# Saint Mary's University Convocation Fall 2022





#### Convocation

This joyous yet solemn event is bound by traditions that have evolved over centuries. It is a continuum with a formal beginning and end. By being present here today, you have indicated your interest in being part of this academic tradition. Graduating students and their guests are therefore expected to remain in their seats until this formal ceremony has been completed in its entirety—until the Chancellor of the University has officially closed Convocation and the stage party and graduates have recessed.



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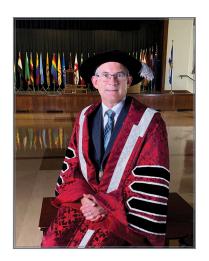
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#### Message from the President

We are delighted to welcome our fall graduates.

The entire university community – myself included – has been inspired by the resilience, leadership, and compassion shown by today's graduates throughout your degree and certificate programs.

Your experience at Saint Mary's has prepared you well for this moment. You have met people from all over the world, broadening your perspectives and intercultural understanding. Your professors have helped you study the past to change the future and solve problems using innovation and creativity. You have grown, personally and



intellectually, and developed the skills to help you succeed, no matter what path you choose to pursue. You have explored the complexities of a World without Limits – and engaged in the opportunities and possibilities to overcome limits, whether they are social, cultural, economic, environmental, scientific, technical or driven by the business or political structures around us.

This convocation program will be a reminder for years to come that the Class of Fall 2022 did not stumble in the face of adversity but instead stepped forward with courage and determination.

As you begin this new chapter in your lives, with lessons learned and eyes to the future, please know that you are, and always will be, a part of the Santamarian community. Together, we will continue to build a World Without Limits!

Congratulations on your achievements!

Age quod agis.

Robert Summerby-Murray, PhD President and Vice-Chancellor

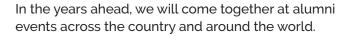


#### Message from the Chancellor

#### Congratulations graduates!

Today, faculty, staff, family and honoured guests join with you on campus and online. It is fitting we are all here together to witness this major milestone in your lives.

Please know how proud we are of you and your accomplishments! Convocation is a special time, a time for thanks, reflection and, above all, celebration! But please remember that no matter where you go, or what future endeavours you pursue, you will always be part of our large, global and close-knit Santamarian family.

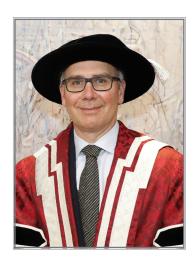


We will stay connected online.

You always have a home at Saint Mary's University.

We will never forget this day and the unique circumstances that bring us together. You will always hold a special place in the history of this great university.

Dr. Michael Durland, BComm PhD DComm Chancellor







#### Order of Academic Procession

Marshal of Convocation
Alumni Honour Guard
Graduates
Faculty
Board of Governors
Deans of Faculties
Vice-Presidents
President and Vice-Chancellor
Chancellor

The audience is requested to stand when the Academic Procession arrives, to remain standing until the close of the Prayer of Invocation, and at the close of Convocation, to remain standing until all of the Academic Procession has recessed.

Please note that names of graduates listed in this program are subject to revision.

#### Order of Proceedings

**Processional** 

**Welcome Remarks** 

Presidential Remarks: Robert Summerby-Murray, BA, MA (Hons.), PhD, A.T.C.L.

**Presentation of Awards** 

**Conferring of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates** 

#### Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

#### Friday, September 23, 7 p.m.

Adam J. Sarty, BSc (Engineering), PhD, Associate Vice-President Research, Dean of Graduate Studies and Research, will present the candidates.

#### Sobey School of Business

Saturday, September 24, 10 a.m.

Harjeet S. Bhabra, MBA, PhD, Dean of the Sobey School of Business, will present the candidates.

#### Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Science

Saturday, September 24, 2 p.m.

Mary Ingraham BMus, MA, PhD, Dean of Arts and Lori Francis, BSc, MSc, PhD, Dean of Science, will present the candidates.



#### **Valedictory Addresses**

Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research – Kharisse M. Thompson Faculty of Arts – Mehak Tekchandani

#### Induction to the President's Hall of Academic Excellence Closing of Convocation O Canada Recessional

#### **Chancellor of Saint Mary's University**

Michael Durland, BComm, PhD, DComm

#### **Chairperson of Convocation**

Madine VanderPlaat BA (Hons), MA, PhD, Interim Vice-President. Academic & Research

#### Marshal of Convocation

Karen Grandy, BA, MA, PhD, Chair and Professor of Marketing, Chairperson of the Academic Senate

#### Marshal of Students

Tom Brophy, BA, MEd, Associate Vice-President, Student Affairs and Services

#### Orator

Alexandre Avdulov, BA, MA, PhD, Associate Professor of Japanese and Asian Studies

# THE CEREMONIAL MACE

The ceremonial mace, carried by the Marshal of Convocation, was presented to Saint Mary's University in 1980. It symbolizes the University's authority to grant degrees and is a gift from Maritime Command in honour of alumni killed in both world wars. The mace also recognizes serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces who have been students at Saint Mary's.

The mace is made of oak with a cast brass crown and brass plates carrying traditional ceremonial engravings; the plates represent the contributions to Saint Mary's by the Jesuit Fathers, the Christian Brothers of Ireland, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, the LaSalle Christian Brothers, the Lay Teachers and the Armed Forces.



# UNIVERSITY MOTTO

#### **AGE QUOD AGIS**

means to 'do what you do. This phrase exhorts us to focus on our work, to be in the moment and devote our fullest attention to the task at hand. It is a call for dedication, a focus on duty and perseverance, a statement of process. It is a proclamation of the importance of disciplining ourselves to our studies, to our scientific, artistic, cultural, commercial and athletic pursuits. It is a call to action to act in the world, to shoulder responsibility, to champion social justice, environmental justice and ethical values.

## Flags on the Stage

The flags which you see displayed on the stage for Convocation are from the countries representing our graduating students. The globalization of the Saint Mary's University community is a feature of justifiable pride which contributes markedly to the growth and understanding of both Canadian and non-Canadian students.



Included in the University's permanent collection of flags is one from the International Year of the Disabled signifying the University's commitment to people with disabilities. The Mi'kmaq flag is an important part of this collection in recognition of their First Nation's Status. The University's Bicentennial flag was made a part of our permanent collection in 2002.

#### Academic Hoods

Graduates and members of the academic procession are attired in the basic elements of formal academic dress, which follow general guidelines established at England's Oxford and Cambridge Universities. It consists of the academic robe, hood and mortar board (at Saint Mary's, the latter is limited to Master's graduates).

The academic hood symbolizes the degree into which each graduate has been admitted, its outer edge trimmed with a color to indicate a particular Faculty and degree: white symbolizes Arts; gold, Science; grey, Commerce, and green for Environmental Studies. Bachelor–level hoods are lined with satin in the colours of the institution granting the degree. Hence at Saint Mary's, they are maroon satin with a white chevron. The Master's hood is lined with maroon satin only, giving it added distinction.



## Degrees and Diplomas

#### **Awarded with Distinctions**

At Saint Mary's University in the general undergraduate degree and diploma programs, academic distinctions are awarded to successful candidates on the basis of the following cumulative grade point averages of all courses taken at Saint Mary's University. There are no distinctions awarded in graduate and certificate programs.

BA, BES, BComm, & BSc	<b>Grade Point Av.</b>	Diploma in Engineering
summa cum laude	4.00 - 4.30	with greatest distinction
magna cum laude	3.85 - 3.99	with great distinction
cum laude	3.70 - 3.84	with distinction

The President's Hall of Academic Excellence, located in the main hallway of the McNally Building, directly outside the President's Office, displays the names of all students who earned one of these distinctions. The Hall also includes the names of students who won academic medals at graduation.



#### **Master of Finance Gold Medal**

Recipient: Fengwu Zheng

Donor: Dr. J. Colin Dodds and family

#### Master of Management Co-Operatives and Credit Unions: Pobihuschy Medal

Recipient: Ritu Linfoot

#### **History Honours Thesis Award**

Recipient: Rudy Bartlett

**Donor:** The Department of History

#### The John and Heather Fitzpatrick Valedictorian Award

Recipients: Kharisse M. Thompson, Mehak Tekchandani

*Donor:* John Fitzpatrick BA'81 LLD'17 and Heather Fitzpatrick

#### **Durland Family Doctoral Convocation Award**

Recipients: Tabatha Thibault, Hooman Ekhteraei Toosi

Donor: Chancellor Michael Durland BComm'87 DComm'10,

Catherine Durland BComm'87 and their family



**Saint Mary's University** is grateful for the continued support to scholarships, bursaries, awards and services provided to our students. These awards are given to qualifying students during convocation ceremonies and are made possible by our friends and valued supporters. With this support, our graduates are prepared to take their place in the world of tomorrow.

In addition to awards presented during Fall 2022 Convocation, please note awards presented at other Convocations ceremonies.

#### Faculty Medals - Undergraduate

Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Commerce Bachelor of Science Diploma in Engineering

#### Faculty Medals - Graduate

Executive Master of Business Administration Medal
James Morrison International Development Studies Medal
Master of Business Administration: Dr. Harold G. Beazley Medal\*
Master of Science (Applied Psychology) Medal
The Georgia Pe-Piper Medal for Excellence in Applied Science

#### **Prizes and Awards for Graduates**

CAG Undergraduate Award in Geography

CMC Atlantic Student Award

Edna and Velma Thomas Kane Writers Award

Edwin C. Harris Tax Prize\*

**Environmental Prize** 

Eric & Ingeborg Enns Family IMTE Convocation Award

French Book Prize

Hermann F. Schwind Award for Excellence in Human Resource Management\*

J. Kevin Vessey Award for the PhD in Applied Science\*

Linguistics Book Prize

Mary Ann and Edward J. McBride Law Prize\*

O'Brien Award in Irish Studies\*

Peace and Conflict Studies Book Prize

The Dr. Brij M. Kapoor Memorial Award

The McMullan & Rege Honours in Criminology Convocation Award

The Mining Society of Nova Scotia Centennial Award

#### \* Represents endowed awards

Endowments are the most enduring investment you can make to Saint Mary's as they provide stable, dependable support for programs and students-now and in the future. Visit smu.ca/graduation to learn more about our donated convocation awards and to make a gift today!



#### Professor Emeritus

#### Pádraig Ó Siadhail

Pádraig Ó Siadhail, born and raised in Derry, earned his BA (Hons) in Irish and English (1980) and PhD in Irish (1985) at Trinity College Dublin. He first arrived at Saint Mary's University in 1987 as holder of the newly-established Thomas D'Arcy McGee Chair of Irish Studies. From 1991 to 2022, he held the D'Arcy McGee Chair and, as the sole full-time faculty appointment in Irish Studies, offered core courses in Irish language, culture and society.



Dr. Ó Siadhail worked closely with Irish Studies' founder, Dr. Cyril J. Byrne, in establishing minor and major undergraduate concentrations in Irish Studies. Saint Mary's University was the first Canadian university to offer an Irish Studies major. Dr. Ó Siadhail has also been to the fore in promoting Irish Studies nationally and internationally. He is a past president of the Canadian Association for Irish Studies/l'Association canadienne d'études irlandaises and has served for many years on the editorial committee of the Canadian Journal of Irish Studies.

The author of nine books, Ó Siadhail's publications include a history of Irish-language theatre and award-winning biographies of Piaras Béaslaí (1881-1965), an influential player in the early twentieth-century Irish cultural revival and the Irish Revolution, and of Prince Edward Island-born Katherine Hughes (1876-1925), a self-styled 'Canadian Imperialist' who became a propagandist and activist in the cause of Irish independence.

In recent years, Dr. Ó Siadhail's research has focussed on the Irish language in a transnational context. Peer-reviewed articles and book chapters range from portrayals of North American Indigenous Peoples in Irish-language literature to an exploration of Irish-language novels set in Canada. He remains an active researcher and scholar and has recently submitted for publication a book manuscript on the Irish language and South Africa.

#### **Kharisse Thompson**

Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research



Kharisse Thompson was born and raised on the beautiful Island of Jamaica. She moved to Canada in 2018 after completing a Bachelor of Science in International Relations at the University of the West Indies. In 2019, after receiving a scholarship, she came to Saint Mary's University to pursue a Master of Arts in Global Development Studies.

Kharisse's journey in academia is marked by her remarkable ability to overcome challenges and adversities. Currently, she is passionate about helping people to be their best, and accomplishes this through her job and on her Podcast *la beauté de la vie*, which is available on the Apple and Spotify podcast app.

Today, Kharisse is grateful for her vibrant cheerleading team, too numerous to name. They have been the backbone of her success and without them, she would not have been able to complete her Master of Arts.

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#### Mehak Tekchandani

#### **Faculty of Arts**



Mehak came to Saint Mary's from New Delhi, India as a proud recipient of a Presidential Scholarship. She graduates today with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a Minor in Economics and a Certificate in Human Resource Management.

Throughout her four years at Saint Mary's, Mehak excelled in her academics, earning a place on the

Dean's list and graduating *summa cum laude*. Apart from her academics, she kept herself engaged through extra-curricular activities as the Vice-President for the Speak Up Society and volunteering at the Language Centre.

Mehak also worked as a Research Assistant, Teaching Assistant, Residence Assistant and Residence Service Officer on campus. She took part in the Co-operative Education Program and completed two successful Co-op terms at Emera Inc. in the field of Talent Acquisition. Since completing her studies, Mehak has accepted an offer from IBM Canada as an Associate Consultant for their Talent and Transformation team in Toronto.

Mehak would like to extend her immense and heartfelt gratitude to her parents, sister, grandparents, friends and most of all, this university who gave her all the support and encouragement she needed especially during the tough times. She will continue to seek knowledge and spread kindness because she firmly believes what Aristotle once said, "Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all."



# Fall Graduates 2022



#### Master of Applied Health Services Research

Hannah Marie Markham Selwyn, ON

#### **Master of Arts**

(Atlantic Canada Studies)

Michelle L. MacRae Mahone Bay, NS

#### **Master of Arts**

(Global Development Studies)

Kharisse M. Thompson Mandeville, Jamaica

#### **Master of Arts**

(History)

Christian Cowper Halifax, NS

#### **Master of Arts**

(Philosophy)

Alexander Scott Baker Dartmouth, NS

#### Master of Arts

(Women and Gender Studies)

Liz Borden Halifax, NS

Joanne Sadie Metlej Halifax, NS

Claire Elizabeth Yurkovich Fdmonton, AB

# Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Applied EconomicsA

Alaa Aboushamala Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Noel William Samuel Frederick *Halifax, NS* 

Faisal Abbas Khan Jhang, Pakistan

Sean Alexander Claude Landry Toronto, ON

Sato Omura Halifax, NS

Dorcas Yetunde Seun-Salami Halifax, NS

#### Master of Applied Economics A

Md Mohim Ahmed Sylhet, Bangladesh

Asjad Ali Lahore, Pakistan

Douglas Joseph Stewart Campbell Bedford, NS

Wenyu Cui Korla, China

Yunkai Fan Chengdu, China

Faramarz Jalili Kermanshah, Iran

Dillan Jean Jacques Castries, Saint Lucia Mingyue Li Tangshan, China

Cherise Elizabeth Millar Bridgetown, Barbados

Wadzanai Locadia Mtisi Harare, Zimbabwe

Svetlana Alexandrovna Negoda *Halifax, NS* 

Uchechi C. Ogoko Owerri, Nigeria

Brock James Robert Redford Chatham, ON

Yi Shi Xinhui, China

Dona Stephani Gayathri Warnakulasuriya Halifax, NS

#### Master of Finance

Josephine Ofori Achiaa Abebrese *Accra, Ghana* 

Joy Ejuaye Agbada Halifax, NS

Dennis K. Agblor Accra, Ghana

Ruikun Bian Linyi, China

Matthew C. Chambers *Halifax, NS* 

Moxian Chen Hohhot, China I-Cheng Chiu Taipei, Taiwan

Fabrizio Contini Halifax, NS

Tuan Bao Anh Doan Da Lat, Vietnam

Manuel García Ramírez Halifax, NS

Hassan Hafeez Halifax, NS

Behnam Hajimomenian Halifax, NS

Krittika Subray Hegde Halifax, NS

Jiewei Hu Hangzhou, China

Wenjie Huang Suzhou, China

Avnit Singh Jhajj Halifax, NS

Kenil Bharatbhai Kalathiya Halifax, NS

Varun Raju Kanabar Halifax, NS

Preet Rasikbhai Lathiya Halifax, NS

Huayu Li Beijing, China

Xinhao Li Halifax, NS Yongpeng Li Halifax, NS

Tian Liang Halifax, NS

Yiping Liang Beijing, China

Zhen Hong Lim Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Jiatan Liu Taian. China

Boren Luan Zhengzhou, China

Carter Harrington Malyk Calgary, AB

Virja Amit Mehta Halifax, NS

Rouhong Meng Halifax, NS

Raj JenishKumar Modi Halifax, NS

Vajirakanthi Chandrika Udani Munasinghe Colombo, Sri Lanka

Busayo Motemi Folake Olabode *Halifax, NS* 

Mistura Opemipo Olamijuwon *Lagos, Nigeria* 

Shrutika Ravindra Rima Pawar Halifax, NS



Akshara Reddy Kotalgaonkar

Halifax, NS

Subtain Safdar Faisalabad, Pakistan

Ketan Digambar Sawarmale

Halifax, NS

Narinder Singh Sethi

Halifax, NS

**Kush Prashant Shah** 

Halifax, NS

Wen Shan Halifax, NS

Bowen Shi

Tangshan, China

Ruixuan Shi Halifax, NS

Mahsa A. Shirazi Tehran, Iran

Souvik Sinha Halifax, NS

Silima Subha Dhaka, Bangladesh

Waleed Jamal Sulieman Halifax, NS

Fahmida Sultana Chittagong, Bangladesh

Yuxin Sun Halifax, NS

Shamael Ahmed Syed Mangalore, India Xiaotang Tang Halifax, NS

Meizheng Tong Liaoning, China

Jiayin Wang Halifax, NS

Xiaoxu Wang Qingdao, China

Zicheng Wang Halifax, NS

Ziqi Wang Kaifeng, China

Ziyang Wang Nanning, China

Graeme David Watt Port Hope, ON

Zackery Matthew Willis Charlottetown, PE

Jingjing Wu Liuzhou, China

Wenhui Wu Halifax, NS

Xiaorui Wu Chengdu, China

Zhimin Xu Qinhuangdao, China

Yangyu Yan Halifax, NS

Jie Yang Ningbo, China



Qingmeng Yang Qinhuangdao, China

Rui Yang Chengdu, China

Bowen Yao Halifax, NS

Tuo Yao Songyuan, China

Yuhan Ye Halifax, NS

Zhulin Yu Halifax, NS

Xuheng Zeng Lincoln, NE, USA

Jingdan Zhang Changchun, China

Yue Zhang Changzhou, China

Yue Zhao Yunnan, China

Zhen Zhao Halifax, NS

Fengwu Zheng Henan, China

Cuiting Zhong
Zhongshan, China

#### Master of Management Co-operatives and Credit Unions

Michelle M. Cooper-Iversen *Vancouver, BC* 

Ritu Linfoot Burnaby, BC

Cynthia Marie MacNeil-Burke Vulcan, AB

LaDonna Sanders Redmond *Chicago, IL, USA* 

Camille R. Seitz-Cherner Oakland, CA, USA

Patricia J. Smith Storrs Mansfield, CT, USA

#### Master of Technology Entrepreneurship and InnovationA

Laura L. Russell Barss Corner, NS

#### **Master of Science**

(Applied Psychology)

Hayam Alaa Bakour Calgary, AB

Alice Isabel Bruce Pictou, NS

David Joseph Debly Bedford, NS

Keith James Joy Holyrood, NL Jennifer Lynn McArthur Middle Sackville, NS

Mahboobe Sahebi Isfahani Isfahan, Iran

Christina Dalene Scott Beaumont. AB

Diana Serban Vaughan, ON

#### Master of Science

(Applied Science)

Nicola D. Augustin Blanchard, Saint Lucia

Jordan Mackenzie Eaton Riverview. NB

Martin Hellmich Co-operative EducationA Halifax, NS

Farhad Hossain Sarker Halifax, NS

#### **Master of Science**

(Astronomy)

Nolan Marcus Dickson Tide Head, NB

#### **Doctor of Philosophy**

(Applied Science)

Hooman Ekhteraei Toosi Mashhad, Iran

#### **Doctor of Philosophy**

(Industrial/Organizational Psychology)

Tabatha Thibault Halifax, NS

#### **Bachelor of Commerce**

Firas Abiadal Halifax, NS

Tazrin Ahmed Dhaka, Bangladesh

Ghazal Turki Al Jbour Amman, Jordan

Batool M. Alizy Baghdad, Iraq

Tyler J. Allen Halifax, NS

Mahmoud Altawil Bedford, NS

Ruofan An Beijing, China

Amaal Yasser Asmail Cairo, Egypt

Ryan James Lawrence Breau *Halifax, NS* 

Huy Bui Ha Noi, Vietnam

Saqib I. Butt Halifax, NS

Gavin Robert Byers Winchester, ON Jessica Marie Cameron Sylvester, NS

Yiqi Cao Changsha, China

Ryan Robert Carmichael Sydney, NS

Shipra Chaubey New Delhi, India

Zihang Cheng Nanchang, China

Asianique M. Clarke Nassau, Bahamas

Erin Elizabeth Cluett Halifax, NS

Geoffrey George Joseph Coderre Halifax, NS

Eli Georges Davis Halifax, NS

Brett Lawson Doiron St. Ann's. PE

Peter Joseph Doucette Co-operative EducationA Weymouth, NS

Kareem Ayman Farahat Elmongy Halifax, NS

Morgan Mary Ann Faircloth *Halifax, NS* 

Daniel Alexander Feltham *Halifax, NS* 

Billie-Jean Sadé Ferguson St. Andrew, Jamaica Jacob Alexander Fitzgerald-Carew cum laude
Halifax, NS

Yanjie Gao Karamay, China

Brooklyn Anne Garland Baddeck, NS

Abhinav Gaur New Delhi, India

Mohamed Ghoneim Halifax, NS

Mohammed E. E. I Gouda magna cum laude Halifax, NS

Natasha Catherine Grandy Halifax, NS

Gage Allison Grant

Co-operative EducationA

Nackawic. NB

Hanwen Guo Halifax, NS

Katherine Anne Gutscher Cole Harbour, NS

John Alex Hambly Stratford, PE

Benjamin Earl Ronald Hargreaves *cum laude Bagdad, NB* 

S M Hasibul Hasan Hasib summa cum laude Co-operative EducationA Barisal, Bangladesh Micheala Vivian Marie Hewitt Halifax, NS

Hamza Hijazi **Co-operative EducationA** Halifax, NS

Kristen Courtney Hipson Co-operative EducationA Cole Harbour, NS

Geoffrey Marie Jacques François Jaillais *Halifax, NS* 

Zijian Jin Shenyang, China

Aswad Ahnaf Kamal Chittagong, Bangladesh

Wei Kang Hohhot, China

Ousmane Kanoute Bamako, Mali

George Kapetanakis Halifax, NS

Manmeet Kaur Halifax, NS

Prabhleen Kaur Halifax, NS

Ares Arda Kaya Antalya, Turkey

Zainab Khaliki Halifax, NS

Cleo Ashley King Bedford, NS

Erin Alicia Knowles Long Island, Bahamas Lindsay Nicole Knowles Long Island, Bahamas

Peter Francis Kourtis Toronto, ON

Rachel Donna Lee Halifax, NS

Simon Francis Levesque Halifax, NS

Seamus Patrick Rankin Lewin *Judique, NS* 

Derek Chun Ning Lou Hong Kong

Christopher Mark MacPherson Glace Bay, NS

Chelsea Amber Mason Dartmouth, NS

Leah Ann Matheson Cole Harbour, NS

Robert Ryan Maunder Halifax, NS

Ryan David McLay summa cum laude Co-operative EducationA Kingston, ON

Xheneta Mehmeti magna cum laude Co-operative EducationA Clayton Park, NS

Sen Miao Toronto, ON

Avery K. Muir Stellarton, NS Navneet Navneet Gurugram, India

Mingyuan Ni Guizhou, China

Mashtura Masheeat Nitoshi Dhaka, Bangladesh

Meagan Nicole Norman Oakville, ON

Berke Kaan Okutan Co-operative EducationA Istanbul, Turkey

Hyung Tae Park Seoul, South Korea

Christian Pelivanov Halifax, NS Aruni M. Perera Truro. NS

Yanan Qin Taian, China

Ruifeng Qu cum laude Shanxi, China

Arnob T. Rahman Dhaka, Bangladesh

Behraam Ali Raja **Co-operative EducationA** Bedford, NS

William Hudson Walker Ross Halifax, NS

Jamil Hanna Saoud Halifax, NS Coady Michael Shay summa cum laude Hantsport, NS

Qianchen Shi Halifax, NS

Brody Thomas Skinner summa cum laude Co-operative EducationA Hammonds Plains, NS

Ze Tian Halifax, NS

Taoyu Wang Shanghai, China

Carlie Ann Warren Halifax, NS

Hongda Wei Halifax, NS



Mary Joyce Were summa cum laude
Dartmouth. NS

Noah S. Wilson **cum laude**I ower Sackville, NS

Ruohan Yan Wuhan, China

Zimu Yang Halifax, NS

David O. Young Moncton, NB

Saif Ali Zarif Dhaka, Bangladesh

Zifeng Zeng Guangdong, China

Jiale Zhang Jiangyin, China

Shuohan Zhang Halifax, NS

Yiwen Zhang Linyi, China

Hongsong Zheng magna cum laude Halifax, NS



#### Beijing Normal University Zhuhai-Campus Graduates

#### **Bachelor of Commerce**

Huanchen Fu Shangqiu, China

Anqi Yu Hefei, China

#### Certificate of HumanA Resource Management

Gloria Bobby Kerala, India

Amanda Mae Dominix *Truro, NS* 

Sawsan Hasan Halifax, NS

Alicia Leah Landriault Halifax, NS

Brette Perry Halifax, NS

Nazia Sazneen Dhaka, Bangladesh

Mehak Tekchandani New Delhi, India

Yanjie Wang Guangzhou, China

Carlie Ann Warren Halifax, NS

Liam Shawn Whynot Halifax, NS

#### **Bachelor of Arts**

Amani Masoud Almashni Najran, Saudi Arabia

Bader A. Al Rowaished Halifax, NS

Michael Orval Clayton Andrew summa cum laude
Waverley, NS

Kali Gabrielle Barnaby Listuguj, Gespe'gewa'gi

Rudy Bartlett summa cum laude Honours History Marysvale, NL

Shruti Pradeep Bhosale Halifax, NS

Gloria Bobby Kerala, India

Alycia M. Bond Truro, NS

Laura Olivia Bray Halifax, NS

Aidan T. Brown Calgary, AB

Darcy Francis Brownlow Halifax, NS

Lou Ann Davina Campbell *Halifax, NS* 

Liam Nicholas Chaisson Halifax, NS

Frances Jamie Chavez Halifax, NS

Samuel Jenner Cox Lakeview, NS

Rina Elezi Bedford, NS

Larissa Christie Ells Wolfville, NS

Lauren Elizabeth Giffin summa cum laude
Dartmouth, NS

Maddison Ann Glenna Gray Halifax, NS

Kaitlyn Mary Greenwood Eastern Passage, NS

Kenneth A. Haggett summa cum laude Marystown, NL

Ava Jean Hart Port Hastings, NS

Yara Yasmeen Hart Halifax, NS

Paul Anthony Hartnett Halifax, NS

Kathleen Mary Hearn Onslow Mountain, NS

Nathan J. Hebert magna cum laude Honours Geography Halifax, NS

Jessica Theresa Lynn Herrington Dartmouth, NS

Aiden William Hickey summa cum laude Honours EnglishA Bedford, NS Lily Elizabeth Jackson summa cum laude Honours Linguistics Halifax, NS

Sung Jae Lee Halifax, NS

Michelle Levin Bedford, NS

Nadian Nordeka Looby Saint John, Antigua & Barbuda

Quinton R. Macdonald Halifax, NS

Elyse Marie Mann cum laude Bobcaygeon, ON

Christopher Antonio Menezes New Glasgow, NS

Serenity D. Mollins Annapolis Royal, NS

Julia Rachel Mombourquette Grande Greve, NS

Kathleen L. Mosher *Halifax, NS* 

Alexander Muir summa cum laude Bedford, NS

Tamer Nusseibeh Jerusalem, Palestine

Parker James Oldham cum laude Honours Philosophy Lower Sackville, NS Megan Diana Phillips Dartmouth, NS

Megan Victoria Pugh summa cum laude Bridgewater, NS

Xinyi Qi Halifax, NS

Bradleigh Cole Robart-Murray Saint John, NB

Kyle Douglas Robicheau Kentville. NS

Hayley Sylvia Diane Seabrook *Halifax, NS* 

Sylvia Jordan Sheffield Canning, NS

Mitchell Wakeham Sherar De Winton, AB

Shannon Carol Simon magna cum laude Honours Anthropology Saint John, NB

Kathleen May Slaunwhite Halifax, NS

Carmine Nicolas Sorace magna cum laude Honours Psychology Vancouver, BC

Rachel Elizabeth Spicer Dartmouth. NS

Chitra Swamy
Castries, Saint Lucia

Mehak Tekchandani summa cum laude New Delhi, India

Landrie Keelin Warfield Georgetown, ON

Brianna Keana Renee Willis Lake Loon, NS

Chang You summa cum laude Fuzhou, China

#### Bachelor of Environmental StudiesA

Keisha Heisler-Brown Dartmouth. NS

#### Certificate of Honours-ArtsA

Chenyu Wang Qinhuangdao, China

## Certificate of A Japanese Studies

Michael Orval Clayton Andrew Waverley, NS



#### **Bachelor of Science**

Mariam E. Ahmed Cairo, Egypt

Tala Aisheh cum laude Honours Psychology Amman, Jordan

Oreoluwa Aladetoyinbo Sarnia, ON

Md Ishfaq Alam Halifax, NS

Aaron Andreino summa cum laude Ottawa, ON

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# Alumni

#### The Saint Mary's University Alumni Association

welcomes more than 350 students into its global family this fall.

The Alumni Honour Guard, which includes members of our diverse alumni community, proudly leads students to and from their convocation ceremony in the academic procession, signifying their transition from student to alumni.

During the ceremony, each graduate will receive an alumni pin from the Saint Mary's University Alumni Association, a tradition dating back more than 30 years. Graduates are encouraged to wear their pins with pride.

Alumni are ambassadors and champions for the university within their community and around the world. We share pride in your success. As part of a powerful network of more than 54,000 alumni worldwide, your impact is felt in your community and beyond. Philanthropic investments from our alumni, whether it be your time, talent or treasure, will pave the way for the next generation of Santamarians to succeed.

Stay connected through events, webinars and services. Connect with us online at smu.ca/alumni, on social media @SMUAlumniHFX or email alumni@smu.ca for more information.



#### About Saint Mary's University

**Saint Mary's University** is one of Canada's top primarily undergraduate universities known for international collaborations, leadership in entrepreneurship and research that benefits local and global communities. Programs in Arts, Science, Graduate Studies and the Sobey School of Business are among Canada's best and feature professors who are committed to the success of their students.

Saint Mary's provides 6,700 students with a place that fosters possibility, excellent research opportunities and distinguished graduate and professional programs combined with a caring community. Saint Mary's is community focused with strong values, operating the way the world should. We embrace diversity, are committed to sustainability and bravely tackle the issues that matter to society.

Graduates of Saint Mary's who hail from more than 100 countries share a special pride. Known as Santamarians, 54,000 alumni are contributing to communities and economies around the globe. Nestled in the heart of Halifax, Nova Scotia, on Canada's East Coast, Saint Mary's University is marked by iconic buildings, green spaces and fresh ocean air.

Saint Mary's University is committed to a prosperous future for the world a World without limits. So, too, are our graduates.

Saint Mary's University is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq.

#### **Photography**

Calnen Photography is available in Loyola Academic Building room L187 following each ceremony for graduation photos. To arrange an individual sitting at their studio, please book an appointment on their website, <u>calnenphotography.com</u>.





#### **Framing of Parchments**

Simply bring your diploma(s) to the parchment framing room in Loyola Academic Building room L181. In seconds, it will be professionally framed in a high quality, Canadian-made frame complete with a mat emblazoned with the official crest of Saint Mary's University.

#### Recording

A recording of the ceremony live-stream can be found on our website, <a href="mailto:smu.ca/graduation">smu.ca/graduation</a>.



#### **Flowers**

Flowers are available for purchase in the lobby of the McNally building before and after each ceremony.

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