

*We Congratulate
the Recipients of the Following Awards:*

*Val B. Fischer and Helen W. Fischer Award
Chancellor's Recognition Award
– Andrew Ormsby*

*Political Science Department 2015 Jacob Van Ek Award
– Gabrielle Schneiderman*

*Faculty Mentor Award
– Jennifer Wolak*

*Teacher of the Year Award
– Janet Donovan*



“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.”

– Eleanor Roosevelt



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Graduation Recognition Ceremony

Glenn Miller Ballroom, UMC

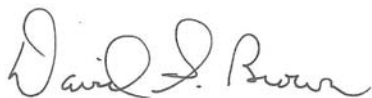
Friday, May 8th, 2015

Congratulations to Our 2015 Honors Graduates

Dear Graduates,

The faculty and staff of the Political Science Department at CU-Boulder congratulate you on completing your degree. We have enjoyed being a part of your journey here at CU and today we welcome your friends and family in celebrating your accomplishment. Whether you know it or not, they have been beside you every step of the way. Political science is designed for students who have curiosity and even a healthy skepticism about how we govern ourselves locally, nationally, and internationally. Political science students gain essential analytic thinking skills and an understanding that all of the challenges we face today are ultimately political in nature. We hope that, through your studies, you have gained an in-depth knowledge of politics and the tools necessary for effective political participation and leadership. On behalf of our faculty, we are proud of your accomplishments. It is now time for you to lead the way!

All the best,



David S. Brown

Professor and Chair, Department of Political Science

James Scott Bradbury, "A Character Study: Partisan Politics in the Age of Twitter" – Jennifer Wolak

Jacqueline Tyla Grimsley, "Income Inequality as a Political Issue: Does it Matter?" – Jennifer Wolak

Mykala D. Keuter, "Selectivity of Television Media: The Effects of Quasi-Social Networks on Voter Participation" – Vanessa Baird

Ryan Louis Langhorst, "How Energy Industry Special Interests Affect Renewable Portfolio Standard Adoption Rates: an Empirical Study" – Steve Vanderheiden

Tyreen Lee Livingston, "Colorado Farmer's Influence on Flexible Water Policy Decisions: A Uniform Political Bloc?" – Nancy Billica

Maxwell Cory Nathanson, "Regime Type and Female Health in the World: A Study of the Effects of Democracy on Women's Access to Health Care" – David S. Brown

Andrew Laurence Ormsby, "Institutional and Personal Homophobia in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Post-Materialist Explanation" – Andy Baker

Bensley Brooke Pearson, "The Positive Effects of Aid on Health Development Outcomes" – Krister Andersson

Ezra Lee Sackett, "American Jewish Republicans: What We (still) Don't Know" – Jennifer Wolak

Wilson Davis Scarbeary, "Bipartisan Cosponsorship and District Partisanship: How Members of Congress Respond to Changing Constituencies" – Kenneth Bickers

Alexandra Camille Wolk, "Differentiated College Prep Access: An Analysis of Colorado Public Schools" – Kenneth Bickers



Ryan Louis Langhorst
Cum Laude
Alexandra Brooke
Lawrence
Olivia Susan Leyshock
Tyreen Lee Livingston*
Summa Cum Laude
Lars Henrik Killingland
Loge
Joshua Alexander
Lombardi
Nicholas William
Lombardi
Amanda Lyons
Dana Maher
Nicole Katharina Maier
Amanda Elizabeth
Marquez
Gabriella Francesca
Martinez
Kalene Elizabeth Mason
Danielle Rebecca Bain
Mayock
Zachary McCain
Matthew Mccartney
Chandler Trees McCorkle
Paul Meter
Jake Miller
Wesley Minty Montag
Catherine Ann
Montgomery
Trevor Clark Moore
Savannah Jane Murtha
Maxwell Cory
Nathanson*
Summa Cum Laude
Paul Newman
David G. Nimer
Marcus Frederick Niro
Kiley Sue Nixon
Alexis D. Olson

Andrew Laurence
Ormsby*
Summa Cum Laude
Taylor Alexandra Pass
Kevin Neal Patterson II
Jonathan Andre Pauka
Bensley Brooke Pearson
Magna Cum Laude
Dylan Michael Peper
Madilyn Petry
Clint David Pflugrad
Logan Marler Pike
Raylene Felicia
Pinchbeck
Anthony M. Pogliano
Garrett Joseph Prather
Caitlin Pratt*
Nicholas Sobey Prince
Trevor Pruitt
Brianda Quinones
Roderick Quirk
Parker-Jameson Raabe
Fredah Kamene Rajab
Chase Alexander Reed
Jake Nathaniel Reo
Joshua Benjamin Rheins
Troy Thomas Rockrise
Michael Gary
Rulon-Miller
Kyle Mark Rustemeyer
Margaret Ellen Ryan
Ezra Lee Sackett*
Summa Cum Laude
Emily Raquel Sandoval
Ashley Lynn Sanks
Dylan Patrick Saunders
Wilson Davis Scarbeary*
Magna Cum Laude
Dillon Michael Sena
Joseph Andrew Shirawder
Derek Silver
Jonathan Silver
Taylor Elise Simpson

Kyle Anderson Slavin
Aubree Renee Smith
Matthew T. Stewart
Olesia Rose Stockhold
Robert Christopher
Stuckey
Joseph Carl Svingala
Justin Scott Talbot
Caitlyn Elizabeth Taylor
Logan J. Taylor
William Barnett
Tesconi*
Andrew Steven Trevino
Brandon Loren Trevino
Christopher Tuzzio
Axel S. Urie
Anna Corrine Vallad
Anthony Veiller
Amanda Rose Wellons
Jackson Wessells
Kyle Daniel White
Shannon Loy Wilcox
Michael Christian
Willemain
Taylor Alfred Williams
Leonardo Wolfson
Alexandra Camille
Wolk*
Summa Cum Laude
Austin Kristopher Wood
Sean Wraith
Jordan Yewey
Christopher Duncan Yost
Raleigh Young
Emily Anne Zalasky
Ian Zimmerman
*With Distinction

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Opening Remarks..... David S. Brown
Chair, Department of Political Science
Commencement Address..... Pam Jenkins
President, Powell Tate
Presentation for Teacher of Year Award..... David S. Brown
Chair, Department of Political Science
Presentation of Faculty Mentor Award..... Corey M. Barwick
Graduate Student
Presentation and Hooding of Ph.D. Recipients..... E. Scott Adler
Director of Graduate Studies
Presentation of M.A. Recipients..... E. Scott Adler
Director of Graduate Studies
Presentation of Undergraduate Awards..... Krister P. Andersson
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Presentation of Honors Graduates..... E. Scott Adler
Honors Program Director
Presentation of B.A. Recipients..... Krister P. Andersson
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Closing Remarks..... David S. Brown
Chair, Department of Political Science

* Reception on the UMC Terrace Following the Ceremony *



Doctor of Philosophy

Jia Chen

*“International Institutions and Domestic Commitments in
Non-Democratic Regimes”
Chair – Moonhawk Kim*

David Cupery

*“Buying Goodwill with Economic Exchange? Latin American Public
Opinion and Elite Rhetoric toward the United States and China”
Chair – Andy Baker*

Raymond Foxworth

*“Indigenous Autonomy and Well-Being: Political Resources,
Participation and Institutions” Chair – Carew Boulding*

Matthew Evan Heller

*“Scientific Authority: An Epistemic Proceduralist Framework for the
Legitimate Authority of Science in Environmental Policy”
Chair – Steve Vanderheiden*

Brandy Jolliff

*“Explaining a New Foreign Aid Recipient: The European Union’s
Provision of Foreign Aid to Regional Trade Agreements 1995-2013”
Chair – David Bearce*



Master of Arts

*Maureen Bailey ♦ Nathan J. Cook ♦ Anna Daily
Jocelyn Fox ♦ Vania Ximena Velasco Guachalla
SeongJun Kim ♦ Christina Ladam ♦ Alexandra Victoria Palmer
Timothy Passmore ♦ Ian Shapiro ♦ Joseph Zamadics*



Bachelor of Arts

*Austin Taylor Allen
Christopher Doukas
Anderson*

*Loren Christopher
Anderson
Sarah Elizabeth
Andrews*

*Kevin Michael Arnold
Christian Ayala
Richard Azzopardi
Robin Bachelet
Veronica Rachel Baker
Benjamin Roscoe Barta
Geoffrey Scott Bates
Halley Elizabeth Bebout
John Mahaffey
Blanchard*

*Laura Elizabeth Blome
Ethan Blumenthal
Shelby Lynne Bossert
Cameron Fabin Botts
Charles Morgan Bower
James Scott Bradbury*
Summa Cum Laude*

*Hannah Bretz
Antonio R. Bricca
Justin David Briody
Brandan Brisco
Michael Bernardo Brock
Kyle Rashad Brooks
John William Cannon
Genna Shea Carver
Alex Casalvieri
Gabriel David Chacon
Ashley Alexis Chandler
Sage Danielle Chapin
Sadie Mae Christlieb
Thomas Michael Clancy*

*Austin T. Cline
Christopher Curtis
Collins*

*Teaghan Patrick Costello
Bradley Cotner
Kylie Marie Delphia
Ileen Arianne Den Ouden
Dylan John Dickerson
Timothy Dickson
Benjamin B. Donegan
Ian Ducharme
James Alan Duke
Jennifer Jean Dutton
Thor J. Eaton
Skyler Ellis*
Dylan Evans
Cesar Jared Fallad*

*Jay Curtis Farnsworth
Mitchell Cody Fenton
Lauren Fitzgerald
Christopher Joseph
Fiume
Jacquelyn Danielle
Flowers*

*Kenneth D. Ford
Brian Daniel Fox
Nicole L. Gaisbauer
Christopher Anthony
Garcia
Sebastian Michael Garcia
Cameron Michael Gil
Valerie Renee Gosch
Brady Joseph Grabowski
Claire Alexandra Griffin
Jacqueline Tyla
Grimsley*
Summa Cum Laude
Mara Elise Gwin*

Patrick David Hale
Trevor Marshall Haley
James Hanifin
Michael David Hardey
David Wesley Harding
Taylor Nicholas
Harshaw
Haley Brooke Hazzan
Alexa P. Henry
Molly Marie Henze*
Morgan Spencer Hicks
Jeff Alan Joseph Hill
Kiel Hogan
Nolan Hollis
Courtney Megan
Hughes**

*Seth Stephen Jacobson
Haley James
Michael Thomas Jaycox
Ryan L. Jendreas
Jake Erik Jeronimus*
Amy Rose Johnson
William Chadwick
Kaercher*

*Daniel Karshenas
John Kaufman
Mykala D. Keuter
Summa Cum Laude
Jenifer Kaitlen Keyes
John Gilmore Kingdon
Katharine Louise Kinney
Allison Poirier Knowles
Ian Koenigsberg
Dana D. Kohn
Adam Krentz
Nicholas Robert Kropp
Anthony Landrum*