



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
Department of Latin American  
and Iberian Cultures



Spanish and Latin  
American Cultures  
BARNARD COLLEGE

## Undergraduate Graduation Celebration

Spanish, Portuguese, and Catalan Programs

Monday, May 18, 2026

Casa Hispánica, Room 201 and Room 206

Columbia University

### **12:00 to 12:15 pm Welcome and Recognition of Departments' Academic Honors, Awards, and Prizes**

Dr. Lee B. Abraham, Director of Undergraduate Studies, Senior Lecturer,  
Department of Latin American and Iberian Cultures, Columbia University

Dr. Ronald Briggs, Major Advisor, Professor, Department of Spanish and Latin  
American Cultures, Barnard College

- ◆ Lizdanelly López Chiclana, Departmental Honors,  
Columbia University
- ◆ Augusta Miller, Susan Huntington Vernon Prize,  
Columbia University
- ◆ Inés Namuth, Antonio G. Mier Prize, Columbia University
- ◆ Andrea Weyhing, Spanish Prize, Barnard College
- ◆ Isabel Mavrides-Calderón, Junior Research Excellence Award,  
Barnard College, Class of 2027

### **12:15 to 12:45 pm Senior Thesis Presentations**

*Each presentation is followed by a brief question and answer period.*

Lizdanelly López Chiclana, Columbia College

Advisor: Dr. Bruno Bosteels, Dean of Humanities and Jesse and George Siegel  
Professor in the Humanities, Department of Latin American and Iberian Cultures,  
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Augusta Miller, Columbia College

Advisor: Dr. Ronald Briggs, Professor, Department of Spanish and Latin American  
Cultures, Barnard College

Rosie Alchalel, Barnard College

Advisors: Dr. Eduardo Moncada, Claire Tow Associate Professor of Political Science  
Department of Political Science & José C. Moya, Department of History, Barnard  
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**1:00 pm**

**Celebration and Light Refreshments**

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*to the Class of 2026*

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Thank you for being part of our celebration honoring our graduates!

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