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[MSU awarded degrees to more than 2,200 graduates](#) at its spring commencement ceremonies on May 9.

[Three MSU students were awarded Udall scholarships](#), recognizing exceptional leadership, community service and involvement in the fields of health care, environment or public policy related to American Indian and Alaska Native communities and issues. It is the first time MSU has had three Udall scholars in a single year.

MSU welcomed hundreds of people to campus April 29 [to break ground on a 32,000-square-foot expansion for Montana PBS](#) in the Visual Communications Building. The expansion, which is the result of a \$31.5 million fundraising campaign, will add a 192-seat classroom, new studios, production control rooms and more.

MSU was [ranked in the top 3.7% of worldwide universities](#) by the 2025 Center for World University Rankings, based on metrics including education, employability, faculty and research.

Two MSU graduate students [earned Graduate Research Fellowships](#) from the National Science Foundation. Amanda Haab and Jenna McNally will each receive three years of financial support through the program to pursue their studies.

Engineering professor [Brock LaMeres was recognized by the American Society for Engineering Education](#) with its National Outstanding Teaching Award for 2025.

An instrument designed and built at MSU to measure X-rays in solar flares [headed to the International Space Station](#), where it will spend the next year continuously measuring hard X-rays emitted by the sun.

MSU's Caroline Roeder Helle is [one of five graduate students nationwide](#) to be named to the Farm Foundation's Agricultural Scholars program for 2025.

Four undergraduate biomedical engineering students from MSU [won first place in the Best in Engineering](#) category at the "Bench-to-Bedside" competition hosted by the University of Utah for a device they designed as a capstone class project to assist during arthroscopic knee surgery.

MSU nursing student and Hilleman Scholar Hadley Barbie [received the Montana Student Volunteer Award](#) from Gov. Greg Gianforte's office for her civic engagement work.

An MSU doctoral student studying fish and wildlife biology, Anna Kusler, was awarded [a national P.E.O. Scholar Award](#), a scholarship worth \$25,000. Recipients are chosen for their high level of academic achievement and potential for a positive impact on society.

Assistant professor Martin Mosquera was [named one of 19 U.S. Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Award winners](#) for 2025 by the Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation for his work on photons and color superposition. The prestigious award comes with a \$100,000 grant for further research development.