



CLASS OF 2021

COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 8, 2021

Virtual Program

Presiding

Dr. David Steele-Figueroa
President

National Anthem | *The Star-Spangled Banner*

Mr. Ray Sidney
Muzic One Entertainment

Invocation

Dr. Reuben Ellis
Interim Dean | College of Liberal Arts

Welcome to Commencement

Dr. David Steele-Figueroa

Student Expressions | Class of 2021

Joseph Monck, BArch, Architecture
Armine Agesyan, BBA, Accounting
Xavier Chavez, MArch, Architecture
Gurpreet Viridi, MBA
Grigor Khandjian, BA, Political Science
Evelyna Nazarian, BFA, Game Art & Design

Introduction of Commencement Speaker

Dr. David Steele-Figueroa

Commencement Address

Mr. Adrin Nazarian
State Assembly Member | District 46

Announcement of Departmental Honors

Mr. Randall Stauffer
Senior Vice President | Academic Affairs



Program

Presentation of Candidates

Mr. Randall Stauffer

Ms. Ingalill Wahlroos-Ritter
Dean | School of Architecture

Dr. Joan Marques
Dean | School of Business

Ms. Sue Vessella
Dean | School of Media, Culture & Design

Dr. Reuben Ellis
Interim Dean | College of Liberal Arts

Graduate Degrees

- > Master of Architecture
- > Master of Business Administration
- > Master of Interior Architecture
- > Master of Science in Architecture
- > Master of Science in Real Estate Development for Architects

Undergraduate Degrees

- > Bachelor of Architecture
- > Bachelor of Arts
- > Bachelor of Business Administration
- > Bachelor of Fine Arts
- > Bachelor of Science

Invitation to the Alumni Association

Mr. Gregory N. Lippe '67
Chair | Board of Trustees

Closing Remarks

Dr. David M. Steele-Figueroa

Marta Huo
Bachelor of Architecture
President | Associated Students of
Woodbury University 2020–21

Degree Candidates Class of 2021

Bachelor of Architecture

Leonardo Eleazar Acevedo
Jose Adrian Agredano Perez
Sabrina Diaz Aguiar
Samantha Diaz Aguiar
Ethel Valeria Alfaro-Ramos
Reema Abdullah Aljasser
Hamad Hajab M. Alshammari
Abraham Fahad Alsimari
Josue Israel Alvarez Perez
Andrew Rigoberto Barraza
Khalil Salman Bin Sabaan
Edgar Cabadas
Raphael Capitulo
Patrick Jason Luilam Castro
Cindy Elizabeth Chilin
Kayleigh Ann Cornejo
Jean Paul Ricard De Guzman
William Austin Dickey
Angel Abraham Escobar-Rodas
Erik Kevin Escobedo
Derek Nathan Eskandari
Stephanie Jill Green
Gabriel C. Harmon
Vahe Tade Haroutounian
Alison Paige Hayes
Khun Yeyint Hein
Ulysses Hernandez
Matthew Steven Hummel
Marta Chen Huo
Fumiya Ishii
Ricardo Jimenez Mosqueda
Arda Kilickan
Dana Flora Ladd
Jae Ha Lee
Samson Matthew Levi
Kevin Moises Lugo-Negrete
Christopher Alexander Madrid-Gr-amajo
Cory Kenichi Matsuda
Aryana Mazloumian
Kevin Patrick Medler
Margarito Mendoza
Rita Annie Midourian
Joseph Allen Monck
Jose Luis Montaña
Adriel Jourdan Lua Navarro
Salvador Orozco
Amanda Renee Jones
Andrei Joseph G. Paraz
Peter Andy Patpatian
Madeline Gene Ramirez

Allen Reyes
Ramon Cardeno Ricafort III
Adrian Rios
Endo Rosales
Maria G. Samano
Karla Dianey Sandoval
Saul Santizo
Yixi Song
Emanuel Velexis Arquell Teguh
Biayna Torossian
Koni Tsai
Carlos Luis Urtiz
Melissa Isabel Uyuni
Raymond Vartan
Elizabeth Genine White
Zackary James Woxland
Benny Wu
Weining Zhong

Bachelor of Arts

Mohammed Sulaiman Abuobaid
Rozhin Afshar
Artineh Aladadian
Preny Alaverdian
Abdulmajeed Ahmed Alghamdi
Nicolas S. Blanco
Nare Davtyan
Freya Jacqueline De Dios
Casey Driver
Aaryn Gianna Alyssa Griggs
Ariela Hadiwidjojo
Karolyn Lucille Hill
Joshua Don Jones
Aleen Khachatourian
Grigor Greg Khandjian
Elona Nazaryan
Tiffany Shih Yan Ng
Jesse Perez
Kristen Dei Lampa Perez
Alyssa N. Pieprzyca
Emily Z. Samsonyan
Mohit Sehwani
Juan Manuel Silva
Mary Topchyan
Kahren Torosyan

Degree Candidates Class of 2021

Bachelor of Business Administration

Salinay Abramyan
Sevana Abramyan
Armine Agesyan
Haifa Fahad Aldossary
Ali Hussain AlGhobari
Mohamed Abdulmajid Alkridis
Musab Alotaibi
Talal Mohammed Alotaibi
Brenda Natalie Blas
Lilit Lily Asatryan
Liana Avetisyan
Jad Pierre Barakat
Kareen Nicole Benlian
Omar Turki Bin Rubaian
Esteban Blas
Ruby Caracoza
Madison Ellen Chambers-Garcia
Veronika Danielyan
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Anna Melissa Harrington Bilu
Ahdenae Khodaverdian
Anush Tatiana Kirakossian
Harout Koko Krumian
Serbuhi Ana Kzelian
Kevin Patrick Langendoen
Richard Manapsal Lazo
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Brandon Nicholas Megrabyan
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Mohammad Najjar
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menos
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Bachelor of Fine Arts

Seda Aladzhyan
Delen Alexandra Albert
Lamis Aljarrash
Jason Anthony Allen
Mohammed Fahad M. Alsharif
Jaicob Ryan Andino
Genesis Sadiel Arrazola
Malcolm David Baum
Jennifer Ashley Bose
Tyler Boulom
Gregor Campbell
Jessica Jean Ramsay
Moses Nathaniel Carias-Lopez
Mallory Kelli Collins
Alaina Noelle Davis
Claire Marie Eschbacher
Maria Fiore
Kimberly Johana Franco
Ashley Elizabeth Mason DeWitte
Gacke
Emma Suzanne Garcia
Sarah "Nova" Ruth Tse-Lai Garcia
Brody Wyatt Garcia
Amelia Margaret Goddard
Samantha Nicole Gonzalez
Anna Grubinski Ossyra
Tobias Jay Hickock
Emma Christine Hollenberg
Daisey Marie Hoover
Rebekah Masae Kamemoto
Amalia Karapetyan
Christopher George Khashan
Ashlynn Louise Kruzel
Haley Nichole Lambert
Antonio Van Maiorano
Paula Isabella Mendoza
Justin Xavier Mercado
Julie Elaine Metas
Nareh Mirbakian
Mario Ernesto Molina
Evelyna Nazari
Anginay Nazarian
Matthew Elias Nevarez
David Benjamin Newell
Tiffany Nguyen
Hanna Frances Oneill
Jessica Ordaz
Jewl-Lila Jada Ordonez
Katherine Sarah Owen
Randee Colleen Palon
Matthew Alan Pardini

Degree Candidates Class of 2021

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Andres Salvador Peña
Lorena Perez
Naira Petrosian
Nicole Elizabeth Petrovsky
Ellie Ann Poulin
Remington Marie Aileen Radcliffe
Erika Michelle Ranglova
Cailyn Jane Reinhart
Leily Dayana Salazar
Diana Samano
Claudia Lidia Sanchez
Sabrina Ilana Sands
Camille Joy Goitia Sarmiento
Alexandria Darby Sellers
Alexis Jean Simpson
Gwenevere Rose Smith
Marissa Celeste Soto
Lee Lee Tang
Ion Pui Tong
Yasmine Torres
Crystal Valladolid
Nya Imani Walker
Tyler Tisdale Walske
Amanda Marie Way
Kaela Anne Westfall
Anthony Charles Yoo
Zhuoran Zhang

Bachelor of Science

Joseph George Karmo
Sungmin Lee
Benjamin Alexander Luker
Zane Myles Zukovsky

Master of Architecture

Mark Gaydin Carpenter, Jr.
Mahzad Changelvaie
Xavier David Chavez Rubio
Nicholas Jerome Daniel
Demar R. Matthews
Elahe Merikhi
Ryan Kenneth Rosen
Maneh Tahmasian

Master of Business Administration

Brian Alvarez
Syuzanna Ayrapetyan
Armen Krikor Baghedjian
Melanie C. Balasarian
Ashley Alexi Dehnoushi
Rohit Kumar Dhiman
Vartkes Jesse Essaian
Edgar Gasparyan
Jasmine Gedoyan
Chantel Z. Guldjian
Harutun Harry Gulumian
Megan Brianna Houze
Odette A. Hovsepian
Sheikh Ali Hyder
Jordan Len Johnson
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Armine Amy Kostanian
Entwine D. Lampkin
Karlen Lusinyan
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Vehans Mardian
Arbi Mesrkhani
Diana Ani Nalbandian
Rosa Sen Nguyen
Lolya Oganessian
Arsen Shakhbazyan
Suzy Shkhrdumyan
Peerapat Tachapeeraphun
Vartouhi Tashchyan
Evita Tergalstian
Christina Tserunian
Gurpreet Kaur Virdi
Shuai Yang
Ripsime Yesayan
Natalie Lisa Zakarian
Hang Zhao

Departmental Awards Class of 2021

Accounting

Armine Agesyan

Animation

Alexis Jean Simpson

Applied Computer Science

Media Arts

Sungmin Lee

Architecture

Joseph Allen Monck

Communication

Mary Topchyan

Fashion Design

Marissa Celeste Soto

Fashion Marketing

Andrea Marie Tatevossian-
Caloumenos

Filmmaking

Alaina Noelle Davis

Game Art & Design

Evelyna Nazari

Graphic Design

Ellie Ann Poulin

Information Technology

Kevin Patrick Langendoen

Interdisciplinary Studies

Tiffany Shih Yan Ng

Interior Architecture

Naira Petrosian

Management

Ahdenae Khodarverdian

Marketing

Montserrat Edith Robles

Media Technology

Matthew Elias Gonzalez

Political Science

Grigor Greg Khandjian

Professional Writing

Casey Driver

Psychology

Ariela Hadiwidjojo

Welcome Alumni

Welcome graduates! The transition from student to alum carries with it the pride of personal accomplishment and the hope for a promising future. You join the ranks of more than 76,000 alumni educated at Woodbury. Three-quarters of our graduates reside in Southern California and Woodbury alumni can be found in all 50 states and in more than 49 countries. Notable alumni have built businesses both large and small, designed buildings, established accounting firms, become noted fashion designers for film and television, held public office, led non-profit organizations, and much more.

As you now take your place among the ranks of other talented alumni, Woodbury University invites you to become active and involved. Stay connected to your fellow classmates and friends through the Woodbury University LinkedIn and Woodbury Alumni Facebook communities, where you can network, take surveys, post photos and remembrances, and build new relationships.

The Office of Career Development can help provide support to those seeking career assistance. Alumni can also receive complimentary access to Evisors, an online resource that provides webinars from professionals who have worked at top employers. Alumni can also participate in Woodbury's Online Job Board, special career events such as job fairs, company information sessions, career panels, and more. Additionally, if you have internship or employment opportunities at your company or place of business, you can utilize the Office of Career Development to recruit fellow Woodbury students. **Please visit woodbury.edu/careers for further information.***

Above all, we want to hear from you. We encourage you to submit class notes when you have exciting or interesting news to share with your alma mater and fellow alumni. Let us know about your professional achievements and personal milestones. We want to stay connected with you throughout your life journey!

***For additional information on alumni activities, reunions, events, and volunteer opportunities, please visit woodbury.edu/alumni or contact University Development & Alumni Relations at 818.252.5289**

to take your first and most important steps toward lifelong involvement at your alma mater!



Mission Statement

We transform students into innovative professionals who will contribute responsibly to the global community. We achieve academic excellence by focusing on purposeful student engagement; establishing external partnerships; and ensuring that all of our processes, services, and environment enrich the student experience.

Core Values

- > **Excellence** | Driven by standards of excellence in teaching, services, student wellbeing, community safety and sustainable practices
- > **Ethics** | Setting the highest standards of academic and professional behavior to encourage social responsibility
- > **Aspiration** | Pursuing ever higher levels of competitiveness, distinctiveness and service learning
- > **Community** | Building a culture that values diversity, open communication, collaboration and engagement

Contribution to Society

Since 1884, Woodbury University has served a distinguished role in meeting the unique educational needs of Southern California students. At the heart of that creative economy, the institution cultivates a personal, interactive learning environment that focuses on innovative, practice-based professional and liberal arts education. Woodbury's students represent the cultural diversity of Southern California and through this transformative education they are empowered to do extraordinary things.

Woodbury University Seal

The traditional Woodbury University seal is featured at our virtual commencement this year. This seal appears on the program you are viewing and is also embossed on the diploma that each graduate will receive. The symbolism of the seal has inspired generations of Woodbury students, alumni, faculty, and administrators. The lamp refers to the search for truth and virtue, and the quill pen and book are symbols of the global and historical body of knowledge that students study in the core curriculum and in their respective academic disciplines. The outer circle is derived from the wreath, which symbolizes the prizes of accomplishment, academic honor, and achievement.

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