



# LSU College of the Coast & Environment Spring 2026 Commencement Ceremony

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## Order of Events

Platform Party Procession

Welcome & Introduction of Platform Party  
Clint Willson, Dean

Presentation of Candidates  
Robert Rohli, Professor and Master of Ceremony

Congratulations  
Clint Willson, Dean

Acknowledgement of Graduates Not in Attendance - Bachelors, Masters, PhD  
Robert Rohli, Professor and Master of Ceremony

Presentation of Diplomas  
Bachelor of Science in Coastal Environmental Science  
Brian Snyder, Director, CC&E's Undergraduate Program  
Master of Science in Environmental Sciences  
Master of Science in Oceanography & Coastal Sciences  
Doctor of Philosophy in Environmental Sciences  
Doctor of Philosophy in Oceanography & Coastal Sciences  
Kevin Armbrust, Chair, Department of Environmental Sciences  
John White, Professor, Department of Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Concluding Remarks, Clint Willson, Dean

Reception in Shirley Plakidas Room- 1<sup>st</sup> floor

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COASTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

### **Alexis Nicole Anderson**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Tayla Scherri Anderson**

Concentration in Environmental Science and Research

### **Morgan E Barber**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Katie Lane Barrett**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Camille Kerry Beeding\*\***

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Sofia Bosch**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Omid Nadimi Boushehri\*\*\***

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Tyler Derrick Cobb**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Eowyn Dautrich\*\***

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Isabel Grace Dean\***

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Leighton Flanagan\*\*\*H**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Chase Garbert\*\*\***

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Ainsley Lauren Grant**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Joliegh Josephs**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Alexis M LaBarrere**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Hayden Lapeze\***

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Zoe Muhammad**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Travis R Pasquier**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Stephanie Pham**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Julianna Lucia Rhodes**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Jonathan M Russell\*\*\*\*H**

Concentration in Coastal Meteorology

### **William John Sexton**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Campbell Smith**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Tanner Brandt Soileau**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Jada Tyrell\*\***

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

### **Jameson Woodall**

Concentration in Applied Coastal Environmental Science

\*\*\* indicates honors distinction Summa Cum Laude, 3.9 GPA or above

\*\* indicates honors distinction Magna Cum Laude to 3.899 GPA

\* indicates honors distinction Cum Laude, 3.7 to 3.799 GPA

H indicates Ogden Honors College graduate

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## GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

**Richard William McCarthy**, Certificate in Environmental and Energy Policy

**Roger Phung**, Certificate in Environmental Modeling and Analysis

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

**Howard Patrick Dunleavy**, MS, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Thesis Title: "Using long-term data to understand estuarine ecology and develop educational tools", Major Professor: Dr. Stephen Midway

**Destin Garcia**, MS, Environmental Sciences

Final Paper (non-Thesis): "Evaluating the effectiveness of outreach programs to engage well owners in testing and protecting their drinking water supply"

**Elizabeth Harris**, MS, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Thesis Title: "Recent Wetland Elevation Dynamics in Coastal Louisiana, USA"; Major Professor: Tracy Quirk

**Sophia Sevier Lingo**, MS, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Thesis Title: "Greenhouse Gas Fluxes Across a Sediment Organic Matter Gradient in an Active Delta"; Major Professor: Dr. Robert Twilley

**Ralph Sherwood Oglesby III**, MS, Environmental Sciences

Final Paper (non-Thesis): "Evaluating Fecal Coliform as a Water Quality Indicator in Louisiana Oyster Harvesting: Historical Development, Scientific Basis, and Alternative Approaches"

**Morgan Ulmer**, MS, Environmental Sciences

Final Paper (non-Thesis): "How Effective Are Louisiana's Wastewater Permitting and Enforcement Programs in Reducing Pollutant Discharges?"

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

**Gabrielle Electra Carpenter**, PhD, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Disease 'Scapes: A Multi Scale Approach to Understanding Marine Disease in Stony Corals" Newport Beach, CA, Major Professor: Dr. Michael Dance

**Benjamin Holmes Farmer**, PhD, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Metacommunity Coupled Epidemiological and Biophysical Modeling of an Emergent Coral Disease" Lexington, KY, Major Professor: Dr. Daniel Holstein

**Sajjad Feizabadi**, PhD, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Nonlinear Hydrodynamics and Connectivity in a River-Dominated Delta under Atmospheric Cold Fronts" Tehran, Iran, Major Professor: Dr. Chunyan Li

**Jennifer Kay Irving**, PhD, Environmental Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Quantifying Cumulative Impacts: A Spatial Analysis of Environmental Health Disparities in Louisiana", Major Professor: Dr. Nina Lam

**Lee Avery Potter**, PhD, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Biogeochemical Controls on Phosphorus Transport and Legacy Storage Across a Coastal Watershed" Silver Spring, MD, Major Professor: Dr. John White

**Sean Christopher Reagan**, PhD, Environmental Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Cancer screening resilience during the COVID 19 Pandemic" Madisonville, LA, Major Professor: Dr. Vince Wilson

**Caitlin Turner**, PhD, Oceanography & Coastal Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Reconnecting the River: Upstream Inputs and Downstream Impacts of a Large-scale Coastal Freshwater Diversion" Mays Landing, NJ, Major Professor: Dr. Matthew Hiatt

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