



SUMMER 2020  
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

**UF** | College of Journalism  
and Communications  
UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA

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The 2020 Summer Ceremony is a milestone in many ways. For most, it represents the beginning of a new, professional journey. For me, it marks my eighth summer graduation as Dean of the College. And for everyone, it is a graduation during a time that will forever change our world.

In the past four years, our students endured hurricanes, disruptions from groups spewing hate, and now a global pandemic. At the same time, they were introduced to 24 new faculty members, expanded immersion opportunities, and new curriculum. Through it all, they have emerged stronger, smarter, more enlightened, and ready for the challenges ahead.

I have been so fortunate to have had the opportunity to lead this college since 2013 and to have met so many incredible students. Each story was unique. Each success was their own. But today is perhaps my proudest moment, as I honor these young adults who have demonstrated their resolve, perseverance, dedication and optimism during perhaps the most challenging chapter of their lives.

I celebrate the families and friends who provided love and support throughout our students' academic careers. I toast the faculty and staff who guided our students and helped them hone the passion, inquisitiveness and skills that will allow them to thrive. I sincerely thank our alumni who have demonstrated their generosity through gifts, mentoring and advice, and by opening doors to new opportunities.

Best of luck to all of our Summer 2020 graduates. We hope you will stay connected and engaged with your alma mater, and look forward to hearing about your success.

Onward and upward. And Go Gators!



Diane McFarlin  
**Dean**



# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

AUGUST 15, 2020

Processional: Through the Lens

National Anthem

President's Welcome

*President W. Kent Fuchs*

Welcome

*Dean Diane McFarlin*

Congratulatory Messages

*Deans and Chairs*

Student Address

*Palak Patel, Public Relations*

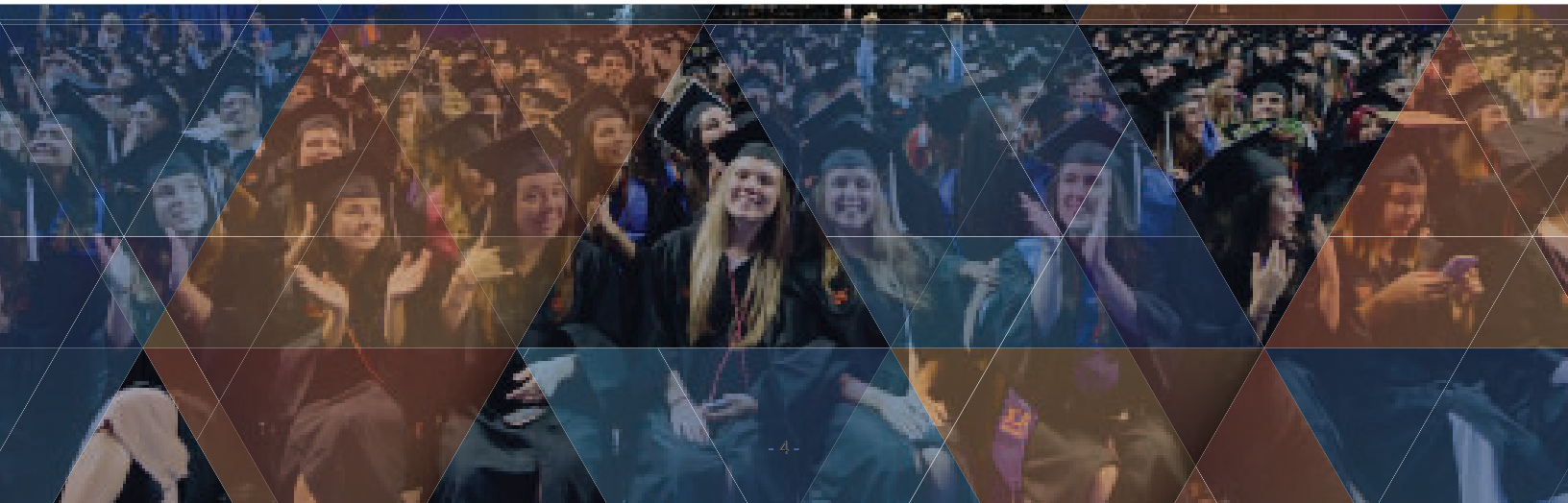
*Degree Conferral and Graduate Recognition*

Farewell

*Dean Diane McFarlin*

Alma Mater

Recessional: A Look Back at 2019-2020



# COLLEGE LEADERSHIP

**Diane McFarlin**

*Dean*

**Spiro Kiouisis, Ph.D.**

*Executive Associate Dean*

**Tom Kelleher, Ph.D.**

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**Ted Spiker**

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*Chair, Department of Public Relations*

**David Ostroff, Ph.D.**

*Chair, Department of Telecommunication*



*Congratulations*  
Class of 2020

# GRADUATES

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

**Kendra P. Auguste-Vincent**

*Mentored by Dr. Debbie Treise*

**Andrea Elizabeth Hall**

*Mentored by Dr. Wayne Wanta*

**Kelly Lee Kelly**

*Mentored by Dr. Wayne Wanta*

**Casey J. McDonald**

*Mentored by Dr. Tom Kelleher*

**Tiffany Lynn Mohr**

*Mentored by Dr. Spiro Kiousis*

**Daniel Pimentel**

*Mentored by Dr. Sriram Kalyanaraman*

**Greenberry Bush Taylor III**

*Mentored by Dr. Carla Fisher and Dr. Carma Bylund*



# GRADUATES

## MASTER OF ARTS

### MASS COMMUNICATION

Matthew Daniel Abramson

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Alexandra J. Avelino

Cayla Baker-Ruiz

Lorena Barquin Sanchez

Bruce D. Battey

Kevin D. Blaxton

Shaundrea Nakia Bowen

Courtney Elizabeth Manzer Buohl

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Amanda Ann Cooksey

Felipe De La Guerra

Madison Juliet Emanuel

Miguel Fernandez

Weiyu Huang

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Salonica A. Hunter

Lillia Nicole Jordan

Lindsay Elizabeth Lambert

Laura Josephine Libby

Jenine R. Marquez

Amber N. Martin

Natalia Mojica

Christine Nicole Morrison

Yiwen Niu

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Charlotte Graham Porter

Siarra Cheyenne Price

Tonia Riley

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Rakeem U. Robinson

Kelly Lee Schmidt

Madeleine Louise Schneider

Brittany Nichol Steele

Savannah Gabrielle Stephens

Vincent Steves

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Bryan Matthew Goodlin  
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Piper Lee Hansen  
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Jocelyn Dennise Nieves

Kayla J. Price

Sara JoAnne Riley Drussell

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Daniela Vargas

Brandon Ross Yudin



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Martha Paz-Soldan  
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Kyle E. Summersfield  
Joaquin M. Sune  
Daniela Urrea Schneider  
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Lindsey Anique Varlack  
Walter Walding Jr.  
Julie Kay Walter  
Helena Wegener  
Amanda Hope Weinberg  
Christina J. Whitley

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Mason Daniel Bunke  
Kerena Inelie Cesar  
Mallory Meiyng Chan  
Valentina Cruz  
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Evan C. Denninghoff  
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Adekunle R. Fasasi  
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Brandon R. Gin  
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Jack C. Hillery  
Landon Dean Jones  
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Alyssa Emily Lewis  
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Sherwin A. Varma  
Daniel Yurowski Jr.

# University of Florida Alma Mater

Florida, our Alma Mater  
Thy glorius name we praise  
All thy loyal sons and daughters  
A joyous song shall raise  
Where palm and pine are blowing  
Where southern seas are flowing  
Shine forth thy noble gothic walls  
Thy lovely vine clad halls  
'Neath the orange and blue victorious  
Our love shall never fail  
There's no other name so glorius  
All hail, Florida, hail.







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