

2023 President's Outstanding Student Award Recipients

College of Health

Name	Major	Concentration	Nomination Statement
Olivia Sarah Ann Frazier	Health & Human Performance	Community Health & Prevention Science	Olivia has been an inspiring student, overcoming many challenges and having a spirit of perseverance. Olivia is a strong professional, is committed to lifestyle medicine, and a joy to those around her.
Marcus David Garcia	Health & Human Performance	Exercise Science: Applied	Marcas is among the hardest working students enrolled in IPAT in recent years. In addition to working at the lumber mill in Bonner, he has advanced his professional career working as a top personal trainer in town. Marcas is a lifelong Montana resident and is committed both the region and the field of exercise science/performance.
Ethan Vincent Pyron	Health & Human Performance	Exercise Science: Pre-Athletic Training	Ethan has maintained a 4.0 GPA while working several part time jobs, gaining clinical experience, serving as treasurer of the AT student association and engaging in several research projects. His presentation at the district meeting was selected as the best student presentation in 2023.
Lauren O. Tucker	Health & Human Performance	Exercise Science: Pre-Professional	Lauren pairs Intelligence and Dependability as well as any student in the School. An extraordinarily capable and trusted Teaching Assistant, a standout scholar, and a kind and involved member of the campus community—Lauren represents the very best of UM. As she looks forward to and prepares for Physical Therapy School this Fall, we look back on all she has accomplished and proud to celebrate Lauren, a student who makes every lab and classroom a smarter and brighter space.
Rachel E. Gebhardt	Health & Human Performance	Public and Community Health	Rachel is kind, responsible, and intelligent. She blends her intellectual skill with humility and humbleness, which makes her an absolute joy to have in the classroom. She is someone you can count on to do phenomenal work, do it well, and find ways to also help others.
Aubree Leann Osier	Integrative Physiology	Applied Human Physiology	Aubrey is a young woman who has gone from kicking extra points for her high school football team in St. Maries, Idaho to being an Honors College Student and HHP major at

UM. She was also elemental in developing a new patient testing program in the area of Exercise rehabilitation for Cardiopulmonary and Cancer patients. The future in undoubtedly bright for Aubree Osier.

Sophia J. Mathena

Integrative
Physiology

Exercise Science:
Applied

Quiet in the classroom but passionate about health, Sophia has been an advocate for improving the health and well-being of students at UM. Intellectually curious, she has sought out unique opportunities to expand her knowledge in healthcare and wellness.

**Mitchell Louis
Hintzsche**

Integrative
Physiology

Exercise Science: Pre-
Professional

Mitchell is the student you can count on to ask questions, ask more questions, and seek ways to apply the answers in his own life. He would often stay after class to “pick my brain” about a topic, demonstrating the incredible intellectual curiosity he displays. He will never be satisfied until he has developed a deep understanding of a topic, but also desires to see how it can be used to improve someone’s health or well-being.

**Garrett Stone
Skillingstad**

Integrative
Physiology

Pre-Athletic Training

Garrett is a natural leader and has worked diligently to advocate for the athletic training profession. He has engaged in several research projects and has been an active member of the AT student association completing community service and fundraising to support travel to professional conferences.

Hali Elise Adams

Integrative
Physiology

Sports Medicine

Hali has been actively involved in fundraising, community service and advocacy work to support the athletic training profession in addition to attending school full time and working. She completed an intensive internship to prepare for her graduate program and continually goes above and beyond what is required of her.

Jansen Hope Ziola

Pharmacy

No Concentration

A native of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Jansen Ziola graced the University of Montana with her many talents. She not only excelled in the pharmacy program, graduating with a 4.0 GPA, but also excelled as a Track and Field athlete. She is a member of the Rho Chi Pharmacy National Honor Society and the recipient of the 2023 Viatrix Excellence in Pharmacy Award. Jansen is one of those few students that when you think of her, you

smile and remember all the good she has done for our profession.

Brooklynn Akerke Bohannon	Public Health	Community Health	Brooklyn Bohannon is a highly motivated individual and scholar. Brooklyn wants to promote health literacy and awareness in children, which lays the foundation for a healthier, more equitable future. Brooklyn is dedicated to using her education to create meaningful change in the world, particularly by working to address health disparities and promote health education in underserved communities. It is an honor to nominate Brooklyn for this award!
Zachary Cooper Stotts	Public Health	General Public Health	Zachary has an interest in public health, policy and global health.
Carissa G. Russell	Public Health	Global Health	Carissa is a strong advocate for equity, access, and inclusion. She is graduating with a B.S. in Public Health and a minor in Spanish. She has been working with The Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities (RI) for 2 years, representing them at the 2022 National Conference of the American Public Health Association. Her bilingual and bicultural skills ensure access to information supporting FEMA during disasters with translations. Carissa plans to continue this work with RI in the coming year.
Josephine Ann Johnson	Social Work	No Concentration	"Josie created new and innovative programming for local unsheltered individuals that bridges gaps for individuals in local systems. Her efforts have created real change in how our community responds to traffic violations and other minor legal infractions in a way that is informed by equity and social justice. Her written pieces are not just excellent, they are eloquent. Wherever her career takes her I am confident that she will promote the values of our profession." - Practicum Prof. K. Karas