



2025

**JORDAN COLLEGE OF
AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
AND TECHNOLOGY**

Message from the Deans

Dear Graduates:

As we eagerly anticipate this joyous occasion, our faculty, staff, University President, and Provost are excited to join in celebrating the achievements of our students.

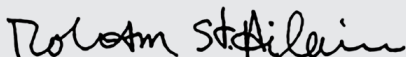
Consequently, I wish that every student relishes this significant milestone. We recognize the hard work and persistence demonstrated in 16 or more years of formal education.

On behalf of our faculty and staff, I thank you for choosing to continue your education at Fresno State in the Jordan College. This ceremony recognizes your completion of a university degree that can open so many doors for you. The opportunities ahead will allow you to make a difference in the world.

For those who are family, friends, and well-wishers of our graduates, we recognize you for your support and encouragement.

Thank you for entrusting the education of these graduates to us, and helping us celebrate them as they continue a new journey beyond the university.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rolston St. Hilaire". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rolston" and last name "St. Hilaire" clearly legible.

Dr. Rolston St. Hilaire
Dean, Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology

Dr. Steven Rocca
Associate Dean, Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology

Program

Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology – 2025

National Anthem and Alma Mater Vocalist

Dr. Erin Stafford Dormedy

Mace Bearer

Dr. Sharon Benes

Dean's Address

Dr. Rolston St. Hilaire

Associated Students, Inc. Address

Faith Van Hoven, ASI President

President's Address

Dr. Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval, President, California State University, Fresno

Recognition of Honorary Doctorate Recipient

Dr. Dennis Sam Parnagian

Recognition of Jordan College Dean's Medalists

Recognition of Jordan College's Outstanding Thesis and Project

Recognition of Jordan College Honors Cohort Members

Presentation of Graduates by Department Chairs/Coordinators

Dr. Srinivasa Konduru

Department of Agricultural Business

Dr. Annette Levi

Department of Animal Sciences and
Agricultural Education

Dr. Erin Stafford Dormedy

Department of Food Science and Nutrition

Dr. Arun Nambiar

Department of Industrial Technology

Dr. John Bushoven

Department of Plant Science

Dr. Sonet Van Zyl

Department of Viticulture and Enology

Conferral of Degrees

President Dr. Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval and Dean Rolston St. Hilaire

Jordan College Outstanding Graduates 2025

Graduate Dean's Medalist

Mauricio Soriano
M.S. Plant Science

Undergraduate Dean's Medalist

Vanessa Jauregui-Salgado
B.S. in Agricultural Business
Minor in Precision Agriculture Technology

Outstanding Project

Kaitlynn Linderholm
M.S. Animal Sciences and Agricultural Education

Outstanding Thesis

Katherine Nathania
M.S. Food Science and Nutrition

Standard Bearers

Hannah Chamberlin (Undergraduate)
B.S. Plant Science

Katherine Nathania (Graduate)
M.S. Food Science and Nutrition

Department Outstanding Graduates

Agricultural Business

Kent Harris (Undergraduate)

Animal Science and Agricultural Education

Madeline Henson (Undergraduate)
Hannah Williamson (Graduate)

Food Science and Nutrition

Kaylin Prayitno (Undergraduate)
Katherine Nathania (Graduate)

Industrial Technology

Mauricio Vargas (Undergraduate)
Tanmay Parkar (Graduate)

Plant Science

Hannah Chamberlin (Undergraduate)
Victoria De Leon (Graduate)

Viticulture & Enology

Quinn Cahoon (Graduate)
Malia Mora (Undergraduate)

Jordan College Honors Program



The Jordan College Honors Program provides accomplished students an opportunity for advanced interdisciplinary study and engagement with a faculty mentor on a research or scholarly project.

The program consists of a three-semester commitment, beginning with a 3-unit honors seminar taken in the second semester of junior year.

This is followed by a 3-unit independent study with a faculty mentor to work on a research project in the first semester of senior year.

Finally, a 3-unit honors colloquium in the second semester of their senior year serves as a culminating experience where they make a public presentation of their research or scholarly project.

We are proud to honor our 10th cohort at today's convocation.

They are listed here with their faculty mentor and the titles of their research projects.



Jordan College Honors Cohort 10 Research Projects

Chelsea Castillo Najera

(Pre-Veterinary, Mentor: Dr. Katy Tarrant): *Impact of Environmental Enrichments on Litter Moisture.*

Hannah Chamberlin

(Plant Science, Mentor: Dr. Florence Cassel): *Evaluation of the Efficacy of a Cytokinin-Based Biostimulant on Yield and Quality of Processing Tomato Subject to Deficit Irrigation.*

Daniella Garcia

(Agricultural Education, Mentor: Dr. Sam Rodriguez): *Pre-Service Agriculture Teachers' Perceived Self-Efficacy in Teaching Agriculture Mechanics at California State University, Fresno.*

Donnel Gray

(Pre-Veterinary, Mentor: Dr. Gayle O'Bannon): *Evaluation of Corn Supplementation in a Fixed-Formula Diet for Sheep.*

Cameron Ivy

(Agricultural Education, Mentor: Dr. Sharon Freeman): *Evaluating Soft-Skill Development for Students Participating in the Agricultural Career Readiness Skills Certificate Pathway for the 21st Century (ACRS21) and FARMS programs.*

Rachel Mancebo

(Agricultural Education, Mentor: Dr. Steven Rocca): *Examining the Sustainable Agriculture Values and Demographic Characteristics of Gen Z Undergraduates in an Agriculture College.*

Paige Ounesavath

(Human Nutritional Science, Mentor: Dr. Shabnam Pooya): *Melanocortin 4 Receptor Gene Variants and Their Impact on Metabolic Health in Overweight and Obese Fresno State Students.*

Kaylin Prayitno

(Food Science and Nutrition-Culinology, Mentor Dr. Jamie Levitt): *Assessing the Educational and Training Needs of U.S. Dairy Processors.*

Mallory Sutherland

(Agricultural Business, Mentor: Dr. Serhat Ascii): *Consumption of Fresh Produce and its Correlation to Food Insecurity in the Central Valley.*

Emma Tripp

(Agricultural Education, Mentor: Dr. Sharon Freeman): *Evaluating the Effectiveness of a Marketing Campaign for the Agricultural Career Readiness Skill Certificate Pathway for the 21st Century (ACRS21).*



Graduate Dean's Medalist **Mauricio Soriano, Plant Science**

The Santa Maria native is a first-generation college student with a 3.58 GPA and the son of Salvadoran immigrants who fled during its civil war to the United States. Upon graduating from high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army as an infantryman and served two combat tours in Afghanistan while stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado. After his honorable discharge, Soriano pursued a B.A. in biological sciences at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, where he discovered a passion for plants. This interest led him to the Central Valley to conduct research with faculty Dr. Sharon Benes that supports the environment, agriculture and the community. Their project uses satellite imagery to estimate forage yield in high-salinity soils irrigated with drainage reuse water — an approach that promotes water conservation but can lead to soil degradation. He was awarded the Gerald O. Mott Graduate Student Award by the American Society of Agronomy, where he also serves as chair of the Military Veterans in Agriculture Specialty Group.



Undergraduate Dean's Medalist **Vanessa Jauregui-Salgado, Agricultural Business**

The Fresno native, a first-generation college student and daughter of Mexican immigrants, earned a B.S. degree in three years with a 4.0 GPA, which included a minor in precision agriculture technology. She competed on student marketing business case study projects at industry conferences, and served as president of the Agricultural Business Club — National Agri-Marketing Association Chapter. She also served as vice president of the Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources and Related Sciences Chapter and helped organize the Agricultural Business Department annual banquet and Agribusiness Management Conference. She also participated in a study abroad class in Spain that involved wine market and consumer sensory analysis last summer, then learned about crop, soil, pest and irrigation management as an agronomy intern for Reiter Affiliated Companies. She currently works with the California Agave Council and collects industry research, assists with grants, and develops educational materials to attract new agave growers in the Central Valley.

2025 Jordan College Graduates

HONORS			
***Summa Cum Laude Red/Blue/Gold Cords 3.90 - 4.00 GPA	**Magna Cum Laude Red/Blue/Silver Cords 3.70 - 3.89 GPA	*Cum Laude Red/Blue Cords 3.50 - 3.69 GPA	+ Master's Degree With Distinction 3.9-4.0 GPA

AGRICULTURAL BUSINESS

Bachelor of Science

Agueda, Anthony***
Aguilar, Alejandro
Aguilar, Alysa M*
Alizaga, Joaquin***
Andrade, Byron
Arroyo, Andrew***
Babagian, Aram
Balakian, Thomas
Bonomi, Nathaniel
Broderick, Patrick***
Brown, Joshua
Burgin, Madison
Buriel, Bianca***
Corbo, Aidan
Cranmer, Ethan
Devine, Carson
Dodge, Trey
Donnelly, Katelyn
Dunaway, Richard
Ecker, Grant
Escobar, Starr*
Flores, Paul
Friesen, Jacob***
Gallagher, Chase*
Garcia, Osvaldo
Garcia, Oswaldo
Garduno, Israel
Godoy Quintero, Daisy*
Gomez, Itzel*
Gretlein, Caleb
Hall, Allison
Hall, Samuel
Harris, Kent***
Hartwig, Blake
Hernandez-Chavez, Maribel***
Hicks, Garret**
Howison, James
Iest, Brayden*
Infante, Kayla
Iniguez, Melissa
Irigoyen, Taryn*
Jauregui-Salgado, Vanessa***
Jimenez-Saldana, Angelica

Jimenez, Jesus
Kahlon, Jayraj*
Kunkle, Hannah***
Lopez Serrato, Anthony
Lugo, Jennifer
Machado, Michael**
Magana Quezada, Natalia
Mann, Haden
Martinez, Uciel
Matias Chavez, David
Milavich, William
Miranda-Gutierrez, Fabiola
Montes, Alyza*
Moreno, Carter
Nabors, Jack**
Orozco, Emily
Pimentel, Mandy**
Ragsdale, Teddy
Redfeairn, Wilson*
Reichmuth Jr., Gregory
Roberts, Percy
Rodriguez, Ixtlaly
Salcedo, Alyssa***
Sandlin, Ashley
Santos, Zachary
Simas, Katie
Soto, John-Michael
Stone, Hunter***
Struckmeyer, Julyessa
Tidwell, Brooke*
Todd, Adison
Torres Garcia, Abelardo
Torres, Gabriela
Trujillo-Carbajal, Rogelio
Urbina, Roberto
Vang, Aaralyn**
Vargas, Cesar
Verdin, Francisco*
Walker, Kyle
Ward, John
Watson, Chace
Winton, Lucas*
Wlasiuk, Courtney**
Xavier, Gracie
Zambrano, Bernardo
Zarate, Maria*

ANIMAL SCIENCES AND AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

Master of Science

Cumming, Eleanor
Hernandez Tapia, Brenda
Hirschler, Maggie+
Linderholm, Kaitlynn+
Suarez, Amy+
Swall, Lindsey+
VanScoy, Stacy+

Bachelor of Science

Aguilera, Arianna
Allen, Haley
Allmon, Karissa***
Andrade, Yuliana**
Arevalo-Mercado, Alejandra**
Armstrong, Abigayle
Arreola, Sinhue
Azevedo, Alayna*
Azzaro, Nicolas
Banuelos, Gema
Barajas Cortez, Carolyne
Barrera, Aliza
Bedolla, Paulina
Bettes, Madison
Bettencourt, Janie
Blankenship, Jordyn
Blevins, Kaitlyn
Boatz, Catherine**
Borba, Vivian*
Boxley, Hunter*
Briseno Velazquez, Silvia
Bullard, Shalyee
Burns, Gabriel
Carpenter, Torrance
Carreno Zetina, Pedro
Carrera, Leila
Castillo, Amaya*
Castillo, Yailin
Chandler, Andria*
Chanthapany, Peter
Coito, Courtney*
Contreras, Daisy
Copland, Kimberly***

2025 Jordan College Graduates *continued*

Cortes, Lorena
 Cuellar, Darlene
 De Anda, Nicole*
 De La Cruz, Artemisa
 De Leon, Alexander
 Degerli, Anisa
 Diaz, Luz
 Doyle, Calie**
 Dutra, Victoria**
 Echeverria, Alijah
 Enriquez, Ana
 Farley, Jacob
 Flores, Daira
 Fortney, Gillian**
 Fortunato, Gemma
 Fowler, Braden*
 Fransen, Dale***
 Garcia Rivera, Sandra
 Garcia-Martin, Ilse
 Garcia, Daniella***
 Garcia, Kennedy*
 Giang, Amy
 Gonzalez Garcia, Roxanne
 Gonzalez, Crystal
 Gonzalez, Daniela**
 Gonzalez, Jamilynne
 Goupil, Rachel
 Graziano, Arianna*
 Gross, Katelyn**
 Gutierrez, Clarice
 Haller, Austin***
 Hanchen, Maren
 Hara, Holly
 Hatfield, Danielle
 Henson, Madeline***
 Her, Lisa
 Hill, Brogan**
 Holland, Larynne***
 Huizar, Vanessa
 Jackson, Kaylilah**
 Jacobson, Justin***
 Johnson, Toi
 Katz, Kayla**
 Kim, Lola*
 Kulikov, Macie
 Lemm, Allison*
 Lopez, Evelyn
 Loquaci, Rebecca
 Lowry, Hannah
 Loyd, Moria**
 Lucchini, Sara**
 Madrigal-Madriz, Elizabeth

Magdaleno Mendez, Viviana
 Mancebo, Rachel***
 Martinez, Sierra***
 Martinho, Brandee
 Mata, Hayley
 Mayall, Emily
 Medina, Alexis
 Mendoza, Jorge
 Mendoza, Noemi
 Molina, Mateo
 Morales, Jeanette
 Morales, Justin*
 Moreno, Jocelyn
 Neal, Kyle*
 Neves, Jordyn
 Oberti, Dominic
 Ochoa, Brisana
 Olvera, Williams
 Ornelas Vieyra, Mailin*
 Pamplona Quiroz, Dafne**
 Paredes, Monserrath
 Pastori, Kortney
 Payan, Vanezza
 Plascencia, Angel
 Porter, Sarah
 Prado, Maris***
 Price, Saydie
 Pullin, Emma
 Reyes, Cinelli
 Reynoso, Mia*
 Rios, Cynthia
 Rios, Daniel
 Rodriguez Guzman, Mario
 Alberto
 Rodriguez, Liseth
 Rodriguez, Michelle
 Rogers, Kiana
 Rojas-Vasquez, Leslie
 Romero, Daniela***
 Rosales, Ilse
 Silva, Chloë**
 Smith, Lindsey
 Sneath, Clayton
 Sollecito, Taylor***
 Townsend, Taryl
 Tran, Justin
 Twisselmann, Schanell
 Vaca, Lisset***
 Van Ness, Stephanie
 VanderPoel, Ava
 Vang, Alia
 Vang, Shiney

Welch, Sabrina
 Williams, Kalilah
 Williams, Katelynn*
 Wise, Gianna
 Wolf, Melanie***
 Zarate, Elisa*
 Zipser, Alyssa**
 Zurita, Lourdes

FOOD SCIENCE AND NUTRITION

Master of Science

Adlard, Thomas+
 Andrada, Jamaila
 Cruickshank, Bonnie+
 De Castro, Neeca+
 Delgadillo, Arturo
 Linares, Trinity+
 Nathania, Katherine+
 Page, Richard+
 Peretto, Kimberly
 Sanghera, Navdeep
 Walker, Diymond+
 Zarate, Leslie+

Bachelor of Science

Alarcon Castro, Amber
 Andrade Bedolla, Guadalupe
 Avila, Cesar
 Awad, Yasmine
 Bates, Samuel***
 Bedolla-Ramirez, Maria
 Cajero, Zulema
 Carranza-Duran, Yann
 Cernansky, Hannah***
 Chavez-Valdez, Yesenia
 Daily, Sydney**
 Felsted, McKenzie***
 Garcia Aguilar, Angeles
 Nohemi
 Garcia, Crystal*
 Guerrero, Rosa Patricia
 Hagerty, Jenna
 Hernandez, Areanna
 Holman, Patrica**
 Madeja, Bryana*
 Madrigal, Marissa*
 Montijo, Lillian
 Morales, Martha
 Moreno, Alexis

Orozco, Francisco
Pedersen, Madilyn
Prayitno, Kaylin***
Qualls, Casey**
Ritter, Mark
Rosas, Emily
Shehadey, Abigail***
Silva, Skyler*
Valdez, Patricia**
Vasquez, Joshua*
Wilcox, Samuel
Winfrey, Marissa***
Zarak, Timothy

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Master of Science
Chauhan, Twinkle
Martinez Jr., Juan+
Morales, Andy
Parker, Tanmay+
Pawar, Mansi
Raolapalli, Krishnama Naidu+
Singh, Amitoj

Bachelor of Science
Ahmed, Murad
Almaraz, Efrain**
Amaral, Logan**
Arceo, Jesus*
Bockman, Evan***
Bolanos Gutierrez, Maurisio
Campos, Fermin
Dahlhoff, Carson
Duran Guerrero, Adriana
Gonzalez, Jose
Jackson, Jake
Jackson, William
Koesterer, Dane*
Kuykendall, Seth
Mercado, David
Miller, Charles*
Naranjo, Emilio***
Silva, Jesus**
Smith, Kalem
Vargas, Mauricio*
Vivanco Morales, Sergio

PLANT SCIENCE

Master of Science
Abulghanam, Omar
De Leon, Victoria B.
Espinoza, Miriam
Hatem Squipati, Pedro
Lopez, Susana
Soriano, Mauricio

Bachelor of Science
Aceves, Victoria
Alfaro Garcia, Ramon
Ignacio
Alves, Brady
Ambriz Maldonado, Jorge
Ayala, Anna
Bernabe Hernandez,
Juana**
Bustos, Alonso
Camacho, Keyla
Campos, Jacob
Campos, Jared
Carrillo, Brian
Chamberlin, Hannah***
Chavez, Jose
Coelho, Jordon
Coker, Ricky
Dabbs, Isaiah*
Delgado, Aaron
Dias, Baylee
Dowling, William
Duft, Nicholas
Espinoza, Lorent**
Estrada, Osvaldo
Flores, Jazmin
Frausto, Manuel***
Gaona, Juan
Garcia, Alejandro
Gervacio, Juan
Gonzalez, Juan
Granados, David**
Gutierrez, Adrian
Gutierrez, Lilyanna
Guzman-Mendoza, Yasmin
Hall, Iliah***
Hernandez, Christian
Hernandez, Desiree
Horwitz, David**
Krueger, Andrew***
Lawrence, Tanner*
Ledesma, Axel
Lucatero-Avila, Yadira**
Magana Gonzalez, Juan*
Mata, Luis

Miranda Rodriguez, Oscar
Morado, Daniel Edward**
Morales, Haydee
Moreno, Joseph
Narez, Daniel
Ortiz, Tonantzin
Ozuna, Tanner*
Paredes-Aguilera, Jaqueline
Phillips III, Jacob***
Pimentel, Joseph
Quezada, Jimena
Ramos, Jose
Rios Martinez, Juan
Rios, Gabriela
Rivera, Adina
Sandoval, Jose
Santiago, Alexis
Santiago, Hulise
Serrano Vargas, Fernando**
Shergill, Eric*
Thompson, Jared
Tiscareño, Ashley
Vazquez, Alfredo
Weatherston, Kristyn
White, James*
Wilson, Caleb**
Young, Cobe*

VITICULTURE AND ENOLOGY

Master of Science
Cahoon, Quinn+
Fitzgerald, Jedediah+
Parker Wong, Deborah
Salie, Marnele

Bachelor of Science
Cheatwood, Whitney
Farr, David
Granados, David**
Guzman Torres, Edgar
Hutchinson, Jacqueline
Jenkins, Preston
Lee, Jung Il***
Maldonado Castro, Erik
McVicker, Keara
Minjares Munoz, Violeta
Mora, Malia**
Romero, Daniela**
Saldivar Vela, Benito
Silva Ibarra, Antonio
Solis, Adan



Jacob
Andrew
Martinez

B.S.
Animal Science
Pre-Veterinary



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JCAST Commencement Volunteers
Rolston St. Hilaire, Dean

Steven Rocca, Associate Dean
University Marketing and
Communications Staff

College Mission Statement



Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology

The Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology at Fresno State is shaping the future of one of the world's most productive agricultural regions by developing global decision-makers in food and agriculture.

Each year, nearly 2,000 students select between more than 20 undergraduate and master's degrees from six academic departments.

Three on-campus research programs (Center for Irrigation Technology, Institute for Food and Agriculture, Viticulture and Enology Research Center) connect the College to industry and community partners to share their expertise, innovation, and educational programs.

The college's 1,000-acre University Agricultural Laboratory is one of the nation's largest on-campus farms and offers hands-on teaching, production, and research efforts year-round. Its 18 units employ over 100 students that create products for our Gibson Farm Market and community.

Concluding its 102nd year, the Jordan College encourages, equips, and enables faculty, staff, and students to create innovative, scientifically sound, and sustainable solutions to agri-food, technological, and environmental challenges in California, our nation, and the world.

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