

2024-2025 Student and Employee Awards

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Each year, the Jon M. Huntsman School of Business recognizes top-performing students, staff, and faculty for their academic and professional accomplishments. For the 2024-2025 academic year, we would like to acknowledge and commend the following individuals as recipients of these awards and achievements.

Student Awards

- Isaac Crosby, Economics, Finance, & Data Analytics - Valedictorian
- Jason Broadbent (Accounting & Finance) – Legacy of Utah State
- Sajid Hasnat (M.S., Economics) – Master's Student Researcher of the Year
- Seth Porter (Economics & Mathematics) – Undergraduate Researcher of the Year
- Isaac Crosby (Economics, Finance, & Data Analytics) - Scholar of the Year
- Ciera Stastny (Accounting) – Undergraduate Teaching Fellow of the Year
- Lay Lian Doh (Economics & Finance) – Aggie First Scholar of the Year

Faculty & Staff Awards

Frank Shuman



Cazier Professor

Lifetime Achievement

Principal Lecturer, School of Accountancy

Dr. Andrew Brim



Teacher of the

Year

Professional Practice Assistant Professor, Data Analytics + Information Systems Department

Dr. Briggs Depew



Undergraduate
Faculty Mentor of the Year

Associate Professor, Economics & Finance Department

Dr. Jared Hansen



Undergraduate
Research Mentor of the Year

Associate Professor, Marketing & Strategy Department

Lianne Wappett



Faculty University
Service Award

Professional Practice Assistant Professor, Data Analytics +
Information Systems Department

Dr. Katarzyna Bilicka



Faculty Researcher
of the Year

Associate Professor, Economics & Finance Department

Paul Fjeldsted



Outstanding
Graduate Mentor of the Year

Senior Lecturer, Economics & Finance Department

Tonya Davis



Ethical Leadership
Award

Director, External Relations

Andy Thunell



Entrepreneurial
Spirit Award

Program Coordinator, The Center for Entrepreneurship

Alece Newberry



Student Impact
Award

Career Specialist, FJ Management Center for Student Success

Stephanie Hamblin



Student Impact

Award

 Assistant Director, Huntsman Scholar Program

Amelia Naumann



Huntsman Impact

Award

 Venue & Events Coordinator

Promotion & Tenure

Several Huntsman School Faculty were awarded promotions for exemplifying a commitment to student success and excellence in their respective research.

- **Polly Conrad**, Senior Lecturer in the Data Analytics + Information Systems Department, was promoted to **Principal Lecturer**.
- **John Ferguson**, Senior Lecturer in the Management Department, was promoted to **Principal Lecturer**.
- **Dr. Jayson Talakai**, Assistant Professor in the School of Accountancy, received **tenure** and a promotion to **Associate Professor**.
- **Dr. Pedram Jahangiry**, Assistant Professor of Practice in the Data Analytics + Information Systems Department, was promoted to **Associate Professor of Practice**.
- **Dr. Sepideh Raei**, Assistant Professor in the Economics & Finance Department, received **tenure** and a promotion to **Associate Professor**.
- **Dr. Rick Hardcopf**, Assistant Professor in the Management Department, received **tenure** and a promotion to **Associate Professor**.

A-Pin Recipients

The **A-Pin Award** has been a Utah State University tradition since 1910. This prestigious award recognizes students who have earned a 4.0 GPA for two consecutive semesters carrying 15 or more credit hours. During the 2024 calendar year (spring 2024, summer 2024, and fall 2024 semesters), 101 Huntsman students earned an A-Pin award.

- Caden Adair, Economics
- Zachary Allen, Finance
- Daxton Barker, Economics
- Nate Barker, Economics
- Rylan Bean, Data Analytics
- Natalee Bevan, Marketing
- Curtis Bishop, Economics
- Kolton Bosshardt, Finance
- Luke Bunch, Finance
- Katherine Canon, Management
- Oliver Capener, Management
- Genevieve Chen, Finance
- Siyu Chen, Economics
- Yumin Chen, Economics
- Conner Corey, Management
- Tyler Cragun, Management
- Isaac Crosby, Economics

- Wyatt Crowther, Accounting
 - Thomas Davies, Data Analytics
 - Christopher Davis, Accounting
 - Yizhou Du, Economics
 - Lorince Essig, Finance
 - Natalie Fanger, Marketing
 - Brayden Gagon, Accounting
 - Cole Geisler, Finance
 - Samuel Gibby, Marketing
 - Caleb Gordon, Information Systems
 - Cody Guadarrama, Data Analytics
 - Owen Hall, Finance
 - Cooper Hansen, Data Analytics
 - Lily Hansen, Accounting
 - Ashley Harper, Management
 - Janalee Hatch, Marketing
 - Joel Holt, Accounting
 - Guangcan Hong, Economics

 - Kenzie Hughes, Accounting
 - Jet Hunter, Accounting
 - Cole Höglund, Accounting
 - Caeden Jarvis, Accounting
 - Kassandra Jenson, Information Systems
 - Claire Jones, Information Systems
 - Dawson Kearns, Finance
 - Alyssa King, Accounting
 - Rafael Labrador, Information Systems
 - Elijah Larson, Economics
 - Chase Leach, Finance
 - Kyden Lee, Accounting
 - Enqi Li, Economics
 - Jace Lintz, Finance
 - Kaixin Liu, Economics
 - Ty Malinowski, Accounting
 - Erik Marchant, Finance
 - Easton Martin, Information Systems
 - Grace McConkie, Economics
 - Andrew McDivitt, Information Systems
 - Maren McBeth, Accounting
 - Yangxianghui Meng, Economics
 - Tyson Merrill, Data Analytics
 - Caleb Moritz, Accounting
 - Faith Newbold, Information Systems
 - Tarek Newton, Economics
 - Isaac Olson, Finance
 - Luke Olson, Finance
 - Tanner Peck, Economics
 - Seth Porter, Economics
 - Caleb Postma, Accounting
 - Jacie Powers, Information Systems

 - Spencer Price, Data Analytics
 - Aaric Putt, Information Systems
- Xinyi Qian, Economics
 - McKinley Redden, Data Analytics
 - Tyler Rich, Finance
 - Dallin Rima, Economics
 - Deven Ritchie, Finance
 - Caleb Robinson, Management
 - Matthew Saunders, Management
 - Ariana Schurig, International Business
 - Rylee Sessions, Management
 - Joseph Shafer, Finance
 - Eden Shaw, Accounting
 - Yan Shi, Economics
 - Avyrlie Smith, Finance
 - Rhianna Sorensen, Accounting
 - Arika Stastny, Data Analytics
 - Sydney Steele, Marketing
 - Trenton Stewart, Accounting
 - Hayden Stokes, Accounting
 - Jeffrey Stouffer, Accounting
 - Rylie Swanson, Information Systems
 - Yiran Tang, Economics
 - Benjamin Tarry, Accounting
 - Ye Tian, Economics
 - Joleen Veenendaal, Marketing
 - Bo Wang, Economics
 - Gabriel Warburton, Finance
 - Chance Wiese, Information Systems
 - Sarah Winger, Accounting
 - Savannah Winkler, Accounting
 - Charles Wonka, Economics
 - Chase Young, Finance
 - Kylee Zimmerman, Data Analytics