



Presidential Scholars

Forty-Sixth Annual Convocation

March 20, 2026

Arrival

4 – 4:30 p.m.

Welcome

4:30 – 4:35 p.m.

*Amy Naugle, President
Faculty Senate*

Opening Remarks

4:35 – 4:45 p.m.

*Russ Kavalhuna, President
Western Michigan University*

Keynote Address

4:45 – 4:55 p.m.

*Sara Bussey
2025 Presidential Scholar in Chemistry*

Presentation of the Presidential Scholars

4:55 – 5:25 p.m.

*Christopher Cheatham, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
and College Deans*

Closing Remarks

5:25 – 5:30 p.m.

*Amy Naugle, President
Faculty Senate*

Reception

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Noah Newman
Presidential Scholar in Accountancy

Natalie Wiersema
Presidential Scholar in Art

Mackenzie Koenig
Presidential Scholar in Aviation

Erica MacQueen
Presidential Scholar in Biological Sciences

Kevin Wright
Presidential Scholar in Business Information Systems

Aimee Lambert
Presidential Scholar in Chemical and Paper
Engineering

Abigail Reinard
Presidential Scholar in Chemistry

Caden Boynton
Presidential Scholar in Civil and Construction
Engineering

Annabella Tetner
Presidential Scholar in Communication

Aus Al Rasbi
Presidential Scholar in Computer Science

Charlotte Anderson
Presidential Scholar in Dance

Braydon Zupin
Presidential Scholar in Economics

Nolin Szafranski
Presidential Scholar in Electrical and Computer
Engineering

Lily Kieliszewski
Presidential Scholar in Engineering Design and
Manufacturing

Janine Adamski
Presidential Scholar in English

Alexis Rachel
Presidential Scholar in Environment, Geography, and
Sustainability

Charlotte Karoub
Presidential Scholar in Family and Consumer
Sciences

Jenna Hayes
Presidential Scholar in Finance and Commercial Law

Joseph Payne
Presidential Scholar in Geological and Environmental
Sciences

Cheyenne Niemann
Presidential Scholar in Haworth College of Business
Interdisciplinary Programs

Moira Cooper
Presidential Scholar in History

Luke Borowski
Presidential Scholar in Industrial and Entrepreneurial
Engineering and Engineering Management

Dante Allen
Presidential Scholar in Intercultural and Anthropology
Studies

Nick Outen
Presidential Scholar in Interdisciplinary Health
Programs

Lyndsey Sootsman
Presidential Scholar in Management

Jacob Steiner
Presidential Scholar in Marketing

Elijah Flak
Presidential Scholar in Mathematics

Nic Buccilli
Presidential Scholar in Mechanical and Aerospace
Engineering

Lucas Daunt
Presidential Scholar in Music

Emma Bila
Presidential Scholar in Nursing

Rachel Mitchell
Presidential Scholar in Occupational Therapy

Isabella Hamade
Presidential Scholar in Philosophy

Conner Ebbinghaus
Presidential Scholar in Physics

Lillian Powers
Presidential Scholar in Political Science

Lindsey Meredith
Presidential Scholar in Psychology

Alexia Kryszewski
Presidential Scholar in Public Affairs and
Administration

Anna Reinhardt
Presidential Scholar in Richmond Institute of Design
and Innovation

Vanisha Rangan
Presidential Scholar in Social Work

Shanze Dar
Presidential Scholar in Sociology

Charles DeGraves
Presidential Scholar in Spanish

Lauren Dowdy
Presidential Scholar in Special Education and Literacy
Studies

McKenna O'Donnell
Presidential Scholar in Speech, Language and
Hearing Sciences

Riley Biggins
Presidential Scholar in Statistics

Lauren Janetzke
Presidential Scholar in Teaching, Learning and
Educational Studies

Arise Rock
Presidential Scholar in Theatre

Andrew Tate
Presidential Scholar in University Studies

Abigail Strain
Presidential Scholar in World Languages and
Literatures

Lucas Watson
Presidential Scholar in World Religions and Cultures