

CARDINAL FIRST STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

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Our Student Leadership Team is a group of first-gen student leaders selected to help all first-gen students exceed their personal best. This built-in network of mentorship and support is ready to welcome, inform, inspire and guide all first-gen students as they work toward earning their college degree.

CARDINAL FIRST FRIDAY AMBASSADORS

NAME	HOMETOWN	MAJOR (MINOR)
Monaya Ali '25^^	Oak Lawn	Health Science
Alicia Atencio '26	Rolling Meadows	Accounting
Kyla Border '25	Rock Falls	Biomedical Science
Emma Browne '24	East Moline	Biomedical Science (Psychology)
Brian Caputo '24	Hanover Park	Actuarial Science (Computer Science)
Jose Andres Contreras '26	Chicago	Finance & Accounting
LaTavia Davison '25	Bolingbrook	Health Science (Ethics)
Tawnee Ens '24	Oswego	Biology (German)
Jessica Felix '25*	Chicago	Math & Secondary Education
Matthew Foreman '26	Montgomery	Business Management (Finance & Organizational Communication)
Joel Forero Mejia '25*	Aurora	Computer Engineering
Salvatore Fretto '24	Westmont	Journalism
Valerie Froylan '25	Bolingbrook	Health Science
Angel Gamboa '26*	Aurora	Biology
Alisa Gashi '24^^	Plainfield	Health Science (English Writing)
Mia Giometti '26	Addison	History & Secondary Education
Arthur Glinkin '26**	Buffalo Grove	Mechanical Engineering (Accounting)
Jobey Grant '26	Watseka	Deciding
Sam Kaczmarek '25	Romeoville	Psychology, Sociology & Criminology
Nick Larak '25	Streamwood	Finance & Management
Natalie Lebron-Marines '24*	Naperville	International Business & Political Science (Spanish)
Adrian Luna '26	Elgin	Mechanical Engineering
Gavin McAlister '26	Dixon	Deciding
Victoria Monte '25	Bellport, NY	Sport Management (Organizational Communication)
Fernando Padua '26*	Addison	Choral Music Education
Lauren Pesola '26	Yorkville	Political Science (Applied Communications)
Deena Rachel '26	Joliet	Psychology

CARDINAL FIRST FRIDAY AMBASSADORS (CONT.)

NAME	HOMETOWN	MAJOR (MINOR)
Angel Robelo '25*	Elgin	Exercise Science
Kelly Rosine '25	Plainfield	Accounting, Finance & Economics
Helen Valerio '26*	Aurora	Special Education
Elsie Vences '24*	Hanover Park	Psychology (Graphic Design & Studio Art)
Francesca Whalen '25	Darien	Exercise Science (Psychology)

PROGRAM ASSISTANTS

NAME	HOMETOWN	MAJOR (MINOR)
Giselle Flores '25	Joliet	Human Resource Management (Industrial Psychology)
Yaqueline Hernandez '25*	Addison	Health Science (Psychology)
Ana Sanchez '25*	Carol Stream	Psychology (Writing)

CARDINAL FIRST SOPHOMORE SUPPER AMBASSADORS

NAME	HOMETOWN	MAJOR (MINOR)
Kelsey Morrison '24	McHenry	Molecular Neuroscience (Psychology)
Breanne Sheffer '25	Yorkville	Organizational Communication & Management

These marks indicate student is heritage speaker of noted language.

*Spanish ^Arabic
 **Russian ^^Albanian

MEET OUR TEAM!

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The Office of First-Generation Programs is here to answer any questions and support your personal and professional growth from their first day on campus through graduation.



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