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 |
| 2022  2021 | Ray Fertig III  Bryan Shader | Mechanical Engineering  Mathematics & Statistics |
| 2020  2019  2018 | Daniel Wall  Matt Gray  Julia Obert | Molecular Biology  Psychology  English |
| 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 |
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| 2010 | Farhad Jafari | Mathematics |
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***Mid-Career Graduate Faculty Mentor Award***

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| **Year** | **Award Recipient** | **Department** |
|  |  |  |
| 2024 | Randa Jabbour  Evan Johnson | Plant Sciences  Kinesiology & Health |
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| 2023 | TeYu Chien | Physics & Astronomy |
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| 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** |
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| 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 |
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| 2023 | Samantha Power | Communication Disorders |
| 2022  2021 | Samantha Nobes  Miranda Zamora-Williams | Plant Sciences  Kinesiology & Health |
| 2020 | Tayo Basquiat | Visual & Literary Arts/Creative Writing Program |
| 2019  2018 | Hillary Yoder  Austin Carey | Kinesiology & Health  Ecosystem 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 |
| 2022  2021 | Shaochen Huang  Rachael Budowle | Biomedical Sciences  Anthropology |
| 2020 | Ellen Aikens | Program in Ecology / Zoology & Physiology |
| 2019  2018 | Brett Jesmer  Anh Nguyen | Zoology & Physiology  Computer Science |
| 2017 | Abdullahi Hussein Ali | Zoology & Physiology |
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| 2016 | Hao Jiang | Chemical Engineering |
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| 2015 | Yinan Hua | Pharmacy/Biomedical Sciences |
|  | Michael Tabak | Zoology & Physiology/Program in Ecology |
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| 2014 | Jamie Crait | Zoology & Physiology |
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| 2013 | Zachariah Gompert | Botany |
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| 2012 | Michael Stoellinger | Mathematics |
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| 2011 | Michael Presho | Mathematics |
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| 2010 | Chen Liao | Chemistry |
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