



2024 Collegiate Award Finalists

April 29, 2024 - The United States Fencing Coaches Association is pleased to announce the 2023-24 NCAA Awards finalists. The finalists were selected from member nominations of athletes and coaches across NCAA divisions. Award winners will be selected by a vote of USFCA collegiate member coaches and announced during the week of May 6th.

Athlete Awards

- National Athlete of the Year
 - o Men's Epee Collegiate Athlete of the Year
 - o Men's Epee Division III Athlete of the Year
 - o Men's Foil Collegiate Athlete of the Year
 - o Men's Foil Division III Athlete of the Year
 - o Men's Sabre Collegiate Athlete of the Year
 - o Men's Sabre Division III Athlete of the Year
 - o Women's Epee Collegiate Athlete of the Year
 - o Women's Epee Division III Athlete of the Year
 - o Women's Foil Collegiate Athlete of the Year
 - o Women's Foil Division III Athlete of the Year
 - o Women's Sabre Collegiate Athlete of the Year
 - o Women's Sabre Division III Athlete of the Year
- Newcomer of the Year
 - o Men's Epee Collegiate Newcomer of the Year
 - o Men's Epee Division III Newcomer of the Year
 - o Men's Foil Collegiate Newcomer of the Year
 - o Men's Foil Division III Newcomer of the Year
 - o Men's Sabre Collegiate Newcomer of the Year
 - o Men's Sabre Division III Newcomer of the Year
 - o Women's Epee Collegiate Newcomer of the Year
 - o Women's Epee Division III Newcomer of the Year
 - o Women's Foil Collegiate Newcomer of the Year
 - o Women's Foil Division III Newcomer of the Year
 - o Women's Sabre Collegiate Newcomer of the Year
 - o Women's Sabre Division III Newcomer of the Year

Coach Awards

- Men's Team Coach of the Year
 - o Collegiate
 - o Division III
- Men's Team Assistant Coach of the Year
 - o Collegiate
 - o Division III
- Women's Team Coach of the Year
 - o Collegiate
 - o Division III
- Women's Team Assistant Coach of the Year
 - o Collegiate
 - o Division III

Athlete Award Finalists

Men's Epee Collegiate Athlete of the Year Finalists

The winner has been determined for this award and will be announced with the winners of our other awards during the week of May 6.

Men's Epee Division III Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Ian Adler, New York University
- Jorge Gana, Johns Hopkins University

Men's Foil Collegiate Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Jack Griffith, United States Air Force Academy
- Bryce Louie, University of Pennsylvania

Men's Foil Division III Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Farr Dickson, New York University
- Benjamin Lee, Vassar College
- Adam Wong, New York University
- Alan Zheng, Johns Hopkins University

Men's Sabre Collegiate Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Antonio Escueta III, Brandeis University
- Luca Fioretto, Ohio State University
- Jerry Pan, New York University
- Kevin Zu, New York University

Men's Sabre Division III Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Oliver Berger, Vassar College
- Antonio Escueta III, Brandeis University
- Jerry Pan, New York University
- Kevin Zu, New York University

Women's Epee Collegiate Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Ketki Ketkar, Cornell University
- Tierna Oxenreider, Columbia University
- Emily Vermeule, Harvard University
- Karen Wang, Northwestern University

Women's Epee Division III Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Olivia Barnes, Vassar College
- Diya Kulkarni, Johns Hopkins University
- Lily Papadakis, New York University
- Maggie Zhu, Denison University

Women's Foil Collegiate Athlete of the Year Finalists

The winner has been determined for this award and will be announced with the winners of our other awards during the week of May 6.

Women's Foil Division III Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Rosabel Cepero, Johns Hopkins University
- Lal Ertun, Denison University
- Maria Stamos, New York University
- Julianna Wu, Johns Hopkins University

Women's Sabre Collegiate Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Lauren Johnson, Temple University
- Megumi Oishi, Northwestern University
- Maggie Shealy, Brandeis University

Women's Sabre Division III Athlete of the Year Finalists

- Maggie Shealy, Brandeis University
- Joyce Yu, Denison University

Men's Epee Collegiate Newcomer of the Year Finalists

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Men's Epee Division III Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Ayan Bhatnagar, Johns Hopkins University
- Ethan Insler, Johns Hopkins University

Men's Foil Collegiate Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Samarth Kumbha, Columbia University
- Adam Wong, New York University

Men's Foil Division III Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Yi Peng Sha, Johns Hopkins University
- Adam Wong, New York University

Men's Sabre Collegiate Newcomer of the Year Finalists

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Men's Sabre Division III Newcomer of the Year Finalists

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Women's Epee Collegiate Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Grace Hu, University of Pennsylvania
- Lily Papadakis, New York University
- Ava Wade-Currie, Northwestern University
- Christina Watrall, United States Air Force Academy

Women's Epee Division III Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Anika Kale, Johns Hopkins University
- Alisha Li, Wellesley College
- Lily Papadakis, New York University

Women's Foil Collegiate Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Jessica Guo, Harvard University
- Karina Vasile, Northwestern University

Women's Foil Division III Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Lal Ertun, Denison University
- Pheobe Li, Wellesley College
- Julianna Wu, Johns Hopkins University

Women's Sabre Collegiate Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Alex Chen, Northwestern University
- Lauren Johnson, Temple University

Women's Sabre Division III Newcomer of the Year Finalists

- Victoria Li, Johns Hopkins University
- Joyce Yu, Denison University

Coach Award Finalists

Men's Team Collegiate Coach of the Year Finalists

- Michael Aufrechtig, Columbia University
- Benjamin Bratton, New York University
- Gia Kvaratskhelia, University of Notre Dame
- Daria Schneider, Harvard University

Men's Team Division III Coach of the Year Finalists

- Benjamin Bratton, New York University
- Jarek Koniusz, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Elif Soyer Sachs, Brandeis University
- Austin Young, Johns Hopkins University

Men's Team Collegiate Assistant Coach of the Year Finalists

- Brian Kaneshige, New York University
- Adam Maczik, Harvard University
- Aleksander Ochocki, New York University
- Matthew Zich, Brandeis University

Men's Team Division III Assistant Coach of the Year Finalists

- Brian Kaneshige, New York University
- Guillermo Madrigal, New York University
- Aleksander Ochocki, New York University
- Matthew Zich, Brandeis University

Women's Team Collegiate Coach of the Year Finalists

- Michael Aufrechtig, Columbia University
- Omar Elgeziry, Duke University
- Alexander Ripa, Brown University
- Daria Schneider, Harvard University

Women's Team Division III Coach of the Year Finalists

- Benjamin Bratton, New York University
- Peter Grandbois, Denison University
- Elif Soyer Sachs, Brandeis University
- Austin Young, Johns Hopkins University

Women's Team Collegiate Assistant Coach of the Year Finalists

- Jed Dupree, Harvard University
- Tasia Ford, Temple University
- Dennis Kolakowski, Northwestern University
- Matthew Zich, Brandeis University

Women's Team Division III Assistant Coach of the Year Finalists

- Carter Bartram, Wellesley College
- Rhys Douglas, Denison University
- Matt Zich, Brandeis University