

## **Executive MBA & PhD Recognition Ceremony** **Saturday, May 11, 2024**

### **OPENING REMARKS**

**Costis Maglaras**

Dean and Lyn Silfen Professor of Business, Columbia Business School

### **STUDENT SPEAKERS**

Student speakers are selected by their classmates to give graduation remarks on behalf of their cohort.

*Presented by:* **Lorin Killian**

Assistant Dean, EMBA Programs

**Stephanie Barimah**, EMBA-NY Saturday

**Joe Kemp**, EMBA-NY Friday/Saturday

### **COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

Established by the Executive MBA class of 1991 in memory of Professor Margaret K. Chandler, this award is presented to a faculty member for exemplary contributions to the class experience.

*Presented by:* **Susan West**

Director, Academic & Student Affairs, EMBA Programs

**Daniel Keum**

Associate Professor of Business, Management Department

**Daniel Guetta**

Associate Professor of Professional Practice, Decision, Risk, and Operations Division  
Director, Center for Pricing and Revenue Management and Business Analytics Initiative

### **THE NAHUM MELUMAD MEMORIAL PRIZE**

The Nahum Melumad Memorial Prize, named in memory of Nahum Melumad, the James L. Dohr Professor of Accounting and Business Law and a member of Columbia Business School's Accounting Division for more than 20 years, is the highest honor given to one member of each graduating class based on outstanding scholarship and significant contribution to the Columbia community.

**Kellie Lynch**, EMBA-NY Saturday

**Kyle McNicholas**, EMBA-NY Friday/Saturday

### **DEAN'S HONORS WITH DISTINCTION**

Students demonstrating exceptional academic performance in the top 5% of the class receive the graduation honor of Dean's Honors with Distinction.

## THE EXECUTIVE MBA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Presented to a graduating student who is selected by classmates as deserving special recognition for exceptional contributions to the spirit and experience of the class.

**Haas Rahman**, EMBA-NY Saturday  
**Mike Piscadlo**, EMBA-NY Friday/Saturday

## STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AWARDS

This award recognizes the elected student representatives for their service to the EMBA community.

### ACADEMIC REPRESENTATIVES

Rajyalakshmi (Raji) Bhimoreddy  
LaNisha Bodley  
Michael Oliveira  
Khushtar Pandit

### COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

Atif Bhanjee  
Nathan Garlock  
Emily Hecht  
Mike Piscadlo

### CLUSTER REPRESENTATIVES

Chris Anthony  
Azmeen Peerbhai  
Avery Toland  
Jonathan Wu

### WOMEN IN BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES

Candace Ge-Lamonsoff  
Lindsey Gitlin  
Jena Zoll  
Ty Rosa

### CAREER MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Stephanie Barimah  
Justine Dharni  
Lexie Fan  
Jake Weiss

### EMBA ADVISORY BOARD

Emily Hecht  
Allison Renner  
Jeremy Browning  
Grace Jansen

## DEAN'S AWARD FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Honoring faculty for their outstanding commitment to our doctoral students.

*Presented by:* **Oded Netzer**

Arthur J. Samberg Professor of Business, Marketing Division and Vice Dean for Research

**Gita Johar**

Meyer Feldberg Professor of Business, Marketing Division

## PHD HOODING CEREMONY

## PRESENTATION OF MBA DEGREE CANDIDATES

### STUDENT SPEAKERS

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Assistant Dean, EMBA Programs

**Lexie Fan**, EMBA-NY Saturday  
**Jeremy Browning**, EMBA-NY Friday/Saturday

## CLOSING REMARKS

## PHD DEGREE CANDIDATES

### DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING

**Yue Chen**

*The Subscription Economy: Implications for Valuation and Earnings Management*

**Li Yang**

*Innovation and Welfare Impacts of Disclosure Regulation: A General Equilibrium Approach*

**Shin Woo Lee**

*Does Insider Trading Enforcement Always Yield Positive Consequences for the Stock Market? Evidence from U.S. vs. Newman*

### DEPARTMENT OF DECISION, RISK AND OPERATION

**Carlos Hernan Bonet**

*Market Design: Affirmative Actions, Externalities, and Information*

**Yuri Resende Fonseca**

*Learning from Optimal Actions: Theory and Empirical Analysis in Digital Platforms*

**Mike Li**

*Essays on Fairness, Imbalance, and Option Pricing*

**Chao Qin**

*Adaptive Experimentation in Practice*

**Qi Qin**

*Empirical and Behavioral Operations Management of Digital Healthcare and FinTech*

**Shangzhou Xia**

*Essays on Fair Operations*

**Tianyi Zhang**

*Horizon-free Reinforcement Learning in Dynamic Optimization*

### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

**Lukas Felix Fischer**

*Essays in Financial Economics*

### DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (CONT.)

**Naz K. Koont**

*Essays on Digital Banking*

**Jonghwan Lee**

*Essays in Financial Economics*

**Junjun Quan**

*Essays in Corporate Finance and Macro Finance*

**Dhruv Singal**

*Essays in Macroeconomics and Finance*

**Xiaobo Yu**

*Essays in Financial Economics*

### DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

**Joohyun Oh**

*Essays on Social Class Origins in Entrepreneurship*

**Heinrich Peters**

*Modeling User Engagement on Online Social Platforms - A Context-Aware Machine Learning Approach*

### DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING

**Seung Eun Kim**

*The Power of Brands: Similarity in Brand Preferences Increases Willingness to Discuss Controversial Issues*

**Maayan Shira Malter**

*Essays on Disability: Consumer Needs, Tradeoffs, and New Product Design*

**Elliot Shin Oblander**

*Causal Inference and Representation Learning Methods for Modeling Consumer Behavior*

**Jennifer Jung Ah Sun**

*Two Essays on the Elevation of Consumption Experiences*

**Yinghao Wu**

*Understanding Consumer Emotions from User-Generated Content*

## MBA DEGREE CANDIDATES

### EMBA-NY Saturday

Ananya Agrawal\*  
 Olusegun (Shay) Ajayi  
 Joseph P. Alukal, MD  
 Adrian Jacques H. Ambrose\*  
 Chris Anthony  
 Shannon Armstrong  
 Mohammad Awais\*\*  
 John Banas\*\*  
 Stephanie Barimah  
 Aidyn Battalov\*  
 Brandon J. Best  
 Daniel Bishop  
 LaNisha Sadé Bodley\*  
 Elliott Brannon  
 Michael Broderick  
 Weston Brooks  
 Anh-Quang Steve Bui\*  
 Nicholas Canan  
 Brett Andrew Carr  
 William Catucci III  
 Ibi Chambers\*  
 Carolina Cromeyer Dieke  
 Robert Dunphy\*\*  
 Sonia Espejo Mora  
 Derek Fake  
 Wenyan Fan\*  
 Moises Figueroa Contreras  
 Michael Fitzsimmons  
 Michael Freyre  
 Devon B. Furlong  
 Giacomo Garancini\*  
 Max Garelick  
 Nathan Patrick Garlock  
 Max Garvin  
 Candace Ge-Lamonsoff  
 Kashmeera Ghosh  
 Vineeth Gogineni  
 Michael Goldenberg  
 Nicole Green  
 Benjamin Greenspan\*  
 Manav Gupta  
 Erickarlos Gutierrez  
 Miku E Hagihara  
 Sen Han  
 Emily Blakeslee Hecht\*

Jacqueline Heitkamp  
 Robin Hill-Boutin  
 Tommy A. Ibrahim  
 Arjun Iyer  
 Grace Owens Jansen\*  
 Deepak Kamble  
 Micah Karson  
 Alex Kubicz\*\*  
 Joshua Reuven Kuckley  
 Jeffery Warren Larson, Jr.  
 Eugene Lee\*  
 Kathy Lim\*  
 Nelson Liu\*  
 Lam Lu  
 Kellie Jean Lynch\*\*  
 Scott Lyons  
 Jennifer Manghisi  
 Hadrien Lawrence Badr  
 Markabi  
 Michael Martini  
 Michael Mazur  
 Thomas McInerney  
 Michael Miller\*  
 David Mishael  
 Jagdish Misra  
 Anshuman Moghe  
 April Moorhouse  
 Ahmed Moussa\*\*  
 Sowmya Mupparaju  
 Sebastian Michael Radcliffe  
 Mutimer\*  
 David Nimmo  
 Engels N. Obi  
 Alexander Jaejoon Oh\*  
 Ayako Okoshi  
 Michael Oliveira  
 Rohan Parikh  
 Andrea Pavlovic\*  
 Joe Pitsor  
 Piyush Pruthi  
 Haas Rahman  
 Monika Raj  
 Rishabh Raj  
 Abhishek Rakesh Shah  
 Rajesh Rengarajulu  
 Christina Riggio-Fitzsimmons

Vanessa Robatzek\*  
 Ty Rosa  
 Tejasvi Samala  
 Sumer Sanghi  
 Smita Sebastian  
 Arda Şener\*  
 Jitesh Shahani  
 Noel Simon\*\*  
 Daniel Singh  
 Adi Sistla  
 Haruhiko Sugino  
 Girija Vidhate\*  
 Daniela SQG-S Wambold  
 Chenjing Wang  
 Bicheng Wu\*  
 Jeffery (Junyan) Wu  
 Jonathan Kent Wu  
 Mengya Xu  
 Daniyar Yeralin  
 Victoria Zhu

### EMBA-NY Friday/Saturday

Joshua Adler  
 Vera Adler  
 Mohit Agarwal  
 Toka Akiyama  
 Lorea Amatria Senar  
 Simpa Baiye\*  
 John E. Barrow  
 Jamie Bergos  
 Atif Bhanjee  
 Dean Bhavsar  
 Rajyalakshmi (Raji)  
 Bhimireddy\*  
 Michael Borges  
 Tom Bosley  
 Jeremy Browning  
 Mark Buonforte  
 Riana A. Burlile\*\*  
 Alma Nidia Caballero  
 Ramirez  
 Matt Caliskan\*  
 Luz Maria Carrion  
 Siyi Chen  
 Conor Chrisom  
 Brad Collins\*

Emily Marie Crandall  
 Helena S. D. Darling  
 Brendan Scott Davis  
 Justine Kaur Dharni  
 Ke Ding  
 Joel Joseph Dmello  
 Ricardo Doddoli  
 Tom Donegan\*  
 Lauren Elizabeth Eckstrom  
 Xiuying Fan  
 Lauren Flanagan\*  
 Matteo Focchi\*  
 Victoria Fox  
 Austin Gast  
 David S. Geller\*  
 Brendan Gifford\*  
 Ravi Gill  
 Lindsey Brous Gitlin\*\*  
 Ian Glassford  
 Jori Goodman\*  
 Allison Greenwald\*  
 Raavi Gupta  
 Grace Han  
 Arun Hemrajani  
 Rachel Ann Horton  
 June H. Hou  
 Thilo Huber  
 Sam Hughes  
 Samuel Louis Hutchins, Sr.  
 Robert Murray Jackson IV  
 Keelia Goodpasture Jacobs  
 Vishal Jalan  
 Justin Ryan Johnson  
 Dina Kassem  
 Gurpreet Kaur  
 Joseph N. Kemp  
 Kathryn Corlett Kerns  
 Michael Leighton Kerr  
 Bhuvan Khanna  
 Kevin Gerald Kilpatrick\*  
 HeeJin (Alysa) Kim  
 Charli Kirk  
 Stacy Kramer Kuckley  
 Sonia Krystal Kumar\*  
 Hyeong Jin Kwon  
 Chelsea Landon

Brian Thomas Lapkin*	Christopher J. Novak	Simran Sahni	Gabriel Michael Tursi*
Brandon Lawrence	Mark O'Connell	Drew William Sanders	Pranay K. Udutha
Tom Luckey*	Connor O'Neill**	George Sereika*	Dan Valladares
Igor Lukashevich*	Khushtar Pandit	Gurvinder Sethi	Kellie Valladares
John Philip Lynch III	Stephanie Pardoe	Anshul Sharma*	Kendrick van Doorn
Aedan Macdonald	Justin Partyka	Gaurav Sharma	Thurman Van Riper
Chengru Mao	Azmeen Peerbhai	Ankit Shrivastava	Christopher Xavier Vareika
Thomas Marra**	James Pilkington	Madeline Silverman	Paulo H. C. Varnieri
Alexandra Martin**	Mike Pisani	Akshdeep Singh*	Neil Wang**
Daniel Matusov	Mike Piscadlo	Ash Sohier	Amy B. Wechsler*
Kyle McNicholas**	Emily Pramer*	Kaelin Sprawls	Jake Weiss**
Jean Melo	Allan Pries	Mia Calderone Stender	Halle Wilf Oshinsky
Joanna Mieczkowska*	Kevin Philip Raftery	Marilisa Stigliano*	Bart Witmer
Jean Moon	Jacob Recker*	George Stoupakis, MD	Gabriel Wong
Jeffrey Moya	Sanyog (Sunny) Reddy	Raghav Sukhwal	Tianshi Xie
Aman S. Mundra	John Reid*	Jenny Tcharnaia*	Dong Yang
Morgan Cleary Murphy	Allison Grace Renner	Avery Charlotte Toland	Junshu Zhao**
Mlungisi Ndwandwe	Anush Ricci	Blake William Tomnitz*	Shizhong Zhao
Kasey Ng*	Abigail Richardson*	Hugo Torres-Fetsco	Romas Zimlicki
Nguyen Dac Vinh	Gintare Rudyte	Benjamin Tsujiura	Jena Jean Zoll

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### **\*DEAN'S HONORS**

Students demonstrating exceptional academic performance, in the top 25% of the class, receive the graduation honor of Dean's Honors.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!**