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PENN STATE HOMECOMING ANNOUNCES 2022 GUIDE STATE FORWARD GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL AWARD WINNER

Winner Chosen After Application, Interview, Panel Review, and Student Voting

UNIVERSITY PARK, PA. (Oct 20, 2022) — Penn State Homecoming announced the 2022 Guide State Forward Award Winner, Savannah Jackson, for the Graduate and Professional School Court during the Rally and Roar event hosted by the Student Programming Association.

Savannah Jackson is a 2nd year graduate student at the School of International Affairs. She is studying race and development. Prior to Penn State, Savannah studied political science and philosophy at Georgetown College in Kentucky. She is currently President of the Black Student Association at the school of International Affairs, Faculty Senator for the graduate school, and the Graduate Assistant of outreach and diversity at Career Service.

“Each of our courts are composed of some of the best people at Penn State that honor the Homecoming legacy of diversity and gender inclusivity,” said Tim Nevil, the Executive Director of Penn State Homecoming. “Penn State Homecoming is so excited to honor our Guide State Forward winners.”

The Guide State Forward Student Court winners will be announced on Saturday, October 22, during the Homecoming/White Out football game against the Minnesota Golden Gophers. Penn State Homecoming eliminated the gendered titles of “Homecoming King and Queen” in 2018 and removed the even-number ratio of male to female representation within the court. The top two members of the Student Court are recognized with the Guide State Forward Award. These two individuals best represent Penn State’s six core values of integrity, respect, responsibility, discovery, excellence, and community.

About Us

Penn State Homecoming is a student-run organization with aims to celebrate tradition and instill pride in all members of the Penn State family through active engagement of

students, alumni, faculty and staff across the community. Our organization is comprised of many student volunteers who donate their time to creating a multitude of events that make the Homecoming celebration a yearlong event.

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