



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER



Spring Commencement

7:30–9:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2017

GLENN MILLER BALLROOM IN THE UNIVERSITY MEMORIAL CENTER



UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER
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SPRING 2017 COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Welcome & Introduction

Nicholas E. Flores
Professor and Department Chair

Commencement Address

Joel Klatt
College Football Analyst, BA '06

Doctorate and Master of Arts Graduates

Martin Boileau
*Professor, Associate Chair of Graduate Studies,
and Honors Council Representative*

Undergraduate Honors

Terra McKinnish
Professor and Honors Council Representative

Nicholas E. Flores
Professor and Department Chair

Bachelor of Arts Graduates

Jeffrey Zax
Professor and Associate Chair of Undergraduate Studies

Brian Cadena
Associate Professor

William Mertens
Instructor

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Alexander Hill

“Excessive Entry, Investment and Congestion
Cost in the Electricity Industry”

Pooja Khosla

“Three Essays on the Labor Market Outcomes
of the Doctoral Recipients from the U.S. Universities”

Gregory Madonia

“Three Essays in Applied Microeconomics”

Se Mi Park

“Essays on Trade and Institutions”

Eric Penner

“An Essay in Semiparametric Structural Estimation”

Kristina Sargent

“Migration and Unemployment: A Search Modeling Approach”

Joseph Vavrus

“Subnational Patterns of Exports, Banking, and Trade Costs”

Nan Xu

“Essays on Product Quality, Exports, and Trade Policy”

MASTER OF ARTS

Avilia Bueno

Solveig Delabroye

Christian Payne Hennigan

Natalie Huynh Anh Ho

Yuwei Jia

Loren Dean Kruschke

Minghui Li

Brian Christopher Marein

Nicole Justine Mundt

Evelyn Elizabeth Skoy

Brandon Michael Spears

Shawn Swanson

Corey Daniel Woodruff

HONORS

Hannah Amundson, *summa cum laude*

“A Mothers Influence: How a Mother with an Advanced Degree Impacts Various STEM Outcomes”

Nicholas Henry Edwards, *magna cum laude*

“The Effect of Resident Advisor Interactions on Resident Enrollment: Research from the University of Colorado Boulder”

Michael A. Evans, *summa cum laude*

“Does Debt Help Managers? Using Cash Holdings to Explain Acquisition Returns”

Joseph Grisso, *magna cum laude*

“The price of a pick: Examining the Efficiency of the NFL Draft Pick Market by Measuring the Elasticity of the Relationship Between Draft Pick Value and Player Performance”

Helen Irene Harris, *magna cum laude*

“Europa Regina: The Effect of World War II on European Female Labor”

Jonathan P. Heisler, *magna cum laude*

“No, no I’ll get out: A study of ethnocentrism in United States”

Gregory Richard Marks, *cum laude*

“Pay for play: Shirking in the NFL”

Olivia O’Toole, *magna cum laude*

“Is Chinese Food Regulation Effective? A Study of the Chinese Food Safety Law of 2009 and its Effect on Elderly Health”

Viviana Tedino, *cum laude*

“Environmental Impact of Economic Growth in BRICS”

Dengli Yang, *cum laude, with distinction*

“How does location affect the outcome of housing-induced poverty in China?”

2016–2017 AWARDS

**Val B. and Helen W. Fischer Scholarship
for Academic Superiority in the Social Sciences**

Anthropology: Claudia Michelle Escue

Economics: Hannah Amundson

Political Science: Antonio Paulino Huizar

Sociology: Sophie Viar

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Dylan Michael Abad
Enrique Acosta-Rubio
Makky Hussain M. Al Hassan
with distinction
Binet Alagic
Lucas Scott Albert
Olivia H. Aldinger
Ethan Kyle Alexander
Ariel Alonso
John Matthew Wyatt Anderson
Samadhi Asnes
Abdul-Jaleel Dukida Awini
Apichart Snidvongs Na Ayudhya
Monique Jade Baca
Beatrice Baltscheffsky
Juan Sebastian Barriga
Jordan Christopher Bartels
Kristen Bartlett
Madeline Elizabeth Blemker
Nicholas Broe Bloom
Brian Edward Boatman
Griffin James Bond
Cameron Bough
Keenan Matthew Bowman
Michael Joseph Breen
Calvin McKinley Bruch
Isaac Kouichi Buck
Patrick William Buhr
Jessica Madison Buller
John Nicholas Burkus
Kaiyu Cai
Guangde Cao
Marco Angelo Capraro
Emily Ann Carlson
Nicholas Carosella
Reed Carroll
Wesley Carroll
Mitchell Paul Carter
James Strack Casebolt
Tatiana Sasaki Celentano
Tyler Lee Chan
Angelica Chavez
Charles Cheng
Max Joseph Chernoff
Andrew Lee Chilton
Thomas Scott Chittenden
Jackson Paul Christensen
Paige Caroline Cipperly
Connor Gray Clark
Bradley Taliaferro Clough
Riley Warner Cook
Bryce Michael Cooper
Zachary Adam Corona
Nicholas Coursey
Ian Andrew Coyle
Mauro Cueva
Ryan D'Souza
Colin Vandegrift Davis
Angela DeLuca
Kevin Esturado Deras
Joseph Dominic DeRose
Austin David Devooght
Sukhbir Singh Dhillon
Ford Thomas Middleton Dickinson
Jason Robert Dietrich
with distinction
Israel Cervantes Dominguez
Grady Downing
with distinction
Drake Drum
Mikayla Ann Dunker
Gerald Steven Eckelberg
Andrew Christopher Ersek
Luca Evangelista
Christopher Faro
Kelly Elisabeth Foster
Nathan Stewart Foster
Nicholas Adam Frank
Bradley Frese
Matthew Rhoads Fuegy
Blake Clark Fundingsland
Douglas Gabbard
Daniel Brian Galloway
Zachary Kenneth Gardner

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Jordan Gehrke
Kurt Austin Geissler
Ryan David Gies
Andrew Bernard Glickfeld
Kooshawn Gordnia
David George Gordon
Darian Alexander Gore
William Patrick Greubel
Edwin Aguilar Guerra
Aaron Walker Hackel
Laura Page Halliday
Robert Anthony Todd Hammond
Sarah Casey Hanks
Robert McEwan Hansen
Coleman Lee Harris
Coy Blake Harris
Ashley Marie Hatfield
Jeremy Evan Haut
Darrin Haynes
Richard Truman Hearn
Blake Jordan Helton
Wesley Gustave Holland
Robert John Hopp III
Angelo James Hristopoulos
Jonathan Eyre Huckins
Austin Royce Hudmon
John Charles Hudson
Adam Obadiah Hurd
Donald Brownlee Hutchinson
Nikola Rae Hynes
Parker John Illig
Alexandra Marie Imhoff
Kelly Jane Ingraham
Brian Jackson
John Nicholas Jackson
Tyler Charles Jackson
Jacob Austin Jarvis
Marisol Lou Jensen
Robbin Christoffer Jonsson
Samuel B. Jorgensen
Jordan Alexander Jungers
William Lyall Karubus
Shannon Thoko Kearney
Mark J. Kelly
Garam Kim
Christopher Kelland Kinchen
Kelley King
Didrik Nicolai Halhjem Kjeilen
Christopher John Koral
Gabrielle M. Kristofich
Afolabi Laguda
Derek Paul Lange
Melissa Elaine Latas
Stacey Klak Lawrence
James Patrick Lee
Blake Travis LeGrow
Zhiwen Li
Iosefo Sua Liufau
Julianne M. Logan
Trevor Anthony Lowe
Orion Ananda Lowen
Mitchell Blake Lujan
Pennell Allen Lukens
Katherine Claire Lynch
Margaret Anne MacGeraghty
James Russell Madok
Alizee Magre
Dane Thomas Mailhiot
Taylor Leo McNierney
Kissack Kristopher McNoel
Jessica Haley Mefford
Marcus Midzor
Chasen Miller
Akshaj Mody
John Russell Moody
Dalton Morris
Alan James Morse
with distinction
Tucker Moseley
Samuel Collie Bonner Mountford
Maria Gabriela Murillo
Christian Andrew Naes
Henry Louis Neale
Joseph Jacob Nessinger

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Travis Neumann
Jabree Kaylechi Njemanze
Samuel Nourafshan
Victoria Elizabeth O'Malley
Michael Hyunsuk Oh
Keenan Jon Olsen
Skylin Amber Pancoast
Ian Pessah
Brenden Duke Peterson
Quan Pham
Vy Thuy Pham
John Dallas Phillips
Floyd Joseph Pierce
with distinction
James Thomas Presley
Lizhu Qu
Ludvig Oliver Ragnarsson
Jack Powell Redman
Leo Alan Loudres Rocha
Elijah Blue Rodriguez
Mattias Christian Rohn
Nicholas Adame Romero
Jacob Zeno Rosenman
Austin Matthew Rosmarin
Walter L. Ross IV
Megan-Nicole Sabin
Jared Clark Sanderson
with distinction
Megan Mary Sandhagen
Vincent Craig Santiago
Francesca Isabella Sartori
Rachel Leigh Schauer
Brian Reid Schmidt
Hunter Schoenthaler
Tara Margaret Schulz
Thomas Michael Schutte
Robert Nicholas Seber
Heidi Seefeld
Guowei Shao
Kamran Jivan Sharma
Marco Joseph Shaw
Michael Ernesto Sheldon
Jake Alexander Silverman

Sandeep Singh
Calvert Jameson Smith
Steven Ray Stanzyk
Logan Thomas Stelzner
Mark Whitaker Stinson
Eugenia Sucre
Elizabeth Suhler
Quinn Sweeny
Edward Tak
Delmar Temple
Samuel Nicholas Cortez Thirumalai
Nicholas Tolley
Zachary David Tolpen
Peter Edward Traci
Yaxin Tu
Kyle Tadao Uraguchi
Stefan Jonah Urness
Nolan Vern VanNurden
Andrew Michael Vraa
Daniel Shane Wall
Patrick Walsh
Di Wang
Yiqiao Wang
Yunyang Wang
Qingxu Wang
Scott David Warren
Ethan Richard Watkins
Nathan Michael Welch
Patrick Currey Wetton
Richard Benson Wigton
Jared Lachlan Wold
Yanjie Wu
Sunshine Min Yan
Menghan Yang
Hanna Lynne Yearout
Peng Yun
Joshua William Zepf
Zi Jie Zhang
Xiaorui Zhang
Aron Zhang
Huiyu Zhang
Xiao Zhu



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