

SPRING 2021

COMMENCEMENT

MAY 7-8, 2021



*Original Old Main
with student
body, 1870*

THE UNIVERSITY CHARTER

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."



Class of 1897

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 currently displayed in Anthony Hall was bound by alumna Wendy Hale Davis, a bookbinder, artist and musician in Austin, Texas.

The inspirational message on the next page is carried along with the charter during Commencement exercises. This message was written by the late Charles D. Tenney, SIU professor and Distinguished Service Award recipient. The message 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.

A large, multi-story brick building with a prominent central clock tower and arched windows, serving as the background for the text.

**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.

CEREMONY SCHEDULE

Friday, May 7

2 p.m. | School of Law

6 p.m. | College of Agricultural Sciences
College of Science

Saturday, May 8

9 a.m. | College of Liberal Arts
College of Mass
Communication and
Media Arts

12 p.m. | College of Applied
Sciences and Arts

6 p.m. | College of Education
and Human Services

3 p.m. | College of Business
College of Engineering
School of Medicine

"THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER"

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

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?

"SOUTHERN ALMA MATER"

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

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

SPECIAL THANKS

We wish to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of many dedicated staff members who have contributed to this Commemorative program for our students and their families.

NOTE

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. This program includes only May 2021 graduates. August and December 2021 graduates will be included in the program for the December Commencement exercises.



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CEREMONIAL MACE

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.

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 1¼ 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.

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.

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.

MEDALLION 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.

Maize	Agricultural Sciences	Blue	Mass Communication and Media Arts
Orange	Applied Sciences and Arts	Gold	Science
Drab	Business	Citron	Social Work
Light Blue	Education and Human Services	Black	Master's
Orange	Engineering	Gold	Ph.D.
White	Liberal Arts	Purple	J.D.

CORDS

Gold	University Honors Program
Maroon & White	Intercollegiate Athlete with a 3.5+ GPA
Red, White & Blue	Veteran or Active Duty Military

MEDALLION

Bronze
Silver
Gold
Gold & White

RIBBON

Black	<i>cum laude</i>
Black	<i>magna cum laude</i>
Black	<i>summa cum laude</i>
Red	Lincoln Academy of Illinois Student Laureate

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

Graduates with a number behind their name completed their degree through one of our Extended Campus sites around the country. A map with these sites is included on pages 47-48.

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

<i>cum laude</i>	3.5–3.749
<i>magna cum laude</i>	3.75–3.899
<i>summa cum laude</i>	3.9–4.0

The grade point averages 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.

SIU CARBONDALE

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and Media Arts*

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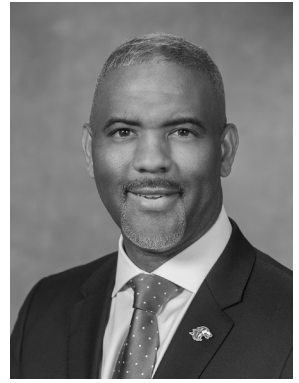
Glen Carbon, Illinois

John Simmons

Alton, Illinois

Dear Members of the Class of 2021:

On behalf of the faculty and staff of SIU Carbondale, I congratulate you on your graduation and wish you the best for continued success. We are proud of you!



Your degree is a testament to your dedication and hard work, especially in circumstances like no other. Despite unusual and challenging times, you persevered to earn your degree. Dedication, hard work and perseverance are all characteristics that will serve you well as you go forward. They are the hallmark of all Salukis.

Your time at SIU included the celebration of our 150th anniversary and the launch of our next 150 years. That makes you an important part of both our history and our future, our tradition and our promise. Like those who came before, you have benefitted from outstanding faculty and staff committed to helping you learn and succeed. You are also a role model who demonstrates to future Salukis that everything is possible at SIU.

You join more than 250,000 proud SIU alumni who, like you, have made lifelong personal connections. In fact, whenever you wear your SIU gear anywhere in the world, you will find fellow graduates who share your Saluki pride. You'll also find that Salukis help Salukis, even those they may have never met.

We hope you continue to be an active member of the Saluki network. Please visit campus often to connect with the next generation of SIU students, share your knowledge, catch a game and let us know how you are doing. You will always be part of SIU, and that connection will help us build a better future.

If you have not already done so, please take a moment to give thanks to family members, friends, faculty and staff who supported you along the way. On behalf of the entire university, thank you for letting us be a part of your success. We look forward to learning of your many accomplishments as SIU alumni.

Go Dawgs!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Austin A. Lane". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Austin A. Lane
Chancellor

COMMENCEMENT DIGNITARIES

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 Readers

Susan Benson, *Associate Professor*
Department of Theater
Darryl Clark, *Assistant Professor*
Department of Theater

Commencement Vocalists

Wesley Caulkins, *Master of Music*
Elaina Crenshaw, *Master of Music*
Ellie Dudeck, *Senior in Musical Theater*
James Hillard, *Senior in Biological Sciences*
Alexis Turner, *Master of Music*

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AND STAFF

SCHOLAR EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENT

Daryl G. Kroner, *Professor*
Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice,
College of Health and Human Sciences

TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENT

Michael James Lydy, *Professor*
Department of Zoology, College of
Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

Kevin R. Smith, *Senior Lecturer*
Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Agricultural,
Life, and Physical Sciences

Diana Tigerlily, *Associate Professor*
Department of Women, Gender, and Sexuality
Studies, College of Liberal Arts

EARLY CAREER FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENT

Gayan Baduge, *Assistant Professor*, Department
of Electrical, Computer, and Biomedical
Engineering, College of Engineering

WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARD RECIPIENT

Bobbi Knapp, *Associate Professor*, Department of
Kinesiology, College of Health and Human Sciences

EMERGING LEADER AWARD RECIPIENT

Sandy Pensoneau-Conway, *Associate Professor and
Chair*, Department of Communication Studies; and
Interim Director, Women, Gender, and Sexuality
Studies, College of Liberal Arts

STAFF EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Lanel Love, *Assistant Dean of Students and Director
of the First Saluki Center*

Richard Scott Taylor, *Superintendent of Buildings,
University Housing*

MARSHALS

Grand Marshal

Marcus Odom, *Faculty Senate President*, Professor, School of Accountancy, College of Business and Analytics

Grant Miller, *Faculty Senate Vice President*, Associate Professor, Curriculum and Instruction, School of Education

Amber Pond, *Faculty Senate Secretary*, Assistant Professor, Anatomy, School of Medicine

Yueh-Ting Lee, *Faculty Senate Executive Council*, Professor and Program Director, Applied Psychology, College of Health and Human Sciences

Joe Sramek, *Faculty Senate Executive Council*, Associate Professor, History, College of Liberal Arts

Lichang Wang, *Faculty Senate Executive Council*, Professor, Chemistry and Biochemistry, College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

Faculty Marshals

Gayan Aruma Baduge *Assistant Professor*, Department of Electrical, Computer, and Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering and Early Career Faculty Excellence award recipient

Michael J. Lydy, *Professor*, Department of Zoology, College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences, and Teaching Excellence Award recipient

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Sandy Pensoneau-Conway *Associate Professor and Chair*, Communication Studies, College of Liberal Arts and Emerging Leader Award recipient

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT MARSHALS

Agricultural Sciences. Jason R. Weller
 Applied Sciences and Arts Theresa Kerouac
 Business TBD
 Education and Human Services. TBD
 Engineering. Jessica Kurpius

Liberal Arts Diamoneek Green & Sean Furlow
 Mass Communication and Media Arts
 Daniel Connolly
 Science Nicholas Oglesby

GRADUATE STUDENT MARSHALS

Agricultural Sciences. Timothy Weber
 Applied Sciences and Arts Jacques Cadet
 Business Emily Hillis
 Education and Human Services. Katrina Whitley

Engineering. TBD
 Liberal Arts Tevyn Ester Ulloa Padilla
 Mass Communication and Media Arts . . Erikah Lewis
 Science TBD

HONORARY DEGREES

PAMELA J. WILSON DOCTOR OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

Pamela J. Wilson, who earned her bachelor's degree in zoology from SIU Carbondale in 1979, has devoted her career to protecting the public health through her work with the Texas Department of State Health Services, where she served as a member of a four-person core team that developed and implemented the state's innovative Oral Rabies Vaccination Program. The program, which was a ground-breaking initiative in the United States, began in 1995, according to a 2018 news release by the Department, which said:

The Texas Oral Rabies Vaccination Program began in 1995 in response to major outbreaks of the canine strain of rabies in southern Texas and the gray fox type of rabies in western Texas. The outbreaks involved hundreds of animal cases, caused two human deaths and forced thousands of people to get costly post-exposure treatments.

Over the next several years, the program dramatically reduced the number of canine and gray fox rabies cases in Texas, and no cases have been detected since 2013.

The release also stated that the vaccine has proven safe in more than 60 species of animals and that the need to prevent rabies is critical because once a person or animal displays its symptoms, the disease is almost always fatal.

Wilson's contributions to the public health field have

been noticed at the state, national and international levels and her scholarly works have been widely cited. Her dedicated efforts to collect and analyze data related to the Oral Rabies Vaccination Program and other initiatives over a period of more than two decades led to her serving as the lead author of the definitive reference book, *Rabies: Clinical Considerations and Exposure Evaluations*, published by Elsevier in 2019 for physicians, nurses, veterinarians and public health personnel on addressing rabies treatment.

Early in her career, Wilson is credited with advocating for the State of Texas to adopt new protocols when responding to rabies outbreaks – protocols that were contrary to the national standards of the day which called for euthanizing the animal or placing it in quarantine to see if it developed rabies. Her pursuit of knowledge and science led to the recognition that a new and effective pathway to addressing rabies was possible.

Her efforts swayed national recommendations pertaining to the use of vaccine in an exposed animal. This aided in reducing the number of humans who would become exposed to rabies through domestic animals. She published program



results and data in peer-reviewed articles in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association for use by other states to implement similar programs for their regional rabies virus variants.

Wilson, a Licensed Veterinary Technician and Master Certified Health Education Specialist, has also provided language for Texas state laws that incorporated the protection of public health pertaining to zoonotic diseases – any infectious

disease that is transmitted from animals to humans. She was an adjunct instructor for 16 years at Austin Community College and has conducted veterinary assistant training programs with the Texas Veterinary Medical Association.

Wilson earned an associate's degree from Spoon River College (Canton, Illinois) where she has been recognized with its Alumni Achievement Award. She also received a master's degree in Education from the University of Texas at Austin in 1991.

Ms. Pamela J. Wilson will receive her honorary Doctor of Community Health in the 6 p.m. ceremony on Friday, May 7, 2021.

JACKIE SPINNER

DOCTOR OF MEDIA ARTS

Illinois native and SIU Carbondale alumna **Jacquelyn "Jackie" Spinner** was an award-winning journalist for the Washington Post from 1995-2009 who started as a metro reporter and financial reporter before being assigned to cover the war in Iraq and becoming the Post's Baghdad Bureau Chief. She reported from Baghdad, Fallujah, Kurdistan and Abu Ghraib. She also traveled to Afghanistan, Jordan and Oman and many other locales around the world as part of her career. She has appeared on MSNBC, PBS, CNN, BBC, ABC and National Public Radio. PBS also featured her in a Frontline documentary about reporters who covered the war in Iraq.

In 2006, the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute hosted her for the prestigious Morton-Kenney Public Affairs Lecture Series. Co-sponsored by the School of Journalism, the Department of Political Science, the College of Mass Communications and Media Arts and the Women's Studies Program, her lecture focused on her experiences in Iraq, which included surviving car bombs, mortar attacks and

a kidnapping attempt outside of Abu Ghraib prison by members of Al-Qaeda. That event inspired the title of her 2006 book, "Tell Them I Didn't

Cry: A Young Journalist's Story of Joy, Loss and Survival in Iraq," which she wrote with her twin sister Jenny.

After leaving the Washington Post in 2009, Spinner continued to play major roles in international journalism. As a U.S. Fulbright Scholar in Muscat, Oman in 2010, she started the first student newspaper at Sultan Qaboos University. She also served as director of media relations and faculty adviser at the American University of Iraq – Sulaimani, where she developed the AUI-S Voice, Iraq's first independent university newspaper.

Spinner co-directed Conflict Zone, a national exhibit featuring photos and videos shot in Iraq and Afghanistan by war photographers. It was inspired by a photojournalist who lost both of his legs after stepping on a landmine. She brought the travelling exhibit to SIU Carbondale in 2013.

The former editor-in-chief of the Daily Egyptian, Spinner returns frequently to Carbondale, including to participate in the 2019 Big Muddy Film Festival. Her documentary, "Don't Forget Me," about three Moroccan families with children on the autism spectrum, won the coveted Mike Covell Award for



work by an SIU alumnus. The documentary was inspired by her own adopted sons, who are from Morocco and have been diagnosed with autism.

Spinner earned the prestigious honor of being named SIU Carbondale's Student Laureate of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois in 1992. In 2005, she received the Alumni Achievement Award from the

College of Mass Communications and Media Arts and served as the commencement speaker for the college that year.

Currently, Spinner is an assistant professor of journalism at Columbia College Chicago and a correspondent for the Columbia Journalism Review.

Ms. Jackie Spinner will receive her Honorary Doctor of Media Arts in the 9 a.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 8, 2021.

DR. NGOZI EZIKE **DOCTOR OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

Dr. Ngozi Ezike is the Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), the first Black woman appointed to lead the 143-year old state agency. Dr. Ezike is a board-certified internist and pediatrician who previously worked for the Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH), where she served for more than 15 years. She also was medical director at the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center.

Prior to joining CCDPH, Dr. Ezike served as Austin Health Center medical director, where she actively engaged with the community on a variety of health initiatives. She also has delivered inpatient care at Stroger Hospital and primary and preventive care in community and school-based clinics.

Dr. Ezike is a nationally recognized expert in the area of healthcare within the juvenile detention and justice systems. A graduate of Harvard University and the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine, she is a Certified Correctional Health Professional and Diplomate of both the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Pediatrics. She is also an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Rush Medical College.

She is the recipient of numerous awards including the 2020 Lester H. McKeever Individual Service Award from the Chicago Urban League, and the Health Innovator Award from Erie Family Health Center. An advocate for maintaining work-life balance, particularly in challenging times, Dr. Ezike

is an avid tennis player and reader, and is fluent in Spanish and French.

Dr. Ezike, a mother of four, has widely been praised for her dedicated efforts as part of a leadership team within the State of Illinois to address the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on the citizens of the Land of Lincoln. In a profile of her tireless work to protect public health throughout this crisis, a New York Times columnist wrote:



From the outset, she had her eye trained on the most vulnerable, including essential workers, many of whom are from minority communities. She has incorporated their needs into all of the state's response proposals, from getting PPE (personal protective equipment) to those who need it most to providing targeted messaging and information. Dr. Ezike herself delivers her updates during the daily news conference in English and Spanish.

Dr. Ngozi Ezike will receive her honorary Doctor of Community Health in the 12 p.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 8, 2021.

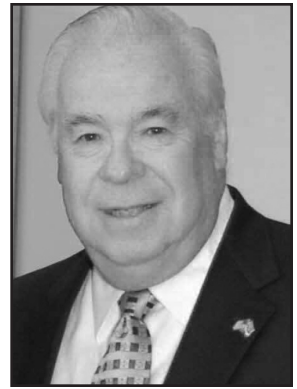
HARRY L. CRISP, II

DOCTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE

Harry L. Crisp, II has been an active philanthropist and major supporter of education throughout his lifetime. Crisp is Chairman of the Board and CEO of Pepsi MidAmerica Company, a family-owned soft drink business, that he built into one of the largest privately-owned Pepsi-Cola and Dr. Pepper bottling and distributing operations in the nations.

Mr. Crisp attended Southern Illinois University before enlisting in the U.S. Marine Corps. After returning from military service, where he achieved the Outstanding Marine Award during boot camp, he began working in the family business his father, Harry Crisp, Sr., founded in 1935.

In 1997, Mr. Crisp formed Crisp Logistics and Manufacturing, which produces plastic bottles and provides freight services throughout the Midwest. In 2008, the company again expanded its business operations into a related field of selling snacks and fresh food. They have since acquired 49 snack and soft drink vending companies throughout the Midwest, making their full line service business one of the largest Canteen franchise vending operations



in the United States.

Mr. Crisp presently serves as Vice President for the board of Culver Military Boys Academy and Girls Academy. Previously, he served as Chairman of the Illinois Community College System for 10 years and is presently Chairman Emeritus. Mr. Crisp also served as a Board Member of the Illinois Board of Higher Education and as past Chairman of the Southern Illinois University Foundation. Mr. Crisp's additional accomplishments include past president of the Pepsi-Cola Bottlers Association, 33-year board member and present Chairman Emeritus at First Southern Bank (formerly Bank of Marion), installed as a Laureate of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois and receiving the 33rd Degree as a Scottish Rite Mason.

Mr. Harry Crisp, II, will receive his honorary Doctor of Public Service in the 3 p.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 8, 2021.

PAM PFEFFER

DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS

Pamela Pfeffer, co-founder, vice president and corporate secretary of private equity investment company Treemont Capital, Inc., was a trailblazer for women executives in the financial industry. She became and remains an active leader in community service and philanthropy.

Mrs. Pfeffer began her career as a mathematics instructor at the former University of Tennessee-Nashville in September 1969 before entering the banking industry in September 1972. In the early 1970s, banks primarily hired women for positions as tellers, secretaries, or to work in their "Women's Divisions." Mrs. Pfeffer was the first woman to go through Third National Bank's management training and credit program where she learned to be a lending officer. She progressed through the

ranks as a lending officer, an assistant branch manager, and eventually became the first female branch manager in the Third National Bank system.



The Metropolis, Illinois native earned her bachelor's degree in mathematics from SIU Carbondale in 1967. The following year she earned a master's degree in

teaching mathematics from Vanderbilt University. In addition to her time working as a university math instructor at University of Tennessee-Nashville, she has also served as an accounting instructor for the American Institute of Banking. She is the author of "The Essential Home Record Book Ready-to-Use-Forms for All Your Personal, Medical, Household, and Financial Information," as well as several articles on banking and finance.

An active philanthropist and engaged SIU Carbondale alumna, Mrs. Pfeffer is the granddaughter of the late Lindell Sturgis, who served on the SIU Board of Trustees for more than 30 years. She and her husband, Phil, established an endowment for the Lindell W. Sturgis Memorial Public Service Award at SIU Carbondale. Mrs. Pfeffer is a former president and emeritus member of the SIU Foundation Board, having served in various capacities since 1995. She formerly served as a member of the SIU Alumni Association Board, the College of Liberal Arts Alumni Society Board, and the Opportunity through Excellence Campaign Steering Committee.

She played a key role in establishing the Mike Hanes Marching Salukis Scholarship Endowment, one of the few scholarships supporting the Marching Salukis. A former Marching Saluki herself, she encouraged fellow alumni and friends of the group

to support the cause, which pays tuition for selected band members. Currently, Mrs. Pfeffer

is co-chair of the Forever SIU campaign, which has exceeded its initial goal and has been extended.

Mrs. Pfeffer has served as a board member for the Nashville Symphony Association, where she chaired the finance committee, co-chaired the long-range planning committee and strategic planning committee, and assisted with the Symphony's successful \$100 million capital campaign. She has held leadership roles in the Nashville Symphony Guild as advisor, treasurer, and secretary and is a board member for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville.

Along with her husband, Phil Pfeffer, Pamela Pfeffer was the recipient of the SIU Foundation's Southern Flame Award (2017) and the SIU Distinguished Service Award (2013). She received the SIU Distinguished Alumni Award for Humanitarian Effort in 2015.



Mrs. Pam Pfeffer will receive her honorary Doctor of Humane Letters in the 3 p.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 8, 2021.

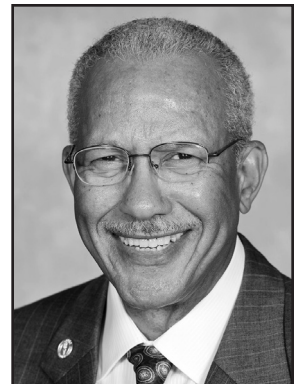
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

DR. HAROLD BARDO

Sparta, Illinois, native **Dr. Harold Bardo** has served Southern Illinois University Carbondale and the Southern Illinois region for over 50 years as an educator, administrator and mentor to young people. Dr. Bardo holds two degrees from SIU Carbondale: a 1962 bachelor's degree in History and a 1972 Ph.D. in Education. Additionally, Dr. Bardo earned a Master's Degree in Counselor Education from SIU Edwardsville. As an undergraduate student, Dr. Bardo excelled in sports, earning letters in basketball and competing in track for the Salukis.

He joined SIU's faculty in 1968 as an instructor in Educational Psychology and retired as director of SIU's Medical/Dental Education Preparatory Program (MEDPREP)

in May 2014. He joined the program in 1984 and



served as its director almost his entire 30-year tenure there. Dr. Bardo served as SIU Carbondale's NCAA faculty representative for 15 years and has twice served as the university's interim athletic director (1999-2000, 2014-2015).

He has been honored in many ways over the years, including in 2014 as a recipient of the Lindell W. Sturgis Memorial Public Service Award and by serving as grand marshal for SIU Homecoming. In 2016, Dr. Bardo was inducted into both the Saluki Athletics Hall of Fame and the Missouri Valley Conference Hall of Fame. In 2019, he was an inaugural recipient of the Saluki Pioneer's Award, which recognizes African American individuals who thrived in the southern Illinois community and paved the way for others.

Dr. Bardo has served on the SIU Foundation Board, Faculty Senate, the Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee and Southern@150. He worked closely with Seymour Bryson, Wrophas Meeks, Bill Norwood, and Roland Burris to raise money for scholarships. In honor of his decades of service to SIU, the School of Medicine established the Harold



Bardo Medical Student Scholarship.

An active member of the Carbondale community, Dr. Bardo has served as vice president of the Carbondale Elementary School District and a member of the Carbondale Community High School Curriculum Advisory Committee. He is a former member of the board of directors of the Carbondale United Way and a former member of the Southern Illinois Healthcare board of directors, serving as vice chairman from 1996 to 1997 and chairman from 1997 to 2000.

Dr. Bardo and his wife, Lana, reside in Carbondale and are the parents of three adult children. The couple are life members of the SIU Alumni Association, for which Dr. Bardo serves as an ex-officio board member.

Dr. Harold Bardo will receive his Distinguished Service Award in the 6 p.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 8, 2021.

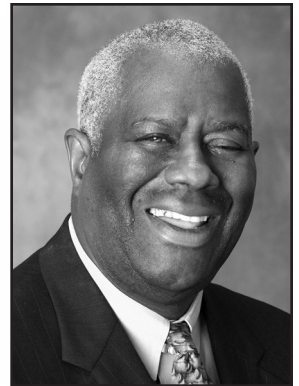
DR. SEYMOUR BRYSON

Accepting a basketball scholarship to SIU Carbondale in 1955 provided an opportunity for a first-generation student from Quincy, Illinois, named **Seymour L. Bryson** to enjoy a record-setting collegiate playing career. More importantly, his graduation in 1959 with a bachelor's degree in sociology sparked an interest in furthering his education and continuing his relationship with his alma mater. Seymour L. Bryson's commitment and dedication to SIU left an indelible mark on the institution and created a personal legacy that eclipsed anything he did on the basketball court—even though the three-time Saluki MVP holds the university's rebounding record more than 55 years after he set it.

Dr. Bryson fully valued the pursuit of knowledge, earning a master's degree in rehabilitation

counseling in 1961 and a doctorate in educational psychology in 1972. He led a life devoted to SIU and to ensuring the campus he loved greatly remembered its mission to

serve those like him, first generation students who need mentoring. While he retired from SIU as the associate chancellor for diversity in 2008, his forty years of service to the university included faculty and administrative positions. He was always considered



a leader in the campus's efforts for diversity and his work in these regards was recognized by state and national officials, committees, commissions and boards. Through his efforts to help a wide variety of initiatives across campus, Dr. Bryson helped SIU Carbondale realize more than \$50 million in external grants during his accomplished career.

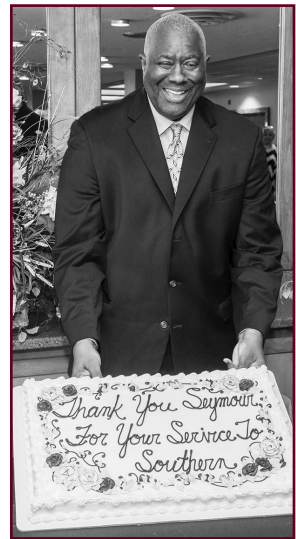
He was the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Senator Emil Jones Mentoring Award, the Introspect Access Award, the Distinguished Service Award from the Illinois Committee on Black Concerns in Higher Education, the School of Social Work Alumni Achievement Award, the Black Affairs Council Roby Given Award, the Iota Phi Theta Community Service Award, and the SIU Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni Award. The SIU Board of Trustees honored him twice before, as a recipient of the Lindell W. Sturgis Memorial Award and the Diversity Excellence Award.

The Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame inducted Bryson in 1992, and he is also an athletic Hall of Fame inductee at Quincy High School and SIU Carbondale. Dr. Bryson was a proud member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. As a member and chair of the Diversifying Faculty Initiative of the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Dr. Bryson brought distinction to SIU Carbondale in his efforts to realize the board's goal of increasing the number of minority full-time tenure track faculty

and staff at the state's two- and four-year public and private colleges and universities. Bryson had a number of scholarly publications to his credit, was widely sought after as a consultant and remained an active community leader. He bridged the campus and community

by serving as president of the Carbondale chapter of the NAACP, president of the Jackson County 708 Mental Health Board, and president and member of the board of directors of the Carbondale United Way.

Dr. Bryson's immediate family have earned nine degrees from Southern Illinois University Carbondale, and the Bryson family has endowed multiple longstanding scholarships to help countless students stay in school and graduate.



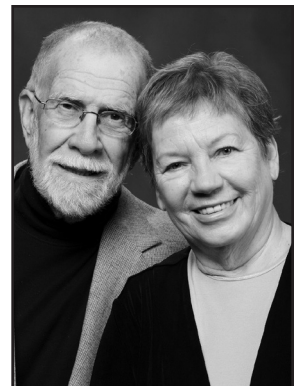
Dr. Seymour Bryson passed away on May 5, 2019, at the age of 81. The Bryson family will accept the Distinguished Service Award on his behalf, in the 6 p.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 8, 2021.

DR. CAROLYN DONOW

Over the course of nearly 50 years on the SIU Carbondale campus, three-degree SIU alumna **Carolyn F. Donow** has served on numerous campus boards and committees – including the Administrative/Professional Staff Council, Annuitant Association, Friends of Morris Library, Friends of WSIU and the McLeod Summer Playhouse – contributing greatly to the university's administrative, academic, and cultural activities.

A southern Illinois native who was raised in Carterville, Dr. Donow earned her bachelor's in English, a master's in Secondary Education and a Ph.D. in Education, from SIU Carbondale. Dr. Donow spent her professional career at SIU Carbondale as well, beginning in 1981 as a researcher and lecturer in psychology. She retired in 2004 as Associate

Director of the Office of Research Development and Administration, where she had worked in various roles over the course of many years. During her time supporting the campus's research enterprise, she assisted in grant proposal planning and budget



preparation and directed programs that brought minority high school students and female junior high school students to campus to work with research scientists.

Dr. Donow was chair of the Administrative/ Professional Staff Council. She served on the SIU Presidential Search Advisory Committee in 1999-2000 and the Chancellor's Planning and Budget Council. In 1998, she served on the University's North Central Accreditation Task Force.

Following her retirement, Dr. Donow continued her involvement with the University in a significant volunteer capacity. She is a longtime member of the Friends of McLeod Summer Playhouse Board, having served as vice president and president. She served for a decade on the Friends of Morris Library Board, including a period as its President, and she served on a Campaign Steering Committee for the university's first-ever capital campaign from 2005-2008.

Dr. Donow and her husband, Herb, who is also retired from the University as a professor and administrator, support numerous campus

organizations, including serving as sponsors of the Southern Illinois Music Festival and the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, where they created an endowment to support students.

As a member of the Carbondale community, Dr. Donow served on the Jackson County Mental Health Board, Carbondale Rape Action Committee, Carbondale Food Bank and Carbondale Women's Center Board. She is a former president of the board of The Science Center of Carbondale.

In 1992, Dr. Donow received the university's Outstanding Administrative-Professional Staff Member of the Year Award and, in 1997, she was named a University Woman of Distinction by University Women's Professional Advancement for contributions to her profession; bringing recognition to SIU Carbondale at state, regional, national and international levels; and for having significant impact on the personal and professional growth of many people.

The Donows reside in Makanda, Illinois, and have four adult children.

Dr. Carolyn Donow will receive her Distinguished Service Award at the 3 p.m. ceremony on Sunday, May 9, 2021.

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Doctor of Philosophy

Ramiz Mahdi Salih Alabd Alsaid
Agricultural Sciences
Logan Park, Ph.D.

“Studies of Fusarium Virguliforme Causing Sudden
Death Syndrome of Soybean”

Mirian Figueira Pimentel
Agricultural Sciences
Ahmad M. Fakhoury, Ph.D.

“Evaluation and Functional Characterization of
Biocontrol Agents Targeting Select Soilborne
Pathogens of Soybean”

Master of Science

Colton P. Carmody
Dakota R. Discepolo
Gavin C. Edwards
Gregory D. Erwin

Nicolai C. Gualdoni
Devin Michael Hoffer
Lindsey M. Orphan
Marilia Pastorello

Kelsey R. Smith
Timothy E. Weber

Bachelor of Science

Matthew Daniel Alcorn
Kelsie M. Allen
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Patrick David Anderson
Ryan A. Archibald
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Bailey S. Barrett
Cristina Maria Fernandez Bell
Justin M. Berberich
magna cum laude

Elizabeth C. Bland
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Riley M. Blandford
Victoria N. Clayton
Logan Z. Connors
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Cierra N. Crowell
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Bradley J. Decker
summa cum laude

Aaron D. Duncan
Jacob A. Dust *cum laude*
Max A. Edwards
Madison Engelbarts *cum laude*
Devin P. Escue *cum laude*
Douglas J. Fancher *cum laude*

Kaitlin Marie Faust
Katelynn Deanne Floyd
Brady A. Fogler
Allison V. Fossett

Lauren M. Frisch
summa cum laude

Clayton Funk
Eli J. Gile *cum laude*
Sadie M. Givens
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Gary D. Griswold
Jacob C. Hancock
Jake M. Hardin
Alexander D. Hartke
summa cum laude

Daniel C. Homan
Randal Hudspeth
Alexa Lynn Jacobs
summa cum laude

Thomas A. Johns
Meghan M. Jurak
summa cum laude ◊

Bryce Lee Kapp
Gavin R. Kelly
Grace Louise Koester
magna cum laude

Adam L. Konopka
Cade Krueger
Skye J. Lane
Nicole L. Laskowski
summa cum laude

Jose J. Leal Jr
Casey Macabulos

Addison G. Mandrell
summa cum laude

Ian M. Matzenbacher
Sarah Kathleen McIntyre
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Seth K. Mckinzie
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Mallory B. McMahan
Nathan J. Meinhart
Taylor L. Miller *cum laude*
Hunter George Mills *cum laude*

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Fuad O. Ogunseye
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Lilyanne L. Poole *cum laude*

Avery V. Rea *cum laude*
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Millien Regis
Cassidy E. Ruble

Adam M. Salmo
Michael A. Schmidt
Spencer W. Schuchman
Nikolas T. Segar
Christina N. Severin
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Mason Alton Shumate

Alyssa N. Sliment *cum laude*
Heather L. Smith
Jarrett R. Smith *magna cum laude*

William B. Smith
Grant L. Snow *summa cum laude*
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Amanda L. Springer *cum laude*
Brittany L. Staniszewski
Kenna E. Steber
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Abbigail R. Stuebs

Jacqueline R. Stuebs
Cody Tyler Suddeth
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Hayden Swain
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Joshua L. Underwood
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Brian Walsh *summa cum laude*
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Erin N. Wilham *summa cum laude*
Garrett W. Williams *cum laude*
Kobe Young
Jonathan L. Yuivar

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Doctor of Philosophy

Yousef Saeed M Alsenani
Computer Science
Khaled R. Ahmed, Ph.D.
"Trust and Reliability-Based Frameworks for Secure
Volunteer Cloud Computing"

Yachu Du
Chemistry
Kyle Plunkett, Ph.D.
"New Design Strategies for the Preparation and
Linking of Cyclopenta-Fused Polycyclic
Aromatic Hydrocarbons"

Alvin Rafer Gonzales
Computer Science
Mark Byrd, Ph.D. and Henry Hexmoor, Ph.D.
"Quantum Error Correction for General Noise"

Jason Scott Henry
Plant Biology
Andrew J. Wood, Ph.D. and Karen S. Renzaglia, Ph.D.
"Studies on Cell Wall Composition in Bryophytes
Across Taxa, Tissue, and Time"

Nhung Xuan Hong Le
Molecular Biology, Microbiology & Biochemistry
Donald Torry, Ph.D. and Andrea Braundmeier-
Fleming, Ph.D.
"Association of Immune Dysfunction with Microbial
Dynamics and Aberrant Estrogen Metabolism
in Reproductive Disorders"

Ellie Blagoeva Lovellette
Computer Science
Henry Hexmoor, Ph.D. and Dennis Bouvier, Ph.D.
"Automated Algorithmic Machine-To-Machine
Negotiation for Lane Changes Performed By
Driverless Vehicles at the Edge of the Internet
of Things"

Devon Charles Oliver
Zoology
Gregory W. Whitledge, Ph.D.
"An Evaluation of the Lower Ohio River Channel, Blue,
and Flathead Catfish Fishery"

Jierui Yu
Chemistry
Pravas Deria, Ph.D.
"Photophysics of Chromophore Assemblies in Porous
Frameworks"

Yuanqin Zhang
Molecular Biology, Microbiology & Biochemistry
Daotai Nie, Ph.D.
"TMEM97/Sigma 2 Receptor Increases Estrogen
Receptor Alpha Activity to Promote Breast
Cancer Proliferation"

Master of Arts

Loumeime Baba Gueye

Master of Science

Manoj Kumar Agrahari
Alie Saymur M. Alanazi
Lucas M. Ambrose
Sai Vishal Goud Babburi
Amanda M. Blocker
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Manu Shirur Nagabhushana
William Joseph Sipek
Nikki Jane Walker
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Kurt W. Wisner Jr

Bachelor of Arts

Alexandria Grace Martinez

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Tylor Wolters

Bachelor of Science

Kenan Abed-Mahmoud
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summa cum laude ◊
Kathryn A. Ayers
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Makenzie L. Ballenger
summa cum laude ◊
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Whitley F. Holden ◊
Kylie S. Horstmann
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Seth M. Kelly
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Morgan S. Smith
magna cum laude ◊

Tyler L. Sons
Donna St Amour
Haley Anne Stellmach
David Stroz
Corey J. Swiger
Makenna L. Tallon *cum laude*
Aliza Tandukar *cum laude*
Olivia-Bryn C. Tarantella
cum laude
Mya Nerisse Tatum *cum laude*
Jeremiah S. Thomas
Alexis C. Trubitt
Cindy Trujillo
Christopher P. Ulloa
Hemanth Vanamala
magna cum laude
Colin William Waller
magna cum laude
Amber S. Walsh
Jasmine Webster-Moore
Kaitlyn Renee Wiegand
summa cum laude
Alexandria M. Wilcox
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Hakeem D. Wilson
Audrey M. Winters
magna cum laude ◊
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Hela Saleh M. Alkhider

English

Anne Chandler, Ph.D.

“Beyond Feminism: The Discourse of Positionality and Transnationalism in Alice Munro’s Short Fiction”

Justin Matthew D’Agostino

Anthropology

David Sutton, Ph.D. and Stephanie Spehar, Ph.D.

“Acoustic Temporal Variation, Call Order, and Travel in Response to Anthropogenic Noise in Wild Siamang (*Symphalangus Syndactylus*)”

Christian Isaac Darfah

Economics

AKM Mahbub Morshed, Ph.D.

“Essays on Value Added Trade and Business Cycle Synchronization: Aggregate and Sector Level Analysis”

Anne-Marie Cobry DiCosola

Anthropology

Paul D. Welch, Ph.D.

“Places Set Apart: Stone Forts and Late Woodland Ritual Practice in the Shawnee Hills of Southern Illinois”

Kathryn Brittany Golsan

Communication Studies

Sandy Pensoneau-Conway, Ph.D.

“Communication GTA Coordinators’ Implementation of Diversity and Difference Within GTA Training and Development”

Oksana Grabova

Economics

Kevin Sylwester, Ph.D.

“Heterogeneous Effects of Trade Agreements on Trade”

Emily Harriett Humbert

Philosophy

Kenneth Stickers, Ph.D.

“Canine-Based Training Programs in Prisons as a Deweyan Ethic”

Nneamaka Ifeoma Ilchukwu

Economics

Sajal Lahiri, Ph.D.

“Environment and International Trade: A Multicountry Empirical Study”

Yagha Raj Joshi

Economics

Alison Watts, Ph.D. and Chifeng Dai, Ph.D.

“Impact of Broadband on Research, Innovation and Employment”

Melissa Ann Kinsella

English

Lisa J. McClure, Ph.D.

“Graduate Tutors/Instructors: Navigating Shifting Identity Roles”

Brett Andrew Lacey

Criminology & Criminal Justice

Christopher W. Mullins, Ph.D.

“Legalization Effects on Illegal Multi-State Cannabis Distribution Networks”

Christopher Michael Lancaster

Communication Studies

Jonathan M. Gray, Ph.D.

“Reframing Educational Shame and Worry: Underserved Students and Narrative Intersubjectivity”

Chanhee Lee

Philosophy

Kenneth Stickers, Ph.D.

“Deliberative Democracy: John Dewey and Alasdair MacIntyre”

Rebecca Jane Tuxhorn

Sociology

Christopher Wienke, Ph.D.

“How Are Women Farmers ‘Doing’ and ‘Undoing’ Gender?: An Exploration of Women’s Gender Practices in Farming”

Master of Fine Arts

Dylan Cale Davis
Lizabeth J. Engelmeier
Jessica Freeman
Dustin A. Hageland
Margaret Anne Howton
Lauren McDaniel

Nathaniel George Mohlman
Joshua M Niles
Benjamin Osborne
Sunyoung Park
Jessica I. Rigdon
Sarah O. Schore

Chuchen Song
Kyle Stolcenberg
Stephen Garmon Tabor
Mikayla Jamil Washington
Ho Seok Youn

Master of Arts

Syed Sazzadul Alam
Abdulaziz Hussain Alanazi
Jose Nicolas Benavides Pantoja
Travis Michael Bond
Ben J. Bradley
Conor Joseph Byrne
Busra Can
Charlie Hope Dorsey
Matthew Phillip Gunn

Byron Elias Gutierrez
Bradley Scott Husemann
Satveer S. Kler
Monica Kruse
William J. Locher
Crhstopher Armando Lopez
Mendoza
Eva Maria Messemer
Laura Naharro Alonso

Ololade Hakeem Okanlawon
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Olatoyosi J. Adelakun
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Nikeya M. Alford
Audrey Kathlynn Ambrosio
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Carl Eddie Anderson Jr
Carley Anderson *cum laude*
Abriana L. Banks
Katelynn Bardle
Luis Enrique Barrera

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Yash D. Bedi
Whitnie Christina Bernard
Zachary Berndt
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Austin M. Bobb
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Dakota Bradshaw *cum laude*
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Taje Buckingham
Brooke D. Buerck
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Hunter A. Bullard
Garrett James Burns
magna cum laude
Jiali Chen
Rifah T. Chowdhury ◊
Elena R. Cornelius *cum laude* ✦

Dwight J. Cox
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 Xante P. Cutroni *cum laude*
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 John V. L. Danner
 Lauren J. Davis
 Tra' Deidra Diarra Makeda Davis
magna cum laude ◊
 Toby Demidzic
 Jacob Edward DeWitt
magna cum laude
 Bailey R. Dickson
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magna cum laude ◊
 De-Lan E. Dixon
 Jerry Dominguez
 Caleb J. Dowdy
 Peter Joseph Dunkel
 Erin Riley Dunn
summa cum laude
 William Jacob Dunning
magna cum laude
 Francisco Duran
 Richard Brian Eaton Jr
 Tyler Terral Edwards *cum laude*
 Rachel A. Ewing
summa cum laude ◊ ✦
 Cole Derek Fedderke
 Cheyenne R. Ferketich
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 Kate L. Forer *summa cum laude* ◊
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 Sean Patrick Furlow
 Abigail L. Galvin
 August Henry Ganchiff
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 Hilda Michelle Garcia
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 Bridget Leigh Geene
 Sonja V. Gelin *cum laude* ◊
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 Kylie Grant
 C. Demetri Gray
 Chelsi Paige Green
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 Carly J. Groff
 Aimee C. Grundberg
magna cum laude
 Audrey A. Haar *magna cum laude*
 Tiana Monet Hamilton
 Andrea L. Hammond
 Jacob D. Harlan *cum laude*
 Johnathon Tyler Harris
summa cum laude ◊
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 David Kelly Hellberg
 Brea Henson
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 James E. Hillard
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 Ryland James Howell
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 Dakotah L. Hubler *cum laude*
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 Fadzai Mawisire
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cum laude
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magna cum laude
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 Jenna Worth Sale
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Jeremy William Settles
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Zechariah J. Smith
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Lauren Stengel *magna cum laude*
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Noah G. West ◊
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Jade F. Williams
Kaylie J. Williams *cum laude*
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magna cum laude
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Prescott Alexander Doll
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Caleb Michael Hallock *cum laude*
Theo John Graham Hassim
summa cum laude
Emily A. Hoskinson
Joshua Robert Johnson
Emma Mary LaFortune

Darion D. Lee
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Jack I. Miller
Allison Tess Morey
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LaNeal Dajuan Nance
Grace H. Nowak
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cum laude
Autumn Danielle Paige Pilkington
cum laude

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Peyton Grace Schnurr
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Curtis Allan DeBlicek
Samuel Ebersold
Erika Farias-Diaz

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Kirsten L. Gard
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Zequita Denesia Williams
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Stephany A. Winter

COLLEGE OF MASS COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA ARTS

Doctor of Philosophy

Marguerite Marie Page
Mass Communication & Media Arts
William Freivogel, J.D.
“Visual Narratives in Presidential Campaign 2020:
A Battle of Beliefs, Values, & Ideologies”

Soumik Pal
Mass Communication & Media Arts
Jyotsna Kapur, Ph.D.
“The Making of The Man's Man: Stardom and
the Cultural Politics of Neoliberalism In
Hindustva India”

Master of Fine Arts

Zachary Adam Risher

Master of Arts

Danah K. Alsabt

Master of Science

Erikah M. Lewis

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Bachelor of Arts

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Chance Edward Crawford
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Nicholas James Esslinger
Noah Gould
Alice Guan
Taylor S. Harper ◊
Orion B. Hill *magna cum laude*

Jared Joseph Jackson
Victoria Alexis Kuball
Stone Thomas Labanowitz
Maggie M. Lathem *cum laude*
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Evan T. Loos *cum laude*
Mia Marx *summa cum laude*
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Emma Mae Neumeyer *cum laude*
Amber R. Newingham
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Trey M. Reamer
Adam Reinhardt *cum laude*
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Jodee L. Harmon
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Taylor Alexis Hotaling *cum laude*

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Robin Marin Komie
Qi Lu
Francesca R. Meixner

Brittany Briana Murphy
Jennifer A. St. Louis
Raymond C. Sullivan Jr
George P. Wiebe

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Philosophy

Xian Liu
Environmental Resources & Policy
David Gibson, Ph.D. and Guangxing Wang, Ph.D.
“Prediction of Non-Native Invasive Plant Species
Occurrences in Relation to Environmental
Variables in Southern Illinois”

MAY 8, 2021
SALUKI STADIUM
12 P.M.

Processional of Faculty and Platform Party

National Anthem

"The Star-Spangled Banner"

John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key, arrangement
by Walter Damrosch and John Philip Sousa

Greetings and Introduction of Platform Party

Recognition of Families

Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Masters Degrees

Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees

Tassel Turning

Welcome from the SIU Alumni Association

Alma Mater

"Southern Alma Mater"

Grover Clarke Morgan, Composer

Recessional

For safety purposes, please remain in your seat until after the recessional is complete.
Guests will not be allowed on the Saluki Stadium field during or after the ceremony. Thank you.

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✦ Multiple degree candidate

cum laude 3.5-3.749
magna cum laude 3.75-3.899
summa cum laude 3.9-4.0

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Caleb Mark Nehring
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Christell J. Holmes

Jordan R. Kilpatrick
Destenii Parise Thomas-Anderson

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Earsker Hawkins
David Michael Johnson

Nicholas Frank Lezza
Chris K. Potempa
Fabio Puccini

Mickil Smith
Steven Louis Tomzik

Bachelor of Science

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Fatema Rashed Alharbi
cum laude
Gianna Monique Allen
Noah A. Allen *magna cum laude*
Owen R. Allen *magna cum laude*
Verneceelyn N. Allen *cum laude* ◊
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Wardah Alsultan
Rafael Alvarez *cum laude*
Zachary W. Amenda *cum laude* ✦
Marc B. Ammelounx
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Trent A. Antoine
Cole Argoudelis
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Alex G. Auld *cum laude*
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Kortney T. Bailey

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Hannah Barton
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Alec Joseph Bayer
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Abigail Marie Biggs
magna cum laude
Callie S. Bigham
Daniel William Black
Alexander D. Blaise
Robert E. Blaydes *cum laude*
Emily M. Born *summa cum laude*
Jake Gerard Boryszewski
Maya L. Bott

Alyssa N. Bowen *cum laude*
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Lelon Webb Brasseale
Caleb Y. Breazeale
Benjamin K. Bricton
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William H. Broms
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Matthew Buck *cum laude*
Emily Renee Buehnerkemper
cum laude
Nguyen N. Bui *summa cum laude*
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magna cum laude
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 Andrea M. Dail *summa cum laude*
 Eburn Daley
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 Dustin Ryan Everhardt
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 Paige Margaret Irene Gower
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 Alex L. Grenhoff *cum laude*
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 Jackson Henry Kriegesies
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 Mallory L. Kruse
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Keri R. McGuire
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Allison Mesinere
Conner John Mikoff *cum laude*
Lukas A. Miller ✦
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magna cum laude

Elaine K. Day

Justin Goldsby ✦

Ian P. Kalips ✦

Alfred J. Kinchen

magna cum laude ✦

Brett J. Korte ✦

Jackson Henry Kriegesies
cum laude ✦

Lexi P. Lamb *cum laude*

Lukas A. Miller ✦

Zachary Mohr
summa cum laude ✦

Zakary Mumm ✦

Michael D. Olson ✦

Nicholas John Osborne
cum laude ✦

Jessica A. Oyler *cum laude*

Cory W. Patton *cum laude*

Kelsey M. Pearson

Sara S. Piechowski *cum laude*

Ariel L. Randle

Noah P. Redfeairn

Carson L. Slaney
summa cum laude ✦

Thomas Smith ✦

Bridgett M. Stephens

Mariah F. Vaughn
magna cum laude

Gavin R. Voris
summa cum laude ✦

Olivia A. Weber *cum laude*

Matthew J. West *cum laude*

Lexi A. Wheeler

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cum laude 3.5-3.749
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summa cum laude 3.9-4.0

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Master of Accountancy

Khalid Saleh M. Alhajjaj
Nasser Abdulkareem Aljarboua
Ariunaa Bat-Erdene
Seth M. Bayer
Cameron G. Beers
Allison M. Bone
Maggie Bryant
Brandon Cox
Steven D. Darden Jr

Kaitlin M. Deters
Elizabeth A. Hall
Emily E. Hillis
Austin B. Jarrett
Lan Jiang
Jessica Renee Lovdahl
Keegan K. McGee
Austin R. Miller
Julie Ann Porter

Kelly Elaine Sanders
Sean Alden Scott
Alexandra N. Walsh
Chase R. Whelan
Colin G. Whelan
Jingwen Yao
Lingwan Yu

Master of Business Administration

Erasmus Alarcon
Lindsey Lee Applebee
William N. Armstrong V
Henry P. Boeckmann
Chase R. Cheatham
Krista L. Daniel

Kunal Das
Zeela Ophilea James Arulchelvam
Darin K. Lawrence
Linsky Lundy
Anthony Richmond Marlett
Daniel Kevin McSkimming

Jessica Dawn Pauley
Joseph Edward Rademacher
Craig Hawley Rogers
Katie E. Schwebel
Antonio Brenton Taylor
Kathleen Denise Williams

Bachelor of Science

Justin W. Abbink
summa cum laude
Nyah D. Addison *cum laude*
Alhanouf Fahad Alfawaz
magna cum laude
Tabitha Christien Anderson
Ebony M. Armstrong ◊
Shereen Ashraf
summa cum laude
Kyle R. Back *summa cum laude*
Ruxandra Bele *cum laude*
Tomiyah R. Bell
Lucas R. Boles
summa cum laude ◊
Hector Bonilla Jr.
Abigail E. Brockmeyer
magna cum laude
Megan Katherine Brown
cum laude
Katlin Amanda Butzen
Bradley M. Cagle
summa cum laude ◊
Kailey J. Cameron
Justin S. Carlson-Gaimari
summa cum laude
Cole M. Cavanaugh

Jenna Lynne Chaney
Yunfei Cheng
Samuel J. Childers
summa cum laude
Gerald Raymond Coker
Roman T. Cole
summa cum laude ◊
Anedra N. Collier
Breanna M. Collins *cum laude*
Yair Alberto Cordoba Bonilla
Kyala L. Darby
Lucas Edward Davis *cum laude*
Ryan A. Demer
Connor J. Diulus *cum laude*
Brandon J. Eichelburger
Christina Fellers
Jonah Fender
David J. Fletcher
summa cum laude
Allyson Jean French *cum laude*
Nicholas John Gajewski
Logan Gillispie *cum laude*
Tana P. Ginter
David James Gorsage
Jenny M. Gossman
Kenneth R. Gray

Zachary W. Hall
Tatyana S. Harriel
summa cum laude
Bonnie Heaton
Isaac T. Heischmidt
Elijah K. Henson
summa cum laude
Xinyue Huang
LaRoyale M. Hunley
Stepan Hurmak
Jordan N. Ihler
Jonathan Iniguez
Daryah M. Ireland
Nicholas E. Jennings *cum laude*
Jiaxin Ji *magna cum laude*
Leroy Timothy Jones III
Isaac Iraguha Kazeera
Ethan J. Keller *cum laude*
Shayne Larae Kempfer
Shireen Khan
Charles Gregory Lambert Jr
Jenna A. Laster
Edson E. Legorreta
Jiarui Li
Tianyu Li
Daniel A. Lobo

Anthony O. Lopez *cum laude*

Andrea Los

Brandon M. Lynn

summa cum laude

Shuo Ma

Holly L. Marousek

Matthew Russell Masley

Michael T. McCormick

Brooke D. McKenzie

Jacob D. McKinney

Caleb James Meador *cum laude*

Mario Medina

Steven T. Merdian *cum laude*

Lisa Marie Molinarolo

Brittanie Kay Morrell

Sydney B. Moss

magna cum laude

Calis Amber Mullins

summa cum laude ◊

Jasmine N. Noble

Kelsey R. Odom

magna cum laude ◊ ✦

Lauren R. Ozenkoski *cum laude*

William Franklin Parbs

Aiden J. Payne *magna cum laude*

Jacob W. Pennell

Rachel M. Perez

magna cum laude

Troy A. Phillips Jr

Anne M. Preston

summa cum laude ◊

Muhammad Jeffrey Ramlay

Atchara Rawarak

magna cum laude

Wanjia Ren

Jayci R. Reyling

Dominick Joseph Russotto

Bryse M. Scott

Theron Seckington

Jose Ivan Serrano Jr

Cameron Andrew Sheehan

Makenzie Paige Silvey

magna cum laude

Charles J. Sipko *cum laude*

Brogan W. Smith

summa cum laude

Lauren N. Smith

magna cum laude

Samantha Snyder

Nicole Sojda

Jamie Michelle Sorto

Alexa Spokas

summa cum laude ◊

Luke H. Stadts

Marci Jo Stalkfleet

Shane Michael Svec

Chloe E. Tabor

Keisha Tevebaugh

Sarah L. Thoele

Tiffany Renee Tucker

Adrian C. Veseli *cum laude*

Zhibei Wang *cum laude*

Evonna L. Waters

magna cum laude

Yidan Wei *cum laude*

Alyssa M. Wellinghoff

magna cum laude

Meredith Grace Wernig

magna cum laude

Clayton M. Willson

Mason J. Wolford *cum laude*

Roy G. Worthen

summa cum laude

Jacob M. Wright

Yuxuan Xia

Yucheng Zeng *cum laude*

Hongfei Zhang

Kaifeng Zhao

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Doctor of Philosophy

Kshitij Amar

Engineering Science

Farhan Chowdhury, Ph.D.

“Effect of Intrinsic and Extrinsic Mechanical Cues on Fate Decisions of Epiblast Stem Cells”

Meisam Ansari

Electrical & Computer Engineering

Arash Asrari, Ph.D.

“Real-Time Congestion Management in Modern Distribution Systems”

Hemachandra Reddy Gorla

Electrical & Computer Engineering

Frances J. Harackiewicz, Ph.D.

“Miniaturized Ultra-Wideband Antennas For Wireless Communications”

Neekita Joshi

Engineering Science

Ajay Kalra, Ph.D.

“Assessing the Significance of Climate Variability on Groundwater Rise and Sea Level Changes”

Yikai Li

Electrical & Computer Engineering

Gayan Amarasureiya Aruma Baduge, Ph.D.

“Non-Orthogonal Multiple Access For Massive Multiple-Input Multiple-Output Relay-Aided/Cell-Free Networks”

Zois Gerasimos Tasoulas

Electrical & Computer Engineering

Iraklis Agagnostopoulos, Ph.D.

“Resource Management and Application Customization for Hardware Accelerated Systems”

Master of Science

Abdelrahman Mohamed A
Abouhassira Sr
Pradip Acharya
Pranav Reddy Ala
Fatimah Hussain Y Alsafar
Ahmed Falah H Alshammari
Prashant Baral
Sudip Baral
Rabin Basnet
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Md Hasibul Jamil
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Austin Carl Kearns
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Corey Landis
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Shawn Allen Newberry
Sajjan Nhuchhen Pradhan
Kyle R. Ozier
Pradeep Pandey
Abhijeet Pattnaik
Fardeen Kabir Protick
Akbal Rain
Saroj Sapkota
Jiaming Tang
Doretha Zolicoffer

Bachelor of Science

Christopher Allen Abernathie ²²
Sharif Raafat Abouomar
cum laude ²⁶
Terry J. Aeschleman *cum laude* ²²
Ibrahim Saad Alahmari
Muhammad Ajlan A Alajlan
Ali Alghamdi
Abdullah Zayed K Alkhamali
Omar Alkhathami
Gabriel J. Allen *cum laude*
Zahir Abdulaziz Almaghlouth
Mohammad Alqahtani
Christopher Uriah Anderson
Elizardo Arteaga ²³
Jessiah Baillies ²³
Dalton J. Banach *cum laude*
Adonis J. Barnes
William E. Benson *cum laude*
Kyle D. Berquist
Samuel A. Biggs
Allison M. Bires
Dacoda L. Blockley *cum laude*
Ashton Brewer
Gregory Paul Brionez
Devon A. Cantrell
magna cum laude ◊
Nicole M. Carpenter
Victor M. Chagolla ²³
Ho Sam Chung
Michael L. Church
magna cum laude
Rylee J. Collier ◊
Brandon Conte
Adam Morton Cox
James D. Croft

Alaric Davis
Hector Daniel De La Cruz
Rodriguez ²⁹
Yugalkishor C. Desai *cum laude* ³
Lucas N. Doiron
Marlana J. Ferrari
Antonio Flores
Sofia Marie Arenasa Flores
Timothy Wayne Green
Tamas Hajtman *cum laude*
Ivan M. Harewood Sr
Ryan J. Herkert
Marvin A. Herrera ²³
Eric James Hettel
Benjamin L. Holland
summa cum laude
Yilin Huang *cum laude*
Ian Michael Isely
summa cum laude ◊
Zakary Adam Jones
Scott J Kasper *magna cum laude* ◊
David Kotarba
Raymond N. Kramer
summa cum laude ◊
Jessica A. Kurpius
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Michael R. Kushnerik
magna cum laude ◊
Ryan Angel Lampon
Xian E. Lim *cum laude*
Jorge Luis Lopez ²³
Nicholas P. Mansell
summa cum laude
Hugo Martinez ²³
Kangsen Mpaco Masango ³

Scott Joseph May *cum laude*
Trenton C. E. Mayes ◊
Justin M. McCullough ³
Kaleb N. McMurray
Samuel Robert Metzger
Rachel C. Mieritz ◊
Heath Aaron Miller ³
John MacDonnell Morgan ³
Waqar Muhammad ²⁹
Jesus Murillo ²⁹
Bradley A. Newby *cum laude*
Ryne T. O'Rourke
Antuan M. Pitts-McCoy
Brett Michael Price ◊
Matthew Richard Proemsey ²⁶
Alison T. Richardson
Paul Rios
Dean R. Rutherford
Jackson R. Saffel *cum laude* ◊
Eric William Sanders *cum laude* ²²
Joseph Stephen Schumack
Dylan Scott
Kshitiz Shahi
Maryam Sohail
Ryan M. Stefan
Michael M. Stern *cum laude*
Charles H. Stewart
magna cum laude
Joseph J. Stock *cum laude* ²⁶
Ethan D. Swihart
Jonathon A. Swisher
Jonathan Charles Tagge
Jadin Silas Tanner ◊
Benjamin M. Tapscott *cum laude*
Alex Marshall Taylor ³

Jayce Shavon Thompson
Kevin Richard Thompson
cum laude
Aalayah Renee Ticer
Daniel Clyde Tonyan Jr.
Jonathan Torres⁹
Tyler Trainor *cum laude*

John O. Turton
Collin A. Van Ausdoll
Brock M. VanBlaricum *cum laude*
Gretchen Anais Volling *cum laude*
Matthew Louis Von Till
cum laude ♦
Tommy P. Whitaker Jr *cum laude*

Alexander H. White
Samuel Willadsen
Clark A. Williamson
Jackson Winn
Scott W. Wolfe
Shawn David Young
Raul Zayas

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Philosophy

William Christopher Weston
Molecular, Cellular & Systemic Physiology
Dale B. Hales, Ph.D.

“Flaxseed’s Paradoxical Role in Extending Lifespan
and Reproductive Capacity in White Leghorn
Laying Hens; and the Effect of Polyunsaturated
Fatty Acids (PUFAs) on Lipid Metabolism,
Mitochondrial Bioenergetics and E-cadherin
Expression in Laying Hen Ovarian Tumors”

Master of Science

Sandeep Adhikari

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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Doctor of Education

Thomas J. Webb

Educational Administration

William Bradley Colwell, Ph.D.

“Exploring the Impact of Professional Learning
Communities to Support the Learning of
Students with Special Needs”

Anthony Bryan Wilson

Educational Administration

William Bradley Colwell, Ph.D.

“Mastering Math in Vocational Classes”

Doctor of Philosophy

Maali Shahi Z Alruwaili

Health Education

Robert McDermott, Ph.D.

“The Choice of Faith Healing Over Modern Medicine
as a Treatment for Breast Cancer in Women
From Al-Jouf City in Saudi Arabia”

Mohammadreza Jalaeian Taghadomi

Curriculum & Instruction

Peter J. Fadde, Ph.D.

“Applying Video-Occlusion Research Method to Guide
the Design of a Perceptual-Cognitive Training
Program for Law Enforcement Officers”

Mahsa Bashang

Curriculum & Instruction

Christie C. McIntyre, Ph.D. and Heidi R. Bacon, Ph.D.

“Homes as Zones of Proximal Intercultural
Understanding and Development”

Petra Kristi Mulyani

Curriculum & Instruction

Christie C. McIntyre, Ph.D.

“Alignment of Indonesian Curriculum with Progress
in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS)”

Kristen Lee Brewer

Health Education

Robert McDermott, Ph.D.

“Teaching Stress, Sex, Drugs, and Drinking:
A Qualitative Study Among Undergraduates
Regarding Introductory Personal Health
Course Topics”

Musa Yahaya

Health Education

Justin T. McDaniel, Ph.D.

“Electronic Cigarette Smoking and Health-Related
Quality of Life: Findings Between Nigeria and
United States College and University Students”

Aynur Charkasova

Workforce Education

Barbara Hagler, Ph.D. and Lin Zhong, Ph.D.

“The Effect of Immigration Status on Earnings of
Skilled Immigrants in STEM Occupations”

Master of Public Health

Precious Angel Aguirre

Kwabena A. Agyeman

Amna Akram Ali

Tishauna L Edwards

Odinaka Benita Ekwonwa

Michelle Christine Garnett

Ashley Ann Moss

Trevor J. Thompson

Luke J. Walber

Master of Science

Madison E. Allardyce

Jessica E. Bacon

Makayla Elaine Davis

McKenzie Dieken

Maddison L. Franklin

Lindsey Marie Gray

Tatiana V. Green

Vanessa Gutierrez

Jordyn L. Hoesman

Mariah L. Kramer

Kady M. Lampley

Annie Elaine Lietz

Aleyda W. Lopez
Rachel Christine Mayer
Drew E. Middleton
Audrey Marie Mlakar
Jennifer Lynn Montecinos

Gabrielle M. O'Brien
Alysh O. Oetzel
RaySean Aneise Pugh
Melina K. Segneri
Mollie D. Strain

Tiaja R. Strickland
Shauna Jo Tomblinson
Prativa Tripathee
Katrina Elizabeth Verhagen
Brooke N. Whittington

Master of Science in Education

Cortney Ales
Alison Nicole Alstott
Emma K. Baalman
Makean M. Bang
Taylor Marie Bennett
Nicholas A. Bowen
Luke Thomas Bullard
Yueh Shih Chen
Valerie Jane Clodi
Bryan Sean Cotton
Robert Wallace Dosier
Filip Eugene Ferguson
Austin J. Fishback
Peter John Fox
Mykel K. Gary
Amber Lou Ann George
Erik D. Graves

Alexander Conley Halbrook
Marlan Harris
Jason R. Hendrickson
Christopher Hinkle
Lindsey Honkomp
David Iacono
Brett E. Johnson
Gabriel Jones
Kassandra Rae Jones
Zachary P. Jones
Danielle Michelle Kaufman
Paige A. King
John Oluwaseun Kolade
Brandon Lee
Brandon S. Lindholm
Renee Michelle Lipe
Michael A. Lyznicki

Varsha Mall
Jordan Riley Mays
Kent Eric Meckfessel
Mahtab Naghnaeian
Tyson Boyd Neal
Bethany Ivana Peppers
Mia Porter
Cassandra Maureen Roy
Erin L. Sinnott
Ashley M. Spears
Justin A. Stephens
Jasmin Valadez
Unree Westley
Tony D. Wills
Jennifer Lynn Wood

Master of Social Work

Brandi N. Aken
Mary Kristina Anderson
Danielle P. Bates
Breanna Paige Benson
Noah Berman
Amber R. Beyke
Brittany N. Campbell
Jessica Lynne Childers
Kelley Danielle Chronister
Caitlyn Rene Clossen
Bethany D. Cottle
Travis Dobrey
Tyjuana Eason
Melena Cyan Farley
Dalton Shane Francis
Michelle L. Grotefendt
Rachel Ann Gunn
Esmeralda Guzman
Katherine E. Haggard

Jacqueline M. Harsy
Joslyn Hudson
Desire'e Denise Lacy
Alexa P. Landis
Ashton Lappin
Samantha E. Matthews
Victoria Nichole Mayo
Harley N. McIlwain
Ashley Lee McReynolds
Drake A. Miller
Carina Morales
Robert Musoiu
Kalyann N. Myers
Lauren A. Nottmeier
Erich Fate Pilz
Cynthia Ramirez
Lori Carol Randolph
Erika E. Riley
Shae Edvoni Robinson

Aline Rosario
Rachel L. Satterwhite
Sheridan Noel Schmelig
ShaQuise Smith
Jade A. South
James D. Sparks
Michaela Stanley
Rachel Ann Stellhorn
Alexandra A. Stromidlo
Octavia U. Swango
Rachel Lynn Taylor

Bachelor of Science

Lanette Annissa Acree

Margaret Adams

*magna cum laude*²⁹

Jeremy Lee Adelman¹⁵

Keenan David Agnew *cum laude*

Elizabeth Alfaro *cum laude*

Darius J. Anderson

Hailey K. Armstrong

magna cum laude

Eric Banks

Olivia Barragan Velasquez

Angelica Barragan

summa cum laude

Allison P. Bass *cum laude*

Madison L. Bates

Bria A. Beckenbach

Rachel A. Becker

*magna cum laude*²⁹

Cheaney S. Bell

Skyler Krystine Belmonte

cum laude

Malcom J. Berry II

Gillian M. Besson *cum laude*

Natalie A. Bethers *cum laude*

Stephan L. Bickham

David M. Blackburn

Brittany L. Blackman *cum laude*

Maris L. Boelens

magna cum laude

LaDeejah F. Boulden *cum laude*

Tamyia K. Boyd

Kailyn K. Boydston *cum laude*

Chenelle A. Brazil

Timothy Brenneisen *cum laude*

Alexis C. Brooks

Chelsea Brown

Hunter Dylan Brown

Jack D. Brown

Jada Skye Burr *cum laude*

Tyler J. Byland

Jemal Corey Cannon

McKinley C. Carver

Brooklyn Kennedy Casebolt²⁹

Guy Richard Cashman

Jaci Paige-Bodine Cecil

Mariana Celis *cum laude*²⁹

Dane Chase

Veronica I. Cinquegrani

*cum laude*²⁹

Ce Ce Cheryln Clemons

Kennedy M. Cloe

Tyler G. Coakley

Kayleigh S. Conlon *cum laude*

Robyn Cornelissen *cum laude*¹⁸

Elena R. Cornelius *cum laude* ♦

Erica A. Costantino

Christopher D. Cotton Jr

Tristan Coulter

Esther D. Creamer *cum laude*

Carolyn T. Crosswhite

Margaret Alaine Curtis

magna cum laude

Amber R. Daly

Quran T. Davis

Martha E. Deetz *cum laude*

Spencer R. Dennison

Alexis Renee Diaz

Melanie P. Diel

Ronald A. Dixon

Elaine Elizabeth Donovan

*cum laude*²⁹

Erin Donovan²⁹

Shanice T. Drummond

Lexi Dryier

Janeen Elizabeth Duer

magna cum laude

Ashley N. Dunning

Sydney E. Eggers

Catherine L. Elson

Katherine S. Embry

magna cum laude

Hannah C. Epplin

magna cum laude

Elissa R. Escue *cum laude*

Sandra K. Eversole *cum laude*

Genesis Ewell

Rachel A. Ewing

summa cum laude ♦ ♦

Roger Jeffrey Eyrolles *cum laude*²⁰

Jeremy L. Fairman¹⁷

Estefani Abigail Falcon

*cum laude*²⁹

Vanessa Maria Feacher

Andrew Joseph Ferenchak

*magna cum laude*⁶

Willis Maurice Ford

Michael Thomas Fossali

Cooper H. Fredricksen

Laura M. Gackstatter

Jasmina Gantt⁶

Jaime Garcia

Yianet Garcia

Christina Marie Gardner

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Jacob E. Garland

Alyssa M. Garza

Devon L. Gaston *cum laude*

Breanna N. George

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Bryce A. Glasco *cum laude*

Chad Grant

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Dylan M. Green

Morgan Alyse Griffith

Foster D. Gundlach

Meg M. Haggard

Angela Lynn Harper

Lerome Harvey¹⁵

Taylor J. Hauck

Kevin Patrick Heatherton

cum laude

Jaqueline Hernandez²⁹

Nathan Michael Hinkle

Danylle L. Hoover

Skylar A. Houseman-Eddings

summa cum laude

Charlie B. Howard

Krysta Ann Howell

Brenna L. Howerton

magna cum laude

Quentoria A. Hudson

Lasandra Katrice Hughes-Brown

Kyra Hunter

Johnathan L. Jackson

Terence Leon Jackson⁶

Aryssa Jassoy²⁹

Kelsie M. Jennings

summa cum laude

David Frederick Johnson Sr.

Ra'Deja L. Johnson

Hallie Abigail Jones

summa cum laude

Laurence McClean Jump

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Lauryl K. Kadela
summa cum laude

Christy Nicole Keirn
magna cum laude

Belle L. Kelley

Brianna N. Kelley

Jerome Clarence Kline III

Emily R. Kling *cum laude*

Maegan N. Klingler

Cassandra E. Kochan *cum laude*

Amy Marie Kovarik

Jacob A. Krotz *cum laude*

Morgan A. Kruse

Justina A. Lanni *cum laude*

Noah Howard Large

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Kendra L. Logar
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Jacob W. Long

Emma Lopez *magna cum laude*²⁹

Breanna L. Losson *cum laude*²⁹

Kyndra M. Lowery
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Elizabeth Anne Luper
summa cum laude

Briaunna M. Lyons
magna cum laude

Adrianna E. Magnone

Maryam Makhdoom
summa cum laude ◊

Caitlin Michelle Marks
Vladimir Edgardo Marroquin

Stephanie M. Martinez

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Olivia L. Massie
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Megan Marie Mayberry
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Joseph Christopher McDonald

Emilyee R. McGiles *cum laude*

Kallista A. McIntyre
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Raelyn M. Melton

Charmie Valencia Mendoza¹⁷

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Samantha R. Mertes

Dyana J. Metheny

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Madison Meyer

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Brandon Miller

Chad Lee Miller

Jenifer Lynn Miller *cum laude*²⁹

Maddie L. Miller
magna cum laude

Anna M. Monson *cum laude* ◊ ◊

Shariah D Morris

magna cum laude

Olivia Marie Murphy *cum laude*

Jason Najam *cum laude*

Isabel E. Neira

Aline Estelle Nguemeta Mbognou

Kathleen M. Niersbach

Velvet L. Noble

James Wesley Norrod *cum laude*

Leverd Nunn IV¹⁷

Brooke A. O'Donnell

Shelby G. Olson
magna cum laude

Abby E. Ossola *magna cum laude*

Caitlyn Abigail Elizabeth Patalas
summa cum laude

Kristina A. Pawlicki²⁹

Taylie N. Payne *cum laude*

Sian Maurnice Person

Skyler B. Peterman *cum laude*

Mark R. Philiposian *cum laude*¹⁶

Justin P. Pickles

David M. Pinkham
*magna cum laude*²⁶

Marcellous Pollards

Grace Lucille Ponciroli

Aelis G. Qualls

Catherine Renee Ramey

Parker O'Neill Rashid

Satomi Tokuyama Raska
*magna cum laude*¹⁶

Maggie G. Ratcliff
magna cum laude ◊

Kennedy D. Rawlings

Sydney J. Ray

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