Commencement
SPRING SEMESTER 2023

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
Sunday, May 7, 2023
Pegula Ice Arena
1:00 p.m.
National Anthem
by Francis Scott Key

O say, can you see, by the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming;
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro’ the perilous fight,
O’er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets’ red glare, the bombs bursting in air
Gave proof thro’ the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Alma Mater
by Fred Lewis Pattee

For the glory of old State,
For her founders, strong and great,
For the future that we wait,
Raise the song, raise the song,
Sing our love and loyalty,
Sing our hopes that, bright and free,
Rest, O Mother dear, with thee.
All with thee, all with thee.

When we stood at childhood’s gate,
Shapeless in the hands of fate,
Thou didst mold us, dear old State,
Dear old State, dear old State.

May no act of ours bring shame
To one heart that loves thy name,
May our lives but swell thy fame,
Dear old State, dear old State!
**Dean’s Message**

Welcome, Class of 2023, and greetings to the family members and loved ones joining you for this commencement celebration. I’m Rick Roush, dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences, and it gives me tremendous joy to acknowledge your achievements of the past several years—a process of learning and hard work that culminates in your degree. Today marks not an end but a beginning as we send you on to new adventures and opportunities.

You’re launching careers at a time that is both exciting and challenging.

We, as a society, find ourselves in an era of accelerating innovations in technology, an expanding population, new methods of producing food, shrinking acreage available for growing and raising food, and increased weather-related problems around the globe.

Agricultural science is a common thread through it all—and the College of Agricultural Sciences is leading the charge in research and innovation. We’re seeking climate-smart solutions to reduce greenhouse gases, improve water quality, bolster food security, and harness alternative energy sources.

Penn State has been at the forefront of research in practices to conserve soil and sequester carbon. We’re also testing new methods to reduce agricultural emissions of gases such as methane and nitrous oxide. As these methods become more widely adopted, we are measuring increased productivity, reduced input costs, and improved quality of yields. We’re even opening new market opportunities that may inspire the more entrepreneurial among you.

Graduates, you possess the knowledge and skills that industry and organizations need now to address pressing concerns and create new opportunities.

You’ve developed the ability to think critically to analyze and adapt to continually changing conditions. You’re well equipped to become the scientists, educators, businesspeople, ag producers, health professionals, engineers, and leaders who will tackle the challenges of the future. Your efforts will strengthen our communities and make a better world.

As you take the next step in your career and in life, I urge you to remember the relationships you’ve built here on Ag Hill that have enriched your journey. Stay connected as alumni and as members of the Ag Sciences family, strengthen the networks you have founded here, so that we and the students who follow you can continue to learn from your expanding experience.

We’re excited to see all you’ll accomplish.

Good luck, be well, and stay in touch!

All the best,

Richard T. Roush

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**To Our Guests**

We welcome you to the commencement exercises for the baccalaureate and associate degree candidates in the College of Agricultural Sciences.

Only authorized press and University photographers are permitted on the floor to take pictures once the exercises are in progress.

At the beginning of the ceremony, the processional party enters and the audience rises, if they are able. The audience remains standing until all members of the platform party have taken their place on the stage and the national anthem concludes. At the end of the program, the alma mater will be sung, followed by a recessional. The audience is requested to remain seated during this period.

NOTICE: The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages in any indoor commencement facility is prohibited. Your admission to any of these facilities is conditional upon compliance with the above. The University reserves the right to refuse admission to, or remove, any person who violates this prohibition.
Academic Processional
Performed by Centre Brass

National Anthem
Led by Katrina Cole
The audience is asked to join in the singing.

Presiding
Neeli Bendapudi, B.A., M.B.A., Ph.D.
President of The Pennsylvania State University
Richard Roush, B.S., Ph.D.
Dean, College of Agricultural Sciences

Commencement Address
Russell C. Redding, Secretary
Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

Authorization to Confer Degrees
Valerie L. Detwiler, B.S.
Member, Board of Trustees

Recognition of Meritorious Achievement
Dean Roush

Recognition of Student Marshals
Tracy S. Hoover, B.S., M.Ag., Ph.D.
Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education,
College of Agricultural Sciences

Conferral of Degrees
President Bendapudi

Induction into the Alumni Association
Matt Owens, B.S., M.B.A.
President, College of Agricultural Sciences
Alumni Society

Alma Mater
Led by Katrina Cole
You are invited to join in the singing.

Recessional
Performed by Centre Brass

Program Notes
This is an unofficial list of students who indicated an intent to graduate for spring semester and contains the list of candidates for graduation as of March 16, 2023.
Students who indicated their intent to graduate after that date are not listed in this program.
Distinction lists are based upon fall grades.
A student’s distinction level could change after spring grades are finalized, and the final distinction level will be printed on the diploma.
Subject to completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon the individuals listed herein and upon such others as may meet the requirements.
Congratulations on your achievements!
### Department and Program Representatives

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### College Nomenclator

- Derek A. James, B.S., M.S.

### University Marshals

- R. Allen Kimel, B.S., M.S., Ph.D.
- Robert G. Melton, B.S., M.S., Ph.D.

### College Marshals

- Lori L. Connelly, B.S., M.S.
- Siobhan L. Fathel, B.S., B.A., M.S., Ph.D.
- Jenneth R. Layau, B.A.
- Dianne M. Petrunak, B.S., M.S.
- Tammy M. Shannon, B.A., M.Ed.
- Matthew J. Stumpf, B.S., M.A.
Governor Josh Shapiro nominated Russell C. Redding to continue as secretary after serving under Governor Tom Wolf as the 26th secretary of agriculture for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He is former dean of the School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences at Delaware Valley University.

Redding has extensive experience as a public servant, having spent more than 30 years serving Pennsylvania in Harrisburg and Washington, D.C. He worked on Capitol Hill as ag policy adviser to U.S. Senator Harris Wofford and served for nearly 25 years in the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, serving as secretary from 2009–2011 under Governor Ed Rendell, and from 2015–2022 under Governor Tom Wolf. He currently serves on the Agriculture Subcommittee of the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Equity Commission.

He earned his B.S. in Agriculture Education and M.S. in Agriculture and Extension Education from Penn State. In addition, he is a graduate of the Agribusiness Executive Program. A native of Pennsylvania, Redding has an innate understanding of food and agriculture, stemming from his youth on his family’s dairy farm and his time as a dairy farm operator. He and his wife, Nina, have two adult sons and own and operate a farm in Gettysburg.
College Marshal

Isabella Briseño

Isabella Briseño, daughter of Cesar Briseño and Julie Stanton, majored in both Environmental Resource Management and Political Science. At Penn State, the Pilesgrove, New Jersey, native was the executive director of environmental sustainability in the University Park Undergraduate Association, a member of the Student Sustainability Advisory Council, and the employee engagement and academic programs intern at the Sustainability Institute.

Bella has partnered with the city of Scranton, Pennsylvania, in the Local Climate Action Program to complete the municipality’s greenhouse gas inventory and coordinate climate action planning. She has conducted undergraduate research using ArcGIS StoryMaps to showcase diverse perspectives for comprehensive ocean solutions and is an independent ArcGIS contractor for the Healthy Ocean Coalition. Bella serves as the undergraduate representative on the Ocean Advisory Council under the Hispanic Access Foundation.

Awards include the Gamma Sigma Delta 2023 Outstanding Undergraduate in the Senior Class, the Evan Pugh Scholar Senior Award, and the President’s Freshman Award.

The summa cum laude graduate aspires to work with municipalities to improve equity and sustainability in communities, focusing on education and making marginalized communities more climate-resilient.

Department Marshals

Agricultural and Biological Engineering

Shea Sarsfield

Shea Sarsfield is graduating summa cum laude with a major in BioRenewable Systems and an option in Bio-products.

At Penn State, he was a member of the BioRenewable Systems Club and president of the Tarriff Center Scholars in the Smeal College of Business. The Tarriff Center for Business Ethics and Social Responsibility aims to advance ethical business practices. Tarriff Scholars work to develop their own critical thinking and communications skills in ethical literacy.

Shea, a Hershey, Pennsylvania, native, also conducted research in the laboratory of Stephen Chmely, assistant professor of agricultural and biological engineering. He investigated the mechanical properties of bio-based, 3D-printed hydrogels.

The son of Erin Sarsfield and Bob Sarsfield, Shea plans to apply to medical school.

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Agricultural Economics, Sociology, and Education

Cade Martin

Cade Martin, son of Donald Martin and Denise Martin, is graduating summa cum laude with a major in Agribusiness Management and a specialization in animal science. His work at Penn State gave him insight into the financial side of agricultural production while allowing him to focus on animal agriculture and how to properly manage livestock operations.

The Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, native received the James and Gertrude Leamer Scholarship Endowment for Excellence, the President’s Freshman Award, the President Sparks Award, and the Evan Pugh Scholar Senior Award.

Cade was a member of Disciple Makers Christian Fellowship and the Dairy Science Club.

Following graduation, Cade plans to take a position as assistant farm manager at Falling Spring Farms LLC, his family’s dairy operation, where he has been officially employed part-time since May 2017.

Animal Science

Karoline Waldinger

Karoline Waldinger of Tyrone, Pennsylvania, is graduating magna cum laude with a major in Animal Science and a minor in Equine Science.

A Dean’s List student, Karoline is a four-year recipient of the Penn State Provost Award and a three-year recipient of the American Society of Animal Science Scholastic Achievement Award. She also received the College of Agricultural Sciences Alumni Society First-Year Scholarship, the Smith Scholarship in Agricultural Sciences, the Emmet C. Dawson Jr. Memorial Award in Agricultural Sciences, the Ray H. Dutt Scholarship, the Ray Finegan Agricultural Leadership Endowment Scholarship, the John T. and Paige S. Smith Scholarship for Animal Science in the College of Agricultural Sciences, the Walter N. Peckachta Award in the College of Agricultural Sciences, the Kelly Shane Quinn Scholarship in Agricultural Sciences, and the Norman and Donna Brown Mountain View Arabians Scholarship.

In the fall 2022 PQHA Nittany Classic and Futurity Show, her colt won both the open and QIP weanling colt classes, as well as the Bob Hendrickson Memorial Trophy. A former secretary of the German Club, Karoline was a member of the Collegiate Horsemen’s Association at Penn State and the Poultry Science Club. She also worked at the Penn State Dairy Barns and Penn State Horse Barns. As part of the Reproduction Research Team, Karoline heat-checked cows in the lab of Joy Pate, C. Lee Rumberger and Family Chair in Agricultural Sciences and professor of reproductive physiology.

Karoline, the daughter of Catherine McLeod, plans to pursue a career as a breeding farm manager in the equine industry in addition to breeding her own horses.

Ecosystem Science and Management

Alina Iwanowicz

Alina Iwanowicz of Boiling Springs, Pennsylvania, is graduating summa cum laude with a major in Wildlife and Fisheries Science and a minor in Forest Ecosystems.

Her numerous awards included the Keith Horn Inc. Trustee Scholarship, the John and Nancy Steimer Scholarship, the Clarence and Michaline Shallcross Scholarship, the Mel Chrostowski Endowed Scholarship, the George C. and Madeline C. Bartley Scholarship, the John and Mary M. Byerly Scholarship in Agriculture, the John H. and Timothy R. Crouch Trustee Scholarship, and the Kathleen A. and Eugene J. Huttie Jr. Scholarship.

Alina served as an assistant director for the No Refund Theatre on campus.

In 2022, Alina was awarded an Erickson Discovery Grant, which she used to assess metrics of bluebird nest success and develop methods for assessing bluebird cognition. This allowed her to determine how cavity-dwelling birds respond to novel challenges.

The daughter of Joseph and Christina Iwanowicz, Alina has accepted a position as forest ecology technician in the lab of Margot Kaye, associate professor of forest ecology at Penn State.
**Food Science**

**Leah Doctor Bodinger**

Leah Doctor Bodinger, daughter of Anne Doctor, is a Schreyer Honors Scholar graduating summa cum laude with a major in Food Science and minor in Nutritional Sciences.

Leah, of Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, has received numerous awards: the Judith A. Williams Food Industry Group Undergraduate Student Leadership Award, Institute of Food Technologists John and Irene Powers Award, Institute of Food Technologists Feeding Tomorrow McCormick & Company Scholarship, Keystone Institute of Food Technologists Scholarship, College of Agricultural Sciences Undergraduate Research Award, Paul R. and Ethel S. Guldin Grant-In-Aid, Edna May Aucker Scholarship, Galen Dreibelbis Endowment for Excellence in Agriculture, and the Harry Hayward Academic Excellence Scholarship.

She served the Food Science Club as president, vice president, and public relations chair. Leah held the positions of president, vice president, and secretary for Nazun/Challah for Hunger, and was the 2020 Campus Hunger Project cohort leader. She was also a resident assistant in North Halls.

Leah worked with Federico Harte, professor of food science, as a research assistant in the Dairy Protein Laboratory. Her honors thesis topic was “Effects of Sodium Citrate on Almond Proteins for Almond-Based Beverage Products.”

Leah interned with J.M. Smucker Company and The Hershey Company. She plans to join The Hershey Company as a research scientist on the Research and Development team.

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**Plant Science**

**Grant Hoffer**

Grant Hoffer, son of Nathan Hoffer and Rebecca Harr, is graduating magna cum laude and majored in Plant Sciences with an Agroecology option and a minor in Agronomy.

The Greensburg, Pennsylvania, resident earned second place in the 2022 Gamma Sigma Delta Research Expo. He is also a recipient of the Arthur S. Wolfe Scholarship, Andrews Family Scholarship, Lawrence F. Marriott Memorial Scholarship, and the Pennsylvania Floral Industry Association Charles H. Dillon Memorial Trustee Scholarship.

Grant served as an undergraduate researcher in the laboratory of Michela Centinari, assistant professor of viticulture. He investigated the impact of rootstock and groundcover on grape juice chemistry, as well as the impact of fall heatwaves on the cold hardiness of grapevines.

He interned at the Ross Student Farm at Penn State and at Growmark FS.

Grant plans to seek a position in research or outreach for a university or government agency. He hopes to help farmers align agricultural systems with the best science available and address future food supply problems.

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Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences

Kylie Calloway

Kylie Calloway is graduating Summa Cum Laude with a major in Pharmacology and Toxicology and a minor in Biology.

The daughter of Amy Fenstemaker and Chuck Calloway, Kylie is a recipient of the President’s Freshman Award, President Sparks Award, Evan Pugh Scholar Senior Award, Raymond F. Russell Memorial Scholarship, Rosemarie C. and Howard R. Peiffer Scholarship, Morrell Smith Scholarship, and Horace T. Woodward Scholarship.

She served as a special events committee member for THON. Kylie also worked in the lab of Sandeep Prabhu, department head and professor of immunology and molecular toxicology, to investigate sex differences in mice with acute myeloid leukemia.

The York, Pennsylvania, native landed a nonclinical internship on the clinical development team at Tolmar, a pharmaceutical company, where she analyzed pharmacokinetic data and conducted literature reviews.

Kylie plans to pursue a career in the pharmaceutical industry.

Environmental Resource Management (Interdisciplinary Program)

Jonah Naugle

Jonah Naugle, son of Kevin Naugle and Wendi Naugle, is graduating summa cum laude with a major in Environmental Resource Management with an Environmental Science option and minors in Biology and Landscape Architecture.

Jonah received the Evan Pugh Scholar Award, the Boyd E. Wolff Gotcha Fund in International Agriculture, the Science Global Experiences Scholarship Award, the Embedded Programs Scholarship, the N.C. Harris Scholarship, the Summer Success Scholarship, the Oliver L. Christman Scholarship, the Buckwheat Scholarship, and the Kane Family Open Doors Scholarship.

Jonah served as a counselor and learning group leader at Shaver’s Creek Environmental Center’s Outdoor School. As an environmental domain expert for the AquaSafe AI student team, he participated in the 2022 Nittany AI Challenge.

He was an avian ecology research assistant in the lab of Allison Cornell, assistant professor of biology. He worked with postdoctoral scholar Nereyda Falconi in the lab of Tomás Carlo, professor of biology, on a large mammal monitoring project in Peru. He also conducted research projects in Costa Rica for the Penn State Tropical Field Ecology study abroad program, presenting a poster at the 2023 Undergraduate Exhibition.

Working as a vegetation technician for the Deer-Forest Study at Penn State, the Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, native plans to gain field work experience before applying for graduate studies in ecology.
# Candidates for Degrees

## Associate Degrees

### Two-Year Turfgrass Science and Management
- Scott Edward Beam
- Joseph Dylan Keller
- Thomas Christopher Mckone V
- Richardson Pena
- Agramonte
- Jeffrey J. Smith
- Quade Anthony Wallace
- William Wesley Werner
- Sean Michael Kirgan
- Ryan Daniel Kulka
- Ethan Allen Lew
- William Robert Love Lulek
- Coddey Ashton Martin
- Steven Anthony Meehan Jr.
- Isaac Kenneth Mengel
- Peter Lawrence Morreale
- Ashley K. Mosier
- Zachary Michael O’Connor
- Megan Hanna O’Donnell
- Joseph O’Hara
- Kevin Michael Osifat
- Kayley Noel Palminter
- Haley Ann Pearsol
- Allen Lee Pierson
- Rowan G.
- Powers-Velasquez
- Jack Nathaniel Price
- Michael Christian Rados
- Julia Marie Romero
- Leah Runyon
- Chase Bradshaw Sanford
- Cooper Schlegel
- Ian Johannes Schmitt
- Timothy Allen Shawley Jr.
- Jessica Shi’
- Jordan Spevak
- Michelle Elisabeth Suarez
- Nathan Ryan Swede
- Joseph Paul Thompson
- Daniel Tobar
- Matthew Griffin Wert
- Wyatt Woods
- Anthony Patrick Worley
- William Christopher Zack

## Baccalaureate Degrees

### Agribusiness Management
- Jonathan Albert
- Xavier Sebastian Ariz
- Abigail Elizabeth Arnold
- Steele Jacob Bambrick
- James Buch
- Connor Patrick Chenard
- Gabriel Cohen Cohen
- Mei Tai Cohn Salinas
- Mikayla Lee Davis
- Isidro Xavier De Icaza Quinones
- Griffin Francis Delaney
- Allison Dodd
- Michael Joseph Duddy
- Hannah Hartness
- Clara Elizabeth Hess
- Roy Evan Hissong
- Houhua Hu’
- Colby N. James
- Emily Kern
- Sean Michael Kirgan
- Ryan Daniel Kulka
- Ethan Allen Lew
- William Robert Love Lulek
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- Anthony Patrick Worley
- William Christopher Zack

### Agricultural and Extension Education
- Morgan Bear
- Nicolette Marie Cusate
- Killienn E. George
- Elizabeth Lea Holtry
- Lauren Elizabeth Kachel
- Adalyn M. Reed
- Ambar Yasmine Robalino
- Carly Rudy
- Grace Shawver
- Anna Christine Sweeten
- Jacob T. Turko

### Agricultural Science
- Tyler D. Aunkst
- Elijah Bebee
- Ayiana Biddle
- Dante Louis Cassaro
- Kaleena N. Czajkowski
- Amber Nicole Dailey
- Matthew Jack Field
- Lauren Taylor Fox
- Vincent Peter Gatti
- Ami Jackson
- Olivia Norton Kraneffuss
- Sara Lichty
- Madison Rose Martin
- Mark Melesky
- Rozzalyn Monnin
- Luke J. Morroco
- Haze Everest Orner
- Robert Patane
- Heer S. Patel
- Tyler Michael Shannon
- Cassidy Ann Shawley
- Jessica Sheckells
- Andrew Christopher Slavinsky
- Emily Stambaugh
- Brianna Joan Stephens
- Devan F. Stoner
- Renee Elizabeth Svonavec
- Gabrielle Marie Swavelly
- Leah Caroline Welk

### Animal Science
- Josephine Lillian Allen
- Ryan Michael Allen
- Caroline Clarice Arrowsmith
- Alissa Beason
- Annabelle Sciarratta Boyd
- Cecilia Joy Brown
- Sara Patricia Bucher
- Ning-Chieh Chang
- Faith Jana Christman
- Emma Marie Cippel
- Erin Elizabeth Comp
- Abigail F. Crippen
- Natalie Elisabeth D’Antonio
- Elijah David Earnest
- Julianna Grace Empie
- Adetokunbo Oyinlola Falade
- Marissa Arlene Filby
- Julianne O. Greco
- Madeline Malloy Haggerty
- Julia Isabelle Healy
- Kitying He-Astacio
- Jacob Heffin
- Daja Nicole Hosendorf
- Houhua Hu’
- Anna Marie Hunter
- Katelin T. Kane
- Sarah Marie Landeck
- Hayleigh Marie Macik
- Lindsay Madden
- Serafina Hope Mazza
- Shelby Brianna McCann
- Joseph Louis Morrison
- McKenzie Myers
- Ryan J. Parry
- Gabriella Marie Pinchot
- Grace Elizabeth Plummer
- Juneil Rae Ritter
- Brooke Elizabeth Rutledge
- Katherine Elizabeth Schafer
- Julana L. Strauser
- Kara Stultz
- Monika Swetkowski
- Trinity L. Thomas
- Hunter Makenna Timmons
- Devon Z. Toomer
- Karoline Waldinger
Leah Ward
Katelyn May Warnke
Mikayla Ethelyn Warren
Julia N. Wester
Sarah Marie Wolff
Yvette Wolpo
Peilong Yang
Sophia Yerardi
Yuxin Zhang

BioRenewable Systems
Matthew Robert Berkenstock
Cullen Thomas Chesnick
Griffen Lee Juckniewitz
Clara Maisie McCahren
Kellien Peritz
Evan Sabecky
Shea Robert Sarsfield
Sebastian Vargas-Clarke

Community, Environment, and Development
Abigail Bartuska
Lola Jay Conti
Carly Paige DeGirolamo
Sophia Nicole Eyer
Anna Elizabeth Harter
Kieri Karpa
Elena Kochmaruk
Skylar Ann McCullough
Caroline Grace McGonigle
Kara Marie Miller
Craig O’Connor
Chukwuebuka John Okoro
Swarali Parikh
Jessica Shi
Grace Smith
Kendall Nicole Van Son

Environmental Resource Management
Michael G. Biesecker
Anna Bohsali
Isabella Jane Briseno
Benjamin William Brosius
Sarah Christine Brown
Julia Burton
Morgan Carroll
Colman William Closser
Alyssa Curry
Ethan Miles Dortort
Rachel Lauren Fedorko
Kaylee Elizabeth Ford
MaryBeth Anne Gavin
Lauren Elizabeth Giangrandi
Sydney Taylor Haefner
Megan Ruth Kownurko
Adam Charles Kurtz
Lucas William Long
Isabella A. Lujan
Iyanna Moultrie
Jonah Michael Naugle
Justin D. Neal
Abigail A. Noel
Christian Nolan
Isaac Matthew Nulton
Samantha Paisley
William Ty Rebert
Lindsey Sabo
Mark Matthew Santangelo
Rowyn Sharkey
Caroline Grace Simonsen
Emma E. Steely
Christian J. Swatt
Brent Michael Watts
Claire Louise Wessner
Dylan Sean Williams
Jacob Yost
Jinying Zhao
Jason M. Zubris

Food Science
Jamie M. Aravich
Leah Rachel Doctor Bodinger
Thomas Joseph Damon
Julia Marjorie Doklan
Katelyn G. Feaster
Megan Ann Futchko
Jaylynn B. Gardner
Avery Geiger
Nanmanus Homchuay
Leah Caroline Kaczur
Thitima Kaothaisong
Matthew James Karczewski
Andrew Kisiel
Jared Scott Labowski
Allison Rose Mansfield
Alexandra Melton
Eliana Carly Perilman
Kiana Mae Shoemaker
Rose M. Spahn
Olivia T. Sparkman
Gregory Robert Wilson
Songyi Yoo
Sabrina Yushinski

Forest Ecosystem Management
Jordan Elfrieda Abramowicz
Elijah Ayers
John Michael Buckley
Evan Jay Hackett
Samuel Z. Horner
Morgan Diane Lee
Dylan Otto Longale
McKinley Morris
Daniel M. Rorabaugh
Logan Todd Schaffer
Caleb W. Spackman
Daniel James Yoder

Immunology and Infectious Disease
Anton Aluquin
Daniya Kaylei Boltz
Madeline Ryan Chimento
Georgia Frances Colegrave
Katie Ann Contino
Annabellla Shane Devitz
Jacob Charles Kardelis
Catherine Keenan
Pengyu Liu
Madison Elizabeth McCanna

Landscape Contracting
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Lindsey Teagan Fanton
Jeffrey Scott Fichter Jr.
Irene V. Ford
Jack Casey Fowler
Maclaine Matthew Greiner
Connor John Hoffner
Nicholas Joseph Michelone
Skyler Rose Stewart

Pharmacology and Toxicology
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Jacqueline Michele Briggs
Kylie Brooke Calloway
Yushan Chen
Brian Steven Fajardo
Patrick J. Farrell
Ziming He
Paige Renee McCoy

Plant Sciences
Eric Parker Aellen
Emily Better
Lauren Bloom
Cameron Cedeno
Marley Citrone
Amy Lynn Danowsky
Mikhyle William Fehlman
Michael Frantz
Megan Leigh Galvin
Grant Michael Hoffer
Kylie E. Kalac
Teresa Irene Kaveney

Christian Alexander Muravsky
David Christopher Myers
Edann Annastacha Ofray
Isaac Ritter
Alaina Marie Shaffer
Melaina Catherine Shoop
Maxwell Thomas Strait
Jonathan D. Webber
Tianle Zhang

Dakota DeLancey Kline
Vincent Koch
Kenan Suleiman Ku
Raine Marie Lookabill
Emma C. Mahute
Trenten McCracken
Elizabeth Leslie Paillan
Joshua R. Pittke
Allison Rice
Levin West Sarver
Levi J. Showalter
Vincent Louis Sposato
Ryan Isabel Wagner
Ethan Beck Whitmoyer
Colin Wiest
Lillian Grace Woodring

**Turfgrass Science**
Matthew S. Barron
Grant Andrew Clawson
Jesse M. Darlington III
Eric Gregory Dowd
Hunter Finn
Bin Lan
Nicholas Patrick Lyons
David Mishoe
Nathaniel Moore
Kassidy Powell
Jared Tanner Waldman
Jacob D. Wehr
Jared S. Werkheiser
Benjamin Anthony Yozwiak

**Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences**
Jocelyn N. Alvarez
Yixin Bai
Hannah Jill Barbarino
Lauren Elizabeth Bell
Madison Rae Berger
Lexie Michaela Black
Danika Kaylei Boltz
Katerina Campagnolo
Jaclyn Patricia Cavanaugh
Zoey Tyah Cole
Madyson Dailey
Mahshad Delshad
Olivia Marie Dunshee
Elizabeth Jade Estevez
Devon Elizabeth Forker
Katie-Ann Fu
Valentina Galvis Nieto
Ashlee Marie Garvey
Mikala Price Guzy
Kaitlin Heil
Alexandra Hermann
Deanna Blair Johns
Jonathon Edward Kelly
Chae Min Kim
Soyeon Kim
Janel Kolar
Keller Walton Kontir
Mia Konzelmann
Alexander LeVan
Jaisen I. Maisonet
Courtney Elisabeth Marlin
Kayla Anne McLaughlin
Payton Gordon McNabb
Bethany Miller
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The 12 percent is divided into 2 percent with “Summa Cum Laude,” 4 percent “Magna Cum Laude,” and 6 percent “Cum Laude.” Distinction levels were determined by cumulative grade-point averages as of fall 2022.

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The college comprises nine academic departments and 67 extension offices—one in each county in the state—and operates numerous research and extension centers and laboratories. As part of one of the world’s foremost research universities and Pennsylvania’s sole land-grant university, the college’s mission consists of three parts:

- **Teaching:** formal classroom or college instruction
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