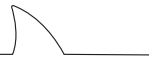


— TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL —  
**STUDENT LIFE**  
**ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**



Tuesday, April 12, 2022  
Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center

**NSU** Florida



## Welcome

Good evening and welcome to the 24th annual Student Life Achievement Awards.

For the past 24 years, the Student Life Achievement Awards (STUEYs) have always been a celebration. But tonight, it is a CELEBRATION! To come together, to relish in each other's company beyond a square Zoom box, is indeed a cause for celebration. NSU has navigated a two-year pandemic in amazing fashion, thanks in no small part to the incredible list of nominees you will get to meet tonight. And while my hat is off to the Campus Life team that made "the show go on" virtually for the past two years, you will see there is nothing quite like STUEY Live to make your blood pump "Shark blue."

The Student Life Achievement Awards, established in the spring of 1998, purposefully recognize members of the NSU community who have distinguished themselves during the academic year. Since 1998, thousands have been nominated for this prestigious award, known affectionately as STUEY. Tonight, you will witness the best and brightest NSU has to offer. You will see and get to know candidates who have been nominated by their university peers for powerfully living the university's eight core values and keeping our Shark pride and spirit strong.

In science, a nova is the brightest of all shining stars. It glows white hot and can be seen throughout the universe. Please join me in congratulating our NSU shining stars. It is because of the efforts of individuals like them that NSU will soon be recognized throughout the land as a premier, private, selective research university of quality and distinction.

Sincerely,

Brad A. Williams, Ed.D.  
Vice President of Student Affairs and  
Dean of the College of Undergraduate Studies  
Nova Southeastern University

## **The Division of Student Affairs and the College of Undergraduate Studies**

In July 2014, the Division of Student Affairs restructured its organization to welcome the College of Undergraduate Studies. Together, the division and the college play a pivotal role in the INSU vision, providing NSU students with cocurricular learning opportunities and services that are conducive to student growth and development. Administered by the Office of the Vice President and specific division deans, Office of Employee Services, Office of Finance and Administrative Services, and Office of Student Affairs Marketing, the division and the college are composed of the following offices.

### **The Division of Student Affairs**

The mission of the Division of Student Affairs is to foster student success and a university community.

- Office of Campus Life and Student Engagement
  - Office of International Affairs
  - Office of Recreation and Wellness
  - Office of Residence Life
- Office of Student Affairs at the Regional Campuses
  - Office of Student Conduct
  - Office of Student Disability Services
- Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement
  - Student Activity Fee Accounts Office
  - Student Poster Printing Services

### **The College of Undergraduate Studies**

The mission of the College of Undergraduate Studies (COUS) is to enhance students' personal and professional development through personalized comprehensive services that support their NSU experience, leading to successful degree completion.

- Office of COUS Administration
  - Office of Career Development
  - Office of Orientation
- Office of Student Communication and Support
  - Office of Undergraduate Admissions
  - Tutoring and Testing Center
  - Undergraduate Academic Advising Center

**2022 NSU Student of the Year Nominees and NSU Academic Deans**

<b>Naziba Akther</b>	Farquhar Honors College Andrea Shaw-Nevins, Ph.D., Dean
<b>Cathaerina Appadoo, B.S.</b>	Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine Johannes W. Vieweg, M.D., FACS, Dean
<b>Joshua Bennet</b>	College of Computing and Engineering Meline Kevorkian, Ed.D., Dean
<b>Jeremy P. Espeut, B.S.</b>	College of Pharmacy Michelle A. Clark, Ph.D., Dean
<b>Brittany Ferrell, M.S.</b>	College of Psychology Karen Grosby, Ed.D., Dean*
<b>Dylan Goldman</b>	NSU University School William J. Kopas, Ed.D., Head of School
<b>Arlette Gomez</b>	Shepard Broad College of Law José Roberto (Beto) Juárez, Jr., J.D., Dean
<b>Michael Gomez</b>	Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing Marcella M. Rutherford, Ph.D., M.B.A., M.S.N., Dean
<b>Sydney Lageyre, M.S.</b>	Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice Kimberly Durham, Psy.D., Dean*
<b>Michael Lynn, B.A.</b>	Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center Holly Baumgartner, Ph.D., Dean
<b>Christina Elizabeth Maskley, B.S.</b>	H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship Andrew J. Rosman, Ph.D., Dean
<b>Sajan Parag</b>	College of Dental Medicine Steven I. Kaltman, D.M.D., M.D., FACS, Dean
<b>Melanie M. Rodriguez</b>	College of Optometry Linda S. Rouse, O.D., M.B.A., FAAO, Dean
<b>Aneil Tawakalzada, M.S.</b>	Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine Elaine M. Wallace, D.O., M.S., M.S., M.S., M.S., Dean
<b>Emilie Vos, B.H.Sc.</b>	Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences Guy M. Nehrenz, Ed.D., M.A., RRT., Interim Dean

\*previous STUEY winner

## 2022 Student Life Achievement Award Finalists

### UNDERGRADUATE ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

Inter-Organizational Council (IOC) (Division of Student Affairs)

Freedom Sharks (Division of Student Affairs)\*

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated the Gamma Alpha Delta Chapter (Division of Student Affairs)

Sociodrama “Stage for Change” (Division of Student Affairs)

Student Events and Activities Board (S.E.A. Board) (Division of Student Affairs)\*

### CORPORATE PARTNER OF THE YEAR

HCA Healthcare

Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County

Lee Health

Memorial Healthcare System

Publix Pharmacy

### ATHLETICS TEAM OF THE YEAR

2021 NSU Men’s Soccer Team

2020–2021 NSU Women’s Swim Team

2020–2021 NSU Women’s Tennis Team

2021 NSU Women’s Volleyball Team

### GRADUATE ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

Evening Law Student Association (ELSA)—Shepard Broad College of Law

Graduate Organization for Partnerships and Learning with Adolescents and Youths (GOPLAY)—  
College of Psychology

Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA) at NSU MD—

Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine

National Optometric Student Association (NOSA)—College of Optometry

Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity (PDC)—College of Pharmacy

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF THE YEAR

College of Psychology Student Government Association (College of Psychology)

Fort Myers Student Government Association (NSU Fort Myers Campus)

Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine Student Government Association (Dr. Kiran C. Patel  
College of Allopathic Medicine)

Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine Student Government Association (Dr. Kiran C.  
Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine)

Undergraduate Student Government Association (Division of Student Affairs)

### COCURRICULAR ADVISER OF THE YEAR

Camille Baldwin, Ed.D. (Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing)

Carly Paro-Tompkins, Ed.D. (College of Psychology)

Jose A. Rey, Pharm.D. (College of Pharmacy)

James Wilets, J.D. (Shepard Broad College of Law)

### ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

Rachel Fineberg, M.S. (Athletics)

Larry L. Massey, Jr., Ph.D. (Facilities Management)

Carlos Manuel Perez, Ed.D. (College of Psychology)

Kimberly Rivera (Enrollment and Student Services)

Bryan Roberts, M.P.A. (Division of Student Affairs)

**REGIONAL CAMPUS STUDENT OF THE YEAR**

Thandeka Bissasor (NSU Palm Beach Campus)  
Emily Buersmeyer, B.S.N.-R.N. (NSU Fort Myers Campus)  
Sean Fredericks (NSU Jacksonville Campus)  
Selena Houck (NSU Orlando Campus)  
Jacquelyn Marquez (NSU Miami Campus)  
Iliana A. Ramos Morales (NSU Puerto Rico Regional Campus)  
Eva Slomiak, R.N. (NSU Tampa Bay Regional Campus)

**STAFF PERSON OF THE YEAR**

Kandee Griffith, M.S. (Enrollment and Student Services, NSU Jacksonville Campus)  
Alexandra Hathaway (College of Pharmacy)  
William Power (Office of Innovation and Information Technology, NSU Fort Myers Campus)  
Jamie Reid (Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine)  
Claudia Sicard (University Advancement)

**PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR**

Young Kwon, Ph.D. (College of Pharmacy)  
Arkene Levy, Ph.D. (Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine)  
Eleanor Lawrence, Psy.D. (H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship)  
Gina L. Peyton, Ed.D. (Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice, NSU Orlando Campus)  
Jessica M. Valenzuela, Ph.D. (College of Psychology)

**ALUMNI OF THE YEAR**

Adam Scott Goldberg, J.D. (Shepard Broad College of Law)  
Venessa Goodnow, Pharm.D. (College of Pharmacy)  
Michael Higgins, D.O. (Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine)  
Mark Thomas Marciano, O.D. (College of Optometry)  
Nicole R. Quint, Dr.O.T. (Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences)

**EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR**

Bernadette Bruce, M.B.A. (Business Services)  
Ron Chenail, Ph.D. (Executive Office)  
Olympia Duhart, J.D. (Shepard Broad College of Law)  
Terry Morrow Nelson, Ph.D. (Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences)\*  
Elizabeth Shepherd, Pharm.D. (College of Pharmacy)

**STUDENT OF THE YEAR**

Naziba Akther (Farquhar Honors College)  
Cathaerina Appadoo, B.S. (Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine)  
Joshua Bennet (College of Computing and Engineering)  
Jeremy P. Espeut, B.S. (College of Pharmacy)  
Brittany Ferrell, M.S. (College of Psychology)  
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Arlette Gomez (Shepard Broad College of Law)  
Michael Gomez (Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing)  
Sydney Lageyre, M.S. (Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice)  
Michael Lynn, B.A. (Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center)  
Christina Elizabeth Maskley, B.S. (H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship)  
Sajan Parag (College of Dental Medicine)  
Melanie M. Rodriguez (College of Optometry)  
Aneil Tawakalzada, M.S. (Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine)  
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\*previous STUEY winner

## What are the odds of being nominated for a STUEY?

From a total of **20,898 students** . . . . . there are 22 finalists

From a total of **535 executives (executive, administrative, managerial)** . . . . . there are 5 finalists

From a total of **1,608 professors** . . . . . there are 5 finalists

From a total of **205,000 alumni** . . . . . there are 5 finalists

From a total of **923 administrators** . . . . . there are 5 finalists

From a total of **335 staff members** . . . . . there are 5 finalists

From a total of **7,818 corporate partners** . . . . . there are 5 finalists

From a total of **559 clubs and organizations** . . . . . there are 10 finalists

From a total of **207 cocurricular advisers** . . . . . there are 4 finalists

From a total of **16 athletic teams** . . . . . there are 4 finalists

From a total of **21 student government associations** . . . . . there are 5 finalists

**Congratulations to all of our finalists.  
You represent the best of Nova Southeastern University!**

Sources: *NSU Fact Book*, NSU Office of Human Resources, NSU Office of Campus Life and Student Engagement, NSU Division of Business Services, NSU Office of Intercollegiate Athletics, and NSU Student Activity Fee Accounts Office

## How Are the Student Life Achievement Awards Selected?

### NOMINATIONS

Every NSU student, staff member, and faculty member is eligible for nomination. Each nominee is selected by the Student Life Achievement Awards nominating commission, composed of cross-functional professionals from NSU's academic units and departments.

The Student of the Year nominees are selected by the participating academic deans of NSU's academic units.

### VOTING

The Student Life Achievement Awards voting commission is composed of the university's executive leadership and former STUEY award winners. Winners of the Student Life Achievement Awards are now permanent delegates to the Knights of the Academy and will be a part of the voting process for future winners. This tradition will continue at NSU for years to come.

*You can attend class  
and receive a degree,  
or you can become involved  
and receive an education.*



## PREVIOUS STUEY WINNERS

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### 2021

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Ashley Dabalsa, B.S.  
NSU Women's Swimming Team  
Cleveland Clinic Florida  
TBR Pediatrics Club  
Black Student Union  
Student Bar Association  
Michelle Manley, Ph.D.  
Stephanie Collado  
Cavell Vassel  
Adee Shekar, M.B.A.  
Sumitra Mukherjee, Ph.D.  
Beth Welmaker, M.S.  
Wilford Miranda, B.S.  
Abdrzazek Azlag

### 2020

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumna of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Joy Oni  
NSU Women's Soccer  
Zimmerman Advertising  
CAHSS African Working Group  
Freedom Sharks  
College of Psychology SGA  
Megan F. Chaney, Esq.  
Jamie L. Rodriguez, M.S.  
John Lasota  
Stefanie Carter, Ed.D.  
Bindu S. Mayi, Ph.D.  
Daniel Alfonso, M.S.  
Dorinda Segovia, Pharm.D.  
Erdem Arslan

### 2019

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Amanda Bateh  
NSU Men's Basketball Team  
Henry Schein, Inc.  
American Association of Women Dentists  
Greenhouse Campus Ministries  
College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences SGA  
Ann Maria Castejon, Ph.D.  
Deanna Flournoy, SPT  
Francisca Campbell  
Emily F. Schmitt Lavin, Ph.D.  
Roni Cohen Leiderman, Ph.D.  
Hilary A. Creary, Esq.  
Kimberly Durham

### 2018

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Uriah Jean-Baptiste, B.S.N.  
NSU Women's Swimming Team  
Brand Institute  
KPCOM Pediatrics Club  
Delta Phi Epsilon  
Undergraduate Student Government Association  
Genevieve Hale, Pharm.D.  
Lisbet M. Montero Gonzels, B.A.  
Catherine Ziegler  
Jaime Tartar, Ph.D.  
Kimberly Durham, Psy.D.  
Robert F. Diaz, J.D.  
Oriana Lopez

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### 2017

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Saamia Shaikh  
2016 NSU Baseball Team  
Walgreens  
Sean P. Grimes Physician Assistant Student Society  
Mako Rangers  
College of Osteopathic Medicine SGA  
Diane Ede-Nichols, D.M.D.  
Brian Cardona  
Stacy-Ann Payne, M.B.A.  
Albert Williams, Ph.D.  
Frederick Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D.  
Kal Evans, J.D.  
Leydi D. Arboleda

### 2016

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumna of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Bridget Guerrero  
2015 NSU Baseball Team  
Goodman Jewish Family Services  
Pediatric Dental Club  
Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Incorporated  
College of Dental Medicine SGA  
Michelle Clark, Ph.D.  
Jordan Powers  
Mark Schuknecht, B.S.  
Maria Lemme  
Leanne Boucher, Ph.D.  
Lydia M. Acosta, M.A.  
Valerie Barnhart, J.D.  
Paula Leora-Garzon

### 2015

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Sharon McIntyre  
NSU Women's Rowing Team  
McIntosh Sawran and Cartaya, P.A.  
American Student Dental Association  
Student Events and Activities Board (S.E.A. Board)  
Shepard Broad Law Center Student Bar Association  
Terrell Manyak, Ph.D.  
Johny Williamceau, R.N.  
Iris M. Reynolds  
Jennifer D. Revezzo, M.S.  
William Dorfman, Ph.D.  
Kaye Robertson  
Randall K. Williams, M.P.A.  
Roma Nyandi Robinson

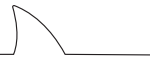
### 2014

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Regional Campus Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Carisa Champion-Lippmann  
NSU Women's Rowing Team  
John The Baker  
Public Interest Law Society  
Delta Phi Epsilon  
College of Osteopathic Medicine Student  
Government Association  
Samantha Gaulden, M.S.  
Shaazia Chanda  
Rita Ey  
Mislady (Millie) Velez  
Kevin Dvorak, Ph.D.  
Stanley H. Wilson, Ed.D., PT  
Ira Rosenberg  
Tam Nguyen

## PREVIOUS STUEY WINNERS

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### 2013

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
SEC Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Brooke Latta  
NSU Baseball Team  
Pizza Loft  
NSU American Student Dental Association  
Student Events and Activities Board (S.E.A. Board)  
Undergraduate Student Government Association  
Mark Dobson, J.D.  
Kristin L. Ferguson  
Suzanne O'Sullivan  
M. Johneta Goodwin  
Stephen N. Campbell, Ph.D.  
Terry A. Morrow, Ph.D.  
David Blyer  
Claire Isabelle C. Verret

### 2012

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Athletics Team of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
SEC Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Justin Johnson  
Women's Volleyball  
Baptist Health South Florida  
Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity Inc.  
Delta Phi Epsilon  
Student Bar Association  
Brenda Diaz, M.S.  
Walter Upshaw  
Christine Nelson  
Judith McKay, J.D., Ph.D.  
Ana Fins, Ph.D.  
Abby Brodie, D.M.D.  
Scott Roberts, M.B.A.  
Lesley Hagan

### 2011

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
SEC Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumna of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Anthony Campenni  
Alex Gynes  
Abbie Tepe  
American Express  
National Optometric Student Association  
C.A.U.S.E.  
Center for Psychological Studies  
Charlene Smith, J.D.  
Jacqueline Lecal  
Denise Fournier  
Dennis Dannacher, M.S.  
David Boesler, D.O.  
Carsten Evans, Ph.D.  
Linda Lopez, Ed.D.  
Joanna Dinan

### 2010

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
SEC Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumna of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Ryan Galka  
Craig Heenighan  
Abbie Tepe  
ANF Group, Inc.  
Ethnic Minority Association of Graduate Students (EMAGS)  
Lambda Theta Alpha  
Undergraduate Student Government Association  
Sharon Siegel, D.D.S.  
Edward Alvarez  
Karen Gruenstrass  
Michael Moinney  
Lori B. Dribin, Ph.D.  
Wren S. Newman, SLP.D.  
Tamara D. Henson, M.B.A.  
Hane Jade Rissman

## PREVIOUS STUEY WINNERS

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### 2009

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
SEC Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumna of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Amanda Woodie  
JD Martinez  
Stephanie Sarosi  
Re-Bro, Inc.  
Graduate Business Student Association  
ROTARACT  
West Palm Beach SEC SGA  
Robert Hasty, D.O.  
Bryan Vizcaino  
Jo Eterno  
Mark Seldine, Ed.D.  
Sarah Valley-Gray, Psy.D.  
Lisa Deziel-Evans, Ph.D.  
Somy Ali  
Philipp Kromer

### 2008

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
SEC Student of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumna of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Roger Alvarez  
Tim Coenraad  
Megankate McDonald  
SUPERB  
Alpha Zeta Omega Pharmaceutical Fraternity  
Kappa Sigma National Fraternity  
Orlando SEC Student Government Association  
Harvey Quinton, D.D.S.  
Sharon Blake  
Josephine Campbell  
Lynne Cawley  
Kimberly Reed, O.D.  
Gay Holliday, Ed.D.  
Eunice Baros, J.D.  
Sumit Bajracharya

### 2007

NSU Student of the Year—Overall  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Student Government of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Extended Community Member of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Executive of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Dana Block  
Eric Naples  
Nicole Felluca  
Moss Miller Joint Venture  
APHA-ASP  
Alpha Phi Omega  
SOTA  
Michael Richmond  
Doug Carpenter  
Jimmy Ricci  
Alyssa Rothman  
Nathan Azrin  
Delores Smiley  
Ross Zafonte  
Akshat Bhargavar

## PREVIOUS STUEY WINNERS

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### 2006

NSU Student of the Year—Overall	Shruti Salghur
Male Athlete of the Year	Adam Ludden
Female Athlete of the Year	Danielle Garcia
Corporate Partner of the Year	Rick Case Automotive
Graduate Organization of the Year	CPS-SGA
Undergraduate Organization of the Year	Delta Phi Epsilon
Athletics Team of the Year	Women's Rowing
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year	Gary Gershman
Extended Community Member of the Year	Cynthia Farmer
Staff Person of the Year	Tanya Gress
Administrator of the Year	Patricia Jason
Professor of the Year	Mahmood Shivji
Academic Dean of the Year	Anthony Silvagni
Alumnus of the Year	Joe Perez
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship	Akshat Bhargava

### 2005

Student of the Year—Overall	Elizabeth Harbaugh
Male Athlete of the Year	Mike Pellerito
Female Athlete of the Year	Taylor Liput
Corporate Partner of the Year	Majic Children's Fund
Graduate Organization of the Year	Student Bar Association
Undergraduate Organization of the Year	Alpha Kappa Psi
Greek Organization of the Year	Phi Sigma Sigma
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year	Debra Nixon
Extended Community Member of the Year	Billy Waldrop
Staff Person of the Year	Ada Christie
Administrator of the Year	Andrew Rogerson
Professor of the Year	Abby Brodie
Academic Dean of the Year	Randolph Pohlman
Alumna of the Year	Ann McElwain
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship	Alyssa Persaud

### 2004

Student of the Year—Overall	Kathryn Blanco
Male Athlete of the Year	Thomas J. Gillette
Female Athlete of the Year	Jessica Pate
Corporate Partner of the Year	Children's Home Society
Graduate Organization of the Year	CPS Feminist Alliance for Networking and Support (FANS)
Undergraduate Organization of the Year	Best Buddies
Greek Organization of the Year	Phi Sigma Sigma
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year	Tim Dixon
Extended Community Member of the Year	Reyna Suarez
Staff Person of the Year	Sarah Bradford
Administrator of the Year	Karen Grosby
Professor of the Year	Wallace March
Academic Dean of the Year	Norma Goonen
Alumnus of the Year	Jeffrey Grove
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship	Tina Lee

### 2003

Student of the Year—Overall	Joshia Osamba
Male Athlete of the Year	Brandon Weiss
Female Athlete of the Year	Lyndsey Metts
Corporate Partner of the Year	North Broward Hospital District
Graduate Organization of the Year	Ethnic Minority Association of Graduate Students (EMAGS)
Undergraduate Organization of the Year	Phi Alpha Delta
Greek Organization of the Year	Delta Phi Epsilon
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year	Debra Steinkohl
Extended Community Member of the Year	Marie Antoinette Barret
Staff Person of the Year	Shirley Conover

## PREVIOUS STUEY WINNERS

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Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Academic Dean of the Year  
Alumnus of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

### 2002

Student of the Year—Overall  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Greek Organization of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Extended Community Member of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Academic Dean of the Year  
Alumna of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

### 2001

Student of the Year—Overall  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Greek Organization of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Extended Community Member of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Academic Dean of the Year  
Alumni of the Year

### 2000

Student of the Year—Overall Presentation  
Male Athlete of the Year  
Female Athlete of the Year  
Corporate Partner of the Year  
Graduate Organization of the Year  
Undergraduate Organization of the Year  
Greek Organization of the Year  
Cocurricular Adviser of the Year  
Staff Person of the Year  
Administrator of the Year  
Professor of the Year  
Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship

Joseph Barimo  
Steve Friedland  
David Loshin  
Paul Sallarulo  
Rovin Narine

Justin Marcus  
Ryan Morris  
Candice S. Carreno  
Broward County Board of County Commissioners  
Hispanic Law Student Association  
International Muslim Association (IMAN)  
Delta Phi Epsilon  
Charlotte Paolini  
Cynthia Miller  
Esther Weiner  
Morton Terry  
William J. Kelleher  
Honggang Yang  
Mary L. Mizell  
Julieo Thompson

Fran Short  
Marquise Kiffin  
Jennifer Whitesel  
Gerlinde Photo  
CPS Student Government Association  
Indian Student Association  
Beta Theta Pi  
Camille Bentley  
Ana Jimenez  
Chrissy Virzi  
John Santulli  
Josephine Shallo-Hoffmann  
Joseph D. Harbaugh  
Angela and Marty Hoffer

Jason Ciofalo  
Brad Kaczynski  
Tajuana Lee  
UNICCO Service Company  
Graduate Resident Student Association  
N.A.T.U.R.E.  
Delta Phi Epsilon  
Terry Weech  
Diana Gannott  
Bronson Steve Bias  
Anne Mulder  
Nicole Natalie Robinson

## Student of the Year by Academic Unit

### 2021

Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice	Michelle Rodriguez
College of Computing and Engineering	Paula Veras De La Rocha
College of Dental Medicine	Myriam Glavash
College of Optometry	Veronia Marie Abadeer, OSD
College of Pharmacy	Ashley Dabalsa, B.S.
College of Psychology	Alison Datoc
Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine	Waseem Wahood, M.S.
Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine	Joshua Berko
Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences	Sarah Williams, B.S.
Farquhar Honors College	Vijay Patel
Halmos College of Arts and Sciences and the Guy Harvey Oceanographic Research Center	Naziba Akther, B.S.
H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship	Natalie Ramirez Carvallo, B.S.B.A.
NSU University School	Henry Hurowitz
Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing	Lauren Alexander
Shepard Broad College of Law	Camelia Craciun

### 2020

Abraham S. Fischler College of Education	Ariadna Brecheisen
College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences	Nicole Chanvannes
College of Computing and Engineering	Nicole Staley
College of Dental Medicine	Katrina Fins, B.S.
College of Optometry	Kyra Dorvall
College of Pharmacy	William E. Rodriguez
College of Psychology	Kayla Shires, M.S.
Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine	Nasir Siddique
Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine	Regina Zambrano
Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences	Joy Oni
Farquhar Honors College	Michelle Bauer
Halmos College of Natural Sciences and Oceanography	Deepesh Tourani, M.S.
H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship	Juan (JC) Gonzalez
NSU University School	Ronnie Shashoua
Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing	Chloe Hollands
Shepard Broad College of Law	Alexandra Litowsky

### 2019

Abraham S. Fischler College of Education	Jessica Younts, J.D.
College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences	Emalee Shrewsbury
College of Computing and Engineering	Cheyenne Doyle-Schreffler
College of Dental Medicine	Francesca Pietri
College of Optometry	Amanda Batch
College of Pharmacy	Jeanette Alava, B.A.
College of Psychology	Oraib Toukhly, M.S.
Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine	Jackie Nguyen
Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine	Alixandria Fiore Pfeiffer
Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences	Kiera Linton
Farquhar Honors College	Samir Nacer
Halmos College of Natural Sciences and Oceanography	Ryan Bos
H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship	Natalie Ramirez Carvallo
NSU University School	Michael Gonzalez
Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing	Bianca Danielle Thomas
Shepard Broad College of Law	Bryan Siddique

### 2018

Abraham S. Fischler College of Education	Mackenzie McElduff
College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences	Michelle Thomas-Maison
College of Dental Medicine	Zohaib Munaf, M.B.S.
College of Engineering and Computing	Everone Graham
College of Optometry	Melissa Otero, O.D.
College of Pharmacy	Katie A. McCrink, B.S.
College of Psychology	Carolina Barbeito, M.S.

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Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences  
Farquhar Honors College  
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Natalie Nicole Negrón, B.S.  
Michael Jones, M.S.  
Joshua Braverman  
Matthew Woodstock  
Sadia Khan  
Samuel Blum  
Uriah Jean-Baptiste, B.S.N.  
Bethany J. M. Pandher

Erika Weiss  
Samantha Epstein  
Adam Saltz, M.P.H.  
Jay Rietzke  
Jeremy Outinen, B.A.  
Farima Fakheri Raof  
Lucas D. Driskell, M.S.  
Kristi Ray  
Jocelyn Wallace  
Desiree Casanova  
Cayla Dean, M.S.  
Rajaa Amir, B.S.B.A.  
Andrew Singer  
Autumn Lundy, R.N.  
Saamia Ali Shaikh, B.S.

Alexis Morales-Fresse  
Kamila Albert  
Melissa Carlton  
Alex Verga  
Nicholas Smith  
Julie Woodworth, R.N.  
Kelsey Moore, B.S.  
Natalie Booth  
Daniel Pearson  
Alexandra M. Alfonso, M.S.  
Nicole Cocuy  
Lacey Malarky, M.S.  
Bridget Guerrero  
Katelyn Barclay  
Yineth Sanchez, B.S.

Jacqueline Travisano, M.B.A.  
Marissa Snell, M.S.  
Aaron Goodwin, M.S.  
Deanna Wozunk  
Brandon Young  
Jay Harrelson  
Elyse Julian  
Danielle Lerch  
Natalie Negron  
Paul P. Dooley  
Sharon McIntyre  
Marie Ang  
Elizabeth Larson  
Lyn Roman  
Valerie Weinbrum



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Lindsey Goldstein  
Danette Beitra  
Htet Ei Bo, M.S.  
Valerie Fioridilino  
Tami Wilkes  
Ryan Beck  
Carisa Champion-Lippmann  
Kerry Anne Rambaran  
Desiree Kennedy  
May Bantan  
Crystina Wyler, M.A.  
Jamilla Abughali  
Andia Chaves-Fonnegra, M.S.  
Rahysa Vargas  
Logan Peretz

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Joaquin Hechavarria  
Courtney Cantrell  
Uyen Nguyen  
Danielle Key  
Christian F. Rodriguez  
Morvarid Fallahzadeh  
Elizabeth T. Ngoc Phung  
Hoda Masmouei  
Sasha Tamar Strelitz  
Sergio Parra  
Robert Keever  
Anthony J. Campenni  
Andrea Bernard  
Brooke Latta  
Gillian Newman

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Isabel Medina  
Stephanie Camejo  
Justin Johnson  
Tzafra Martin  
Lorraine Romeo Marshall  
Stephanie Frankel  
Bryan Peterson  
Genevieve Hale  
Catalina Rodriguez  
Katharine Hixson  
Consuelo Doria Kelley  
Jeremy Mathis  
Travis Moore  
Hanna Knight  
Sydney Schneider

### 2011

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Michelle Krantz  
Brandon Bergman  
Lorrie Cordle  
Justin Johnson  
Wesdon McCann  
Lindsay LaCorte  
Vanessa Vera  
Yineth Sanchez  
Kevin Pacetti  
Marvin Klein

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Anthony Campenni  
Christine Testerman  
Vanessa Coe  
Luke Katler

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Jessica L. Mackelprang  
Kayleigh Fessenden  
Damian Black  
Michelle Levin  
Jessica Hilst  
Gina Pettineo  
Lauren Butler  
Judy Schmelzer  
Jaime Puente  
Sara Smith  
Serena Mann  
Lance Jordan  
Ryan Galka  
Matthew Seely

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Mary Beth Bailar-Heath  
Michelle Schnoll  
Anna Fedak  
Amanda Woodie  
Travis Osterman  
Carla Evans  
Randy Denis  
Jaime Arango  
Shalette Ashman-East  
Sarah Walker  
Akshat Bhargava  
Audie (Kirk) Kilfoyle  
Tiffany Brown  
Demi Marks

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Karen Regan  
Jim Murray  
Michelle Mayer  
Erin Jenewein  
Roger Alvarez  
Andrea Fass  
Kristina Christoph  
Ashley Russom  
Michelle Manley  
Beatriz Vargas  
Kevin Helmlie  
Jami Beasley  
George Wayne

### 2007

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College of Osteopathic Medicine  
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Jessica Garcia  
Robin Wilson  
Michael Scherer  
Takeia Locke  
Dana Block  
Stephen Berkowitz  
Crystal Rego  
Sharon Schumacher  
Kevin Chartier

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Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences  
H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship  
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University School

### 2006

Center for Psychological Studies  
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Terry Morrow  
Sundar Thyagarajan  
Patrick Quinn  
Joanne Charles  
Michaela Gaffley

K. Bryant Smalley  
Sarah Zidel  
Kelly Maixner  
Kasey Suckow  
Danny Hierholzer  
Christine Chukhadzhyan  
Taylor Liput  
Victoria Warren  
Chris Klippel  
Michele Liscio  
Shruti Salghur  
Demian Chapman  
Chris Everett  
Gillian Mayersohn

Jessica Parker  
Jessica Gordon  
Kory Mchenry  
Denise Burns-LeGros  
Christopher Piromalli  
Leigh Demarco  
Elizabeth Harbaugh  
Jennifer Bowman  
Dedric Carter  
Robert Hosea  
Mary Delray  
Jamie Monty  
Toni Latino  
Johnathan Grilli

Max Harris  
Shannon Shillin  
Shrinivas Rangarajan  
Jennifer Myles  
Olga Martinez  
Chay Puzey  
Micaela Mercado  
Maureen A. Fogle  
Javier E. Landazuri  
Cynthia Rebholz  
Julio S. Thompson  
Tina Gwaltney  
Kathryn M. Blanco  
Aneesh Deshpande

Shamin Jaffer  
Mara Sanchez  
Chris Phelps  
Jennifer Kane  
Shalomi George  
Deborah Larison  
Robert Duarte

## PREVIOUS STUEY WINNERS

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Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services  
Graduate School of Computer and Information Sciences  
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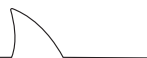
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Amoy Reid  
Krisn Ramcharitar  
Joshia Osamba  
Joseph Reyes  
Paul Arena  
Shahabudeen Kahn  
Anelia Shaheed

Kate Richmond  
Kelly Over  
Reza Ardalan  
Lori Vollmer  
Joanna Greenblatt  
Brian Hierholzer  
Sunil Patel  
Nina Tusenjian  
Michael Weber  
Cheyenne Corbett  
Matt Owen  
Tonya Davidian  
Chad Powers  
Justin Marcus

Benjamin A. Toll  
Melissa Brodsky  
Fran Short  
Jason Hershorn  
Jeffrey Lebensburger  
Oanh K. Le  
Stanley W. Thompson  
K. Michelle Scott  
Dorren J. Gooden  
Brian K. Walker  
Amy Bloom  
Melissa Singer

Cheryl Ann Luis  
Michelle P. Baker  
Zarina Staller  
Robert E. Rhodes  
Setareh Seyedkazemi  
Alyson M. Dion  
Jennifer L. Heim  
Paula Beach Doherty  
Shazia Akhtarullah  
Norrisa Tworkowski  
Lawrence R. Beerkircher  
Jason Ciofalo  
Naomi M. Massave



## **2022 Student Life Achievement Awards Program**

### ACT I: SCHOLARSHIP

- Student of the Year Nominees** . . . . . NSU Academic Deans and  
Students of the Year by Academic Unit
- Welcome** . . . . . Brad A. Williams, Ed.D.
- Masters of Ceremonies** . . . . . Bre Brady, Ritchy Laguerre, and Maria Valentina Rativa

### ACT II: COMMUNITY

- Undergraduate Organization of the Year** . . . . . Irving Rosenbaum, D.P.A., Ed.D., M.P.A., and  
members of the PAN SGA
- Corporate Partner of the Year** . . . . . Marc Crocquet, M.B.A., and  
members of the Black Student Union
- Athletics Team of the Year** . . . . . Andrew Rosman, Ph.D., B.B.A., and  
members of the Filipino Student Association

### ACT III: STUDENT CENTERED

- Graduate Organization of the Year** . . . . . Harry K. Moon, M.D., and  
members of the American Pharmacists Association  
Academy of Student Pharmacists
- Student Government of the Year** . . . . . Daniel Alfonso, M.Fin., and  
members of the Society of Human Resource Management

### ACT IV: OPPORTUNITY

- Musical Performance** . . . . . Paul Cauchi and Denisia Purcell
- Cocurricular Adviser of the Year** . . . . . Holly Baumgartner, Ph.D., Dean, and  
members of the Freedom Sharks
- Juan Pablo Correa Memorial Scholarship Award** Sara Cardenas (Mother of Juan Pablo  
Correa); Sarah Chenworth, M.S.; and Abdrazek Azlag

## PROGRAM AND PRESENTERS

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### ACT V: COMMITMENT

- Administrator of the Year** . . . . . Brandon Hensler, M.S., APR, and  
members of Phi Sigma Sigma
- Regional Campus Student of the Year** . . . . . Gerard J. Wheeler  
and Ricardo Belmar, Ed.D., M.I.B.A.
- Staff Person of the Year** . . . . . Audrey Galka, D.D.S., and  
members of Spectrum LGBTQ+ and Allies Association
- Dance Performance** . . . . . Nina Lozovnoy

### ACT VI: INTEGRITY

- Professor of the Year** . . . . . Ron Chenail, Ph.D., and  
members of the Evening Law Students Association
- Alumni of the Year** . . . . . Vincent J. Accardi and  
members of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
- Executive of the Year** . . . . . Frederick Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D., and  
members of the NSU Superhero Syndicate
- Musical Performance** . . . . . Maria Valentina Rativa

### ACT VII: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

- NSU Student of the Year—Overall** . . . . . George L. Hanbury II, Ph.D.,  
President and Chief Executive Officer of  
Nova Southeastern University

Finale

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Undergraduate Organization of the Year



### Freedom Sharks—Division of Student Affairs

Freedom Sharks contribute to the military-affiliated and veterans population at NSU by helping students connect to NSU resources, services, and the broader community. The Freedom Sharks expand their positive influence and outreach across the NSU community through their service projects on and off campus. These include Trick or Trunk, CommunityFest, Inclusion Fair, Compassion Day Project, and the Kids in Distress Toy Drive, as well as through NSU's 9/11 memorial and Veterans Day events. The Freedom Sharks exemplify NSU's core values by leading by example, engaging students in active cocurricular learning through sporting and tabling events, providing holistic learning experiences, and developing students into lifelong citizens and leaders through Speaker Series and professional workshops, and creating a sense of community with service-based projects.



### Inter-Organizational Council (IOC)—Division of Student Affairs

The Inter-Organizational Council, also known as IOC, forms a strong community of registered student organizations (RSOs), promoting unity and collaboration within the NSU community. IOC strives to support RSOs in their successes by providing resources, funding, and leadership opportunities. IOC's greatest accomplishment is providing outlets for its RSOs to establish themselves through various large-scale events, such as the Block Painting Arts Festival, Homecoming Parade, and Winter Involvement Fair, ultimately maximizing the presence of student organizations on campus. IOC encourages RSOs to be involved by incorporating a service component, where RSOs are to host, lead, or partake in any service event. The most rewarding aspect of representing Nova Southeastern University is the opportunity to be able to foster an environment and encourage student organizations in making an impact on campus.



### Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated Gamma Alpha Delta Chapter—Division of Student Affairs

This organization has been awarded the Greek Organization of the Year by hosting and participating in service events such as blood drives and canned food drives. It is well known for its scholarship pageant, which provided the winner with a \$1,000 achievement award and raised more than \$2,000 for the March of Dimes. The fraternity appreciates the opportunities the university offers, which is why it wants to continue that legacy by giving back to NSU, especially the student population. It is called the people's frat because of its constant inclination to deliver service to the general community. The fraternity truly exemplifies NSU's core values by the way it gives back to the university.



### Sociodrama Club "Stage for Change"—Division of Student Affairs

The NSU Sociodrama Club: Stage for Change raises awareness on various critical social topics. Sociodrama utilizes theatrical techniques and audience interaction to educate. During this academic year, the club held a variety of innovative events, such as addressing substance abuse and domestic violence through its performance of *Red Flags*. Additionally, the club has held shows addressing microaggressions and implicit bias to create a more inclusive environment on campus. The club is currently producing a series of short films about child protection and even partnered with NSU's Public Safety Department on two occasions to address the issue of stalking and the resources available for victims.



### Student Events and Activities Board (S.E.A. Board)—Division of Student Affairs

The Student Events and Activities Board (S.E.A. Board) continues to create, plan, promote, and engage NSU's student body with the events it coordinates together. The board's mission is to create moments that turn into lasting memories for the students, faculty and staff members, and families of NSU Sharks. Each event is created to center on a purpose, whether that be creating kits for the homeless and care packages for pediatric patients, celebrating NSU Sharks back on campus after summer and winter break, or thanking faculty members, raising awareness, and honoring graduating Sharks. NSU provides the S.E.A. Board with the opportunity for college students to gain event planning, management, leadership, and marketing skills—all while being a student-centered organization.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Corporate Partner of the Year



### Publix Pharmacy

Publix Pharmacy operates more than 1,200 locations throughout Publix's operating area. For decades, it has been recognized as an industry leader for excellent customer service. A primary tenet of Publix's mission is to be involved as responsible citizens in its communities. Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, pharmacy associates have worked tirelessly to follow heightened safety procedures that allowed them to provide customers with vaccination services and necessary medications. Publix Pharmacy has worked with NSU for decades by interacting directly with students and providing financial support. This rewarding collaboration offers retail pharmacy rotations for students in their final year and provides valuable on-the-job experience that often leads to employment. Publix has hired hundreds of NSU alumni since 1992 and looks forward to continued connections.



### Memorial Healthcare System

Memorial Healthcare System, which is one of the largest public healthcare systems in the United States, is a national leader in quality care and patient, physician, and employee satisfaction. It is highly regarded for a patient- and family-centered approach that prioritizes multidisciplinary collaboration, research, innovation, and transparency. The South Florida-based academic medical center is committed to healing the body, mind, and spirit of those it cares for at six hospitals—including Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital—as well as at its numerous primary, urgent, and 24/7 care facilities, a health specialty center, and a nursing home.



### HCA Healthcare.

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### Lee Health

Lee Health is one of the largest not-for-profit public health systems in Florida. It comprises more than 14,000 employees, a medical staff of more than 2,200, and more than 1,800 beds servicing the Southwest Florida community. Lee Health's community investment in medical education extends to caring for patients and their families by ensuring its staff members have opportunities to pursue continuing education. Its academics and continuing medical education departments coordinate opportunities for several healthcare professionals in partnership with NSU. Lee Health's mission is to be a trusted partner, empowering healthier lives through care and compassion. Lee Health believes that continued education allows the organization to pursue the excellent compassionate care it strives for daily.



### Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County

The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County is a nonprofit charitable law firm dedicated to ensuring equal access to the justice system for the low-income, disadvantaged, and traditionally underserved residents of Palm Beach County. The Legal Aid Society fulfills its mission on a daily basis by providing high-quality legal services, free of charge, to meet the legal needs of the less fortunate in the community through its work with projects involved in family advocacy, individual rights, the elderly, health, and community outreach. Legal Aid Society programs are designed to give underserved individuals a voice in the judicial system, thereby ensuring equal access to justice.



## 2022 Nominees for NSU Athletics Team of the Year



### 2020–2021 NSU Women’s Swim Team

Despite competing in a shortened season, the Sharks were as dominant as usual. NSU finished second at the Sunshine State Conference Championship. Head Coach Ben Hewitt led NSU back to the NCAA National Tournament, as the Sharks placed eighth in the DII National Championships in 2020–2021. Cassandra Wright and Savanna Best each earned top-10 finishes during the national title events to pace the Sharks. Additionally, Wright earned a bronze medal in the 100-backstroke.



### 2020–2021 NSU Women’s Tennis Team

Despite facing a unique level of adversity and uncertainty, the NSU women’s tennis team once again proved to be one of the nation’s premier programs in 2020–2021, wrapping up the year as the No. 8 team in the nation after earning its second consecutive NCAA Tournament berth. Led by Sunshine State Conference Coach of the Year Doug Neagle and SSC Athlete of the Year Natalie Espinal, the Sharks posted an impressive 8-1 record in league play, good enough for a runner-up finish in the SSC. The ladies collected four wins over ranked opponents along the way, with three players later selected as All-Americans.



### 2021 NSU Men’s Soccer Team

Head Coach Matt Watts led the 2021 NSU men’s soccer team to its most successful season in program history. Following a modest 5-3-1 start, the Sharks finished the year on a 14-game unbeaten streak en route to tallying a single-season program record of 17 wins. The men won three matches in seven days, including two over top-10 programs, to hoist the program’s first-ever Sunshine State Conference Tournament trophy. From there, NSU earned its first-ever NCAA Tournament berth. Four more victories later and the Sharks had captured a regional title and a spot in the Final Four. For their efforts, NSU’s coaching staff was announced as the South Region Staff of the Year, while off the field, Henrik Berg was recognized as an Elite 90 recipient, which is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative GPA at each of the NCAA’s 90 championships.



### 2021 NSU Women’s Volleyball Team

Following a one-year hiatus from the court, the Sharks, under Head Coach Brian Rosen, continued their upward trend and set new program records in 2021. NSU began the season on an incredible 13-match winning streak as the Sharks earned 19 consecutive victories, after closing the 2019 campaign with 6 straight wins. NSU climbed into the AVCA Coaches’ Poll for the first time since 2009 on September 27 and remained in the polls for the remainder of the season. The Sharks surpassed the 20-win plateau for the second straight year under Rosen and made their return to the NCAA Tournament, snapping a 12-year drought. The Sharks were led by a trio of All-Americans—Alex Psoma (Third-Team), Elizabeth Price (Honorable Mention), and Marianna Fiocco (Honorable Mention).

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Graduate Organization of the Year



### National Optometric Student Association (NOSA)— College of Optometry

The National Optometric Student Association (NOSA) is an organization focused on improving access to vision health for those in underserved communities. NOSA's focus for last year was the Diversifying Optometry Program, where members reached out to dozens of undergraduate students from minority populations to promote student-centered mentorship and scholarship opportunities into the field of optometry. This year, the club's greatest accomplishment was being nationally recognized for raising more than \$1,500 for the Step Out Walk to Stop Diabetes event sponsored by the American Diabetes Association. NOSA also offers unique scholarships awarded to students based on leadership and involvement. In addition to the club's accomplishments, the most rewarding aspect is getting to represent NSU by being the most diverse club with the most engagement from the members and faculty alike.



### Phi Delta Chi (PDC)—College of Pharmacy

The Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity (PDC) is a professional organization that advances the science of pharmacy and its allied interests and promotes a fraternal spirit among its members. PDC consists of a diverse group of pharmacy students and leaders, as seven presidents of various organizations are members. PDC is committed to raising funds and awareness for its national philanthropy—St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Throughout the year, PDC hosts health fairs to educate the community on self-care. This year, PDC participated in CommunityFest to raise awareness of proper hand hygiene. The NSU community is unique because of its diversity and availability of opportunities for students to grow professionally. PDC has the same goals: to facilitate opportunities in leadership, service, philanthropy, and brotherhood.



### Graduate Organization for Partnerships and Learning with Adolescents and Youths (GOPLAY)—College of Psychology

GOPLAY has participated in many community events, while also creating opportunities for students to grow professionally and become more involved within the community. GOPLAY volunteers with Camp VITAS (a bereavement camp for families), hosts Baby Cakes presentations to new mothers at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital, and participates at CommunityFest. GOPLAY hosted a book drive to collect books, which were then dispersed to Little Free Libraries throughout the Fort Lauderdale, Florida, area. GOPLAY hosts many speaker events with professors within the field of psychology. GOPLAY's greatest contribution is the opportunity for students interested in working with youth to grow professionally while giving back to the community. NSU has provided GOPLAY with the ability to thrive and communicate its efforts, while helping each student understand his or her impact on families in the community.



### Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA) at NSU MD—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine

The LMSA at NSU MD, which was founded in January 2021, is the inaugural Latino Medical Student Association chapter established at NSU. The founding members, first-year medical students of LMSA at NSU MD, created this chapter to bring awareness of the health of the Hispanic/Latinx community, engage their fellow medical students in community service, and provide a space of belonging for Latinx medical students. This chapter created METAS, which is a pathway program designed to expose high school students to healthcare professions through direct mentorship and workshops provided by medical students. The chapter also strives to provide medical Spanish workshops to fellow medical students. Lastly, the chapter provided expert speaker panels related to the health of the local Latinx community, which enriched the knowledge of NSU faculty members and students.



### Evening Law Student Association (ELSA)—Shepard Broad College of Law

With a "service before self" approach, the Evening Law Student Association, also known as ELSA, exemplifies NSU's core values through student-centered programming that fosters inclusion, support, community, and academic excellence. One notable achievement is ELSA's voluntary student mentorship program called Bigs and Littles, which provides peer-level support throughout evening students' law school tenure. First-year evening students begin as "Littles" and are paired by ELSA with evening upperclassmen who serve as "Bigs." When Littles become second-year students, they continue as Littles, but can also become Bigs to first-year students. This provides an ongoing supportive network that is reinforced by ELSA's event programming, such as community service, final exam study sessions, wellness activities with Student Wellness at NSU Law, and Florida Bar Exam preparation guidance tailored for the evening student.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Student Government of the Year



### College of Psychology Student Government Association— College of Psychology

Amidst a worldwide pandemic, the College of Psychology's SGA branch accomplished major goals. All the organizations it oversees have been well represented via funding. During the past year, the SGA facilitated the establishment of three new organizations and has been a voice for students at PanSGA. The SGA promoted and participated in events to help fundraise for different causes, such as Walk a Mile (or More) in Crystal's Shoes and the Harvest Drive, and is currently preparing for Relay for Life. Additionally, the SGA has brought back the Spring Formal event after a one-year hiatus. Exemplifying NSU's core value of excellence, the SGA also built a beautiful study lounge for students and ensured the proliferation of information to all students to help them remain active via research and community service.



### Undergraduate Student Government Association—Division of Student Affairs

The Undergraduate Student Government Association (USGA) is a government for and by the students, which actively works to encourage the leadership development of its members while catering to the needs of the undergraduate population. The USGA serves as a liaison to advocate for student concerns, initiate change on campus, and ensure that all students feel supported, represented, and heard. Some notable accomplishments of the 34th USGA include a student partnership with TAO Connect, implementation of the NSU Shark Food Pantry, free on-campus nutrition services for students, and the addition of semesterly Residential Life and Housing Town Halls. The USGA is dedicated to upholding NSU's eight core values and facilitates student-driven change, allowing students to play an active role in shaping their experience at NSU.



### Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine Student Government Association—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine

As a part of the Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine, the Student Government Association, together with its student body, strives to be a force for the advancement of human health and shows excellence in all aspects of what this goal entails. The organization strives to fulfill NSU's core values of academic excellence, integrity, innovation, opportunity, scholarship, and research and act as a unified voice to continuously maintain its commitment to progress and innovation at NSU MD. Its goal is to advocate for students' collective interests and concerns, be a liaison between the student body and administration, promote interprofessional collaboration, and build a strong network of current students and future alumni to sustain the future of the college.



### Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine Student Government Association—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine

The Student Government Association (SGA) of the Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine (Fort Lauderdale/Davie Campus) aims to enhance student learning beyond the classroom. This is executed by club involvement, volunteer opportunities, leadership roles, and wellness initiatives, to name a few. The SGA cares not only for the student population, but the community as well. It seeks out involvement within the community to enrich the lives of the students and surrounding population. This past fall, the SGA organized a monthlong clothing drive and donated 20 large boxes of gently used clothing to a donation center in Miami, Florida. The SGA takes pride in knowing it can positively affect the lives of so many people.



### Fort Myers Student Government Association—NSU Fort Myers Campus

The Fort Myers SGA is dedicated to making a difference, whether big or small, one student at a time. The SGA members are always willing to go above and beyond by lending a helping hand or a listening ear to students' ideas or concerns. Their goal is to make the NSU educational experience a brighter one. To create a true sense of camaraderie, the organization provides students with entertaining on- and off-campus events that bring the students closer on a personal level and help them build long-lasting friendships.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Cocurricular Adviser of the Year



### **Jose A. Rey, Pharm.D.—College of Pharmacy**

Jose A. Rey's most rewarding and memorable experiences have been advising and mentoring students at NSU for the past 30 years. He believes that his greatest contributions to NSU have been in the roles of advising two great student organizations and teaching students in both classroom and clinical settings. His student-centered accomplishments include establishing the nation's first student-governed and award-winning Collegiate Chapter of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists at NSU, which serves the community through awareness and educational programming addressing mental illness. Rey is also the proud adviser for the Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, which is the nation's oldest and largest professional pharmacy fraternity. The organization represents diversity and provides multiple opportunities for student success by ensuring academic excellence, professionalization, leadership development, scholarship, and philanthropic service to the community.



### **Carly Paro-Tompkins, Ed.D.—College of Psychology (NSU Tampa Bay Regional Campus)**

Carly Paro-Tompkins, an assistant professor in the Department of Counseling, joined NSU in 2016 and quickly began co-advising the Counseling Student Organization, which is her favorite role at NSU. She embodies the mission of 1NSU, as she collaborates, mentors, and leads students from all counseling programs across all formats. She prioritizes leadership and engagement opportunities for students, including educational lunch-and-learn programs, internship and alumni panels, and community service and outreach through walks and fundraisers. The breadth and depth of these leadership opportunities are substantial, as are her effort and intentionality. To showcase their affection for Paro-Tompkins, her students surprised her by creating T-shirts that said, "What would Dr. Paro do?" Her students laud the positive impact she's had on their experience as NSU students and future counselors.



### **Camille Baldwin, Ed.D.—Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing (NSU Fort Myers Campus)**

Camille Baldwin has more than 20 years of experience in both the adult and pediatric critical care setting and open heart and neurovascular recovery units. She began her teaching career in 2004 and is a certified nurse educator through the National League of Nursing and Certified Healthcare Simulation Educator. She began her NSU career in July 2009 and has taught in the entry-level, R.N.—B.S.N., M.S.N., and Ph.D. programs. Currently, she is the entry-level coordinator for clinical services and simulation at the Fort Myers Campus. She has been the adviser for the college's Fort Myers chapter of the Student Nurses Association since its inception in 2010. She is a member of the Society for Simulation in Healthcare and serves as the undergraduate counselor for the Upsilon Chi chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. She also serves as regional director for the Florida Nurses Association.



### **James Wilets, J.D.—Shepard Broad College of Law**

James Wilets is an NSU professor of law and serves as chair of the Inter-American Center for Human Rights. He received his Master of Arts degree in International Relations from Yale University in 1994 and his J.D. from Columbia Law School in 1987. He teaches in the areas of constitutional law, international law, comparative law, human rights, immigration law, gender and the law, and European union law. While at Yale University, Wilets prepared, at the request of the United Nations secretary-general, the first two drafts of a proposal for reforming the human rights functions of the United Nations (U.N.), which was incorporated into the U.N.'s Agenda for Peace. He worked as an attorney for the International Human Rights Law Group's Rule of Law Project in Romania and led a joint mission to Liberia by the National Democratic Institute and the Carter Center. Additionally, Wilets worked in Paris, France, on some of the first negotiations between Israelis and Palestinians for a two-state solution.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Regional Campus Student of the Year



### Emily Buersmeyer, B.S.N.-R.N.—NSU Fort Myers Campus

Emily Buersmeyer graduated with honors from Nova Southeastern University's Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing in December 2021. She was actively involved in her program, including her time as chapter president of the National Student Nursing Association for the Fort Myers Campus. Buersmeyer always offered to assist other students in their studies and became a mentor to many of her peers. Since graduating, she became a registered nurse and began her job in the pediatric emergency room at Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital. Buersmeyer is grateful to her NSU professors, who pushed her to reach her career goals.



### Sean Fredericks—NSU Jacksonville Campus

Sean Fredericks, a U.S. military veteran, has been a student at NSU since 2021. He is currently a graduate student majoring in higher education as part of the C.I.M.A program. His goals are to teach middle school and high school students. Fredericks is proud to be an NSU student due to the innovation and resources the university provides to be successful.



### Jacquelyn Marquez—NSU Miami Campus

Jacquelyn Marquez, who served as SGA president at the Miami Campus, is in the seventh semester of her B.S.N. program and has been affiliated with NSU since 2019. She has been involved in numerous community service programs, including the Nicklaus Children's and Baptist Health South Florida volunteer programs. A key element that makes NSU special to her is the fact that everyone knows each other, so it feels more like a family than a university. According to Marquez, the most rewarding aspect is being able to make a difference on campus and having students provide positive feedback based on those changes. A true exemplar of the student-centered core value, Marquez always considers the students' needs first because, to her, making sure that the students are happy with the changes is what matters most.



### Selena Houck—NSU Orlando Campus

Selena Houck is a clinical-year physician assistant student who is in the process of earning her Master of Medical Science degree. She serves as president of the Orlando Regional Student Government Association (SGA) and is also vice president of her physician assistant program's SGA. Throughout the past two years, Houck has tirelessly committed herself to community service, student engagement, and academic excellence, which ultimately led to her being awarded the NSU David Bevins Commitment Award. This year, she organized and led a large philanthropy project that raised thousands of dollars for a nonprofit organization that allows chronically ill children to attend summer camp. She also created a multitude of ways to keep students socially engaged during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.



### Thandeka Bissasor—NSU Palm Beach Campus

Thandeka Bissasor, who is a pharmacy student, earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Biomedical Sciences from the University of South Florida. In 2012, she joined CVS Pharmacy as a pharmacy technician, then quickly advanced to an inventory specialist before becoming a lead technician. She is currently a pharmacy intern at Westside Regional Hospital, where she continues to grow and develop her pharmacy experience. Bissasor is passionate about advocacy and serves as president of the College of Pharmacy's Student Government Association. She works ardently to build school pride and empower a sense of community. She enjoys serving students and facilitating activities. Bissasor, who hopes to become an ambulatory care pharmacist, is zealous about helping others and admires the patient-centered approach of the pharmacy field.

**2022 Nominees for NSU Regional Campus Student of the Year** (continued)



**Iliana A. Ramos Morales—NSU Puerto Rico Regional Campus**

Iliana A. Ramos Morales is a third-year student pursuing a Doctor of Pharmacy degree at the College of Pharmacy. She completed a bachelor's degree in biology, specializing in biomedics, from the University of Puerto Rico—Aguadilla Campus. Throughout her NSU education, Ramos Morales has sought opportunities to serve, learn, and enrich her knowledge and has been actively involved in student organizations, research, and community service events. Despite her participation in extracurricular and research activities, she also achieved recognition by earning a place on the Chancellor's List based on her strong academic performance. Ramos Morales is proud of the achievements she has accomplished so far and is grateful for the opportunity NSU has given her.



**Eva Slomiak, R.N.—NSU Tampa Bay Regional Campus**

Eva Slomiak is a third-year family nurse practitioner graduate student at the Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing and is a proud member of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. For Slomiak, one of the most rewarding aspects about being a student at NSU is learning from dedicated and experienced faculty members who provide opportunities for critical reflection in the provision of meaningful, patient-centered care. Grateful for the support and resources provided by NSU to all students, especially adult learners, she strives to exemplify NSU's core values, both personally and professionally, through honest and transparent communication, interprofessional collaboration, and participation in continuing education.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Staff Person of the Year



### **Kande Griffith, M.S.—Enrollment and Student Services (NSU Jacksonville Campus)**

Kande Griffith has worked in Enrollment and Student Services as an admissions counselor at the Jacksonville Campus for eight years. She played an instrumental role in the launch of two new anesthesiology assistant programs—one in Jacksonville, Florida, and another in Denver, Colorado. Griffith has been actively involved in student life, co-advising the Tom-Lemley Student Society for the physician assistant program for five years. She also served on the board of directors for Family Promise, a nonprofit organization in Jacksonville that works to keep homeless individuals together. However, Meet and Greet is the program Griffith is most proud of. The program focuses on helping new physician assistant and anesthesiology assistant students acclimate to university life and their new environment. Local vendors also participate in this program by offering discounts, particularly housing discounts, and sponsoring social events for incoming students.



### **Alexandra Hathaway—College of Pharmacy**

Alexandra Hathaway has worked as the administrative coordinator for the College of Pharmacy's Pharmacy Practice Department since October 2019 and has been part of the NSU community since 2017. In her current position, she assists faculty members with their daily needs, assists with grant work, organizes college events, and works with other departments to lend a hand when needed. Born and raised in upstate New York, Hathaway moved to Florida eight years ago, but truly found a sense of "home" when she became an NSU staff member. Hathaway, who is a true team player, said the NSU community is one of the things she loves most about her position. She is incredibly fulfilled to work with her colleagues every day.



### **William Power—Office of Innovation and Information Technology (Fort Myers Campus)**

William Power has worked at NSU in the Office of Innovation and Information Technology since 2018, starting in the Client Support Services areas before recently relocating to the Systems Team. He loves the student-centered focus at NSU, where all departments and colleges come together for the goal of the best student experience at NSU. One of Power's most rewarding contributions at NSU was working with various departments and programs on the challenging task of supporting students and employees during the transition to work from home. His favorite part of working in the Office of Innovation and Information Technology is that "every day brings a new puzzle to solve," which allows Powers to challenge himself continually and work together with the many talented teams at NSU to find innovative solutions for student and staff concerns.



### **Claudia Sicard—University Advancement**

Claudia Sicard joined NSU three years ago as the coordinator of alumni relations and annual giving in the division of University Advancement. She has 10+ years of experience in higher education and fundraising, which allows her to work with 220,000 alumni and seven regional campuses. Sicard, who is passionate about education, is pursuing her undergraduate degree and looks forward to maintaining her involvement with NSU not only as a staff member, but as a future Shark alumna. She plays a key role in raising funds and collaborates with her team to raise \$3 million for the university. Her most rewarding experiences are fundraising for scholarships, educational trips, and for victims of special circumstances, such as natural disasters. She enjoys hosting Alumni Homecoming Week, Giving Tuesday, and All-In events, which aligns with her desire to foster the growth of the NSU culture of philanthropy.



### **Jamie Reid—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine**

Jamie Reid has worked at NSU for seven years. She began her NSU employment with Enrollment and Student Services, although she has worked at the Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine for almost five years as its admissions coordinator, where she assisted with bringing in the charter class. Reid created an extremely close bond with the inaugural students, which resulted in her affectionately calling them her firstborn. She has played a vital role in the students' growth and their involvement in the community throughout their years with NSU MD. The bond she has formed with the students and faculty members speaks volumes about her character.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Administrator of the Year



### **Rachel Fineberg, M.S.—Athletics**

Rachel Fineberg has worked in the NSU Department of Athletics since 2018. She currently serves as the associate athletic director for Student-Athlete Support Services and the senior woman administrator. In this role, she oversees student-athlete academic support, educational programming, and NCAA compliance, as well as being the sport administrator for the women's basketball, women's golf, and men's soccer programs. Fineberg also represents NSU Athletics as a liaison with multiple campus departments and enjoys serving as an instructor for the UNIV 1000 course. The most rewarding aspect of her NSU position is being able to make a positive impact on the experiences of NSU students. Witnessing the personal growth of Shark students as they progress through their academic careers is Fineberg's favorite part of being an administrator in higher education.



### **Carlos Manuel Perez, Ed.D.—College of Psychology**

Carlos Manuel Perez, who has traveled across 6 continents and 48 states, has worked at NSU for 19 years in the human services programs. His academic interests include multiple intelligences, student life, organizational leadership, and the arts. He is inspired by excellence among NSU alumni. Perez, who earned degrees from NSU and the College of New Jersey, has visited more than 200 campuses as a leadership consultant—but NSU is home to him. He lives in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, with his partner Michael. Perez, who is a Cuban refugee, was inspired to experience various cultures. Honoring his parents' sacrifices, he established an NSU Fellows Society legacy gift. Serving students and the community, Perez is indeed a Shark for life.



### **Bryan Roberts, M.P.A.—Division of Student Affairs**

Bryan Roberts serves as the student affairs director of finance and student activity fee accounts and has been a proud Shark since 2017. In 2020, Roberts received the Anthony DeSantis Team Player Award from the Office of Residential Life and Housing and recently became an inaugural recipient of the Dean's Award for Outstanding Team Membership within the Division of Student Affairs. He believes that NSU is a place where people can genuinely connect, grow, and be appreciated not only for the things that they do, but for who they are. Roberts continues this spirit and makes it his goal with colleagues and students alike, because being a part of someone's developmental journey is both an honor and the greatest reward of the work he commits to daily.



### **Kimberly Rivera—Enrollment and Student Services**

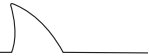
During her 27 years at NSU, Kimberly Rivera has worked in various roles with increasing responsibilities at the Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice and the College of Computing and Engineering. Currently, she serves as the senior manager of registrar operations in Enrollment and Student Services, where she has quickly established herself as a "go-to" person for key university processes, including course registration and maintenance, grades, academic calendars, commencement, and more. No matter the task, Rivera tackles it with enthusiasm, professionalism, and a smile, always working collaboratively with all stakeholders toward the common goal of INSU. She is grateful for the mentorship of NSU colleagues, who have contributed to her personal and professional growth. Paying it forward, Rivera dedicates time to helping others reach their fullest potential in their roles. The NSU core value Rivera best exemplifies is integrity. She takes pride in her work and continues to look for ways to improve operations and processes that enhance the student experience.



### **Larry L. Massey, Jr., Ph.D.—Facilities Management**

Larry L. Massey has served as the director of public safety since 2019, but has been professionally associated with NSU in various ways for more than 25 years. He regards the university as a special place whose academic reputation influenced his decision to earn his Ph.D. from the Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice. However, what inspired him to work for NSU was the pride he felt when his daughter graduated from NSU's Shepard Broad College of Law, joining him as an alumna. He embraces the core values of personal integrity and professional excellence, but focuses on being student centered as a priority. His most significant accomplishments come from protecting the NSU community year-round and contributing to a safe environment where individuals can work, learn, live, and play.





## 2022 Nominees for NSU Professor of the Year



### **Gina L. Peyton, Ed.D.—Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice**

Gina L. Peyton is a professor in the Department of Education who joined NSU in 1995 as an undergraduate student worker before advancing to full-time employment. Peyton, who completed three degrees by 2006, currently teaches master's and doctoral students, focusing on higher education leadership and organizational leadership. Other roles include dissertation chair/member, GSGA faculty adviser volunteer, and coauthor of the Strategic Research Project capstone. She truly enjoys the collaborative experience by publishing several book chapters with colleagues and alumni through IGI-Global and Palgrave Macmillan. Her most rewarding aspect is attending commencement and watching her students graduate. Ultimately, her everyday teaching objective is to meet NSU's core values of student centered, academic excellence, and integrity.



### **Young Kwon, Ph.D.—College of Pharmacy**

Young Kwon is an associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences who has worked in the College of Pharmacy since 2011. Kwon has a student-centered approach to teaching, which has resulted in multiple teaching accolades, including the 2015 and 2016 College of Pharmacy Teacher of the Year awards. He teaches in the professional, undergraduate, and graduate programs at NSU and was instrumental in creating two new graduate programs. His research expertise is in the area of drug delivery, and he is a research mentor for students. He is a collaborative researcher who is consistently expanding and diversifying his research portfolio. Kwon firmly believes that NSU's diverse programs, faculty members, and students provide unique collaborative opportunities for scholarly success and that the university is on an upward trajectory toward increased visibility.



### **Jessica M. Valenzuela, Ph.D.—College of Psychology**

Jessica M. Valenzuela is an associate professor in the College of Psychology. She has been an NSU faculty member for 11 years and teaches in two accredited clinical psychology doctoral programs. Her teaching is focused on preparing trainees to work with children in medical settings to reduce health disparities and improve quality of life. Valenzuela leads the department's Anti-Racism Diversity, and Inclusion committee and serves on the NSU Belonging, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Advisory Council. She recently received the Society of Pediatric Psychology's Award for Distinguished Contributions to Diversity because of her efforts to promote understanding and respect for diversity in research, policy, and practice within the field. Valenzuela considers training students to be future community leaders as the most important and rewarding part of her work at NSU.



### **Arkene Levy, Ph.D.—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine**

Arkene Levy joined NSU in 2017 and is associate professor of medical education and director of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) at NSU MD. She is a Fulbright Scholar, a 2018 AACR Minority Faculty Scholar, a finalist in the AMA 2021 Bright Ideas challenge to address racism and diversity, and an NSU 2019 Living the Values nominee for community engagement. She is inspired by the cultural diversity in NSU's student body and the diversity of thought and skills among her peers. The most rewarding and impactful part of her career is developing pathway programs to help underrepresented students matriculate into health professions programs at NSU. Levy is passionately attached to the mission of DEI and community service and is proud to represent NSU's core value of diversity.



### **Eleanor Lawrence, Psy.D.—H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship**

Eleanor Lawrence joined NSU in 2013 and is currently an associate professor of management. Her career trajectory in academia began when she was inspired by the passion and compassion of her own NSU psychology professor. The proud recipient of the 2021 Excellence in Teaching Award, she is known as an educator and motivator who uncovers and taps into the strengths students bring into the classroom. An innovator and risk-taker with a research-focused approach, Lawrence inspires students to be curious, self-aware learners, and agents of change. Her teaching and scholarship have significantly impacted the delivery and quality of health care. Through pedagogical research and innovation, she develops students to be critical thinkers and problem solvers who contribute to society. Her extensive consulting services are offered pro bono to local businesses.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Alumni of the Year



### Mark Thomas Marciano, O.D.—College of Optometry

Mark Thomas Marciano graduated from the College of Optometry in 1998, receiving the Chancellor's Award for academic and clinical excellence. He serves as an adjunct professor, providing clinical training for fourth-year students. He demands clinical excellence and encourages civic engagement beyond patient care. Marciano is the current president-elect of the Florida Optometric Association. In this role, he works with students and his colleagues to further the role of optometry in the care of all Floridians. He currently serves as a council member in Palm Beach Gardens, a city he served as mayor of in 2019–2020. Additionally, Marciano is active with local chambers of commerce and the Palm Beach County Health Care District.



### Venessa Goodnow, Pharm.D.—College of Pharmacy

Venessa Goodnow graduated with her Pharm.D. in 1998 and has since continued working with NSU as an adjunct preceptor, ensuring academic excellence and student-centered training that focuses on NSU's core values. Goodnow provides an opportunity for students to practice at the highest level of their license, which all NSU graduates deserve, while supporting student scholarship and research. Through her integrity and innovation, she creates experiential rotations for students to compete amongst the top residency programs in the nation, creating future leaders in the profession. Goodnow ensures diversity in her workforce, allowing a cultural connection to the community that creates an environment where all people can succeed. She is a fellow of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists and the Florida Society of Health-System Pharmacists and recently led the Jackson pharmacy team that prepared COVID-19 vaccines for more than 300,000 healthcare workers and patients.



### Michael Higgins, D.O.—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine

Michael Higgins graduated from the Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1996 and then served as chief intern at Palmetto General Hospital in Hialeah, Florida. He completed his orthopaedic residency in New York and a spine surgery fellowship at the prestigious NYU/Hospital for Joint Diseases. He was the chief resident during the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack in New York City and was responsible for staffing six hospitals to care for the injured. Higgins was awarded the fellow designation by the American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, its highest accolade, due to his involvement and advancement of the osteopathic profession and orthopaedic surgery. His greatest gratification is teaching osteopathic medical students and residents the uniqueness of their profession, the benefits of incorporating OMT, and the difference a D.O. makes.



### Nicole R. Quint, Dr.O.T.—Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences

Nicole R. Quint is a professor and doctoral capstone coordinator for the Department of Occupational Therapy in the Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences. A faculty member since 2009, she received the Outstanding Faculty Service Award in 2018 and Faculty Award for Excellence in Service in 2017 for service to the community, supervising students on the Jamaica medical outreach trip on nine occasions, creating the Making Sense of Sensory Processing Disorder parent support group, and supporting families regarding special education for children with invisible disabilities. Quint's greatest contribution to NSU has been her emphasis on implementing strong community collaborations into the curriculum through innovative experiential learning activities that are mutually beneficial to both parties, instilling a pattern of lifelong community service for the students, which has also become an area of scholarship.



### Adam Scott Goldberg, J.D.—Shepard Broad College of Law

Adam Scott Goldberg is a legacy graduate of NSU. His father graduated with an M.B.A. in the early 1980s, and both his wife Elena Minicucci and youngest brother Hadlee are NSU Law graduates. Goldberg, a 1995 NSU Law alumnus, has been an adjunct professor teaching tax-exempt organizations and estate planning courses at the college since 1999. He sits on the NSU Ambassadors Board and the NSU Planned Giving Counsel, of which he is the immediate past chair. As an adjunct professor at NSU Law, Goldberg assists in training future lawyers, thereby making his law degree more valuable. He and his wife are proud to be donors to the law school in the area of student scholarships. In 2019, Goldberg further enhanced his expertise by earning a doctoral degree in education at NSU.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Executive of the Year



### **Bernadette Bruce, M.B.A.—Business Services**

Bernadette Bruce became executive director of BSV/Printing and Publications after serving as NSU's first director of advancement communications. She wrote parts of the case statement booklet and developed videos, materials, and tactics for the Realizing Potential campaign. Today, she leads an award-winning and dedicated team of editorial, design, and production specialists within business services. Bruce bleeds blue as a team player who applies her 30+ years of strategic communications and investor relations experience to help colleagues increase awareness, affinity, and support for NSU. A recent collaboration helped Scott Poland, Ph.D., secure a \$335,000 grant to provide suicide prevention training in schools across Florida. She is a triple-threat Shark (alumna/staff member/donor) who loves promoting NSU's talented students and faculty members. She believes in the INSU approach and operating with integrity.



### **Elizabeth Shepherd, Pharm.D.—College of Pharmacy**

Elizabeth Shepherd has worked for the College of Pharmacy for more than 30 years. Her current position is assistant dean for strategic partnerships and program development. One of her proudest moments came in 2018 when she was recognized for her valuable contribution to the NSU Realizing Potential campaign. Shepherd has been fortunate to bring to the NSU College of Pharmacy close to \$1 million in scholarships and program development funds. She has participated in several travel study programs and taken NSU students to Austria, Canada, China, Italy, Japan, Slovakia, and Spain. Shepherd is always happy to assist students in obtaining the NSU edge. NSU is special to Shepherd because of its core values. She is proud to reveal that her daughter, two nieces, and her niece's husband are all NSU Sharks.



### **Terry Morrow Nelson, Ph.D.—Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences**

Terry Morrow Nelson is the associate dean of student affairs and associate professor in the Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences. She has been investing in student success, engagement, and development for more than 20 years at NSU through her administrative, service, research, and teaching endeavors that build collaborative relationships between students and faculty and staff members and provide rich experiences and opportunities for learning, contribution, and mentorship. This year, she provided leadership at NSU as the co-chair of the Belonging, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Advisory Council's Learning and Development Committee, secured a Quality of Life Grant for the Interprofessional Diabetes Education and Awareness Initiative that has more than 80 faculty members and students who lead diabetes prevention and management initiatives in the community. She is currently leading a scalable mental health initiative called Shark Support to foster student resilience and wellness at NSU.



### **Ron Chenail, Ph.D.—Executive Office**

Since coming to NSU in 1988, Ron Chenail has been a student, a director, an assistant professor, a dean, an acting dean, an associate professor, an assistant to the president, a vice president, an associate provost, and an acting provost. Currently, he is provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and professor of family therapy in the Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine. Throughout his time at NSU, Chenail finds that his most important contribution continues to be helping the university improve the lives of its students. In doing so, he is especially proud of seeing how his students have become leaders in practicing, teaching, and researching family therapy and how their work has helped improve the lives of individuals, couples, and families around the world.



### **Olympia Duhart, J.D.—Shepard Broad College of Law**

Teaching and writing are twin passions for Olympia Duhart, professor of law and associate dean for faculty development at NSU's Shepard Broad College of Law. As associate dean for faculty development, Duhart creates programming to support faculty members in their teaching and writing. She teaches Legal Research and Writing (LRW) and Constitutional Law. From 2012 to 2021, she also served as director of the nationally ranked LRW Program. Before joining NSU, Duhart worked as a litigation associate at Ruden McClosky and volunteered with the Florida Innocence Project. She also taught English at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. Duhart was a reporter for the *Miami Herald* and has been published in the NAACP Defenders Online blog, *The New York Times*, and several law reviews. She joined the NSU faculty in 2005.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Student of the Year—Overall



### Naziba Akther—Farquhar Honors College

Naziba Akther is a fourth-year student at the Halmos College of Arts and Sciences, and the Farquhar Honors College, where she is pursuing a dual degree in biology and mathematics with minors in chemistry, bioinformatics, applied statistics, pre-health, and honors transdisciplinary studies. She is currently serving as a senior supplemental instruction leader for biochemistry, a senior tutor for math and science, as president of the Tribeta National Biological Honors Society, and as vice president for the NSU Math Club. Additionally, she is conducting research at the NSU Oceanographic Center as well as in the Department of Mathematics. Upon completion of her undergraduate studies, she intends to attend medical school.



### Catharina Appadoo, B.S.—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine

Catharina Appadoo is a second-year student in the Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine. She aspires to give back to her community as a psychiatrist and has a passion for empowering others through advocacy and mentorship. She is grateful that NSU invests in students' professional needs while inspiring them to become community-centered leaders. Appadoo was proud to spearhead networking and mentorship opportunities as the inaugural diversity committee chair within the NSU MD Student Government Association. She currently connects students to national research conferences as president of the college's Student National Medical Association chapter and serves as a peer mentor to incoming medical students. She is devoted to research in the NSU MD Opioid Initiative, which focuses on substance abuse prevention in at-risk youth.



### Joshua Bennett—College of Computing and Engineering

Joshua Bennett is a fourth-year general engineering student with an industrial concentration. He has been with NSU since 2018 and will graduate in May 2022. Bennett has participated in a biomed engineering research project and wrote an article featured in a scientific journal. He has also held leadership positions in Ablaze Campus Ministry and the Florida Engineering Society NSU Student Chapter, which has provided many rewarding experiences and opportunities for growth. Bennett is a member of the Farquhar Honors College, the Alpha Chi Honor Society, and the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. He is currently partaking in a collaborative research project with his college and the Halmos College of Arts and Sciences.



### Jeremy P. Espeut, B.S.—College of Pharmacy

Jeremy Espeut is a third-year student at the College of Pharmacy and an M.B.A. in Complex Health Systems student. He has been affiliated with NSU for seven years, as he completed his bachelor's degree in biology at NSU in 2019. Throughout his time at NSU, Espeut has won various awards, such as Student of the Month and the Leadership Award for his service as class president and other leadership roles. NSU is special in his eyes because of the diversity that truly allows him to feel comfortable and flourish personally and professionally. To give back and align with NSU's core values of being student centered and providing opportunities, he is the founder of the Jeremy Espeut "I Can Too" scholarship awarded yearly to deserving pharmacy students.



### Brittany Ferrell—College of Psychology

Brittany Ferrell, a student in the College of Psychology since 2017, is currently completing her fifth year in clinical psychology with a concentration in forensics. While pursuing her Psy.D. degree, Ferrell served as a graduate assistant for the Office of Academic Affairs, the program coordinator for the ADAPT program within the Psychology Services Center, the Nova Students for the Intervention, Prevention, and Response to Emergencies e-board vice president, and a student mentor for incoming students. Currently, she is completing her predoctoral internship with the Broward Sheriff's Office. Ferrell was drawn to NSU because of the diverse faculty members and forensic specialization. She is thankful for the supportive faculty members she was able to work with, who helped her become a well-rounded clinician and encouraged her to pursue her passions.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Student of the Year—Overall (continued)



### Dylan Goldman—NSU University School

Dylan Goldman, who will be graduating this year, has been a student at NSU University School since 2018. Goldman, who is honored to represent NSU University School as its nominee for this award, has been recognized as a Pinnacle Award Winner in Media Production three years in a row. He has exemplified leadership as special events coordinator on the Student Council, as co-president of New2U—USchool's club to assist new students—and as executive producer of the USchool Network, the school's television station. He is grateful to be a part of NSU University School, and, by extension, NSU's robust and talented community.



### Arlette Gomez—Shepard Broad College of Law

Arlette Gomez is a Cuban American NSU law student who has been at the Shepard Broad College of Law since 2019. She serves as president of the NSU Trial Association (NTA). As president, she has facilitated numerous experiences for the organization's 100+ members. The NTA's activities included hosting an advocacy institute, creating a fellowship program with a local high school, and hosting two internal competitions judged by NSU alumni judges and attorneys. Gomez, who places in the top seven percent of her class, has been on the Dean's List every semester and has served as a teaching assistant for three courses. She finds joy in helping others. Through her time as a mentor, teacher, President's 64 member, and student leader, she has been able to leave a legacy of grace and camaraderie in those she has helped.



### Michael Gomez—Ron and Kathy Assaf College of Nursing

Michael Gomez is an accelerated nursing student at the Fort Myers Campus and will graduate in May 2022 with his Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. His most impactful contribution was sparked before even beginning the program, when he identified during onboarding an unmet need for his peers—an online community to connect newly admitted students and their questions and concerns to existing students and administration. Gomez united his cohort and provided guidance on everything from living arrangements to ordering books and supplies. He even filmed campus tour videos. Later, as cohort leader, he selflessly tutored students at academic risk for failure, helped foster closer working relationships between student leaders and staff members, organized impactful service projects for communities in need, and mentored new cohort leaders on continued development of the onboarding project, which had flourished since its inception.



### Sydney Lageyre, M.S.—Abraham S. Fischler College of Education and School of Criminal Justice

Sydney Lageyre has been a student-athlete at NSU for the past six years and is in her final year of competing on the university's softball team. She is in the final semester of pursuing her master's degree in exceptional student education with a focus in students with autism spectrum disorders. Lageyre, who possesses a 4.0 GPA, enjoys working with the community. She has participated in many events hosted by the Special Olympics. Throughout her years at NSU, she has been a member of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee and currently serves as president, where she advocates for her fellow student-athletes and the community. NSU has been a home to Lageyre for the most impactful time of her life. She looks forward to continuing to give back what she has gained from her experience.



### Michael Lynn, B.A.—Halmos College of Arts and Sciences

Michael Lynn is a graduate student in the Master of Arts in Composition, Rhetoric, and Digital Media program in the Halmos College of Arts and Sciences. He is a current member of the President's 64 and is the assistant director of student media. He formerly worked at NSU's Writing and Communication Center as a graduate assistant coordinator from May 2020 to December 2021. He completed his Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication with a journalism focus in May 2020 at NSU and formerly worked at NSU's student-run television station SUTV as station manager from June 2016 through May 2020. He also hosted the STUEY Awards in 2020 and 2021, as well as volunteered at NSU's student-run radio station RadioX during his undergraduate career.

## 2022 Nominees for NSU Student of the Year—Overall, continued



### **Christina Elizabeth Maskley, B.S.—H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship**

Christina Elizabeth Maskley is a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, NSU undergraduate alumna, and current M.B.A. student. She is on the NSU Dean's List, received the Florence Bayuk Trust Scholarship, and holds a 4.0 GPA. She is driven by a passion for community improvement, which includes her volunteer involvement as a tutor/mentor who organizes collections for Toys for Tots. Maskley also serves as an NSU MD project coordinator who manages a Florida Blue grant that studies substance abuse prevention in at-risk South Florida youth. The grant is the highest award NSU has been given and reaches hundreds of at-risk youth yearly. Her work on the grant involves creating educational podcasts and posts, budgeting, designing data-driven curriculum, and delivering unique curriculum to youth along the Treasure Coast and throughout the tricornity area.



### **Sajjan Parag—College of Dental Medicine**

Sajjan Parag is a fourth-year dental student who is ready to take on the world using the clinical skills he has learned over the years. He started his journey with a single goal—to bring a smile to everyone's face. He began working in hospitality before transitioning to research. However, he never abandoned his goals of becoming a dentist and serving the community. He has been involved with many community service events, including Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation fundraisers, Be The Match bone marrow campaigns, and NSU's very own Oral Cancer 5k. Parag is an exceptional student who is willing to go above and beyond for others. He has held several positions in various organizations to provide students exceptional opportunities to succeed and excel in their careers.



### **Melanie M. Rodriguez—College of Optometry**

Melanie M. Rodriguez is a third-year Doctor of Optometry student. Rodriguez, who received her bachelor's degree in vision science from NSU, proudly represents optometry students as president of the Optometry Student Government Association. She is a member of the PanSGA board and is affiliated with multiple NSU committees. In her current role, she recognizes the challenges students face and utilizes her knowledge and experiences to support her peers. Her academic excellence has enabled her to become a member of the Beta Sigma Kappa International Optometry Honors Society, as well as a member of NSU's Optometry Honors program. To her, NSU is the epitome of a university whose sole desire is to help students reach the pinnacle in their respective fields.



### **Aneil Tawakalzada, M.S.—Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine**

Aneil Tawakalzada is a third-year student at the Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Osteopathic Medicine. He has served as class of 2023 president for the past three years and recently represented the college at the national level as Student Doctor of the Year. Throughout his time at NSU, Tawakalzada has helped raise more than \$100,000 to provide relief for the people of Afghanistan, Florida, Lebanon, and Yemen. Additionally, he serves as founder and president of the nonprofit organization OneAfghanistan, which aims to streamline all efforts to provide relief for the people of Afghanistan. Alongside serving his class, doing his clinical rotations, and volunteering for nonprofit organizations, Tawakalzada spends his time providing free medical care to refugees in the Miami-Dade area.



### **Emilie Vos, B.H.Sc.—Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences**

Emilie Vos, a third-year Doctor of Audiology student, is a passionate advocate for interprofessional health care. She maintains an excellent academic standing in her program while serving as a founding member and president of the Institute of Healthcare Improvement Chapter, president of the Student Academy of Audiology, and as a volunteer for the National SAA Public Outreach Committee. She has conducted research on tinnitus treatment, presented at professional conferences, led an aural rehabilitation group, and educated and mentored prospective and current audiology students—all while initiating interprofessional fundraisers. Vos is looking forward to utilizing the leadership, research, and collaborative skills she gained from NSU during her upcoming externship at Weill Cornell Medicine in New York City, where she can achieve her lifelong goal of becoming part of an interprofessional team to provide the best possible audiological care to her patients.

## Special Thanks

On behalf of the Office of Campus Life and Student Engagement, we would like to sincerely express our gratitude to all students and faculty and staff members who volunteered their time, energy, and expertise to help to make the in-person return of the 24th Annual Student Life Achievement Awards a reality. Without everyone's contribution and unwavering support, none of this would have been possible.

To our student hosts, a special "thank you" for the time you committed to hosting this year's Student Life Achievement Awards. You were given a charge, never feared it, definitely conquered it, and made a great impact.

We would also like to acknowledge the different committees that, throughout the year, have taken time from their busy schedules to contribute their thoughts, collect nominations, and assist in the planning of this event. Special thanks to President George L. Hanbury II; Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer Harry K. Moon; Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Ron Chenail; Chancellor Ray Ferrero, Jr.; and HPD Chancellor Emeritus Frederick Lippman for their support and guidance.

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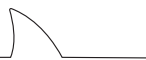
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