

THE SCARLET —AND— GRAY AWARDS



APRIL 23, 2024 | 6 p.m.

In honor of outstanding student leaders,
student organizations, and co-curricular
achievements at Saint Xavier University.



Saint Xavier
UNIVERSITY



"We should be shining lamps,
giving light to all around us."

-Catherine McAuley



WELCOME - 6 p.m.

Katy Thompson
Vice President for Student Life

CEREMONY HOSTS

Giuliana Islas, Senior
Nuala Hanlon, Senior
John Street, Freshman

INVOCATION

Brother Alberto Varona
Director of Campus Ministry

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Presented by staff and faculty across the University.

AWARD CLOSING

Keith O'Neill
Dean of Students/Title IX Coordinator



AWARDS AND PRESENTERS

STUDENT SUCCESS AND INCLUSION

PRESENTED BY: TATIANA ALARAJ, GIULIANA ISLAS,
CYDNI WASHINGTON-BOLDEN AND MARIO YOUNG

2024 Cougars LEAD Leadership Certificate Recipients

CENTER FOR INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE

PRESENTED BY: IMELDA MACIAS

Diversity Champion Award

LEARNING CENTER

PRESENTED BY: JOANNA NEMEH

Outstanding Writing Consultant Award

Outstanding Peer Academic Tutor Award

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

PRESENTED BY: JAMES MILLER

Student Employee of the Year Award

Student Employee of the Year Award - Rising Star

SIN LÍMITES

PRESENTED BY: GLORIA AVALOS

Sin Límites Rising Star Award

Sin Límites Breakout Scholar Award

Sin Límites Outstanding Scholar Award

EMERGING SCHOLARS

PRESENTED BY: JACKI GRIFFIN

Emerging Scholars Rising Star Award

Emerging Scholars Breakout Scholar Award

Emerging Scholars Outstanding Scholar Award



AWARDS AND PRESENTERS

ADMISSION

PRESENTED BY: ELLEN CYRIER

Student Ambassador of the Year Award

TRIO

PRESENTED BY: TRIO STAFF

Money Magnet Award

Culture Award

Persistence and Graduation Award

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

PRESENTED BY: BLANCA CORREA AND ISAAC TORRES

RSO of the Year

RSO Advisor of the Year

RSO Officer of the Year

RSO Program of the Year

NRHH Outstanding Service Award

University Housing RA - Leader Among Leaders

University Housing RA - Rookie of the Year

University Housing RPAL - Action in Academics

University Housing - Spirit of the Halls

STUDENT MEDIA

PRESENTED BY: PETER KRETEN

Student Journalist of the Year Award

Gabriel Vaught Broadcaster of the Year Award



AWARDS AND PRESENTERS

STUDENT LAUREATE OF THE LINCOLN ACADEMY OF ILLINOIS FOR SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY (2023-2024)

ACKNOWLEDGED BY: KEITH O'NEILL

Each fall, one outstanding graduating senior from each of the four-year degree-granting institutions of higher education in the state of Illinois is recognized with the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Award and becomes a Student Laureate of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois. The award is bestowed by the Governor of Illinois, and in the spirit of Abraham Lincoln, Student Laureates are honored for their leadership and service in the pursuit of the betterment of humanity and for overall excellence in curricular and co-curricular activities. One student from Saint Xavier University is selected each fall as SXU's Student Laureate and joins the statewide "Class of 2023" of Student Laureates of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois.

Nominees must be planning to graduate with a bachelor's degree from SXU in May 2024, must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at the time of application, and must have a record of outstanding academic and co-curricular achievement and service to the community.

Cyndi Washington-Bolden
Student Laureate



AWARDS AND PRESENTERS

COUGAR SPIRIT AWARD

PRESENTED BY: KATY THOMPSON

Presented to an outstanding first-year student, sophomore, or recent transfer student who has “made the most” of their first semesters at SXU. The criteria for evaluation include outstanding academic performance and exceptional co-curricular involvement as a new student.

NOMINEES

Arlene Silva
Anahi Hernandez
Alyssa Caracheo
Vanessa Serna
Gavin Dudley
Daquayvious Thompson



AWARDS AND PRESENTERS

VICE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR STUDENT LIFE AND LEADERSHIP

PRESENTED BY: KATY THOMPSON

Awarded to an upperclassman or graduating student who has made a significant contribution to the campus community through distinguished service or leadership during the current academic year.

NOMINEES

Jeremiah Alfred
Emily Mallo
Johnetta Washington
Gavin Dudley
Jena Kanaan
Cassidy Dawson
Giuliana Islas
Majid Matariyeh
Malik Coleman
Nuala Hanlon



AWARDS AND PRESENTERS

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

PRESENTED BY: KEITH ELDER, PH.D.

Ours is not to do the extraordinary but to do the ordinary extraordinarily well. Catherine McAuley, founder of the Sisters of Mercy, used this phrase to inspire her sisters to service. In that spirit, this award is presented by Saint Xavier University to recognize one student each year who has contributed most greatly to the University's mission by serving the students of Saint Xavier University while embodying the core values of hospitality, integrity, and compassion. This student has, in a spirit of humility, contributed to the life of the campus by putting the needs of others first and demonstrating dedication to the services and programs of the University. This award has a cumulative GPA requirement of 3.5 or higher.

NOMINEES

Giuliana Islas
Jena Kanaan
Xavier Garcilazo
Gavin Dudley
Grace Van Cleave
Johnnetta Washington