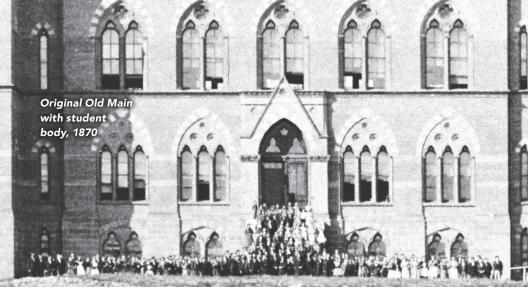
SPRING 2024 COMMENCEMENT

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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 displayed, 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.

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"

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 2024 graduates. August and December 2024 graduates will be included in the program for the December Commencement exercises.



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College of Arts and Media	
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College of Engineering, Computing, Technology and Mathem	atics
Saluki Nation	
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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.

HOODS, CAPS, AND TASSELS

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: 3 1/2 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, and the color of trimming identifies the major field of learning.

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.

REFERENCE

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

MEDALLION

Bronze with black ribbon	cum laude
Silver with black ribbon	magna cum laude
Gold with black ribbon	summa cum laude
Gold and White with red ribbon	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
- + Posthumous degree

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 41-42. 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 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.

COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, LIFE, AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

School of Agricultural Sciences School of Biological Sciences School of Chemical and Biomolecular Sciences School of Earth Systems and Sustainability School of Forestry and Horticulture School of Physics and Applied Physics

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND MEDIA

School of Architecture School of Art and Design School of Journalism School of Media Arts School of Music School of Theater and Dance

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ANALYTICS

School of Accountancy School of Analytics, Finance, and Economics School of Management and Marketing

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, COMPUTING, TECHNOLOGY, AND MATHEMATICS

School of Applied Engineering and Technology School of Civil, Environmental, and Infrastructure Engineering School of Computing School of Electrical, Computer, and Biomedical Engineering School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences School of Mechanical, Aerospace, and Materials Engineering

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES

School of Automotive School of Aviation School of Health Sciences School of Human Sciences School of Justice and Public Safety School of Psychological and Behavioral Sciences

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

School of Africana and Multicultural Studies School of Anthropology, Political Science, and Sociology School of Communication Studies School of History and Philosophy School of Languages and Linguistics School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

SIU CARBONDALE

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Paul Frazier Vice Chancellor for Anti-racism, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Costas Tsatsoulis Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate School Dean **Jeffery T. Burgin, Jr.** Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Matt Kupec Vice Chancellor for Development and Alumni Relations

Wendell Williams Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management

ACADEMIC DEANS

Eric Brevik College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

Hong Cheng College of Arts and Media

Marc Morris College of Business and Analytics Xiaoqing (Frank) Liu College of Engineering, Computing, Technology, and Mathematics

Robert Morgan College of Health and Human Sciences

Joddy Murray College of Liberal Arts **Stacy Thompson** School of Education

Camille M. Davidson School of Law

John Pollitz Library Affairs

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Duane Stucky Senior Vice President for Financial and Administrative Affairs **Gireesh Gupchup** Vice President for Academic Innovation, Planning, and Partnerships

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Victor Ludwig Student Trustee, SIU Carbondale Sigel, Illinois **Sheila Caldwell** Vice President for Anti-racism, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Sara Salger Columbia, Illinois

John Simmons Alton, Illinois

Roger Tedrick Mt. Vernon, Illinois



Dear Members of the Class of 2024:

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Southern Illinois University 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 vision, dedication and hard work. We encouraged you to imagine a better world and your role in it. You dreamed big, even when it defied the odds,

and you persevered to earn your degree. Vision, 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 creation of our strategic plan, Imagine 2030, launched after we celebrated 150 years and envisioned the years ahead. That makes you an important part of both our history and our future, our tradition and 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 260,000 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!

Austin A. Lane Chancellor

COMMENCEMENT DIGNITARIES

Master of Ceremonies

Steve Falat, General Manager/Market Manager River Radio Class of 1987 Department of Radio-Television, College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

Honorary Reader

Susan Patrick Steinfeldt, *Associate Professor* School of Theater and Dance

Commencement Music

Jermaine Pryor, DJ

Commencement Vocalist

Mason Rice, Master of Music, Choral Conducting and Collaborative Piano School of Music

Commencement Band Director

Christopher Morehouse, Director of Bands and Professor of Music School of Music

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AND STAFF

SCHOLAR EXCELLENCE AWARD

Eduardo Gastal, Ph.D., *Professor* School of Agricultural Sciences College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Kelly Bender, Ph.D., *Associate Professor* School of Biological Sciences College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

Mary Kinsel, Ph.D., *Associate Professor* School of Chemical and Biomolecular Sciences College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

EARLY CAREER FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENT

Lahiru Jakody, Ph.D., *Assistant Professor* School of Biological Sciences/Fermentation Science Institute

College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARD RECIPIENTS

Valerie Boyer, Ph.D., *Associate Professor* School of Health Sciences College of Health and Human Sciences

Camille Davidson, J.D., *Dean* School of Law

EMERGING LEADER AWARD RECIPIENT

Kelli Whittington, Ph.D., Assistant Professor School of Health Sciences College of Health and Human Sciences

STAFF EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Katherine Elson, *Academic Advisor* College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

Tugiyanto, Information Technology Manager Information Technology

CONSTITUENCY REPRESENTATIVES GRADUATE COUNCIL

Scott Collins, *Director* School of Health Sciences College of Health and Human Sciences

GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT COUNCIL

Rachel Nozicka, *President, doctoral student* School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities College of Liberal Arts

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Phillip Hartke, President, sophomore School of Civil, Environmental, and Infrastructure Engineering College of Engineering, Computing, Technology and Mathematics

MARSHALS

Grand Marshals

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

Faculty Marshals

Juliane Wallace, Associate Provost for Academic Administration

Bethany Rader, *Faculty Senate President, Associate Professor*, School of Biological Sciences, College of Agricultural, Life, and Physical Sciences

Julie Dunston, Associate Provost for Academic Programs

HONORARY DEGREE CRYSTAL A. KUYKENDALL



Crystal A. Kuykendall is a gifted and gracious business executive, motivational speaker, administrator, educator, attorney, and human resource/human relations consultant. She has been lauded extensively for her expertise in transforming lives while facilitating business, institutional and organizational success, and her strategic planning endeavors and promotion of student achievement.

Dr. Kuykendall came to Southern Illinois University Carbondale as "Crystal Campbell," a 16-year-old high school graduate from Chicago and the recipient of four scholarships. A very active undergraduate, she was among 20 Learning Group Leaders employed by the Black Studies department. She graduated from SIU in 1970, "ready for the world!" She earned a Master of Arts degree in Sociology from Montclair State University, and a doctorate in Educational Administration from Clark-Atlanta University. She earned a Juris Doctorate from Georgetown

University Law Center, and a Master of Divinity degree from the Samuel Dewitt School of Theology at Virginia. Author of the highly acclaimed best seller, *From Rage to Hope: Strategies for Reclaiming Black and Hispanic Students* (2004), and five other research-driven educational books, she authored her explosive, educational and awe-inspiring semi-autobiography, *The Crystal Pumpkin*, in June, 2023.

A member of the D.C. Bar Association, she is founder of the Kuykendall Company Law Firm, and, since 1989, has been founder and president of Kreative and Innovative Resources for Kids (K.I.R.K.) She has provided consulting services to over 2,000 clients in 49 states and on four continents, and she has received over 300 awards for her service. A former full-time professor at Seton Hall University, she has served as adjunct faculty at Montclair State University, and currently at Strayer University. She has served on three corporate boards, and, for 20 years, has been chair of board of directors of the Family Life Center Foundation in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Kuykendall is a former executive director of the National Alliance of Black School Educators, director of the National School Boards Association, Inc. Urban and Minority Relations, and director of the Citizens Training Institute of the National Committee for Citizens in Education. A former public school teacher, she is also a life member of the NAACP, NCNW and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. In 2002, she receiving a Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*, from Lewis and Clark College. Former President Jimmy Carter appointed her to the National Advisory Council on Continuing Education, where she served as Council Chairperson for two years. Mother, mentor, volunteer, and social justice advocate, she continues to enrich the lives of thousands as the ultimate "Merchant of Hope."

Dr. Crystal Kuykendall will receive her honorary Doctor of Humane Letters in the 9 a.m. ceremony.

HONORARY DEGREE C. JAMES "JIMMY" WRIGHT



Jimmy Wright, a Kentucky native born in 1944, embarked on a transformative artistic journey that began in the heartland of America and led him to the bustling streets of New York City. Since 1974, Wright has called New York home, carving out a space for himself in the city's vibrant art scene. His expansive studio on the Bowery serves as a testament to his five decades of creative exploration.

Wright's early work chronicles his immersion in the subculture of the gay community on the Lower East Side. Wright's later bodies of work consist of series of captivating floral paintings and drawings, with billowing forms and vibrant colors. Wright's artistic prowess has not gone unnoticed, with his works finding homes in esteemed collections such as the Whitney Museum of American Art, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the Art Institute of Chicago, among others. His contributions to the art world have been celebrated and revered,

solidifying his place as a prominent figure in contemporary American art.

Wright's artistic journey took a profound turn in the late '80s with a personal tragedy that would shape the course of his work. The diagnosis of his life partner, Ken Nuzzo, with HIV/AIDS galvanized Wright to explore new artistic directions. The resulting series of paintings, "Flowers for Ken," serve as a poignant tribute to their shared experiences, marked by thickly applied paint and textured surfaces that reflect the emotional depth of Wright's journey.

Wright's story extends far beyond the confines of his studio walls. It is a narrative woven through the fabric of American history, from the LGBTQ+ activism of his early days while a student at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, to his impact right here at Southern Illinois University. Wright is the founder of the organization known today as the Saluki Rainbow Network. His commitment to fostering inclusion and belonging led him to serve as a mentor and advocate for fellow artists, leaving an indelible mark on the communities he touched.

In addition to his artistic endeavors, Wright has played a pivotal role in shaping the cultural landscape of New York City, serving as a beacon of creativity and resilience in the face of adversity. His leadership as president of the Pastel Society of America and his continued involvement in arts education at the Ox-Bow School of Art underscore his dedication to nurturing the next generation of artistic talent.

As Wright's legacy continues to unfold, it serves as a testament to the power of art to transcend boundaries and inspire change. Through his work, he invites us to reflect on the past, celebrate the present, and imagine a brighter future filled with creativity, compassion, and community.



Mr. Jimmy Wright will receive his honorary Doctor of Arts in the 1 p.m. ceremony.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Larry Dietz is a true native of Southern Illinois. Born in Murphysboro, he grew up on a dairy farm near DeSoto, and graduated from Carbondale Community High School before becoming an alumnus of Southern Illinois University Carbondale – the starting point for his 50year career in higher education. His career has been rooted in service to students, colleagues, and the community.

Dr. Dietz earned a bachelor's degree in political science from SIU in 1970. He earned a master's degree in higher education and personnel, and a doctorate in professional studies from Iowa State University. He held leadership positions at Iowa State University for 13 years. He had nearly a 15-year-career at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, where he rose to Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.



He returned to SIU as Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs in 2000.

He provided leadership to SIU students by joining them in several of their projects, encouraging them and interacting with them as a demonstration that university administrators respect student involvement activities. Dr. Dietz was instrumental in launching construction of the Student Health Center, the SIU apartments at Wall and Grand, and engaging student support for the Student Services building. A 2007 recipient of the Lindell Sturgis Memorial Public Service Award, Dietz has worked with public service and civic organizations, including Boys and Girls Club of Carbondale, Rotary International, Leadership Carbondale, the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce, Carbondale Convention and Tourism Bureau, and working with his wife, Marlene, to establish the Inspiring Women program at SIU.

Dr. Dietz became Vice President for Student Affairs at Illinois State University in 2011, and was named the university's president in 2014. Under his leadership, the university added and refined undergraduate and graduate programs, including adding a new College of Engineering. Under his leadership, the university stabilized its enrollment, increasing both retention and student diversity. He oversaw a fundraising campaign that raised more then \$181 million for the university. He retired from ISU in 2021.

Dr. Dietz continues his community service, including involvement with the Miller Park Zoo, Children's Discovery Museum, the McLean County Museum of History, the American Red Cross, Easter Seals, the March of Dimes, Illinois Symphony Orchestra, and Marcfirst Pediatric Therapy. Recently, he was inducted into the Carbondale Community High School Hall of Fame. He and Marlene, recently received the Heartland Community College President's Medallion.

Dr. Dietz' higher education service continues with his appointment as interim president of St. Cloud State University, effective July 1, 2024.

Dr. Larry Dietz will receive his Distinguished Service Award in the 9 a.m. ceremony.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD PAUL ECHOLS



Born in Cairo, Illinois, **Paul E. Echols** is a seventh generation Southern Illinoisan. He has dedicated his life in a 40-year career in public service as a law enforcement officer and college educator. Echols is a 1981 graduate of the Southern Illinois University Carbondale School of Technical Careers, and a 2002 SIU graduate of the Master of Public Administration program.

As an SIU student, he was a member of Saluki Patrol. Immediately after graduating, he joined the Carbondale Police Department. During his 28-year career with the Carbondale Police Department, Echols began as a

patrol officer, then moved up to detective, sergeant, and lieutenant. His specialties included crime scene investigation, latent print identification, and arson investigation. Echols was a CALEA-accreditation manager, and patrol and investigations commander.

While he was still in training academy for the CPD, a fellow SIU student, Susan Schumake, was murdered near campus. This murder went unsolved for decades – but Echols never forgot about it. As DNA-technology improved, he re-submitted existing evidence. Improvements in the technology led to a DNA profile. Echols dogged determination for justice led to a 2004 arrest and ultimately a conviction for Schumake's murderer. Echols was the lead investigator.

That wasn't the only time Echols used technology to solve a cold case murder. In 2007, he reopened the 1982 case of murdered SIU student Deborah Sheppard. This investigation resulted in identifying serial killer Timothy Krajcir as Sheppard's killer. SIU graduate Joyce Tharp was another of Krajcir's victims. Echols' book, *In Cold Pursuit*, chronicles his role in solving these murders. His book led to recognition of another injustice – and a posthumous pardon for Grover Thompson, a man who died in prison for a crime committed by the serial killer. The Illinois Innocence Project recognized Echols with a Defender of the Innocent award in 2018.

Echols began his teaching career as an adjunct criminal justice faculty at Shawnee College in 1991. He moved into full-time teaching after he retired from law enforcement. He joined the SIU criminal justice program in 2008. Altogether, he has taught for 20 years – with many of his students moving into criminal justice careers partly because of his inspiration.

Echols has received numerous awards and commendations throughout his law enforcement and teaching careers. He has presented his investigative experiences to police officers and forensic scientists across the United States. Some of his successful cold-case investigations are features on international crime shows.

Using profits from his book and with donations, Echols established the Nine Angels Memorial Endowment. The endowment funds an annual scholarship in SIU's Criminology and Criminal Justice program. Echols was also instrumental in creating a scholarship for SIU Saluki Patrol officers – where his own career started

Mr. Paul Echols will receive his Distinguished Service Award in the 9 a.m. ceremony.

MAY 11, 2024 BANTERRA CENTER 9 A.M.

Processional of Graduates, 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 Honorary Degree

Presentation of Distinguished Service Awards

Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Doctoral Degrees

Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Masters Degrees

Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Baccalaureate and Associates 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 Banterra Center floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.

- ♦ University Honors program member
- ✦ Multiple degree candidate
- + Posthumous degree

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Numbers listed with names correspond with off-site programs listed on a map on p. 41-42.

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES

Ryan J. Reed

Doctor of Philosophy

Christina Engelken Psychology Tamara Kang, Ph.D. "Victim's Emotions in Context: An Investigation of the Emotional Victim Effect in Different Sexual Assualt Scenarios"

Matthew Stephen Junker Psychology Reza Habib, Ph.D. "An Attentionless Account of the Attentional Blink"

Aarren A. Minneyfield Psychology Yueh-Ting Lee, Ph.D. "Defining Culturally Responsive Leadership in Diversity and Inclusion Management: An Examination of Sociocultural Factors on Perceptions and Expectations of Leadership"

Master of Arts

Hayden C. Allen McKenna Shea Bennett Benjamin R. Chapman Catherine Sofia Forster Katya Madakar Gbaruk Taylor S. Gerry

Master of Health Administration

Kaya A. Bogus Ugochukwu Gabriel Ezigbo Savanah Nicole Hopkins

Alexandria Jefferson Karlie Grove Elisabeth Perez

Elizabeth Anne McKavanagh

Alexander Rodriguez-Gabino

Darrian Nicole Reagan Sasha Leigh Schaive Sara Nicole Uhe

Yasmin Peralta Nielsen

Vanessa Wang

Samara Treadwell Ricky Joe Waldron II

Master of Public Health

Master of Health Informatics

Danyelle R. Eilers

Jessica M. Allen

Tyler W. Horn

Olivia A. Stearns

Rehabilitation Jane Nichols, Ph.D. "A Logistics Regression Analysis of the Relationship Between Explicit Stigmas, Over-Conformity to Sport Ethic, and Athletic Identity on the Help-Seeking Behaviors of Intercollegiate Athletes"

Promise Oluwatosin Tewogbola Psychology Eric Jacobs, Ph.D. "A Behavioral Economic Analysis of HIV Vaccine Acceptance in the United States"

Master of Science

Mercy O. Ajala Moises Alonso Avelar Peter Bacon Dustin Lee Borum Josephine J. Brown Tiera Brown Jacqueline M. Cikowski Cody R. Cleveland Robert A. Copland⁸ Nathan Connelly Dempsey-Kotowski Anthony Joseph DeRose Mackenzie M. Dicharia Calen A. Edgar Jacob Joshua Edwards Amy Ferrante Peter John Fox Jennifer Ann Goodman Natalie M. Grogan Chloe E. Grover Jeffrev Hall⁸ Joshua R. Heape Alyissa Dawn Hentz Mathew M. Holdman Emma J. Howard Matisen Janae Ingle

Kieleha R. Ingram Marissa Marie Ivory Coleton Allen Jeralds Katherine Eliza Johnson Awa Keita Candace Mae Kidd David Kim John A. Kroese Richard Kurka⁸ Kyle A. Leva Cailynn L. Martin Matthew Martin⁸ Stephanie A. May Shadrian Quanta McDaniel Elijah G. Melloy Clayton C. Meyer Nicole M. Montgomery Amber-Rose M. Moore A'veun Amarah Moore-Jones Selina Alexandra Naiim Greyling Cook Naughton Bailey M. Neuberger Ashton Thayer Northrop Amna Osman Gregg M. Paiser⁸ Justin P. Pickles

Jessica J. Rancatore Amy Reed Madelyn Kate Robinson Marleina Lee Robson Alanah Rosas Harison R. Russell Samantha Jordan Saenz **Riley E. Sanders** Matthew Joseph Schneider⁸ Daniel Joseph Shanahan Jr. Caroline E. Shively Matthew Raymond Shronts Summiya Kanwal Siddigui Brian Christian Silhan⁸ Kathleen MacKenzie Smith Hannah Nicole Steward Nolan R. Stojentin Eric Truax Bryan Cartez Tucker Adam J. Vagner Flizabeth M. Valek Brooke O. Ward Jack Richard Warder Joshua D. Webster⁸ August D. Wells Cynthia Sue Wollenweber

Master of Science in Education

Joshua W. Hardy

Ean Zacary Katz

Master of Social Work

Esraa Morsy Aboelabass Aly Kofoworola Badejo Jasmine Berry Kelsey Boren Morgen M. Calcaterra Macie J. Clanahan Ashley Renea Dodson Latrae Chantel Feaster Stephanie J. Hernandez-Bautista Joseph R. Hileman Jessica Christina Hobeck Olusoji Samuel Ibukun Emily Rebekah Irwin Harold Connor Johnson Terryono K. Jones Jill E. Kalis Cora-ann N. Kellum Taven L. Klingaman Joshua Craig Lane Malia F. Lester Kadie Ann Lind Gabrielle R. Manasco Elisa Shanee Marsh Devon L. Mays Alissa M. Miller Mia Lynn Mittelstadt-Bleicher Faith A. Mooney Brianna L. Obrien

Jenna Sierra Ortiz Jason R. Palagi Jaidyn H. Porter J'Quice Poster JaeAnna LaShae Pritchard Ana Ramirez Steven L. Sanders Sean Erich Stadelbacher Dana Ann Stuemke Brittany Kint Swims Sayler L. Tasky Cassie E. Vahling Charles Michael Walker

Bachelor of Arts

DRionna Adams Kendell G. Adermann **Riley Grace Allen** magna cum laude ∻ Adison Applegate Benjamin J. Atchison magna cum laude Kindra A. Baltzell Kaitlin E. Barbee Shawntiana Shanice Bates KaDaizha Eunique Benjamin Jayna Bishop Sarah Sache Brunson Gabriella Burkett summa cum laude ♦ � Maddison M. Campbell summa cum laude Regina Crystal Campbell Javia Chaff Phillip Cho Bryce A. Clover magna cum laude Tamera J. Coulter magna cum laude Lauren A. Cravens Olivia G. Cripps Vernardo Cruz Akira L. Custer Alyssa R. Cyrus magna cum laude Elizabeth O. Dairo Marie-Claire H. Diehl magna cum laude ∻ Kevin G. Doherty Jacy Ann Durdel cum laude ↔ Matthew Durham cum laude Mackenzie E. Ebmeyer magna cum laude Amberley Evans Koby J. Foster

Mark A. Franklin magna cum laude Lane A. Frost Hannah F. Garascia Nsia V. Gittens Kaelvn M. Golt David J. Gomes summa cum laude ∻ Lauren A. Griffin cum laude Rheanna D. Grizzell Pache Michelle Gukiima Carson E. Halpin magna cum laude Sylvia Elaine Harrington ↔ Alexandra Marie Hartge cum laude Reice T. Hartline **Deon Richard Haves Flesa Nickole Hefner** Pierce A. Heizer cum laude Marcus Timmy Johnson Tashonn D. Johnson Annalise Jorge Ella Perry Kerr summa cum laude Carolyn Latondra Lee Martin Bryanna T. Lewis Jessica N. Lively Craig M. Logan summa cum laude Delayna E. Lutchka cum laude Devin D. Lynch summa cum laude Abbi Flizabeth Marsh Octavia M. Marshall Garrett Scott McBride Mayson Suzanne McDowell Marlene Medina

Taylor A. Morgan Olivia M. Moscato Alexandra Oller Noah Ronald Paparesta Raygen McKenzie Parker magna cum laude Cassidy J. Paul Valeria Portillo cum laude Mckenna R. Quincer summa cum laude Vanessa H. Ramirez Maria M. Romero-Delgado cum laude Presley K. Scarbrough **Nigel Arnett Singleton** Britta A. Slupski summa cum laude ↔ Dawson Matthew Joshua Smith Andrea Gavle Stinde magna cum laude Shelby Nicole Taylor cum laude Sarah K. Temple Nicholas B. Uken summa cum laude ∻ Jazmin Vazquez Makayla L. Walker cum laude ↔ Asya I. Weatherall Hannah K. Whyde Carmen Elizabeth Wilder magna cum laude ↔ Kiley A. Will magna cum laude Zakiah D. Williams Annika E. Woerner cum laude Reagan E. Woods Zoe Zimbro Kelly Zufan cum laude

Bachelor of Science

Douglas Paul Abram Arif Abrarov Ryan A. Agnos cum laude Syed Asim Ahmed Kyle J. Aittaniemi² magna cum laude Anas Ali A. Alajlan magna cum laude + Ahmed Abdullah M. Alamri cum laude + Fahad Saad B. Aldawsari magna cum laude + Khalid Hilal H. Alharbi 🔶 Faisal Mohammed A. Alhazmi Cordel M. Alsbury + Kanisha T. Alston cum laude Jack C. Altner Hakeem Alverio Shriva Amin Emma Bailey Anthony cum laude Jonathan L Arizzi Alhussain Ali Bafail cum laude + Justin D. Bany Christopher S. T. Barnhill cum laude Luis A. Barrera cum laude Adrien N. Barrett cum laude Stevie E. Barton Megan J. Basham Bhakta B. Basnet Abigail R. Batara Kathryn L. Batha magna cum laude Noah M. Bauer Michael S. Behrendt Araydiance M. Bell magna cum laude Makyla Bell Morgan R. Belsley Ibsaa G. Benti Miracle Darshae Berry Dominic Dante Bianchi Anna Noel Bickers Tyler N. Bittle cum laude Logan Evan Black Brianna Paige Blickhan magna cum laude Marcus A. Blurton

Kathleen Rose Boudreau 🔶 Chase Bowles + Logan Dale Briggs Kesha Brown James D. Bruinsma cum laude Justin James Buckley Jared A. Buehler summa cum laude + Lukas Robert Burleson I Ethan Seth Burnstine Victoria Caldwell Holley M. Calvin-Garcia Jack Vincent Camarca Carlos Camarena Chailan Campbell cum laude Joshua P. Carr⁵ Dakota Azul Carrisalez + Eric Thomas Case Jessica Anna Cates summa cum laude Bailey E. Caylor magna cum laude Sierra Grace Centola summa cum laude Karanveer S. Chahal Paige M. Chamberlin cum laude Jacob C. Chapman magna cum laude + Blake L. Chastain magna cum laude + William F. Chavez cum laude + Han Chen Sarah A. Chesnek cum laude Joseph Ciraulo⁸ Breanna Taylor Clardy Gabriel Collette cum laude Sharon Marie Collins Gaetano Console + Arturo Contreras Jr.9 magna cum laude Daijha Mhy-Queen Cook Nathaniel J. Cooper Robert Cooper III McKell Cottrell cum laude ↔ Cameron T. Cox Cierra B. Creason cum laude Christopher J. Cross cum laude Benjamin M. Cummins cum laude +

Kelsey R. Daniels summa cum laude Nathan Eugene Danner summa cum laude Ashley A. Davis⁸ Kendra Lashay Davis Eduardo De La Torre Kyle S. Degutis cum laude Maggie D. DeLashmutt lan R. Dinning Kania Sherrion Dockery + Daniel Dragowski magna cum laude Ki L. Durrer cum laude + Brooklynn E. Durst Madison H. Eberle magna cum laude Ella Elizabeth Echo Matthew James Echols Jorden Desirae Elbert Grace A. Enrietto Colton Lawrence Ericson Joseph A. Ermel magna cum laude + Advson K. Erwin magna cum laude Andrew Louis Evans + Kaitlin A. Fairchild summa cum laude Lauren Olivia Kaye Farley cum laude Eliza N. Fletcher summa cum laude 🔶 Hunter B. Flowers + Bayleigh Alana Flynn summa cum laude Rvan T. Fortuna magna cum laude Phillip M. Fraczak + Nicole E. Freeman Sean C. Freitag magna cum laude Frank C. Friend Jessica L. Frietsch Marcos A. Gallardo Emma Grace Gansz Edgar Garcia cum laude Gavin David Garcia Tichina D. Gardner Benjamin M. Gau

Zoe Isabella Gavin Zachary Scott Gebhardt + Alex Steven Giger Jacob Tyler Gleim cum laude Michael S. Golden⁸ Jonathan P. Gomes cum laude Jorge L. Gonzalez Carter Woodland McEvers Goode Sean Gore⁸ cum laude Sean C. Graf + Anthony C. Grandison Dewey Greene IV Zachary R. Grellner Cheri Griglin cum laude Lucianna M. Gross summa cum laude Cristo Gutierrez⁹ Dagoberto Guzman Jr. Corey Hacker Cameron Hall Kaitlyn M. Hall 🔶 Rylie M. Hamilton cum laude Liam Michael Hammer Madison J. Harrison magna cum laude Lilly Marie Hector magna cum laude Whitney M. Heidorn Riley E. Hemken Harmon A. Herzberg magna cum laude + Kavla A. Hesano summa cum laude Heidi Hightower summa cum laude 🔶 Yara M. Hindi magna cum laude 🔶 💠 Jade A. Hise Robert Hodges III Spencer John Hoffman Braden K. Hoisington magna cum laude Kenosha R. Holland Bradlev Maurice Holt Sr. Aerin E. Hopkins cum laude + **Camille Cassidy Hunt** Symone A. Irving Kvra Jackson Chantel M. Jacobs

Kourtney Rose Janssen magna cum laude Aaron Johnson cum laude Donald Johnson II Nikhil S. Johnson Svdnev Marie Johnson cum laude Talyiah Preshuna Johnson cum laude � Eugene Curtis Jones Jr. + Kaiya Ashlee Jones Blake Kasten Adrianna Jo Katcher magna cum laude Andrew Katzner cum laude Heather M. Keesee cum laude Lilly N. Kessinger cum laude Hamed Raied H. Khallaf cum laude + Lia N. Khan Austin M. Kinsler magna cum laude Debra Ann Kirk magna cum laude Kaylee A. Kloster cum laude Joshua L. Kordzinski cum laude Paul Joseph Kosinski⁸ Elizabeth A. Krueger Julian Kuehtreiber + Dennis A. Kuntzman III cum laude Ravyn K. Laird Abigail R. Landrey summa cum laude Skylar D. Lauzen I summa cum laude Alec S. Lavne summa cum laude + Kevin P. Levasseur cum laude Debbie Sabina Lewis cum laude Michael Robert Lindauer Thomas Daniel Linden cum laude Molly A. Lindsey magna cum laude Matthew Lizakowski Cristian Lopez summa cum laude Craig Joseph Lubrano⁸ Robert Louis Lucot⁵ Joseph Patrick Mackessy + Jacob A. Maertens cum laude

Cristina Magana¹⁶ Mario Joseph Marcellus⁵ magna cum laude Jessica Lorena Marin Guarin Flizabeth M. Marmo magna cum laude Wylie C. Marguis Shannon R. Martin Garrett Marshall Martindale⁵ Itzel Martinez magna cum laude **Riley Marie Maulick** Christopher Michael May Valencia N. Mayberry David A. Mavnard Matthew D. Mccauley cum laude + Luke Timothy McChrystal magna cum laude 🔶 Marion leshia McCleary Grant McConkey Teleigha S. McCoy Daniel Y. Mcintosh Nikolai Hendri Mever magna cum laude Valarie R. Meyer summa cum laude 🔶 🗇 Nathanial J. Middendorf magna cum laude Ben L. Miller cum laude Kent Robert Miller cum laude Kiara M. Miller Jonathan Hakeem Minter Jordan E. Mirly summa cum laude Zachary Parker Mitchell Jamie Patricia Mohan Isabelle R. Molina magna cum laude ♦ Luke H. Molnar summa cum laude Trevor Lee Monninger magna cum laude Jonathan Montoya + Nicole Mora Matthew Moreno Sailor R. Morris Britney K. Mosby Peyton Troy Myers Khaled Wahib M. Nabulsy magna cum laude 🔶

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Bachelor of Science in Nursing

- Bushrah A. Abughazaleh *cum laude* Brianna K. Bickart Kathleen Rose Boudreau ← Alina A. Boyt Emma F. Brockett Sierra N. Buckles Connor A. Eaton Fiona Nicole Ely *summa cum laude* 令 Katie Jane Gale
- Audrey K. Meador magna cum laude ∻ Karolynn Marie Mifflin Jonathan Montoya ✦ Kourtney D. Pena Jewel R. Sanders Brooke M. Stepter cum laude Briana Ugalde-Galvan ✦ Halle G. Valette summa cum laude Kara Lynn Womack cum laude

Associate in Applied Science

Anas Ali A. Alajlan magna cum laude 🔶 Ahmed Abdullah M. Alamri cum laude + Fahad Saad B. Aldawsari magna cum laude + Khalid Hilal H. Alharbi 🔶 Cordel M. Alsbury + Alhussain Ali Bafail cum laude + Michael Edward Begel Layne Autumn Borcky cum laude Jared A. Buehler summa cum laude Dakota Azul Carrisalez 🔶 Andrew Tyler Carver **Richard Leon Channey III** Jacob C. Chapman magna cum laude 🔶 Blake L.Chastain magna cum laude 🔶 William F. Chavez cum laude + Gaetano Console + Lorran Marie Crabtree Devin R. Cruz Beniamin M. Cummins cum laude + Ethan Connor Dacko Mackenzie A. David cum laude Jordan L. Dombrowicki cum laude Ki L. Durrer cum laude + Thomas R. Edgar summa cum laude 🔶 Andrew Louis Evans + Skylar Rae Fails cum laude ↔ Eliza N. Fletcher summa cum laude 🔶

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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Matthew G. Nowak

Susan Ford, Ph.D.

Anthropology

English

English Robert Fox, Ph.D.

Doctor of Philosophy

Christiane I. Baigent Anthropology Gretchen Dabbs, Ph.D. "The Effect of Altitude on Decompostion: Toward an

Understanding of the Postmortem Interval in the Rocky Mountain Region of Colorado"

Robert Gustave Fiedler Communication Studies Randall Auxier, Ph.D. "Smoke and Mirrors: Exploring Stigma in the Cannabis Industry"

Andrew Goforth English Joe Shapiro, Ph.D. and Lisa J. McClure, D.A. "Identity Manifestations in First-Year Composition: A Content Analysis Study"

Master of Fine Arts

Alexis Barrett Salaam A. Odeh Dajonea A. Robinson

Alyssa J. Thomas

Short Stories by Zimbabwe Women Writers"

"The Evolution of Hylobatid Positional Behavior and

"Tropes of Imprisonment and Social Stasis in

"African Feminism and Political Consciousness in

Postcranial Osteology"

Courtney Simone Simpkins

Victorian Fiction"

Anne Chandler, Ph.D.

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Master of Arts

Hailey P. Blanchard Drew J. Bochenek Nathalia M. Chavez Romo Mert Dinc Caroline G. Folds Zoe Delia Freedkin Michael Gunn Asha Kirit Joshi Danielle Nicole Lorentz Irene Martha Lutterodt Claudia Vanessa Morales Velasquez Olakunle Samson Moses Diana Selena Moya Soto Ashley N. Mueth Leslie Kapinga Nkanka Kasey L. Paris Bryant Antonio Payne Rachel Elizabeth Sanchez Margaret Scarsdale Lindsey N. Sears Mathew D. Smith Herty Tinadu Ramsey S. Woolard Jameson S. Yong

Bachelor of Arts

Felix L. Anderson Nathan Todd Bailey magna cum laude ♦ Emily A. Bakri cum laude Frank A. Barone Addison M. Bean ∻ Aniah G. Berdick magna cum laude ∻ Rachel V. Bernier cum laude + Flizabeth J. Bird cum laude Itzel Campos cum laude Jesus E. Chavez Jr. Jacob A. Chruszczyk Sydney G. Cometto magna cum laude Natalie E. Cusumano-Rossi summa cum laude Dusty Damron cum laude Hannah Marie Dascotte magna cum laude Kevin B. Diaz Kania Sherrion Dockery + Mia Symone Edwards Alyxandra G. Eidson Tanner Farris Uriah B. Guthrie

Corey Michael Hacker Matthew R. Herman Yara M. Hindi magna cum laude 🔶 🗇 Tessa M. Hudgeons Margaret V. Hull Holden Neil Huntlev Gabrielle Elizabeth Ophelia Jungk Faith Boewe Keller Hannah Knispel Alysa B. Lackey Larry L. Lang cum laude ↔ Matthew V. Laurent Victoria I. Limon Andrew J. Manier cum laude + Derek D. Massey Megan A. McCauley John Patrick McGuire Ty A. Mckain magna cum laude Tyler Milligan Zoe K. Minto summa cum laude ♦ Elizabeth A. Newman Annie Carissa Overman Shekinah Reed

Megan D. Rhine Morgan K. Ruden summa cum laude ♦ Ethan Daniel Senti magna cum laude 🔶 Nadia Paige Session cum laude Kristina Louise Simpson Grant L. Smith magna cum laude Luke Snider Aidin Stuhr cum laude Tobias J. Taylor magna cum laude Logan Walker Thompson Talina Thompson Tremel J. Truitt Jaedyn A. Vela *cum laude* ↔ Margaret Katherine Wakefield Danielle K. Williams Lynn D. Williams Margaret M. Williams cum laude Alaina F Wilson magna cum laude ♦ ♦ Lauren A. Wulf Rhiannon M. Yates Jenna T. Zumbahlen magna cum laude ∻

Bachelor of Science

Gabriel Becerra Jacara F. Brisco Logan A. Byers Daniel Childs Bella G. Colonna Skyler Darice Davenport-Moore Willmont M. Davies Jr. Elizabeth G. Davis summa cum laude Kachara R. Davis Mark Anthony Davis Jr. Easton Micheal Dermody Paige Da'Jae Donley Katie Echols Tvrone Q. Felix Noah James Fenske

Austin M. Garbe magna cum laude Zachary Q. Gibson Gary Wade Griffith Grace Dominique Gunn Anfernee Houston Drake D. Johnson Grace V. Kahrhoff Josie L. King Taylor Nicole Lawrence Dylan W. Lewey Natalia B. Lopez Douglas Richard Maranda Nolan C. Mason Jessika Montoya Alexis Hope Parchman summa cum laude ↓ Walter R. Pedro cum laude Raven P. Penn S. Elizabeth Shurtz Leslie Smith Patrick W. Smith Angel Michelle Stoner summa cum laude Mathieu Vallee cum laude Alena L. Waters Shemera T. Williams Tracy I. Williams Tracy T. Williams Jonathan L. Yung

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy

Ravon Alford Interdisciplinary Ph.D. in Education with Criminal Justice and Public Administration Saran Donahoo, Ph.D.

"Second Guessing Second Chances: The Relationship Convicted Offense and Sociodemographic Factors Have on Employent Outcomes for the Justice-Impacted"

Suleman Basheer Alshammari Education Ed Pultorak, Ph.D. and Senetta Bancroft, Ph.D. "Instructors' Perception of Inquiry-Based Science Teaching in Saudi Arabia" Lyle Gross

Education

Yvonne Hunter-Johnson, Ph.D.

"Perceptions Impacting Decisions of Associate of Applied Science Students in Pursuing Four-Year Engineering Technology Degrees"

Marcy Kaye Hood

Education

Harvey Henson, Ph.D.

"Rural Elementary Teachers' Perceptions of STEM Education Following STEM Kits Intervention"

Sarah Wilson Kroenlein Education

Yvonne Hunter- Johnson, Ph.D. "Occupational Stressors and Their Moderators in the Academic Research Workforce"

Doctor of Education

Kari Ann Kilquist Educational Administration Saran Donahoo, Ph.D.

"The Effects of Pre-Kindergarten on Emergent Literacy Skill in Rural Diverse Kindergarten Students"

Marilynn LaSha' Ross Educational Administration Saran Donahoo, Ph.D. "Educator Perspectives on the Effectiveness of Attendance Centers"

Kelly Marie Alongi Educational Administration William Bradley Colwell, Ph.D. "Retention in Research Administration" Stacey Louise McKinney

Educational Administration

Saran Donahoo, Ph.D.

"Evaluating Student Success on the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination at a Midwest University"

Stacey Lynn Versemann

Educational Administration

- William Bradley Colwell, Ph.D.
- "The Impact of a Four-Day and Five-Day School Week on Student Achievement in Reading and Math"

Kristopher Anthony Marshall Educational Administration Saran Donahoo, Ph.D.

"Peer Mentoring Experience of First Year At-Risk Black Males and the Effect of Peer Mentoring on Mentors and Mentees at a Rural PWI"

Master of Arts in Teaching

Haley Kuhnert

Master of Science in Education

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Bachelor of Science

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DeAnn Marie Knox Alicia Loucks Vickie Anna McKinney Casidy Mefford Shetara Latrice Reed

Taylor L. Gump cum laude Angela Elaine Hargrave Kiera R. Harrison summa cum laude Kloev Madison Harsv magna cum laude Madelin Faith Hayes summa cum laude Andrea Hays Taylor Lynn Michelle Hensley Anna Rose Hudson Matthew J. Hutchinson cum laude Lauren E. Jackson magna cum laude Olivia M. Jackson summa cum laude ∻ Madelyn E. Jager cum laude Christina Jaramillo Garcia Ashlev Cecile Jaworski¹¹ Zane Michael Johnson Allyson D. Jones cum laude Lyric O. Juday magna cum laude Dianne Patricia Ortega Jurich Carvn Kambitsis cum laude Claire Kassitas cum laude Jory Robert Knapp¹¹ cum laude Katelynn Jean Knox summa cum laude Kameela R. Lacv Chris D. Leonard¹⁰ Lauren O. Lverla cum laude Andrew J. Manier cum laude + Alexander S. Mann magna cum laude Nathan A. Martinez Needra L. May Joseph Christopher Mayfield¹¹ Mallory Ann McClerren Jaice S. McCowen summa cum laude Sandra Mendoza Martinez cum laude

Aidan J. Shanahan Esmeralda Valerio Olivia Walker

Madeleine June Miller summa cum laude Daleece L. Moore summa cum laude Kissindra Marie Moore magna cum laude Linda Mora Alexandra K. Muldowney cum laude Bailey Ann Mynatt cum laude James Nadeau¹⁵ Bruce Robert Olson magna cum laude Carlie M. Page summa cum laude Avery D. Panol Jayme G. Piercy Elizabeth Winter Pittman magna cum laude Nancy Ramirez-Huang Debra Lynn Ratliff magna cum laude Trisha Dawn Revelle cum laude Jasmine L.Schulze cum laude Aidan J. Segers magna cum laude Emily A. Severs cum laude Jakiyah J. Shariff Kvlie E. Stewart summa cum laude Holly C. Strasburg **Tayler Marie Threet** magna cum laude Brittany Titzer summa cum laude Adriana Valdez cum laude Stella Grace Vaughn cum laude Marlenee Villasenor cum laude Sophie Deanna Mae Wallace cum laude Kailee R. Weber magna cum laude Darryl H. White Gabriel O. White magna cum laude Sammie L. Williams cum laude Angela Christina Woodberry¹⁴

Daniel Silas Wynne cum laude

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Philosophy

Rupak Thapa Molecular Cellular and Systemic Physiology Brent M. Bany, Ph.D. "Unveiling Novel Genes: Exploring Their Potential Roles in Human Endometrial Stromal Fibroblast Cell Decidualization" Natalee J.M. von Keyserling Molecular Celluar and Systemic Physiology Diana Sarko, Ph.D.

"Getting to the Root of Whether Tooth Extraction Influences Neuroanatomy and Behavoir: A Study of Naked Mole-Rat Behavior and the Affective Aspects of Dentition"

Doctor of Medical Science

- Rauha Attawala Andrea Bethauser James Thomas Chandler Colin Drew Deborah Sharon Epstein Macy Lauren Henson Britton K. Herrin Dayna Jaynstein
- Heather Carlson Justice Laura Rose Kidd Annie Kowalis Veronica Marciano Alicia Dawn Markley Joseph Michael Mashinchi Belen Laqui Ramos Cristina Tafolla Rodriguez

Matthew James Saulnier Lisa Kristen Schloemann Sarah Jayce Smalley Jacqueline Mary Turner Juleidy Turnipseed Natalie Weber Jodi Beth Wernikoff

Master of Science

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Processional of Graduates, 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 Honorary Degree

Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Doctoral Degrees

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 Banterra Center floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.

♦ University Honors program member cum laude 3.5–3.749

- + Posthumous degree

♦ Multiple degree candidate magna cum laude 3.75–3.899 summa cum laude 3.9-4.0

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COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, LIFE, AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Doctor of Philosophy

Omair Adil Chemistry Mohtashim Shamsi, Ph.D. "New Electrochemical Platforms for the Detection of Neurodegenerative Disease Biomarkers"

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Molecular Biology Microbiology and Biochemistry Keith T. Gagnon, Ph.D.

"Characterization of Diverse Noncoding RNAs in Therapeutics, Biotechnology and Chromatin Biology"

Dakota R. Discepolo Agricultural Sciences Erin Perry, Ph.D.

"Dermatological Parameters of Working Animals During Various Environmental Conditions"

Shiomi Junker Molecular Biology Microbiology and Biochemistry Derek Fisher, Ph.D.

"Evolution of an Rsb Partner Switching Mechanism Involved in Regulation of Cell Differentiation in Pathogenic Chlamydia"

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"Sythesis of Novel Perfluorinated Ion Exchange

Membranes Against Hydrogen Peroxide Degredation in Electrochemical Energy Storage Devices"

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Chemistry

Zhihua Du, Ph.D.

"Characterization and Biochemical Study of Programmed Ribosomal Frameshifting in Human and Viral mRNAs"

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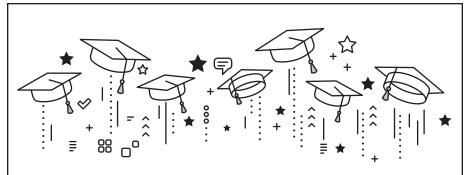
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