

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

FACULTY MAKING A DIFFERENCE



2024 Faculty Convocation Awards Ceremony

Thursday, September 26, 2024
Ernest R. Graham Center Ballrooms

FIU

PROGRAM

Welcome

Noël C. Barengo
Chairperson, Faculty Senate
Member, FIU Board of Trustees

National Anthem

The Star-Spangled Banner – Francis Scott Key

FIU Alma Mater

Belinda Gunn – *Lyrics*
Carl Strommen – *Music*

Performed by:

Karen Veloz
Wertheim School of Music & Performing Arts
Director

Edgar Sanfeliz Botta
Wertheim School of Music & Performing Arts
Adjunct Professor of Music

Robert B. Dundas
Wertheim School of Music & Performing Arts
Associate Professor of Vocal Performance, FIU Opera Theater Director

Chris Ellis
College of Business
Professor

Vindhya Devi Khare
Wertheim School of Music & Performing Arts
Area Coordinator of Vocal Performance, Associate Teaching Professor of Vocal Performance

Erynn Millard
Wertheim School of Music & Performing Arts
Director of Choral Activities

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information on the awardees*

Provost's Welcome

Elizabeth M. Béjar

Provost, Executive Vice President, and Chief Operating Officer

President's Message

Kenneth A. Jessell

President

Keynote Address

David Lawrence Jr.

Retired Miami Herald Publisher

Chair of The Children's Movement of Florida

Faculty Award Presentation

Presenter: Stephen Loynaz

Access Consultant Manager, Disability Resource Center

Distinguished University Professor Award

Presenter: Stephen Loynaz

Access Consultant Manager, Disability Resource Center

Conference USA Faculty Achievement Award

Presenter: Elizabeth M. Béjar

Provost, Executive Vice President, and Chief Operating Officer

Fain Fellow Faculty Award

Presenter: Elizabeth M. Béjar

Provost, Executive Vice President, and Chief Operating Officer

Presenter: Stephen M. Fain

Professor Emeritus, Founding University Professor

Closing Remarks

Elizabeth M. Béjar

Provost, Executive Vice President, and Chief Operating Officer

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FACULTY AWARDS

Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching

Umut Caglar

*Associate Teaching Professor, Mathematics and Statistical Sciences
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Mohamed ElZomor

*Associate Professor, Construction Management
College of Engineering & Computing*

Ming Fang

*Associate Teaching Professor, English
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Douglas Robertson

*Professor, Educational Policy Studies
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Florent Rouxelin

*Assistant Professor, Finance
College of Business*

Tony Thomas

*Assistant Teaching Professor, Mechanical and Materials Engineering
College of Engineering & Computing*

Faculty Award for Excellence in Gateway Teaching

Sandra Stojanovic

*Associate Teaching Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Faculty Award for Excellence in Service

Mesut Özgen

*Associate Teaching Professor, Music
College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts*

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Faculty Award for Excellence in Research & Creative Activities

Ellen Leslie Brown

*Tenured Professor, Graduate Nursing
Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing & Health Sciences*

Joseph Eirin-Lopez

*Professor, Biological Sciences
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Nazira El-Hage

*Professor, Cellular and Molecular Medicine
Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine*

Anuradha Godavarty

*Associate Professor, Biomedical Engineering
College of Engineering & Computing*

John Kominoski

*Professor, Biological Sciences
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Jeremy Pettit

*Professor, Psychology
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Faculty Award for Excellence in Advising and Mentorship

Shanna Burke

*Associate Professor, School of Social Work
Robert Stempel College of Public Health & Social Work*

Remy Dou

*Associate Professor, Teaching and Learning
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Elisa Maria Trucco

*Associate Professor, Psychology
College of Arts, Sciences & Education*

Faculty Award for Excellence in Engagement

David Brown

*Professor, Medical Education
Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine*

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Faculty Award for Excellence in Librarianship

Annia Gonzalez
Librarian, Special Collections
University Libraries

ADJUNCT FACULTY AWARDS

Faculty Award for Adjunct Teaching

Jennifer Houston
Adjunct Professor, Marketing and Logistics
College of Business

DISTINGUISHED UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS

Distinguished University Professors

Mahadev Bhat
Professor, Earth and Environment
College of Arts, Sciences & Education

Angela Laird
Professor, Physics
College of Arts, Sciences & Education

Wasim Maziak
Professor, Epidemiology
Robert Stempel College of Public Health & Social Work

Giri Narasimhan
Professor, Computer Science
College of Engineering & Computing

Berrin Tansel
Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering
College of Engineering & Computing

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CONFERENCE USA FACULTY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Conference USA Faculty Achievement Award

James Webb
Professor, Physics
College of Arts, Sciences & Education

FAIN FELLOW AWARD

Fain Fellow Faculty Award

Richard Olson
Distinguished University Professor
Politics and International Relations
Steven J. Green School of International & Public Affairs

FIU Alma Mater

Belinda Gunn, Lyrics
Carl Strommen, Music

We pledge to thee dear F.I.U., with voices loud and true,
Alma Mater falter never, shine forever Gold and Blue,
We fly our banners high, every culture, we embrace
All our love and Panther spirit, young and old we make this place,
We hail together F.I.U., every scholar side by side,
and we hail to Alma Mater, Alma Mater be our Guide.



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