# 56th Commencement







# **COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM**

Processional	. Gateway Building Lawn, 6:00 p.m.	
Chair's Welcome	. Mrs. Linda Novak, Vice Chair Ocean County College Board of Trustees	
National Anthem	Presley Balmer, Emma Canner, Mia D'Zio, Kaelyn Donoghue, Nicolette Dunne, Shea East, Chase Haffner, Kristina Holland, James Kelly	
	Directed by Mary Kenny, Vocal Music Instructor OCVTS Performing Arts Academy	
Invocation	Reverend Lisa A. Hoffman Christ Episcopal Church, Toms River, NJ	
President's Remarks	Dr. Jon H. Larson, President Ocean County College	
Student Remarks	. Mr. Casey Conner Class of 2023	
Message From	Dr. Lamont O. Repollet, President Kean University	
Awarding of Degrees	. Mrs. Linda Novak, Vice Chair Ocean County College Board of Trustees	
Closing Remarks	Dr. Jon H. Larson, President Ocean County College	

# **Grand Marshal**

Neil Lavender Professor of Social Sciences

### **Marshal**

Maryann Birdsall Professor of Mathematics

# **Student Marshals**

Samantha Bradach, Nicholas Bushell, Juliann Wattley

# **Honor Guard**

Sergeant Anthony Pereira, Corporal Fred Milani, Officer Ryan Comeau, Officer Roberta Brooks

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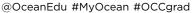


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# **Broadcast Schedule**

Mary Granahan, *Television Production Director* Lee Kobus, *College Lecturer II, Humanities and Fine Arts* 

#### Online: www.ocean.edu

Commencement Week Ceremonies will be webcast LIVE on the College's website. Video for each ceremony will remain available for online viewing several weeks after the ceremonies.

#### Ocean TV-20

Commencement Week ceremonies will be broadcast on Comcast of Toms River and Long Beach Island (channel 20) and Verizon FiOS of Northern Ocean County (channel 24), according to the following schedule:

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Tuesday, May 23	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony <b>LIVE</b>	. 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 24	Student Awards Ceremony <b>LIVE</b>	. 6:00 p.m.
	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	. 11:00 a.m.
	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	. 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 25	Commencement Ceremony LIVE	. 6:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore)	. 11:00 a.m.
	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	. 10:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore)	. 11:00 p.m.
Friday, May 26	Commencement Ceremony (Encore)	. 11:00 a.m.
	Memorial Day Ceremony (Encore)	. 6:30 p.m.
	Commencement Ceremony (Encore)	. 7:00 p.m.
	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	. 9:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore)	. 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 27	Commencement Ceremony (Encore)	. 7:00 p.m.
	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	. 9:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore)	. 10:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 28	Memorial Day Ceremony (Encore)	. 6:00 p.m.
	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	. 7:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore)	. 8:00 p.m.
	Commencement Ceremony (Encore)	. 9:00 p.m.
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day Ceremony (Encore)	. 11:00 a.m.
	Nurse's Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	. 7:30 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore)	. 8:30 p.m.
	Commencement Ceremony (Encore)	. 9:30 p.m.

# CANDIDATES FOR THE

# **ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE**



The Associate in Arts degree is awarded to students who have successfully completed a transfer program consisting of a minimum of 60 semester hours.

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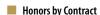
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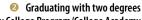


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The Associate in Science degree is awarded to students who have successfully completed a transfer program consisting of a minimum of 60 semester hours, 18 semester hours in a concentration selected from one college department.

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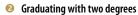
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# ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY RECIPIENTS\*

#### 2023 OUTSTANDING **TEACHING AWARD RECIPIENTS**

For commitment to excellence in teaching, learning, and leadership:

#### **Full-Time Faculty Award:**

Lynn Vazquez

Associate Professor of Mathematics

#### **Professional Educator Award:**

**Robert Marchie** 

College Lecturer II, History

#### Adjunct Faculty Award:

Jeffrey McWeeney

Adjunct Professor, Business

#### **2023 STUDENT AWARDS**

# **Charles Read Memorial Music Scholarship**

Jorrel Kimball

In memory of Charles Read, OCC's first professor of Music who taught at OCC from 1966 until 2000 and was the founder and director of the OCC Community Chorus. \$100 is awarded to a graduating student with a 3.5 GPA or higher in all music classes and is accepted into a four-year institution as a Music major.

#### Who's Who Among Students at Ocean County College

Victoria Bolles, Samantha Bradach, Eric Bras. Nicholas Bushell, Amanda Cantillon, Casey Conner, Wesley Deitch, William Duffy, Blake Ferraro, Autumn Freestone, Dominic Grandilli, Joshua Kline, Shawn Kret, Seth Lopez, Alexa Maugeri, Tosh Mrazek, Katelyn Reilly,

Julieann Wattley, Michael Zonsa

\$100 each is awarded to graduating students nominated in 2023 for significant contributions to Ocean County College in the areas of scholarship and leadership.

#### Viking Athletics Commitment Award

Nicholas Bushell

\$100 is awarded to a student who has shown outstanding commitment and support of the athletics program and loyalty to the College.

#### Dr. Mary T. McGivern Scholarship

Julianna Cofinas

In memory of Dr. Mary T. McGivern, \$120 is awarded to an outstanding graduating student in Science.

#### **Armando Quiroz Award**

Nancy Natividad-Cruz

Donated by Dr. Marilyn Kralik, \$200 is awarded to a graduating student for commitment to biliteracy and second language learning or advocating for cultural responsiveness in the community.

#### **Christopher W. Mannion Scholarship**

Matthew O'Donnell

Donated by Dr. Marilyn Kralik, \$200 is awarded to a graduating student who is pursuing a degree in Art or History.

#### **Graham Preston Scholarship**

Julieann Wattley

Donated by Marilyn Kralik, \$200 is awarded to a graduating student who is pursuing a degree in Art or History.

#### Patrick Carroll Award

Joshua Kline

\$200 is awarded to a student who has excelled academically. whose influence has been most constructive in the field of Athletics, and who has exhibited satisfactory scholarship, sound citizenship, and loyalty to the college.

#### Allan Peter Furrevig Scholarship

Gianna Picioccio

Donated by Dr. Ali Botein-Furrevig, Director of the OCC Center for Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights, in blessed memory of her husband, Allan Peter Furrevig. \$250 is awarded to a student pursuing studies in either Finance, Corporate Management, Business Analysis, Banking Operations or Investments and Trust Management.

#### The Botein Family Scholarship

Sarahelena Marrapodi

\$250 is awarded to a graduating student pursuing a degree in Holocaust Studies, Jewish Studies, Law or Social Justice. Donated by Dr. Ali Botein-Furrevig in memory of Ruth and Herman Botein, Dr. Herman Botein and Sarah Leonson-Botein, Ethel Botein-Webster and Justice Bernard Botein.

#### Jennie Horne Cece Award

Sandra Arias

Donated by Dottie Cece LaPosa in honor of her mother, Jennie Horne Cece, a working mom with eight children, \$250 is given to a working mother raising her children and pursuing her education simultaneously.

#### John Morrison Memorial Scholarship

Jorrel Kimball

Donated by Dr. Beth Brierley, \$250 is awarded to a graduating student transferring to a four-year institution who has been an active participant in OCC's Performing Arts programs.

#### Judith A. Laurie Memorial Award

**Elisabeth Rojas** 

Donated by Judith Laurie's sister, Joan Herder, \$250 is awarded to a student demonstrating excellence in the study of the Spanish language.

#### Meals on Wheels of Ocean County (in honor of Virginia and Jack Lamping)

**Casey Conner** 

\$250 is awarded to a graduating student interested in pursuing a career in public affairs, policy, or government.

#### **Operation Ocean Hero Scholarship**

Emily Jackson

\$250 is awarded to a graduating military & veteran-affiliated student who has made an impact on student engagement and activity through SALUTE honor society, student VA, VMRC work-study program, or other student organization.

#### **Probation Officer Todd Benintentei Scholarship** Caitlin Kisielius

\$250 is awarded to a graduate of the Criminal Justice program

#### in honor of Probation Officer Todd Benintente, who served and protected his community over his long career.

#### Richard M. Trimble Scholarship

Michael Zonsa

\$250 is awarded to a graduating student who has excelled in historical research and academic development in the field of history. Donated by the OCC History Club in conjunction with the Jersey Shore Civil War Round Table in recognition of the late Richard Trimble.

#### **Associated Students of Ocean County College Award** (in memory of Thomas J. Brady)

Seth Lopez, William Duffy, Autumn Freestone, Alexa Maugeri

Donated by Student Life, \$300 is presented by Student Government to graduating students displaying a consistently strong record of involvement in a cocurricular program.

International Award Marwan Nasef, Nourhan Elhamzawy, Nour Ibrahim, Mariam Elsaved, Adelrahman Soliman

Donated by Dr. Maysa Hayward, \$300 is awarded to five OCC/ Kean/ASU students upon successfully completing their degree studies at OCC, in recognition of academic excellence (a GPA of 3.75 or higher) while continuing their BSc. Degree in Business through ASU and Kean University.

#### Joseph Hathaway Commencement Speaker Award Casev Conner

Donated by Student Life, \$300 is awarded to the student commencement speaker in honor of Joseph C. Hathaway Jr., commencement speaker for the Class of 2012.

#### Julie Foukarakis Memorial Award

Katelyn Reilly \$300 is awarded to a female student who has excelled academically, whose influence has been most constructive in the field of Athletics, and who has exhibited satisfactory scholarship, sound citizenship, and loyalty to the college.

#### Dr. Albert Socol Memorial Scholarship

**Erika Perez-Santos** 

\$500 is awarded to an outstanding student in Mathematic

#### **Donald W. Smith Scholarship**

Julianna Cofinas, Kimberly Martinez-Alvarez

Donated by DW Smith Associates, \$500 is awarded to a graduating student pursuing education in civil engineering, surveying, planning landscape design, and/ or environmental services.

#### **Faculty Association of Ocean County College**

Shauna McCahill

Donated by the Faculty Association of OCC, \$500 is awarded to one outstanding student transferring to a four-year institution.

#### James Inman Award

Casey Conner

\$500 each is awarded to two students demonstrating outstanding qualities of scholarship, loyalty, citizenship, and contribution to extracurricular activities.

#### Janet Thompson Memorial Award

**Brandi Walls** 

Donated by her son, \$500 is awarded to a graduating nontraditional student who has worked and raised their family while getting their degree.

#### Joan M. Kenneally and William J. Kenneally Scholarship Jorrel Kimball

A \$500 scholarship donated by Professor Lynn A. Kenneally and Jeffrey J. McWeeney in recognition of Professor Kennéally's parents, who encouraged education.

#### Michael D. Vena Memorial MUAA Scholarship

Brian Gisinger, Jonah Visone

Donated by the Municipal Utilities Authorities Association of Ocean County, \$500 each is awarded to two graduates transferring to a four-year institution and majoring in Environmental Sciences or directly related fields.



#### Norcia Aspiring Attorney Award

#### Sarahelena Marrapodi

Donated by OCC alum RJ Norcia, class of 2010, \$500 is awarded to a graduating student who has demonstrated interest in attending law school and becoming a practicing attorney in the State of New Jersey.

#### **Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Art Award**

#### Kaila McEwan

Donated by the Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission. a certificaté and \$500 is awarded to an outstanding student in the field of Art.

#### **Ocean County College Adjunct Award**

### Dean Galfo. Cole Hannen.

Kevin Lelinho, Lauren Buchter

\$500 is awarded to four outstanding graduating students.

#### Pauline S. Miller History Award

#### Michael Zonsa

Donated by the Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission, a certificate and \$500 is awarded to an outstanding student in the field of History.

#### Phi Theta Kappa Award

#### **Brooke Doering**

\$500 is awarded to a student who best exemplifies the ideals of the Phi Theta Kappa fraternity, for making significant contributions to the work of the Tau lota chapter, and promoting intellectual and cultural growth.

#### **Phi Theta Kappa Outstanding Service Award** Sponsored by Dr. & Mrs. William Rickert)

#### William Duffy

\$500 is awarded to a student who has made outstanding contributions to the activities of Tau lota Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. The recipient must exemplify the ideals of Phi Theta Kappa as set forth in the four Hallmarks, namely: Leadership, Scholarship, Service, and Fellowship...

#### Renewal Carleen Sterling Orsi Memorial Award

#### Aysha Diawara, Tristan Basile

\$500 is awarded to graduates transferring to a four-year institution. (Renewable for second year.)

#### Dr. Stephen A. Kubow Memorial Scholarship

#### Julianna Cofinas

Donated by his former colleagues in memory of Kean Ocean's Associate Vice President, \$500 is awarded to a graduating student transferring to Kean University or Kean Ocean.

#### **Joyce Previte Memorial Scholarship**

#### Dana Lozito

\$700 is awarded to an outstanding graduate of the Nursing program who has maintained a 3.0 GPA or better.

#### **Math Club Award**

#### Ty Gibson

A total of \$750 is awarded to a graduating student who has completed at least 12 credits in Mathematics, demonstrating superior ability and achievement in that area.

#### **Paul Family Scholarship**

(in memory of Joyce Previte)

#### Jessica Nagan

\$750 is awarded to a student who demonstrates aptitude in the study of Nursing with the intent to pursue a career in Nursing.

#### Soroptimist Club of Toms River Scholarship

#### **Emily Jackson**

\$750 is awarded to a graduating female student continuing her education at a four-year institution.

#### **Soroptimist Sigma Award**

#### Victoria Bolles

This scholarship aims to empower women, foster their personal and professional growth, and promote a more equitable and inclusive society. \$750 is awarded to a female graduating

# Alfred and Barbara Longo Graduating Scholarship

#### Tosh Mrazek

Donated by Dr. Alfred and Mrs. Barbara Longo, \$1,000 is awarded to a graduating student who has enrolled in a fouryear institution to complete a bachelor's degree in Psychology or Education.

#### Andrew T. Baran Scholarship

#### **Gavin Donnelly**

\$1,000 is awarded to a graduating student enrolled in a fouryear institution pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.

#### **Carleen Sterling Orsi Memorial Award**

#### Nicole Randazzo, Arly Solano

\$1,000 is awarded to two graduates transferring to a four-year institution. (Renewable for second year.)

#### Douglas C. King Memorial Award

#### Sophia Jehnke

\$1,000 is awarded to a graduate of the Criminal Justice program who is pursuing a four-year degree in Criminal Justice.

#### **Honors by Contract Presentation Award**

#### Daniel Bagsic, Nancy Natvidad-Cruz, Chaim Trop, Amanda DeBartolo, Tyler Dunn, Meaghan French, Dominic Grandilli, Hannah Murray, Estefania Sampayo,

Rose Zahler, Michael Zonsa, Bernice Amankwah Donated by the Ocean County College Foundation, up to \$1,000 is awarded to the top graduating students who have completed the Honors by Contract program.

# Joseph J. Quattrock Memorial Scholarship

#### Liam Kelly \$1,000 is awarded to a non-traditional graduating student with

a 3.0 GPA or better, continuing in a four-year institution and majoring in Business Administration, Computer Science, or a related curriculum.

# LaVerne D. and Robert R. Weigold Memorial Scholarship

# **Leonardo Rios**

\$1,000 is awarded to an outstanding student demonstrating scholarship abilities and an interest in the area of English or the Humanities.

# **Ocean County Sheriff's Foundation**

#### **Madyson Pellegrino**

Donated by the Ocean County Sheriff's Foundation, \$1,000 is awarded to a graduate of the Criminal Justice program pursuing a four-year degree in Criminal Justice who has demonstrated academic success and service to the community.

#### **Ocean County Society of Professional Engineers** Erika Perez-Santos

\$1,000 is awarded to a student for outstanding achievement in Engineering.

#### President's Leadership Team Scholarship

#### Caryn Powell, Sandra Arias

\$1,000 is awarded to two non-traditional students who have demonstrated commitment to completing their academic requirements, and persistence in managing outside responsibilities not experienced by traditional students, and who will continue their education at a four-year institution.

#### **Robert Novins Memorial Graduate Award**

#### Arseniv Shafran

\$1,000 is awarded to a graduating student with a 3.0 GPA or better continuing in a four-year institution, majoring in Political Science and Government Studies.

#### Sheldon Linz Memorial Award

#### Yash Patel

Donated by the family of Jennifer Linz Cooper, \$1,000 is awarded to an outstanding photography student.

#### Ocean County College Board of Trustees Award

#### Samantha Bradach, Eric Bras. Holly Jennings, Natalie Torres

Donated by the OCC Board of Trustees, \$1,500 each is awarded to four graduating students who have achieved outstanding academic performance at Ocean County College and who will continue their education in the Kean Ocean program.

#### D'Onofrio Foundation Graduating Award

#### Elizabeth Malecki

\$2,000 is awarded to a student with a 3.0 GPA or better who demonstrates aptitude in the study of Health/Medicine, with the intent to pursue a career in a related field.

#### D'Onofrio Foundation Business Administration Award Gianna Picioccio

\$2,000 is awarded to a graduating student with a 3.5 GPA who has achieved outstanding academic performance at Ocean County College. Preference is given to a Business Major.

#### **Dollie and Harry David Sussna Scholarship** Lashawn Jackson, Melanie Lockwood,

# Ellison O'Grady, Sierra Emmett

Donated by Dollie and Harry David Sussna, an initial \$1,500 each is awarded to two outstanding students transferring to four-year institutions. Possible \$2,000 is renewable upon re-enrollment.

#### William T. Hiering Scholarship

#### **Brooke Doering**

\$2,000 is awarded to an outstanding student who has completed 60 credits at Ocean County College and maintained a 4.0 grade point average.

#### Philip G. Zitelli Scholarship in Leadership

#### Bernice Amankwah

Donated by Phil Zitelli, a member of the first graduating class of Ocean County College in June 1968, \$5,000 is awarded to an outstanding graduating student leader, with a 3.5 GPA or better, continuing in a four-year institution.

#### Roberta W. Wintrode Memorial Award

#### Danielle Carpenter, Amanda Cantillon

Established to honor the memory of a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Roberta's love for education, biology, nursing, and arts was present in every aspect of her career and avocation. \$5,000 each will be awarded to two graduating students.

# PROGRAM NOTATIONS

#### Honors by Contract

Students recognized for Honors By Contract have taken at least four courses with Honors requirements, received a B or better in each of those courses, and are graduating with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

# Graduating with Two Degrees

Students who have met eligibility for two degree programs must complete the second degree without repeating any previous courses in which credit was earned. No courses judged to be at a lower academic level than those previously completed will be used toward the second degree.

#### ☆ NJ STARS

Students who are eligible to receive the NJ STARS Scholarship were ranked in the top 15% of their high school class at the end of their junior and/or senior year. To remain eligible, STARS students must: maintain a 3.0 GPA, maintain continuous full-time enrollment, and graduate within 5 semesters once STARS is activated.

#### **Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society**

The National Honor Society of two-year colleges. Any student who has earned at least 15 credit hours at OCC (excluding transfer and remedial credits) and has a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.60 is eligible for membership and invited to join the organization.

#### Who's Who Among Students at OCC

Graduates nominated by the campus community. These students are identified as making significant contributions to the campus through scholarship, leadership, and service, maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better, and completing at least fifty percent of all coursework at OCC.

#### ► Early College Program/College Academy

Ocean County high school students who enrolled in OCC courses, allowing them to earn a high school diploma while simultaneously earning enough credits to receive an associate degree from Ocean County College.

# 🚱 Ocean Kean Ain Shams Business Program

Students from Egypt who earned an associate degree from OCC as part of a triple-degree program in Business. The students will begin their senior year at Kean University and earn two Bachelor of Science degrees in Management/Accounting, one from Ain Shams University and one from Kean University.

# Performing Arts Academy

Ocean County Vocational Technical School Performing Arts Academy (PAA) students who enrolled in OCC courses, allowing them to earn a high school diploma while simultaneously earning enough credits to receive an Associate Degree in Performing Arts from Ocean County College.

# ACADEMIC DRESS

The origins of academic dress date back to the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries when universities in England were taking form. The scholars were also clerics and thus adopted robes similar to those of their monastic orders. Caps were a necessity in the drafty buildings and capes with hoods were needed for warmth.

In the United States, the use of academic dress has been continuous since colonial times. A uniform system was not widespread, however, until about 1895, when the well-defined dress code was adopted by nearly all institutions of higher education.

GOWNS worn by those in the procession vary in design and decoration according to the degree held. Although the gown is more frequently black, certain universities have authorized the use of colored gowns.

HOODS, which are the most distinctive feature of the American code, vary in length according to the type of degree held, and are lined with the official colors of the institution conferring the degree. The velvet border or edging indicates the degree or subject by use of the appropriate color.

THE STANDARD CAP is the mortarboard and is usually the same for all degrees. The standard tassel is black, but the doctor's cap may have a gold tassel. Undergraduates wear the tassel on the right side of the cap until the moment the degree is conferred.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE: The design of the gown is the same as the bachelor's degree.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE: The academic gown has short or regular sleeves. The length of the hood must be three feet.

MASTER'S DEGREE: The academic gown has pointed sleeves. The length of the hood is three and one-half feet.

DOCTORATE DEGREE: The gown has round full sleeves, faced down the front with black velvet trimming and has three bars of the same material across the sleeves or, in some cases, the color of this velvet relates to the field in which the degree is granted. Length of the hood is four feet.

# ACADEMIC DRESS: COLOR CODE

Agriculture	Maize	Music	Pink
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Nursing	Apricot
Commerce, Business	Drah	Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Dentistry Dentistry	Lilac	Pharmacy	Olive Green
Economics	Copper	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Education	Light Blue	Physical Education	Sage Green
Engineering	Orange	Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Fine Arts, Architecture	Brown	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Forestry	Russet	Science	Golden Yellow
Journalism	Crimson	Social Work	Citron
Law	Purple	Theology	Scarlet
Library Science	Lemon	Veterinary Science	Gray
Medicine	Green	receimary selence	oruj -



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