



# COMMENCEMENT

## *Class of 2021*

**MAY 28, 2021**

From here, you can go anywhere.

Redwood City, CA



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Cañada College welcomes you—the Class of 2021—into the ranks  
of the proud alumni of Cañada College.

We also welcome your families and friends to this 53rd commencement celebration,  
mindful and appreciative of their contribution to your achievement  
through their support, sacrifice and encouragement.



## *President's Welcome*

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Congratulations graduates, parents, family members and the Cañada College community. Welcome to the 53rd annual Commencement Ceremony at Cañada College! I would first like to send my appreciation to each of you for the hard work you have put in this year. You have shown the true meaning of resilience. You have supported each other and the College has strived to be supportive in every way since the pandemic began. There is no way for us to encapsulate how much you all endured during the past year. It has had its share of challenges and I am incredibly proud of the flexibility and grit you all displayed as you continued to achieve your dreams.

You have a once in a lifetime commencement that is being celebrated in a virtual format. This only shows how flexible we have all had to be during this time. Celebration of your accomplishments may look different, but the importance of your accomplishments and the journey each of you took to get here is celebrated even more loudly and proudly.

Commencement is a magnificent celebration of our students and for our students. This is a moment where we stop and recognize the remarkable accomplishments and successes you have all achieved. As you graduate and venture into the next chapter of your lives, you have to continue to grapple with urgent and important crises for racial justice and liberation in our nation and in various parts of the world. However - you choose to work going forward - you will inspire us. You give us hope. Our graduates, and their loved ones, joining in this celebration will be hearing inspiring speeches about the bright, promising future that lies ahead for our graduates. Collectively, we share in the excitement of your next steps and knowing more in the future about where your collective journeys take all of you. Graduates are also encouraged at the time of Commencement to look back on your experiences – to reflect on what lessons were learned, who influenced them, and how they helped you grow and change. Take a moment to do this if you have not already. We know that this reflection is important.

As students of Cañada College, our newest alumni, you are neither at the beginning or the end of your journey. Instead, you are somewhere in-between – in the middle you might say. You may not know what lies ahead and you cannot go back and relive the past. We simply encourage each of you to be in the moment.

Being in the moment allows you to more fully embrace and enjoy celebrations like this one. So, take a moment and reflect as your fellow classmates, your family and friends, and your Cañada family are here for one thing and that is to honor you. All eyes are on you and they're beaming with pride for all that you've done, and all that you've accomplished. Congratulations!

Dr. Jamillah Moore,  
*President, Cañada College*

# Program

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## ≈ Welcome & Congratulations

Jade Shonette, *Student Trustee, San Mateo County Community College District*

Michael Claire, *Chancellor, San Mateo County Community College District*

## ≈ National Anthem: Star Spangled Banner

Performed by Monique Martinez

## ≈ President's Welcome

Dr. Jamillah Moore, *President, Cañada College*

## ≈ 2021 President's Student Leadership Award

Nigel Hawkins

## ≈ Class of 2021 Valedictorians

Fiorella M. Almada, Elise Carlomagno, Allyson Chan, Anastasiya Garanchuk, Alexandra Grace Hamdun, Maya Hsu, Pisith Keo, Katherine Fabiola Milla, Vrinda Mushran, Kaisen Yao, and Matt Yeung

## ≈ Welcome from the Student Body and Introduction of Student Speaker

Class of 2021 Adrian Afif, *President, Associated Students of Cañada College*

## ≈ Class of 2021 Student Speaker Presentations

Naomi Levine Sporer

Aimée Kanadjian

*Historically, Cañada College has selected one commencement speaker to represent the graduating class. To mark this truly exceptional experience (COVID-19 Pandemic), Cañada College has chosen to highlight two graduates whose voices encompass stories that are uniquely different but equally important. Cañada College will resume its tradition of selecting one commencement speaker for future commencement ceremonies.*

## ≈ Video Presentation for Our Students, by Our Students

## ≈ Presentation of the Class of 2021

Diana Tedone-Goldstone, *Academic Senate President, Cañada College*

## ≈ Conferral of Degrees

Tom Nuris, *Board President, San Mateo County Community College District*

## ≈ Salutation to the Graduates and Closing Remarks

Dr. Jamillah Moore, *President, Cañada College*



# *Academic Leadership*

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## *☞ Administrators*

Jamillah Moore, Ed.D., *President*

Tammy Robinson, Ph.D., *Vice President of Instruction*

Manuel Alejandro Pérez, Ed.D., *Vice President of Student Services*

Graciano Mendoza, *Vice President of Administrative Services*

Wisseem Bennani, Ed.D., *Interim Dean of Enrollment Services and Support Programs*

James Carranza, *Dean of Humanities & Social Sciences*

Karen Engel, Ph.D., *Dean of Planning, Research & Institutional Effectiveness*

Max Hartman, *Dean of Counseling*

Hyla Lacefield, *Dean of Business, Design & Workforce*

Matthew Lee, *Interim Dean of Kinesiology, Athletics, and Dance*

David Reed, *Dean of Academic Support & Learning Technologies*

Megan Rodriguez Antone, *Director of Community Relations & Marketing*

Ameer Thompson, Ph.D., *Dean of Science & Technology*

## *☞ Academic Senate 2020-2021*

Diana Tedone-Goldstone, *President*

David Eck, *Vice President*

Natalie Alizaga, *Secretary*

Daryan Chan, *Treasurer*

Lisa Palmer, *Curriculum Committee Chair and Subcommittee Representative*

Monica Malamud, *Professional Development Subcommittee Representative*

Bryan Jeong, *Senator*

Gerardo Pacheco, *Senator*

Nick DeMello, *Senator*

Anne Nichols, *Senator*

Jenna French, *Senator*

Valeria Estrada, *Senator*

Anthony Swanson, *Senator*

## *☞ Classified Senate 2020-2021*

Jeanne Stalker, *President*

Roslind Young, *Vice President*

Margarita Baez, *Secretary*

Dina Cousin, *Treasurer*

Jonathan Wax, *Activities Co-Coordinator*

Yesenia Haro, *Activities Co-Coordinator*

Sarah Cortez, *Activities Co-Coordinator*

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≈ *Board of Trustees*



**Thomas A. Nuris, *President***

Elected to the Board in November, 2018. Trustee Nuris resides in Daly City with his wife and three sons. He attended public schools in Daly City where he grew up, followed by receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree in Government from the University of San Francisco in 1975. Continuing on to the University of California-Hastings College of the Law, he received his Juris Doctorate in 1978, being admitted to the State Bar later that same year. Trustee Nuris thereafter established law offices in Daly City, where he presently continues a general civil practice of the law.



**Richard Holober, *Vice President-Clerk***

Richard Holober was elected to the Board in 1997 and has served as Board President in 2002 and 2008. He is the Executive Director of the Consumer Federation of California, a non-profit advocacy organization for consumer rights. Trustee Holober also serves on California Improving Access to Educational Opportunity and is a former member and president of the Millbrae Elementary District Board. He is a graduate of the University of Rochester.



**Maurice Goodman, *Trustee***

Elected November 2015, Maurice Goodman became the first African American to serve on the Board and, as a former student leader and product of the District, brings a unique perspective to the already progressive and student centered team. After completing degrees in Administration of Justice and Paralegal Studies at Skyline College, he went on to California State University, East Bay and received a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Working as an educator, he was elected to two terms of office on the South San Francisco Unified School District Board of Trustees and served as President twice.



**Lisa Petrides, *Trustee***

Elected to the College Board in November 2020, Lisa Petrides, Ph.D. is founder and CEO of the Institute for the Study of Knowledge Management in Education (ISKME), a San Mateo County-based education nonprofit dedicated to democratizing access to education and whose work inspires and supports educators to adopt Open Education through the practice of collaboration, organizational change, and continuous improvement. Petrides is a scholar and open educational resources (OER) expert who has helped lead the design of tools and strategies to create and support the field of OER. Her work also includes the development of ISKME's award winning OER Commons, a digital public library and collaboration platform that facilitates the discovery and improvement of high-quality digital resources that are free, openly licensed, and adaptable for a diverse range of learners.

## *Academic Leadership (cont.)*

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**John Pimentel**, *Trustee*

John co-founded and managed several businesses in the renewable energy and sustainability field. His companies built over \$1.5 billion in renewable energy infrastructure that annually displaces the equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> of over 100,000 cars. Prior to being an environmental entrepreneur, John worked with Bain & Company, a strategic management consulting firm. In the 1990's John was California's Deputy Secretary for Transportation overseeing Caltrans, Highway Patrol/State Police, and parts of the DMV. In that role John helped manage the rapid rebuilding of Southern California's freeways after the 1994 Northridge Earthquake, served on the Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and was Director of the Executive Fellows Program.



**Michael Claire**, *District Chancellor*

Michael Claire became Chancellor of the San Mateo County Community College District in July 2020, continuing an affiliation with the District that began in 1980 when he was a student at Cañada College. Mr. Claire joined the faculty at College of San Mateo in 1988 after working for a major public accounting firm. During his time as a faculty member, Mr. Claire represented the Academic Senate on many college committees and served as chair of CSM's Curriculum Committee.



**Jade Shonette**, *Student Trustee*

## *Associate Degrees*

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### ***3D Animation & Videogame Art - A.A.***

Elizabeth Anne Birdwell, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Ivy Annelisa Kaelin Wooldridge, *Magna Cum Laude*

### ***Accounting - A.S.***

Patricia Almira Cajayon Bulawan  
Daniel Ryan Canton  
Isela Cedeno, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Marleni Fuentes Molina, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Latonya D. Gist  
Betsy Latu  
Diane Marie Lopez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Daniela P. Prado  
Victor Alan Sanchez  
Eligio Tapia  
Christopher Jordan Walker, *Cum Laude*

### ***Administrative Assistant - A.S.***

Cynthia Nalleli Arias  
Tania Elena Pena Rubio, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Rochelle Stephens, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Melina Velez  
Raquel Villalobos Sarabia

### ***Administrative Support Assistant - A.S.***

Cynthia Nalleli Arias  
Rochelle Stephens, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Melina Velez

### ***Allied Health - A.S.***

Danae Chabeli Aguilar  
Nicholas Aguilar, *Cum Laude*  
Fiorella M. Almada, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Karen Barragan, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Jason Wayne Beard  
Christine Anne Vives Bridger  
Sean David Clifford  
Jackeline Denisse Coronado

Roman R. Cruz, *Magna Cum Laude*

Daniel Sungwoo David  
Bailey Rose Detmers  
Amanda V. Esquivel  
Katrina Isabella Fontana  
Lexine Magpile Francisco  
Anastasiya Garanchuk, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Leyha Garate Escribens  
Annmarie Getz, *Cum Laude*  
Valerie Kay Giordano, *Cum Laude*  
Tori Karen Goldman, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Marianna Gomez Lopez, *Cum Laude*  
Amanda Kaitlin Harper  
Irene Hernandez  
Lourdes A. Hernando  
Nelly M. Husary, *Cum Laude*  
Chloe Frances Iglehart, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Cassandra Yvette Juarez, *Cum Laude*  
Charlotte Marie Keefe, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Alexis T. Keel, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Alena Korot  
Brittney Leigh Liberati  
Victoria A. Lopez  
Janet Nabeel Madanat, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Ysel Marquez, *Cum Laude*  
Brittany Wei McOmber, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Emily Elizabeth Merin, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Magdiel Ortiz Diaz  
Brianna R. Peralta  
Talia Ariana Pleitez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Valerie Alexandra Poblete  
Sabrina Tatlonghari Reyes  
Jennifer Deanna Reynoso-Avina, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Wimeshi Sanjula Roberts, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Delaney Shannon Eve Robinson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Emma Louise Rowe, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Katherine M. Ruiz

## Associate Degrees (cont.)

Jasmilyn Cuellar Santos, *Cum Laude*  
Kathryn Spencer Schmuck  
Daniel F. Villa

### ***Anthropology - A.A.-T***

Eric Kevin Delgado  
Tenaya Geraldine Hamon, *Cum Laude*

### ***Art History - A.A.***

Galen Haecky Soleimanipour

### ***Biological Sciences - A.S.***

Judith C. Arias Escalona, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Erik Walter Hay, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Anurag Korti, *Cum Laude*  
Wina Montian, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Deanna Marie Pappas, *Cum Laude*  
Myah René Erica Pitter, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Sean Shukman, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kathy Vo  
Alejandro Yanez Lara, *Magna Cum Laude*

### ***Biology - A.S.-T***

Jesus Alvarez  
Elise Rebecca Baugh, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Alyssa Michelle Beasley, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Sarahi Cerna, *Cum Laude*  
Zia Moore, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Citlali Itzel Venegas, *Cum Laude*  
Mateo Antonio Villacorta, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Natalia Jenan Younan, *Cum Laude*

### ***Business Administration - A.S.***

Cynthia Abigail Alvarenga, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kathy Anne Borg, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Johanna Andrea Calderon Zamora  
Daniel Ryan Canton  
Mario Roberto Chavac  
Daniel Contreras

Janna Pamela Gomez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Laura Rose Leslie  
Carmelina Sofia Orozco  
Katelynn Tyler Rekow  
Victor Alan Sanchez  
Melina Velez  
Christopher Jordan Walker, *Cum Laude*

### ***Business Administration - A.S.-T***

Nicole Sarahi Acosta, *Cum Laude*  
Mohammad Ziad Albaghdadi  
Abraham Jordan Alesna, *Cum Laude*  
Natalia Alfonso, *Cum Laude*  
Cynthia Abigail Alvarenga, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Martov Alvarez  
Audrey Alvarez Gonzalez  
Wiktorina Anna Baran, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Brittany Alice Bassi, *Cum Laude*  
Kathy Anne Borg, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Ashantti Ilaiza Caravez  
Elise Anne Carlomagno, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Mario Roberto Chavac  
Bernardino Cisneros  
Nicole Marie Clary, *Cum Laude*  
Molly Renea Collins  
Perla E. Contreras  
Syanna Nicolette Coral  
Jason D. Dallimonti  
Adrianna Rosa Esparza  
Hadassa Nicole Fakalolo  
Sofia Fernandez Giorgi, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Sarah Dianne Greenbaum, *Cum Laude*  
Yadell Guadalupe Hernandez  
Caleb James Hodges, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Paola Azucena Ibarra  
Prakash Karki  
Pisith Keo, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Thomas John Kervick  
Nathan Philip Koeten

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Sheena S. Kong, *Cum Laude*  
Shyrin S. Kumar, *Cum Laude*  
Shilpa Lama, *Cum Laude*  
Diego Anderson Lauri  
Laura Rose Leslie  
Mauricio Noel Lopez, *Cum Laude*  
Uriel Manrique  
Enrique Marenco Jarquin, *Cum Laude*  
Kyle Allen Merin  
Samantha Karyn Moose, *Cum Laude*  
Ryota Nakashima, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Wuendi N. Ochoa Mendoza, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kyle Michael Orloff  
Carmelina Sofia Orozco  
Daniel J. Ortiz, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Erik Paul Pena, *Cum Laude*  
Catalina Brambila Perez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Mark Junior Posadas, *Cum Laude*  
Angel Pumacayo  
Edgar Ramos, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Katelynn Tyler Rekow  
Charlie Reyes Islas, *Cum Laude*  
Sella Rios Soto  
Joel Sanchez Cortes, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Tamara Schiessl, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Michael Masaki Shimono  
Nicholas Alexander Spagnoli, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Eligio Tapia  
Sivhong Te, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Christian Daniel Torres  
Kimberly Vanessa Torres  
Cassidy Grace Trizuto, *Cum Laude*  
Stephanie Valdes  
Melina Velez  
Mele Lupe Vete, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Lorenza Villanueva, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Christopher Jordan Walker, *Cum Laude*  
Lauryn Michelle Wang, *Magna Cum Laude*

Elena Rose Wyckoff, *Cum Laude*  
Yun Qi Zhuo, *Magna Cum Laude*

### ***Business Management - A.S.***

Daniel Ryan Canton  
Shyrin S. Kumar, *Cum Laude*

### ***Chemistry - A.S.***

Erik Walter Hay, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Wina Montian, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Citlali Itzel Venegas, *Cum Laude*  
Alejandro Yanez Lara, *Magna Cum Laude*

### ***Child and Adolescent Development - A.A.-T***

Mariaelena Arteaga  
Eliazar Jampier Buenrostro Garcia, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Amalia Guadalupe Capilla, *Cum Laude*  
Maria G. Economopoulos, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Sarah Liliana Espinoza, *Cum Laude*  
Kirstin Marie Gamez, *Cum Laude*  
Bridget Ashling Kelly  
Naomi Levine Sporer, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Hipolita N. Sanchez Hernandez  
Heather Anna Valverde

### ***Communication Studies - A.A.***

Anabel Ontiberos Barron  
Rebekah Carmen Corrales  
Emmanuel Lazo  
Ali Rodriguez

### ***Communication Studies - A.A.-T***

Kimberly Becerra, *Cum Laude*  
Bailey Edward Bowler, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Giana Marie Buranzon  
Erick Raul Corona  
Sandra Leticia Guardado-Nolan  
Ryan Elliott Huskey, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Emmanuel Lazo

## *Associate Degrees (cont.)*

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Arthur Magalhaes Machado, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Angelina Danielle Martinez-Lieb  
Nadia Jubilee Moreno, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Luis Carlos Pena  
Victoria Grace Pieri  
Maricela Rodriguez Solis  
Celeste Maria Safie, *Cum Laude*  
Marcus Diego Sosa, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Anahi Emilia Tabares, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Teodora Louise Thiele-Sardina  
Millie Khou Trin, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Sunny Ray Vander

### ***Computer Science - A.S.-T***

Andi Barron, *Cum Laude*  
Mostafa Bayat, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Monisakol Bun, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Christopher Alex Campos, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Adrien Carrou, *Cum Laude*  
Kennedy Alejandro Castillon-Jimenez  
Miguel E. Garalde Melo, *Cum Laude*  
Micaela Joy Lawingco  
Rafael Magana  
Ratish Sharma, *Cum Laude*  
Gabrielle Nicole Strick  
Justin Acuna Vicente, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Matthias Qi-Long Yeung, *Summa Cum Laude*

### ***Digital Art & Animation - A.A.***

Elizabeth Anne Birdwell, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Carolyn Marie Lewis  
Wesley Newton Mitchell  
Alejandro Martin Ortiz  
Marcia Sotil, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Marcos Leonel Vazquez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Ivy Annelisa Kaelin Wooldridge, *Magna Cum Laude*

### ***Early Childhood Education - A.S.***

Akshatha Acharya, *Magna Cum Laude*

Nicolette Terese Anderson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Heather Anduha  
Zuly Arroyo Chinchilla  
Rosa Lilia Ayala  
Samantha Ann Azevedo  
Olga V. Bac Rosales, *Cum Laude*  
Linda Patricia Barco Corado, *Cum Laude*  
Tori Nicole Barros, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Teresita D. Carlos, *Cum Laude*  
Maria Del C. Carmona  
Magali Corona  
Hailey Diaz Cristobal  
Luz M. Flores, *Cum Laude*  
Rosa Vilma Garcia, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Elvia R. Gastelum  
Daniela Z. Gil  
Brandy Lynn Johnson  
Kian Michelle Kawar, *Cum Laude*  
Alma Rosio Lopez  
Leslie Malqui  
Fabiola Marquez  
Kelsey Nicole Marshall  
Olmara Medina  
Vrinda Mushran, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Serafina Papi, *Cum Laude*  
Maria De Carmen Ramos  
Diana Maria Reyes  
Maricela Rodriguez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Fabiola Romero Rojas, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Bertha A. Sanchez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Lee Ann Schwartzman, *Cum Laude*  
Fatima G. Serrano R, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Susana Lizeth Veracruz DelValle  
Michael Connor Woods

### ***Early Childhood Education - A.S.-T***

Diana Alvarado  
Heather Anduha  
Jasmin Cardenas-Vargas

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Emelissa Ivette Duenas  
Sayra Y. Gutierrez  
Toiny Kandiwapa Ha, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Brandy Lynn Johnson  
Janet Reyes Lopez  
Olmar Medina  
Alyssa Jessica Milanese  
Malgorzata Morle, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Serafina Papi, *Cum Laude*  
Sireen N. Peter  
Diana Maria Reyes  
Ofelia K. Ruiz  
Bertha A. Sanchez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Antonia Sanchez Zamora  
Kaitlyn Teele

***Economics - A.A.***

Katherine Ramirez Agbulos  
Yagana Akbari  
Cynthia Abigail Alvarenga, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Brandon Michael Billesberger  
Kathy Anne Borg, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Daniel Ryan Canton  
Mario Roberto Chavac  
Latonya D. Gist  
Paola Azucena Ibarra  
Austin J. Lopacinski  
Carmelina Sofia Orozco  
Katelynn Tyler Rekow  
Sella Rios Soto  
Marcus Diego Sosa, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kyle Takuya Tam, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Melina Velez  
Lorenza Villanueva, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Yun Qi Zhuo, *Magna Cum Laude*

***Economics - A.A.-T***

Nicole Sarahi Acosta, *Cum Laude*  
Natalia Alfonso, *Cum Laude*

Cynthia Abigail Alvarenga, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Wiktorina Anna Baran, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kathy Anne Borg, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Ashantti Ilaiza Caravez  
Elise Anne Carlomagno, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Mario Roberto Chavac  
Syanna Nicolette Coral  
Hadassa Nicole Fakalolo  
Sofia Fernandez Giorgi, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Sarah Dianne Greenbaum, *Cum Laude*  
Caleb James Hodges, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Sheena S. Kong, *Cum Laude*  
Shilpa Lama, *Cum Laude*  
Alexander Lanza, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Grace Isabelle Ledwith, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Nicholas Michael Montalbano  
Carmelina Sofia Orozco  
Daniel Ortega, *Cum Laude*  
Erik Paul Pena, *Cum Laude*  
Angel Pumacayo  
Charlie Reyes Islas, *Cum Laude*  
Sella Rios Soto  
Michael Masaki Shimono  
Kimberly Vanessa Torres  
Melina Velez  
Mele Lupe Vete, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Christopher Jordan Walker, *Cum Laude*  
Lauryn Michelle Wang, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Elena Rose Wyckoff, *Cum Laude*  
Yun Qi Zhuo, *Magna Cum Laude*

***Engineering - A.S.***

Jose Geovany Acuna  
Joseph Daniel Aguila  
Eric Kevin Delgado  
Jose Fajardo  
Sepehr Pazoki



## Associate Degrees (cont.)

### **English - A.A.**

Marleni Fuentes Molina, *Magna Cum Laude*

Brenda Celeste Trujillo, *Cum Laude*

### **English - A.A.-T**

David A. Contreras, *Magna Cum Laude*

Zackary Alessio Hage, *Cum Laude*

Brenda Celeste Trujillo, *Cum Laude*

### **Entrepreneurship & Small Business Management - A.S.**

Diego Anderson Lauri

Tania Elena Pena Rubio, *Magna Cum Laude*

### **Fashion Design: Technical (Apparel Industry Oriented) - A.S.**

Amaya Elena Santana

### **Fashion Design: Theater Costuming - A.S.**

Paige Nicole Mughannam, *Magna Cum Laude*

Kristina Elizabeth Wherry, *Magna Cum Laude*

### **Fashion Merchandising - A.S.**

Valentina Andrea Krysko

Jeanette Woods

### **Geography - A.A**

Sophia Test, *Cum Laude*

### **History- A.A**

Bryan F. Jackson

### **History - A.A.-T**

Nicholas A. Khatri, *Magna Cum Laude*

John Erich Spencer La Grill

Andrea Perez Agredano

Jacob Micheal Seymour

### **Human Services - A.S.**

Rosa Lilia Ayala

Mary Granados, *Magna Cum Laude*

Yuliana Isabel Jauregui Cisneros

### **Interdisciplinary Studies with Emphasis in Arts & Humanities - A.A.**

Jose Geovany Acuna

Myla Corcega Cayco

Fernando Gutierrez-Garcia, *Cum Laude*

Maria L. Guzman, *Cum Laude*

Nigel Leone Hawkins, *Magna Cum Laude*

Diana Dee Heiman

Carla Beatriz Paniagua

Sara Rachelle Saperstein

Esmeralda Sanchez

Richard Luke Saroyan, *Cum Laude*

Martha Erika Segura

Siobhan E. Smith, *Magna Cum Laude*

Colby Michelle Zeltmann

### **Interdisciplinary Studies with Emphasis in Natural Science & Mathematics - A.A.**

Joseph Daniel Aguila

Nicholas Aguilar, *Cum Laude*

Rhea Alexander

Rommel Senica Aquino

Ashley Lynn Chow

Eric Kevin Delgado

Jose Fajardo

Marta E. Guardado, *Magna Cum Laude*

Amanda Kaitlin Harper

Erik Walter Hay, *Magna Cum Laude*

Irene Hernandez

Lourdes A. Hernando

Alena Korot

Lata 'Ia Lovely Romo Laiseni, *Magna Cum Laude*

Manuel Leon

Brittney Leigh Liberati

Janet Nabeel Madanat, *Magna Cum Laude*

Daniel E. Martinez, *Magna Cum Laude*

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Brittany Wei McOmber, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Deanna Marie Pappas, *Cum Laude*  
Myah Reneé Erica Pitter, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Adrian Posadas, *Cum Laude*  
Jennifer Deanna Reynoso-Avina, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Andreas Robert Rice  
Sara Rachel Saperstein  
Aurelia Rose Scanlon, *Cum Laude*  
Kathryn Spencer Schmuck  
Frank Joseph Sisca  
Citlali Itzel Venegas, *Cum Laude*

***Interdisciplinary Studies with Emphasis in  
Social & Behavioral Sciences - A.A.***

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## ***Digital Art & Animation***

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### ***Fashion Design: Technical (Apparel Industry Oriented)***

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### ***Fashion Merchandising***

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### ***Human Services: Family Development***

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Roxanne Deborah Medina  
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***University Transfer: IGETC UC GE***

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Jesus Alvarez  
Meddy Dee Gwvynn Andaya  
Alyssa Michelle Beasley  
Julia Marie Bustos  
Ashantti Ilaiza Caravez  
Elise Anne Carlomagno  
Emily Elena Casillas  
Mario Roberto Chavac  
David A. Contreras  
Jaynar De La Cruz Ochoa  
Tai Nathaniel Garcia  
John Kenneth Gardner  
Emily Isabel Gavidia  
Antonio Julian Godinez  
Jacqueline Hernandez  
Alex Hernandez Lemus  
Aimee Sumire Kanadjian  
Nicholas A. Khatri  
Angel Alberto Merlos  
Nadia Jubilee Moreno  
Wuendi N. Ochoa Mendoza

## *Certificates (cont.)*

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Thanasis Peter Papakostas  
Deanna Marie Pappas  
Citlaly Perez  
Monserrat Perez  
Jenny Maria Ruiz-Venegas  
Daniela Lizeth Sanchez Sevilla  
Anahi Emilia Tabares  
Anthony Hoaleung Tam  
Jordy Tinajero  
Brenda Celeste Trujillo  
Mele Lupe Vete  
Lauryn Michelle Wang  
Amanda Michelle Zollars

### ***Web Design***

Alessandro Vittorio Riva  
Marcia Sotil



# *Scholarship & Award Recipients*

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## ***American Association of University Women Ethel Gayman Endowment Scholarship***

Wuendi Ochoa Mendoza

Anahi Tabares

## ***Anne Marquart Scholarship***

Etivise Latu

## ***Assistance League of San Mateo County***

Elia Plancarte

Stephanie Vazquez

## ***Associated Students of Cañada College Senate Leadership Award***

Student Senate Executive Board

Leadership Scholarship:

Katelyn Chen

Sofia Fernandez Giorgi

Nadia Moreno

Liuyi Zhang

Exemplary Student Life and Leadership  
Scholarship:

Adrian Afif

Jade Shonette Culmer

Aimée Kanadjian

## ***Associated Students of Cañada College Jose Felix Mayen Transfer Leadership Award***

Wina Montian

## ***Atkinson Foundation Scholarship***

Yadira Acosta Tena

Salvador Cardenas

Andrea Figueroa

Aida Gonzales

Cristian Jimenez

Kerolos Khalil

Moises Lopez

Yeny Ramos

Jaime Rodriguez

Jenny Salazar Mena

## ***Barbara McCarthy Scholarship***

Ntsakisi Mkansi

Jesus Reyes

## ***Big Smile Scholarship***

Rochelle Abrams

## ***Cañada Accounting Scholarship***

Mark Posadas

## ***Cañada Book Scholarship***

Alejandra Perez

## ***Cañada College Honors Transfer Scholarship***

Sofía Fernández Giorgi

## ***Cañada College Learning Center Awards***

Elise Carlomagno - Tutor Recognition Award

Diana Castro - Outstanding Front Counter

Support Award

Naomi Zarzecki - Outstanding Front Counter

Support Award

Kevin Durham - Outstanding Tutor Award

## ***Cañada College Learning Center Scholarship***

Salvador Cardenas

Pisith Keo

## ***Cañada Fashion Department Scholarship***

Valentina Krysko

## ***Cañada STEM Scholarship***

Cristian Jimenez

Citlali Venegas

Alejandro Yanez Lara

## *Scholarship & Award Recipients (cont.)*

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### ***Carl E. Ward Scholarship***

Pei-Tzu Hung

### ***Castillo Scholarship***

Emily Gavidia

Emma Mayoral

Andrea Perez Agredano

Mark Posadas

Esmeralda Sanchez

### ***Christine Ryland Scholarship***

Jennifer Reynoso-Avina

### ***Classified Senate of Cañada Scholarship***

Maria Solorzano

### ***Connie Barthold Scholarship***

Jeison Velasquez

### ***CSEA Chapter 33 Scholarship***

Jenny Salazar Mena

### ***Dale & Helen Mersereau Scholarship***

Ayla Bulut

Gladys Cotrina

Narsiso Crus Menjivar

Venezia De Los Santos

Sumaya Eskariyat

Eneyda Esteban

Ahmad Fallaha

Luke Fanguna

Carmel Franco

Tori Goldman

Lata Laiseni

Anthony Leon Chumptazi

Cristina Mozo

Kendra Palacios

Abish Palafox Huerta

Delicia Pennix

Oriana Rico Ruiz

Omar Zaro

Naomi Zarzecki

Jirou Zhang

### ***Danny Carlos Memorial Scholarship***

Lata Laiseni

### ***Darryl Usher Memorial Scholarship***

Jessica Shin

### ***Dr. Genevieve H. Cory Interior Design Scholarship***

Eloisa Duarte Lopez

### ***Dr. Steven Shire Memorial Scholarship***

Marcia Sotil

### ***ECE Student Scholarship***

Angela Martin

### ***Edward Barthold Scholarship***

Abdel Rahman Zaro

### ***Eleanore D. Nettle Scholarship***

Maria Aguilar

### ***Elizabeth Egan Scholarship in Art***

Luis Romero

### ***F.L. Griffin Scholarship***

Diana Castro

### ***Gerald Messner/Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship***

Marcia Sotil

### ***Gus Pagels Scholarship***

Narciso Crus Menjivar

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***Hamilton Family Award for Excellence in STEM Scholarship***

Judith Arias Escalona – Continuing Student Award

Talia Dorian – Transferring Student Award

***Hamilton Family Chancellor's Scholarship***

Deanna Lynch

***Helen Hausman Scholarship***

Maria Aguilar

***Hewett-Berdon Memorial Scholarship***

Oriana Rico Ruiz

***Hobach Family Endowed Scholarship***

Brittney Samora-Delgadillo

***Humanities & Social Sciences Scholarship***

Nigel Hawkins

Anahi Tabares

***Iliff Scholarship***

Pisith Keo

***Jean Evelyn Letsinger Scholarship***

Nadia Moreno

***Karl S. Pister Leadership Scholarship, UCSC***

Wuendi Ochoa Mendoza

***Kitchen & Bath Design Student Scholarship***

Dulce Herrejon

***Laura Hill Griffin Scholarship***

Alejandra Farfan

***Lewis Family STEM Scholarship***

Eric Delgado

***Mary Topalis Trust for CSM and Cañada Nursing Scholarship***

Miriam Alegre Antezana

Magdiel Ortiz Diaz

Wimeshi Roberts

Helene Sirini

***Nature-Ecology Preservation Scholarship***

Pei-Tzu Hung

***Nellie Leong Scholarship***

Jessica Avila Vasquez

Sofia Fernández Giorgi

Abdulkader Hasbini

Joshua Klootwyk

Angelica Pereda

Alejandra Perez

Cassidy Trizuto

Axel Valle

Anna Yakovleva

***Oscar Siguenza Memorial Scholarship***

Jamon Roberts

Jeison Velasquez

***Osber Scholars Endowment Scholarship***

Arlexy Angulo

Judith Arias Escalona

Sarah Detrinidad

Birsen Kaygisiz

Monica Madriz Corona

Fernanda Reyes

***Pat Hanada Classified Service Scholarship***

Simone Filipazzi



## *Scholarship & Award Recipients (cont.)*

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### ***Private Client Reserve Scholarship***

Matthew Aguilera

Adriana Garcia

### ***Redwood City Citizens Against Racism Scholarship***

Jade Shonette Culmer

### ***Robert & Toni Oyster Endowed Scholarship***

Nigel Hawkins

### ***Robert Stiff Scholarship***

Yasaman Kashaniamin

### ***San Francisco Benefactor Nursing Scholarship***

Wimeshi Roberts

### ***San Mateo County Community Colleges Foundation Scholarship***

Josue Aguilar Mejia

Vianey Barroso Villa

Elise Baugh

Eliazar Buenrostro Garcia

Monisakol Bun

Irina Bychkova

Amalia Capilla

Daesha Chan

Mario Chavac

Christian Chavez-Cabello

Katelyn Chen

Carmen Contreras

Talia Dorian

Zuzanna Dziejewicka

Edwin Galicia

Adriana Garcia

Jose Hernandez Sebastian

Pisith Keo

Sheena Kong

Kasea Lamson

Suzzy Landeros

Monique Lim

Angela Martin

Daniel Martinez

Katherine Milla

Leticia Moreno

Alexander Nevarez

Clara Orobio Olvera

Diana Ortiz

Janette Rayo

Jennifer Reynoso-Avila

Andreas Rice

Karen Rico

Ruby Rubio

Angelina Sainez

Hipolita Sanchez Hernandez

Daniela Sanchez Sevilla

Noralyn Sangalang

Belal Shehadeh

Daisy Tuulaupua

Cristian Vasquez

Citlali Venegas

Lorenza Villanueva

Natalia Younan

Jannelle Zamora

Liuyi Zhang

### ***San Mateo Credit Union Scholarship***

Aimée Kanadjian

### ***Sara Boddinhouse Coastsideside Scholarship***

Stephanie Vazquez

### ***SMCCCD Bookstores Textbook Scholarship***

Anthony Leon Chumtazi

Omar Zaro

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***SMCCCD Retirees' Scholarship***

Jade Shonette Culmer  
Wina Montian  
Jamon Roberts  
Mario Silva

***SMCCCF General Scholarship***

Adrian Afif  
Jesus Alvarez  
Kayla Benitez Espinoza  
Edwin Cabrera Gonzalez  
Hadassa Fakalolo  
Jessica Fernandez  
Yareli Fernandez Lara  
Simone Filippazzi  
Karla Gaytan Oseguera  
Dazlyn Mangrum  
Patricia Mendoza  
Ntsakisi Mkansi  
Nadia Moreno  
Jessica Silva Reyes  
Vilma Valdes

***Social Sciences of Cañada College  
Scholarship***

Nigel Hawkins  
Anahi Tabares

***Susan Yoshimura Scholarship***

Monica Madriz Corona

***Thomas C. Mohr Memorial Scholarship***

Myah Pitter

***Toby Merman Memorial Scholarship in  
Interior Design***

Eloisa Duarte Lopez

***Tom Mohr Presidential Scholarship***

Aimée Kanadjian

***University Pathway Scholarship***

Robert Baiata  
Nancy Garcia

***Virginia Hudson Memorial Scholarship***

Marcia Sotil

***Women in Gaming/3-D Animation/  
Multimedia Scholarship***

Marcia Sotil



## *Class of 2021 Valedictorians*

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We are proud to recognize the Class of 2021 Valedictorians.



### ≈ *Fiorella M. Almada*

After Cañada College, Fiorella will be attending San Francisco State University and getting a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting. After that, she plans to become a Certified Public Accountant and pursue a Master's Degree later on. Cañada has helped Fiorella get one step closer to accomplishing these goals by providing flexible and affordable education.



### ≈ *Elise Carlomagno*

After graduation, Elise plans to start at the University of San Diego (USD) in either the fall or winter. At USD, she will pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Economics and a minor in Finance. Elise hopes to take some time off this summer to relax, enjoy life with her family and loved ones, and recharge before she begins this next chapter of life that Cañada College has prepared her for.



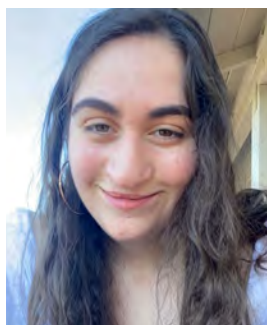
### ≈ *Allyson Chan*

After graduation, Allyson plans on attending a four-year college in California. Allyson is grateful for the support of her professors and peers at Cañada College and looks forward to the next steps in her educational career.



≈ *Anastasiya Garanchuk*

SMCCCD guided Anastasiya through her educational journey by providing highly professional professors, counselors, and members of staff. Cañada College was her first step towards her goal, which is to transfer to a university. In fall 2021, she will begin her new path as Health Educator at San Francisco State University! Anastasiya is very grateful for every single day she spent as a student at SMCCCD.



≈ *Alexandra Grace Hamdun*

After graduation, Alexandra will be attending a four-year university in California and furthering her studies in Psychology and Sociology. Cañada College was the catalyst for all of her success, and she is beyond grateful for the opportunity to continue with her educational journey and expand her knowledge. It is a privilege and honor to get an education, and Alexandra's eagerness to learn will always be a part of her; and she is hopeful and prepared for whatever the future may have in store.



≈ *Maya Hsu*

In the fall, Maya will be attending a UC school to study Political Science. Being at Cañada College has allowed her to discover her passions, hone her skills, and grow as a student. Maya is deeply grateful for all of her wonderful professors at Cañada College who have supported her through her academic journey.

## *Class of 2021 Valedictorians (cont.)*

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### ≈ *Pisith Keo*

As a Business major, the educational wealth that Pisith acquired at Cañada College has prepared him to achieve his future career goals in the professional environment. By participating in various student involvement programs, he has seen significant improvements to his academic performance and leadership skill. He is planning to transfer to a prestigious four-years university to attain his Bachelor's Degree, and pursuing further education for a Master's Degree in Business.



### ≈ *Katherine Fabiola Milla*

Katherine will receive Associate of Arts Degrees in Psychology and Sociology. Cañada College has provided her with valuable knowledge taught by exceptional professors with whom she has been able to create academic relationships, and it has given Katherine the opportunity to further develop her skills through mentoring, clubs, and many other programs. Thanks to this, Katherine is now able to transfer to a 4-year institution to continue to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology.



### ≈ *Vrinda Mushran*

Vrinda has had two careers now with the help of Cañada College, one in software development (1997+) and now in Early Childhood Education (2017+). Being an immigrant in this country, what she has appreciated the most about Cañada College and the larger San Mateo County Community Colleges network is the ability to explore areas of study at an affordable price. Due to this, she was able to get a Certificate in Application Development that led her to a successful software development career for 18 years. When she decided to teach and start her own preschool program, she returned to Cañada College to complete her Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education. She has nothing but the highest regard for the faculty at Cañada College who have supported her in achieving her educational goals.



≈ *Kaisen Yao*

As an international student at Cañada College, Kaisen strived to accomplish his academic goals. While attending Cañada College, Kaisen actively participated in various extracurricular activities and leadership projects. After graduating, Kaisen plans to transfer to a four-year university where he will continue to develop his strengths.



≈ *Matt Yeung*

Matt is graduating this year with an AS-T in Math, Physics and Computer Science. He plans on transferring to UCLA in fall 2021, and he hopes to achieve a Master's Degree in Physics as well as a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science. Cañada College has helped him refocus on his interests by giving him breathing room to explore his hobbies and who he is as a person, and he is incredibly grateful.



## *President's Student Leadership Award*

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### *~ Nigel Hawkins*

Nigel Hawkins is an East Palo Alto, Calif. native and started at Cañada College in 2019. He will be earning his Sociology, Psychology and Interdisciplinary Studies Degrees this semester and will transfer to a four-year university in the Fall. His goals are to earn his Bachelor's in Sociology and go onto graduate school for his Master's Degree.

During his time at Cañada College, Nigel Hawkins has been involved in a number of organizations, programs, and learning communities. As the President of Cañada's Black Student Union (BSU), he presented their list of demands to the Board of Trustees and the District, which was then approved. Nigel also organized a BSU Black Student Excellence: Past & Present which featured a

student panel of current and former Black Cañadians that shared their experiences.

Nigel has a passion for social justice, equity and creating culturally diverse communities for all people regardless of their backgrounds or identities. He recently spoke on bringing light to social issues on campus in regards to racism. He has kept his dreams and ideas at the forefront in hopes to not only ensure that there is a safe community base at Cañada for Black people and people of color; but to raise awareness that Black history is an important subject and should be an integral part of our curriculum. For without Black history, there is no history.

In addition, Nigel is a Phi Theta Kappa member, in the Transfer Honors Program and has been on the Dean's List five times. In Spring 2021, he was selected to present his paper "They'd Rather Us Dead," an analysis of the works of James Baldwin and the impact of the 1950's Heroin Epidemic, at the Berkeley Honors Symposium. That same semester it was published as an article in ThinkU.

## *Class of 2021 Student Speakers*

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### ≈ *Aimée Kanadjian*

During her time at Cañada College, Aimée Kanadjian served as a Student Senator for the Associated Students of Cañada College, chaired the Campus Inclusion Team Initiative, completed the Honors Transfer Program, was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, was a Promise Scholar, worked as a Mental Health Peer Educator, and was Vice President of Active Minds at Cañada. Aimée will be transferring to the University of California, Los Angeles to complete her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and plans to pursue graduate education and a career in Speech Pathology.



### ≈ *Naomi Levine Sporer*

Naomi Levine Sporer has known her entire life that she wanted to become a teacher. With the help of her teachers at Cañada College, she gained many skills in her classes but especially in the Early Education Classes which she will use in the future as she continues her education to become a teacher. During her time at Cañada she was a part of the Educators Now Club. The club wrote and published a children's book, *Adventures of the Mighty-Five: Fighting Corvin and the Creeps*, which teaches children how to respond to a worldwide pandemic. Naomi will receive an Associate in Science Degree from Cañada and transfer to California State University, Northridge to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Child and Adolescent Development and also obtain a teaching credential.



## *Academic Regalia*

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The colorful attire worn by the graduates, the faculty and officers of the College on the occasion of Commencement has historic roots in medieval times. A statute in 1321 required that all “Doctors, Licentiates and Bachelors” of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. Academic attire began to appear on United States campuses in the late 1890’s. A conference was held in May of 1895 at Columbia University with college representatives to establish a code of regalia for American colleges and universities. Since then there have been a few revisions, but what remains is a tradition of colors found in gowns, hoods and caps.

The faculty Grand Marshal will carry an academic mace at today’s ceremony. The academic mace, first used in the 14th century, is descended from the club of Hercules. The scepter on the mace stands for lawful power and regal authority, and was carried by Zeus, the Greek God of moral law and order. Cañada’s mace is made primarily of Red Oak with Olivewood embellishments. These are two trees which are abundant on the Cañada College campus.

Bachelor’s and Master’s gowns show pointed sleeves, open yokes and no trimmings. Doctoral gowns have bell shaped sleeves and velvet trimming. Hoods are worn over the gown to designate bachelor’s, master’s or doctoral degrees. Hoods are not worn for associate degrees. Inside all hoods are the colors of the college or university granting the degree. The colored velvet binding or edging of the hood is determined by the degree subject awarded.

Agriculture – Maize  
Arts, Letters & Humanities – White  
Commerce, Accountancy & Business – Drab  
Dentistry – Lilac  
Economics – Copper  
Education – Light Blue  
Engineering – Orange  
Fine Arts, including Architecture – Brown  
Forestry – Russet  
Journalism – Crimson  
Law – Purple  
Library Science – Lemon  
Medicine – Green

Music – Pink  
Nursing – Apricot  
Oratory/Speech – Silver Gray  
Pharmacy – Olive Green  
Philosophy – Dark Blue  
Physical Education – Sage Green  
Public Administration – Peacock Blue  
Public Health – Salmon Pink  
Science – Golden Yellow  
Social Work – Citron  
Theology – Scarlet  
Veterinary Science – Gray

## *Cañada Honor Sashes*

Students graduating with Honors designations are awarded sashes which signify their level of academic achievement. Students who are graduating with Summa Cum Laude designation (4.0 cumulative GPA) receive a gold sash; students graduating with Magna Cum Laude designation (3.5 and above cumulative GPA) receive a silver sash, students graduating with Cum Laude designation (3.3 and above cumulative GPA) receive a bronze sash. Students who are eligible for Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society receive a gold PTK sash.

## *History of Cañada College*

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Cañada College opened in 1968 as part of the three-school San Mateo County Community College District. Cañada offers hundreds of academic, transfer and career classes during the day, in the evening and on weekends. With more than 6,000 students, Cañada is recognized as one of the top community colleges in northern California for successful transfer rates and degree completion. As a federally designated Hispanic Serving Institution, Cañada provides a rich and diverse environment for students of all ages and backgrounds. The primary service area for the college is the southern portion of San Mateo County, Redwood City, East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, San Carlos, Atherton, Portola Valley, La Honda, Woodside, Half Moon Bay, and Pescadero.

Cañada College is one of the smallest community colleges in the Bay Area enabling it to meet its mission of ensuring that students from diverse backgrounds achieve their educational goals by providing quality instruction in transfer and general education classes, workforce programs, and basic skills. The college has historically been rated as one of the best community colleges in Northern California in transferring student to four-year colleges and universities. Student find excellent educational programs and a highly respected two-year general education program as well as workforce training in an array of fields including, Computer Information Systems, Radiologic Technology, Fashion Design, Interior Design, Business, Engineering, Multimedia, Technology, Paralegal, Human Services, Medical Assisting and Business/Office Technology.

In 2001, Cañada College opened its University Center where students can earn bachelor's degrees in nursing, early childhood development, business administration, and liberal studies, and an executive master's degree in business administration. Cañada College was the first California community college to develop a University Center.

## *In Memoriam*

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The Class of 2021 honors the memory of six members of our Cañada family. They are in our hearts today.



### ≈ *Dora Collado*

Professor Dora Collado was an Adjunct Professor at Cañada College from 2001 to 2019. She was recruited for a special pilot project between Cañada and El Concilio of San Mateo, for the non-native Hispanic students in Family Development and PEEP (Promoter Education and Employment Project). She worked at the County of San Mateo-Human Services Agency for more than 25 years. Many clients in Human Services became students at Cañada due to her recommendation and role modeling. Born and raised in Lima, Peru, Dora graduated from Lima University with a BA in Business Administration and Public Relations.

She moved to San Francisco to attend Dominican University in Marin County to receive an MA in Public Administration.



### ≈ *Coach Jerry Drever*

Coach Jerry Drever, a beloved member of the 2013 Cañada Hall of Fame class, passed away on November 4, 2020. Coach Drever began coaching and teaching at Cañada College in 1968, where he started the basketball program and coached the team until 1976. He also started the Golf program in 1973 where he remained as coach until 1992. His golf teams won five conference championships, three Nor-Cal Team Championships and the California State Team Championship in 1988. Coach Drever holds the unique distinction of being the only person to win the California Community College Golf Championship as both

player and coach. He was named Golf Coach of the Year in 1988 by the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCCAA). A mentor to many, and a pillar within the Cañada College Athletics Department, the College is grateful for Coach Drever's passion, humility and work towards the building of a better future for Cañada's student athletes.



≈ *Tom Mohr*

Long-time education and community leader, Tom Mohr, passed away on November 4, 2020. After his retirement as Superintendent of the San Mateo Union High School District in 2004, Tom served as President at Cañada College for six years and as a Trustee of the San Mateo County Community College District for four years until his retirement in 2018. He also served on a multitude of boards, commissions and committees and received countless awards and recognitions over his five decades of public and community service.

Tom was a mentor to countless teachers and educational professionals throughout the county. He was an advocate for equity, diversity, fairness and social justice, and a man of deep integrity and compassion; he was a true humanitarian. Tom had unwavering principles in protecting and promoting the needs of underserved, disadvantaged, and marginalized people throughout the community and he never lost sight of the need to have tough conversations and make difficult decisions in order to do the right thing to help people. Always a perpetual student, Tom was a voracious reader and consumer of information and he was learning until his last day. He will have a lasting effect on the world and on Cañada College.



≈ *Dr. Gena Rhodes*

Dr. Gena Rhodes joined Cañada College in 2010 and had a passion for serving students, supporting their holistic health, and promoting campus well-being with equity at the center of her practice as a personal counselor and educator. She was a full-time counselor in the College Personal Counseling Center and served an interim role as the Director of both the Disability Resource Center and Personal Counseling Center prior to returning to her counselor role in Spring 2020. Dr. Rhodes built many long-lasting relationships over the years, and supported many students along the way.

## *In Memoriam (cont.)*

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### ≈ *Coach Silvano Vial*

Cañada College Coach Silvano Vial, who was Head Men's Soccer Coach from 1969–1982, passed away in March 2021. During Cañada's inaugural year in 1968, Coach Vial was hired as one of the first Fitness Instructors for the PE Department. He led the Colts in back-to-back State Championships in 1969 and 1970. In 1971 the Colts were state finalists and then won the State Championship again in 1972. In all, Coach Vial's teams won eight conference titles, five Northern California Championships and played in four State Championship games. Before coaching soccer, Coach Vial was an outstanding football player. A three-sport star and Hall of Famer at Serra High School, Sil went on to play quarterback at the University of Idaho where he was elected team captain and led the Vandals in total yardage in 1960. He created and produced the Gym Tone fitness bar and was also the co-founder of the Fitness for Life Institute at Cañada College.



### ≈ *Jane Weidman*

Former Cañada Faculty member, Jane Weidman, who worked at Cañada College for 24 years and retired in 1999, passed away in March 2021. Jane was as an English/Reading Professor at Cañada and enjoyed running the Women's Reentry Program. She was a critical force in launching the Cañada College Learning Center. In 1989, Jane co-founded the Trivia Bee, an annual fundraiser at Cañada College for the Redwood City Friends of Literacy. The Trivia Bee served as a successful model for many other non-profit organizations throughout the country. In her post-retirement years, Jane found enormous joy in her work on the Board of Project Read, the Redwood City Friends of Literacy Program. Her work in the Redwood City County Jail training inmates who could read how to become literacy tutors for their fellow inmates who could not was one of the greatest periods of fulfillment in her life.

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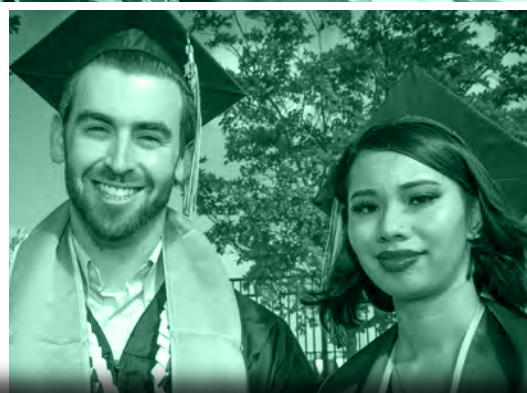
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Thank you to these individuals and groups for their planning and efforts to make today's Commencement Ceremony memorable and meaningful for our graduates, their families and guests.

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SMCCCD Facilities Planning and Operations  
Cañada Marketing  
Cañada Student Senate for Spanish Translation  
College of San Mateo Theatre  
Full Measure  
SMCCCD Information Technology Services  
SMCCCD Public Safety

### **Commencement Committee:**

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Wissem Bennani  
Linda Bertellotti  
Rachel Corrales  
Max Hartman  
Debbie Joy  
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Jai Kumar  
Maria Lara  
Anthony Lim  
Graciano Mendoza  
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