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Newcomb College Class of 1974

NEWCOMB SCHOLAR

Opening Remarks

PRESIDENT MICHAEL FITTS

Welcome Remarks

ANITA RAJ, PH.D.

Executive Director, Newcomb Institute

Address to Graduates and Presentation of Graduates to Alumnae

Navya Murugesan (SSE **'24)**

Senior Speaker

Newcomh Alumnae Association President's Remarks

Andi Richardson (NC '99)

President, Newcomb Alumnae Association

Address to Newcomb College Class of 1974

CAROL LAVIN BERNICK (NC '74)

Recognition of Newcomb Fellows and Presentation of

Laura Wolford
Associate Director

Distinguished Newcomb Fellow

Hannah Freedman (SSE '24)

President, Mortar Board

Recognition of Mortar Board and Presentation of Teaching Awards

Autumn Kranz (SSE '24)
President, Newcomb Senate

Recognition of Grant Recipients and Interns

Presentation of the Josephine Louise Award

CLARE DANIEL, PH.D.
Director of Research

Recognition of Student Leaders and Presentation of Newcomb

Institute Awards

Julie Henriquez Aldana, Ph.D.

Director of Student Leadership and Engagement

Presentation of Newcomb Scholars

AIDAN SMITH, PH.D.

Director, Newcomb Scholars Program

Andi Richardson (NC '99)

President, Newcomb Alumnae Association

Acknowledgment of the Newcomb Class of 1974 and Presentation

of Diplomas

Andi Richardson (NC '99)

Closing Remarks

Anita Raj, Ph.D.

Recession

Guests are requested to remain seated during the Procession and Recession.

NC - Newcomb College

SSE - Tulane School of Science and Engineering

The cover art is by Ava Jeanne Davis.

Ava Jeanne Davis is a 2023 graduate of Newcomb-Tulane College who studied studio art with a focus in painting and drawing, along with early childhood psychology. Originally from Jackson, Mississippi, and Washington, D.C., she explores portraiture and ideas surrounding love and heritage in most of her work. The cover painting marks a slight departure from these themes as it depicts a moment from "A Walk Down Esplanade" and captures a feeling only experienced on the streets of New Orleans. She is currently finishing her gap year before returning to the world of academia to obtain a master of social work.

This art was commissioned as a gift by the Newcomb Alumnae Association and will be presented as a print to all new alums and the Newcomb College Class of 1974 at Under the Oaks.

Under the Oaks

Under the Oaks is a recognition and awards ceremony hosted by Newcomb Institute during commencement week. Historically, Under the Oaks was the commencement ceremony for Newcomb College. Today, the Institute keeps this tradition alive by honoring student and faculty award recipients, Newcomb Scholars, Mortar Board members, and Oak Wreath recipients, as well as our graduating student leaders, student employees, grant recipients, and residential learning community residents. Newcomb Institute also honors Newcomb College tradition by hosting the 50th Reunion for graduates of Newcomb College and recognizes the current 50-year class during the Under the Oaks ceremony.

Newcomb Fellows

The Newcomb Fellows Program is a voluntary association of faculty drawn from across Tulane University. Newcomb Fellows partner with us in to pursue Newcomb Institute's mission and participate in activities of the Institute that foster faculty-student interaction and gender equity research.

Distinguished Newcomb Fellow

Since 1994, an accomplished member of the Tulane faculty has been named Distinguished Newcomb Fellow. Newcomb Institute is proud to carry on this tradition by annually recognizing one Fellow who is deemed to have made an extraordinary contribution to the Newcomb community.

Katherine Johnson, Ph.D.



Dr. Katherine (Katie) Johnson is an associate professor of sociology and director of gender and sexuality studies at Tulane. She is passionate about research and teaching on the sociology of reproduction, gender, family, and health. For the past decade, she has been conducting the Working and Nursing Study, which addresses cisgender women's experiences of breastfeeding after going back to work or school. She recently published *Undoing Motherhood: Collaborative Reproduction and the Deinstitutionalization of U.S. Maternity*, a book on assisted reproductive technology. She has also been conducting evaluation research on sexual violence on Tulane's campus since 2018 in partnership with faculty in the GESS program. Dr. Johnson's work has appeared in both academic and practitioner-oriented journals. She is also mom to two human and five furry kids, which keeps life interesting.

Mortar Board Zeaching Awards

Each year, the Newcomb-sponsored chapter of the national honor society Mortar Board honors one tenured and one non-tenured Tulane faculty member with the Excellence in Teaching awards.

Lisa Molix, Ph.D.



Excellence in Teaching Award, Tenured Faculty

Lisa Molix is an associate professor in the Department of Psychology at the Tulane School of Science and Engineering. A social and personality psychologist by training, she is the primary investigator of Tulane's Social Relations and Wellness Lab, which investigates health and wellbeing among members of marginalized groups, intergroup relations, and the intersections between these areas—namely preventing and reducing social disparities. Dr. Molix teaches both undergraduate and graduate courses including Introduction to Social Psychology, Experimental Social Psychology, Intergroup Relations, and Professional Issues in Psychology. In addition, she has served on numerous institutional and national committees with a primary focus on increasing equity.

Denise Crochet



Jacqueline Eckmann

Excellence in Teaching Award, Non-Tenured Faculty

Denise Crochet is a senior professor of practice and director of American Sign Language Studies in the Department of Linguistics and has been actively working in the interpreting field for 28 years. Her interpreting career has included educational, medical, mental health, theatrical, minimal language skills, legal, and video-relay interpreting. Professor Crochet is particularly fond of Deaf/Blind interpreting. Most recently, she presented at the American Association of Theatre Educators conference in collaboration with Tulane Theatre and Dance Department, providing ASL interpretation for staged productions. In the spring of 2019, Professor Crochet established the TuXD (Tulane, Xavier, Delgado) Sign Language Consortium. This group encourages interdepartmental activities from metro New Orleans institutions where ASL is taught. Her

passion for interpreting and mentoring led her to establish Semantikos, LLC, an interpreting and mentoring agency, in 2007. She provides sign language instruction for a dynamic range of clients who are interested in interpreting as a profession and those who are losing their functional hearing and are seeking an alternative mode of communication.

Mortar Board Class of 2024

Julie Leichtner

Mortar Board is a national honor society recognizing college seniors for their exemplary scholarship, leadership and service.

Macy Baker	Lindsay Eggert	Eliana Levi	Ghelila Raboy
Sophia Biggio	Hannah Freedman	Alex Levin	Isabella Rossi
Abigail Borggaard	Charlotte Frumkin	Hannah Levitan	Margaret Schultz
Isabel Margaret Carney	Ellie Goldzweig	Elizabeth McConaghy	Savannah Siegler
Chloe Chase	Hanna Hayes	Michaela Meyer	Taylor Spill
Emma Clarke	Lucy Jarach	Claire Nicaud	Meredith Stais
Ryan Cohen	Camryn Jenkins	Brynn O'Connor	Franklin Stanley
Francesca Curtin	Amelia Kaftan	Samuel Ellis Panoff	Catie Stein
Amanda Curtis	Ethan Kushnick	Elise Poche	Jill Zimmermann

Josephine Louise Award

Every year, Newcomb Senate awards a staff member to receive the Josephine Louise Award for outstanding contributions benefitting the undergraduate student body. As the student liaison between the past and present Newcomb-affiliated student body of Tulane University, Newcomb Senate represents our student-led efforts to preserve the Newcomb spirit on campus and promote continued engagement with Newcomb.

Carolyn Barber-Pierre



Carolyn Barber-Pierre serves as assistant vice president for student affairs and director of the Carolyn Barber-Pierre Center for Intercultural Life at Tulane University. In 2018, Tulane awarded Carolyn with the title of "Honorary Tulane Alumna." In 2021, she was recognized as a Tulane Trailblazer for her passion and commitment as well as her pivotal role in facilitating countless collaborations, developing a plethora of cultural leadership development and engagement programs and opportunities, and creating inclusive spaces and student organizations that serve marginalized communities such as BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color), LGBTQ+, first-generation, and religious or spiritual students. In addition to her work in student affairs at Tulane, Carolyn is an adjunct professor in the Department of Theatre and Dance, where she has taught Afro-Brazilian dance for more than 25 years. She and her husband, Mestre Curtis Pierre, co-founded and direct Casa Samba, an Afro-Brazilian cultural drum and dance performance group. A native of New York who calls New Orleans home, she and her husband have one son,

Oak Wreath

The Oak Wreath is bestowed upon graduating seniors who have distinguished themselves through an engaged pursuit of learning, leadership in student activities, commitment to the mission of Newcomb Institute, and contribution to the Newcomb-Tulane community.

Emma Basch	Jasmine Kiley	Jane O'Donnell
Maria Benavides	Raleigh Kreis	Eferoghene Okakuro
Alyssa Bockman	Jazlynn Leung	Akira Shelton
Hannah Fewkes	Tabitha Mascobetto	Molly Shields
Zoe Friese	Ian Michelson	Adhithi Sreenivasan
Jordan Godfrey	Mickey Mickle	Sophia Tomasulo
Grace Harsche	Navya Murugesan	Susan Worley
Anna Johnson	Aim Niamnud	Wendy Yang



Newcomb Institute Grant Recipients

Newcomb Institute provides grants in support of research, conference attendance, and community engagement. The Institute also supports a number of experiential learning opportunities, including participation in Feminist Camp, the Public Leadership Education Network (PLEN), and internships within the corporate and nonprofit spheres.

Research, Conference, Community Engagement, and Summer Internship Grant Recipients

Madeline Abadin

Summer Internship: Bet Tzedek Legal Services

Cece Acosta

Research: Assessing Caterpillar Predation in a Reforestation Site in Ecuador

Jordyn Addison

Summer Internship: Saks Fifth Avenue

Setareh Alavi

Conference Presentation: AAPLAC 35th Annual Conference: Contextualizing Social Justice Within Study Abroad in Latin America

Naseem Azadi

Summer Internship: Tulane Brain Institute

Amaris Baker

Summer Internship: Tulane School of Public Health

Summer Internship: Ochsner Health System

Catie Carey

Conference Presentation: AAPLAC 35th Annual Conference: Global Fluency: The Impact of Language Learning in Study Abroad

Grace Gallic

Research: Community, Gender, and Leadership Perceptions

Callie Rose Chenevert

Research: Palm Phenology Across Multiple Species in the Chocó Rainforest in Northwestern Ecuador Research: Understanding Frugivore-Palm Relationships in Northwestern Ecuador

Ava Crowe

Conference: 2023 Duke-UNC China Leadership Summit

Madeline Dacre

Research: Pompeii I.14 Project

Katerina Ellison-Batt

Summer Internship: Eden House

Zoe Friese

Research: Transnational Environmental Justice: Activist Collaboration Against a Taiwanese Petrochemical Corporation

Morgan Gitlitz

Research: Vascular Implications of Exogenous Estrogens on Transgender Women

Jordan Godfrey

Summer Internship: SisterLove

Annabelle Harris

Research: Pompeii I.14 Project

Grace Harsche

Summer Internship: Middle East Policy Council

Summer Internship: Tulane Title IX Office

Josephine James-Le

Summer Internship: Healing Hands

Jasmine Kiley

Research: Maternal Aging and Postpartum Studies

Zoe Lang

Research: Capstone Film: Femme Docs

Jazlynn Leung

Research: Breaking the Cycle: Parent Perspectives on Gentle Parenting

Gabrielle Levine

Summer Internship: Healthy Gulf Research: Evaluating Community Outreach Programs at FCAT in

Maryann Lorino

Research: The Role of ZMIZ1 in Cortical Development

Talia Lurie

Ecuador

Research: Effects of Music-Based Mentoring on Cognitive and Emotional Development in Children from Under-Resourced Communities

Janey McGowan

Research: Liminal Identities and Irish Exceptionalism at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair

Charleston McLean

Summer Internship: National Gallery of Art

Mickey Mickle

Conference Presentation:

"Black Women Members of the
Congressional Black Caucus

— Tweeting as Identity &
Policy" at Western Political
Science Association

Community Engagement: FLOW FOR ALL: Tulane Period Project

Kalil Mosquera

Summer Internship: Tulane Internal Medicine

Navya Murugesan

Summer Internship: Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT-CURE) Summer Undergraduate Program

Summer Internship: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Grant: MCAT Preparation and Professional Development Funding

Marissa Nerenberg

Summer Internship: The Child's Mind Institute

Carolina Nobrega

Conference Presentation:
"Dictatorship to Democracy: Brazil
in Transformation" at Rollins
College Latin American Latin
Studies Symposium

Eferoghene Okakuro

Conference: National Society of Black Engineers Region V Fall Regional Conference

Amelia Osborne

Summer Internship: InReach (LGBTQ+ Tech Platform)

Kailee Oswald

Summer Internship: New Orleans VA

Madison Petrus

Conference Presentation: "Pay No Attention to the Man Behind the Curtain; The United States' Role in the 1964 Brazilian Coup" at Rollins College Latin American Latin Studies Symposium

Claire Ramsay

Summer Internship: Remarq Inc Summer Internship: Tulane Institute on Water Law and Policy

Meredith Rosenberg

Community Engagement: New Orleans Elementary School Cooking Class Initiative

Maxwell Rubin

Summer Internship: Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Molly Shields

Summer Internship: Chicago Council on Global Affairs

Summer Internship: Prenda

Adhithi Sreenivasan

Summer Internship: National Institutes of Health National Cancer Institute

Carlin Stewart

Research: Empowering Patients: Practices in Midwifery and Obstetrics that Create Positive Birthing Experiences for Black Women

Ellery Tripp

Summer Internship: Mayo Clinic Grant: MCAT Preparation and

Grant: MCAI Preparation and Professional Development Funding

J'Lyn Wilson

Summer Internship: O'Brien Psychology Lab

Irene Yu

Research: Strain-dependent Effects of Mediterranean Diet vs. Western Diet on Gut Microbiome and Mild Cognitive Impairment in Sprague-Dawley Rats and Fischer Rats Vewcomb Institute Grant Recipients: continued

Feminist Camp

Claire Huff

Akira Shelton

Adhithi Sreenivasan

Sophia Tomasulo

Kaitlyn Wesneski

PLEN Grant Recipients

Averi Bogucki

Women in Public Policy

Ava Buras

Global Policy

Eliza Dahlkemper Global Policy

Sedonia Davis Global Policy

STEM Policy

Kristin Engelking

Health Policy

Elif Gures STEM Policy

Grace Harsche

Public Policy

Sydney Jernigan

Public Policy

Vaishnavi (Vishy) Kandala

Women, Law and Legal Advocacy

Isabel Kilday Health Policy

Julie Klingenstein

Global Policy

Raleigh Kreis Global Policy

Alexandra Mann

STEM Policy

Sophia Mattson

Global Policy

Anna McLeod

Public Policy

Mickey Mickle

Global Policy

Mimi Muir Health Policy Efergohene Okakuro

Global Policy

Women in STEM Policy

Madeleine (Maddie) Ray

Global Policy

Taylor Sacco

Health Policy

Dabin (Faith) So

STEM Policy

J'Lyn Wilson

STEM Policy

Susan Worley Public Policy

Wendy Yang Global Policy

Newcomb Institute Interns

We thank and recognize our graduating student employees for their service to Newcomb Institute.

Tabitha Mascobetto

Operations Intern

Emilio Matos-Sola

Archives Intern

Eferoghene Okakuro

IT Intern

Grace Riley

Reproductive Rights and Reproductive Health Program Graduate Assistant

Amanda Schaller

Newcomb Scholars Program Graduate Assistant

J'Lyn Wilson

IT Intern

Class of 2024 Reproductive Rights and Reproductive Health (RRRH) Interns

Newcomb Institute coordinates with local reproductive rights and reproductive health organizations and Tulane faculty to provide paid internships for undergraduates. Internship positions provide students with the opportunity to develop valuable skills, knowledge, and connections related to this field. Every year, the RRRH interns present their internship projects at our annual Conceiving Equity event.

Katie Craig Grace Harsche Jazlynn Leung Mikey Panner Katie McCormick Melany Cutno **Emery Haynes** Sara Segal Lauren Nelson Wil Wright Jordan Godfrey Claire Huff Kimari Guillory Vaishnavi (Vishy) Kandala Asia Nguyen

Class of 2024 Feminist Summer Internship Program Participants

Newcomb Institute's Feminist Summer Internship Program provides opportunities for students to work with organizations across the nation focused on gender equity. The Institute offers a stipend to each intern to help cover living expenses and travel. Students complete at least 240 hours of work on a project defined by partner organizations such as Ms. magazine, Planned Parenthood, the National Women's History Museum, and Feminist Majority Foundation.

Lila Brown Keerthana Krishnan Maeve Patton Sophia Tomasulo Ikwesilotuto (Kwesil) Ezeh Janey McGowan Akira Shelton Susan Worley

Student Leadership

Newcomb Institute sponsors **more than 20 student-run organizations**, all of which vary in their focus area but are committed to our mission of advancing gender equity and facilitating equitable gender representation in professional career fields. These organizations foster a gender-inclusive, supportive environment where students can develop leadership abilities and professional skill sets. Newcomb-sponsored student organizations have access to staff advisors, activity funding, and use of our event space in The Malkin-Sacks Commons.

Juliet Adams	Alexandra Cohen	Grace Harsche	Janey McGowan	Madeline Smith
Olufunke (Funke) Adeleye	Camille Croft	Matthew Holleman	Ria Mehta	Dabin (Faith) So
Anna Kathryn Becker	Sedonia Davis	Alexa Hoover	Ian Michelson	Adhithi Sreenivasan
Gabriella Bellows	Nicole Dawson	Amelia Jacobson	Lauren Nelson	Carlin Stewart
Emilia Bertoli	Lindsay Eggert	Anna Johnson	Jane O'Donnell	Olivia Vercruysse
Alyssa Bockman	Rachel Elias	Grace Kelman	Eferoghene Okakuro	J'Lyn Wilson
Christina Braun	Ikwesilotuto Ezeh	Thalia Koutsougeras	Kayla Patel	Madeleine Wisinski
Ysabelle Borderson	Ayelet (Rina) Fishman	Raleigh Kreis	Maeve Patton	Wendy Yang
Lourdes Castillo	Leslie Frankel	Alex Levin	Dulce Rivera	Charlotte Zera
Chloe Chace	Hannah Freedman	Julia Lloyd	Gracie Salomon	
Iris Chau	Emily Garcia	Jessica Luckey	Yancheng (Ansen) Shen	
Amy Chudy	Michala Hargrove	Veronica Mayoral	Molly Shields	

Residential Learning Communities

Newcomb Institute sponsors Spark and Current, our residential learning communities (RLC), which encourage first-year students to build and engage in intellectual, and social justice communities at Tulane, in New Orleans, and beyond. Current RLC also encourages students to explore their interest in STEM fields.

Tamyka Agnant	Xinrong Dong	Mercedes (Sadie) Marinaro	Elise Poche	Mia Williams
Caitlin Chen	Nia James	Eferoghene Okakuro	Megan Potts	J'Lyn Wilson





Tulane students Wendy Yang, Sam Demarinis, Ifeoma Osakwe, Kailen Mitchell, Maddie Wisinski, & Yuxin (Kyra) Zhu at the Grace Hopper 2023 Celebration.

Newcomb Scholar, Susan Worley, at the 2024 PLEN Public Policy seminar in Washington, D.C.



The Newcomb Institute Awards recognize students who have demonstrated superior academic excellence, outstanding leadership, character, and integrity and have created influential initiatives in university and community service.

Shirley Gauff Award:

Awarded to a first-year student from an under-represented group at Tulane. The student will have distinguished themselves through an outstanding academic record and will exemplify the ideals of the Newcomb Institute through service to Tulane University and the Greater New Orleans community.

Emma Menard Majors: Psychology, Gender & Sexuality Studies

Class of 2025 Jennie C. Nixon Award:

Awarded to sophomores who has contributed to the Tulane community through a leadership role, has demonstrated academic excellence, and has demonstrated a spirit of service to the university.

Joanna Fashjian Majors: Gender & Sexuality Studies, Public Health; Minor: Political Science

Abigail Huddleston Majors: Neuroscience, Cell & Molecular Biology; Minors: Spanish, History

Catarina Vazquez Major: Anthropology; Gender-Based Violence Certificate

Dorothy Young Memorial Award:

Awarded to junior students who has demonstrated outstanding leadership, scholarship, and service during their time at Tulane.

Sophia Hall Major: Anthropology; Minors: Classical Studies and Environmental Studies

Ifeoma Osakwe Major: Cell & Molecular Biology

Doris K. Joffrian Award:

Awarded to an outstanding women athletes who has majored in one of the liberal arts or sciences.

Jordan Godfey Majors: Cell & Molecular Biology, Classical Studies; Minor: Chemistry

Katharina Mente Major: Environmental Studies

Yarelis Alvarez Major: Studio Art

Newcomb Institute Resident Advisor Award:

Awarded to a Resident Advisor who supports Newcomb programming and developing a community that fosters feminist leadership development to advance gender equity.

Caroline McCance Major: Public Health

Cynthia B. Taffaro Memorial Award:

Awarded to a Newcomb Institute-sponsored student organization that has demonstrated involvement and leadership in the community, created meaningful and impactful programming, and has furthered the mission of Newcomb Institute.

Sexual Violence Prevention and Response (SVPR) Student Organization

Newcomb Institute Awards: senior awards

1914-2004 Award for Exceptional Character:

Awarded to a liberal arts or science major who has displayed exceptional character through firm ideals, a clear sense of integrity, and a strong commitment to service and justice on campus and/or in the New Orleans community.

Mikey Panner Majors: English, Gender & Sexuality Studies; Minor: Jewish Studies

Class of 1909 Prize to the Outstanding Senior:

Awarded to up to two graduating seniors, who, throughout their time at Tulane, have combined scholarship with effective and unselfish service in student activities.

Susan Worley Majors: Sociology, Social Policy & Practice; Minor: Political Science

Shelley Coverman Memorial Award:

Awarded to undergraduate or graduate student who distinguishes him or herself in the field of empirical social science, with special focus on women's status or role in this or other societies.

Isabel Kaufman Majors: Communication Studies, Digital Media Production; Minor: French

Kate Springs Majors: History, International Development; Minor: Spanish; Gender-based Violence Certificate

Gifford Darling Riess Award:

Awarded to a graduating senior who has demonstrated outstanding dedication to community service during their time at Tulane.

Jordan Brignac Major: Public Health

Sylvia Dreyfus Memorial Award:

Awarded to a member of the senior class who has supported women's concerns on campus through outstanding leadership, active committee membership, and creative innovation of programs or elective office.

Anna Johnson Majors: Mathematics, Political Science; Gender-Based Violence Certificate

Carol Downes Cudd Award:

Awarded to a graduating senior for their academic achievement demonstrating a love of learning combined with unselfish service to Newcomb and the university.

Zoe Friese Majors: Environmental Studies & Political Economy; Minor: Mandarin Chinese

Molly Shields Major: Political Science; Minors: Public Health, Economics

Damaris Moore Corrigan Memorial Award:

Awarded to a graduating senior who embodies the values of Newcomb Institute and has exhibited academic excellence during their college career.

Adithi Sreenivasan Major: Neuroscience; Minors: Spanish and Anthropology

Under the Oaks Award:

Awarded to a graduating senior who embodies the values of Newcomb Institute and has spent a significant portion of their collegiate career working for the advancement of women

Alyssa Bockman Major: Biomedical Engineering; Computer Science Certificate

Newcomb Scholars Class of 2024

At the beginning of every school year, first-year Tulane students vie for a spot in the selective Newcomb Scholars Program, an academically rigorous, interdisciplinary learning experience focused on feminist leadership. Newcomb Scholars participate in various undergraduate research projects, seminars, and experiential learning opportunities. Upon completing the program, the Newcomb Scholars present their research at the annual Scholars Symposium.

Ava Buras

Majors: Legal Studies in Business and Political Science

Research: Breaking the Bench - Exploring State-Level Reversals and Gender Dynamics in Judicial Decision-Making in Louisiana

Zoe Friese

Majors: Environmental Studies and Political Economy

Minor: Chinese

Research: Alliances Across Borders — Transnational Environmental Justice Movements Against Formosa Plastics Group

Jordan Godfrey

Majors: Cell and Molecular Biology and Classical Studies

Minor: Chemistry

Research: "That Doesn't Seem Fair" — The Limits of Female Power in the Marvel Cinematic Universe

Grace Harsche

Majors: International Relations and Social Policy and Practice

Minor: Gender and Sexuality Studies

Research: The Hidden Harms of Conflict

— Reproductive Rights in the Context of
the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

Sydney Jernigan

Majors: Public Health and Cognitive Studies

Minor: Portuguese

Research: The Varied Illegality of Incest in the United States — A State-by-State Analysis of Incest Penal Codes

Jazlynn Leung

Major: Public Health

Research: Breaking the Cycle — Exploring the Role of Positive Parenting in Intergenerational Trauma

Tabitha Mascobetto

Major: Philosophy

Research: How Should We React to Our Moral Failures?

Janey McGowan

Major: History

Minors: Political Science and French

Research: Emerald in the White City — Displays of the Irish (American) at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair

Esperanza Milla

Major: Anthropology

Minor: Art History

Research: Skeletal Remains, Death, and the Written Perception

Navya Murugesan

Majors: Neuroscience and Sociology

Minor: Sociology

Research: The Lingering Struggle
— A Narrative Review Unraveling
the Neurological and Psychosocial
Ramifications of Long COVID

Hilary Ouellette

Majors: Sociology and Gender and Sexuality Studies

Minor: Public Health

Research: Disabled Sexual Cultures — Exploring the Interaction of Crip Theory, the Erotic Marketplace, and Dating Apps

Claire Ramsay

Major: Economics

Minors: Spanish and Strategy, Leadership, and Analytics

Research: Consumer Preferences Driving Demand in the US Organic Food Market — A Systematized Review

Molly Shields

Major: Political Science

Minors: Economics and Public Health

Research: The Breaking Point of Feminist Policy — A Case Study of Sweden's Feminist Foreign Policy in Afghanistan

Adhithi Sreenivasan

Major: Neuroscience

Minors: Spanish and Anthropology

Research: Language Accessibility in Healthcare in New Orleans

Rebecca Steynberg

Majors: Neuroscience and Psychology

Minor: Studio Art

Research: Painting Language — Art Therapy as a School-Based Treatment for Improving Social Communication in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Ellery Tripp

Majors: Neuroscience and Philosophy

Research: Provider Perspectives on Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP) Counseling — A Qualitative Study

J'Lyn Wilson

Majors: Cellular and Molecular Biology and Psychology

Research: Unpacking Discrimination Attributions in Hiring Contexts — How Do People Understand Preferential Treatment?

Susan Worley

Majors: Sociology and Social Policy and

Practice

Minor: Political Science

Research: Evaluating Women's Candidacy, Widespread Feasibility, and the Partisan Politics of Ranked Choice Voting



Newcomb College Class of 1974

Catherine R. Abbott Clare W. Adams Diane Wingo Allen Paula M. Alsher

Deborah Pollack Applebaum Michele Asmuth, M.D.

Judy Weston Assad Nevah A. Assang

Susan B. Atherton Cathleen L. Avila Lisa Fisher Baird

Rebecca Rey Baker

Deborah Dutton Baldini

Karen O. Banes Dawn M. Barrios Jane D. Bartlett Virginia Holm Bash Kreis Bailey Beall

Elysse Levitov Beasley Sharon McC. Bell Jeanette S. Bellina Carol Lavin Bernick

Melissa D. Bernstrom Holly M. Bockow

Lucile Bodenheimer, Psy.D. Deborah Mobberly Bonner

Wendeline Z. Botnick Pamela Gibbons Bray Jeanne P. Breckinridge

Anna B. Brooks Courtney B. Brown Delia Perry Brown

Ellen B. Brown

Mildred Kepper Brown Barbara Ensenat Buckley

Cynthia Fromherz Bush

Emilie C. Bush Katherine E. Butler Susan Martin Campbell

Carolyn Capel Inez B. Caracci

Deborah S. Cavalier, M.D.

Molly Chancey Ann Savage Chaskalson Ellen G. Chrestman Elizabeth L. Clark Iudith A. Clark Patricia Close

Martha S. Cohen Janine Collins

Linda H. Conerly Jody Cook

Karen Heausler Cordes

Claudia P. Cooper

Kitty J. Craemer Lila K. Crotty

Stephanie F. Czerwinski Patricia Davenport

Bobbie Davis Mary A. Day

Deborah Sabalot Deane Jacqueline J. DeCochez

Linda Cauley Dickinson, Ph.D.

Jeannette D. Dixon Judith J. Dodd

Deborah Ennis Doineau, M.D.

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Catherine Kirk Fogarty

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Joan Germany Robin Michaels Giarrusso Andria Beth Gillespie Dale Barken Glazer Lisa A. Goldberg, M.D. Leslie A. Goodwin

Martha Sanders Gennett

Anne Montgomery Grace

F. Lucile Graham Lynn L. Green Sydney G. Green

Sarah M. Gordy

Suzanne L. Greenslade Jane Gurtman Grubin Madelon Jaffe Gryll Margaret K. Hackley

Patricia Ramsey Hall Annie Morris Hankton Frances Fisher Harnage

Julie Schwam Harris Sara A. Harris

Rebecca J. Harter Patricia Rich Healy Karen E. Herod

Ann Boudreaux Herrington

Laurie Hewett Barbara Provosty Hill Gayle Carp Hill Eve B. Hirsch Dodge Hobson Pamela G. Holbrook

Kristen Jones Holland Elizabeth B. Hollins Gay Simmons Holsapple Cathryn Small Horn Cathy B. Howe

Kimberley Harris Huber Elizabeth L. Hughes Elena Hurtado-Delgado Roberta Mendelsohn Intrater

Anita Trudy Jarrett Beth Exum Johnson Sheri Johnson

Mary Scot Spaar Jonte

Isabel P. Joseph Mary M. Judy Sherryl L. Katz Gail L. Kaufman Catherine M. Kawalek Dorothy N. Keenan Margaret D. Kelly Carolyn Kennedy Virginia A. Kerth, Ph.D.

Ellen G. Kessler M. Virginia Kimzey Lucie M. King, M.D. Jacqueline K. Kirven Sally Knowlton-Keen Ann Bennett Krueger Margaret P. Kulkarni

Judith M. Kupchan Kathryn Lozes Landry

Deborah Kraus Langenhennig

Alyssa Lappen

Holly Earl Lazarus Sharon W. Leader G.F. Gay LeBreton

Kathryn T. Legrand Blaine Legum-Levenson

Emily S. Leonard Alicia M. Leonhard Cindy Lester Lerner Elizabeth Harvey Levine

Elizabeth C. Lewis Barbara P. Linde Amanda A. LoConte

Leann F. Logsdon, Ph.D. M. Gail Longbotham, Ph.D.

Michelle D. Lore Mei-Kwang Lu Carol A. Lundquist Elizabeth Lawlor Malizia

Lynn R. Mann Lynne Torbert Martin Mary Helen Maskill Patricia Powell Mason Ann Merritt Masson Katie Smith Matison

Catherine C. Matthews, Ph.D.

Teresa H. Matthews Beth L. Maxwell, Ph.D. Michaele McCarthy

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*As of April 19, 2024

Class of 1974 Reunion

Many thanks to the Newcomb alumnae who contributed to the planning for this year's reunion celebrations:

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Vewcomb College History and Zraditions

Josephine Louise Newcomb founded the H. Sophie Newcomb Memorial College in 1886 in memory of her only daughter, Harriott Sophie Newcomb. Her gift to the Tulane University Board of Administrators created the first degree-granting college for women within a university in the United States. Newcomb College began with a focus on progressivism and the importance of women as equal participants in society, recognizing that higher education should support its graduates to be informed and active citizens toward creation of a better world.

The mission of the college evolved with political and societal events. During both World Wars, Newcomb women filled military roles abroad and support roles at home. By the latter part of the 20th century, Newcomb College sought to increase student diversity and representation, a necessary focus that continues to be our priority. The women's movement further encouraged Newcomb students to enroll in classes and pursue fields traditionally reserved for men. In our past 20 years, we have built upon this work toward advancing women in leadership and supporting a more gender equitable society.

Newcomb College graduates from across the years have gone on to receive the Pulitzer Prize, Academy and Emmy Award nominations, inductions into the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, high-level positions in government and higher education, and of course, acclaim in the visual arts. Our students and alums continue to advance across fields and disciplines today.

Newcomb Institute began operating on July 1, 2006, to provide co-curricular programming and to build research focused on women and gender equity across the Tulane campus. Each year since its inception, the institute has provided funding for undergraduate student research and internships, co-curricular training in leadership and research for undergraduates, and community-inclusive campus events with nationally renowned speakers from across academic disciplines and professions, all with a focus on gender equity. Today, we are expanding this work with an increasing investment into funding both student and faculty research across Tulane, and with a focus on maintaining the Newcomb legacy of progressivism in our research and training efforts and via our student and alum relationships. In partnership with the Newcomb Alumnae Association, Newcomb Institute continues to build and strengthen the Newcomb network across generations.

Mission Statement

Newcomb Institute is leading the way in gender equity research and women's empowerment by contributing evidence for social change and preparing the next generation of gender equity scholars and leaders.

Under the Oaks Ceremony

Under the Oaks was historically the commencement ceremony for Newcomb College and today continues as an awards ceremony for Newcomb Institute students. While we no longer wear graduation robes at this event, we continue the tradition to recognize our graduates and build intergenerational connection among Newcomb students and alums. The Daisy Chain remains a tradition of that intergenerational connection, as it has been part of Under the Oaks since Newcomb College began. Today, this strong chain represents how Newcomb students and alums collectively and beautifully work together to make a better world.

Newcomb Pin

The Newcomb pin is a longstanding tradition, carried forward from 1894 to commemorate the first Newcomb class pin.

Newcomb Mortar Board Decal

The Newcomb Mortar Board decal—the blue "N"—is formed by three pillars representing past, present, and future.

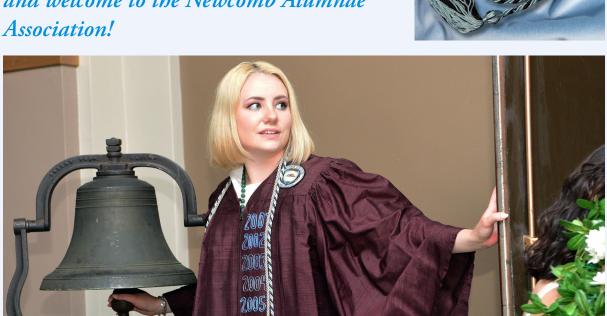
Newcomb Leadership Commemorative Cord

The Newcomb Leadership Commemorative Cord is a way for our student leaders to remember their time at Tulane and involvement with Newcomb Institute. The threads of the cord weave together to bond each one into a stronger cord, symbolizing that we are strongest when we work together.

The Brown Robes

The Brown Robes displayed at our event today are replicas of the robes historically worn by the Newcomb College Class President and Class Speaker at Under the Oaks. The original robes are preserved in the Newcomb Archives.

Congratulations to the Class of 2024, and welcome to the Newcomb Alumnae Association!











(Newcomb College students in 1974)

Newcomb College Alma Mater

Written by Fannie Heaslip Lea (nc 1904)

Music by Walter Goldstein

Where stars arise in Southern skies
And loyal love in laughter lies,
O Newcomb fair, we bring to thee
Our hearts' allegiance, bold and free.
We bring to thee, where e'er shall be
The star of our ascendancy.

Chorus O Alma Mater, Stand we nigh, Thy daughters lift Thy flag on high!











