



SCHOOL OF  
ARCHITECTURE  
& PLANNING



**SPRING 2026 CONVOCATION**

**Saturday, May 16, 2026**

# 2026 Ceremony Program

## Master of Ceremony

### Moises Gonzales

*Professor of Community and Regional Planning  
Associate Dean of Faculty and Student Equity and Success*

## Processional of Faculty and Candidates for Degree

### Musical performance by Onyx String Quartet

## Welcome

### Robert A. González

*Professor of Architecture  
Dean, UNM School of Architecture + Planning*

## Keynote Speaker

### Michaela Pride, AIA, NOMA

*Professor and Interim Chair, Architecture Department  
Director, Design and Planning Assistance Center*

## Introduction of Candidates for Degree

### Moises Gonzales

### Michaela Pride

*Rolf Pendall, Chair, Community + Regional Planning Department*

*Catherine Page Harris, Chair, Landscape Architecture Department*

*Tim Castillo, Director, Historic Preservation + Regionalism Program*

## Recognition of Awards

## Closing Remarks

### Bachelor of Arts in Architecture

#### Spring 2026

Alyssa Alcaraz-Cata

Maria Guadalupe Andrade Franco

Daisy Astorga

Bryson Baker

Shavonne Betts

Erin Boyd

Austin Brito

Julia Burgos

Isabel Castaneda

Chaeliany Chapa

Camden Cole

Nicoya Dant\*

Daniel Delgado

Rosa Paola Edmunds

Piper Fishburn

Annabelle Fleming\*

Isaac Flores

Karley Follstaedt

Itzayanna Garcia

Krista Garnand

Ramon Gloria

Sergio Grajeda

Cameron Griffing

Walter Guinn

Asia Gutierrez

Mariajose Hernandez

Sofia Hren\*

Maya Jio

Noah Laffler\*

Seth Lewis

Cody Libaridian

Jacob Loree

Nelson Macias

Madelyn McCoy\*

Cole McKnight

Nicholas Mohoric

Yasmeen Molden

Braden Morga

Maya Niblett Gaedert\*

Vladimir Olivas-Bustillos

Christopher O'Neill

Jonathan Ortega

Averie Page

Alessandro Perez

\* *Tau Sigma Delta Honor Society for Architecture and Allied Arts members*

Alexander Perry  
Rhyannon Platero  
Diantha Priputen  
Dallas Racette  
Isaac Reichsfeld  
Julia Rivera  
Jasmine Rockwell  
Iara Rodriguez Melgarejo  
Sylas Rodriguez-Sullivan  
Lativa Segay  
Matthew Solano  
Eric Talavera  
Gabriel Torres  
Jordan Torres  
Silas Vanwormer  
Sneha Wagle  
Matthew Woolley  
Maxxon Yocom  
Evelyn Young\*

#### **Summer 2026**

Alexa Lucero  
Erick Alexis Merino  
Tatum Veal

#### **Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Planning and Design**

##### **Spring 2026**

Nathan Almeida  
Francine Bivens  
Rebecca Bourdeau  
Polly Bungum  
Isaice Cepeda  
Danyel Cordero  
Elena Finnegan  
Dominique Gallegos  
Maika Gray  
Kyle Jacoby  
Zuriel Salazar  
Isaac Varela  
Xen Villarreal  
Jacob White

#### **Master of Architecture**

##### **Spring 2026**

Charelle Brown  
Xela Ciocca  
Sydney Crane  
Aaron Grant  
Zane Hall  
Joshua Haws  
Sydney Hopkins  
Sajan Lama  
Yamile Loya  
Cristhian Macias  
Sarah Mackin

Lyvan Medrano  
Isabella Muñoz Morales\*  
Esai Ramirez  
Jordan Sanchez  
Hannah Smith  
Richard Stuart  
Chrystal Taliman\*  
Grecia Tovar  
Alicia Varoz\*  
Isaiah Yazzie

#### **Summer 2026**

John Gonzalez  
Ferda Didar Unal\*

#### **Master of Community and Regional Planning**

##### **Spring 2026**

Patrick Akukene  
Abdul Ganiu Tanko  
Benjamin Garland  
Marina Jo Hernandez  
Jennifer Lopez  
Alyssa Ortiz\*

#### **Summer 2026**

Ansbert Aduko\*

#### **Master of Landscape Architecture**

##### **Spring 2026**

Leah Caminite  
Kailani Gorman\*  
Holly Hearn  
Maria Lagunas  
Natalie Peavy  
Katherine Santistevan  
Jasmin Self  
Elisha Tamrarak

#### **Summer 2026**

Jonathan Admire\*  
Lashannon Begay\*

#### **Historic Preservation and Regionalism Graduate Certificate**

##### **Spring 2026**

Charelle Brown  
Esai Ramirez  
Alicia Varoz

#### **Summer 2026**

Ferda Didar Unal\*

#### **Urban Innovation Graduate Certificate**

##### **Spring 2026**

Patrick Akukene  
Israel Mukwiza

# 2026 GRADUATION AWARDS

## **American Planning Association Outstanding Student Award**

Megan Joe, MCRP

## **American Institute of Architects Henry Adams Medal for Academic Excellence**

Joshua Haws

## **Architectural Research Centers Consortium King Medal for Excellence in Architectural and Environmental Research**

Zane Hall

## **Alpha Ro Chi Medal**

John Gonzales

## **Building Technology Educators' Society Edward Allen Student Award**

Joshua Haws

## **Graduate Excellence in Academics**

Joshua Haws

Chrystal Taliman

Alicia Varoz

## **Graduate Excellence in Design**

Esai Ramirez

Hannah Smith

Chrystal Taliman

## **Graduate Excellence in Leadership**

Xela Ciocca

Zane Hall

Alicia Varoz

## **Undergraduate Excellence in Academics**

Nicoya Dant

Nicholas Mohoric

Iara Rodriguez Melgarejo

## **Undergraduate Excellence in Design**

Erin Boyd

Sergio Grajeda

Maya Niblett Gaeddert

Evelyn Young

## **Undergraduate Excellence in Leadership**

Julia Burgos

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