



ECONOMICS

VIRGINIA TECH™

Commencement Celebration

Saturday, May 15, 2021
12:00 Noon

Welcome and Remarks

Sudipta Sarangi
Department Head

Melanie Fox
Undergraduate Director & Master of Ceremony

Keynote Address

Dr. Fahad Khalil
Professor of Economics
University of Washington
Virginia Tech Economics M.A. 1988, Ph.D. 1991

Department Awards

Student Awards

Presentation of Graduates

Department of Economics

Undergraduate Degrees

Ayah Elamin Abdelhameid**	Plamedi Mutangu Mbiya**
Sana Ahmad*	Tao Mei*
Shane Joseph Arnold	Donya Haji Momenian**
David Patrick Bauer	John Tucker Morris
Tyler Rhodes Bickel	Samuel John Morris
Corey Alan Brent	Conner Steven Mulloy***
Conrad Douglas Briles	Jessica TucMy Nguyen*
Sarah Katherine Campbell**	Hannah Louise O'Neil***
Mitchell Esuk Clarke*	Bryce Kazuki Onozuka
Mickhal Balbino Clary	Olivia Kae Overton*
Julie Marie Cohen**	Bethany Rose Paxton**
Jonathan Gabriel Conrad	Tanner Scott Poore
Brogan Noelle Dineen	Nathaniel Jack Provance
Charles Ryan Findley	Akhil Raj
Gabriela Yamileth Guevara Rivera	Yadeen Bin Rashid*
Robert Curtis Haskins*	Grace Caitlin Robinson***#
Zachary Michael Hirsch***	Evan David Schmidt
Ahreum Max Kim	James Reinhardt Shafer**
Celine Carr Kimata	Jack Alexander St John**
Joseph Nunzio La Rosa**	Tristan Reese Saunders Thorum
Madeleine Alice McQueen Lavoie***#	Jordan Phillip Tunks
Jordan Clay Law***#	Matthew Laurence Wright*
John Patrick Leskauskas*	Alexander Paul Yerina*

Graduate Degrees

Pervesh Anthwal, M.A.	Asal Pilehvari, Ph.D.
Mengyang Chi, Ph.D.	Ross Spoon, M.A.
Hoang Phuong Do, Ph.D.	Zichao Yang, Ph.D.
Azharul Islam, M.A.	Xiaomeng "Richard" Zhang, Ph.D.
Shan Jin, Ph.D.	

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Student Awards

Outstanding Junior

Nicholas Hatch

Chair's Award

Jessica Nguyen

Outstanding Senior

Hannah O'Neil

Steve Springer Scholarship

Shamar Parker

James Ryal

Joshua Sipple

Friends of Economics Scholarship

Alexander Castillo

Departmental Awards

Graduate Student Instructor of the Year

Brian D'Orazio

Outstanding Faculty in Principles Courses

Gebremeskel Gebremariam

Outstanding Faculty in Undergraduate Courses

Melinda Miller

Outstanding Faculty in Graduate Courses

Sheryl Ball

Most Valuable Player

Melanie Fox