

# CONNECTICUT COLLEGE



## DELTA OF CONNECTICUT PHI BETA KAPPA

Initiation Ceremony | Sunday, May 9, 2021

# Delta of Connecticut, Phi Beta Kappa Connecticut College

*Initiation Ceremony*



May 9, 2021  
5:30 p.m.

# The Ceremony

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Lawrence A. Vogel  
Chapter President and Professor of Philosophy

PRESENTATION OF THE INITIATES

Christopher N.B. Hammond, Chair of the Membership  
Committee, Associate Professor of Mathematics, and  
Associate Dean of the College for Curriculum

HISTORY OF THE WINTHROP SCHOLAR AWARD  
AND OF THE PHI BETA KAPPA SOCIETY

Rae Gaubinger, Chapter Historian and  
Assistant Professor of English

INDUCTION

Lawrence A. Vogel

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE

Katherine Bergeron

THE PHI BETA KAPPA POET

Kate Rushin  
Distinguished Visiting Poet in Residence 2021-2022,  
Department of English

Introduced by Charles O. Hartman,  
Chapter Member, Lucy Marsh Haskell '19  
Endowed Professor of English and Poet in Residence

THE PHI BETA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIPS

Joseph D. Alchermes, Chapter Vice President and  
Chair of the Scholarship Committee,  
Director of the Architectural Studies Program, and  
Associate Professor of Art History

CHARGE TO THE NEW MEMBERS

Lawrence A. Vogel

# Class of 2021

## Winthrop Scholars

### **Ahmed AboHamad**

Majors: Biological Studies & Philosophy

### **Elizabeth Berry**

Majors: English & Italian Studies

### **Genevieve Beveridge Duff**

Majors: Educational Studies &  
Psychology

### **Craig Haber**

Majors: Computer Science &  
Psychology

### **Jiayi Jin**

Major: Economics  
Minor: Mathematics

### **Ruby Helene Johnson**

Major: Human Development

### **Benjamin James Lewis**

Major: Government  
Minors: Applied Statistics & Finance

### **Stephanie Caroline Martinez**

Major: Government  
Minor: History

### **Devin Laurence Dittes McNamara**

Major: Psychology

### **Ann Foster Monk**

Majors: Global Islamic Studies &  
International Relations  
Minor: Arabic Studies

### **Jenna Grace Ortoleva**

Major: Biological Sciences

### **Clare D'Adamo Peyton**

Major: Psychology  
Minor: Theater

### **Elizabeth Vinson**

Major: English  
Minor: History

## Phi Beta Kappa

### **Samantha Frieda Barth**

Majors: Economics & Sociology

### **Theresa Jane Beardell**

Major: Environmental Studies

### **Lara Johnson Cazemajou**

Majors: American Studies & Government

Minor: Africana Studies

### **Joshua Coleman**

Majors: Environmental Studies & History

### **Emily Nowack Cowan**

Major: Music and Technology

Minor: Computer Science

### **Maggie DiPalo**

Major: Psychology

Minor: Dance

### **Andrew Flynn**

Majors: Government & History

### **Wyntre Rose Fries**

Major: Computer Science

### **Fiona R. Hull**

Majors: Global Islamic Studies &

History

Minor: Arabic Studies

### **Amanda Jeanette LaMacchia**

Major: Neuroscience

Minor: Computer Science

### **Stephanie Lewis**

Major: Behavioral Neuroscience

Minors: Philosophy & Psychology

### **Maria MacNeill**

Major: English

Minors: Italian Studies & Linguistics

### **Stephanie Alana Melnyk**

Majors: English & Government

### **Eve Terry O'Brien**

Major: Art History

Minor: Religious Studies

### **Claire Elizabeth Pellegrini**

Major: Botany

Minor: Art

### **Cameron Nicole Peyko**

Major: Psychology

Minors: Economics & Finance

### **Nicole Poole**

Major: Biological Sciences

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## **Phi Beta Kappa** *Continued*

### **Abhijeet Pradhan**

Major: Computer Science

Minor: Mathematics

### **Devon Rancourt**

Majors: History & Slavic Studies

### **Jack Rider-McGovern**

Major: Slavic Studies

Minor: Arabic Studies

### **Jordan Elizabeth Rottger**

Majors: Film Studies & Slavic Studies

### **Aidan Catherine Sachs**

Majors: Educational Studies &

Human Development

Minor: Psychology

### **Mara Senecal-Albrecht**

Major: Dance

Minor: Africana Studies

### **Ashley Steinkrauss**

Majors: Behavioral Neuroscience &

Educational Studies

Minor: Applied Statistics

### **Chelsea Marie Vickers**

Major: Computer Science

Minor: Psychology

### **Zoë Walker**

Majors: Art & Art History

### **Yuening Wang**

Majors: Economics & Psychology

## The 2021 Phi Beta Kappa Poet

**Kate Rushin** is the author of *The Black Back-Ups* and “The Bridge Poem,” which was selected for inclusion in *African American Poetry: 250 Years of Struggle and Song* and in *Lift Every Voice*, the online companion, both published by The Library of America.

She received a Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing from Brown University and a Bachelor of Arts in Theater and Communications from Oberlin College. She has served as Visiting Writer and Director of the Center for African American Studies at Wesleyan University.

Kate Rushin is currently teaching poetry at Connecticut College and has been appointed Distinguished Visiting Poet in Residence in the Department of English for the 2021-2022 academic year.

She performs her poetry with the master bassist, Professor Nat Reeves, and his quartet.

## The Delta of Connecticut, Connecticut College 2021 Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship Recipients

### **Ahmed AboHamad,**

Connecticut College Class of 2021  
Seeking the Ph.D. in Philosophy  
The University of Connecticut  
Storrs, Connecticut

### **Viangely Asencio,**

Connecticut College Class of 2020  
Seeking the Ph.D. in Sociology  
The University of California, Davis  
Davis, California

### **Pariya Prama,**

Connecticut College Class of 2021  
Seeking the M.S. in Nursing  
The School of Nursing, Yale University  
Orange, Connecticut

### **Shaniqua Shaw,**

Connecticut College Class of 2018  
Seeking the J.D.  
Columbia Law School, Columbia University  
New York City, New York

### **Yoldas Yildiz,**

Connecticut College Class of 2018  
Seeking the Ph.D. in Molecular Biology  
and Physiology  
Loyola University, Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois



## **Chapter Officers**

*2020-2021*

*President*, Lawrence A. Vogel, Professor of Philosophy

*Vice President and Scholarship Committee Chair*, Joseph D. Alchermes, Associate Professor of Art History and Director of the Architectural Studies Program

*Historian*, Rae Gaubinger, Assistant Professor of English

*Secretary/Treasurer*, MaryAnne Borrelli, Susan Eckert Lynch '62 Professor of Government

*Membership Committee Chair*, Christopher N.B. Hammond, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Associate Dean of the College for Curriculum

Thank you for joining us to celebrate the accomplishments of the new members of the Delta of Connecticut, Connecticut College Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. If you have questions about Phi Beta Kappa, please contact the Chapter Secretary, MaryAnne Borrelli, at mabor@conncoll.edu.

The chapter would like to thank the many members of the College community who have contributed to the success of this event. Special thanks are due to members of the President's Office, the Dean of the College Office, the Dean of the Faculty Office, the Office of Communications, the Registrar's Office, and the Events and Catering Office.

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