

# The ISS Mission

Equity and inclusion are core values of the Integrated Social Sciences major. Our mission is to provide equitable opportunity to students from diverse perspectives, experiences, and backgrounds. Since our students have often faced a variety of institutional and interpersonal barriers when entering the program, our higher education mission is guided by the following principles.

## PROVIDE EQUITABLE ACCESS

We strive to open the university's doors to a broad population of students who may not otherwise have the opportunity to pursue a high-quality UW baccalaureate degree.

Our goal is to dismantle the institutional and interpersonal barriers that have historically excluded certain segments of society from accessing and excelling in higher education, such as time constraints, family commitments, work and financial obligations, and the legacies of racist exclusion.

We believe that our identities, experiences, and responsibilities are a source of strength and knowledge. The ISS program welcomes everybody in whatever way they are identified by race, ethnicity, class, citizenship, gender age, religion, (dis)ability, and sexuality.



The University of Washington acknowledges the Coast Salish people of this land, the land which touches the shared waters of all tribes and bands within the Suquamish, Tulalip, and Muckleshoot nations.

## PROMOTE DISCOVERY & EQUITABLE ADVANCEMENT

We build on pedagogical and technological innovations in an internet-enabled community that connects students with academic research and researchers.

Knowing the barriers of time and location, we strive to innovate in the delivery of online courses to create rich, interactive learning environments that help our students build new skills and connect to community interests.

## INTEGRATED SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY & STAFF

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## INTEGRATED SOCIAL SCIENCES

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

College of Arts & Sciences

# GRADUATION CELEBRATION 2025

June 15th, 2025  
Walker-Ames Room  
Kane Hall  
University of Washington  
Seattle, Washington

# PROGRAM

## BEFORE THE CEREMONY

Our ISS graduates have each created online portfolios documenting their learning in the program. Please enjoy images from a selection of these student websites.

## PROCESSION OF GRADUATES

### WELCOMING REMARKS

Mel Wensel

Director of Academic Services & Co-Director, Integrated Social Sciences

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. James Pfeiffer

Professor, Global Health

Professor, Anthropology

Adjunct Professor, Health Systems and Population Health

## PRESENTATION OF THE GRADUATES

Dr. Rebakah Daro Minarchek

Core Faculty Member, Integrated Social Sciences

Assistant Teaching Professor, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies

## CLOSING REMARKS

Mel Wensel

# CLASS OF 2025

The following graduates have earned the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Integrated Social Sciences.

## SUMMER 2024

Dand Dee \*

## AUTUMN 2024

Renee Maria Bisson ^

Brian Eric Cerdenola

Abigail Sarah Fico \*

Hilary Green

Andrea Nicole Jenkins

Kelly King

Brittany Maloney ^

Bridgette Ramsey \*

Juliana Santillan +

Yasmine Durana Seraj

Saruth C. Slepski \*

Claire Elizabeth Swan

Omna F. Tekeste +

Katrina Thompson-Cude +

Coire Walker \*

Huanhuan (Erin) Wei +

## WINTER 2025

Ashley Brawley +

Eleanor Chapman

Jennifer Marie Dibley ^

Abby Evatt

Madison Griffin +

Roslyn Jimenez \*

Kathryn West ^

## SPRING 2025

Sabrina Amell

Jesse Fernandez Bactad

Kayla Balassone

Elisa Bidwell

Elisa Cordova

Yan da Silveira Amorim Saraiva Correa

Lillyan Addison Crabb

Mahlon Terrell Evans

Suzanne M. Harryman

Emillie R. Lopez

Steve Markov

Danielle McCoy

Jack McLaughlan

Teresa Reynolds

Jen Shelton

Lu Olivia Thompson

Kristen Tice

Kristin Trace

Victoria Tyler

Gabriel Wan

Braden August Young

Helen Yuzvyak

## SUMMER 2025

Grey Bibus

Anna Burgess

Alyson Leigh Carlyon

Blake Clarkson

Chelsey Curtis

Nicole Lorraine Daniels

Tatiana Bocayuva Geffer

Anders Higgs

Sadie Ann Jones

Jennifer Juniper

Molly Chaewon Kang

Alton Kim

Minuk Tony Kim

Stephanie Kuchno

Marguerite Elaine Mazza

Nicholas McIlwain

James Ralph

Arhonda Reyes

Haley Riley

Cynthia Ruiz-Medina

Rebecca Stone

Dunia Jonas Wabenga

\*Graduation with Distinction in ISS

+Graduation with High Distinction in ISS

^Graduation with Highest Distinction in ISS

Note that distinction honors cannot be listed for Spring and Summer graduates, as final grades for these students are not yet available.

We honor and celebrate all of our ISS graduates, including those who elected not to have their names listed in this program.

# CONGRATULATIONS!