



PennState
College of Information
Sciences and Technology

Commencement

SPRING SEMESTER 2024

Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees
Saturday, May 4, 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Congratulations on earning your Penn State degree! It is a privilege to join you and your loved ones to celebrate this momentous occasion.

Commencement is a time to reflect on the challenges you have overcome and take pride in all that you've accomplished. And it is, by definition, a new beginning—a time to look ahead to the countless opportunities that await.

Embark on the next phase of your journey with confidence and enthusiasm. Your College of IST degree shows that you are prepared to take on the evolving challenges of an information society. IST graduates have the technical knowledge and interpersonal skills needed to make the world safer and smarter.

We hope you use your talents to make a positive impact as you enter the job market, continue your educational journey, or dive

into research. We hope you celebrate diversity among fellow information professionals as you come together, each in your own way, to continuously redefine the Information Age.

Graduation is not the end of your IST journey. As one of our newest alumni, your connection to the college can continue to grow. Keep in touch with us. Together, we can pave the way for future generations of technology experts.

On behalf of the College of IST faculty, staff, and alumni—congratulations!

Andrea Tapia, dean

College of Information Sciences and Technology

PROGRAM

Academic Processional

Performed by Centre Bass

National Anthem

Led by Anna Farris

The audience is asked to join in the singing.

Presiding

Neeli Bendapudi, B.A., M.B.A., Ph.D.

President, The Pennsylvania State University

Andrea Tapia, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.

Dean, College of Information Sciences and Technology

Commencement Address

Katie Moussouris, Founder and CEO

Luta Security

Authorization to Confer Degrees

Steven B. Wagman, B.S.

Penn State Board of Trustees

Recognition of Meritorious Achievement

Sharon Huang, B.Eng., M.S., Ph.D.

Associate Dean, Undergraduate Studies

College of Information Sciences and Technology

Recognition of Student Marshal

Sharon Huang, B.Eng., M.S., Ph.D.

Associate Dean, Undergraduate Studies

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Recognition of Military Commissions

Lieutenant Colonel Daniel J. Gross

US Army

Professor of Military Science

Recognition of ROTC Student Marshal

Lieutenant Colonel Daniel J. Gross

US Army

Professor of Military Science

Conferral of Degrees

Neeli Bendapudi, B.A., M.B.A., Ph.D.

President, The Pennsylvania State University

Induction into Alumni Association

Scott Lyons, B.S., M.S.

President, IST Alumni Society

Penn State Alma Mater

Led by Anna Farris

The audience is asked to join in the singing.

Recessional

The audience is asked to remain seated.

University Marshal-in-Charge

R. Allen Kimel, B.S., M.S., Ph.D.

College of Earth and Mineral Sciences

College Marshals-in-Charge

Nicklaus Giacobe, B.S., Ph.D.

Associate Teaching Professor, College of Information Sciences and Technology

Rosalie J. Ocker, B.A., M.B.A., Ph.D.

Teaching Professor, College of Information Sciences and Technology

Nomenclator

Erica Fleming, B.A., M.A.

Assistant Director, Teaching and Learning

College of Information Sciences and Technology

DISTINCTION

Distinction is conferred on graduates who have completed the required number of credits at the University and who are in the top 12 percent of their graduating class in their college.

The 12 percent is divided into:

2 percent "Summa Cum Laude (+++)"

4 percent "Magna Cum Laude (++)"

6 percent "Cum Laude (+)"

Additional distinctions noted in the program include:

Schreyer Honors Scholar (§), Student Marshal (¶), ROTC (#)

PLEASE NOTE

This is an unofficial list of students who indicated an intent to graduate for spring semester. The final list of graduates for the program was pulled on March 14, 2024. Students who indicated their intent to graduate after that date are not listed.

Subject to completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon the individuals listed herein and upon such others as may meet the requirements.

Congratulations on your achievements!

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SPEAKER



Katie Moussouris

Katie Moussouris is the founder and CEO of Luta Security, a company that creates and manages sustainable bug bounty and vulnerability disclosure programs. During her tenure with Microsoft, Katie started Microsoft Vulnerability Research, as well as Microsoft's first bug bounty program. Katie is the co-author and co-editor of ISO 29147 (vulnerability disclosure) and ISO 30111 (vulnerability handling processes). Katie led the launch of the U.S. government's first bug bounty program, "Hack the Pentagon." She serves as a member of DHS's Cyber Safety Review Board, Commerce's Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board, and NIST's Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee. Katie founded the Anuncia Donecia Songsong Manglona Lab for Gender and Economic Equity at Penn State Law at University Park. Named for Moussouris's late mother, the Manglona Lab will initially include a gender equity litigation clinic to address financial discrimination in the workplace and otherwise promote economic equity under the law and in practice through research.

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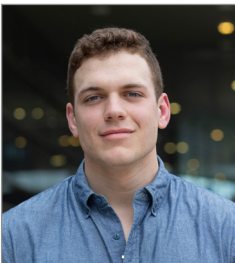
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STUDENT MARSHALS



Andrew David Maier

Representing the College of Information Sciences and Technology is student marshal Andrew Maier. Andrew, the son of David and Betsy, is from Cherry Hill, New Jersey. He is graduating with a bachelor's degree in Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations. He received multiple awards and scholarships, including the President's Freshman Award, President Sparks Award, Evan Pugh Scholar Award, Scholarship for Service, and PNC Technologies Scholarship Award. Andrew served as an IST peer tutor and an officer of the Alliance Christian Fellowship. He was the technology director for THON 2024, having previously volunteered as the event's technology captain and lead system administrator. He also worked with IST Adjunct Instructor Bryan Ollendyke on a research study about user authentication protocols for microservices and micro-frontend web applications. After graduation, Andrew will be working in the public sector as a cybersecurity analyst.



Connor Stephen Morton

Representing Penn State's Reserve Officer Training Corps is Cadet Connor Morton, U.S. Army. Connor, from Bel Air, Maryland, and is graduating with a bachelor's degree in Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations and a minor in Military Studies. He completed two internships at the Applied Research Laboratory, first as a robotics engineer and then doing artificial intelligence and machine learning coding. He was the president of Penn State Club Wrestling, a bible study leader, and commander of the ROTC Leadership Development Club. After graduation, Connor will attend an infantry Basic Officer Leadership Course at U.S. Army Fort Moore in Georgia.

Baccalaureate and Associate Degree Recipients

Bachelor of Science Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations

Khalid Abogourin
Caitlyn Rose Abram ++
James Aebli
Suleman Ahmed
Ali Omar Naseeb Karama AlJaberi ++
Michael William Allwein
Omar Mohammed M. Alqarni
Britney Amigon +
Matthew Logan Anderson +
Kaden Anderson
Cameron Auch +
Connor James Baker
Blake Fischer Bartuccio
Gianna Bauccio
Samuel Richard Behr
Justin Taylor Bell
Kelly Drew Bergamini
Grant Blasiak
Nicolas Anthony Bove
Madison Rae Brown
Michael J. Caplan
John Michael Cerra
Brian Michael Chamberlain Jr. ++
Jordan Champion
Richard Cheng §+++
Victor Chindemi
Matthew Andrew Christianson
Josiah M. Christophel
Kaelin Churchill
Richard Alexander Ciampi ++
Daniel Robert Clark +
DeVaughn Paul Clauser
Mason Reed Clayton
Justin Gregory Cohen
Anthony Michael Colello
Alexandros Condeelis
Akimoto M. Cornelius §+
Colin Sean Crabtree
Anthony James Crescenzo III
Nathaneal Dean
Kaci Mary Deane
Jonathan Lewis DeBellis
Jordyn Dennis ++
Caden Paul Derr
Kevin Vincent Duffy
James Thomas Ebert III +
Sarah Elgohry ‡

Cameron Ezeiruaku
Arman Farooqui
Daniel Feliciano
Mitchell T. Feyl
Jack Christopher Fitzgerald
Michael Thomas Forcina
Harrison Foss
Lindsay Marie Fusco ++
Jack Thomas Gallagher
Alexis Joy Gill ++
Madison Gochnauer
Martin Thomas Gold
Gabriel Theodor Gonda ‡
William Christian Graul +++
Jakob Patrick Halfpenny +
Zhe Han
Bradford Glenn Hendrick
Zachary M. Herrmann
Stephen Holley ++
Kolby James Hosterman +
Theodore Jerald Howard
Richard Alan Huether II
Mark Joseph Ihnat ++
Junbeom In ++
Michaline Adeline Johnstonv ‡
Hannah Lorraine Johnston
Viraj Joshi §
Benjamin Mitchell Kabatt +
Haley Brianna Kaplan
Frank Aaron Kewitt
Kristopher M. Kolk
Brianna Kuzdas
Ryan Thomas Lahey
Gianna M. Laucella
Conor P. Lennon-Miller
Ann Leonard
Kenleigh Marie Leonard ‡
Taylor R. Lewis ++
Gregory Lignelli
Benjamin Joseph Lilly
Joseph Andrei Lock ‡
Luca Lostao
Andrew David Maier ♂+++
Giovanni Nello Marcucci
Connor Fitzgerald Markegene
Peyton John Martinka
Giancarlo Armando Mastrocola +
Collin Andrew Maute ++
Rachel Christine McAdams +++
Kevin Michael McCrea Jr.

Brendan McGroary
Joshua Thomas Merrill
Adam M. Mikesic
Virgil P. Minnick
Jack Morgan
Connor Stephen Morton ♂‡
John Peter Moylan
Vasiana Nasto ++
Matthew Tuanson Nguyen
Huy Nguyen
Jakob Nickels
Shaniya Kaur Notay
Garrett Ongie +
Tara Osborne +
Nora Etain O'Toole
Vishruth Pallem
Rushit Dharmesh Patel
Joshua Perrine
Ethan B. Pinter
Adam J. Plotnick
Mahika Prasad §
Erickson Lee Prenatt
Dion Quinn
Geoffrey Robin Ramnath §+++
Henley Ramoodit +++
Francisco A. Ramos ++
Karl Rathslag +
Nathaniel Jerome Sadlek
Madhura Saha
Christian James Sanchez
Sean Scanlon
Jake Ryan Schaffer
Frank Robert Scolieri Jr. +
Kevin Thomas Screen
Ryan William Sechrist +
Aishwarya Shaji
Jeremy D. Sheley
John Charles Shields
Adam Smeresky
Jason Joseph Smiley
Alexander T. Spotts
Ryan James Stauffer
Hope Mary Stylios
Riya Thokala ++
Austin Tolan
Matthew Aaron Traczynski
Abigail Elizabeth Tulaney
Elliot Uhrich
Hunter Lee Valdov
Adam Jason Walaschek

Rohit Walia ++
Aidan Alexander Walsh
Brian Ward
Preston Edward Watkiss
Jordan Graham Weaver
Carl Anthony Wesneski IV ++
Maxwell Brandon White +++
Austin John Whitson
Alexis Whysong
Matthew A. Wigoff
Austin John Williams
Jedidiah Jeremy Winslow
Kimberly Hope Winters +
Luke Wladyslowski
Andre Szeto Wong
Kaelan Patrick Wright †
Haorong Xu
Katon K. Zhang
Jaden Gil Zhou
Samantha Anne Zolin +
Jacob Zoll

Bachelor of Science
Data Sciences

Kate Alexa Acosta Carranza
Indrayan Banerjee
Jack Roman Benadon
Owen Robert Braglio
Natalie Kristen Chow
Sarah Lynn DeCarlo
Vydeepthi Naga Sai Dhulipalla
Griffin Michael Edmunds +
Carl Mason Foust
Aidan Joseph Friedman
Amish Gautam
Anna Mary Gillard +++
Jacob Ryan Hallowell
Marc Hughes +
Marvin Jakobs
Sagan Kakkar §
Andrew James Kennedy
Elena Elizabeth Kern +
Korey Kletch
Nathan Hill Knox
Daniel Dongjun Lee
Xiang Liu
Justin Thomas Maines
Nicholas A. McCuch
Kelly Ann McVeigh
Sharvil Misra
Brian Patrick Montagna
Ian Jordan Munoz
Adil Nilesh Parikh
Parag Patel

Sneha Prem Chandran §+
Lindsey Rich
Ashik Sathiya
Kirtan Shah ++
Shubhang Srikoti
Jeremiah Strippoli
Alvaro Brando Tapia Huaman ++
Zhennan Wu
Yulun Wu +
Malcolm Theodore Zerbe III §+++

Bachelor of Science
Enterprise Technology Integration

Janav Aggarwal
Austin M. Benscoter
Lauren Catherine Borgstrom
Ethan John Cegelka
Keith Carl Charlton Jr.
Mia Cline
Dillon Conlon
Emma Crissman ++
Nicholas Kenneth Ea
Thomas Mark Fryar
Bimal Gajmer
John Francis Gordon
Mitchell Hert
Taylor Ann Huston
Nick D. Huynh
Anderson Rea Jones
Anna Maria Kowal
Max Krasowitz
Anshita Lal
JingBo Lin
Anna Li Masterman
Brandon Scott Mayers
Anish Girish Nangare
Tapan Rameshchandra Patoliya
Ethan Ryan Ruiz
Janhavi Satish
Casey Ann Schautz +
Britain Christine Start
Andrew William Tanous +++
Misha Taylor
Philip John Thiem
Devin Alexander Vollono
Wenbo Zhang

Bachelor of Science
Human-Centered Design and Development

Danielle Christine Alamo
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Jeremy Bell
Luke Kian Bowman

Julia Cable
Anisa McKenzie Callis +
Maria Elizabeth Czura §+++
Xinyu Dou
Wenyue Fan
Aidan Joseph Fitz
Brianna Marie Ford
Gabriel L. Fosco
Connor Patrick Gudonis
Ryan Thomas Helle
Ethan Cole Konicek
Rebecca Lebrao
Jack Hudson Lutfy
Craig Ian McVicker Jr.
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Muhab Adil Mustfa
Carolyn Oluwatomi Chidera Oluwaseun-Apo §
Tyler Devon Otero
Bayrooz Ramin
Ananya Sharma
Casey Elisabeth Sharpe +
Riley Surratt +
Claudio Benjamin Tapia-Manon
Melisa Defne Tasel +++
Chung Yin Terry Wan +
David Wang
Joshua Michael Wolfel
Dachuan Yu

Bachelor of Science
Information Sciences and Technology

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Clemence Mary Azzi
Desiree Nichole Booth
Nilanjan Chowdhury +
Greg David Cibura +
Celena DeLara
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Changhong Ding +
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Michael Christopher Hall
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Vinayak Jayaprakash +

Aidan Kirkland ++
Aaron K. Kitsmiller
Jinhong Lin
Elyssa Luce
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Elvin Andres Matos
Justin L. Montgomery +++
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Aishwarya Oltikar
Anthony Joseph Pontier ++
Connor Joseph Porcello
Steven Marc Porter
Lincoln Miles Quick ++
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Cameron Reed
Dylan D. Reisch
Kira Lynn Ricords
Nathan Edward Searfoss
Brock Adam Sinkus
Cody Robert Sitosky
Morgan Elizabeth Smiley
Joel William Spangler +
Robert Stadelman
Samson Tedros
Eyaal Malek Thabateh
Ryan Christopher Tibbles
Prem Vimal Trambadia
Grier Tobin Walker
Adam Charles Watson
Steven Zihong Yan
Yihan Yan
Kaiyuan Zhu +
Kevin Gregory Zunic

Bachelor of Science
Security and Risk Analysis

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Daniel Agbeko
Carlos Fabricio Argueta
Hayden Bailly
Dylan James Bender
Taylor Jaclyn Brandt
Brendan James Braswell
Joshua Daniel Broadt †
Donald Brooks
Jason Andrew Broskey
Michael Vincent Buffa Jr.
Jon Burlinson +++
Charlotte Burt
JohnCarlo Calandra
Nathan R. Campbell

Robert John Castaldi
Jacob Presley Chase
Michael Jacob Cislo
Jillian K. Coughlin +
Gabriel Cruz
Leah A. Czaplicki
Jahnvi Kaur Damrath
Cory Decker
Christopher Dew
Alexander Brian Dunn
Anna Kathryn Elder
Riley Evans
Elijah Fielder
Aidan Dean Fiermonte
Dana Fischer
Jacob Scott Garland
Kirk Allen Golembiewski
Vera Danielle Gordienko
Meghan Gormly
Major J. Greaser
Zachary Michael Grubic
Gregory L. Guldin
Riley Ethan Heim †
Michael Patrick Herron
Jacob Timothy Hicks +
Ryan Holmes
Yujun Hong
Tegan Horan
Riley Magnes Howard +++
Chase Jerson
Nicolas Anthony Jimenez †
Jordan Ryan Johnson
Aidan J. Johnson
Eren Kursun
Ethan Lainey
Azziyah Alexandria LaRue
Matthew D. Latzko
Kathryn Linner
Gabrielle Nicole Lisanti
Madhav Manoj
Rony Mathew
Robert G. McGonagle IV
Ilias Dimitri Mikropoulos
Aidan Murphy
Hyunsik Na
Jordan Lynn Niven +
Cuinn Joseph O'Donnell
John Bedros Oskanian
Garret Oswald
Jonathyn Pang
Milankumar Patel
Ashley Hope Pearson
Bradley John Pedone
Louis Victor Persia Jr.

Madeline Elizabeth Price
Mia Pugliano
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Joshua Richard Rayne
Kevin James Rechner
Kevin Schmoeller
Benjamin M. Schratz
Alexander Sestito
Katelynn Colleen Sharp
Dier Shen ++
Brendan Louis Skowronek
Andrew Allen Smith
Paige Elizabeth Stewart
Luke Richard Stout †
Joshua Gary Straw
Lucas Smith Tappe
Matthew Connor Thomas
Mitchell Ryan Tucker
Jessica A. Varca
Benjamin M. Weiland +
Ethan Wertz
Kayla Ziemann

Associate of Science
Information Sciences and Technology

Michael Giulian
Alec John Mazur
Alex Morgan +
Matthew Blake Simmons +++
Ronald Aaron Sprinkle
Clay V. Taylor
Scott Allen Vince +
Stephanie J. Yeager
Jeremy Allan Zanolini +++

Additional Participants

Olivia Grace Anderson
Michael Joseph Anthony
Marques A. Cofre
James Lewis Gans
Jaiden Joseph Justiniano
Cole Joeseeph McKnight
Alison Nicole Ryder
Korah Schuppius
Kenneth Albert Shapiro
Ishani Dei Tewari

The College of Information Sciences and Technology

Planning for a new academic initiative in the information sciences was introduced in 1997, and the School of Information Sciences and Technology was approved by Penn State's Board of Trustees soon after on September 11, 1998.

The school opened its doors at Penn State's University Park campus on August 25, 1999, to 105 students and five full-time faculty members, who led 43 new courses. In total, 428 students enrolled in IST programs at 19 Penn State campuses across the state.

Today, the college is recognized as a leader in interdisciplinary education and research at the intersection of information, technology, and society.

The Creation of a Discipline

The school was created based on a need perceived by the University and advisers from government and industry to educate students in the emerging field of information sciences and technology. The goal was to extend beyond classic computer science, management information systems, and library science—programs that existed in various formats across higher education.

This new multidisciplinary approach would prepare students to meet challenges in the use of computers, networked systems, and other technologies for applications in fields such as business, health care, homeland security, finance, energy, environmental monitoring, and entertainment.

The school was charged with producing graduates who would have the technical knowledge of information technologies—such as computer programming, discrete mathematics, and database concepts—and an understanding of information system concepts. An emphasis was also placed on building strong communication skills and a collaborative, solutions-oriented approach. Ultimately, these graduates would understand how information technologies could be applied to real applications involving individuals, organizations, and national and global enterprises.

The Growth of a College

In 2000, IST offered its first online course and built a robust offering of online programs and courses in the following years. In the spring of 2003, IST awarded its first bachelor's degrees to 300 graduates from across the state. That first group of alumni quickly formed the IST Alumni Society, ensuring that IST

graduates would always remain connected to each other and to the school. In recognition of its impact on the University and leadership in the information school community, the school was renamed as the College of Information Sciences and Technology in 2006.

Since those early years, the college has stayed true to its founding mission while evolving to meet the rapidly changing needs of students and industry. Today, IST educates thousands of students in a variety of undergraduate and graduate degree programs, both in residence and online. Faculty, graduate students, and visiting scholars conduct millions of dollars of externally funded research, collaborating across traditional disciplines to uncover new insights, trends, and experiences.

The College of Information Sciences and Technology Alumni Society

The College of Information Sciences and Technology Alumni Society wishes to congratulate Penn State's newest IST alumni on their graduation! As an official group of the Penn State Alumni Association, the IST Alumni Society helps graduates stay connected with each other, the College of IST, and the Penn State community at large.

The Society works to celebrate the achievements of the College of IST's alumni. We provide alumni with the opportunity to stay connected with the college through programming and events that promote lasting relationships among students, faculty, staff, and alumni. By joining the Penn State Alumni Association, you will automatically become a member of the IST Alumni Society. You will enjoy all the benefits that come with being a member of the Penn State Alumni Association and receive invitations to exclusive IST Alumni Society member networking and fundraising events, gain access to employers and recruiters, and most importantly, stay connected to your fellow alumni and the College of IST!

If you have any questions regarding the College of Information Sciences and Technology Alumni Society or the Penn State Alumni Association, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

We Are!

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