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DEAN'S CITATION

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UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO

Graduate School

DEAN'S CITATION FOR EXCELLENCE

The Graduate Dean's Citation for Excellence is awarded to students nominated by their school in recognition of superior academic achievement in graduate studies.

OUTSTANDING THESIS/DISSERTATION/SCHOLARLY PROJECT

The Graduate Dean's Citation for Outstanding Thesis, Dissertation and Scholarly Project is awarded to students recognized for outstanding research in graduate studies.

OUTSTANDING DISSERTATION

David Agboola

Doctor of Philosophy
Applied Statistics and Research Methods
Nominated by Han Yu and Angela Vaughan

Dalal Alrmuny

Doctor of Philosophy
Technology, Innovation and Pedagogy
Nominated by Heng-Yu Ku and Matthew Farber

Maha Ben Salam

Doctor of Philosophy
Educational Psychology
Nominated by Nancy Karlin and William Douglas (Doug) Woody

Becky DeOliveira

Doctor of Philosophy
Applied Statistics and Research Methods
Nominated by Maria Lahman, Randy Larkins and William Merchant

Jannessa Kitchin

Doctor of Philosophy
School Psychology
Nominated by Nancy Karlin and Todd Allen

Naya Russell-Coprigh

Master of Arts
Criminology and Criminal Justice
Nominated by Victoria Terranova and Kyle Ward

Karina Sanchez

Doctor of Philosophy
Biological Education
Nominated by Lauryn Benedict, Stephen Mackessy, Robert Reinsvold, Jessica Salo and Emily Holt

Adrienne Wilk

Doctor of Philosophy
Nursing Education
Nominated by Kathie Records and Darcy Copeland

Maaly Younis*

Doctor of Philosophy
Educational Psychology
Nominated by Kevin Pugh

**Awarded the Dean's Citation for Excellence in Spring 2021.*

Jessica Hovland

Doctor of Philosophy
Special Education
Mothers' Perspectives on Language and Literacy Development in Children with Disabilities Adopted from China
Nominated by Jennifer Urbach, Lori Peterson, Sandy Bowen and Brian Rose

Michael Oduro

Doctor of Philosophy
Applied Statistics and Research Methods
Bayesian Joint Modelling for Longitudinal Outcomes of Exponential Families and Informative Time Points
Nominated by Han Yu and Khalil Shafie

Jennifer Santos

Educational Doctorate
Educational Leadership
Transformative and Trauma-Informed Social-Emotional Learning at the Secondary Level
Nominated by Amie Cieminski

OUTSTANDING SCHOLARLY PROJECT

Mackenzie Quinn

Doctor of Audiology
Audiology
Screening for Minimal Hearing Loss in Children
Nominated by Deanna Meinke (research advisor) and Erinn Jimmerson

Schedule of Events

1. Dinner
2. Dean's Remarks
Jeri-Annette Lyons, Ph.D.
Associate Vice President for Research
Dean, Graduate School
3. Presentation of Awards
4. Closing Remarks

A reminder: The Commencement Ceremony for Doctoral Candidates is at 7 p.m. in the Campus Commons Performance Hall