Faculty members at UC Santa Barbara have inducted 110 high-achieving seniors into the UCSB chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest honorary academic society.

Earning special honors were Natalie Suzanne Hohmann, of Buellton; Catherine Michelle Miserany, of Oceanside; and Julia Ann Sterling, of San Rafael.

Hohmann, a molecular, cellular and developmental biology major, was awarded the Katherine Esau Phi Beta Kappa Honor Key. Named in memory of a distinguished UCSB professor of botany, the award is given to a student whose academic achievement, breadth of program, and seriousness of purpose in the pursuit of excellence best represent the ideals of the society.

Miserany received the William Frost Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Key, given to an English major who is judged to have demonstrated the highest level of excellence consistent with the ideals of Phi Beta Kappa. The award was established to honor the late UCSB English professor for his contributions to improving the quality of a liberal arts education.

Julia Ann Sterling, an English and global studies major, received the Lawrence Wilson Phi Beta Kappa Honor Key, which is given to a Regents Scholar who best represents the ideals of Phi Beta Kappa. The award is named in memory of the UCSB English professor who founded the campus chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.
Phi Beta Kappa was founded in 1776 and currently includes more than 500,000 members.

A list of the UCSB students who were inducted in Phi Beta Kappa this year follows:

Maya E. Albanese, Global Studies and French
Kristina Marie Arrufat, Spanish
Nicolas Christopher Barth, Geological Sciences
Nathaniel Maxfield Bayer, Film Studies and English
Shannon Marie Beaty, Spanish and Biological Sciences
Eric John Bender, Law & Society and Spanish
Jessica Nicole Benjestorf, English and Spanish
Laura Therese Beuttenmuller, Business Economics and French
Patrick Thomas Blong, English
Nicholas Pat Boccio, Medieval Studies
Amelia Elanor Bowen, Japanese
Lindsay Ann Brackman, Communication Studies and Psychology
Natalie A. Brechtel, Anthropology
Sloane Love Brown, Art History
Emily Sophia Brownstone, Spanish
Tayler Carl Buffington, History
Nicholas C. Busta, History
Scott Gregory Carner, German and Law & Society
Caitlin Mei Lai Chan, Global Studies
Koji Rafael Chavez, Economics & Spanish
Kimberley Allysson Church, Art History and Psychology

Wesley Scott Collins, Political Science

Matthew T. Dailey, Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology

Caitlin Elizabeth Daniel, Global Studies & Italian Studies

Samantha Lee Davis, Aquatic Biology and French

Sarah F. Davis, Classics

Natasha Shanika De Silva, Psychology and English

Isabel Alison Kyle Dennis, Environmental Studies

Stephanie E. Desanti, Biopsychology

Michael Munro Dhondt, Classics and Economics

Sarah S. Di Julio, Political Science

Jonathan Dicks, Global Studies and Medieval Studies

Daniel Joseph Dionne, Global Studies and History

Jill Morgan Dobrowolski, Global Studies

Elisa Kate Dolowich, Global Studies

Kristina Renee Eastham, Political Science

Taylor Ernst, History

Craig Cameron Fellers, Biological Sciences

Miles Lindsey Galbraith, English

Samuel Ellsworth Galle, Biology

Sara M. Garrison, English

Sue-Na Joanne Gay, Art History and Asian Studies
Rebecca Lynne Gayle, Biochemistry
Jennifer Gilbert, Global Studies and Political Science
Samuel S. Giles, Political Science
Cheryl R.
Gillette, English and Japanese
Brian Evan Glicklin, Global Studies
Amanda Marie Gordon, English and Religious Studies
Leah Marie Gordon, English
Suzanne Renee Gorelick, Law & Society and Communication Studies
James M. Grama, German and Linguistics
Mollie Bren Hailey, English and Global Studies
Jessica Lynn Hammon, Psychology and Law & Society
Andrea L. Harris, Music and English
Kathleen Claire Hertel, Global Studies
Natalie Suzanne Hohmann, Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology
Christina Marie Holstege, Anthropology
Leslie Anne Gee Huey, Communication Studies and Sociology
Julia Michelle Jankowski, Political Science
Elizabeth Oconnor Kalbers, English
Maris Terese Kaplan, Global Studies and Communication Studies
Giselle Hisham Kasim, English and Global Studies
Molly Marie Kious, Political Science
Sara Diane Klausner, Spanish and Psychology
Frank E. Kopcinski, Sociology and Spanish
Jenna F. Kruger, English
Kathleen Ann Laning, Biological Sciences
Aaron Christopher Laycook, English and History
Amy Lee, English
Jerry Liu Jr., Linguistics
Allison Marie Maddux, Physical Geography and Global Studies
Maricarmen Madrigal Psychology and Sociology
Wah Lun Mak, Physics
Katherine Elizabeth Markle, Global Studies
Amy Marie Matteson, English
Ross Michael Matteson, Political Science
Genevieve Lynn McGreevy, Global Studies
Catherine Michelle Miserany, English
Melissa Brianne Morley, Law & Society
Marissa K. Newman, Philosophy
Valerie Ann Noce, Psychology and Spanish
Evelyn Olvera, Psychology and Spanish
Heather Lauren Parker, Global Studies
Robin L. Portune, History
Courtney Anne Randall, Political Science
Carla Consuelo Rangel, Zoology
Arthur Harold Ritmeester, Psychology
Adrienne Ellen Ross, History
Krista Nicole Ruggiero, Biochemistry
Lindsay Allison Ruoff, Comparative Literature
Karl Fehskens Russ, Biopsychology
Ian Asher Ryen, Global Studies and Spanish
Jessica Sanborn, Political Science and Linguistics
Elizabeth Marie Sbardellati, Comparative Literature
Lawrence David Warren Schmidt, Economics/Mathematics
Susan Elaine Sharp, Psychology
Nicole A. Shiffer, Asian Studies
Jennifer Ann Sift, Chemistry
Stefani Diane Stallard, English and Linguistics
Stephanie M. Stapleton, Global Studies & Communication Studies
Julia Ann Sterling, English and Global Studies
Jessica Marie Swendiman, Geography and English
Caitlin Ann Thompson, Psychology
Niels Alexander Van Naarden, Law & Society and Philosophy
Lesley Ann Wallace, Political Science and German
Marina Lynn White, Psychology
Rebecca Celia White, Psychology
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