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*95 Years at Michigan State University*  
**1927 - 2022**

Michigan State University Chapter 041

***Annual Initiation and Awards Ceremony***

**March 26, 2022**

Wharton Center for Performing Arts  
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

# PROGRAM

## Reception

### Welcome

Burton A. Bargerstock  
President, MSU Chapter 041

## Invited Presentation

Susanne Elkins  
Director of Broadcasting and General Manager  
WKAR Public Media at Michigan State University

## Initiation Ceremony and Induction

All Honored Candidates

## Awards and Other Recognitions

Distinguished Membership  
Lauren Harris

Excellence Award in Interdisciplinary Scholarship  
Sustainable Climate, Agriculture, Landscapes, and Energy (SCALE)

Graduate Fellowship Nominee  
Eliot Haddad

2021 Love of Learning  
Catherine Bargerstock  
Brianna Robinson

## Conclusion

Burton A. Bargerstock

Founded in 1897, the primary objective of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is the recognition and encouragement of superior scholarship in all academic disciplines. The society believes that by recognizing and honoring those persons of good character, who have excelled in scholarship, others will be stimulated to similar goals of excellence.

## Michigan State University 2022 New Phi Kappa Phi Members

### **Undergraduate Initiates**

Faith Arnott  
Bella Bankstahl  
Emily Cohen  
Matthew Fular  
Elizabeth Green  
Eliot Haddad  
Mika Hirata  
Macken Keefe  
Brendan Key  
Max Knoer  
Alixandra Krawcke  
Julia Matalon  
Ramzee Miller  
Kathryn O'Connell  
Kaila Pruitt  
Rishabh Rai  
Gabrielle Sanchez  
Zachary Sebre  
Arnav Sharma  
Vidhula Srinivasan  
Mikayla Stokes  
Ying Sun  
Ahnna Swanson  
Carolyn Taylor  
Alexandra Travnik  
Lauren Walkon  
Kayla Wikaryasz

### **Graduate Initiates**

Scott Agrella  
Kate Alexander  
Benjamin Armour  
Ahmed Atwa

Kasandra Barrow  
Stephene Benkert  
Jennifer Biggar  
Emily Bowen  
Brittany Brewer  
Elaina Burress  
Samantha Campbell  
Rachel Carson  
Miriam Clifford  
Brandi Drent  
Tracy Edwards  
Benjamin Fairbotham  
Kandis Ferdinand  
Anne Frank  
Raneen George  
Mark Gittman  
Phoebe Gohs  
Joshua Hall  
Alexa Hardy  
Ursula Heder  
Steven Holmes  
Diane Huhn  
Traci Husse  
Nikolay Ivanov  
Cara Jacob  
Mona Jahani  
Katherine Johnson  
Yolanda Koszela  
Archie Lidey  
Jessica Lundy  
Alaa Makke  
Goheth Siddanth Motamarri  
Annisa Ratri  
Ramya Ravi  
Christina Richard

Michael Serikow  
Sarah Shell  
Sufwan Shtawi  
Jordan Sousa  
Kevin Sullivan  
Vanessa Sullivan  
Sarah Swarhout  
Kaitlin Tang  
Ann Taylor  
April Townsend  
Kyle Tyburski  
Cara-Lynn Vealey  
Heidi Walker  
Bradford Weeman  
Tatiana Wypych  
Qijia Ye  
Bobicheng Zhang  
Aaron Zynda

### **Faculty, Administration, Professional Staff, Alumni Initiates**

Susanne Elkins  
Carolina Restini

**Congratulations,  
2022 Initiates!**  
Phi Kappa Phi is proud to  
have you as members.

## — FACULTY, ADMINISTRATION, PROFESSIONAL STAFF, ALUMNI INITIATES —

The outstanding achievements of these individuals represent the high standard of scholarship, professionalism, and public service that Phi Kappa Phi symbolizes and supports. The Michigan State University Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi is proud to grant membership to them.

### **Susanne Elkins**

*See Invited Presentations.*

### **Carolina Restini**

Dr. Restini graduated as a pharmacist (PharmD) and earned her doctoral (Ph.D.) degree and a postdoctoral fellowship in Pharmacology at the School of Medicine of Ribeirão Preto - University of São Paulo, Brazil. From 2008 to 2017, she was a professor at a Brazilian university, where she taught students in graduate, medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, and nutrition programs and was a professor/mentor and a board member of the accredited Master's Program in Health and Education.

In 2017, Dr. Restini became an assistant professor to serve the students at MSUCOM's Southeast Michigan (SEMI) sites, the Macomb University Center (MUC), and the Detroit Medical Center (DMC), teaching Basic and Clinical Pharmacology at MSUCOM through the Department of Pharmacology & Toxicology. Her teaching, research, and service efforts are intertwined. Community-based services stimulate her to develop research projects and investigations considering the humanistic aspects of therapeutics. Such projects bridge pharmacology teaching-learning scenarios to the patients' care. Dr. Restini's teaching principles are intimately related to nurturing outside the classroom, and the outreach projects she launched to generate community-based services and research are closely related.

Her philosophy of teaching: Teaching means learning and inspiring. "I know I have learned to be an effective teacher when I see inspiration in my students' eyes, reflecting their engagement in building their knowledge and applying their learning to the communities we serve."

## — INVITED PRESENTATION —

### **Susanne Elkins**

Susi Elkins is director of broadcasting and general manager of WKAR Public Media at Michigan State University. WKAR is home to public radio and television for the Michigan capital region, bringing the best of PBS, PBS Kids, NPR, Classical music, and award-winning original content to more than 500,000 mid-Michigan residents each week.

Under Elkins' leadership, WKAR has increased its commitment to early childhood education through the launch of the PBS Kids 24/7 channel, WKAR Family original content, and the PBS KIDS Playtime Pad research collaborative. Elkins also

led the launch of a new WKAR News/Talk FM station for the capital region and strengthened local news coverage with an emphasis on education and public affairs reporting.

In collaboration with MSU, Elkins led the effort to launch the first ATSC 3.0 experimental station licensed to a public media organization. Granted the FCC experimental license in June 2018, WKAR then launched the Next Gen Media Innovation Lab to accelerate development of public service applications and NextGen business services for public broadcasters.

Elkins currently serves on the PBS Board, the board of America's Public Television Stations (APTS), and the University Licensee Association Executive Council (ULA). Prior to her appointment in March 2017, Elkins served in a variety of roles at the station, including interim director, television station manager, content and community engagement manager, public television producer, and instructional television multi-media producer.

Elkins holds a bachelor's degree in telecommunication and a master's degree in educational technology, both from MSU.

## — AWARDS AND OTHER RECOGNITIONS —

### **Distinguished Membership**

A distinguished member is one who has served the Society in an outstanding manner and has shown a sustained record of leadership within the Society. The individual receives a life membership in Phi Kappa Phi and a distinguished member certificate.

#### **Lauren J. Harris**

Lauren Julius Harris is a Chicago native and was educated in its public schools. After high school, he attended the University of Illinois, where he earned a B.S., 1961, majoring in psychology, followed by an M.A., 1963, and Ph.D., 1965, in child psychology at the Institute of Child Development at the University of Minnesota.

In 1965, he joined the Department of Psychology at Michigan State University where he is a member of the program in Cognitive Psychology and Cognitive Neuroscience and teaches developmental psychology. He has also taught history of psychology, neuropsychology, and psychology of the arts. His research ranges from laboratory studies of cognition, emotion, and laterality of function, to studies in the history of psychology and neuroscience. Throughout, he's been fortunate to have outstanding colleagues and students. He has served on the editorial boards of *Developmental Psychology*, *Journal of the History of the Neurosciences*, and *Brain and Cognition*, and currently is on the editorial boards of *Developmental Neuropsychology* and *Laterality*. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Psychological Association. He was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi in 1981 and served as Secretary of its MSU Chapter.

# Excellence Award in Interdisciplinary Scholarship

## Sustainable Climate, Agriculture, Landscapes, and Energy (SCALE)

The Sustainable Climate, Agriculture, Landscapes, and Energy (SCALE) team has been actively growing and evolving for over ten years. SCALE is MSU-based but includes strong collaborations with team members at four peer universities. Currently, 11 senior members make up the SCALE team, though dozens of undergraduates, graduate students, postdoctoral researchers, research technicians, and affiliated faculty have collaborated with the team over the course of four previous grants. Most recently, the team submitted a \$3.6 million proposal to NSF's Growing Convergence Research (GCR) program, aiming to bring a stronger ecological focus to the team.

The SCALE team has received over \$9 million in federal grants for their transformational research on the sustainable management of food, energy, and water resources in the U.S. With each round of funding, the collaboration has expanded to include broader academic expertise, while also refining the process through which collaborative science is done. This process strives to create science that extends beyond interdisciplinary research to conduct transdisciplinary science. A recent example of this transdisciplinary approach is an article published in the journal *Environmental Science & Policy*, which utilized remote sensing and hydrogeological methodologies to evaluate a Kansas irrigation policy through an environmental sociological lens. The results of this work were shared with the Kansas state House Committee on Agriculture and leaders of groundwater management districts across the state.

### Team members:

**Rob Anex** - Professor, University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Biological Systems Engineering, and Energy Analysis & Policy

**Annick Anctil** - Associate Professor, Michigan State University, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

**Bruno Basso** - MSU Foundation Professor, Michigan State University, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences

**Jim Butler** - Senior Scientist, Kansas Geological Survey, University of Kansas

**Charles Gould** - Extension Bioenergy Educator, Michigan State University Extension, Agriculture and Agribusiness Institute

**David Hyndman** - Dean, School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Distinguished University Chair, University of Texas at Dallas

**Anthony Kendall** - Assistant Research Professor, Michigan State University, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences

**Bryan Pijanowski** - Professor, Department of Forestry and Natural Resources, and Director, Discovery Park Center for Global Soundscapes, Purdue University

**Jonathan Winter** - Associate Professor, Dartmouth College Department of Geography

**Sam Zipper** - Assistant Scientist, Kansas Geological Survey, University of Kansas Ecohydrology

**Adam Zwickle** - Associate Professor, Michigan State University, Department of Community Sustainability and Environmental Science & Policy program, School of Criminal Justice

## Graduate Fellowship Nominee

### Eliot Haddad

Eliot Haddad is a senior in Lyman Briggs College at Michigan State University, majoring in human biology with minors in bioethics and environment & health. Haddad is an Alumni Distinguished Scholar in the Honors College and is interested in a career in academic and clinical medicine. While at MSU, he has had extensive research experience in the lab of Dr. Sarah Comstock, publishing seven peer reviewed articles about the relationship between the gut microbiome and health in the contexts of pregnancy, infancy, and nutrition. He has also received numerous awards for his presentations at university research symposia such as the Diversity Research Showcase, Lyman Briggs Research Showcase, and the University Undergraduate Research and Arts Forum. Haddad is a member of the MSU Homecoming Court and currently volunteers with the Adaptive Sports and Recreation Club at MSU. He also works as an undergraduate learning assistant for introductory microbiology and as a Residential Business Community tutor. Haddad has been accepted to Harvard Medical School, Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine, and Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, among several others.

## Love of Learning

### Catherine Bargerstock

Catherine (Catie) Bargerstock graduated from Michigan State University in 2015 with a BA in Arts and Humanities (Psychology) and a minor in Women's and Gender Studies. After graduating, she served for a year as a Team Leader for AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps based out of the Pacific Region. Catie then moved to Detroit, where she spent five years in the nonprofit sector and worked with Detroit Public High School students on service-learning programming. She also traveled abroad to Malawi, Senegal, and the Bahamas to work on school building efforts and natural disaster relief. Currently, she works in Detroit with survivors of sex trafficking and is pursuing a Master's in Social Work at the University of Michigan. She will use her award funds toward her program tuition.

### Brianna Robinson

Brianna Robinson is a first-generation college graduate and the first in her family to attend graduate school. She received a BS in Kinesiology from Michigan State University College of Education and a MS in Healthcare Management from Michigan State University College of Business. She is currently a market manager for Ascend Medical, where she oversees the pediatric, general health, and mental and behavioral health programs in southeast Michigan. She plans to use her award funds to complete her final master's program classes.

# — Michigan State University Chapter of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi —

## Chapter Executive Committee

Burton A. Bargerstock, President  
Brendan Guenther, Secretary  
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Garth Cooper, Member-at-Large

## 2021-2022 Committee Chairpersons

Burton A. Bargerstock    Garth Cooper    Francisco A. Villarruel

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# MOTTO

*Philosophía Krateitō Phōtôn*

*Let the love of learning rule humanity*