



*Violet Haas and Leadership in Action
Awards Reception*

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021
3:30-5:00 PM
VIRTUAL & LIVE



3:30PM

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Mangala Subramaniam, Professor & Butler Chair and Director,
Susan Bulkeley Butler Center for Leadership Excellence

3:35PM

REMARKS BY ELIZABETH HAAS

Violet Haas's daughter

3:40PM

PRESENTATION OF VIOLET HAAS AWARD

Jay Akridge, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic
Affairs and Diversity

3:50PM

PRESENTATION OF LEADERSHIP IN ACTION AWARDS

Jay Akridge, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic
Affairs and Diversity

4:15PM

VIOLET HAAS MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP REMARKS

Lucy Flesch, Professor and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs,
College of Science

4:20PM

PRESENTATION OF VIOLET HAAS MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP
AWARDED BY COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Jay Akridge, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic
Affairs and Diversity



Violet Haas Honoree



Melissa Jane Remis (BA UC Santa Cruz, PhD Yale University) has worked to support, advance and promote women and to improve climate issues at Purdue since joining the Purdue faculty in 1996. Dr. Remis is now Professor and Department Head in Anthropology. She has served as the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education in the College of Liberal Arts and the Director of Graduate Studies in Anthropology. Dr. Remis's research in biological and environmental anthropology explores gender, conservation, gorilla ecology, multispecies relationships, human-wildlife interdependence and the diet, health and wellbeing of indigenous peoples in Central Africa.

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Dr. Daniel DeLaurentis is professor in Purdue University's School of Aeronautics and Astronautics, where he also directs the Center for Integrated Systems in Aerospace (CISA). His primary research and teaching interests include problem formulation, modeling, design and control methods for aerospace systems and systems-of-systems. DeLaurentis has supported many students and professional staff who have made impacts across diverse domains including air transportation, defense/security, civil infrastructure, and space exploration. Dr. DeLaurentis also provides leadership in his role as Director of Purdue's Institute for Global Security and Defense Innovation (i-GSDI) in Discovery Park and as the Chief Scientist of the U.S. DoD's Systems Engineering Research Center (SERC) UARC.



Dr. Valeria Sinclair-Chapman Valeria Sinclair-Chapman is an associate professor in the Department of Political Science. At Purdue, she is a University Scholar, director of the Center for Research on Diversity and Inclusion, facilitator of the Diversity Catalysts program under ADVANCE-Purdue, and co-leader of the CLAIM learning community in the College of Liberal Arts. Her research is broadly concerned with the effects of racial, ethnic, and gender diversity on political institutions. She is author or coauthor of several journal articles and book chapters, as well as an award-winning book, *Countervailing Forces in African American Civic Activism, 1973-1994* (Cambridge University Press, 2006). She is a leader in her discipline, having recently served on the executive councils of multiple political science associations. She currently serves as a co-editor of the *American Political Science Review*, the nation's premiere political science journal. In 2018, she helped found and continues to co-direct the Institute for Civically Engaged Research.



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Elizabeth Suazo-Flores is a passionate Chilean mathematics teacher educator and researcher working at the Center for Advancing the Teaching and Learning of STEM (CATALYST). Elizabeth has conducted interdisciplinary studies with faculty from engineering and biology education at Purdue. As a board member of the Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators, Elizabeth promotes awareness and understanding of equity in mathematics teacher education. The mathematics education community recognizes Elizabeth for being there when someone needs it, no matter if the issue is academic or personal. Elizabeth loves spending time with family and friends, especially playing with her four-year-old daughter, cooking, exercising, and gardening.



Elizabeth Coppola is a 6th year PhD student in Human Development & Family Studies and an Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) Fellow. Her research focuses on promoting the health and well-being of families and individuals exposed to risk and adversity. As an ORISE Fellow, she is currently detailed at the Pentagon through Army Public Health Center, where she supports Service members and their families by providing the Soldier and Family Readiness Division with translational science and program evaluation support.

Violet Haas Memorial Fellowship Honoree College of Science



Theresa C. Anderson is a mathematician and advocate, whose work in both areas centers around building new bridges. She currently is an Assistant Professor of Mathematics at Purdue University. Her mathematics lies at the interface of harmonic analysis and analytic number theory, and is funded by a National Science Foundation grant jointly in the two (seemingly) separate areas of Analysis and Algebra, Number Theory and Combinatorics. In one instance, she uncovers number theoretic structure in analysis related to a broad range of applications, such as X-rays and musical scales, but the dialogue between these fields goes both ways and in many directions. Her advocacy centers around underrepresented minorities, particularly people of color and women. Theresa is the 2006 Presidential Scholar from Wisconsin and a recipient of a variety of honors and awards related to advocacy, her expertise in Spanish and Chemistry, and Mathematics. She holds Bachelors degrees in Mathematics, Chemistry, and Spanish from the University of Wisconsin, and a Ph.D. in pure Mathematics from Brown University.

