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Mortar Board National Conference 2024 was a Huge Success!

Mortar Board National Conference 2024 saw the strongest attendance numbers in years, with over 190 participants and over 80 chapters represented. We had attendees from 40 states! Attendees networked and built friendships in their region and across the Society, spent time with their region where they learned chapter operations and shared ideas, and came together for general sessions including the National Citation, Mock Initiation, Candlelight Banquet, and business meetings. We are grateful to all our conference attendees!

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Congratulations, 2024 Alumni Award Recipients!

It was wonderful to have four of our Alumni Award recipients join us for the National Conference in Columbus. Our Alumni Award recipients have achieved success in scholarship, leadership, and service since their collegiate days. What an inspiration for our attendees to be able to hear from them and learn more about their experiences in Mortar Board and the larger community. In total, we honored eight outstanding Mortar Boards across three alumni award categories: Emerging Leader, Alumni Achievement, and Distinguished Lifetime Member.

**Meet the 2024 Alumni Award
Winners**

Thank you, Conference
Donors!

A huge thank you goes out to our generous conference donors who made the weekend possible with over \$33,000 in donations. In addition, we received a total of \$12,700 for our Adopt-A-Chapter initiative, exceeding our goal! We provided 28 grants to assist with travel and student attendance at Conference. Thank you for supporting Conference and making a difference for the next generation of Mortar Boards – the smiles on their faces say it all!



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2024 Collegiate Award Recipients

We are thrilled to announce the 2024 Collegiate Award recipients! Over 50 chapters were honored across nine different award categories: Ruth Weimer Mount Chapter Excellence Award, Freeman & Fox Most Improved Chapter Award, Starlington Prize, Excellence in Advising, Project Excellence Awards, Outstanding Achievement Awards, DEI&B Awards, Gold Torch Awards, and Silver Torch Awards. Our National Leaders helped announce this year's winners via video! Check out the link below to meet all our winners and learn more about their exceptional accomplishments.

Meet the 2024 Collegiate Award Winners

Welcome, New National Leaders!

Please give a warm welcome to our 2024-2025 National Leaders who will serve the Society for the next year. The National Conference always serves as the annual transition time between leadership. A special welcome to those who have recently transitioned into their roles!

National Council

Jenni Birch Szolwinski, Treasurer (Purdue University, 1993)

Katie Verschelden, Secretary (Kansas State University 2002)

Leslie Ellis, Alumni Representative at-Large (Lenoir-Rhyne University, 2015)

Sierra Malik-Misselhorn, Student Representative at-Large (University of San Diego, 2024)

Nanya Sinha, Student Representative at-Large (Carleton College, 2024)

National Foundation Board of Trustees

Matthew Ross, Treasurer (The Ohio State University, 2001)

Region Coordinators

Hannah Giannini, Region 1 (University of South Alabama, 2020)

Parker Brown, Region 2 (University of Mississippi, 2023)

Carina Huot, Region 4 (University of North Dakota, 2022)

Reilly Roggendorff, Region 5 (Oklahoma State University, 2022)

Kara Stogsdill, Region 6 (Illinois State University, 2023)

We are grateful for the service of our outgoing National Leaders: Aimee Abernathy (National Council Secretary), Bre'una Keeton (National Council Treasurer), Mohammed Hill (Alumni Representative at-Large), Makayla Johnson (Student Representative at-Large), Jason Baker (Region Coordinator), Dr. Kathryn Gabrielson (Region Coordinator), Gabrielle Going (Region Coordinator), and Makayla Hall (Region Coordinator).

Meet all of our National Leaders



Fundraising is Easy with Blossom Express

Blossom Express is Mortar Board's exclusive partner for graduation flower sales. This partnership provides a 100% all-expense-paid fundraising opportunity to sell flowers at graduation. For participating chapters, this is often the only fundraiser they need all year! Click on the link below to learn more about how you can partner with Blossom Express for your next chapter fundraiser.

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Read the Latest *Forum!*

The Spring 2024 edition of the *Forum* is **now online!** The *Mortar Board Forum* is the official publication of Mortar Board, which highlights the achievements of chapters and members, shares the latest Mortar Board news, and helps members stay connected with the Society. Read the most recent edition to learn about our

newest chapter, event highlights, a preview of the National Conference, the impact of volunteering, building connections through restorative practices, and more!



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