The origins of Southern Illinois University Carbondale date to "An Act to Establish and Maintain the Southern Illinois Normal University" approved by the Illinois General Assembly on March 9, 1869.

The act defined the new university’s purpose as to “qualify teachers for the common schools of this state by imparting instruction in the art of teaching in all branches of study which pertain to a common school education in the elements of the natural sciences including agricultural chemistry, animal and vegetable physiology, in the fundamental laws of the United States and of the State of Illinois in regard to the rights and duties of citizens and such other studies as the board of education may from time to time prescribe.”

It included provisions for appointment of a Board of Trustees. One of the board’s first orders of business under the act would be to “advertise for proposals from localities desiring to secure the location of said Normal University.” The act required the board to “locate the institution at such point, as shall, all things considered, offer the most advantageous conditions. The land shall be selected south of the Railroad, or within six miles north of said road, passing from St. Louis to Terre Haute known as the Alton and Terre Haute railroad, with a view of obtaining a good supply of water and other conveniences for the use of the institution.”

The act defines how buildings would be constructed, as well as procedures for selecting students. It assigned a budget of $75,000 for construction of buildings and for furnishings.

The University Charter displayed on the stage today was bound by alumna Wendy Hale Davis, a bookbinder, artist and musician in Austin, Texas.
140th ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

SIU Arena  
Southern Illinois University Carbondale  
Saturday, May 14, 2016

9 a.m.  | College of Agricultural Sciences  
College of Liberal Arts  
College of Science  
School of Medicine

1:30 p.m.  | College of Business  
College of Education and Human Services

5:30 p.m.  | College of Applied Sciences and Arts  
College of Engineering  
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts
The ceremonial mace, a decorated staff carried in the commencement procession, is a symbol within a symbol. It denotes the right of the university administration to confer degrees on its graduates. Its place at the head of the SIU procession and carried by the recipient of the Scholar Excellence Award, who serves as the commencement Grand Marshal, conveys respect for the scholarship and dedication of the faculty.

The presence of a mace in ceremonial processions dates to the Middle Ages. The earliest maces were practical items, carried by sergeants-at-arms as part of the royal bodyguards’ means of protecting the king and as a symbol of his authority. In time, the mace was adapted to civic use and represented leadership. No longer a weapon, the mace became a work of art, decorated with precious metals and often bearing the seal of the city or university it represented.

Universities began incorporating a mace into their ceremonies as early as the 15th century. In the United States, most universities continue the tradition and incorporate a ceremonial mace into commencement exercises.

At SIU, the mace is very much a product of the university as well as representative of it. Professor Richard Smith, blacksmith and faculty member in the School of Art and Design, was commissioned to create a mace to debut in 2013. He turned to Professor Emeritus Richard Mawdsley, silversmith, to complete the project. He also enlisted the assistance of alumna Erin Dixon, assistant professor Sun Kyoung Kim, graduate student Patrick Quinn, and undergraduate students Timothy Schaeffer and Daniel Widolff – all from the School of Art and Design.

The mace, constructed of Damascus steel and silver, is 42 inches tall and 7¼ inches wide at its widest point. Design elements incorporate architectural references to Old Main – a campus building when SIU was the brand-new Southern Illinois Normal University, a teachers college, in 1874. Though Old Main was destroyed by fire in 1969, it holds a special place in the collective memory of the university.
Dear members of the Class of 2016:

Please accept my sincere congratulations on your accomplishments. This ceremony – our 140th commencement – is a milestone that you will remember throughout your lives.

You joined the SIU family to learn from our talented faculty and staff as well as your peers, to share your knowledge and talents, and to expand your horizons. Your experiences here have transformed your lives and prepared you to make positive contributions to our global society.

Much like your first day on campus, today’s ceremony represents yet another beginning – and the opportunity to make decisions about your next step in life. Regardless of the path you choose, the achievement of earning your degree will lead to exciting new pursuits that will be both challenging and rewarding – just as your SIU experience has been.

You are joining more than 250,000 proud alumni whose many positive experiences here helped shape their future. I hope that you will join them as a goodwill ambassador for your alma mater.

Thank you for your many contributions to SIU. Our faculty and staff join me in wishing you continued success. We look forward to learning of your many accomplishments as SIU alumni.

Sincerely,

Brad Colwell
Interim Chancellor
ACADEMIC REGALIA

Academic regalia worn by faculty during commencement is based on attire from 12th- and 13th-century universities. Academic dress and accoutrements of this type have been used in the United States since colonial times. To maintain tradition and the conformity of academic symbols, little has changed in the symbolism of pattern and color since the Middle Ages. In 1895 an intercollegiate commission in the United States adopted a standardized code for the use of academic gowns, hoods and caps, which included regulating the cut, style and materials of gowns. In addition, colors, which were to represent the different fields of learning, were prescribed. Over the years, only minor revisions have been made to the code, which is followed by the majority of colleges and universities in America, including Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

GOWNS

The bachelor’s gown is a comparatively simple style that falls in straight lines from an elaborate yoke and has pointed sleeves. The master’s gown is similar to the bachelor’s except for its peculiar arrangement of the long sleeves with square ends that hang below the elbow. The doctor’s gown is elaborate, full-cut and flowing, and is distinguished by velvet panels down the front and around the neck, and by three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves.

HOODS

Historically, the academic hood was literally a garment to protect the wearer from foul weather. Today, it is the identifying symbol of the degree, and the length indicates which degree it represents: 3½ feet for the master’s and 4 feet for the doctoral degree. Hoods are lined with the official color of the college or university conferring the degree. The color of trimming identifies the major field of learning: maize for Agriculture, orange for Applied Sciences and Arts, brown for Architecture, drab for Business, light blue for Education, orange for Engineering, brown for Fine Arts, purple for Law, white for Liberal Arts, blue for Mass Communication and Media Arts, pink for Music, dark blue for Philosophy, peacock blue for Public Administration, salmon for Public Health, gold for Science and citron for Social Work.

CAPS AND TASSELS

The mortarboard is the cap generally worn with academic regalia. A long tassel is fastened to the middle point on the top of the cap. The tassel is usually the color appropriate to the subject. There is no general rule on the position of the tassel on the mortarboard. However, numerous institutions have adopted a practice of requiring candidates for degrees to wear the tassels on the right front side before degrees are conferred, and to shift them to the left side when the degrees are awarded to them.

STOLE OF GRATITUDE

Southern Illinois University Carbondale has incorporated the custom of the Stole of Gratitude since the 2012 commencement ceremony. This custom offers an opportunity for graduates to pay thanks to anyone who has helped them attend or excel in college. This stole is worn during the commencement ceremony or at another occasion where a presentation is appropriate. After the ceremony, the new graduate presents the Stole of Gratitude to someone who provided extraordinary help or support.

GONFalONS

Another symbol used in commencement is the gonfalon. The gonfalon is a flag or banner that hangs from a crosspiece or frame. It originated in the medieval states of Italy as an ensign of state or office. The gonfalon is used in the Southern Illinois University Carbondale ceremony to designate the various colleges and schools of the institution. In the ceremony, the gonfalon for each college is carried by the student marshal for that college or school.

REFERENCE


Special Thanks

We wish to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of many dedicated staff members who have contributed to this special occasion for our students and their families.
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Harrisburg, Illinois, native Donald L. Beggs became SIU Carbondale’s 15th chancellor in August 1996.

Beggs earned B.S. Ed. (1963) and M.S.Ed. (1964) degrees from SIU Carbondale, and a Ph.D. (1966) in educational measurement and statistics from the University of Iowa. His numerous publications and professional presentations have included such topics as assessing cognitive abilities, interpreting standardized test results and educational reform issues. He also has written textbooks and articles in educational measurement and research design.

Prior to assuming the chancellor’s position, he served for 15 years (1981-1996) as dean of what was then known as the College of Education at SIU Carbondale. He has served on many prestigious state or national education committees.

Beggs began his higher education teaching career in 1966 with a one-semester stint as an instructor in the College of Education at the University of Iowa. He returned to SIU Carbondale later that year as an assistant professor in the College of Education, moving up to the rank of professor as well as through the top administrative levels in the college. He also served in leadership positions elsewhere at the university: in 1970-1971 as associate dean of the Graduate School, in 1975-1976 as acting assistant vice president for academic affairs and research, and in 1975-1976 as acting dean of University Programs.

Beggs retired from SIU Carbondale after 32 years and became president of Wichita State University in January 1999, serving in that role until June 2012.

He was selected to serve on the NCAA Executive Committee and the NCAA Division I Board of Directors beginning in 2001. He also chaired the Kansas Board of Regents Council of University Presidents for the 2002-2003 academic year. During his Wichita State tenure, he served in numerous leadership positions. He was on the board of directors for the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce, an ex-officio member of the WSU Foundation National Advisory Council and a member of the South Central Kansas Higher Education Consortium.

Beggs and his wife, Shirley, have been married 53 years. Shirley, who holds two degrees from SIU Carbondale, grew up in Galatia, Illinois. She taught sixth grade at Carbondale’s Thomas School for many years before retiring in 1994. The Beggs have used their time and talent to help young people develop and grow into productive citizens. They have established the Beggs Legacy Scholarship in the College of Education and Human Services as well as the Beggs Symphony Fund at SIU Carbondale, and similar scholarships at Wichita State University. Their children, Pam and Brent, as well as daughter-in-law, Jeri, are also SIU Carbondale alums. The Beggs have four grandchildren and reside in Bloomington, Illinois.

Donald L. Beggs
Doctorate of Education Leadership
1:30 p.m. commencement speaker
Former astronaut Joan Higginbotham earned her bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering from SIU Carbondale in 1987.

Higginbotham served as a mission specialist aboard the space shuttle Discovery during the 12-day STS-116 mission to the International Space Station in December 2006. She is the first known Saluki and third African-American woman to fly aboard a space shuttle, and she logged more than 308 hours on Discovery. Her primary mission was operating the space station’s remote manipulator system. During the mission, Higginbotham’s and other crewmembers’ work included rewiring the space station’s power system, retracting a solar panel and helping prepare the facility for upcoming missions.

NASA recruited Higginbotham, a Chicago native and the youngest of four children, during her senior year at SIU Carbondale. She spent 20 years with NASA, starting at the Kennedy Space Center as a payload electrical engineer, before moving to the lead position for the orbiter experiments on the space shuttle Columbia. After working on other assignments and participating in 53 space shuttle launches during a nine-year tenure at Kennedy Space Center, Higginbotham was accepted into the astronaut candidate training program in 1996, reporting to Johnson Space Center in Houston.

While with NASA, she earned two master’s degrees from the Florida Institute of Technology: management science in 1992 and space science in 1996. After leaving NASA, Higginbotham served as vice president of business development and worldwide production with Marathon Oil. In 2011, she became director of community relations for Lowe’s Corp., based in North Carolina, where she developed and was involved with ongoing philanthropic strategies to support communities in the United States, Canada and Mexico through annual corporate contributions of more than $32 million.

In December 2015, Higginbotham transitioned to director of supplier diversity, where she identifies and develops the capability of high-potential small and diverse suppliers and matches them with the enterprise’s strategic sourcing and merchandising teams for integration into new sourcing frameworks. She is also active with other community involvement projects.

Higginbotham lives in Charlotte, North Carolina, with her husband, James Mitchell. She is a member of the North Carolina Central University Board of Trustees.

She has received numerous national honors and awards. In 1997, she received the university’s Distinguished Service Award, and she was the 2007 Homecoming parade grand marshal.
F. Lynn McPheeters retired as vice president and chief financial officer of Caterpillar Inc. in February 2005. In a distinguished career at Caterpillar spanning 40 years, McPheeters, who joined the Fortune 500 company in 1964 soon after graduating from SIU Carbondale, held a variety of financial positions in the United States and abroad before being named chief financial officer in 1998.

During his tenure as CFO at Caterpillar, McPheeters helped to build a partnership between SIU and the company. Although long retired, McPheeters continues to be engaged professionally, serving as a board member of several companies, including RLI Inc. (specialized insurance underwriter), Microlution Inc. (manufacturer of nanotechnology for manufacturing machine tools) and Crosslink (formerly Lumimove Inc., a developer of thin-film polymer coatings).

McPheeters was raised on a family farm near Canton, Illinois, at an early age he learned the value of hard work. He was in the first generation of his family to attend college, and he is an advocate for the value of public education. In a 2004 address to the Canton Rotary Club, he expressed concern for the lack of proper funding and support for public education, noting: “Without a vibrant, effective public school system, we are at risk of widening the gap between society’s ‘haves’ and ‘have-nots.’” In a 2013 testimonial for the SIU Foundation website, McPheeters further stated:

“SIU Carbondale gave me an opportunity to have a career with a Fortune 500 company that led my family and me on an around-the-world odyssey...Without SIU Carbondale that would not have been an option.”

McPheeters has supported public education in Illinois by serving on fundraising and advisory boards on the community college and university levels, and providing funds for scholarships. At SIU Carbondale he has been a member of the SIU Foundation board since 2002, serving as chair of the audit committee and later as board president. He is an emeritus member of the board.

A 2006 gift of appreciated Caterpillar stock to the SIU College of Business established the F. Lynn and Susan F. McPheeters Charitable Remainder Trust, with the proceeds intended to support the college’s first endowed chair. In addition, McPheeters was one of the first members of the business college’s external advisory board, formed in 1982, and he continues to serve in this capacity. For his professional accomplishments, McPheeters was inducted into the college’s Hall of Fame in 1988. He has also received the SIU Distinguished Alumni Award and the College of Business Alumni Achievement Award. McPheeters is a life member of the SIU Alumni Association.

Lynn McPheeters is an active philanthropist along with his wife, Susan Freeman McPheeters, a native of Centralia, Illinois, and former vocational counselor who attended Eastern Illinois University. In 2006, they were named Outstanding Philanthropists for Central Illinois. The McPheeters’ philanthropy has benefited numerous organizations, including Peoria’s Center for Prevention of Abuse, whose “A Million Ways to Prevent Abuse” campaign received an endowment gift from the couple. In 2007, McPheeters, a former president of the OSF Saint Francis Medical Center’s foundation council, and his wife provided $500,000 to help fund the construction of the hospital’s neonatal intensive care unit. The couple has also served as honorary chairs for the Children’s Hospital of Illinois Foundation’s telethon and were major sponsors of Canton’s Walk to End Alzheimer’s in 2011.
Charlotte West  
Distinguished Service Award

Charlotte West is a pioneer in the field of women’s collegiate athletics, serving as coach, administrator, sports official, Title IX advocate and mentor to women athletes over a 42-year career at SIU Carbondale.

West, a native of Grand Rapids, Michigan, who was raised in Florida, has been involved with sports since childhood. She was both an All-State volleyball and basketball player. At Florida State University, her alma mater, she majored in mathematics and physical education. She holds a master’s degree in physical education and dance from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro and a doctorate in physical education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

West was a key member of the Saluki athletic staff from 1957 until her retirement in 1998. From 1957 to 1975, she coached five women’s sports: basketball, golf, softball, volleyball and badminton. In 1969, West led the women’s golf team to a first-place national championship and the women’s basketball team to a fifth-place finish in the national championship. West’s women’s basketball teams went 113-51 in 12 seasons.

She served as director of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women from 1960 to 1986. Under her leadership as a coach and later as an administrator, the women’s athletics program at SIU Carbondale was transformed from a largely club-based pre-Title IX system to a nationally recognized program with a budget of more than $1 million for 11 varsity sports.

After the merger of men’s and women’s athletics in 1986, she served as associate athletics director and senior woman administrator for one year, interim director for one year, and returned to the role of associate athletic director and senior woman administrator until her retirement in 1998.

West also served the cause of women athletes on the national front. She was a founding member of the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW), serving as the organization’s commissioner of national championships and later as president from 1978 to 1979. The organization, created prior to the passage of Title IX in 1972, was formed to create a mechanism for female athletes to participate in championship events. In her capacity as president of AIAW, she also was a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee.

After the organization merged with the NCAA in 1982, West served on numerous NCAA committees. She chaired the NCAA’s Committee on Financial Aid and Amateurism and was an outspoken member of the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force. West served on Title IX task forces in 1992 and 2013. In recognition of her work on behalf of the NCAA, a room at the NCAA national office in Indianapolis is named after her.

Numerous organizations have honored West’s pioneering efforts on behalf of women’s athletics. In 1996 she became the first recipient of the Honda Award of Merit for outstanding achievement in women’s collegiate athletics. In 2005, West became just the fourth SIU representative to be inducted into the Missouri Valley Conference Hall of Fame, joining Walt Frazier, Jim Hart and Lew Hartzog. In addition to awarding her the Lifetime Achievement Award, the MVC created the Charlotte West Award, which is given annually to one male and one female student-athlete in recognition of their outstanding achievement in academics, athletics, service and leadership.

West was the first woman member of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA), and she was inducted into the NACDA Hall of Fame in 2006. For her work in the promotion of collegiate women’s basketball, West was inducted into the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame in 2014.

SIU Carbondale has honored West’s legacy by naming its softball stadium after her. She also is a member of the Saluki Hall of Fame.
Charles N. Wheeler III is director of the highly regarded Public Affairs Reporting (PAR) program at the University of Illinois at Springfield. Wheeler has actively engaged, recruited and mentored SIU Carbondale journalism graduates throughout his more than two decades leading this prestigious program – which was founded in 1972 by Paul Simon following his failed bid for the Illinois Democratic gubernatorial nomination. There is no better path to a master’s degree for a journalism student, and there is no better path to a job in journalism than this program. Dozens of SIU alumni have benefited from this program and from Wheeler’s influence in their careers.

He is a veteran news professional who became director of the PAR program at the University of Illinois Springfield following a 24-year career at the Chicago Sun-Times.

Wheeler covered state government and politics for the Sun-Times starting in 1970, when he covered the Sixth Illinois Constitutional Convention. For the last 19 years of his Sun-Times tenure, Wheeler was assigned to the newspaper’s Statehouse bureau. During that time he was elected to 16 consecutive one-year terms as president of the Illinois Legislative Correspondents Association, and served for many years on the PAR program and admissions committees.

Since 1984 he has written a monthly column for “Illinois Issues” magazine, which has won five Capitolbeat awards for magazine commentary/analysis. In 2006 the Illinois Associated Press Editors Association inducted him into The Lincoln League of Journalists, which honors men and women who have provided exemplary service to other journalists and to daily newspapers published in Illinois. In 2013 he was chosen as the Journalist of the Year by the journalism department at Eastern Illinois University.

Before joining the Sun-Times in 1969, Wheeler served more than three years as a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer in the Republic of Panama. He is a graduate of St. Mary’s University in Winona, Minnesota, where he majored in English. He received a master’s degree in journalism from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University.
Distinguished Faculty and Staff

Grand Marshal and Scholar Excellence Award Recipient
Sajal Lahiri, Department of Economics

Faculty Marshal and Early Career Faculty Excellence Award Recipient
Sarah J. Kertz, Department of Psychology

Faculty Marshal and Non-Tenure Track Teaching Excellence Award Recipient
Christina Linda Lyons, Department of English

Faculty Marshal and Tenured and Tenure-Track Teaching Excellence Award Recipient
Bradley Schwartz, School of Medicine

Administrative Professional Staff Excellence Award Recipient
Robert A. Broomfield, College of Applied Sciences and Arts

Civil Service Staff Excellence Award Recipient
Crystal L. Marlow, Graduate School

University Women of Distinction Award Recipient
Mythili Rundblad, Center for Service-Learning and Volunteerism

Student Marshals

Agricultural Sciences ................................................. Merson Caissie
Applied Sciences and Arts ....................................... Austin Mulcahy
Business .............................................................. Savannah McCord
Education and Human Services .............................. Brooke Smith
Engineering .......................................................... Nigel Cardriche
Liberal Arts ............................................................. Kira Browning
Mass Communication and Media Arts ..................... Aaron Graff
School of Medicine ............................................... Pramish Mainali
Science ................................................................. Sohaib Hameed
Jared Stern, Undergraduate Student Government president and honorary student marshal, will carry the University Charter and the inspirational message below that was written by the late Charles D. Tenney, SIU professor and Distinguished Service Award recipient. The message contained in this document is displayed on the south wall of Morris Library’s Hall of Presidents and Chancellors, and has a special place in the hearts of our students and alumni. We share it with you today:

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
ESTABLISHED 1869

TO EXALT BEAUTY

IN GOD,
IN NATURE,
AND IN ART,
TEACHING HOW TO LOVE THE BEST
BUT TO KEEP THE HUMAN TOUCH:

TO ADVANCE LEARNING

IN ALL LINES OF TRUTH
WHEREVER THEY MAY LEAD,
SHOWING HOW TO THINK
RATHER THAN WHAT TO THINK,
ASSISTING THE POWERS
OF THE MIND
IN THEIR SELF-DEVELOPMENT:

TO FORWARD IDEAS
AND IDEALS

IN OUR DEMOCRACY,
INSPIRING RESPECT FOR OTHERS
AS FOR OURSELVES,
EVER PROMOTING FREEDOM
WITH RESPONSIBILITY:

TO BECOME A CENTER OF
ORDER AND LIGHT

THAT KNOWLEDGE MAY LEAD
TO UNDERSTANDING
AND UNDERSTANDING
TO WISDOM.
**“THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER”**

O say can you see,
By the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hailed
At the twilight’s last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars,
Through the perilous fight,
O’er the ramparts we watched,
Were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket’s red glare,
The bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night
That our flag was still there.
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free
And the home of the brave?

*Lyrics by Francis Scott Key, 1814
*Music by John Stafford Smith, 1780

**“SOUTHERN ALMA MATER”**

Hail Alma Mater
Southern to thee
Strong thru the years you
stand triumphantly
Beacon to guide us
Over life’s sea
Light that can never fail us
Hail, Hail to thee

*Lyrics and music by Grover Clarke Morgan
Written as a sophomore while attending
SIU Carbondale in 1934

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**Candidates for Degrees**

The following lists contain the names of candidates for degrees, the granting of which is contingent upon completion of all requirements for the degree.

* University Honors program member (undergraduate students only)
** Multiple degree candidate
† Posthumous degree
‡ Interdisciplinary degree

University Academic Honors listed to the right of the name are as follows for undergraduate students:

- *cum laude* ................................................................. 3.5–3.749
- *magna cum laude* ..................................................... 3.75–3.899
- *summa cum laude* ....................................................... 3.9–4.0

The grade point averages above apply firstly to all work taken at Southern Illinois University Carbondale and then, in the case of transfer students, to the total work as an additional, but secondary, qualification.

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**Notes**

- The list of graduates in this program is not intended to be an official certification of the completion of a degree. The diploma of Southern Illinois University Carbondale or an official transcript, signed by the appropriate officials, is the official record of graduation.
- August and December graduates are published in the December commencement program.
ORDER OF EXERCISES - MORNING COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 14, 2016 – 9 a.m.
SIU Arena

Master of Ceremonies
Steve Falat, Regional Vice President, Mississippi River Radio
Class of 1987
Department of Radio-Television,
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

Honorary Reader
Susan Patrick Benson, Associate Professor, Department of Theater

Academic Processional
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

National Anthem
“The Star-Spangled Banner,” John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key,
arrangement by Walter Damrosch and John Philip Sousa
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

Greetings and Introduction of Platform Party
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Recognition of Families
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award
Charlotte West, 2016 Recipient

Commencement Address
Joan E. Higginbotham, College of Engineering, Class of 1987

Presentation of Candidates and
Conferring of Doctoral Degrees
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

Presentation of Candidates and
Conferring of Masters Degrees
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

Presentation of Candidates and
Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees
Mickey A. Latour, Dean, College of Agricultural Sciences
Meera Komarraju, Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Laurie Achenbach, Dean, College of Science

Tassel Turning
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Welcome from the SIU Alumni Association
Wayne Sirles, College of Agricultural Sciences, Class of 1989

Alma Mater
“Southern Alma Mater,” Grover Clarke Morgan, Composer
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

Recessional
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

For safety, please remain in your seat until after the recessional is complete.
Guests will not be allowed on the SIU Arena floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

Doctor of Philosophy

Ammar Badran Al-Temimi
Agricultural Sciences
David A. Lightfoot, Ph.D.
"Ultrasonic Applications- Phytochemical Analyses of Some Medicinal Natural Products in Food Plants"

Miriam Kritzer Van Zant
Agricultural Sciences
David A. Lightfoot, Ph.D.
"Analysis and Development of Mirabilis Expansa (Ruiz and Pav.) Standl.; For Potential as a New Root Crop Outside the Andes"

Afroza Hasin
Agricultural Sciences
Sylvia Smith, Ph.D.
"Applying the Theory of Diffusion of Innovations to Understand Electronic Benefit Transfer Technology Adoption at Mid-West Farmers Markets"

Master of Science

Theodore Benjamin Ballard
Casey R. Engel
Olajumoke Olugbemi Falomo
Jessica Lynn Fort
Nicholas A. Frederking
George Robert Guess
Bruce Martin Henry
Lauren Christina Kania
Richard Austin Little
Tianzheng Luo
Jennifer Lynn McPherson
Jordan R. Padgett
Alexandria Florence Russell
Samantha L. Schneider
Brandy Nicole Strohl
Danielle Louise Vaughn
Pengfei Wang
Chris White

Bachelor of Science

Courtney L. Adams **
Newton D. Albert magna cum laude
Miranda G. Annable
Taylor K. Ardisson magna cum laude
Lacey J. Armit
Jake David Arnett
Thomas G. Atkins Jr.
Ryan A. Bailey
Sarah J. Bates
Shannon Elizabeth Batteman cum laude
Taylor Ann Beasley
Jessica D. Beckmann
Zachary C. Bickel
Elizabeth M. Biever cum laude
Taylor Nicole Bigham
Douglas K. Bigler
Jordan Boldig
Jessica Elaine Brewer
Mershon I. Caisse cum laude
Ashley Renee Carriere
Jessica A. Cartright
Forrest C. Casaleggi
Teresa Ann Coleman
Garrett W. Cooper
Brian James Crain
Shandril A. Dayton
Hannah C. Diesi
Brian C. Domek
Steven Joseph Dooley
Ashley M. Durbin
Dustin Joseph Emig magna cum laude
Robert A. Emig cum laude
Casey Nicole Etcheson
Hunter A. Farthing magna cum laude
Maryann Feliciano cum laude
Travis F. Ford
Elizabeth M. Fraley summa cum laude*
Evan J. Freeland
Daniel D. Fullerton
Brodie Patrick Gallagher
Melissa Anne Gerros
Kaitlin N. Glassford
Haley M. Hansen
Samuel J. Hardwick summa cum laude
Joseph M. Hart
Brooke M. Hatch
Makayla A. Heibel cum laude
Abigail Elaine Heidenreich magna cum laude
Sarah Anne Heitz
Blake A. Henry
Nicholas V. Henry
Brandon A. Hill
Clare Hoffman
Molly Ann Holthaus
Joshua Vincent Hoops magna cum laude
Makia P. Hoormann cum laude
Mallory E. Hopkins summa cum laude
Robert R. Hosto
Hailey A. Houdek magna cum laude***
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Hannah Huelsing
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Logan Alexander Kelling  
Kevin G. Kermicle magna cum laude  
Abby M. Kern  
Adam L. Kessler  
Samantha Ann Kevin magna cum laude  
Korynn N. Kirby  
Alexandra Nicole Klarer  
Luke C. Kocher cum laude  
Nicholas J. Koebel  
Adam S. Kohring  
Abby L. Kueker  
Nancy E. Lackey  
Abree Marcella Lamke  
Phillip M. Lawless  
Cole W. Lehman  
Jacob C. Liebman  
Joel S. Limestall  
Kara Elisabeth Loebach  
Zachary R. Logan  
Stephen John Lyczak Jr. magna cum laude  
Amanda Marie Malinow-Swibel  
Mason Joseph Martin cum laude  
Ethan T. Maxey  
Kevin Hunter McClelland  
John Jarrod McCormick  
Mitch L. McMahon  
Ryan J. McVey cum laude  
Nicole A. Mellecker  
Jonathan Robert Mette summa cum laude  
Austin Joseph Meyers  
Drucilla C. Miller  
Robert Zachary Murphy  
Kelsie L. Ochs cum laude  
Charles Nathaniel Oldham  
Eric G. Osland  
Julie T. Panzella  
Caelan Landry Parker cum laude  
Mary E. Perkins summa cum laude  
Timothy D. Petty  
Ryan Matthew Psanko cum laude  
Abigail F. Plecki  
Matthew T. Pokojski summa cum laude  
Paige M. Preston  
Beau C. Rapier cum laude  
Justise Paige Rawls  
Caitriona Reddington  
Morgan B. Reimler  
Andrew James Reuschel **  
Matthew Dylan Rice  
Chelsea A. Rives  
Rebecca A. Rosenblatt  
Alexis Nicole Rothrock  
Matthew Glenn Rusteberg  
Michael Bryan Sall cum laude  
Jannika Mechelle Sanderson  
Patrick B. Schaal  
Douglas R. Schilling  
Tyler J. Seeds  
Logan G. Shade  
Taylor Sue Zimmerman  
Benjamin R. Sobczak  
Julie M. Spies  
Jack L. Steichen  
Donald J. Stivers  
Rhett Lucas Stolte  
Aaron Edmund Strohbusch cum laude  
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Christian Miller Tambellini  
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James M. Tobin summa cum laude***  
Megan L. Tockstein  
Quinn R. Trewartha  
Deanna Rachelle Ulmer *  
Derek S. Utley  
Brandon M. Vandeloo  
Bo Charles Venezio  
Phillip A. Vice II  
Ryan Edward Vonder Haar  
Brittany Rose Walder magna cum laude  
Jordan T. Walker  
Molly Walker  
Slade Thomas Ward  
Eric Wells magna cum laude  
Morgan Justine Wendling  
Alicia Rose Wente  
Ashley A. Wiegand  
Desteny Willenborg  
Jacob Richard Roy Williams cum laude  
Curtis J. Wolf  
Ross R. Workman  
Nicole C. York cum laude  
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Brittany M. Zumbahlen cum laude  

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Doctor of Philosophy

Melaku Tekleab Abegaz
Economics
Sajal Lahiri, Ph.D.
"Effect of Foreign Presence on Domestic Performance: The Cases of Education in the U.S. and Manufacturing Firms in Ethiopia"

Md. Rafayet Alam
Economics
Scott Gilbert, Ph.D.
AKM Mahbub Morshed, Ph.D.
"Macroeconomic Aspects of Commodity Price Dynamics"

Bizayehu Getachew Bedane
Economics
Sajal Lahiri, Ph.D.
"Rural Credit Markets in Ethiopia: Coexistence, Persistence, and Demand"

Dustin L. Briggs
Communication Studies
Jonathan Gray, Ph.D.
Sandra Pensoneau-Conway, Ph.D.
"Naturally Striated Muscle: Examining the Ideographic Crystallization of «Natural»"

Susanne Cammack
English
Jane E. Dougherty, Ph.D.
"Gramophonic Trauma: The Object as Cultural Mnemonic in Irish Literature"

Meadow Lea Campbell
Anthropology
Robert Corrccini, Ph.D.
Susan Ford, Ph.D.
"Biological Distance in Middle and Late Archaic Populations of the Mid-South United States"

Christopher Charles Douglas
English
Anne Chandler, Ph.D.
"The It-Narrator as Moral Agent: Social Guardians in Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century Transatlantic Literature"

Matthew James Dowd
Philosophy
Anthony J. Steinbock, Ph.D.
"The Perpetual Finishing of Nature and Reason Kant on Work, Creativity, and Individual Fulfillment"

Danielle Grace Fetty
Psychology
Yu-Wei Wang, Ph.D.
Benjamin F. Rodriguez, Ph.D.
"Is There Justice for Sexual Trauma? A Structural Model to Examine Factors Influencing Posttraumatic Growth and Distress"

Ross Guida
Environmental Resources and Policy
Jonathan W. F. Remo, Ph.D.
"Hydraulic, Geospatial, and Socioeconomic Modeling of Strategic Floodplain Reconnection Tradeoffs along the Lower Tisza River (Hungary) and Lower Illinois River (Illinois, U.S.A.)"

Md. Didarul Hasan
Economics
Sajal Lahiri, Ph.D.
"Natural Resources, Conflicts, and Conflict Management"

Erick Mulenda Kitenge
Economics
AKM Mahbub Morshed, Ph.D.
"Essays on Real Exchange Rate Dynamics and Price Convergence"

Susannah Bunny LeBaron
Communication Studies
Jonathan M. Gray, Ph.D.
"The Revolutionary Breath"

Benjamin LeMaster
Communication Studies
Satoshi Toyosaki, Ph.D.
"Queer Intersectionality: Queering the Limits of Identity Studies in Critical Intercultural Communication Research"

Hio Loi
Economics
Scott Gilbert, Ph.D.
"Essays on Digital Currency"

Tatiana Vargas Maia
Political Science
Stephen Shulman, Ph.D.
"Uncertainty and Threat Perception: Nationalism as an Informational Index of International Behavior"
Margarethe Mapes  
Communication Studies  
Nathan Stucky, Ph.D.  
“Globalized Backlash: Women against Feminism’s New Media Matrix of (Anti) Feminist Testimony”

Maggie Elizabeth Morris Davis  
English  
Edward J. Brunner, Ph.D.  
“The Discourses of Impoverished Children in the Great Depression”

Stacy O. Nicklow  
English  
Edward J. Brunner, Ph.D.  
“Sisterly Sleuths: The Hidden Cultural Work of Serial Modernism”

Sherri L. Parks  
Psychology  
Stephanie M. Clancy Dollinger, Ph.D.  
“The Influence of Stereotype Threat on Prospective Memory in Middle to Late Adulthood”

Mohammad Sediq Sameem  
Economics  
Kevin Sylwester, Ph.D.  
“Changes in Health and Behavior During the Business Cycle”

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Master of Fine Arts  
Aaron Downs  
Kirsten Elana Easton  
Donna A. Corzo Hoyle  
Kelly Lynn Kusik  
Zachary Lihatsh  
Delaney Lea Mckenzie  
Libby Anne Mueth  
Daniel Mark Neville  
Anthony Peter Patti  
Nicholas Bernette Radcliffe

Master of Arts  
Heather Ann Abell  
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Eshaq Hamad S. Alateeq  
Salman Atallah F. Alshammari  
Abdullah Ibrahim Alsubhi  
Amrita Bhattacharya  
JoAnne L. Blakley  
Bastien Boutry  
Sara Renee Browning  
Rebecca Aurora Calderon  
Juan Jose Ceniceros  
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Shantell M. Colebrooke  
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Brittany Nicole Florkiewicz  
Allison Renee Heather  
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Charles A. Payne  
Rheanna Lynn Pulley  
Paula De Salazar Leon  
Manuel Alejandro Sanchez Cabrera  
Ekaterina Sergeevna Sudina  
Abdi Rahmat Syam  
Yee Pin Tio  
Roberto Carlos Villarreal Martinez  
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Master of Music  
Michelle Renee Ford  
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Brittney Leimkuehler  
Victoria Denise Moore  
Jessica Marie Samples  
Jeremy Lovell Blunk Simmons

Jana Simonis  
Communication Studies  
Nilanjana R. Bardhan, Ph.D.  
“Voice and Silence Among International Students in The U.S.-American Classroom: Towards a Dialogic and Inclusive Approach to Voice, Silence, and Active Listening”

Awoke Dagnew Teshager  
Environmental Resources and Policy  
Silvia Secchi, Ph.D.  
Justin Schoof, Ph.D.  
“Modeling Impacts of Climate Change and Agricultural Management on Watershed Outputs in Midwestern USA”

Dambar Uprety  
Economics  
Sajal Lahiri, Ph.D.  
Kevin Sylwester, Ph.D.  
“Skilled Migration and Remittances: Theoretical and Empirical Analyses”

Diana Christine Woodhouse  
Communication Studies  
Nathan P. Stucky, Ph.D.  
“Women’s Textile Graffiti: An Aesthetic Staging of Public/Private Dichotomies”
Master of Public Administration

Marla Danielle Baker
Rabita Reshmeen Banee
Kimberley Anne Borgerson
Wai Song Chen
Kyle Clymore
Jourdan Kree Darendsbourg
Janice L. Hampton
Austin James Kinley
Jaelen A. McWilliams
Yohana Micael Mezengi
Martisa D. Mitchell
Karzan Salih Mohammed Shareef

Master of Science

Diane Esaete Benbella
Yanan Chang
Daniel Fucik
Jerome Howard Jr.
Lalita Keawphun
Cami Lynn Sockow

Bachelor of Arts

Ray Martin Adame
Courtney L. Adams **
Rashaad E. Addison
Mubarak Mohammed Alanazi
Lauren D. Alexander
Adam A. Alkawass
Stephanie Lynn Allen
Kiesha D. Anderson
Shanna Sofia Arceo
Alexa Nicole Baczak magna cum laude*
Tiana Daun Barbee
Sirenia Barragan
Jordan Marie Bartolini **
Christiana S. Bates
Steven Beard
Kamisha Deanna Bell
Rachel E. Berry magna cum laude
Ryne Edward-Erwin Bessler
Lacey Faye Black
Benjamin J. Bollero cum laude
Seth M. Booker
Jessica L. Bowlin summa cum laude
Erin Victoria Bradley cum laude
Ken P. Brandt III
Jessica L. Bromund magna cum laude*
Casey M. Brown magna cum laude
Curtis Darnell Brown **
Jessica Marie Brown
Nich Brown
Matthew A. Brownridge
Elaina M. Budris
Lauro Bueno
Gunmar C. Butler cum laude
Brianna Latrece Byrd
Shuyu Cai
Denzell Quinn Castine
Carlos Chavez
Stephanie Chavez
Yameira E. Church cum laude
Allison D. Conner
Clance Cook Jr.
Adam Lee Coonce ***
Sandra Corron
Kelli A. Cotter
Mark Johansen Crawford
Carl Henry Daly **
Angela Michelle D’Ambrosio cum laude**
Eric Ntow Darko
Steve R. Darr
Ryan C. Davis summa cum laude
Thomas Enoch Dear III
Celeste D. Deters
Bryan C. Diemner cum laude
Timothy E. Donley
Brook Lyn Douglas
Braden Todd Downs
Thomas A. Doyle summa cum laude
Casey Jess Durdan
Azariah Awaiah Dwumaiah
Kennington B. Easley
Ariel Edwards
Audra J. Elam
Mayo Eldridge cum laude
Tommy L. Ellis Jr.
Matthew J. Elmore
Carter Rae Enlow
Diana Wambeti Enuenwosu
Reymund Sherod Ervy
Kasey M. Farris magna cum laude
Kristyn M. Feger
Paris L. Ferguson
Andrew Joseph Fisher
Alia Louise Fleming cum laude
Agatha do Prado Franca
Shantel Nicole Franklin cum laude*
Zach J. Gaines
Nicolas J. Galindo **
Lauren F. Gallagher cum laude
Jazmine L. Garcia
Martin A. Garcia
Kaila M. Garst
Kevin R. Gettis
Miranda Danielle Gibson somma cum laude**
Michael J. Giusto cum laude
Manning B. Goldman
Taylor Nicole Gossman cum laude
Ryan D. Gougis
Daniel Ray Grisham
Justin D. Grott
Chad Martin Hall
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Brittany C. Harmon **
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Nora Inman
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Becca N. Johnson summa cum laude
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Lauren C. Juron
Dakota R. Justice
Dana Ashley Karas
Ahmad M. Khatatbeh
Alexis R. Kindred
Kevin J. Kleiman
Kayla Marie Klagow cum laude
Gregory John Kowal **
Jordan F. Kreie
Derek Lawrence
Joseph P. Leet cum laude
Michael R. Lennix
Jessica Lynn Leonard
Joshua Andrew Potts
Abigail Mary Lukes
Johnathan David Lusk
Benjamin Charles Merker
Halley J. Morris
Eliott N. Moran
Amanda Mikols
Bettina Tamice Moore
Jenni L. Nolin
Jordan T. Nelson
Paige A. Niemet
Rebecca Nitzberg
Kelly N. O’Neill **
Chelsea Allana O’Reilly
Allison M. Osborn summa cum laude
Jill Ann O’Sullivan
Jalen J. Peet *
Meganmae Nollan Pelagio magna cum laude
Rebecca J. Phillips
Joshua Andrew Potts
Nicholas J. Rafael
Samuel J. Rahn
Olivia Carolina Ramirez
Briana M. Redding
Savannah D. Reeves
Jasser Rafael Reyes Portillo magna cum laude
Tia Richardson cum laude
Taylor A. Riggs
Ashley R. Robinson
Amanda Fay Rose cum laude
Philmaja Gianni Ross
Larron B. Roundtree Jr.
Devon Leigh Ruhde summa cum laude*
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James Garrett Russell magna cum laude
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Anna L. Schmidt summa cum laude
Jessica L. Schroock summa cum laude
Michael B. Scott
Grace E. Sennett
Taylor M. Serrata
Binbin Shen
Angela Lynn Shinall
Dwight J. Singleton Jr. †
Amber Janelle Skelton summa cum laude
Rachel C. Slick summa cum laude***
Magan Jacole Snowden
Eleanor Latrice Spencer
Summer A. Stewart
Kassandra Mae Stuber cum laude
Samantha K. Stucker
Daniel J. Suess summa cum laude**
Emily Ann Tabeek *
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Jordan Taylor-Griggs
Elvister H. Tharpe IV
Mark D. Thurman
James M. Tobin summa cum laude***
Skai M. Tso cum laude
Joseph Bernard Tumminaro
Nicholas J. Tyrell cum laude
Patrick Nicco Demus Vafakos
Emily Van Waardhuizen
Ivan Vargas **
Rebecca K. Vaughn magna cum laude
Emily C. Wagner cum laude
Kenneth Wagner
Jessica D. Wainer cum laude
Raymond E. Walden IV
Todd A. Walton
Aaron Joseph Walton
Taylor B. Ward
LesLee Elizabeth Dawn Watkins
Dara Jamoke Weaver-Holmes
Jamie Pauline Webb cum laude**
William Jottie Weddle Jr.
Dylann Elizabeth Wilkinson magna cum laude
BreAnna Karen Lynn Wilson
Michael David Wilson cum laude**
James G. Wood
Meredith R. Woods
Treyana Monae Wright
Wanqi Yang magna cum laude**
Megan Taylor Yun cum laude
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### Bachelor of Fine Arts

- Ashley Monica Ayala
- Sara C. Ballek
- Anthony M. Bleecker
- Zachary S. Bollman
- Sean Burke
- Christopher L. Ceradsky *
- Caleb J. Clausing
- Olivia Coker
- Peter D’Avanzo
- Katherine Claire Dumper
- Matthew William Frey
- Kelly Nicole Glitz
- Blake M. Green
- Taylor E. Grigsby
- Chantelle T. Henery
- Elizabeth Victoria Hess

**Bachelor of Music**

- Kira K. Browning
- Cameron J. Ellison
- Thomas P. Embrich
- Donovan Joseph Reese

**Bachelor of Science**

- Tonya Atherton
- Olivia A. Baumgardner
- Grace Patricia-Marie Boudreau
- Tyler Vincent Brenneise
- Chanse Chou
- Rebecca Lillian Cohen
- Caylee Lynn Cook
- Adam Lee Coonce ***
- Lacie Annette Copeland
- Gabriela Dominique Crespo Mijares
- Erica Leigh Dimmig
- Olivia R. Edwards
- Ashley Elizabeth Emory
- Matthew Ryan Fedora
- Kathryn A. French
- Quintrell T. Gates
- Gregory B. Gault
- Pearlsana Rita Gee-Cummings
- Miranda Danielle Gibson
- Olivia F. Gordon
- Chanel S. Harrison
- Kenneth A. Haymon
- Mark David Healy
- Nathan R. Herriges
- Alex Hopkins
- Glenn Clayton Ivanoff
- Gina Shae Jackson
- Michael James Lynch
- Cartaesha Leighthann Macklin
- Nicole C. Maranto
- Derek William Mathewson
- Rashe S. Monroe

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- Graham Nelson
- Peter Alfred Palmer
- Ileana Quezada
- Justin James Schupbach
- Anjali Singh
- Bryan F. Waldrop
- Clinton A. Wilkie

- Arthur Richard Scoleri

- Rebecca Alexandra Neri
- Sara A. Novak
- Justin O’Sullivan
- Timothy E. Poole
- Kimberly Ann Pretto
- Sherry L. Price
- Jordan Elizabeth Raben
- Sydne N. Rensing
- Nicole Marie Sagartz
- Lucas A. Santiago
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COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Doctor of Philosophy

Ahmed Al-Asadi
Physics
Saikat Talapatra, Ph.D.
“Synthesis and Characterization of Zinc Oxide Based Nanostructures and Composites for Energy Related Applications”

Prasanthan Rajasingam
Mathematics
Jianhong Xu, Ph.D.
“On the Numerical Solution of Continuous Coupled Algebraic Riccati Equations”

Ria Goswami
Molecular Biology Microbiology and Biochemistry
Edward Gershburg, Ph.D.
“Characterization of Humoral Response to Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV) Infection and Protein Kinases Involved in Viral Replication”

Artur Nishioka Rombenso
Zoology
Jesse T. Trushenski, Ph.D.
“Alternative Lipids in Nutrition of Marine Finfish”

Mustafa Ibrahim Khaleel
Computer Science
Michelle Zhu, Ph.D.
“Energy-Aware Job Scheduling and Consolidation Approaches for Workflows in Cloud”

Chuangjun Liu
Chemistry
Colleen Scott, Ph.D.
“Modification of Xanthene and Silicon Analogues of Xanthene Fluorophores for Chemical Probes Development”

Rwik Sen
Molecular Biology, Microbiology and Biochemistry
Sukesh R. Bhaumik, Ph.D.
“Regulation of Eukaryotic Transcriptional Elongation and Associated DNA Repair”

Bryan Manyasi Musungu
Plant Biology
Matt Geisler, Ph.D.
Ahmad Fakhoury, Ph.D.
“The Host-Pathogen Interactome and Regulatory Networks of Aspergillus Flavus Pathogenesis of Zea Mays: Resistance in Maize to Aspergillus Ear Rot and to Aflatoxin Accumulation”

Shaoyi Xu
Chemistry
Yong Gao, Ph.D.
“Synthesis of Perfluoroheteroaromatic Polymers for Ion- Conducting Membrane Fuel Cells via Free Radical-Based Reactions and Synthesis of Di-Cationic Ionic Liquids as Efficient SO₂ Absorbents”

Master of Arts

Kezang Choden C
Joshua Zachary Groth

Master of Science

Osama Farid Abu Sara
Steven Phillip Aldridge
Gopinath Alla
Ariana Nicole Allgood
Dheyaa Abdulsalam Mahdi Al-Sallami
Banu N. Alsuhaihani
Shashi Kiran Reddy Ankolli
Carlos Andres Arciniegas Guevara
Ranga Ramanuja Vanasee Krishna Atmakuri
Gireesh Bhargav Bokka
Michael Stephen Bosmeny
Daniel John Brazitis
Abhishek Reddy Chaduvu
Sandeehp Chenrupati
Bhavena Chenreddy
Megan Denay Czerniejewski
William Angel Francis
Simao Baptista Guterres Pereira
Tara E. Habibi
Renee Hazen
Swathi Inumpudi
Aditya Jogiipalli
Sri Lakshmi Gayathri Jonnalagadda
Sainath Kanaparthi
Pravin Khanal
Mookambika Muthu Konar
Divya Vani Kudumula
Nhung Xuan Hong Le
Gowtham Kumar Maddineni
Pramish Mainali
Ashley L. Mihalich  
Natalie Rae Nash  
Travis Jordan Neal  
Amy N. Olson  
Laxmi Narasimha Reddy Paduru  
Praveena Palaparthi  
Naveen Kumar Pulamolu  
Kevin Allen Reuter  
Peter William Rose  
Manoj Kumar Reddy Sanam  
Saai Shree Rama Sarikonda  
Elizabeth Ann Schroedl  
Herath Bandaranayake Mudiy Anselage Kasun  
Hiroshani Sarathena  
Lindsay Anne Shupert  
Kevin Paul Sierzega  
Svara Sinha  
Heather Diem Thuy Tram  
Samarth Bilash Upadhy  
Dheeraj Vaddepally  

Bachelor of Arts  
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James N. Mick  
Jacob A. Patsch  
Ethan E. Richardson  
Matthew James Worby  

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Ibrahim Saud Ababtain summa cum laude  
Jen-Luc Abehn magna cum laude  
Bdour Saleh Alfajaj  
Matthew J. Bacchle cum laude  
Andrew C. Bleich cum laude  
Daniel Korankye Boadu  
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Kailie C. Branson  
Christina L. Braun  
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Allison E. Brown  
Daniel B. Brown  
Essence A. Brown  
Lauren Butler  
Ariadna Cairo Baza  
Gisela Cairo Baza cum laude  
Brady P. Coke somma cum laude  
Nathan D. Colley magna cum laude*  
Aidan Emerick Connolly  
Timothy A. DeKoster cum laude  
Nicole Marie Dethrow  
Maxim Allan Dolecki  
Jacob D. Dyson somma cum laude  
Michael Patrick Fleming  
Gelan Raouf Anis Ghali somma cum laude  
Ethan B. Gordon cum laude  
Martin Wayne Grawe cum laude  
Raven D. Gousis  
Katherine A. Gutierrez  
Sohaib A. Hameed magna cum laude  
Samantha A. Harbin magna cum laude*  
Brenton P. Harris  
Kelsey M. Herman  
Patricia Marie Hess  
Anna J. Hooppaw somma cum laude  
Kalene N. Huber cum laude**  
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Rebecca L. Kleeman cum laude  
Rose M. Knebel  
Kelsey E. Koenig somma cum laude  
Sean M. Koller  
Brandon B. Kuchar  
Jonathan V. Lacey  
Ryan M. Laurence  
Mitchell J. Larson  
Lashonda Monay Livingston  
Briana Lucas  
Caleb Charles Macer  
Salama Matimbwa  
Paulina M. Mihelich  
Jeremiah Samuel Miller cum laude  
Erika L. Moore  
Rebekah R. Munaretto cum laude  
Amanda Marie Novak  
Teak Jung Oh cum laude  
Benjamin J. Otruk  
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Leah A. Patton  
Richard A. Peterson III  
Nicole Farrington Pugh  
Tanner M. Rehnberg somma cum laude*  
Reid A. Rhodes cum laude  
Cortez V. Rohr  
Ryan J. Sample  
Kelly L. Schmidt somma cum laude  
Reese Louis Schultz cum laude  
Hailey E. Sellek  
Sierra A. Semel cum laude  
Dillon T. Simion  
Brandon Smith  
Jesse D. Smith  
Cameron T. Stengel cum laude  
Haley B. Stevens†  
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Byron W. Suits  
Clayton D. Sutherland cum laude  
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Cailey A. Vandermark somma cum laude*  
Caleb Dale Walker  
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SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Philosophy

Anushka Dikshit
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Dale B. Hales, Ph.D.
“The Effect of Flaxseed and Its Lignan Component on Estrogen Signaling and Metabolism in Normal and Cancerous Hen Ovaries”

Aniruddha Ghosh
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Gregory M. Rose, Ph.D.
“Electrophysiological Investigation of Hippocampal Synaptic Plasticity in Deaf-1 Knock-Out Mice”

Lan Hai
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Prema Narayan, Ph.D.
“Effect of Constitutively Activated Luteinizing Hormone Receptor on the Mouse Reproductive System”

Cristal M. Hill
Molecular Biology, Microbiology and Biochemistry
Andrzej Bartke, Ph.D.
Sophia Ran, Ph.D.
“The Metabolic Effects of Diet-Induced Obesity and Growth Hormone Treatment in Long-Lived Mice with Altered Insulin and Insulin-Like Growth Factor -1 Signaling”

Sheree Collette Speckman
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Dale B. Hales, Ph.D.
“An Investigation of Potential Mechanisms Underlying Chemosuppressive Effects of Dietary Flaxseed in the Laying Hen Model of Ovarian Cancer”

Master of Science

Jessica Rae Whitaker
**Order of Exercises - Afternoon Commencement**

Saturday, May 14, 2016 – 1:30 p.m.
SIU Arena

**Master of Ceremonies**
Steve Falat, Regional Vice President, Mississippi River Radio
Class of 1987
Department of Radio-Television,
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

**Honorary Reader**
Susan Patrick Benson, Associate Professor, Department of Theater

**Academic Processional**
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

**National Anthem**
“The Star-Spangled Banner,” John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key,
arrangement by Walter Damrosch and John Philip Sousa
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

**Greetings and Introduction of Platform Party**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Recognition of Families**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Presentation of Distinguished Service Award**
F. Lynn McPheeters, 2016 Recipient

**Presentation of Honorary Degree**
Donald L. Beggs, Doctorate of Education Leadership

**Commencement Address**
Donald L. Beggs, College of Education and Human Services,
Class of 1963 and 1964

**Presentation of Candidates and**
**Confering of Doctoral Degrees**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

**Presentation of Candidates and**
**Confering of Masters Degrees**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

**Presentation of Candidates and**
**Confering of Baccalaureate Degrees**
Jason Greene, Interim Dean, College of Business
Lyle White, Interim Dean, College of Education and Human Services

**Tassel Turning**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Welcome from the SIU Alumni Association**
Wayne Sirles, College of Agricultural Sciences, Class of 1989

**Alma Mater**
“Southern Alma Mater,” Grover Clarke Morgan, Composer
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

**Recessional**
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

For safety, please remain in your seat until after the recessional is complete.
Guests will not be allowed on the SIU Arena floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Doctor of Philosophy

David Breger
Business Administration
Ed O’Donnell, Ph.D.
“The Hidden Advantage of Disaggregation in Substantive Analytical Procedures”

Mark Allen Edmonds
Business Administration
Ed O’Donnell, Ph.D.
“The Invisible Fraud: The Impact of Inattentional Blindness on Auditor Fraud Detection”

David R. Guggenheim
Business Administration
John Pearson, Ph.D.
“The Organizational Effects of Software as a Service: The Nerds Rise to Power”

David Michael Houghton
Business Administration
Cheryl Burke Jarvis, Ph.D.
“To Have or to Hold: The Role of Psychological Ownership in the Perceived Value of Owned and Accessed Goods”

Bryan Timothy McLeod
Business Administration
Mavis Adjei, Ph.D.
Jaehoon Lee, Ph.D.
“The Ties That Bind: Social Comparison’s Influence on Consumer Attitudes and Behavioral Intentions”

Emily Renee Seay
Business Administration
Ed O’Donnell, Ph.D.
“An Audit Committee Member’s Role in Audit Adjustment Disputes: The Effect of External Auditor Attachment on an Audit Committee Member’s ASC 360 Adjustment Decisions”

Master of Accountancy

Bixi Li
Johnny L. Myrick
Ashley N. Norton
Amanda Woods

Master of Business Administration

Michaela Bezdickova
Jessica Renee Block
Claire Ann Calaway
Jodie A. Carey
Sheng-Chih Chang
Andrew Desiniotes
Brian Richard Dierks
Amy Michelle Dion
Brian Dreger
Travis Graham Dunbar
Ryan Joseph Fearday
Timothy M. Fischer
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Eva Alejandra Garcia Flores
Kristen E. Heiple
Christopher D. Higgerson II
Timothy Holl
Emily Ann Hunsaker
Eric Randal Jung
Sweet Yee Lee
Jun Lin
Yudi Liu
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Jared Vincent Olson
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William Zachary Alan Rich
Ryan Lee Ringenberg
Loretta Sculles
Marlon Lonell Siler
Gregory L. Spratley
Thomas Alan Summers Jr.
Maureen Elise Velez
Scott Vlaming
Marlon E. Watson
Marc Christopher Williams
Bachelor of Science

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Mostafa Mohammed Taib Ali
Chase C. Allen
Daniel E. Allen
Thamer Alnegaidan
Mohammad Nasser Alsehaibani
Ahmad Yousif Alsuwaim
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Areef Femi Anibaba
Tyler L. Atkinson
Molly A. Behrens **
Leslie D. Boyd
Benjamin A. Brandolino cum laude
Luke Breiner
Danielle N. Brinson
Curtis Darnell Brown **
Don Allen Bryant III
Vanessa Logan Burroughs
Blake D. Bussie
Kirsten N. Cairel cum laude
Connor G. Caple
Juan Carrera
Kong Kam Choi
Matthew J. Clancy
Alta Michelle Dailey
Amber B. Alexis Daley
William R. Davidson
Adam Michael Donaldson cum laude**
Brandi N. Dotson cum laude**
Reid A. Drewes
Kayla Rae Dubats
Bradley A. DuClos
Amber N. Durbin cum laude
Timothy R. Fleischauer
Anntoinette M. Follins
Jessica Rae Ford
Gabriel Froelich
John C. Galik magna cum laude
Sergio Glispie
Kelsey R. Gonzalez summa cum laude
John S. Goulding
Paul Jason Greenhill
Tina L. Griffiths
Connor T. Guebert
Zachary H. Haas
Melanie Nicole Hall cum laude**
Eleni G. Hampton cum laude
Britni J. Harper summa cum laude
Koban A. Havelka magna cum laude
Alexander Joseph Heathcoat
Rebecca J. Herman cum laude*
Drew J. Hollis cum laude
Tonakpon Fustel Houecande
Chris K. Huffman
Stephanie Breanne Hunsche cum laude
Zachary M. Jarecki
Amy J. Jeffers
Taylor S. Johnson
Kyle R. Johnston
Keri S. Jones
Kevin Cleo Jones
Kevin Jovanovic
Kaid Anthony Koester magna cum laude
Jared C. Kovarik
Eric Wendell Lieboe
Carley Suzanne Lindberg
Joshua M. Lohmann summa cum laude***
Isaac Lopera
Patrick Richard Lugowski
Tre D. Mathis-House
Breana N. McAdory
Savannah L. McCord summa cum laude***
Margaret E. Mckenzie
Shuhua Mei
Alexandria L. Mikeworth
Jamelah A. Mitchell
Donald Louis Moore
Kathryn Alexandra Morgan cum laude
Brandon William Mormann
Francis Olatunde Mowobi **
Melissa Michele Murphy magna cum laude**
Jody Nelson
Brandon Jacob Nolte
James Thomas Noonan
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† Posthumous degree
‡ Interdisciplinary degree

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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Doctor of Philosophy

Carrie L. Acklin
Rehabilitation
William Crimando, Ph.D.
“Development, Pilot, and Field Test of the Core HIV/AIDS Knowledge Assessment for Undergraduate and Graduate Students in Counseling-Related Degree Programs”

Ataallh Aodh F. Alatoa
Curriculum and Instruction
Christie McIntyre, Ph.D.
“Saudi Preservice Elementary Teachers’ Attitudes toward Teaching Science: Exploration of Cognitive, Affective, and Perceived Control Beliefs”

Mais Imad Al-Deen Mohamad Al-Nasah
Counselor Education
Kimberly K. Asner-Self, Ph.D.
’Bereavement and Factors of Adjustment among Christian, Jewish, and Muslim Bereaved Parents’

Mohammed Abduljabbar M. Alsulami
Curriculum and Instruction
John McIntyre, Ph.D.
‘Arabic Language Student Teacher Perceptions towards the Effectiveness of University Supervisors, Cooperating Teachers, and School Principals during the Teaching Practicum’

Anas Ibrahim H. Altuwajri
Educational Administration
Judith Green, Ph.D.
‘A Comparison between Saudi and American School Principal Preparation Programs’

Lawrence Kofi Ametepee
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Lisa Peden Blair
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‘Implementing Expertise-Based Training Methods to Accelerate the Development of Peer Academic Coaches’

Josette Bradford
Educational Administration
Judith Green, Ph.D.
‘African-American Males’ Perspective on Persistence during their Second Year at an HBCU’

Jessica Davis
Educational Administration
Saran Donahoo, Ph.D.
‘A Historical Narrative on the Role of Mrs. Esther Brown in the Development of Desegregation Policy in Public Education’

Kelsie Deppen
Rehabilitation
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‘Adolescent Perceptions of Barriers to Receiving Substance Abuse Treatment in Southern Illinois’

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‘Ready, Set, Go: A Narrative Study on Jamaican Female Track and Field Athletes Who Attended College or University in the U.S.’

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“No Cosby Show”: Single Black Mother Homes and How Black Men Build Romantic Relationships”

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Dorea Glance, Ph.D.  

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Master of Science in Education

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Alyssa J. Mckinney
Courtney M. Mclaughlin
Jorge Alberto Mendoza
Alexandria Leigh Meyer
Kevin Lincoln Mikulka cum laude
Kevin M. Miller
Taylor Elizabeth Miller
Jacob D. Mitchell cum laude
Robin L. Morgan cum laude
Christina Paulette Morris cum laude
Gabrielle Morris
Kristin L. Myers magna cum laude
Cynthia Neme-Galgoci magna cum laude
Andrew R. Novara magna cum laude
Cameron J. Obermeier
Rigoberto M. Ochoa cum laude
Chrsty Rochele Ogden
Modupe Margaret Ogunyemi cum laude***
Edith Ortiz-Ruiz
Ashley Brooke Page
Kasey L. Paris magna cum laude
Taylor N. Parker cum laude
Victoria L. Parry cum laude
Rechelle A. Patton
Lauren E. Payne cum laude
Maggiemay N. Pelagio cum laude
Kyleigh R. Pender
Maria Isabel Perez-Cotto
Stephanie Ann Peterson
Dyana Shamiah Pierre
Ashley Dominique Plump
Kendall N. Presley
Joseph Ramirez
Chanee L. Richard
Melissa Rico
Dylan T. Rightnowar
Kevin Anthony Riley
Rickey A. Roland
Jocelyn C. Rothschild Frey
Rashad S. Rucker
Eva M. Rzeszutko
Joseph Mike Sanchez
Scotlyn Nicole Schabacker
Kelsie Ann Schauer
Joshua Schiff
Jessica Anne Schutzenhofer cum laude
Sarah C. Scranton magna cum laude
Shavonne Marsha Simms
Rachel C. Slick summa cum laude***
Alysa D. Smith
Brooke Anne Smith summa cum laude
KD Lynn Smith
Haley Nicole Spolarich cum laude
Katlyn R. Spradlin
Emilie Elizabeth St. Peter
Dajanai H. Staple
Luke C. Stegmann
Blair J. Stephenson cum laude
Ashlie D. Stevens cum laude
James A. Stevens
Bryson Keith Stubblefield cum laude
Camelis Syncere
Nicole M. Tabor
Megan L. Taylor magna cum laude
Tanisha Kache Thomas
Georgia Mary-Dell Thompson cum laude
Clayton M. Tinsley
Macyn D. Tonn summa cum laude
John W. Toohill
Maribeth Trexler
Mikaela B. Trexler magna cum laude
Kassandra Vega
Sarah Elizabeth Vickery
Ryan N. Volpe
Alexandra L. Walch summa cum laude*
Ashley Marie Walsh *
Sidney Dawn Brothers Waring summa cum laude
Adam N. Wassel
Ryan Matthew Watkins
Cynthia Louise Webster
Carl Dale Wicklander
Jordan Williams
Catrina Wrena Willis
Nickirah Latonya Willis-Lee
Jenna Suzanne Wingerter
T. Justin Wiseman
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magna cum laude 37.5–3.899
summa cum laude 39–4.0
Order of Exercises - Evening Commencement

Saturday, May 14, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.
SIU Arena

Master of Ceremonies
Steve Falat, Regional Vice President, Mississippi River Radio
Class of 1987
Department of Radio-Television,
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

Honorary Reader
Susan Patrick Benson, Associate Professor, Department of Theater

Academic Processional
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

National Anthem
“The Star-Spangled Banner,” John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key,
arrrangement by Walter Damrosch and John Philip Sousa
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

Greetings and Introduction of Platform Party
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Recognition of Families
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award
Charles Wheeler III, 2016 Recipient

Presentation of Honorary Degree
Joan E. Higginbotham, Doctorate of Aerospace Science

Commencement Address
Joan E. Higginbotham, College of Engineering, Class of 1987

Presentation of Candidates and
Confering of Doctoral Degrees
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

Presentation of Candidates and
Confering of Masters Degrees
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

Presentation of Candidates and
Confering of Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees
Andy Wang, Dean, College of Applied Sciences and Arts
John J. Warwick, Dean, College of Engineering
Dafna Lemish, Dean, College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

Tassel Turning
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Welcome from the SIU Alumni Association
Wayne Sirles, College of Agricultural Sciences, Class of 1989

Alma Mater
“Southern Alma Mater,” Grover Clarke Morgan, Composer
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

Recessional
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

For safety, please remain in your seat until after the recessional is complete.
Guests will not be allowed on the SIU Arena floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.
COLLEGE OF APPLIED SCIENCES AND ARTS

Master of Architecture

Jacob Charles Bruning
Andy Cunningham
Michael Gene Hall
Cole Hartke
Philip M. Jordan
Mark A. Lazowski
Daniel Harold Lindstrom
Eric M. Okerstrom
Nicholas Andrew Schubach
Bradley D. Schulze
Patrick Szczecina
Marat Mikhailovich Tsabinov
Erica Enright Twomey
Reza Seraji

Bachelor of Science

Victoria Bryttine Adeboyejo
Martes Adewale
Tete Luc Agbodjan Prince
Ana M. Aguilar magna cum laude
Cole Anthony Allison **
Fatimah Nasser Alsheibani
Ignacio Amesquita
Erik Dag Anderson
Nicholas Arquilla
Kelliann Austin magna cum laude
Lauren N. Baffour
Abdul J. Baloch
Anthony T. Barnes Jr.
John J. Baughman
Matthew A. Baumgartner
Austin Rush Beachler-Johnson
Dana Luise Bee
Jody Faye Beeler
Balana Carniece Bell
Alexander William Beltz
Cory Bergstrom
Bryan Michael Bietsch
Chadrick Black
Matthew B. Booker
Paul A. Bouras cum laude
Zackery D. Burr
Porsha A. Butcher
Evans J. Campbell cum laude
Joel Campos
Alysha D. Cardinal
Sean Michael Carter summa cum laude
Tristan Cathala-Andrews **
Eno Cela
Stacy Ann Cemler
Burton Chaet
James J. Chamberlain summa cum laude
Alex Eliseo Chavez cum laude**
Christie M. Chelmon cum laude
Joshua A. Chromek
Storm A. Clarry
Ryan P. Clauson
Christopher R. Clavero
Brooke Christine Cleary cum laude
Matthew Thornton Cline
Katie Lynn Coleman cum laude
Holly M. Conner cum laude
Jacob J. Conroy magna cum laude
Nakiesha Shantee Cooper
Nathaniel Scott Corron magna cum laude
Dollia Violet Cortez
Lacy R. Coulter cum laude
Koriney J. Crawford
Lauren M. Crocker
Haley G. Cronin
Jasmine A. Cruz
Joshua M. Curvey
Michael DaValle
Salvador Davalos
Eric W. Davitz
Tyeshia Coletta Dean
Jakob Kyle DeBerry
Jarett A. Dewitt
Logan M. Duckworth
Michael Paul Duda
Myelia S. Early
Ashley Nicole Rieke Edmond
Bridget A. Egan
Kyle E. Eliakis cum laude
Michael Evans
Eric Faris-Diaz
Hayden O. Farmer
Crysyn Barbara Farris
James Featherstone
Brock A. Featherstun
Gabriel Flores
Adam J. Forgette **
Tylar J. Foster
Patrick C. Fraze
William J. Frey
Christopher David Gaines
Stephen Joseph Gaughan
Kurt Wolfgang Geick
Andrew J. Gestine
Jenna Leigh Golden
Erick Gonzalez
Jumond C. Goodwin
Christopher Steven Grace
Arielle M. Green
Tiffany Eilene Greninger
Joseph Robert Grenchik
Brandon Lynn Kelly Gries
Ashley Denise Griggis cum laude
John P. Grischow magna cum laude
Patrick D. Guenther
Paul Gerard Guilbert III
Alejandra Lorena Gutierrez cum laude
Abdurahim K. Haji

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Kurt S. Hammond
Josh A. Hansel
Paul Leonard Harast Jr.
Jessica J. Hardwick magna cum laude
Shakala T. Hart
Kaitlyn M. Hartke
Logan Michael Henness
Luke A. Henson magna cum laude*
Trevor Jay Herderhorst
Johnmark C. Herwaldt
Brittany Heyen cum laude
Michael David Higgs
Kendrick R. Hintz
Ryan W. Hoelscher cum laude
Kelly M. Holden magna cum laude
Byron Pearman Howlett IV cum laude**
Andrew L. Jackson
Robert Jaimes
Shiv K. Jariwala cum laude
Joslyn A. Jenkins **
Sheridan A. Johnson
Andrew B. Johnson IV
David A. Johnson
Erica Ashley Lesean Johnson
Gautier Gian Jones
Jasmine Alicia Jones
Callahan Huffman Jordan
Zachary L. Jordan
Adam J. Jung
Andrew Soo Kang
Mikhail O. Karpenko
Kelsey Diane Kauffman cum laude
Matthew Joe Dillon Keys
Shahed Khan
Andrew J. Kidd
Ashley Dawn King cum laude
Michael Eric Kingston
Troy Kirkpatrick
Calvin P. Kohring
Carrie Lynn Kohs
Christopher L. Kokkelenberg
Robert D. Konzelmann magna cum laude
Ryan G. Kossakowski summa cum laude
Tyler A. Kovac cum laude
Ashley L. Kovalcik magna cum laude
Melissa Krafft magna cum laude
Kevin D. Kron cum laude
Cortney L. Kuehne
Soonkyu Kwon
Cortney E. Lambert
Christy Lamy
Andrew James Landewee
Kyle Roger Lansdowne
Alex Keith Lasher cum laude
Jenna Nicole Laski summa cum laude
Harley J. Lawless
Dexter Michael Lee
Stephen N. Lee
Kevin J. Legault summa cum laude**
Austin Lee Leopold
Wei Lin cum laude
Samuel M. Liscovitz
Courtney M. Lloyd
Sarah A. L. Lohman
Phil J. Loughran
Daniel M. Lowry
Dominic A. Lucchesi cum laude
Nicholas Ray Mack
Kevin J. Majus
Sara N. Malanowski cum laude
Matthew A. Maloney
Muhammad A. Mansour magna cum laude
Carlos Benjamin Martinez
Reno L. Mason
Adam Scott McCallister **
Mathew M. McCann **
Marisa Marie McComas
Joshua Hubert McFarland
Tyler William McGriff
William T. Meguire
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Zachary Edward McTee **
Wilson L. Meador magna cum laude
Alexander Medrano
Matthew K. Melander cum laude
Leslie Mena
Peter M. Mensching
Juan Antonio Mecardo Jr. cum laude
Anna C. Metzger
Michael John. Meyer
Marcus Rayshun Millender cum laude
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Salman Mirza
Victoria A. Mitchell
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Abdul Haseeb Mohamed
Dennis C. Moiceanu
Amber L. Monson
Donelle F. Moore
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Jonathan Ray Moye
Jacob R. Mueller
Omar Mukahhal
Austin Henry Mulcahy summa cum laude
Emmanuel Brian Mullins
Daniel Woodruff Myers summa cum laude
Amanda K. Nash cum laude
Melissa S. Nicklin
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Andrew M. Oplt
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Johnny A. Orr
Josue J. Osorio
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Maria Elvira Palmerin
Carl Clarence Panfil
Pankil Patel cum laude
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Nichalos Murl Payne summa cum laude
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Joshua M. Perkey
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Autumn Mae Petrovskes
Jacob E. Petty
Trina Nicole Phillips
Austin S. Pierce
Ryan A. Pitt cum laude**
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Shana N. Reasoner

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Sam V. Renner
Casey Revelle cum laude
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Patrick J. Riley
Chase Melvin Rogers cum laude
Cody L. Rowe
Jacob S. Roy cum laude
Joshua James Rudolph magna cum laude
Ali Ahmed Salami cum laude
Josue Elliot Santiago
Matthew J. Schaff
Mackenzie Renee Schallom
Peter C. Schorsch summa cum laude*
Elijah J. Schultz *
Eric R. Schultz
William L. Scott **
Eric J. Secrist
Aaron Semmelroth
Ahmad Firdaus Bin Shafie magna cum laude**
Umair Nadir Shah cum laude**
Angelique Dominique Shine
Rambus K. Shrestha
Julius Sidabras
Christopher Edward Siderius **
Sweta Sinha
Katlynn Suzanne Sligh tom cum laude
Bradley J. Smaga
Whitfield Smith
Martyna Stankute
Nathan T. Starke cum laude
Sarah A. Steagall cum laude
Casey Addison Stoneburner
Breeanna L. Strauch
Scott L. Sullivan
Paige Catherine Surico cum laude
Andrea D. Sutherlin
Jeremy C. Sutton
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Aimee E. Taylor
Alec Tepp
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Tyler D. Witek **
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Otis D. Woods
Angela R. Worman cum laude
John William Wright magna cum laude
Kiara Lynn Wyatt
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Crystal Labrandon Young
Daniel K. Zeintz
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Associate in Applied Science

Brein Nicole Boswell
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Mary A. Samion cum laude
William L. Scott **
Ryan M. Smith **
Tyler D. Witek **
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Doctor of Philosophy

Behrooz Abbasi
Engineering Science
Yoginder Paul Chugh, Ph.D.
"An Improved Rock Mass Behavior Numerical Model and Its Applications to Longwall Coal Mining"

Luas Abdul Fatah Barakat Al-Tarawneh
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Mohammad R. Sayeh, Ph.D.
"Dynamic Adaptation of Bandwidth Granularity for Multipath Routing in Elastic Optical OFDM-Based Networks"

Chandra Babu Dara
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Spyros Tragoudas, Ph.D.
"Design of High Performance Threshold Logic Gates"

Sudipta Chanda
Engineering Science
Satya Harpalani, Ph.D.
"Preliminary Experimental and Modeling Study of Pressure Dependent Permeability for Indonesian Coalbed Methane Reservoirs"

Michael Abu Conteh
Mechanical Engineering
Emmanuel C. Nsofor, Ph.D.
"Enhancement of High-Speed Flywheel Energy Storage via Carbon-Fiber Composite Reinforcement"

Yueran Gao
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Haibo Wang, Ph.D.
"Techniques for Reliable and Efficient Analog to Digital Conversion"

Master of Engineering

Mihir Naresh Khut
Yao Yao

Master of Science

Turki Mohammed Alsayed
Rajashekar Avuthu
James Birapaka
Gregorio Alfonso Castillo Cepin
Prashanth Kumar Chigullapalli
Akshay Choudhary
Claudio G. Copello
Amir Reza Daei
Sandip Dahal
Anurag Elimileti Ravikumar
Faraz Farbaksh
Sravan Kumar Garlapati Vigneshwara
Mathew Geevarghese
Ganesh Raj Ghimire
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Jia Huey Kong
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Manoj Kukkapalli
Prashanth Reddy Kundooru
Tzu-Chun Kuo
Eldy Nlandu Lembe
Nathalia Londono Zuluaga
Navya Tejaswi Madineedi
Ashley Batrice McClinton
Dronacharya Meruguboina
Suliyantu Omoaka Momoh
Pooja Muralidas
Yaagna Valkya Sudhama Choudary Nelluri
Bibek Neupane
Daniel M. Olsen
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Amaranath Reddy Pokuri
Sai Charan Reddy Poreddy
Kumar Chandra Prasada
Pavan Teja Rangisetty
Subba Rayudu Sadineni
Nabil Salik
Gouthami Shery
Zachary-Taylor Christopher Smith
Samhitha Srinivasan
Salman Oluwatoyin Sulaiman
Santosh Kumar Tandrothu
Swathi Thokala
Sandip Upadhye
Natalii Viktorovna Vanchkova
Paul Martin West
Bradley P. Wragge
Ajitkumar Yadav
Syed Zeeshan
Tianhang Zu
Bachelor of Science

Abdulrahman Hashim Abbas *
Richard Eric Adams
Devin C. Aikman
Dhafer Ali Al Fadhel
Fahad Yousef Al Khathran
Annas Khalid Alahmed
Jafer Kafeil Albalhi
Abdulaziz Abdulrahman Alblehd magna cum laude
Rami Abdullah Aldawoodi
Faris Abdulaziz Alfagih
Fawaz Ali Alghamdi
Khalid Mohammed AlKhalidi cum laude
Khalid Ibrahim A. Alsaedi
Haitham Alshammar
Dorjgotov Altangerel
Cindy Diane Anderson cum laude
Zachary Logel Anslinger magna cum laude
Mark Antepenko
Philip C. Barrett
Shawn M. Beere
Tyler J. Betzler cum laude
Bandar Salman Bin Osfur cum laude
Steven Michael Blair summa cum laude***
Williams Blanco cum laude
Arno V. Blazys
Brent T. Bloomer summa cum laude**
Broc Dale Bolin
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