

# Tulane recognizes distinguished cohort of 2024 graduates during Tulane 34 Awards Ceremony

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Named in reference to Tulane's founding year of 1834, the award recognizes 34 students who demonstrated exemplary leadership, service and academic excellence throughout their time at Tulane. (Photo by Tyler Kaufman)

Thirty-four exceptional graduates from the Class of 2024 were honored at the Tulane 34 Award Ceremony on Thursday, May 16, which was held at the Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life.

The annual Tulane 34 Awards are among the most coveted university-wide honors a graduate can receive. Named in reference to Tulane's founding year of 1834, the award recognizes 34 students who demonstrated exemplary leadership, service and academic excellence throughout their time at Tulane. This year's recognition united a diverse group of undergraduate, graduate and professional students from across the university's schools and from six countries and 13 states.

President Michael A. Fitts praised the students for excelling throughout their Tulane careers and carrying on the values and traditions on which Tulane was founded. Fitts also remarked on this cohort's vast variety of achievements, including leading student governments, shining as student-athletes on the field and in the classroom, embracing an interdisciplinary approach to their studies, and even starting their own nonprofits.

"The one thing that all the recipients have done is they've made their mark. They made a difference," he said. "What you've done here is truly a prediction of what you'll do next."

Fitts also reminded the graduates, as they embark on their next adventure, that they possess all the intelligence, drive and leadership skills needed to solve the challenges of tomorrow.

Proud families, friends, faculty and other Tulane leaders celebrated the graduates as they each received their moment in the spotlight. Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Robin Forman regaled the audience with each graduate's accomplishments as Dean of Students Erica Woodley and Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Carolyn Barber-Pierre bestowed their certificates and special stoles to wear during the Unified Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 18.

You can view the full list of Tulane 34 graduates below and learn more about this prestigious accomplishment on the [Student Affairs website](#).

- Farah Allouch
- Edith Amponsah

- William Bai
- Jade Flora Barnblatt
- Kalsey Belle
- Alyssa Renee Bockman
- Tuhin Choudhary
- Tahlor Cleveland
- Sonya Francesca Contino
- Camille Croft
- Jeffrey De Mond
- Indigo Emanuel
- Zoe Friese
- Theo Hilton
- Alexandria M. Hoyt
- Sion James
- Yuqi “Jessie” Ji
- Nina Kisanga
- Tabitha Mascobetto
- Carol McMullen
- Akshay Mehra
- Patrick Charles Messmer
- Amelia Nugent
- Cameron W. Ott
- Annie Preaux
- Maria L. Ramsey
- Tina. K. Reddy
- Hartley Reese
- Grant James Roquemore
- Akira Shelton
- Shayne M. Shelton
- Zoë Retrey Silverberg
- Aliyah Wilcox
- Devin Ariel Williams





The Tulane 34 Award winners received special stoles to wear during the Unified Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 18. (Photo by Tyler Kaufman)