



SPRING 2020
GRADUATE RECOGNITION CEREMONY

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The 2020 Graduate Recognition Ceremony is a milestone in many ways. For most, it represents the beginning of a new, professional journey. For me, it marks my eighth spring graduation as Dean of the College. And for everyone, it is the first graduation during a time that will forever change our world.

In the past four years, our students endured hurricanes, disruptions from groups spewing hate, and now a global pandemic. At the same time, they were introduced to 24 new faculty members, expanded immersion opportunities, and new curriculum. Through it all, they have emerged stronger, smarter, more enlightened, and ready for the challenges ahead.

I have been so fortunate to have had the opportunity to lead this college since 2013 and to have met so many incredible students. Each story was unique. Each success was their own. But today is perhaps my proudest moment, as I honor these young adults who have demonstrated their resolve, perseverance, dedication and optimism during perhaps the most challenging chapter of their lives.

I celebrate the families and friends who provided love and support throughout our students' academic careers. I toast the faculty and staff who guided our students and helped them hone the passion, inquisitiveness and skills that will allow them to thrive. I sincerely thank our alumni who have demonstrated their generosity through gifts, mentoring and advice, and by opening doors to new opportunities.

Best of luck to all of our spring 2020 graduates. We hope you will stay connected and engaged with your alma mater, and look forward to hearing about your success.

Onward and upward. And Go Gators!



Diane McFarlin
Dean



GRADUATION RECOGNITION CEREMONY

MAY 1, 2020

Welcome

Dean Diane McFarlin

Through the Lens: This is CJC

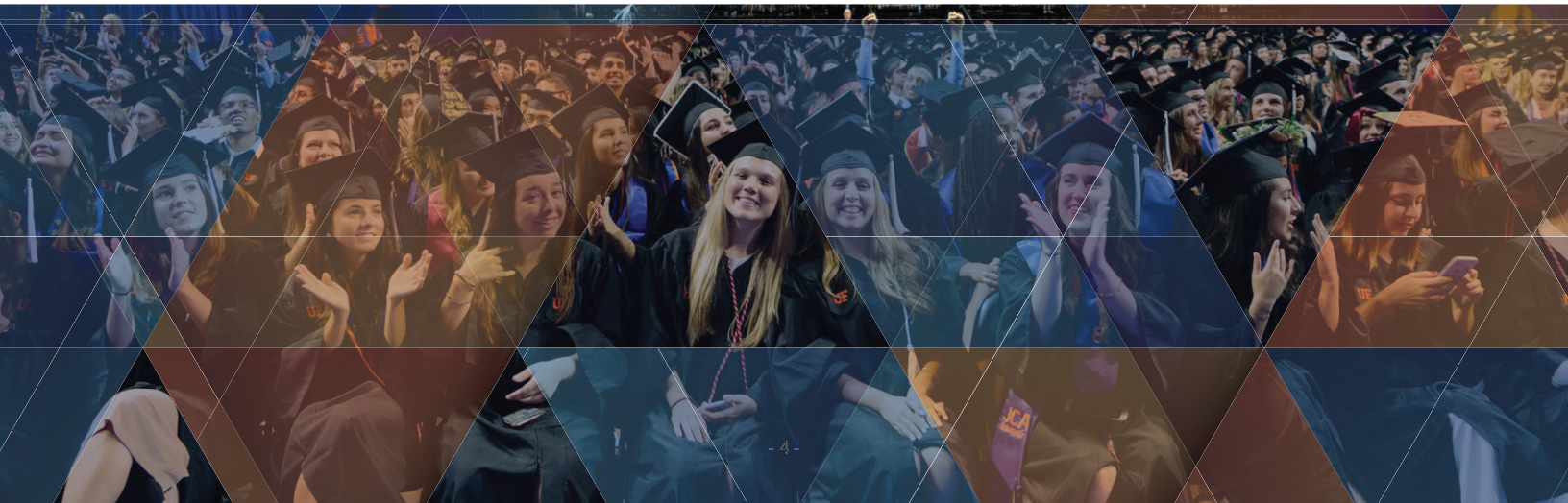
Congratulatory Messages

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Farewell

Dean Diane McFarlin

Through the Lens: A Look Back at 2019-2020



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GRADUATE RESEARCH AWARDS

The Julie Dodd Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award
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Outstanding Master's Student
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Outstanding Student Research Award
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ADVERTISING

Outstanding Advertising Scholar
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Joseph R. Pisani Service Award
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Richard W. McGinnis Professional Promise Award
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John Sutherland Great Ideas Award
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Respass Award
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JOURNALISM

Outstanding Journalism Scholar
Ethan Hughes

John Paul Jones Jr. Award
Tobie Nell Perkins

Elmer Emig Award
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H.G. "Buddy" Davis Award
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Society of Professional Journalists Award
Alanis Thames

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Outstanding Public Relations Scholar
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TELECOMMUNICATION

Outstanding Telecommunication Scholar
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Major Garland Powell Award
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F. Leslie Smith Management Award
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WJXT-TV Award
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MEDIA PROPERTIES

Kenneth A. Christiansen Award
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Frank Counts Award for TV Production and Creative Services
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MEDIA PROPERTIES

Red" Barber Award
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Excellence in Digital Media Award
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COLLEGE-WIDE AWARDS

Dean's Cup for Professional Promise
Tamarra Thal

Dean's Cup for Scholarship
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Lorenzo Phrasavath

Dean's Cup for Service
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Ruth and Rae O. Weimer Award
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Thy glorious name we praise
All thy loyal sons and daughters
A joyous song shall raise
Where palm and pine are blowing
Where southern seas are flowing
Shine forth thy noble gothic walls
Thy lovely vine clad halls
'Neath the orange and blue victorious
Our love shall never fail
There's no other name so glorious
All hail, Florida, hail.



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