



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
UNIVERSITY

SPRING CONVOCATION 2024

Sunday, May 5, 2024



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DR. ANDREW HAKIN

President and Vice-Chancellor

Congratulations on your achievement. This is your day!

Your dedication, hard work, perseverance, and commitment have culminated in a university degree, a StFX University degree. You can be confident that your experience at StFX has provided you with the skills that will serve you well no matter what path you follow. As a graduate of StFX, you have a unique personal story of your experience to tell. Take enjoyment from your story.

Celebrate your relationships with friends, with staff and faculty who have helped you along the way. Your journey has been shaped by, real friendships, real challenges, real growth, and real community which have combined to create a solid foundation on which to build your future.

Your education has presented you with many different lenses with which to view the world and has also helped to hone the intellectual skills and tools which will enable you to make a difference to all of those around you. You are the future leaders of our society, and our hope is that using your education, you will bring positive change to our world.

Go make a difference.



CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

DR. JOHN PEACOCK '63

Chancellor

Congratulations, graduates, on receiving your degree – and welcome to the StFX alumni community. I hope that my own long and lovely relationship with the university stands as an indication that your graduation is not the end of your time with StFX; it's the beginning of a new chapter. We might leave StFX, but it does not leave us. Your time here has stamped you in ways that may not yet be apparent, but which will arise at the critical moments of your lives.

Will you use the lessons from your time here to shape our world? Will you sit back and let life unfold – or will you choose your path in accordance with your values and what you know to be true and good?

Life is not linear. It will zig when you want to zag, shock you when you want to languish in comfort, and delight you when you despair. You are not passengers, though; you have agency and the heart and the brains to navigate life's tumult.

I don't have to tell you that the privilege of education comes with the responsibility of action. Lucy Maud Montgomery, one of the finest writers from the Maritimes, reminds us that "it's not what the world holds for you – it's what you bring to it."

I implore you: bring yourselves to the world, fully and kindly and with goodness.

Hail and Health!



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MIKE GILLIS '87

Halifax, NS

Congratulations, graduates! You've reached the summit of your academic journey at X, and it's time to celebrate and bask in the glow of your remarkable achievement.

Amidst the excitement of this special day, take a moment to reflect on the journey that has brought you here - the bonds formed with classmates, professors, and mentors who've become like family. Every triumph, every setback, and each late night spent studying (or not) - they've all contributed to shaping the incredible individuals you are today. And guess what? This isn't the end of the road; it's the beginning of an exciting new chapter! As you embark on this journey, armed with a wealth of knowledge and a thirst for making a difference, remember that the world eagerly awaits your contributions. You're not just graduates; you're empowered individuals, guided by the Xaverian spirit and our motto of 'Whatsoever things are true.'

Now, as official members of the esteemed StFX Alumni Association, you join a legacy of over 50,000 trailblazers who've walked the same path before you. Whether you choose to pursue further education, embark on a career, or explore new horizons, remember that you'll always have a home within the Alumni Association - a place where you belong and are always welcomed.

Picture yourself at a StFX Alumni Association event, amidst new surroundings but finding comfort in familiar faces and a room full of X-rings. Imagine attending one our mentoring and career development sessions or being inspired by our speaker series featuring distinguished alumni. This vibrant community stands ready to embrace you, offering a supportive network whether it is in your hometown, across the country, or even the other side of the world.

So, here's to the adventure that lies ahead! Embrace it with confidence, knowing that your journey is backed by the unwavering support of your fellow Xaverians. We can't wait to witness the incredible feats you'll achieve. Congratulations again, and welcome to the next chapter of your extraordinary story!



ORDER OF CEREMONIAL

Afternoon Ceremony

National Anthem
Janet Becigneul

Opening of Convocation
Dr. John Peacock '63
Chancellor

Invocation
Father Donald MacGillivray '79
University Chaplain

President's Address
Dr. Andrew Hakin
President and Vice-Chancellor

Recognition of Medalists
Dr. Amanda Cockshutt
Academic Vice-President and Provost

Conferral of Honorary Degree
J. Thomas Langley '61
Antigonish, Nova Scotia

Presentation of University Research Award
Dr. Dan Robinson
Faculty of Education
Teacher Education and Curriculum and Leadership

**Presentation of Outstanding
Faculty Teaching Award**
Dr. Riley Olstead
Department of Sociology



Professor Emerita

Dr. Leona English
Department of Adult Education

Conferral of Degrees and Diplomas in Course

Conferral by Chancellor

Dr. John Peacock '63

Remarks

Kerry Prosper '09
Elder in Residence

Mi'kmaq Honour Song

Councillor Trevor Gould
Paqtnkek First Nation, NS

**Acknowledgement of the
Graduating Class**

Simon Maltby '24
Bachelor of Science with Honours

Admission to the Alumni Association

Mike Gillis '87
President, Alumni Association

Benediction

Most Reverend Wayne Joseph Kirkpatrick
Vicar of the Founder

Closing of Convocation

Dr. John Peacock '63

Ceremonial Officer

Dr. Barry MacKenzie '07

Master of Ceremonies

Dr. Brittany MacDonald-MacAulay
Department of Engineering



DOCTOR OF LAWS *HONORIS CAUSA*

J. THOMAS LANGLEY '61
Antigonish, Nova Scotia

J. Thomas Langley graduated from StFX in 1961 with a Bachelor of Commerce degree and joined the StFX Business Office as bursar in 1963. Four years later, he was appointed comptroller, holding that position until 1976. Mr. Langley earned a master's degree in university administration from the University of Nebraska (1971) and a Certified General Accounting designation in 1970.

An outstanding administrator and a consensus builder, he served for 40 years at his alma mater, including 26 years in the position of Vice-President Finance and Administration and Secretary-Treasurer. He held this position from 1976 until his retirement in 2002. During his tenure, Mr. Langley supported six StFX presidents, implemented significant changes to the financial administration of the university with the introduction of new technology and computerization, and was instrumental in expanding the employee benefits program.

Professionally, Mr. Langley served as president of the Canadian Association of Business Officers (CAUBO), as a consultant to the Nova Scotia Department of Education, and as a board member with the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board, the Canadian University Reciprocal Insurance Exchange, and with the StFX Board of Governors. In his community, he served on the board of St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation and Antigonish Minor Soccer. He is a founding director and currently chair of the Bishop William E. Power Foundation.



UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AWARD

DR. DAN ROBINSON

Departments of Teacher Education
and Curriculum and Leadership

Dr. Robinson joined the StFX Faculty of Education in 2009 and quickly established himself as an outstanding teacher, scholar, researcher, and leader. Currently, he serves as both the Chair of the Department of Curriculum and Leadership, and Coordinator of PhD in Educational Studies. Dr. Robinson is well known as a leading scholar in the field of physical education and sport pedagogy.

A prolific author, he has over 100 publications, including over 70 peer-reviewed journal articles, three books, 15 book chapters, and over 10 teacher resources. Dr. Robinson has presented his research at over 90 international and national conferences. Widely recognized for his impactful work, he is a recipient of the Metzler-Freedman Exemplary Paper Award and the Dr. Andy Anderson Young Professional Award. His research is often timely, equity-focused, and responsive. His work appears in highly regarded and high-impact peer-reviewed journals, including, selectively: *Canadian Journal of Human Sexuality*, *Curriculum Studies in Health and Physical Education*, *European Physical Education Review*, *International Journal of Mentoring and Coaching in Education*, *Journal of Adventure Education and Outdoor Learning*, *Journal of American Indian Education*, *Journal of Intercollegiate Sport*, *Journal of Teaching in Physical Education*, *Kinesiology Review*, *Measurement in Physical Education and Exercise Science*, and *Teaching and Teacher Education*. Dr. Robinson's current research focuses upon the following: culturally relevant pedagogy; inclusive and adapted physical education, physical activity, and sport; physical literacy; and school communities' health promotion programming.

Dr. Robinson is also an active collaborator who continues to mentor and inspire as he provides exemplary support for colleagues and students as they develop their identities as scholars.



OUTSTANDING FACULTY TEACHING AWARD

DR. RILEY OLSTEAD
Department of Sociology

Dr. Riley Olstead, an associate professor in the StFX Department of Sociology, has an exceptional capacity to inspire and facilitate student learning. She teaches and does research in the areas of settler colonialism, decolonisation, and especially the ethics of settler academic responses to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Her work focuses on decolonial health, agriculture, climate change and Indigenous/settler relations and ontologies.

Dr. Olstead holds a PhD, M.A., and a University Teaching Diploma from York University, and a B.A. from the University of British Columbia. Student nominators speak of her impact on their learning and in their lives. “She pushes us to think more critically about the world around us, challenging everyone, encouraging us students to develop our academic abilities through presentations, writing papers, or engaging in conversations in class,” writes one. Another says: “I chose St. Francis Xavier because of the small class sizes and community-oriented environment. I did not expect to feel inspired and empowered by the compassion and tenacity of instructors like Dr. Olstead.”

Dr. Olstead is known for her compassion in teaching and encouraging students to think outside stereotypical ideas. She has also partnered with psychologist Ivan Drouin to develop a six-week workshop, supporting learning about climate change from a decolonial perspective as well as helping students with mindfulness techniques for anxiety and other challenging emotions. Says a nominator: “Professors like Dr. Riley Olstead, who go well above and beyond for students, truly make St. Francis Xavier University the exceptional university it is.”



PROFESSOR EMERITA

DR. LEONA ENGLISH

Department of Adult Education

Dr. Leona English is a leader in the field of adult education, both in Canada and internationally. She is the most published Canadian author in adult education and she has received significant international recognition. In 2021, she received the Canadian Association for the Study of Adult Education Lifetime Achievement Award. She was also the inaugural recipient in 2016 of the Honorary Fellow of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning, and in 2015, she was inducted into the International Adult and Continuing Education Hall of Fame.

Dr. English holds two PhD degrees, a Doctorate in Education from Columbia University and a Doctorate in Philosophy from the University of Technology in Australia. She joined the StFX Department of Adult Education in 1996, where she has had an exceptional career as a professor and researcher. Her main areas of scholarship include gender and learning, spirituality, and adult education. Dr. English's work on critical pedagogy and feminist organizations filled important gaps in the field. She consistently received research funding since arriving at StFX, where she also served five terms as department chair and twice as chair of the University Research Ethics Board.

Externally, she was president of the Canadian Association for the Study of Adult Education and served as Head of Research and Publications at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Institute for Lifelong Learning in Hamburg, Germany.

A valued mentor to many, she was chosen by her peers to be editor of the highly regarded *International Encyclopedia of Adult Education*. Among many accolades, she was twice awarded the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education's Cyril O. Houle Award for outstanding literature in adult education.



SENIOR CLASS SPEAKER

SIMON MALTBY '24

Bachelor of Science with First Class Honours

Simon Maltby graduates from StFX with a Bachelor of Science degree with honours in mathematics and statistics. Growing up in Port Hastings, Cape Breton, he learned the values of having a strong work ethic, being kind to others, and to never stop asking questions about the world around him.

Thanks to the beliefs passed on to him by his parents and grandparents, he has a strong Catholic faith, which has led to his involvement in the planning of many multi-faith events during his undergraduate studies. He has also dedicated his time to helping with tutorial sessions, participating in political discussions, playing intramurals, and going to Thursday night curling in St. Andrews.

When he's not studying, he can be found spending time with family at the beach, going to square dances, or having a conversation with friends over a cup of tea. He is fascinated by how math and science can be used to explain many of the world's phenomena.

Over the past three summers, being the recipient of NSERC and Scotia Scholars research grants, he has conducted studies in the fields of general relativity and spatial statistics. Enrolled in the Bachelor of Education program for this fall, he wants to share his love for learning with others.



MEDALISTS 2024

UNIVERSITY GOLD MEDALS

These medals are awarded to the student with the highest average in the final three years of an honours, advanced major or major degree program or the final two years of a diploma or education degree program



Bachelor of Science to:
Simon Maltby, Port Hastings, NS

Bachelor of Science in Nursing to:
Sophia Jabbour, Halifax, NS

Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition to:
Emily Steeves, Riverview, NB

Bachelor of Arts/Science in Human Kinetics to:
Kristen Marshall, Whitby, ON

Bachelor of Arts and Science to:
Kathleen Dolan, Halifax, NS

Diploma in Engineering to:
Lyza Ells, Antigonish, NS



GOVERNOR GENERAL MEDAL

The Governor General Undergraduate Medal for the highest average in the final three years of study to:
Simon Maltby, Port Hastings, NS



MASTER OF SCIENCE

Jess Albert.....	Halifax, NS
<i>Mining Society of Nova Scotia Centennial Scholarship Medal</i>	
Babita Babita.....	Fort McMurray, AB
Aaron Mason.....	Charlos Cove, NS
Sarah Rokosh.....	St. Albert, AB
Margaret Scott.....	Ottawa, ON

MASTER OF APPLIED COMPUTER SCIENCE

Chihab Agharbi.....	Nador, Morocco
Fahad Ahmed.....	Narnsingdi, Bangladesh
Rohith Anil.....	Antigonish, NS
Sheel Bhardwaj.....	Faridabad, India
Jai Bhavesh Dave.....	Chennai, India
Dhruv Bhavesh Shah.....	Chennai, India
Dhanush Charipally.....	Hyderabad, India
Gowthami Sai Priya Dasari.....	Andhra Pradesh, India
Vaishav Vijaykumar Dhepe.....	Nagpur, India
Kevin Estibeiro.....	Antigonish, NS
Vinod Kumar Gai.....	Hyderabad, India
Ramzan Khan.....	Mumbai, India
Karthik Reddy Marapureddy.....	Tadipatri, India
Pranavika Mavuluru.....	Nellore, India
Andrews Oppong Jnr.....	Accra, Ghana
Neel Aakashbhai Patel.....	Toronto, ON
Tirthesh Sanjay Pawar.....	Mumbai, India
Milind Rahatwal.....	Mumbai, India
Monisha Ramasamy.....	Tamil Nadu, India
Ganesh Ruddaraju.....	Bhimavaram, India
Atul Satam.....	Mumbai, India
Kavitha Subramani.....	Chennai, India
Shiva Priya Sunnam.....	Hyderabad, India
Sanket Vagal.....	Mumbai, India
Shijie Zhou.....	Hefei Anhui, People's Republic of China
Muhammad Zubair.....	Karachi, Pakistan

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH MAJOR

Chantelle Avery.....	Larrys River, NS
Kurtis Bennett.....	Ottawa, ON
Eve Bunbury.....	North Sydney, NS
Gabriel Campbell.....	New Glasgow, NS
Henderson Cartwright.....	Nassau, Bahamas
Meagan Cormier.....	Antigonish, NS
Jay Narendrakumar Darji.....	Antigonish, NS
Skyler Delorey.....	Tracadie, NS
Dylan Devison.....	Sydney, NS
Kylie England.....	Guysborough, NS
Cole Green.....	Stellarton, NS
Olivia Hart.....	Guysborough, NS
Maggie Johnston.....	Clinton, PE



Michael Kennedy	Antigonish, NS
Jessica Landry.....	New Glasgow, NS
Ashley Lansley.....	Grafton, ON
Meadow Leech.....	Hammonds Plains, NS
Avery Logan.....	Montague Gold Mines, NS
Cory MacDonald.....	New Glasgow, NS
Keira MacKendrick.....	Tyne Valley, PE
Sam MacNeill	Stratford, PE
Bryden Manthorne-MacMaster.....	Antigonish, NS
Subash Raj Natarajan.....	Chennai, India
Emie Ormita	Calgary, AB
Cole Pedersen	Calgary, AB
Emilie Perreault.....	Whitehorse, YT
Twylia Porter.....	Frankville, NS
Sasha Ribahi.....	Shubenacadie, NS
Kaelyn Risser.....	Bridgewater, NS
Jacob Shaw	Upper Tantallon, NS
Jared Snell	Westville, NS
Madison Taljaard.....	Sheffield Mills, NS
Sarah Van Der Linden.....	Antigonish, NS
Maranda van Oirschot.....	Pleasant Valley , NS
Taylor Wood.....	Moncton, NB

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH MAJOR WITH DISTINCTION

Kae Campbell	Lower Sackville, NS
Zoe Copp.....	Palmer, Alaska
Sophia Fabiano	Ottawa, ON
Emma Jamrik.....	Bethany, ON
<i>The Employer's Choice Award for Excellence in Co-operative Education</i>	
Brayden LeBlanc	Westville, NS
Abby Lochead.....	Alma, NS
Hannah MacDonald	Shediac Bridge, NB
Sarah MacDonald.....	Dartmouth, NS
Matthew Penner.....	Antigonish, NS
Evan Pye.....	Gander, NL
Emma Smith.....	Antigonish, NS
Emma Willard	Utopia, NB

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH ADVANCED MAJOR

Langley Burke.....	Halifax, NS
Anna Chisholm.....	Hammonds Plains, NS
Christopher House.....	Ottawa, ON
Curtis Kuzmyk	Gilford, ON
Evelyn Pequenera-Griffin.....	Collingwood, ON

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH ADVANCED MAJOR WITH DISTINCTION

Falyn Coates	Wheaton Settlement, NB
Tyler Cook.....	Bedford, NS
Lyza Ells	Antigonish, NS
<i>Yogi Joshi Prize for Excellence in Physics</i>	
<i>Engineers NS Entrance Scholarship</i>	



Chloe Gillis	River Denys, NS
Brayden Lee	Winnipeg, MB
Jaclyn MacNeil	Windsor Junction, NS
Bryanna Smith.....	Stewartdale, NS
<i>Wallbank-Weingartshofer Prize for Experimental Physics</i>	
Oliver Storseth	Antigonish, NS
Daren Roorda	Antigonish, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH HONOURS

Victoria Adams.....	Morrisburg, ON
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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH FIRST CLASS HONOURS

Emma Broughton.....	Calgary, AB
Makayla Butorac	Gananoque, ON
Tanner Clow.....	Summerside, PE

Dr. Leo P. Chaisson Award for Biology to the Outstanding Advanced Major or Honours Student

Kogie Esteban	Manila, Philippines
Jillian Fougere.....	River Bourgeois, NS
<i>Chemistry Industry Merit Award</i>	

Veda Haggarty	North Tetagouche, NB
Gavin Hiltz.....	Pictou, NS
Evan Hunt.....	Bible Hill, NS
Angus Kennedy.....	Antigonish, NS

Xinyi Li.....	Zhenjiang, People's Republic of China
<i>Dr. H. Stanley and Doreen Alley Heaps Prize for Computing Science</i>	

Emily Mak.....	Winnipeg, MB
<i>Dr. M.C. Watt Clinical Forensic Prize</i>	

Josie Mallett	Halifax, NS
<i>Professor Donald J. MacNeil Memorial Award for Earth Sciences</i>	
<i>Dr. Randall F. Cormier Award for the Best Thesis in Earth Sciences</i>	

Simon Maltby	Port Hastings, NS
<i>Dr. A.A. MacDonald Prize for Mathematics</i>	

Tim Naerebout	Halifax, NS
Olivia Rehill.....	Antigonish, NS
Chloe Rogers	Quispamsis, NB
Sara Sullivan.....	St. Andrews, NS
<i>Dr. M.S. Gautam Memorial Prize for Physics</i>	

Jay Turnsek.....	Antigonish, NS
Shannon Wallace.....	Ottawa, ON
Maya Wile.....	Halifax, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH JOINT FIRST CLASS HONOURS

Victoria Tweedie-Pitre.....	Hay River, NWT
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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Katie Amend.....	Chapel Hill, NC
Ashlynn Baird	Caribou, NS
Charlotte Baker	Dartmouth, NS
Katy Baker	Oxford, NS



Kelly Baumbach.....	Okotoks, AB
Allie Beaton.....	Mabou, NS
Jeanna Blackburn.....	Dartmouth, NS
Jessica Bogdanski.....	Montreal, QC
Sophie Bunbury.....	North Sydney, NS
Rachael Carroll.....	Lawrencetown, NS
Rachel Dickens.....	Dartmouth, NS
Bronwyn Farcey.....	Windsor, NS
Pauliette Felix.....	Laval, QC
Jessie Ferguson.....	Grand Bay-Westfield, NB
Victoria Fisher.....	Dundas, ON
Abbey Flinn.....	Halifax, NS
Holly George.....	Westville, NS
Monique Gracie.....	Glace Bay, NS
Jessica Graham.....	Middle Stewiacke, NS
Daynah Hall.....	Fredericton, NB
Maddy Henderson.....	Hacketts Cove, NS
Lindsay Hogan.....	Truro, NS
Maddie Hogue.....	Fox Point, NS
Sarah Lowe.....	Hopewell, NS
Blaire MacDonald.....	St. Andrews, NS
Jaclyn MacLean.....	Lower Sackville, NS
Andrew Marsh.....	Cole Harbour, NS
Dianne Maughn.....	Lachine, QC
Genevieve McLellan.....	New Maryland, NB
Milaan Mohee.....	Saint Constant, QC
Kaylee Moore.....	Thorburn, NS
Laura Morgan.....	Sainte-Anne De Bellevue, QC
Megan Munroe.....	Enfield, NS
Isabella Nickerson.....	Halifax, NS
Alyssa Sarka.....	Middle Sackville, NS
Kaitlyn Skeard.....	Dartmouth, NS
Sophia Snow.....	Fall River, NS
Hayley Soucy.....	Beaver Bank, NS
Molly Vokey.....	Lower South River, NS
Felicia Wasson.....	Fall River, NS
Shayla Windrow.....	Kentville, NS
Emily Wolfe.....	Bedford, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING WITH DISTINCTION

Joyce Arances.....	Lachine, QC
Barbara Avery.....	New Glasgow, NS
Jenna Axford.....	Dartmouth, NS
Annica Babineau.....	Bridgewater, NS
Sydney Bain.....	Bedford, NS
Monica Balla.....	Toronto, ON
McKenzie Baptiste-Burns.....	Bedford, NS
Jennifer Bell.....	Hamilton, ON
Angel Benoit-Swyers.....	Coldbrook, NS
Emma Branscombe.....	Bedford, NS



Denal Buchko.....	Arborg, MB
Lisa Butler.....	Sault Ste Marie, ON
Olivia Casey.....	Miramichi, NB
Emma Coleman.....	Coldbrook, NS
Ej Colocado.....	Antigonish, NS
<i>Academic Vice President & Provost Award for Student Nurse Leadership</i>	
Victoria Crant.....	Moncton, NB
Sarah Cripps.....	Nine Mile River, NS
Kylie Dahr.....	Aspen, NS
Jessie Daigle.....	Halifax, NS
Halea DeGruchy.....	Westville, NS
Chanel Derouin.....	Ottawa, ON
Stacy Dicks.....	Bridgewater, NS
Makinley Dumond.....	Prescott, ON
Hayley Earle.....	St. Lunaire-Griquet, NL
Angel Lee Estipona.....	Montreal, QC
Abigail Flinn.....	Halifax, NS
Loretta Foss.....	Springdale, NL
Mia Furey.....	Dartmouth, NS
Bridget Gillespie.....	Halifax, NS
Kevin Greenspon.....	Montreal, QC
Analiza Guingab.....	Pierrefonds, QC
Mallory Guthro.....	New Glasgow, NS
Emma Haines.....	Mt Uniacke, NS
Bryana Hall.....	Carleton Place, ON
Noah Harshaw.....	Johns Creek, Georgia
Morgan Hayes.....	Kentville, NS
Josee Hebert.....	Dartmouth, NS
Linda Hiltz.....	Enfield, NS
Olivia Hiltz.....	Aylesford, NS
Rebecca Holmes.....	Truro, NS
Rhys Irvine.....	Calgary, AB
Sophia Jabbour.....	Halifax, NS
Yumna Janjua.....	Montreal, QC
Kaitlyn Kelly.....	Antigonish, NS
Belinda Kendall.....	Port Aux Basques, NL
Bridget Kulas.....	Chelsea, QC
Allison LaPierre.....	Russell, ON
Anne Leppard.....	Halifax, NS
Jennifer Lewis.....	Arnprior, ON
Megan MacDonald.....	Hammonds Plains, NS
Drew MacDougall.....	Ottawa, ON
Hallie MacEachern.....	Judique, NS
Madison MacEachern.....	Afton Station, NS
Grace MacIsaac.....	Chilliwack, BC
Jayde MacKinnon.....	Port Hastings, NS
Sadie MacLean.....	New Glasgow, NS
Maggie MacLellan.....	Lower Sackville, NS
Ella MacLeod.....	Peterborough, ON
<i>Dean of Science Senior Award for Excellence in Nursing Practice</i>	



Maari MacNeil	Bible Hill, NS
Jacqueline MacPhee	East Gore, NS
Rejitha Maliyel Rajappan	Hamilton, ON
Katie Manovill	Halifax, NS
James Marchand	Hubbards, NS
Lauren Martin	New Glasgow, NS
Bianca McDaniel	Margaree, NS
Dawsin McDonald	Red Deer, AB
Morgan McKinnon	Margaree Center, NS
Zoe Melanson	Berwick, NS
Kaleigh Mills	Beaverbank, NS
Larissa Newman-Lehoux	Lake Echo, NS
Anyich Panchol	Antigonish, NS
Sophie Perigny	L'Orignal, ON
Rebekah Pitts	Goshen, NS
Amy Pointon	Hopewell, NS
Chloe Rahey	Georges River, NS
Erin Reeves	Fall River, NS
Katherine Reeves	New Minas, NS
Heidi Richards	Antigonish, NS
Kala Robichaud	Greenwood, NS
Katie Rooney	Halifax, NS
Caleb Rust	Fall River, NS
Melita Sanford	Trenton, NS
Christa Saunders-Chiasson	Kitchener, ON
Sansriti Saxena	Antigonish, NS
Emma Semple	New Glasgow, NS
Mirria Simmons	Sunnybrae, NS
Jenny Skinner	Hammonds Plains, NS
Taylor Sparkes	Sainte Anne De Bellevue, QC
Maria Spears	Williams Point, NS
Jaime Spicer	Lawrencetown, NS
Madison Swinamer	Garlands Crossing, NS
Hidemi Takahashi	Mississauga, ON
Angelique Uwamariya	Antigonish, NS
Keira von Kintzel	Belnan, NS
Martha Wall	Truro, NS
Melanie Williams	Bedford, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN NUTRITION

Samantha Amiro-Fullerton	Hammonds Plains, NS
Sophie Bagnell	Lower Sackville, NS
Thomas Canning	Bishop's Falls, NL
Brooklyn Deremo	Barrie, ON
Brooke Doucet	Glace Bay, NS
Suzanne LeMoine	Antigonish, NS
Sarah MacDonald	Antigonish, NS
Carly Robinson	Middle Arm, NS
Corinna Sahu	Collingwood, ON
Cassandra Sharp	Carlisle, ON



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN NUTRITION WITH DISTINCTION

Nathan LairdSherwood Park, AB
Korrie Lawrence.....Centreville, NB
Karly SinnottPincher Creek, AB
Emily Steeves.....Riverview, NB

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN NUTRITION WITH HONOURS WITH INTEGRATED DIETETIC INTERNSHIP

Anna Doerksen..... Liverpool, NS
Mel MacFarlane Antigonish, NS
Mary-Catherine MacIsaac..... Timberlea, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN KINETICS

Gabrielle AmendolaHampton, ON
Maddison Arnott Hamilton, ON
Nelleka Atkinson..... Oak Bay, NB
Tyler Baker..... Meadowvale, NS
Katie Braid Toronto, ON
Kailey Brennan Mulgrave, NS
Holly Cameron..... Westville, NS
Kristen Cavanaugh..... Central North River, NS
Nole Chapman.....Frasers Mountain, NS
Keisha Gillis..... Inverness, NS
Chloe Hebb..... Sherbrooke, NS
Chris Lemoine.....Ottawa, ON
Ellie MacAulay St. Peters, NS
Alexandra MacDonald Windsor Junction, NS
Lauren MacDonnell..... Inverness, NS
Ben MacLellan Antigonish, NS
Kara Manos New Glasgow, NS
Riley Mattie..... Antigonish, NS
Rachel McKeough Havre Boucher, NS
Ella McLaren.....Annapolis Royal, NS
Hugh MorrinOttawa, ON
Lauren MotherwellCalgary, AB
Lexi Parada-Castro Calgary, AB
Brandon Robbins..... Beaumont, AB
Luke Sampson..... St. Peter’s, NS
Kaitlyn Severson Calgary, AB
Damion Simmons..... Devonshire, South West England
Alex SmallSaint John, NB
Emily ToddHalifax, NS
Isaac VanSnick..... Brookdale, NS
Michael Vaughan Carleton Place, ON
Tyler Yin Antigonish, NS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN KINETICS WITH DISTINCTION

Nina Davey Pictou, NS
Talia Deliman.....Calgary, AB
Eve Ellsworth Albion, PE



Emma Gillis	Liverpool, NS
Marie Kelly	Petawawa, ON
Cole Kennedy	Woodstock, NB
Alex Kinner	Kingston, NS
Danielle MacDonald	York, PE
Mia MacInnis.....	Yellowknife, NT
Rachel Marks.....	Saint John, NB
Ally McLellan.....	Rothesay, NB
Abbie Morrison	Moncton, NB
Taylor Myette	Antigonish, NS
Jara Nantes.....	Kinkora, PE
Chloe Ripley	Amherst, NS
Lainey Smith	Trenton, NS
Dan Stewart.....	Stellarton, NS
Sam Walker.....	Haydon, ON
Meg Wood	Havre Boucher, NS

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Bachelor of Science in Nursing	apricot orange
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Whatever things are true

Philippians 4:4-9

The St. Francis Xavier University motto is taken from the letter of Paul to the Philippians. The following is an excerpt from the epistle.

*I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord;
I repeat, what I want is your happiness.*

*Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord
is very near.*

*There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray
for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that
peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand,
will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.*

*Finally, beloved, fill your minds with **everything that is true,**
everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure,
everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be
thought virtuous or worthy of praise.*

*Keep doing all the things that you learned from me and have been
taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of
peace will be with you.*