



DEPARTMENT OF SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE STUDIES

— Liberal Arts *and* Sciences

2024-2025 Annual Awards Ceremony

Undergraduate Student Recognitions

Outstanding Majors

Braden Bodenstein	Sofia Herrero
Julia Charske	McKenna Jacquin
Gabriela Gaarder	Julia Lancaster
William Haxton	Blaire Moraski

Outstanding Spanish Heritage Student

Daniella Escobar

Outstanding UF Online Spanish Students

SPN 1130:	Lance Daley; Ashlee Williams
SPN 1131:	Kristen Anderson
SPN2200:	Dean Tansman
SPN2201:	David Campbell

Hauptman Medal for Excellence

Spanish:	Priyal Rijal
Portuguese:	Caroline Centeno

Harn Museum, 2025 Words on Canvas Award - Honorable Mention

Eluney González (Short story: "Que aquí hay cero")

Honor Societies Initiates

Phi Lambda Beta (Portuguese):

Braden Bodenstein	Aime Naveda
Caroline Centeno	Dalia Rodriguez
Emma Chmura	Diego Roman
Sarah Hussey	Gabriela Teran
Grace Miller	

Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish)

Noelle Matthias
Alexis Mills

Longest-Serving Student Assistant:

José Rodríguez

Graduate Student Recognitions

Spanish Degrees Earned (* Anticipated by Summer 2025)

M.A.: Ian Brunette, Sergio Casado Ariza, Daniella Conde, Fabián Fuentes, Guadalupe Giménez, Lara María Hernández-Tomé, Alexandre Menager, Zachary Mott, Verónica Rosich

Ph.D.: Juan Manuel Martínez, María Laura Mecías (*), Daniela Núñez de Álvarez Stransky (*)

MA to PhD Transitions

Fabián Fuentes, Alexandre Menager, Zachary Mott (UF)
Verónica Rosich (Harvard University)

Job Placements

Ian Brunette: Melbourne Central Catholic High School
María Laura Mecías: University of Florida
Daniela Núñez de Álvarez Stransky: Western Carolina University

Outstanding Graduate Students (elected by faculty)

Hispanic Linguistics:

PhD: Hannah Treadway
MA: Alexandre Menager

Spanish & Spanish American Literature:

PhD: Analiz Faife Casas
MA: Guadalupe Giménez

Travel Awards

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Analiz Faife Casas, Ivana Frisa, Jenny Paola Marín, María Victoria Muñoz, Hannah Treadway

Graduate Student Council

Hannah Treadway, María Victoria Muñoz

Modern Language Association: María Victoria Muñoz

Sigma Delta Pi Honor Society Initiates

María Domínguez	Zachary Mott
Alexandre Menager	Verónica Rosich

Research Awards

CLAS Dissertation Fellowship

Phi Kappa Phi's Love of Learning Award:

Analiz Faife Casas

Edward H. Moseley Student Paper Award (SECOLAS)

Graduate Student Summer Residency Program at the National Humanities Center:

María Victoria Muñoz

Tedder & Rothman Doctoral Fellowship in the Humanities:

Daniela Núñez de Álvarez Stransky

Universidad de Salamanca Scholarship:

Gabriela Rivera Marín

Whitney Koonce Memorial Award: Nuria Alcaide-García

Sigma Xi Scientific Research Honor Society: Gabriela Rivera Marín

Teaching Awards

CLAS Graduate Teaching Award:

Joshua Higdon

SPS Award for Cooperative Leadership in Teaching:

Alexandre Menager (Lower Division Spanish)

Nuria Alcaide-García, Fabián Fuentes (Heritage Spanish)

Royal Order of Isabella the Catholic: Sonia San Juan

Outgoing OEGE Officers

President: Guadalupe Giménez

Vice President: Daniella Conde

Treasurer: Fabián Fuentes

Student representatives: Nuria Alcaide-García, Verónica Rosich

Incoming OEGE Officers

President: Alexandre Menager

Vice President: Joshua Higdon

Treasurer: Laura Domínguez

Social Media: Nazita Fazlkhah

Student representatives: Fabián Fuentes, Hannah Treadway
