

A large, faint watermark of the Earlham College seal is visible in the background. The seal is circular and features a central shield with a book and a banner. The text "EARLHAM COLLEGE" is written around the top inner edge of the seal, and "SIS WENSIS" is written around the bottom inner edge. The Latin motto "HOMINUM" is written on a banner at the bottom of the seal.

EARLHAM COLLEGE

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# Commencement

CLASS OF 2023

EARLHAM COLLEGE  
**COMMENCEMENT 2023**

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SATURDAY  
May 13, 2023  
10:30 AM

## About Earlham

Earlham today includes Earlham College, an undergraduate liberal arts college, the Earlham College Graduate Programs in Education, and the Earlham School of Religion.

Earlham's programs are informed by the distinctive perspectives and values of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). We challenge ourselves to seek truth, wherever truth may lead, so that we may grow in both intellect and spirit as we prepare to lead and to serve in today's world.

Earlham's faculty work to awaken the "teacher within," encouraging students to become lifelong learners. Earlham students actively shape and influence their own education, both inside and outside the classroom. Together, we are an intentional community that seeks to make a difference in the world for good. We challenge one another to grow in our capabilities and commitment, and we seek to lead lives that demonstrate our guiding values.

The Graduate Programs in Education continue the Earlham tradition of excellence by preparing teachers who are student-centered. Education students are encouraged to enhance their unique pedagogical voices and draw on teaching strategies that encourage and excite learning in all students.

An Earlham School of Religion education is likewise shaped by Quaker principles and practices. A Christian graduate theological school in the Quaker tradition, ESR prepares students for leadership that empowers and ministry that serves. Using a transformative model of education, ESR encourages students to explore the intellectual, spiritual and practical dimensions of their calls to ministry.

## Commencement Program

President Anne Houtman, presiding

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### PRELUDE

Selections from the Class of 2023

### PROCESSIONAL

"Pomp and Circumstance," Sir Edward Elgar

### INVOCATION

*Earlham School of Religion*  
Katarina Stenstedt

### OPENING STILLNESS

Anne Houtman, President  
Earlham College and Earlham School of Religion

### WELCOME FROM THE CLASSES OF 2023

*Earlham College*  
Ahmed Deeb and  
Prinshu Gautam

*Earlham Graduate  
Programs in Education*  
Sydney Fuller and  
Ferris Odeh

*Earlham School of Religion*  
Michelle Lane

### GREETINGS

Raymond F. Ontko  
Chair, Board of Trustees  
Wendy Smiseck  
Chair, Alumni Council

### CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Anne Houtman, President

*Earlham College*  
Thomas Hamm,  
Clerk of the Faculty

*Earlham Graduate  
Programs in Education*  
Camilla Fulvi, Director

*Earlham School of Religion*  
Gretchen Castle, Dean of  
Earlham School of Religion

### BENEDICTION

Alexander Eastman and Vaishnavi Walande

### MOMENT OF STILLNESS

### RECESSIONAL

### POSTLUDE

Selections from the Class of 2023

# The Academic Procession

A colorful aspect of the Commencement ceremony is the academic procession. Strong traditions govern the use of the caps, gowns and hoods worn by many members of the academic community in the formal ceremony today. The academic apparel worn at Earlham's Commencement dates back to the Middle Ages. Then, voluminous gowns were worn to ward off the damp and cold of medieval buildings, with mortar boards used as hats. When those styles were abandoned by laymen, clergy and scholars continued to wear the robes, with variations in style and color identifying different monastic orders.

From the three items of academic attire—the cap, gown and hood—it is possible to distinguish the institution from which the wearer was graduated, the field of learning in which the degree was earned, and the level of degree—bachelor, master or doctorate. The institution granting the degree is indicated by the colors of the lining of the hood. The degree is indicated by the width of the velvet trimming, becoming wider from bachelor's to master's to doctorate. The color of the velvet trimming indicates the discipline or field of study.

The academic disciplines of Earlham faculty, trustees and distinguished guests are represented by the following colors:

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ● Agriculture: Maize               | ● Journalism: Crimson    | ● Philosophy: Dark Blue          |
| ○ Arts, Letters, Humanities: White | ● Law: Purple            | ● Physical Education: Sage Green |
| ● Commerce, Business: Drab         | ● Library Science: Lemon | ● Science: Golden Yellow         |
| ● Economics: Copper                | ● Medicine: Green        | ● Social Work: Citron            |
| ● Education: Light Blue            | ● Music: Pink            | ● Theology: Scarlet              |
| ● Engineering: Orange              | ● Nursing: Apricot       |                                  |
| ● Fine Arts: Brown                 | ● Oratory: Silver Gray   |                                  |

## HONORARY FACULTY USHERS

Peter Blair, Professor of Biology

Gene Hambrick, Senior Executive Director of the Center for Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Creativity

## HONORARY JUNIOR USHERS FOR THE CLASS OF 2023

*Class of 2024*

Quentin Berry

Isao Sakai

Audrey Elliott

Mia Wong

Olvia Kyrk

# CONFERRING *of* DEGREES

# Earlham College

Earlham is a nationally recognized liberal arts institution whose mission, centered on Quaker principles, is “to be a learning community that seeks to envision and achieve a more perfect human society.” Earlham’s long devotion to academic excellence has been matched by its concern for spiritual values and high social purpose. Noticeable on campus is a spirit of concern, a sense of responsibility for world issues and freedom of thought.

Earlham students earn the Bachelor of Arts Degree. Major studies encompass 41 departmental and interdisciplinary fields. Innovation in educational programs and cross-cultural education are hallmarks of Earlham College. A leader in international education, Earlham currently offers off-campus programs in several countries around the world and within the United States. Students are intellectually challenged by faculty that are both excited about teaching and committed to the development of genuine enthusiasm for liberal learning, which is why Earlham consistently ranks in the top 20 colleges for “Best Classroom Experience” according to the Princeton Review. Earlham programs have received national recognition for their ability to prepare students for excellence in leadership for an increasingly complex, global society.

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## CANDIDATES FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

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### Abigail R. Adamson

Art  
Angola, Indiana

### Hyunseong Ahn

Biochemistry  
College and Departmental Honors  
Seoul, Republic of Korea

### Isa Ajanee

Global Management and Women’s,  
Gender and Sexuality Studies  
Dhaka, Bangladesh

### Ihsan Alaeddin

Data Science and  
Global Management  
College Honors  
Ramallah, Palestine

### Gloria Aligbe

International Studies  
College Honors  
Goodlettsville, Tennessee

### Alifiya Altaf Hussain

Economics  
College Honors  
Karachi, Pakistan

### Omar S. Aref

Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Jerusalem, Palestine

### Md Rafi Ul Azam

Chemistry  
College and Departmental Honors  
Dhaka, Bangladesh

### Hannah Bart

Biology  
Hanoi, Vietnam

### Margaret Bartimole

Art  
College and Departmental Honors  
Cleveland, Ohio

### Anabel Battino

Women’s, Gender and  
Sexuality Studies  
College Honors  
Wausau, Wisconsin

### Shruti Belitkar

Neuroscience  
College Honors  
Pune, Maharashtra, India

### Christina Bellingham

Global Management  
Dillsboro, Indiana

### Maxwell Uzarski Bennett

Creative Writing  
Champaign, Illinois

### Wisdom Boinde

Computer Science and  
Physics & Astronomy  
College Honors  
Nandom, Ghana

### Demi Bolatimi

Computer Science  
and Data Science  
College Honors  
Lagos, Nigeria

### Kinzi Brooks

Global Management  
College Honors  
Wolcott, Indiana

### Ashley Church

Global Management  
College Honors  
Hancock, Maine

### Marisol Cora-Cruz

Neuroscience  
College Honors  
Ponce, Puerto Rico

### Tess Cunningham

Biochemistry  
College and Departmental Honors  
Greensboro, North Carolina

### Hailee Dang

Data Science  
Hanoi, Vietnam

### Kamden Marie Deckard

Neuroscience  
College Honors  
Bloomington, Indiana

### Ahmed Deeb

Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Gaza, Palestine

### Justin DeGraff

Global Management  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

### Justin Dillhoff

Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Dayton, Ohio

### Nansi Dingle

Philosophy  
College and Departmental Honors  
Aberystwyth, Wales

### Ruslan Dominic

Global Management  
College Honors  
Republic of Moldova

### Alexander Eastman

Public Policy  
College and Departmental Honors  
Richmond, Indiana

### Patrick Elster

Psychology  
College Honors  
Plainfield, Illinois

### Stephanie De Los Angeles

Fallas Barboza  
Quantitative Economics  
College Honors  
Puriscal, San Jose, Costa Rica

### Henry Elliot Foultnier

Biology  
Toutle, Washington

### Levi Fowler

Comparative Language & Linguistics  
Morton, Illinois

### Maxwell Fries

Exercise Science and  
Global Management  
College Honors  
Cleves, Ohio

### Sydney Fuller

English  
College Honors  
Seattle, Washington

### Nicola Gacy

Music Studies  
College Honors  
Lafayette, Colorado

### Prinshu Gautam

Art and Global Management  
College and Departmental Honors  
in Art  
Kathmandu, Nepal

### Claire Gerlach

Neuroscience  
College Honors  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

### Overpower Gore

Data Science and  
Global Management  
College Honors  
Mutare, Zimbabwe

### Ian Gorley

English  
College Honors  
Loveland, Ohio

### Amber Kiona Gregory

Japanese Studies  
College Honors  
Indianapolis, Indiana

### Hannah Grushon

Biology  
College and Departmental Honors  
Oakwood, Ohio

### Angel Gabriel Guzman

Psychology  
Houston, Texas

### Esther Maree Hale

Art and Philosophy  
College and Departmental Honors  
in Art  
Greencastle, Indiana

### Kaitlin Hicks

Neuroscience  
College Honors  
Saint Charles, Illinois

### Emi Hinosawa

Japanese Studies  
College and Departmental Honors  
Moreno Valley, California

### John Hoang

Political Science  
College Honors  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

### Jenna Hoeh

Biology and Exercise Science  
College Honors  
Chesterland, Ohio

### Shang David Huang

Global Management  
College Honors  
Singapore

### Madison Huelskamp

Geology  
Sidney, Ohio

### Ramzi Jaadan

Biochemistry  
Sana’a, Yemen

### Ted O. Jacquet

Data Science and  
Quantitative Economics  
College Honors  
Pétion-Ville, Ouest, Haiti

### Emerson Delyn Jakes

Chemistry  
College Honors  
Durham, North Carolina

### Juan Esteban Junco

Computer Science and  
Pre-Engineering  
College Honors  
Melledin, Colombia

### Tra-Vaughn James

Computer Science  
College Honors  
Phoenix, Arizona

### Alyssa Johnson

Biochemistry  
College and Departmental Honors  
Lancaster, New York

**Peter Johnson**  
Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

**Susan Johnson**  
Social Services  
College Honors  
Birch Harbor, Maine

**Eden Vered Joyrich**  
Religion  
College Honors  
Farmington Hills, Michigan

**Benjamin Kadlec**  
Environmental Sustainability  
College Honors  
River Forest, Illinois

**Meeghan Kersten**  
Earth & Environmental Science  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Ethan Khandaker**  
Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Bryan, Ohio

**Conner Kimball**  
Biochemistry  
Salt Lake City, Utah

**Mariami Kochashvili**  
Psychology  
College Honors  
Chumlaki, Kakheti, Georgia

**Christian Lancianese**  
Exercise Science  
Lexington, Kentucky

**Nathan Lancianese**  
Exercise Science  
Lexington, Kentucky

**Tsering Lhamo**  
International Studies  
College Honors  
Mandi, India

**Katherine Mary Liu**  
Geology  
College and Departmental Honors  
Madison, Wisconsin

**Evangeline Lyon**  
Economics  
College Honors  
Dayton, Ohio

**Mollie Lyon**  
Global Management  
College Honors  
Dayton, Ohio

**Mayah Pearson MacColl Nicholson**  
Global Management  
Media, Pennsylvania

**Micah Stewart MacColl Nicholson**  
Social Services  
College and Departmental Honors  
Media, Pennsylvania

**Rutendo Magade**  
Global Management  
College Honors  
Harare, Zimbabwe

**Tommy Makabu**  
Global Management  
Champaign, Illinois

**Eva Sophia Marotta**  
Psychology  
College Honors  
Kingsport, Tennessee

**Charles “Mike” Martin**  
Psychology and Theatre Arts  
Richmond, Indiana

**Valerie Martinez**  
Neuroscience  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

**Antonio Midence Ordonez**  
Mathematics  
College and Departmental Honors  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

**Michael Milligan**  
Art  
College and Departmental Honors  
Franklin, Ohio

**Nandzile Mkhonta**  
Psychology  
Mbabane, Eswatini

**Nicolas Kenton Morse**  
Geology  
Granville, Ohio

**Lilian Mura**  
History  
College Honors  
Peoria, Illinois

**Thanh Hien Nguyen**  
Global Management  
College Honors  
Hanoi, Vietnam

**Bradley George Oliver**  
Global Management and Pre-  
professional Engineering  
College Honors  
Richmond, Indiana

**Edwin Ortiz Aguirre**  
Psychology and  
Spanish & Hispanic Studies  
College Honors  
Houston, Texas

**Bailey Owens**  
English  
College Honors  
Centerville, Indiana

**Joshua Ozanne**  
Global Management  
Cleveland, Ohio

**Sumin Park**  
Chemistry  
College Honors  
South Korea

**Molly Puitz**  
Social Services  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

**Darab Qasimi**  
Computer Science  
and Data Science  
College Honors  
Kunduz, Afghanistan

**Nicolas Quijano Franco**  
Psychology  
College Honors  
Bogota DC, Colombia

**Mateo Canek Quiñonez y Quiñonez**  
Art and Japanese Language  
& Linguistics  
College and Departmental Honors  
Guatemala City, Guatemala

**Gabriela Quiroz**  
Social Services  
College Honors  
Chicago, Illinois

**Hallie Raikes**  
African and  
African American Studies  
College and Departmental Honors  
Indianapolis, Indiana

**Rosa Angelica Ramirez Martinez**  
Psychology  
Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico

**Gabrielle Portia Rankenburg**  
Japanese Studies  
College Honors  
Prospect Heights, Illinois

**Travis Reid**  
Quantitative Economics  
College Honors  
Saint Ann, Jamaica

**Jacob Renner**  
Exercise Science and History  
College Honors  
Cincinnati, Ohio

**Nathan Rivas**  
Creative Writing  
College Honors  
Santa Clarita, California

**Angel Robert**  
Neuroscience  
College Honors  
Murfreesboro, Tennessee

**Alexander Roberts**  
Biochemistry and Chemistry  
College and Departmental Honors  
Morrow, Ohio

**Isaac Robertson-Brown**  
Biology  
College and Departmental Honors  
Peoria, Illinois

**Albert Rosas**  
Psychology  
College Honors  
Houston, Texas

**Daniel Ross**  
Exercise Science  
Cincinnati, Ohio

**Samuel Gregory Sargent**  
Biochemistry  
College Honors  
South Weber, Utah

**Guinevere Schalck**  
Environmental Sustainability  
College Honors  
Medina, New York

**Mehmet Ali Schubel**  
History and Peace & Global Studies  
College and Departmental Honors  
in PAGS  
Mount Vernon, Ohio

**Regan Seeman**  
Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Chico, California

**Eli Seibert**  
Comparative Language and  
Linguistics and Japanese Studies  
College Honors  
Cary, North Carolina

**Jennifer Lee Shamel**  
Biology  
College Honors  
Columbiaville, Michigan

**Sarthak Sharma**  
Computer Science and  
Global Management  
New Delhi, India

**Savannah Sharp**  
Earth and Environmental Studies  
Shelbyville, Kentucky

**Irisa Shrestha**  
Computer Science  
College Honors  
Kathmandu, Nepal

**Abigail Shuck**  
Biology  
College Honors  
Arlington Heights, Illinois

**Blessed Tinotenda Shumba**  
Psychology  
Harare, Zimbabwe

**Amalia Silverheart**  
History  
College Honors  
Portland, Oregon

**Trystin Smith**  
History  
College Honors  
Fountain City, Indiana

**Ben Sniegowski**  
Biology  
College Honors  
Media, Pennsylvania

**Karina Steitz**  
Global Management  
College Honors  
Antioch, Illinois

**Elena Stirn**  
Biology  
College Honors  
Burr Ridge, Illinois

**Chance Strickley**  
Economics  
College Honors  
Cincinnati, Ohio

**Lucas Martin Suarez-Findlay**  
Comparative Languages & Linguistics  
Washington, D.C.

**Eylül Yaren Tas**  
Quantitative Economics  
College Honors  
Antalya, Türkiye

**Jaden Michael Terry**  
Global Management  
Indianapolis, Indiana

**Diana Gabriela Tobon**  
Psychology  
College Honors  
Houston, Texas

**Neely Trenshaw**  
Biochemistry  
Nappanee, Indiana

**Thato Tlotliso Ts'olo**  
Biochemistry  
College and Departmental Honors  
Mohale's Hoek, Lesotho

**Sonam Tsomo**  
Psychology  
College Honors  
Dharamasala, India

**Justice Iman Randolph Vaughn**

Biology  
College Honors  
Indianapolis, Indiana

**Ana Verulidze**

Computer Science  
College Honors  
Batumi, Georgia

**Douglas Wagner**

Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Portland, Maine

**Erin Wagner**

Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Amarillo, Texas

**Vaishnavi Walade**

Economics  
College Honors  
Mumbai, India

**Kate Wallace**

Art  
College and Departmental Honors  
Cambridge City, Indiana

**Riley Weisman**

Mathematics  
College Honors  
Lebanon, Ohio

**Antuan White**

Exercise Science  
Indianapolis, Indiana

**Egan Eli White**

Computer Science  
Austin, Texas

**John Whittaker**

Biology  
Santa Cruz, Bolivia

**Vincent Widyono**

Biology  
College Honors  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Caleb Wilgen**

Biochemistry  
Durham, North Carolina

**Johnette Williams**

African & African American Studies  
and Biochemistry  
College Honors  
Pawtucket, Rhode Island

**Olivia Wilson**

Psychology  
College Honors  
Hagerstown, Indiana

**Yuto Yamada**

Psychology  
College Honors  
Tokyo, Japan

**Mana Yoshikawa**

Data Science  
Tokyo, Japan

**Katrina Ziebarth**

Computer Science and Japanese  
Studies  
College Honors  
Midland, Michigan

## Earlham Graduate Programs in Education

*"It is worth acknowledging, in all humility, that, though there are many great, beautiful, noble callings for human beings—ministry, healing, protecting the powerless through the law, making art, music and literature, the most wonderful things that human beings are privileged to do—none of them is more valuable to the human race, to the future of the planet, or to our own souls, than the work of teaching."*

— Professor Emeritus of English Paul Lacey

Earlham is proud to contribute to this valuable work through the Graduate Programs in Education. These programs are unique, as they focus on the discovery and renewal of the teacher within. Both the Master of Arts in Teaching and the Master of Education degrees are designed to be transformational for individuals who wish, in turn, to transform the lives of others. Both programs are grounded in Quaker principles including a respect for persons, integrity, simplicity, community, peace and justice. These values are manifested throughout both the Master of Arts in Teaching and the Master of Education programs.

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### CANDIDATES FOR MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

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**Sydney Fuller**

Seattle, Washington

**Morgan Thomas Mack**

Richmond, Indiana

### CANDIDATES FOR MASTER OF EDUCATION

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**Emmaly Bisard**

Indianapolis, Indiana

**Michael Medley**

West Chester, Ohio

**Anthony Phillips**

Fort Wayne, Indiana

**Yuseff Malik Carpenter II**

Douglasville, Georgia

**Shane Claudius Mills**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Zachery Swearingen**

Romeoville, Illinois

**Nathaniel Hemmerich**

Kokomo, Indiana

**Ferris Samir Odeh**

Lifta Jerusalem, Palestine

**Caleigh Zolman**

North Manchester, Indiana

# Earlham School of Religion

Earlham School of Religion is a seminary of the Religious Society of Friends. Here, Friends and those from other traditions undertake formal theological study and ministry preparation. The School of Religion operates with its own dean and faculty and offers the Master of Arts and Master of Divinity degrees and several certificates. ESR manages the Lilly grant which supports the Quaker Leadership Center, offering non-degree learning and Quaker leadership development.

The presence of ESR in close association with Earlham College brings it in touch with many currents of contemporary intellectual life. As Earlham College is known nationally for its high academic standards, these same standards characterize ESR. Further enriching the ESR learning experience, a partnership with Bethany Theological Seminary began in 1994.

ESR assists students in developing a faith consistent with personal Christian revelation and religious experience. Students achieve competence in the biblical, historical and theological disciplines while developing practical skills and an empowering style of ministry. ESR students and faculty participate in the larger Christian community and its concern for the peoples of the world.

As a graduate center serving all Quakers, ESR develops Friends leadership for both programmed and unprogrammed meetings. The school provides a research and study center for Friends and encourages Friends' involvement in theological and cultural dialogue. While fostering unity in the Religious Society of Friends, ESR continues to clarify and sustain the Quaker vision.

## A note on regalia

The practice of wearing academic regalia originated in the 12th and 13th centuries, when universities were taking form. Scholars, whether student or teacher, customarily wore the dress of a cleric. With few exceptions, these medieval scholars had taken orders, made certain vows, and perhaps been tonsured. Long gowns were worn, and hoods served to cover the tonsured head.

The American tradition of hooding extends approximately 100 years. The Earlham tradition began approximately 70 years ago, while the School of Religion's practice is about 40 years old. These hoods connect us with an honored tradition associated with intellectual and spiritual freedom.

The master's hood which we award today is three-and-one-half feet long. It is black in color, with two white stripes which distinguish it from a bachelor's or doctorate hood. The hood is trimmed with a scarlet border, signifying the theology degree. It is lined with fabric representing the institutional colors—in our case, maroon and white.

## CANDIDATES FOR MASTER OF DIVINITY

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**David Breitzmann (Zae Illo)**  
San Francisco, California

**Jason Robert Kalis**  
Sparta, Michigan

## CANDIDATES FOR MASTER OF ARTS IN RELIGION

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**Katrina Marie Stenstedt**  
Oakland, California

## CANDIDATES FOR MASTER OF ARTS IN THEOPOETICS AND WRITING

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**Patricia Michelle Berry Lane**  
Rochester Hills, Michigan

**Brenna Lynn Hagan**  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Raymond William Rischpater**  
Boulder Creek, California

**Mary Elizabeth Given**  
Boulder Creek, California

**Rowan D. Light-Wills**  
Chicago, Illinois

## CANDIDATES FOR MASTER OF ARTS IN PEACE AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

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**Katelyn E. Goodpaster**  
New Castle, Indiana

**Dominic Hindolo Saidu**  
Freetown, Sierra Leone

**Grace Neudek**  
Green Bay, Wisconsin

**Kevin Ventura**  
Davie, Florida

## CERTIFICATE IN QUAKER STUDIES

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**Katie Breslin**  
Richmond, Indiana



# ACADEMIC AWARDS

## **Carl W. Ackerman-Ralph W. Nicholson Award**

Maya Claggett  
Peniel Ibe  
Evangeline Lyon  
Idai Makoni  
Melissa Velasquez  
Grace Wiley

## **Howard Alexander Award**

Antonio Midence Ordonez  
Dorje Weisman  
Katrina Ziebarth

## **American Chemical Society Undergraduate Award in Analytical Chemistry**

Ethan Khandaker

## **American Chemical Society Undergraduate Award in Physical Chemistry**

Alyssa Johnson

## **American Institute of Chemistry Student Award**

Doug Wagner

## **D.J. Angus Sciencetech Educational Foundation Award**

Calamity Webster

## **Bain-Swiggett Poetry Prize**

Oona Giebel  
Amalia Silverheart

## **Arthur M. Charles Fellowship for International Studies**

Bailey Owens  
Gabrielle Rankenburg

## **CRC Press Chemistry Achievement Award**

Fabijan Bagarić  
Bailey Weaver

## **Clifford Crump Phi Beta Kappa Award**

Enehi Edith Ameh  
Gannon Murray

## **Davis Peace Award**

Vaishnavi Walade

## **Lauren DeCou Memorial Award**

Andre Moriel

## **Designation of Distinction in Global Engagement**

Nicolas Quijano Franco  
Ted Olivier Jacquet  
Tsering Lhamo  
Daryl Mifsud  
Micah MacColl Nicholson

## **Earlham Environmental Leadership Award**

Meeghan Kersten  
Nathan Rivas

## **Anna Eves Award**

Nathan Rivas

## **Anna Eves Scholarship**

Kiaya Marie McMahan

## **Charles A. Frueauff Foundation Award**

Uapingena Prudence Kandjoze  
Medrine L. Kihanga

## **J. Arthur Funston Scholarship**

Caleb Bove

## **Gettman Prize**

Levi Schirch Goldberg

## **Lucy Moore Grave Marine Biology Award**

Nathan Brophy

## **Thomas Clarkson Grave and Anna Hubbard Grave Graduate Scholarship in Natural Sciences**

Ethan Khandaker  
Katherine Mary Liu  
Angel Robert  
Jennifer Shamel

## **Bub Hanes Prize**

Enehi Edith Ameh

## **Mary Jane Harvey Memorial Award**

Charles "Mike" Martin

## **William Harvey Bio-Medical and Health Careers Scholarship**

Robert Lemon

## **Len Holvik Award in Music**

Duncan Pickering-Polstra  
Blaise Rzeszut  
Leigh Siler

## **Lewis M. Hoskins Award**

Mary Bireley

## **Gertrude Pardieck Hubbard Distinguished Student Award**

Wisdom Boinde  
Antonio Midence Ordonez  
Sumin Park

## **Jay Scholarship**

Micah MacColl Nicholson

## **Janice Beard Kem and Charles Kem Award in Education**

Mateo Quinonez

## **Kendall-Reagan Prize in English**

Leila Soliman

## **Raymond Grissom 2023 Graduate Award**

Margaret Bartimole  
Ashley Dawn Church  
Emi Marie Hinosawa  
Susie Johnson  
Karina Steitz

## **David Koch '66 Award in Public Service**

Cristobal Martinez  
Kate Marie Wallace

## **Karen Keller LaFollette Award**

Aniqa Ali

## **Russell M. Lawall Award in Biomedical Research**

Tess Cunningham  
Ahmed Deeb

**Russell M. Lawall Physics Award in Memory of Howard S. Brinton**  
Isaac Snediker-Morscheck

**Florence Long Mathematics Award**  
Juan Junco

**Anthony Maggard Neuroscience Award**  
Angel Robert

**Russell L. Malcolm Pre-Medicine Award**  
Hyunseong "Sean" Ahn

**The Malcolm Scholarship**  
Aouss Azzouz  
Risa McFee  
Noah Radtke Kishimoto

**Lillian Broox Manis Scholarship**  
Makaylah Lachelle Castelow

**Manning Marable-AAAB Endowed Scholarship**  
Hallie Raikes  
Johnette Williams

**Millard S. Markle Award in Biology**  
Hannah Grushon  
Nathen Peck

**Charles Matlack Award**  
Quentin Berry

**Vicki Penziner Matson Photographic Award**  
Joe Potter  
Cameron Riley

**Joseph and Mary Thorne Moore Graduate Scholarship in Religion**  
Nicola Gacy

**Natural Science Division Outstanding Student Award**  
Kamden Deckard  
Alexander Roberts  
Abby Shuck

**Peace Studies Faculty Award**  
Isao Sakai  
Nolia Wilcox

**Pi Sigma Alpha**  
Gloria Aligbe  
Alexander Eastman  
John Dinh Hoang  
Tsering Lhamo  
Anika Sullivan

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Reece P. Zonts

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Calamity Webster

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Anabel Battino  
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Carlo Matias Montaña Balcázar

**George Van Dyke Outstanding Athlete Award**  
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## SPECIAL MESSAGES *to the Class of 2023*

## Message from the President

Dear Class of 2023,

Since 1847, generations of Earlham students have experienced a blend of classroom learning and experiential education that has transformed their lives—and the world—for good.

However, few students have shown the remarkable resilience that you have. In your second semester in college, the whole world changed over the course of one week in March. You barely had time to get used to your courses when we suspended in-person classes at the start of the pandemic—but even so, you made a difference. You scrambled to help organize an early commencement ceremony for the then-senior class. Chances are, these were people that you hadn't even met because you never had the opportunity to. But even then, you knew that Earhamites share an uncommon commitment to community.

Masks, Zoom meetings and distance—whether 6 feet or 600 miles—can't change that.

You shifted to online learning. Then you came back. You found new ways of learning and building community. You spoke out against injustice. You stood up for the most vulnerable members of our community—on campus and off. Many of you found a way to study abroad or do internships in person. In true Earhamite fashion, you worked through this uncertainty with grace, creativity and resolve.

As you graduate today, I hope you will reflect on your time at Earlham and the tremendous resilience you have demonstrated to get here today. In your time here, you have not only earned a degree, you have also learned how to adapt and thrive. In doing so, I have no doubt that you will go on to change the world.

Congratulations and best wishes to you on this momentous day!



**Anne Houtman, D.Phil.**

President, Earlham College and Earlham School of Religion

## Message from the Board

On behalf of the Earlham Board of Trustees, it is my privilege and pleasure to congratulate the graduating Class of 2023 of Earlham College, the Earlham School of Religion and Earlham's Graduate Programs in Education. I also congratulate the family, friends and faculty who have supported the graduates on the way to this day.

Each year the Office of Admissions profiles the incoming class and shares the profile with the class at the beginning of their Earlham experience. The reports are both fun and full of promise. They invariably show an incoming class of people who will work hard, love well, play exuberantly and extend to others both compassion and justice. Over the time you have been here these qualities have been refined, broadened as well as deepened. Although it has not always been comfortable or easy, you have grown in this hotbed of thought, reflection, argument and action we call Earlham.

I would like to share with you another profile. It is a profile of you in the future, say 10, 25 and 50 years from now. My confidence in seeing you in the future is based on your earlier profile, the special nature of Earlham and the hearing of the life stories of the fellow alumni who have preceded you. You will have lived lives that will have made a difference to your families, your communities and the world around you.

You will have been willing to see the world differently and thereby see solutions to problems that seem intractable. You will have been good shepherds for the society, the environment and the world in which we live. You will have been innovators and agents for positive change. You will have been peacemakers.

As a trustee, I am always aware that Earlham is trying to prepare students to live in a world we can hardly imagine. Let us know where and how it should evolve toward the future. Come back to the warmth of the Earlham community frequently and add your life stories to our rich heritage. The College, School of Religion and the Graduate Programs in Education will need your support to continue to other future generations the educational excellence you have enjoyed.

Our hopes and wishes go with you. Congratulations.

**Raymond F. Ontko '84**

Chair, Board of Trustees

# Message from the Alumni Council

## Greetings Class of 2023!

So here it is, the moment you've all been waiting for! Commencement. And with that comes a warm welcome to the ranks of the Alumni Association—more than 20,000 alumni who are living in every state in the nation and six continents (maybe all seven, knowing how Earhamites are).

I've never met a boring Earham student or alumnus. Every single one has a rich story to tell, has been to interesting places and has done things that are astounding. Whether they are a biodiversity cataloger in the Amazon, true crime author in the Midwest, teacher in Japan, geological surveyor in Alaska, fire investigator in New York City, journalist in Hollywood, healthcare provider in Africa, mathematician for NASA or a potter in a commune in New Mexico, they work for good in the world.

I encourage you to make a connection with them. Ask for their story and share yours because you never know where that might lead—Earhamite comradery and even collaboration certainly don't stop once you've graduated. Use the resources Earham and its alumni have to offer and be that resource when you have those insights and gifts to share.

Earhamites do amazing things in small and large ways. Do your amazing thing. Gather those sticks and light a fire and leave it burning, because when you leave the light for someone else, they have a chance to do amazing things, too.

Welcome to the Earham Alumni Association, Class of 2023.

On behalf of the Alumni Council,  
**Wendy Wentworth Smiseck, Class of 1991**

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# FACULTY RETIREMENT



## THOMAS HAMM

Thomas Hamm joined Earlham College in 1987, and a year later settled into a joint appointment teaching history and serving as college archivist. He retired from Lilly Library as director of special collections in 2020, but continued as professor of history and holder of the Trueblood Chair in Christian Thought. His contributions to the campus community include decades of collegiality, legendary tours of Earlham Cemetery, and holding the campus record for time on the Faculty Meeting facing bench: four years as clerk and five years as recording clerk of the Faculty. While at Earlham, he wrote or edited eight books, including *Earlham College: A History, 1847–1997*, and numerous articles and book chapters. In retirement, he plans to continue with research and writing and to volunteer in the college's Friends Collection.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

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**[earlham.edu/alumni](https://www.earlham.edu/alumni)**

The background of the image is a dark red color. Overlaid on this is a large, faint, circular seal of Earlham College. The seal features a sunburst at the top, an open book in the center, and a banner at the bottom with the Latin motto "VITA LUX". The outer ring of the seal contains the Latin text "SIGILLUM COLLEGIUM EARLHAMENSIS".

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