWOT/TOWS Analysis, a Live Strategic Management Honors Adaption on Williams-Sonoma,” which she presented at the Southeast Decision Sciences Institute Research Conference. After graduation, Legut will enter the professional work field with a job focused in marketing.

Giovanina Leone
is an exercise and sport science major from Bloomfield Hills, Mich. She accomplished a degree-in-three while also competing as a Division I athlete on the Coastal Carolina University cross country and track and field teams. Her other accomplishments include being named to the president’s list and being awarded the Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Scholarship. After graduation, she plans to get a master’s in exercise physiology and pursue her dream of working in cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation.

Kathryn Lienhard
is a marine science major with a certificate in sustainability from Westminster, Md. She served in leadership positions as a part of CCU Rotaract Club and Coastal BCM. Lienhard was named to the dean’s list and became a member of the national honor society Phi Eta Sigma. Her honors thesis surrounds the study of microplastics in local populations of Ocypode quadrata, the Atlantic ghost crab. After graduation, she intends to pursue graduate studies in marine biology or ecology and a career in marine conservation.

Makenzie Marino
is from Rochester, N.Y., and majored in communication with a minor in medical humanities. She took on the leadership role as corresponding secretary for the Theta Beta Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi during her junior year. Throughout all four years, she was a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success, as well as Sigma Tau Delta, an honors fraternity which she joined her senior year. Marino made dean’s list throughout her four years at CCU, and plans after graduation are to move to a city where she can work for a lifestyle magazine, and one day become a senior editor for a magazine company.

Madalynn Danielle Marrone
is from Mifflintown, Penn., pursuing an exercise and sport science degree with a double minor in psychology and women’s and gender studies. Her honors thesis explored the relationship between locker room talk and sexual misconduct. She held various leadership positions within Alpha Delta Pi, was a two-time recruitment counselor, and participated in the Dalton and Linda Floyd Mentoring Program. She is also a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success, Order of Omega, Golden Key Society, Phi Eta Sigma honors society, Phi Alpha Pi honors society, Tri iota honors society, and the Society of Collegiate Leadership and Achievement. Marrone was also the recipient of the first Alpha Delta Pi Foundation Scholarship for the Theta Beta chapter, the Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Scholarship and the Presidential Scholarship. Her plans after graduation include moving to Nashville, Tenn., to attend Marian University in order to receive her Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Imilaine Matos
is a hospitality, resort and tourism management major from Aruba. While at CCU, she was named on the dean’s list, was part of student executive leaders and a member of the Intercultural Experience Conference. After graduation, Legut will enter the professional work field with a job focused in marketing.
Community. She has also held a resident adviser position during her senior year at the University. After graduation, she plans to return to Aruba to start her career in the tourism industry.

**Regan McComb**
is a recreation and sport management major and pre-law minor from Pennsburg, Penn. She is a degree-in-three graduate, and while at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list while playing on the Division I women’s lacrosse team. Her honors thesis involved an analysis of the history and best practices surrounding university leadership and Title IX in regards to sexual assault and student-athletes. After graduation, she will remain at Coastal, where she will pursue an M.B.A. and finish her lacrosse career.

**Timothy McKellips**
from Awendaw, S.C., is a history major.

**Krystina Millar**
originally from Murrells Inlet, S.C., is graduating with a degree in sociology with a minor in women’s and gender studies. During her time at CCU, she presented her research at various conferences and published a peer-reviewed journal article. She was a Dyer Fellow with the Dyer Institute for Leadership and Public Policy, a Jackson Scholar with the Jackson Center for Ethics and Values, and a member of both the women’s and gender studies and philosophy honors societies. Additionally, she served as president of Students Advocating Gender Equality and was heavily involved in social justice activism. After graduation, Millar will be attending Indiana University’s Ph.D. program in sociology in hopes of becoming a professor and researcher.

**Shelby Anne Moench**
is a hospitality, resort and tourism management major from Boonton Township, N.J. She is the social chair for Phi Sigma Pi national honor fraternity and belongs to several other academic organizations on campus. She has been on the dean’s list and has participated in two internships during her time at CCU. Her plans after graduation are to continue working as an event planner in South Carolina.

**Andrew Nye**
is an anthropology major from Myrtle Beach, S.C. While at CCU, he was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. He has been awarded the Presidential Scholarship, Palmetto Fellows Scholarship, and the CCU Palmetto Scholarship. His honors thesis is titled “The Coastal Route: The Role of the Pacific Northwest Coastline in Facilitating Human Travel into the Americas.” He presented an archae- ology project on charcoal, collected from CCU’s Brookgreen Gardens dig site, at the Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, Nye plans to attend graduate school and continue his education.

**Alexis Ortiz**
is an international business management major from St. Charles, Ill. While attending CCU, she studied operations management abroad, traveling to Italy, Austria, Germany and Iceland. Additionally, she was a member of Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society, Student Executive Leaders, a Brown Scholar, and served on executive board for Collegiate DECA. Each semester, she was named to the president’s list or dean’s list and was awarded the DECA/NAPA Scholarship at the International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, Calif. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a career in international marketing.

**Caleb Mund-Gerbino**
is a marketing major from East Northport, N.Y. While studying at CCU, he has been named to the president’s List and dean’s list. Mund-Gerbino is also a member of Student Executive Leaders and has held leadership positions within Delta Sigma. After graduation, he plans to pursue a career in sports marketing.

**Courtney Padgett**
is a psychology major and French minor from Round O, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the dean’s list, and was the president of the psychology club. She was a member of honor organizations such as the National Society of Leadership and Success, the National Residence Hall Honorary, the Society for Collegiate Leadership and Achievement, Phi Eta Sigma, and Psi Chi. She also interned with the SHORE peer educators. Her psychology research project was titled “Impact of Music on Mood,” which was presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, her plans are to pursue graduate studies in clinical psychology.
Christopher Joseph (C.J.) Panciocco
is originally from Walpole, Ma., but
moved to Little River, S.C., his freshman
year at Coastal Carolina University. He
is a marketing major and has been a
CoBE fellow since his freshman year.
Panciocco held the highest position
in CoBE, associate director, managing
CoBE from Fall 2017 to December
2018. He has also been involved in
the international business fraternity of Delta
Sigma Pi, serving as both vice president
of scholarship and awards and chancellor
on the executive board. He was also a
member of Student Executive Leadership,
participating in a Career Trek Fall 2019.
He has been on the dean’s list every
semester while at CCU and was placed
on the president’s list Fall 2018. He has
received a President’s Scholar Award
scholarship all four years at CCU. After
graduating, Panciocco plans to continue
his career in the waste industry, pursuing
an outside sales job while still maintaining
his small business.

Jarame Jameson Dylan Parker
is an intelligence and national security
major with a minor in public health
from Conway, S.C. He was named to the
dean’s list while in attendance. Parker’s
senior thesis is entitled “How Likely Are
Israel and Hezbollah to Go to War in
2019?” After graduation, he leaves for the
United States Army as a Cavalry Scout,
and hopes to commission as an Army
officer after a few years of service.

Chloe Paulsen
is double major in exercise science and
psychology from Warren, N.J. While
at Coastal Carolina University, she was
on the president’s list as well as the
dean’s list and has received academic
scholarship. Her undergraduate research
consists of the influence of arousal
level on putting performance. After
graduation, she plans to proceed to
her master’s in counseling and then a
doctoral degree in sports psychology.

Hannah Pecha
is an elementary education major from
Eau Claire, Wis. While at CCU, she was
named to the president’s list and the
dean’s list. She has been awarded the Teal
Scholar Award. After graduation, her plans
are to teach in an elementary school while
pursuing graduate studies in literacy.

Hali Phillips
is an accounting major from Myrtle Beach,
S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the
president’s and dean’s list as well as being
vice president of the Beta Gamma Sigma
chapter in the Wall College of Business.
After graduation, she plans to pursue
graduate studies to assist in obtaining her
CPA license.

Heather Piper
is a hospitality and resort tourism
management major from West Chester,
Penn. While at the University, she was
named on the dean’s list every semester
while also being very involved on campus.
She is in Gamma Phi Beta sorority where
she held the position of philanthropy
chair and was selected to attend a trip to
New York City to represent CCU’s Student
Executive Leaders. She is a peer adviser
for the Wall College of Business and a
member of the Eta Sigma Delta National
Honor Society. After graduation, Piper
plans to move to Orlando, Fla., and work
for the Harbour Lake Marriott Vacation
Club in event management.

Dara Potts
is a B.F.A. physical theatre major from
Palo Alto, Calif. While at CCU, she was an
Edwards Research Fellow, named to the
president’s list and the dean’s list, and
performed in several of the University’s
theatre productions. Her research
paper, “Clown Therapy: Healing One
Laugh at a Time,” was presented at the
Undergraduate Research Competition and
won first place. After graduation, she plans
to move to Los Angeles, Calif., to pursue
her acting career.

Kyla Powell
is a communication major from Columbia, S.C.

Bailey Provencal
is a degree-in-three student with an exercise
and sport science major from Myrtle
Beach, S.C. While at CCU, she was named
to the president’s list and the dean’s
list and has been awarded the South
Carolina LIFE Scholarship, the Coastal
Scholar Award and the Dean’s Excellence
Scholarship. Provencal’s honors thesis is
titled “Psychological Skills on Athletic
Injuries.” After graduation, she plans to
pursue a doctorate in physical therapy.

Alexandria Putman
from Rock Hill, S.C., is a double major in
communication and political science.

Amber Rahman
is an exercise and sport science major
from Newark, Del. She has been named
on both the president’s and dean’s list
and has been awarded multiple scholarships.
She was an Orientation leader from 2017
to 2018, has conducted research in the
kinesiology department twice, one of
which has been published, and part of the
Swain Scholar program where she
researches food insecurity prevalence and
perceptions across South Carolina. After
graduating, she hopes to continue in minis-
try and attend graduate school in hopes of
a master’s degree in speech pathology.

Allison Reilly
from Columbia, S.C., is an intelligence and
national security studies major.

Victoria Riley-Lomedico
is a psychology major and sociology minor
from Myrtle Beach, S.C. While attending
CCU, she was named to the president’s
list and the dean’s list. She was awarded
the Kristen “Stick” Watson Memorial
Scholarship and was nominated for the
Outstanding Student Award in her depart-
ment. In addition, Riley-Lomedico has
presented research at the Southeastern

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Psychological Association, the American Psychological Association, and the CCU Undergraduate Research Competition. She also served as the treasurer and social media coordinator for Psi Chi, an international honor society in psychology. Her honors thesis is titled “The Impact of Stress Ball Density on the Categorization of Sexual Orientation, Race, and Level of Certainty.” After graduation, she plans to pursue a Ph.D. in clinical psychology.

Destiny Robinson is originally from West Haven, Conn., but attended high school in Columbia, S.C. She is a communication major and marketing minor.

Madelynne Rodriguez is an economics and marketing double major from Smyrna, Del. During her time at Coastal Carolina University, she was named to the president’s and the dean’s list. Rodriguez is a member of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority where she held the positions of education chair and standards chair. She is also a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, the University’s honors business fraternity, and a member of the Student Executive Leaders. She served as a tutor for the Wall College of Business and was continuously involved in the University’s leadership development programs. She has also worked for AssuredPartners, Inc. as a marketing and communications intern. After her graduation in December 2019, Rodriguez plans to build upon the skills she’s acquired in her current internship and pursue a career in marketing research.

Mikayla Ruiz is a hospitality resort and tourism management major with a new media and digital culture minor from Aruba. While at CCU, she was named to the dean’s list and has been awarded the freshman success award. Also, she is currently the treasurer of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a master’s degree in Europe.

Madisyn Saunders is a communication major with a concentration in public relations and a new media and digital culture minor from Pittsburgh, Penn. While at CCU, she was named to the dean’s list, president’s list, and was chosen to present independent research on the structural aspects of the department and the majors/minors within the communication department. Saunders has served as a SGA representative, Orientation leader, director of marketing for Coastal Activities Board, and a Zumba instructor at University Recreation. After graduation, her plans are to pursue graduate studies in public relations.

Sanibel Sharp is an early childhood education major from North Myrtle Beach, S.C. While at Coastal Carolina University, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list and has been awarded the President’s Scholarship. She holds an executive position with the Coastal Carolina chapter of Council for Exceptional Children. After graduation, Sharp plans to pursue a career as an elementary school educator.

Megan Snead is a management operations and technology major from Poca, W.Va. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list and is a member of Student Executive Leaders. Snead’s honors thesis, “Do People Work for Managers or Companies?” examined human behavior in a business environment in regards to employee loyalty and brand loyalty. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a career in project and technology management and graduate studies in business administration.

Nichole Snow is an accounting and finance major from Little River, S.C. While at Coastal Carolina University, she was named to the dean’s list and was a member of Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity. After graduation, Snow plans to pursue CPA and CMA licensure in North and South Carolina.

Maria Sparacino is a psychology major minoring in intelligence and national security studies from Franklin, Wis. During her schooling, she earned several spots on the president’s list and was awarded the President’s Scholarship and the Women in Philanthropy and Leadership Scholarship. Her honors thesis, which she presented at the Southeastern Psychological Association conference and the Undergraduate Research Competition, studied the influence of wearing a Fitbit on eating behaviors while stressed. She held leadership positions for Psi Chi, serving as president, and in Sigma Sigma Sigma as the head of health and wellness. She was also involved as a research assistant for the Treatment Outcome Research in Clinical and Health (TORCH) psychology lab. Sparacino is most proud of being named Outstanding Student of the year for the psychology department. After completing her degree in December, she hopes to attend a clinical psychology Ph.D. program.

Alexis Stein is a double major in marketing and international management from Philadelphia, Penn. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list and has been awarded the Hal Norton Endowed Scholarship. She was a member of the Beta Gamma Sigma International Business Honor Society, and served a term as vice president. After graduation, her plans are to pursue graduate studies in marketing.

Kallie Stephens is a psychology major from Surfside Beach, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s and dean’s list and has been awarded the Dean’s Excellence Scholarship, as well as the Provost’s Scholarship. During her time at
the University, she served as an honors research fellow and was co-president on the Honors Student Council. She was also a research assistant on the Treatment Outcome Research in Clinical and Health (TORCH) psychology lab. She is a member of Psi Chi, an honor society for psychology students. Her honors thesis was titled “The Influence of Publicized Suicides on Depressive Symptoms.” After graduation, Stephens hopes to attend graduate school to earn a doctorate in clinical psychology.

Erin Taylor
is a communication major from Danvers, Mass.

Antonia Thomas
is an exercise and sport science major from Mauldin, S.C. While at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. She is a member of Phi Sigma Pi and Omicron Delta Kappa, where she served as vice president. After graduation, her plans are to pursue a doctorate in physical therapy.

Emily Towne
is an accounting major with a CPA concentration from Levittown, Penn. During her time at Coastal Carolina University, she held a variety of leadership positions, including Chanticleer Hall Community Council treasurer, Lowcountry resident adviser, Student Government Association senator and chief justice, and Wall Fellow and Honors Fellow. As a student, Towne has been named to the president’s list every semester and successfully completed the Degree-In-Three program. Next year, she will finish the More-In-Four program, earning her Master of Accountancy at CCU.

Sydney Townsend
is pursuing a degree in business administration with a focus in accounting. She is from Sumter, S.C., and, before arriving to Coastal Carolina University, she was awarded the Palmetto Fellows Scholarship. During her time at CCU, she was named to the president’s list and dean’s list. She also held multiple leadership positions in her sorority, Sigma Kappa, and was a member of the international accounting honors society Beta Alpha Psi. In Fall 2018, Townsend participated in a University fellowship, Georgetown RISE, and did research that connected the local community with the United Nations’ sustainable goals. After graduation, she will be moving to Chicago and starting her position in the tax services practice at Ernst and Young.

Emma VanDeVelde
is a musical theatre major and marketing minor originally from Charlotte, N.C. During her time at the CCU, she proudly served as an honors fellow as well as the team director for Delight Women’s Ministries. She also participated as an active member of the University theatre community, most recently appearing as Rita Racine in “Steel Pier” as well as co-directing “In My Book.” VanDeVelde was awarded the Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship for the duration of her time at CCU and was named to the president’s list and the dean’s list. After graduation, she plans to move to Chicago to pursue a career in theater and sketch comedy.

Tyler Weissinger
is a recreation and sport management major from Philadelphia, Penn. He is a founding member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and works on campus as an intramural sports supervisor. While at Coastal Carolina University Weissinger was named to the dean’s list and was inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma freshman honor society. After graduation, he plans to go to graduate school and eventually work in the field of university recreation.

Brenna Wiinanen
a native of Fargo, N.D., is graduating with a bachelor’s degree in music performance, with an emphasis in flute. During her time at CCU, she was named a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success, and was named to the president’s list several times. She has been awarded the President’s Scholar Award, the Dean’s Excellence Scholarship, the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Board of Visitors Scholarship, and the James M. Moser Scholarship. She was a member of the University’s marching band, the Chanticleer Regiment, in the fall of 2016 and has served as the principal flutist in the University’s premier ensemble, the Coastal Carolina Wind Ensemble, as well as for the University Flute Choir. In May of 2017, Wiinanen studied music in Italy as a part of a study abroad program through Coastal Carolina University. She is a research fellow for the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts and has the distinguished opportunity to research a variety of topics pertaining to music. She was selected to present her research on Hildegard von Bingen and the early musical influences of Jutta of Sponheim at the College Music Society Mid-Atlantic Chapter Conference in March of 2018. She was chosen as the University’s Outstanding Sophomore in the Department of Music in the spring of 2016, the Outstanding Student in Performance in the spring of 2017, and most recently, the Outstanding Senior in February of 2019. She is also an active member of the University’s Baptist Collegiate Ministry, where she leads worship. Upon graduation, she plans to attend graduate school for a double master’s in musicology and flute performance.

Hailey Wimmenauer
is an exercise and sport science major and a coaching minor from Harleysville, Penn. She was a Swain Scholar, Honors Research Fellow, student manager for CCU women’s soccer, and co-captain of the club Quidditch team. Wimmenauer was named the Exercise and Sport Science Student of the Year for 2019 and named to the president’s list. She was awarded the Jewel Clemmons Swain Scholars Scholarship and the Honors Excellence
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Madison Wolf is an economics major from Boulder, Colo. Since her freshman year, she has been on the president’s list every semester. Wolf is a member of the Wall Fellows Program and served as the program’s chief of staff. She also received the Honors Excellence Award, President’s Scholar Award, and the University Scholar Award. She is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma and the Student Executive Leader program. After graduation, Wolf will be moving to New York City for a job in health care market research.

Matthew Wolfe is an exercise and sport science major from Bel Air, Md. While attending Coastal Carolina University, he was named to the president's list or dean's list each semester. Wolfe received the Coastal Scholars Award as an incoming freshman. He was a resident adviser for two years, a member of the National Residency Hall Honorary, a Student Alumni Ambassador, and a member of the University Housing Resource room staff. His honors thesis encompassed exercise research in children and will be presented at the Undergraduate Research Competition and at the annual American College of Sports Medicine conference. After graduation, he plans to pursue a doctorate degree in physical therapy.

Kristina Woodford is an exercise and sport science major from Blythewood, S.C. While at Coastal Carolina University, she has been named to the president’s list as well as the dean’s list for multiple semesters. She has served as Coastal Carolina’s women’s rugby match secretary, elected president of the exercise science club, and an active member of the Gamma Mu Chapter of the Chi Omega Fraternity. She was inducted into various honor societies, and has been a standing member of various clubs and organizations. Woodford had the opportunity to present her honors research thesis, “The Effects of Acute Exercise on Baseline Concussion Measures,” at the Southeastern American College of Sports Medicine’s yearly conference. After graduation, she will be attending Adams State University to pursue a Master of Science in exercise science with a concentration in exercise physiology.

Nicholas Workman is a marine science major from Virginia Beach, Va. While at Coastal Carolina University, he was named to the dean’s list and conducted independent research every semester. His honors thesis, which was presented at the Spring 2019 Undergraduate Research Competition, is entitled “Nutrient Cycling in Sandpiper Pond: A Local Estuarine Assessment.” In addition, he was involved in another research thesis, “Survey of Ectoparasites in Understudied Poeciliidae fishes,” which was presented at the Fall 2017 Undergraduate Research Competition. After graduation, his plans are to pursue a graduate study in marine resource management or enlist as a naval officer.

Ruth Loretta Wright is a biology major and chemistry minor from Winston Salem, N.C. While at the University, she was a member of SGA for two of three years, actively a member of leadership challenge, Women of Color, NAACP, and Golden Z Women’s Leadership club. She has also participated in a number of leadership opportunities including CINO Ignite, CINO Elevate and an alternative break trip, and was temporarily a resident adviser. Her scholarships include the Coastal Scholar Award and the University Scholar Award. Wright’s plans after graduation are to take the MCAT in June of 2019 and apply to medical school following in hopes of pursuing an MD.