

# *Congratulations*

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Stony Brook  
School of Social Welfare



Class of 2022

## CONVOCAATION

**Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare  
Master of Social Work  
Bachelor of Science (Major in Social Work)**

Thursday, May 19, 2022  
Island Federal Credit Union Arena • 4:00 pm

# SCHOOL of SOCIAL WELFARE

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN SOCIAL WELFARE • MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK • BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (Major in Social Work)

Land Acknowledgement	<b>Carolyn Peabody, PhD, LCSW, ACSW</b> <i>Clinical Professor; Director, Community, Policy &amp; Political Social Action Specialization</i>
Dean's Welcome Address	<b>Shari E. Miller, PhD</b> <i>Dean and Professor, School of Social Welfare</i>
University Welcome	<b>Hal Paz, MD</b> <i>Executive Vice President for Health Sciences, Stony Brook University; Chief Executive Officer, Stony Brook University Medicine</i>
Convocation Address	<b>Lynda Perdomo-Ayala, LMSW, CLC</b> <i>Administrative Department Head, Department of Pharmacological Sciences, Renaissance School of Medicine; Chair, Suffolk County Human Rights Commission</i>
Acknowledgement of Student Leaders and Student Degrees of Distinction	<b>Shari E. Miller, PhD, Dean and Professor</b>
Acknowledgement of Phi Alpha Honor Society and BSW Passport to the Profession	<b>Stephen Rabeno, PhD, LCSW-R</b> <i>Clinical Associate Professor</i>
Recognition of First Class of MSW/MPH	<b>Amy Hammock, PhD, MSW, Associate Professor</b>
BSW Graduating Class Remarks	<b>Alicia Figeroux, Bachelor of Science, Class of 2022</b>

## PRESENTATION OF THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE Major in Social Work CLASS OF 2022

MSW Graduating Class Remarks	<b>Joseph Barbera, Master of Social Work, Class of 2022</b>
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## PRESENTATION OF THE MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK CLASS OF 2022

### *Degree Candidates Presented by:*

**Shari E. Miller, PhD, Dean and Professor**

**Richard H. Morgan, PhD, Associate Dean; Clinical Professor; Director of Graduate Program**

**Suzanne L. Velázquez, PhD, LCSW, Clinical Associate Professor, Director of Undergraduate Program**

**Warren K. Graham, LCSW, ACSW, CASAC, Assistant Dean, Field Education; Clinical Assistant Professor**

**Robin A. DeLuca-Acconi, PhD, LCSW, Assistant Dean of Student Services; Clinical Assistant Professor**

**Shelley L. Horwitz, MSW, Assistant Dean, Manhattan Operations**

Closing Remarks	<b>Shari E. Miller, PhD, Dean and Professor</b>
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## *Recessional*

*The conferral of a degree is conditional upon satisfactory completion of all current degree and instructional requirements at the time of such award and compliance with University procedures and regulations, including the resolution of any outstanding charges of fees or misconduct.*



## *Lynda Perdomo-Ayala, LMSW, CLC*



Ms. Lynda Perdomo-Ayala is the Administrative Department Head in the Department of Pharmacological Sciences at the Renaissance School of Medicine at Stony Brook University. Ms. Perdomo-Ayala's longstanding professional service to the University has been instrumental in ensuring the support and progress of communities of color at the University. For thirty-five years, she has been advisor to the Latin American Student Organization (LASO), where she has worked closely to mentor undergraduates. She was instrumental in the establishment of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Center and continues her advocacy, providing a firm foundation of support for the Center as the Chair of its advisory board. She has supported efforts for the recruitment, retention, and mentoring of minority faculty, staff, and students through her appointments to several University-wide committees and task forces.

Ms. Perdomo-Ayala was appointed to the The Suffolk County Human Rights Commission in 2002 and was elected Vice-Chair in 2003. She was sworn in as Chair in 2019 and has since focused on Police Reform and Reinvention since the killing of George Floyd, as well as Fair Housing and Diversity on Long Island, and the continued development of the Suffolk County Interfaith Anti-Bias Task Force together with a Junior Human Rights Commission.

In addition to being nominated as a 2021 Fellow in the SUNY Hispanic Leadership Institute, Ms. Perdomo-Ayala has received many distinguished honors in the community including the following highlights: as a recipient of Chancellor's award for Excellence in Diversity and Affirmative Action; Stony Brook University Alumni Association's Distinguished Alumni for University Service; Distinguished Social Worker, National Association of Social Workers Latino Social Work Task Force; First Caribbean Award of the Top 50 Latino Leader on Long Island; SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service; Outstanding Women in the Town of Brookhaven; the Suffolk County Women's Advisory Board and the Suffolk County Legislature honored her as the 2018 Woman of Distinction County wide for her work; and named Top 100 Influential People on Long Island, 2020. Most recently she was selected as a 2021 Fellow of SUNY Hispanic Leadership Institute and SAIL Academy.

A native of the Bronx, Lynda was born to Puerto Rican parents, Rosalina and Emilio. Lynda received her Bachelor's degree from Adelphi University, earned a Master's Degree in Social Work from Stony Brook University, and has certifications in Conflict Resolution from Cornell University, in Divorce Mediation from the Ackerman Institute for the Family and is a Certified Life Coach from the CLC Institute.

## MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Rachel Jade Acampora  
Maritza Massiel Acevedo  
Cindy Patricia Albertini  
Shoshanna Alexander  
Monod Alphonse Narcius  
Guyshana Shane Alston  
Christine Leigh Anderson  
Virgen Milagros Andino  
Emilia Manuela Andrade  
Farahdia Anglade  
Te'Kima Anthony-Bey  
Bianca D. Arevalo  
Tulsiedevi Arjoon  
Alison Armbruster  
Rukhsar H. Asfe  
Joseph Michael Barbera **Φ**  
Danielle Barnett  
Cooper Baron  
Meaghan Barrett  
Shyrl Andrea Barrett  
Stacy Ann Pennington Bartholomew **Φ**  
Aleksandra Bator  
Gregory Beauzil  
Ashley R. Becker  
Jessica Nicole Berkowitz  
Maria J. Bernal  
Judith Yael Bernstein  
Devin Ellen Bodurian  
Claudette Derival Bonaventure  
Melida Daniela Bonilla  
Sandra Lynn Bossert  
Nazgee Bowe  
Courtney Marie Braun **Φ**  
Vivian Mozelle Breland-Deshields  
Kiera Brennan  
Taejonea Brooks-Marrow  
Nayab Munir Abdul Rahman Browne  
Ariel L. Bukzin  
Josephine A. Burrell  
Kayla Joan Calabrese  
Margarita Canales  
Marissa Nicole Canino  
Yenny Vanessa Carrasco  
Joshua Adam Carratala  
Leslye Hope Casolaro **Φ**  
Laura Cervini  
Steven Cesarski  
Sarah Chiazor

Tanjil Choudhury  
Michelle Lynn Christoffersen  
Emily Grace Coleman  
Tiffany A. Contreras  
Ryley Bridget Conway  
Sheridian M. Cortes Mendez  
Kristina L. Cross  
Ana M. Cubas  
Sandra Victoria Maria Cuccia  
Camila Aparecida Fria Da Silva  
Gabrielle Faith Darnaby  
Avigail C. David  
Samantha Michelle Davis  
Dahlia Christiana Dawkins  
Nicole Paige Dayton  
Katherine De La Hoz  
Benjamin Winston Defieux  
Brittany Nicole Dein  
Tiffany Deleon  
Sheila DelValle  
Nicole Brianne Derosa  
Meghan Dillon  
Andrea Marie Doelger **Φ**  
Cheryl Ann Donnelly **Φ**  
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Theresa Dosiak  
Eleni Drautz  
Stefanie Mary Drautz  
Cathrine E. Duffy  
Nicole M. Duffy  
Silvana Dumaguala  
Luciano Salem Dumola  
Kyia Brianna Eason  
Rebecca Suzanne Eisenberg  
Maureen Emanuele  
Michelle Christine Erdman  
Alejandra Espinal  
Zachary M. Evans  
Eridian Falcone  
Stephanie Allison Falk **Φ**  
Tiara Familia  
Tara Nicole Feeley  
Valery Felix De La Cruz  
Brianna Femia  
Joseph Ferraroni  
Nicole Ferruggio  
Randy Ficklin  
Samantha Filippone **Φ**

Danielle Finne  
Megan M. Fitzgerald **Φ**  
Lisa Fox  
Kirsten Elizabeth Fraas  
Katherine E. Frangos  
Gabrielle Brooke Freund  
SarahRose Claire Friel  
Colleen Ann Galbraith **Φ**  
Jennifer Galdames Aguilar  
Alaina Christina Garrity **Φ**  
Felicia Marie Gaylarido  
Sean Patrick Gaynor  
Tynisha Dené George  
Sherri Ann Getsch  
Danielle Giuliatti  
Samantha Gluskin  
Claudia Godinez  
Jose Manuel Gomez  
Alexandria Jade Gonzalez  
Elysia M. Gonzalez  
Zenada Michelle Gordon  
Caitlin Elizabeth Gosline  
Casey Grennan  
Brianna Concetta Grucci  
Anna Rose Gulizio  
Diana Marisol Guzman  
Sarina Mazal Haik  
Faith Haley  
Alexandria Hanna  
Devon Elizabeth Hannan  
Kathleen C. Hanulec  
Michelle Hartmann  
Alyssa Lynn Hauser **Φ**  
Luis A. Hidalgo  
Michael Oyadomari Hsu  
Sherien A. Ibrahim  
Kashaf Iftikhar  
Grace Katherine Interrante  
Arhuma Iqbal  
Melanie Isles  
Sydney Jacobson  
Daniel Ruben Jara Palomino  
Jessica Leigh Jaworowski  
Kamille Jenkins  
Erica Joyce Johnson  
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Nicholas Lajoie  
Kathryn N. Lambert  
Shannon Nicole Lauinger  
Marguerite Leger  
Lori Robin Lesson  
Donna Jean Lieblein  
Ashley Liso  
Emilee Eileen Lohan **Φ**  
Victoria Roxanne Lombardi  
Eric Robert Lorentsen  
Miskennelove Losses  
Kevin Matthew Lozada  
Seada Lulanaj  
Kimberly Natasha Maldonado  
Emily Malinari  
Annie Grace Manner  
Nicole Marie Marchese  
Gabrielle Marinaro  
Kristiana Markoulis  
Christine Lisette Martinez  
Juliette Martinez  
Tanya Javed Mashkoor **Φ**  
Sophia Chiara Mastandrea  
Kelly Noel McCauley  
Erin McHugh  
Shannon Kristi McKenna  
Emily McLaughlin  
Claudette Mejia  
Daniella Sofia Menjivar  
Elizabeth Mercurio  
Jessica Marie Merrell  
Deanna Marie Meslin  
Craig Milch  
Audrey Leigh Milillo  
Gregory Caleb Miller  
Christian Michael Moffatt Jr.  
Maryclaire Julia Moley  
Brenda Yvonne Moore  
Ashley Marie Morales  
Victoria Josephine Morello  
Alyson Moruzzi  
Jess Mueller

## MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Nicholas Alan Mueller  
Kayleigh Nicole Mullaney  
Dominick V. Muscadi  
Kaylah Rain Napolitano  
Bailey Marc Negrin **Φ**  
Nicole Emma Nieves  
Keara Lee O'Bryen  
Christian M. O'Connell  
Lauren Nicole O'Halloran  
Amber Christine O'Neill  
Courtney Akeela Oliver  
Kirstin Ostroski  
Ann Marie Pagano  
Bonnie M. Parker  
Rosalinda M. Pasquini  
Marisa Passaro **Φ**  
Victoria Catherine Passela  
Kaitlyn Pawlukoic **Φ**  
Adhelia Marinee Pena  
Flavia Perez - In Memoriam  
Greisy Perez  
Samantha Rose Perez  
Emily Frances Pernice  
Gabriella Nicole Petrero  
Bardhan Pijush  
Jennifer Stephanie Pinto **Φ**  
Teresa Genevieve Presti  
Gayle Concettina Probe  
Maria Veronica Purita **Φ**  
Manana Gochoradze  
Erika Patricia Quichimbo  
Komal Qureshi  
Catherine Reilly  
Gabrielle Aquila Richards  
Carly Riegler  
Roselly Rivera  
Angela Leonora Rizzo  
Daniela Robles  
Sophia Rogers  
Mary Kate Rooney **Φ**  
Zoe Morgan Russo  
Christopher John Ruvolo  
Steven Anthony Sabella  
Maria Fernanda Sacaquirin Aucapina  
Michelle J. Salas-Alberto  
Henry Salvador  
Marli Andrea Sanchez-Lopez  
Samantha Rose Sasso

Ashlyn Schurade  
Jeremy Lawrence Schwartz  
Brianna Taylor Scully  
Dorel Paul Serban  
Irsah Shahzad  
Yasmeen Alexandra Shaukat  
Sukhmani Kaur Singh  
Athena Katherine Sitaras  
Madison Skelton **Φ**  
Sarah Michelle Smith  
Jamie Lynn Snyder  
Courtney Steensma  
Angela Grace Steinmann  
Samantha Genevieve Stressler  
Danielle Jennifer Sturek  
Heather Nazareth Suarez  
Hailya Amanda Sukhoo  
Monica Maria Tamayo Gaviria  
Brooke Anne Tamburello **Φ**  
Nicole Tarangelo **Φ**  
Dylan Michael Tavana  
Jaret William Telford  
Sera Alita Treslia  
Michelle Lee Trocchio  
Kenneth M. Troeller  
Fraser Scott Trujillo  
Deanna Rose Tudisco  
Tajeau T. Turnier **Φ**  
Chukwudi Chigozie Ugwu  
Hannah Rose Ungarino  
Ashley Marie Vaeth **Φ**  
Helena Valla  
April Montana Varney  
Andrea Velazquez  
Chelsea Celine Villalba  
Jessica Erin Wallace  
Elizabeth Warren  
Christine Lynn Weber  
Samantha Judith White  
Kadi-Ann Williams  
Angelique Delores Wilson  
Leah Doris Winston  
Kara Wissing  
Colin Henry Yaccarino **Φ**  
Christina Yodice

**Φ** - Phi Alpha Honor Society

# DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN SOCIAL WELFARE

**Jeffrey A. Barnett**

*Validating Experiences, Sense of Belonging and College Persistence and Completion Among Public University Low-Income Students*



**Arlene L. Mbonu**

*Understanding Medicaid Expansion Policy Impact Through a Case Study Examination of Diabetes Diagnosis Rates*



Graduate Student Government

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 Class Senator: **Emily Borghardt**

*All graduating students and their guests are invited to a reception immediately following the ceremony on the lawn of the Physics building. In the event of rain, please join us in the Island Federal Credit Union Arena lobby.*



# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (Major in Social Work)

Nicole Brooke Abbatiello  $\eta$   $\Phi$  #  
 Fareha Ahmed  
 Jose Alvarez  
 Alex Ann Bennett  
 Emily Helen Borghardt  $\eta$   
 Shania Bradford #  
 Nicole Taylor Brander  $\Sigma$  #  
 Ashley Nicole Brodzansky  $\epsilon$   
 Jessica Lynn Caliendo  
 Samantha Nicole Cinelli  $\epsilon$   
 Evelin Coronel  $\epsilon$  #  
 Dariana Jaylin Cruz  $\epsilon$   
 Mia Milagros Degracia  $\epsilon$   
 Amanda Lee Denzler  $\Sigma$   
 France Duffoo  $\epsilon$   
 Justina Frances Edwards  
 Anthony V. Fasulo  $\eta$   
 Alicia Figeroux  
 Cristina Galian

Kaitlyn Kim Gange  $\eta$   
 Evelin Marisela Garcia  $\eta$   
 Grisel Garcia  $\eta$  #  
 Julia Rose Girzadas  
 Laquaysia Griffin  $\epsilon$  #  
 Rachel Alexandra Hall  $\Sigma$   $\Phi$  #  
 Adrienne Mikayla Jones  $\eta$   
 Ayesha Kamran  $\Sigma$   
 Chris Choi Keizerstein  
 Ava Renee Krasner  
 Jacqueline LaMonica  $\Sigma$   
 Erica Olivia Lynch  $\epsilon$   $\Phi$  #\*  
 Lance Mack  $\eta$   
 Catherine Liliana Maltez  $\eta$  #  
 Rachael Nicole McKenna  $\Sigma$  #  
 Madison Taylor Mojica  $\Sigma$  #  
 Marykate Murphy  $\Sigma$   
 Benjamin Owusu  
 Allyson Pan

Samantha S. Puleo  $\epsilon$   
 Parvin Kaur Purawal  
 Lisseth Mercedes Rodriguez Bautista  $\Sigma$  #  
 Yanique Tamara Sabino  $\Sigma$   
 Diana Lynne Schmidt  $\Sigma$   $\Phi$  #  
 Kimberly Ann Schumann  $\Sigma$  #  
 Alexis Monique Sealy  $\eta$  #  
 Danielle Isabella Simone  $\eta$  #  
 Ashley Erica Tavarez  $\epsilon$  #  
 Chad-Michael Theall  $\epsilon$   
 Shandola Elizabeth Thompson  $\eta$   
 Samantha Trujillo  $\eta$  #  
 Ting Hin Tsang  $\Sigma$  #  
 Julio Angel Velez Rodriguez  $\eta$   
 Destinee Weston  
 Mikayla Courtney Zeman  $\eta$   
 Tingyi Zhong  $\eta$

$\Sigma$  - Summa cum laude  
 $\eta$  - Magna cum laude  
 $\epsilon$  - Cum laude  
 $\Phi$  - Phi Alpha Honor Society  
 # - BSW Passport to the Profession  
 #\* - BSW Passport to the Profession Presenter