The Faculty Mentor Awards recognize the recipient’s commitment to graduate student mentoring, including dedication to establishing a respectful mentoring relationship and a commitment to program rigor. Recipients are nominated by their colleagues, current students, and former students. The winners for the past years are also listed below.

***The Distinguished Graduate Faculty Mentor Award***

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| **Year** | **Award Recipient** | **Department** |
|  |  |  |
| 2024 | Conxita Domenech | Modern & Classical Languages |
|  |  |  |
| 2023 | Henry (Chip) Kobulnicky | Physics & Astronomy |
| 20222021 | Ray Fertig IIIBryan Shader | Mechanical EngineeringMathematics & Statistics |
| 202020192018 | Daniel WallMatt GrayJulia Obert | Molecular BiologyPsychologyEnglish |
| 2017 | Narina Nuñez | Psychology |
|  |  |  |
| 2016 | Robert L. Kelly | Anthropology |
|  |  |  |
| 2015 | John Pierre | Electrical & Computer Engineering |
|  |  |  |
| 2014 | Harold Bergman | Zoology & Physiology |
|  |  |  |
| 2013 | Carolyn Pepper | Psychology |
|  |  |  |
| 2012 | David Fay | Molecular Biology |
|  |  |  |
| 2011 | Susan Aronstein | English |
|  |  |  |
| 2010 | Farhad Jafari  | Mathematics |
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***Mid-Career Graduate Faculty Mentor Award***

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| **Year** | **Award Recipient** | **Department** |
|  |  |  |
| 2024 | Randa JabbourEvan Johnson | Plant SciencesKinesiology & Health |
|  |  |  |
| 2023 | TeYu Chien | Physics & Astronomy |
|  |  |  |
| 2022 | Boyi Dai | Kinesiology & Health |
|  | Kam Ng | Civil & Architectural Engineering |
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***Early-Career Graduate Faculty Mentor Award***

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| **Year** | **Award Recipient** | **Department** |
|  |  |  |
| 2024 | Corrine Knapp | Haub School of Environment & Natural Resources |
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| 2023 | Danielle Bruns | Kinesiology & Health |
|  |  |  |
| 2022 | Pejman Tahmasebi | Petroleum Engineering |
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**Outstanding Master’s Thesis Award**

The Outstanding Master’s Thesis Award recognizes graduate students for exemplary master’s theses. Recipients are nominated by their respective departments, advisers, and faculty members. The winners for the past years are also listed below.

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| **Year** | **Award Recipient** | **Department** |
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| 2024 | Chooikim Lau | Civil & Architectural Engineering |
|  |  |  |
| 2023 | Samantha Power | Communication Disorders |
| 20222021 | Samantha NobesMiranda Zamora-Williams | Plant SciencesKinesiology & Health |
| 2020 | Tayo Basquiat | Visual & Literary Arts/Creative Writing Program |
| 20192018 | Hillary YoderAustin Carey | Kinesiology & HealthEcosystem Science & Management |
| 2017 | Amy Reece | Chemical Engineering |
|  |  |  |
| 2016 | Zachary Underwood | Zoology & Physiology |
|  |  |  |
| 2015 | Matthew Hethcoat | Zoology & Physiology |
|  |  |  |
| 2014 | Matthew Jones | Zoology & Physiology |
|  |  |  |
| 2013 | Chris Kirol | Ecosystem Science & Management/Program in Ecology |
|  | Karen Fielder  | English (MA) |
|  |  |  |
| 2012 | Katherine Schmid | English (MFA) |
| 2011 | Emilene Ostling | English |
|  | Jeminie Shell | International Studies |
|  |  |  |
| 2010 | Milton Geiger | Agriculture & Applied Economics/Environment & Natural Resources |

**Outstanding Dissertation Award**

The Outstanding Dissertation Award recognizes graduate students for exemplary doctoral dissertations. Recipients are nominated by their respective departments, advisers, and faculty members. The winners for the past years are also listed below.

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| **Year** | **Award Recipient** | **Department** |
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| 2024 | Tayler LaSharr | Program in Ecology & Evolution / Zoology & Physiology |
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| 2023 | Gabriel Barrile | Program in Ecology & Evolution / Zoology & Physiology |
| 20222021 | Shaochen HuangRachael Budowle | Biomedical SciencesAnthropology |
| 2020 | Ellen Aikens | Program in Ecology / Zoology & Physiology |
| 20192018 | Brett JesmerAnh Nguyen | Zoology & PhysiologyComputer Science |
| 2017 | Abdullahi Hussein Ali | Zoology & Physiology |
|  |  |  |
| 2016 | Hao Jiang | Chemical Engineering |
|  |  |  |
| 2015 | Yinan Hua | Pharmacy/Biomedical Sciences |
|  | Michael Tabak | Zoology & Physiology/Program in Ecology |
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| 2014 | Jamie Crait | Zoology & Physiology |
|  |  |  |
| 2013 | Zachariah Gompert | Botany |
|  |  |  |
| 2012 | Michael Stoellinger | Mathematics |
|  |  |  |
| 2011 | Michael Presho | Mathematics |
|  |  |  |
| 2010 | Chen Liao | Chemistry |
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