


UNIVERSITY of WISCONSIN
LA CROSSE

Dear friends, alumni and distinguished guests:

From our storied beginnings in 1909, when the La Crosse Normal School was founded, to our place of prominence today in 2017, the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse has grown into one of the best public universities in the country. Thus we can be proud of many things—in particular, today's graduating class.

Earlier this year, *U.S. News & World Report* ranked UWL No. 4 among public universities in the Midwest who offer undergraduate and master's programs, the highest ranking of any UW institution in this category. And we also are ranked in Kiplinger Magazine's list of the Top 100 Values in American Public Higher Education, further recognition of our strong national leadership in advanced education.

A commitment to excellence exists throughout the UWL campus, and the accomplishments listed on page 5 showcase some of our most notable achievements. But the greatest testament to our tradition of academic excellence is the group of outstanding students who make up today's graduating class. Each one of them is a point of pride, and we're so very grateful for that.

So on behalf of the staff and faculty here at UWL it's my pleasure to thank you for joining us today to celebrate the crowning achievement of the university experience. The future holds great promise for our graduates, and I hope you are as proud of them as we are!

Best wishes,



Joe Gow
Chancellor

One Hundred Seventh Annual Spring Commencement

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Sunday, the fourteenth of May, two thousand seventeen

10 a.m. ceremony

School of Education | College of Business Administration | College of Liberal Studies

2 p.m. ceremony

School of Education | College of Science and Health

Processional

"Pomp and Circumstance"Edward Elgar
UWL Brass Ensemble

"Trumpet Voluntary"Purcell/arr. Harold Walters

Processional Narration Terry Wirkus, *Academic Technology Services*

Ceremony

WelcomeJoe Gow, *Chancellor*

Graduating Class Student IntroductionPaula Knudson, *Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs*

Student Address

10 a.m. CeremonyEmily Hilby

2 p.m. CeremonyLaura Berry

Presentation of Candidates for DegreesBetsy Morgan, *Provost & Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs*

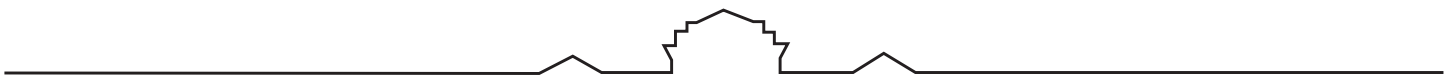
Conferring of Degrees and Awarding of DiplomasJoe Gow, *Chancellor*
Robert Hetzel, *Vice Chancellor, Administration and Finance*
Greg Reichert, *Vice Chancellor for University Advancement/President of Foundation*

School of EducationMarcie Wycoff-Horn, *Dean*

College of Business AdministrationLaura Milner, *Dean*

College of Liberal Studies..... Charles Martin Stanley, *Associate Dean*

College of Science and HealthMark Sandheinrich, *Interim Dean*



New Alumni WelcomeLinda Kastantin, '91
Chair, UWL Alumni Association Board

Singing of Alma Mater

The Alma Mater

Morning sun greets many banners
On its westward way,
Fair to us above all others
Waves maroon and gray.

Colors dear, flag we love
Float for aye;
Old La Crosse to thee,
May we all be ever loyal
To thy memory.

Closing Remarks Joe Gow, Chancellor

Recessional

"Trumpet Tune and Air" Purcell/arr. Elgar Howarth

"Triumphal March from Aida" Verdi/arr. Claire Johnson

"Sonata from Die Bankelsangerlieder" ed. Robert King

Please remain seated during the recessional and until all graduates and faculty have exited.

Mace Carriers

Ray Block, College of Liberal Studies
Bruce Osterby, College of Science and Health

Commencement Interpreter Colleen Cudo

Name Reader Terry Wirkus, Academic Technology Services
Kristine Wirkus

Commencement ushers are members of the Vanguard organization and members of Alpha Xi Delta.

Note: Sound-enhancement earphones are available for hearing-impaired guests. Ask an usher if you would like to use the earphones.
Please return them to an usher after the ceremony.

A reception for graduates and their family and friends will be held immediately following the ceremonies.
Please proceed to South Hall to meet your graduate. A map of the La Crosse Center can be found on page 28.

Academic Dress

The academic apparel worn by faculty and staff in the processional has its origins in the universities of the Middle Ages. Because the universities grew out of church schools, both faculty and students were regarded as part of the clergy, and wore clerical clothing based on monastic dress.

The head covering developed from the skull cap worn to protect tonsured heads in cold weather. In the universities, the skull cap acquired a point at the top which gradually evolved into a tassel. In Europe, the bonnet with a tassel is still worn, but has been replaced in America by the mortar board cap or tam with a tassel.

The style of the gown may have been borrowed from the Benedictine monk's habit. In the Middle Ages, those with bachelor's and master's degrees could be distinguished by the simplicity or elaborateness of their gowns. The master's gowns were often furred, a decoration surviving as the three velvet bars now used on the sleeves of the doctoral gown.

The hood was originally worn over the head in bad weather, and otherwise dropped onto the shoulders. First worn by faculty and students, the hood is now added to the apparel of those with master's and doctoral degrees. The color of the velvet trim on the hood indicates the scholarly field, for example, dark blue (philosophy), golden yellow (science), light blue (education), pink (music), apricot (nursing), drab (business), and white (arts). The colors of the satin lining are those approved and authorized by the college or university from which the degree was earned.

Medallion Symbolizes Authority

Wearing a medallion or seal of office has been a symbol of authority since the Middle Ages. The seal marked official documents then; heads of institutions wore the seal around the neck to keep it in their possession. The chancellor's medallion features a design and materials that reflect UW-La Crosse. The mokume-gane or "wood grain metal" used is a specialty of the campus jewelry studio.

Mace Shows Quest for Truth

Once a weapon in medieval combat, the mace was adopted by universities as a symbol of the power of the quest for truth. The mace is carried in the commencement ceremony by a distinguished senior faculty member. William R. Fiorini, a UWL art professor, designed and made the medallion and mace, which were used for the first time at the inauguration of Chancellor Judith L. Kuipers in September 1992.

The mace and medallion were given to the University by Mary Hebbard and Ruth Nixon-Davy, professors emeriti. Silver plaques on the medallion box and mace stand acknowledge these gifts.

Symbols of Academic Achievement

Many undergraduate students are wearing items that reflect high academic achievement. Commencement Honors are designated by silver cords, and are worn by students who have at least a 3.50 cumulative grade point average. Those wearing gold cords have earned Commencement Highest Honors with at least a 3.75 average. Members of the Golden Key International Honour Society are wearing a medallion on a blue and gold neck ribbon. The organization is open to the top 15 percent of graduating seniors in various fields of study. Discipline-specific honor organizations are represented by a variety of other cords.

International Flags and Sashes

The international flags displayed on the commencement platform represent the home countries of international students attending the University. Sashes are worn by graduates who studied abroad. Each sash represents the country in which the student studied.

Even more reasons to be a proud UW-La Crosse graduate ...

- **UW-La Crosse was one of two schools in Wisconsin to make Kiplinger's Personal Finance's list of the top 100 best values in public colleges for 2017.** UWL ranked No. 44 for out-of-state students and No. 63 for in-state students.
- *U.S. News & World Report's* 2017 America's Best Regional Universities in the Midwest lists UWL as **the state's top and No. 4 public university in the Midwest** among institutions providing undergraduate and master's programs. It's the 16th consecutive year UWL has remained the state's top-ranked UW System comprehensive university.
- **UWL's biochemistry major received national accreditation in 2017,** just as demand for biochemists in Wisconsin is up. Now accredited by the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology ... a first in the UW System ... UWL's program is helping meet that demand.
- The latest campus building to open is also the latest to receive top marks for energy and environmental design. **The \$55 million, student-funded Student Union that opened in January has received LEED Gold Certification.** Both Centennial Hall and Eagle Hall received the prestigious certification when they opened in fall 2011.
- UWL's quality was noted in its **2016 reaccreditation by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC).** HLC reviews universities every 10 years through an extensive process culminating in a site visit. Accreditation affects many aspects of the university, including financial aid eligibility, course transfers, and the overall value of a degree.
- About **\$296 million in new building projects are complete or in progress on campus** since 2007. Another \$126 million in projects are planned through 2020.
- **College of Business Administration students had the highest first-time pass rate in the nation on the Certified Public Accountant exam** among undergraduate-only programs with more than 60 exam candidates. Among the 270 schools with both undergraduate and graduate programs, UWL was in the top 10 percent, No. 22 overall.
- **UWL's physician assistant program has a 100-percent pass rate on the Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam.** That, small class sizes, and partnerships with the Gundersen Medical Foundation and Mayo Clinic School of Health Science keeps the program attractive.
- **The College Band Director's National Association recognized the UWL Wind Ensemble** in spring 2017 as an elite group of just 10 programs nationwide in its "Small Program Band" competition.
- The men's track & field team won its record **18th indoor NCAA III title** in March 2017. It was the university's 70th overall national title.
- The women's gymnastics team won the **2016 National Collegiate Gymnastics Association Team Championship.** It was the 17th national title for Eagle gymnasts, a record unmatched by any other university.
- For 16 out of the past 17 years, UWL student-athletes posted the **highest combined GPA in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.** They finished with a cumulative 3.23 GPA in 2015-16.
- UWL Biology Professor Roger Haro received the **2015 Wisconsin Professor of the Year** Award from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. It was the fourth time in five years UWL faculty took the prestigious honor. Biology Professor Scott Cooper received the award in 2014, History Professor Víctor Macías-González in 2013 and History Professor Greg Wegner in 2011.
- UWL is **No. 1 in awarding physics degrees** among bachelor's degree granting programs in the country. UWL had an average of 31 physics degrees granted annually between 2011-13, making it tops nationally on the American Physical Society list released in spring 2015.
- The League of American Bicyclists recognized UWL with a **bronze-level Bicycle Friendly University award** in 2015. UWL is one of only five Wisconsin colleges to achieve the honor.
- Professor of Latin American History and Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies **Víctor M. Macías-González received the 2016 American Historical Association's Equity Award** for successfully recruiting and keeping under-represented racial and ethnic groups in the history profession. Macías-González was the 2014 Wisconsin Professor of the Year.
- UWL has been awarded the honor of **hosting the 2018 NCAA III Women's and Men's Outdoor Track & Field Championships.** In March 2017 UWL hosted the NCAA III Wrestling Championships.





Candidates for Graduation

Associate Degree Candidates

10 a.m. ceremony

Andrew T. Brown
Nicole L. Hanson+
Alyson M. Kornack

Baccalaureate Degree Candidates

College of Business Administration

10 a.m. ceremony

Nicholas R. Abresch	Lauren C. Carr	Daniel M. Flood	Michael D. Hawes
Joshua R. Adler	Tommy Cheng	Brett J. Fobbe	Tianna M. Hawkins
Trevor F. Akason	Andreux T. Comstock	Nickolas R. Fortney	Tanner W. Hayes**
Kathryn E. Anderson	Kierra V. Cowan	Austin A. Foster	Hailey A. Hehn
Neil R. Anderson	Samantha F. Cowman	Rose S. Franke**+	Nicolas S. Heil
Nolan S. Arentz	Dennis R. Crow, Jr	William J. Fridland	Karli J. Heimerl
Nicholas W. Argall	Bryce L. Crowley	Kassandra M. Gall	Brett D. Helling
Jannah R. Bahr	Joseph A. Culligan	Elizabeth F. Galstad**	Nikolas K. Hendrikson
Nolan M. Bargender	Jessica P. Deering	Paul S. Gaska	Skyler Herman
Christine M. Barinka*	Katherine N. Degler	Jordan D. Gauger	Alexander J. Hibbard
Kaysee J. Beckstrom*	Kiele M. DeLeeuw+	Kerstin L. Gehred	Emily J. Hilby**
Michaela K. Bemis*	Myles Dellger+	Rachel M. Geniesse	Christopher A. Hinytzke
Matthew J. Berghefer	Emma K. Dillon	Ana J. Ginter	Hans D. Hoesley
James Binder	Nicholas Dobbs	Dustin T. Gordon	Matthew D. Honer
Anne M. Blake	Jacob A. Domagala	Marissa L. Grapentine	Alyssa M. Hoover**
Jacob C. Boehm	Jessica H. Donato*	Mitchell W. Green	Tyler S. Horstman
Matthew W. Bonjour+	Jonathan P. Dorton	Taylor L. Gregory	Amanda A. Hytry
Tanner J. Boos	Clark P. Doyle	Matthew J. Gribben	Amanda L. Immekus
Caleb J. Boushley	Kimberly A. Drangeid	William D. Guerin	Taylor R. Ingenthron
Aaron J. Brost	Stephanie J. Drefahl*	Joseph R. Gumina	Connor A. Ische*
Alicia A. Buck*	Evan A. Eitel	Michaela C. Hader**	Turner W. Jacques
Megan M. Buss	Mackenzie E. Erickson	John T. Halloran	Collin R. Jahnke+
Dariel R. Bustad	Emily E. Ernst	Courtney R. Hamilton*	Elyse M. Janikian
Andrew T. Buswell	Katherine R. Espland**	Michael O. Hankner	Tyler A. Jenkins
Jennifer L. Butscher*	Jason H. Eternick	Joshua D. Harlander+	Ian M. Johnson
Leah G. Buttner+	Linsey A. Feit	Bryce R. Hartl*	Sawyer A. Johnson
Corey D. Caldwell	Matthew J. Ferrier	Joshua E. Hass	Andrew S. Johnston
Jacob R. Carlson	Caleb J. Finn	Paige Havel*+	James R. Joling*

*Commencement Honors **Commencement Highest Honors ~-Fall 2016 ~-Winter 2017 +Summer 2017 ++Fall 2017

Benjamin J. Jordan**	Delaney M. Miller**	Alicia N. Roberts	John D. Stewart*+
Cody T. Judnic	Megan A. Molling**	Christopher D. Rodriguez, Sr	Lindsay M. Stewart
Abigail J. Kannard*	Jacob T. Moore	Richard P. Rohe+	Jenna M. Strole*
Kevin T. Karwoski	Eric M. Morin	Michael P. Rosenberg	Nicholas A. Stuedemann
Briana M. Katzenberger	Brianna F. Morrissey*	Travis G. Rothstein	Brianna M. Stultz-Kozik
Drew D. Keeley	Maizoua Moua+	Jacob D. Ruck	Kaitlyn N. Summers+
Mitchell E. Kennedy	Michaela A. Muehlenkamp	Brock R. Rude	Tyler J. Sumner
Brittany R. Kidd	Courtney S. Mumm**	Waranyu Saengthaweept+	Alisha M. Thimm
Benjamin T. Kivi*	Kendra L. Nedegaard**	Matthew M. Salvatore**	Anthony J. Thorsen
Bridgette A. Klinkosh+	Alex N. Nelson	Taylor M. Samanic	Michael L. Tomkinson
Kathryn A. Koeller	Hannah P. Nelson	Hannah C. Saulnier	Elliott T. Touchett
Liam D. Koons*	Sophia K. Nelson*	Lillian D. Scheibel+	Ryan A. Trabant
Anthony L. Korish, IV	Khanh N. Nguyen	Josie M. Schilz	Chelsea S. Tremblay
Harley R. Krause	Justin A. Nichols**+	Jordan A. Schmidt*	Matthew D. Trotter
Kenneth A. Krause	Ashley C. Nuon	Ryan P. Schmidt	Sarah R. Valoe
Bailey E. Krueger*	Casey G. O'Brien	Zachary E. Schmidt	Ka Y. Vang
Jordan V. Kvasnicka	Cole A. O'Brien	Kelsey K. Schmitz**	Jared C. Varner
Bridget M. Lagerhausen	Austin R. Omelina	Brennan J. Schmoll+	Anthony M. Volk*+
Lindsey L. Lagesse**	William R. O'Neill	Andrew J. Schneider	Aleesha M. Wahl
Alyssa Lamer*	Joshua D. Paape	Olivia A. Schneider	Colleen D. Walsh
Corey T. Lamp+	Andrew J. Page	Margaret J. Schoenecker	Courtney M. Walsh
Anna C. Landgraf*	Jacob A. Parks	Phillip E. Schram	Frederick Y. Wang
Colt S. Lang	Austin L. Paschke**	Garrett S. Schroedl	Jiaqi Wang
Grant G. Laurent	Megan S. Patterson	Andrew T. Schroepfer	Nicole M. Wangler*
Adam D. Letto**	Jake E. Pauly	Malory K. Sedbrook**	Samuel H. Watenpuhl
Eric S. Lewis	Courtney B. Pearsall**	Katelyn J. Seelow	Colton P. Weber
Marc A. L'Heureux	Derek M. Peat	Mark T. Siehoff	Ryan C. Weinmann
Jaclyn E. Lilley**	Danielle E. Peterson	Kevin J. Simanek	Melissa S. Weiss+
Paige N. Linck	Kayla M. Peterson**	Bradley M. Simmons	Ryan W. Westley**
Nicole E. Lipari	Austin B. Petrie	Stephanie N. Sneden	Kendall M. Westrich**
Jacob A. Ludin	Austin S. Petroff**	Ruya Song+	Allison C. White*
Dylan M. Mannerter**	Jeffrey M. Plutte	Angela K. Sparks**	Jordan M. Widas
Evan C. Marlowe	Jamie R. Porter	Steven C. Startz	Jude C. Williams+
Kelsey M. Martel	Alexander L. Priester	Elliot Statz	Max M. Wittig
William G. Martinez-Ortiz+	Lucas J. Prijic +	Benjamin N. Stauss*	Cameron M. Wright
Parker L. McHale	Kristen M. Proegler+	Alyssa J. Stein**	Yang Xu
Daniel P. McKee	Keely G. Rau	Benjamin R. Stelter	Vang Yang*
Jasmin C. Mckenzie	Allison M. Reagan*	Elana M. Stelter	Yeng V. Yang
Ryan T. McMorrow	Jaclyn R. Reinl+	Parker G. Stennes+	Kelly R. Zimmerman**
Austin L. Meyer	Clinton J. Rihn	Christopher M. Sterr	Isaac B. Zwicker
Dalton A. Miller	Mariah N. Ring	Alecia M. Stevenson	Joel G. Zyhowski

College of Liberal Studies

10 a.m. ceremony

Ruthann R. Aitch+	Danielle L. Brzezinski*	Callen E. Farina**	Taylor L. Hardinger
Jacob D. Akin	Megan A. Buchberger	Lindsay N. Faust	Eric S. Harmsen
Fatin A. Alahnaidi	Mark D. Buchholtz	Lindsey A. Felt	Stephanie Haugh
Bryce P. Allard*	Sarina M. Burch	William J. Feltz*	Jordan M. Hawkinson+
Bradley B. Allhiser	Paige E. Burton	Nathaniel L. Ferkey	Paige A. Hayward
Alaa A. Alqayidi+	Rachel M. Cain	Ariana R. Filiatrault*	Cara J. Henney*
Jeremy T. Ames**	Taylor A. Caldwell*	Davyn M. Fischer*	Emma N. Herms
Emma R. Anderson	Jamie P. Capetillo	Bridget L. Fish*	Sarah E. Hoefler
Megan S. Anderson+	Katherine C. Caputa**	Branden D. Fleming	Faith A. Hoelzel+
Kendra E. Andreska*	Christa E. Carini**	Gregory W. Fletcher	Erynn K. Hoff
Natalie M. Annis	Lindsay A. Caton	Jonathan R. Flinchum**~~	Rachel L. Hoffman+
Andrew Appold	Michelle M. Chester**	Lauren A. Follansbee*	Kaitlin M. Hohl
Authrene Ashton*	Lindsey M. Chitwood*	Raquel S. Forss	Sarah A. Holmberg
Anthony J. Bacchi	Tawnee L. Christians	Katherine A. Foster	Joshua T. Hopkins
Alex P. Bahr*	Amanda L. Coleman	Jaron W. Frederick*	Kymberlie M. Howe
Sierra C. Bahr	Patrick P. Conway*	Morgan E. Fuller*	Piper A. Howe
Jasmin T. Barnhill	Alexandria A. Costello	Spenser C. Garcia**	Megan L. Ihrke
Kyle E. Bastable+	Daniel P. Coyle*	Joshua N. Gaspard	Derek R. Jack
Carissa N. Bauer	Teahlyn F. Crow**	Lindsay C. Gerdts	Harrison S. Jackson*
Samantha J. Beilfuss	Grace L. Cullen	Cassandra J.	Shelby N. Jacobson
Benjamin R. Beine	Anna C. David	Germundson**	Kathryn J. Jaeger
Cassandra J. Beinemann	Joseph W. David	Erik J. Gilmore	Jesse R. Jepson
Bobbie S. Bender	Lane A. Dickman*	Emily M. Ginter**	Dylan J. Jester**
Michelle N. Berin	Nicole M. Donaldson	Emily A. Girman	Thomas M. Johnke
Dane C. Berres**	Alexis J. Dreyer+	Abigail V. Gnewikow	Hanna E. Johnson
Kali A. Boardman	Brenna N. Driscoll	Thomas D. Godfrey	Kirsten A. Johnson*
Jessica C. Botz	Erica A. Duerst*	Katie L. Goetz	Makenna C. Johnson+
Elizabeth D. Bourgeois*	Anita J. Durben*	Hannah L. Gothard	Mikayla J. Jost
Katelynn A. Bozich*	Emily C. Edelman	Abigail R. Gotz	Travis E. Judell
Allison M. Bradley**	Brooke A. Edmondson	Mitchell W. Gray*	Kylie R. Kaltenberg*
Kray J. Bradley	Paige Edwards	Samantha R. Grebe	Theresa A. Kasper**
Alyssa M. Braun*	Samantha C. Endres**	Sieanna M. Haakenson	Elizabeth V. Katschke
Chloe Brenner*	Jillian M. Entinger	Katelyn E. Hackman*	Emily J. Kauth*
Grant D. Broeckel*	Kathryn A. Erickson	Annissa R. Haedt	Margaret A. Kautz**
Kate M. Bromley*	Anna E. Ewing	Justis S. Hagberg	Mitchell T. Kelleher
Matthew C. Bryant	Mikaela J. Ezzell	Gabriel J. Hanson	Michelle P. Kelly**

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Clayton B. Kemp**	Brett D. Meyer**	Robert L. Piper	Sara Y. Schmidt**
Isabel G. Kemp	Hannah R. Meyer*	Miles Pitman*	Samantha A. Schmitz*
Alexander W. Kennedy	Kara L. Meyer	Vincent F. Ponterio	Elizabeth C. Schnell
Meredith L. Ketzler*	Aamer Z. Mian	Stephanie R. Prasser*	Carli A. Schroeder
April L. Keyes+	Jason M. Miller	Devyn R. Prielipp	Alicia J. Schultz*
Sabrina J. Kinsey	Megan P. Miller*	Taylor L. Pryce	Elijah M. Schultz
Walker Kinziger	Cassidy R. Mitchell	Kaitlyn R. Pudenz*	Kelsey L. Schultz*
Andrew Klahn**	Meg M. Mittelstadt*	Danielle J. Pursell	Amolia C. Schumacher*
Heather N. Klein*	Mikayla K. Mlsna**	McKenna M. Quinter*	Shiyalyn L. Schumacher
Stephen V. Klescewski	Bailey A. Monson*	Rachel L. Ramthun**	Jayden S. Schuster+
Lindsay E. Komro**	Elena S. Montanye*	Jordyn T. Rasmussen	Rebecca S. Schwartz**
Brenna K. Kreilkamp	Jacena G. Moua	James T. Rau	Kayla L. Selz
Jessica R. Kriesel	Holly Mueller	Anna R. Razidlo*	Nicole H. Shaffer
Adam D. Krueger	Mariah E. Mueller	Taylor L. Reed	Jessica M. Shane
Cassandra N. Laabs**	Stella E. Nathan	Jennifer R. Regnier	Jeremy J. Shimetz
Cassandra L. Larson	Amirah A. Neely	McKenzie L. Rehm	Ayush M. Shrestha+
Nicole L. Larson	Lia E. Neterval-Quiel	Jessi C. Reidy*	Alec Y. Shu+
Hannah T. Lashock	Nathaniel R. Newberry	Aaron M. Reimler	Rachael L. Shulta*
Rachel A. Lau	Nicole M. Niedfeldt	Jordan C. Reuter*	Jill A. Simon
Garrett A. Le Gros	Cristian A. Noriega-	Lauren E. Reynolds**	Austin L. Simonis
Hsin-Yeh Lee	Sagastume	Hanna N. Riedel	Lily M. Simonson
Jennifer L. Lemminger	Sara B. Normington*	Evan P. Riniker	Charleton G. Skinner*
Cora E. Lessard**	Kelsey R. Norton**	Leah J. Rivard	Ioannis G. Skoufis
Nicole M. Levra**	Ryan J. Oakeson	Seth R. Roca	Alexa L. Skoyen+
Youmiao Li	Ryan M. O'Leary	Alanna C. Roesler**	Margaret E. Slatter
Peter Y. Lien*	Ellen K. Oligney*	Brianna L. Rosenow	Alexis R. Smith
Michael H. Long	Annastatius M. Olson**	Ashley M. Rowin	Ricki A. Smith
Londyn F. Lorenz*	Jacquelyn E. Olson*	Isabel A. Roy	Miranda R. Socha
Jun Cheng Ma+	Joseph E. Olson	Christopher M. Rudolph**	Lindsay J. Solper+
Nicolas C. MacDonald	Zachary Olson	Kayla A. Ruff**+	Kristina J. Sousou*
Whitney R. Malin**	Anna N. Oppedisano	Meagan J. Rummage**	Desiree V. Starkey
Logan J. Mallek+	Samantha H. Orfali	Lydia K. Runge	Stewart A. Stehly*
Emily M. Martin*	Samantha M. Ozbelen*	Beth P. Ryan**	Christine K. Stein
Leah M. Martin	Scott G. Patterson	Tessa P. Ryan*+	Benjamin T. Stogbauer*
Alicia E. Martin-Vega	Imani E. Paul	Victoria K. Salfer*	Alexander J. Stoikes
Nicholas W. Mauel*	Mikayla M. Peters*	Megan E. Salvin*	Jacob M. Stone**
Elizabeth R. May	Katherine L. Pfaff*	Emily M. Sander	Willena R. Stone
Megan M. McCarthy*	Madeline C. Philipps	Kerry K. Scafidi	Erik R. Stromquist
Marsalis L. McGhee	Megan T. Picha*	Jessica T. Schmeling+	William D. Strupp, II
Emily Merian	Cali M. Piojda	Jaime L. Schmidt*	Abigail Styczynski+

College of Liberal Studies continued

Eliscia F. Sullivan	Miranda J. Van Straten	Jacob J. Wawronowicz	Zoe A. Wood
Laura Surber*	Mercedes J. Vandaver	Kalli P. Webb	Benjamin D. Wunderlich
Bethany A. Swan	Jesse M. VandenAvond	Bridget P. Webster	Mariah L. Wussow
Stuart L. Swanson*	Teng Vang	Anna C. Weidner	Jie Xian
Jennifer C. Syburg	Kristofer M. Vavrosky	Derek N. Weinmann	Alissa M. Yakes
Jasmine Tatum~~	Julie M. Venne*	Morgan K. Welch	Chai Yang
Marquel Thelen	Anton J. Vershay*	Elizabeth D. West*	Fue Yang
Andrew R. Thompson	Keely R. Vetter	Julia M. Whalen	Gaokhia V. Yang
Tim Titus, Jr	Aaron T. Vruwink**	Grace C. Wheeler	Gemma R. Zahradka**
Zachary P. Tomesh	Klint D. Wales	James W. Wheeler, II	Kaitlyn R. Zander**
Andrew A. Treu	Allante M. Walker	Angela M. Wierzbicki+	Lindsey M. Zblewski
Morgan D. Tuohy	Tori C. Walsh	Andrew G. Wildt	BethAnn Zenk*
Karissa S. Udoni	Camille J. Walter	Jacob J. Williams	Samantha K. Ziemke**
Cal E. U'Ren	Maxwell E. Ward*+	Anthony J. Wiltinger	Makayla Zimmermann+
Kara E. Van Kirk	Ashley N. Wasson	Chelsey Windl*	
	Hunter A. Watry	Jessica N. Wisniewski	



School of Education

10 a.m. ceremony

Aubrey M. Anderson*	Margaret M. Handel**	Taylor S. McCormack*	Katie L. Sproul**
Megan M. Baudhuin	Kimberly C. Hatch	Brittany J. McCrory**	Shelby M. Stafford*
Hannah M. Bauer*	Lauren M. Hillman*	Aubrey E. McDonald	Dakota G. Stuckey**
Kerry L. Benedict**	Lauren N. Hipp**	Erin H. McNary*	Lisa A. Stundahl**
James K. Bennett	Riley A. Hornickle**	Lynwood A. Meyer	Krystle J. Thomas*
Courtney A. Benz	Brett G. Hulmer	Reid K. Montanye	Andrea L. Thomson
Amy M. Blanchette**	Sarah N. Israel*	Alexa L. Oberembt**	Kylie R. Thurk*
Whitney L. Butson	Madeleine R. Johnston*	Natalie N. Oligney*	Natalie K. Twite
Arthur J. Day*	Carly Kiesow*	Melissa J. Olson	Taylor Vanderstappen
Megan R. Dittner**	Taylor M. Koman*	Eric A. Pannier	Sara A. Vandersteen*
Olivia K. Dubiel*	Jayne M. Korotev*	Jacob H. Perner	Danielle L. Wais
Mitchell R. Fischer*	Melissa T. Kottke	Kari A. Peterson**	Sarah M. Westman*
Samantha L. Fleming**	Brady A. Kozelka	Rachel L. Rademacher**	Dustin R. Wilhelm
Julie C. Fuerbringer**	McKenzie R. Larson*	Taylor M. Rauls*	Molly K. Williams**
Lisa Gaber**	Rachel E. Lee**	Kathryn E. Ringgenberg**	Haili M. Wilson**
Salena S. Gahler*	Anthony B. Lenertz*	Ethan K. Ringlien	Taylor L. Wilson**
Kelly L. Garrity*	Mikayla H. Lettau**	Jennifer L. Sager*	Arianna C. Wirebaugh*
Claire Gordee*++	Alexandria J. Lira*	Samantha J. Salvesen*	Erin E. Wysocki*
Megan E. Gresl*	Makayla A. Lucey*	Kayla M. Schaper**	Samantha K. Yehle*
Abigail M. Grinna**	Ryan D. Mandel*	Caroline F. Sjoberg*	Allison N. Zelinski
Nicholas F. Haffner	McKenzie L. Marshall**	Taylor L. Soto	Coby J. Zwiefelhofer*
		Carly C. Spencer	

School of Education

2 p.m. ceremony

Haley M. Anderson*	Nathan J. Hettinga*	Natalie A. Powell	Zoe J. Simon
Makenzie R. Becker**	Nicholas R. Hoskins	Austin J. Reed	Cody R. Spooner
Sarah I. Brooks	Dalton J. Kansier	Spencer Ritt	Eric M. Stewart*
Ryan A. Capwell	Peter M. Marcy	Jacob A. Rogness	Eric A. Vis
John J. Dahl	Megan N. Mathies	Ashley N. Rossman	Logan D. Winker
Emma J. Ehlen*	Brett A. Merley	Garrett W. Sarauer	Brooke M. Zimmer
Jessica A. First	Luke D. Mroczenski**	Emily Schaefer**	Jack A. Zwettler
Allison C. Hammerstad	Raymond C. Paul	Thurston W. Schuster	Samuel L. Zwiieg*
	Alex M. Peterson	Scott T. Shewmon	



College of Science and Health

2 p.m. ceremony

Brandon D. Abrams	Lucas J. Belmore~~	Kaitlin M. Bronk	William G. Cook**
Amanda B. Adams+	LeAnna M. Bender	Gabrielle L. Brosius+	Alyssa M. Cooke
Lexie K. Adams	Shay V. Benedict	Emily J. Brothen+	Jane E. Cooney
Alyce R. Adesso	Jenna M. Berger+	Adam J. Brown	Catlyn D. Cornelius+
Todd M. Ahlers+	Edward Bernas	Victoria M. Brown+	Casey L. Crapser
Sarah E. Albrecht*	Laura L. Berry**	Kadin S. Browne	Jessica J. Cravens
Victoria L. Amundson**	Jamie S. Binning**+	Madeline R. Brunner*	Michael J. Cronce
Jacob D. Anason**	Eric M. Bitney*+	Rachel Bunnell+	Jedediah E. Dallas
Allison Anderson+	Bedania C. Blandon	Hunter R. Burchfield	Kelcey E. Daniels*+
Dylan M. Anderson*	Bryanne L. Blanton	Hannah N. Buringa++	Jordan Dassler
Erica R. Anderson	Nicole A. Blaser*	Michaela J. Burton	Katherine M. Davenport**
Logan J. Anderson	Samuel A. Blum	Shayla A. Buryaska*+	Timothy J. Davie**
Katrina Anthony	Tori M. Blumenstein	Mesheal L. Bushor**	Rachel L. Davis*
Zoe E. Arnold	Bethany J. Boecker	Brianna M. Buth*	Samson J. Davis**
Ryan M. Aschenbrenner	Kristin E. Boerst	Lukas G. Buttke**	Shannon L. De La Rosa
Taryn N. Ashley**	Todd Boettcher	Alexandra Carlo+	Katelyn R. De Starkey**
Taylor M. Ashworth	Nicole C. Boisvert	Alexandra M. Carlson*+	Colin M. DeClark*
Andrew T. Askow*	Chelsey L. Boldon	Brent V. Carlson	Madeline L. DeFrance**
Zoe C. Ault Brinker	Nicholas M. Bolen+	Jordan N. Carns	Jennifer R. DeGrave
Cy F. Badertscher+	Shannon L. Bolen	Zachary Case	Stephanie G. Deis**
Austin J. Baetke	Brady S. Bollinger**	Sidney N. Cater	Ross A. Denman+
Britani N. Bahr+	Seth T. Bomber	Alexander P. Christensen**	Callie K. Dickson+
Cody S. Bahr	Trevor B. Bordelon	Joseph B. Christian	Jordyn R. Dieman*
Jack R. Barber*	Ryan R. Borgardt**+	Abbi L. Christiansen**	Cody J. Diener**+
Eric R. Barnier	Christine S. Bottini	Megan M. Christophersen*	Matthew D. Dietz
Savanna J. Barrett+	Alec J. Boyer+	Jonathan D. Christopherson	Nicholas B. Diny
Alexander B. Bartelme	Amanda J. Bradley*	Mark Cismoski*	Lauren Dobron+
Heather J. Bartelt**	Steven D. Brady*	Claire E. Clabots	Evan A. Dowling**
Allie T. Basken+	Ezekiel J. Braun+	Jonathan M. Clark	Makenzie K. Drake*
Christina M. Bastian**+	Ashley N. Braund+	Katelyn M. Clark	Stephanie M. Dreifuert**
Elizabeth A. Beaudette+	Nicholas K. Brehmer	Alyssa M. Clemment	Morgan L. Drexler**
Victoria A. Beda	Christina L. Brennan	Katherine M. Coates	Jessica M. Dritlein+
Jordan S. Beenken	Lucas J. Brimmer	Alexander R. Cole	Alex R. Drover

*Commencement Honors **Commencement Highest Honors ~~Fall 2016 ~Winter 2017 +Summer 2017 ++Fall 2017

Wei Du	Samantha J. Frombach	Mara R. Hanson*+	Sarah N. Jacobs**
Kandyce J. Dunlap*	Katrina M. Fuchs	Brandon T. Hardyman	Jeffrey J. Jaeggi**
Zachery J. Durkee+	Kaylyn M. Funk	Alexander G. Harker	Spencer B. Janes*
Emma L. Eastlick**	Jennifer L. Gallagher	Travis J. Harrison	Devon R. Janikowski
Karisa C. Eckendorf+	Jaime E. Garrigan*+	Madison L. Haus**	Elle R. Janssen**+
Brock R. Edwards	Mary M. Gaspers+	Jessica S. Hauser+	Kevin C. Jean
Stacey R. Egberg	Zachariah T. Gauerke*	Caitlin M. Hausner*	Samantha J. Joecks
Kailey R. Ekstrom*+	Mason L. Geary+	Cory T. Hayden	Athena Y. Johnson**+
Riley R. Ellis*	Sarah C. Geier**	Hailey J. Hayes+	Carli J. Johnson*
David H. Erdall+	Lane W. Geisness*	Emmarie M. Heacox	Danica R. Johnson*
Rebecca A. Eron	Reed Gibson+	Matthew J. Heiden	Maggie C. Johnson+
Benjamin W. Eversman	Noah W. Giebink**	Mariah L. Heiman+	Nora J. Johnston
Michael R. Falck	Kevin J. Gierke	Matthew R. Heinz	Caitlyn L. Jolly*
Kyle J. Fargen*	Erin M. Giesler+	Benjamin C. Hendrickson	Dana L. Jorgensen
Taylor L. Farrington	Reese A. Glover*	Owen H. Henriksen	Molly Kadlec*+
Jacob A. Faultersack**	Matthew Goldhammer	Corey J. Herman**	Sarah J. Kaehny**
Alyssa R. Fedie**	Jonathan Gonzalez+	Fabiola Hernandez	Courtney L. Kaminsky+
Kenneth H. Finco+	Benjamin R. Gosselin**	Jesus A. Hernandez+	Samantha L. Karl
Jade M. Finstad	Beau A. Gotthardt	Morgan E. Herold+	Nathaniel R. Karlen
Taylor A. Fischer	Mercedes L. Gray	Carol E. Hickman**	Michael R. Kaschner+
Tia B. Fish	Austin J. Greenwood**	Hannah L. Hill+	Kaitlyn M. Kaufenberg
Cody R. Fisher*	Andrew J. Gregory**	Isaiah D. Hinds	Berclee J. Kaye+
Gabrielle A. Fitzgerald*+	Augustus C. Greife**	Holly A. Hintermeister	Robert A. Keaton
Samantha Fitzpatrick**+	Haley A. Grenko*+	Karli C. Hintz+	Elliot H. Keller
Shasta J. Fleming**	Christina J. Griffin*	Carter A. Hoffman*	Kelsey R. Kennedy**
Dillon J. Flock	Erin L. Groh	Kyle J. Holbach+	Savana Kettner**
Dakota J. Flohaug	Brady M. Gross~	Emma R. Holbrook*	Alastair C. Keys*
Alexa E. Flores	Lauren Gruber**	Angela C. Holtquist	Sarah Kind+
Joseph C. Forman	Erin N. Gytoku*	Kyle I. Holzwarth	Sydney M. King
Katelyn N. Forst**+	Cecilia R. Haas+	Allie P. Hren*+	Derek P. Klein**
Kelsey K. Frain*	Michael P. Haas	Jacquelyne R. Huinker	Kaitlin S. Klinger*+
Allison J. Freier*	McKenna R. Hage*+	Dana K. Hungness	Kelli M. Klitzke+
Marlee K. Freitag*	Brianna M. Haight**	Angela R. Hussong	Leah M. Klosiewski
Paige M. Frendahl	Michelle L. Haldeman	Journee E. Hutchcroft	Katie M. Klubertanz
Morgan A. Freund*	Nicholas J. Halsema*+	Kevin A. Huybrecht*	Adam A. Kluck*
Elizabeth S. Frick**	Jensen E. Hamilton	Emily K. Hyland	Allison Klug**
Jacob M. Froehlich	Cooper T. Hann	Brandon L. Itson-Zoske	Emily A. Knoll*+

College of Science and Health continued

Brandon M. Knudtson	Tyler S. Lininger+	Stacey A. McKenzie	Elizabeth J. Nakhla
Alexander R. Koenen+	Gretchen A. Linzmeier+	Jeff J. Meckstroth	Trenton Napp**
Lukas N. Kolasch+	Jack W. Little	Emily M. Meissner*+	Brittany A. Nase+
Tonya A. Konop+	Megan Lockwood+	Caitlin A. Mereness+	Breanna M. Nedden*
Zachary C. Koop	Michael D. Loebertman**	Chad Mertens	Lindsay Neinas
Matthew R. Kosch**+	Joshua D. Loew*	Dustin M. Metzger	Samantha G. Nellesen
Megan T. Kowalczyk*	Sam B. Lor	Beth A. Meyer**	Harold E. Nelson, IV
Leah D. Krbecek	Alexandria L. Lovell	Carissa C. Meyer+	Michael D. Nelson
Azure R. Kremer	Ketura M. Luginbuhl*	Jack S. Meyers	Nicole H. Nelson
Carl Kritter	Megan B. Lynch	Rachael L. Micolichek*	Tia M. Nelson*
Kristie L. Krogman	Kaylee L. Lyons*	Samuel J. Midlikowski+	Tobias A. Nelson
Travis Kruckow	Kimberly M. MacGregor	Jonathan M. Miles	Alexander S. Newell
Sally J. Krull	Gunnar K. Mach	Evan J. Miller	Carley M. Ney
Tyler J. Kryzanowski	Samantha A. Mack	Taylor L. Miller**	Abbey J. Nicewander
Molly J. Kuckkahn	Cara A. Mackesey*+	Emily A. Minnick+	Karina E. Nielsen*
Natalie R. Kurth*	Caitlin L. Maki*+	Paige L. Miracola+	Michael A. Nighbor
Nathan T. LaCoursiere	Shannon M. Malchine**	Elisabeth M. Miramontes	Samantha A. Nighorn*
Xiao L. Lai+	Tyler J. Malin+	Matthew J. Mishek	Joshua R. Nisler*+
Jenna Laidlaw+	Morgan J. Manning	Raeleigh Moe	Christina Nitecke*+
Kate E. Laird+	Sean B. Manning*+	Margaret A. Moegenburg+	Brandon L. Noble*
Sophia R. Lamey**+	Rachel E. Manthy	Taylor L. Mommaerts	Miranda C. Norman*+
Mackaylin D. Larsen+	John A. Marcouiller	Sara A. Mootz*	Victor L. Northcraft
Mitchel Larson	Brianna T. Mark**	Jon E. Mor	Abby J. Nous
Rachel A. Larson	Kaelyn B. Marks	Gabriel J. Morrin	Ian T. O'Brien*+
Tiara J. Latz*	Jennifer R. Maronek**	Dakota L. Morrone+	Riley S. O'Connor
Kayla N. Laufenberg*+	Sean C. Martens	Grace L. Mortenson+	Katrina L. O'Keefe
Blair R. Lebeck	Lucas R. Massman**	Jordyn M. Mroczenski	Alexander A. Olp+
Cedric P. Lechleitner**	Morgan M. Maule	Alex E. Mrotek+	Micah T. Olson+
Leotzi D. Lee	Ryan C. Maurer*	Casey J. Mrozek	Shawna R. Olson**
Maria K. Lee**	Michael J. Maziarka	Paige M. Mueller*+	Marissa M. Ortner*+
Steven B. Lee	Nathan N. McCourt	Sarah D. Mueller*	Reanna L. Ostreng
Tou Lee	Brett K. McCutchin*	Nathaniel A. Muller**	Mary M. Paese**
Nathan T. Lenz*	Reece E. McEvoy*+	Matthew Mulroy	William T. Page
Karissa H. Lessor*	Acadiarose H. McGovern+	Courtney N. Murphy**+	Colleen A. Palmiter
Monica R. Lewinski+	Dustin B. McHenry	Emily M. Murphy**	Kimberly G. Pape+
CJ Lewis+	Marissa E. Mckeehan+	Adnan Mustic+	Alyssa M. Patten**
Lydia J. Lindow+	Erin E. McKenna+	Katelyn C. Nadeau	Garrett T. Paulson**

Laura N. Paulson	Shelby A. Roberts	Marissa L. Scray**	Kaitlyn M. Steger**
Riley A. Paulson	Luke J. Rohloff	Jonathan D. Selck+	Peter H. Steinbrenner**+
Sarah C. Pease*+	Brandon D. Ross	Lauren M. Sennott**	Miranda L. Steinmetz*
Alexandra N. Peeters+	Peter H. Roth*	Robert E. Sepulveda	Lauren M. Stoiber
Paige M. Pellersels*	Steven M. Roth+	Mohanad Seraj	Jerrold E. Stoker
Patrik M. Perner	Scott D. Rudesill	Cecily A. Shaw	Riley R. Stone**
Alexander R. Perronne	Tracy L. Rudi	Katelyn E. Shepardson	Jenna L. Sturz
Julie L. Petak**+	Kayla J. Runingen	Prasanna R. Shiwakoti+	John C. Susen+
Ava C. Pfeffer+	Logan K. Russell	Nicholas J. Sierra	Megan M. Swain*
Mallory A. Phillips	Adam R. Rutter	Sydney E. Simmons*	Aaron T. Swan*
Hannah K. Piper	Christopher J. Saathoff	Matthew E. Simon	Courtney L. Swanson**
Josiah P. Piquette	Marilee J. Saatzler*	Teresa C. Simon+	Tyler M. Sweere
Danielle V. Pitrof*	Grant E. Sachs+	Sonethong T. Sitdamlong	Danielle E. Sweeting
Nicole M. Poganski*+	Brianna M. Salomonsen	Hannah L. Skibba*+	Nadine R. Switlick+
Emma J. Pogreba	Anna M. Sarwa	Eric L. Skipper+	Sara A. Taake*
Katherine A. Powers*+	Alyssa R. Sauer*+	Elaina L. Smaby*	Christina M. Taddeo**+
Allison C. Prew*	Mikayla M. Savaglio+	Matthew W. Smaglick	Janelle M. Taylor*
Jessica N. Priest+	Matthew S. Schack*	Hayley M. Smith+	Daniel D. Tchernev
Luke W. Purtell	Michael D. Scheidt*	Madeline A. Smith+	Peter W. Tenpas
Leah N. Putzier*	Eric P. Schepp+	Montana R. Smith**	Kathryn L. Terry+
Matthew D. Quade	Laura M. Schiller+	Rachel E. Smith**	La Khour Thao
Molly J. Quakkelaar	Koleman W. Schilling	Miranda M. Snortheim	Lychee A. Thao+
Sarah K. Rademacher	Laura A. Schilter*	McKenzie J. Snustead*	Breanne M. Thompson**
Karl I. Radke	Benjamin J. Schilz**	Miranda D. Snyder+	Emily F. Thompson
Amanda R. Ramos	Kristen M. Schmalfeldt*	Mikaela A. Sobotta*+	Sarah R. Thompson*
Damien M. Rasmussen	Emily A. Schmidt	Maximilian W. Soda	Megan E. Thornton**
Neil K. Rasmussen	Jacob L. Schmidt	Allison A. Solum	Andrew D. Thrans+
Ty J. Rebedew	Blakney E. Schmitt*	Julie E. Sondgeroth+	Cole A. Tidemann*
Nicholas J. Reda*+	Karli A. Schneider+	Brittany R. Soquet	Cole A. Todd~~
Anna M. Rees**	Skylar L. Schoh	Kelly N. Sorensen+	John S. Tolkinen
Rebekka C. Reineke	Tara A. Schroeder	Jeffrey M. Spangenberg	Taylor R. Tomczyk**
Cory M. Reinen	Rebecca M. Schuette+	Erin M. Specht	Elizabeth L. Torresani*+
Mitchell L. Reis	Eric E. Schuh	Amanda M. Stadtler*	Daniel L. Traverzo
Rachel M. Remes+	Hannah M. Schultz+	Cecilia H. Staeger	Samantha R. Trebtoske
Jeffrey L. Retzlaff	Lucas A. Schultz+	Ashlee N. Stahl*	Dylan P. Tripoli+
Sarah Rice+	Abbey E. Schwaab	Kassandra M. Stalsberg	Taylor R. Trondson
Jessica M. Richmond*	Lauren P. Schwabe*	Bethany N. Starry	Mckayla N. Trotter+

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Benjamin R. Tschoeke	Emily N. Von Dollen	Andrew M. Westley+	Ryan J. Wunderlich+
Dylan G. Tully	Michael N. Vrabel	Dylan E. Wevers+	Haley L. Yager**
David B. Turkowitch*	Aislynn A. Wagner**	Alexa P. Wiegand*	Mai Mao Yang
Kiara I. Turzinski+	Grace Walker	Hannah J. Wierschke*	Paja Yang
Carly J. Ulven**	Janek S. Walker*	Kristin M. Wilfert*+	Tenzin Yangkyi
Ashley R. Underwood	Emily C. Wallenhorst**	Kari Willett**	Emily V. Young
Christopher J. Unterberger*	Jacob R. Wallock	Joni M. Williamson+	Jonathan A. Young
Samantha L. Vanburen*	Alyxandra B. Walters	Carlie A. Wipperfurth+	Eric M. Yuds+
Janessa L.	Melissa A. Warren	Kelsey E. Wiseman	Ashley M. Zander**
VandenBerge**+	Shane D. Waskosky+	Brandon T. Witzke	Eric J. Zelhofer
See Vang*	Kyle M. Wasurick	Elizabeth A. Wlodyga	Alyssa M. Zidar*
Michael Q. Verbeke	Abigail R. Waters+	Casey T. Wojtowicz	Alec J. Ziegler
Jared M. Verber*	Justin C. Wedal*	Jesse P. Wolfe	Zachary M. Zietz+
Walter Verburg+	Justen J. Wegter+	Carli Wood+	Abbey R. Zimmer
McKenzie Vermeire*	Dustin M. Weinmann	Emily C. Wood	Brannon T. Zochert
Collin M. Volpintesta+	Evan Weis*	Michael J. Woodley+	Alexander J. Zoroufy*
Allison M. von Brevern**	Alyssa H. Weisensel*+	Ethan D. Woodliff	Alexis K. Zuel+
Trace A. Von	Rebecca J. Welsh+	Nicholas M. Worman	Lydia J. Zyduck
Bruenchenhein*	Harley J. Wente*	Kathryn J. Worrell	
	Rachel J. Weslo*	Marissa N. Wright*	



Honors Program Candidates

Archaeology Department Honors

Teahlyn F. Crow**
William J. Feltz*
Eric S. Harmsen
Piper A. Howe
Margaret A. Kautz**
Brett D. Meyer**
Kaitlyn R. Pudenz*
Jacob M. Stone**
Gemma R. Zahradka**

English Department Honors

Mikayla M. Peters*

Microbiology Department Honors

Cody R. Fisher*

Political Science/Public

Administration Department Honors

Rachel L. Ramthun**
Christopher M. Rudolph**
Katelyn E. Shepardson
Kaitlyn R. Zander**

Psychology Department Honors

Jonathan R. Flinchum**~~
Emma N. Herms
Dylan J. Jester**
Stephanie R. Prasser*
Jessi C. Reidy*
Jordan C. Reuter*
Alanna C. Roesler**
Kristina J. Sousou*
Chelsey Windl*
BethAnn Zenk*

Sociology Department Honors

Dane C. Berres**
Taylor A. Caldwell*
Sara Y. Schmidt**



Graduate Degree Candidates

Doctor of Physical Therapy

2 p.m. ceremony

Kelly Adkins
Katelyn Alman
Carolyn R. Apfelbach
Christopher Ashbeck
Jillian T. Asmus
Jamie L. Bergelin
Alexander J. Brook
Jennifer M. Budzien
Noah A. Bularz
Meghan Cram
Ashley M. Dreier
Zachary R. Ellis
Kelly Faber
Jamie J. Fechhelm
Alyssa Frees
Christian W. Hintz
Dianne F. Kilgas
Chelsey Klimek
Aaron M. Loferski
Ryan C. McCann
Alexis M. Mehr
Zac Mestelle
Jessica L. Miller
Alexander P. Niznik
Christina R. Olbrantz
Natalie Pitsch
Michael A. Price
Cassie L. Raduka
Laura J. Schmitt
Kimberly C. Schumacher
Lindsey J. Sheehan
Emily Sobocinski
Lauren C. Strommen
Sydney S. Swenson
Melissa M. Thompson
Chee N. Vang
Laura A. Verbruggen
Michelle C. Wanta
Stacey M. Wenker
Morgan K. Wright
Jeanette R. Zdroik

Education Specialist Degree Candidates

10 a.m. ceremony

Kythie P. Boyd
William A. Champeau, VI
Stefanie Eggert
Ericka A. Grimm
Rachel Maziarka
Jessica A. Muehlbauer
Brittany Oblak
Taylor K. Wacholz
MacKenzie F. Welch
Anna E. Yeager
Amanda Yenter

Master of Business Administration

10 a.m. ceremony

Cheng Feng
Timothy J. Humphries
Cody J. Key+
Jeffrey W. Ross
Michael Sylla
Wendy J. Whitehead
Lerong Xu+
Tianjin Yang
Jikai Zhu

Master of Science

2 p.m. ceremony

Biology

Samuel T. David
Elizabeth Leighton
Amber A. Miller-Adamany
Brandon R. Potter
Theresa A. Simpson+
Dustin L. Stevens
Samantha J. Stipan

Biology: Aquatic Science Concentration

Katherine J. Bohrman
Riley P. Buley
Joseph T. Kukulski
Sarina A. Rutter

Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology Concentration

Alison N. Bonis
Xingxing Lin
Kristin M. Short

Biology: Microbiology Concentration

Brittany J. Brown

Biology: Nurse Anesthesia Concentration

Bryn H. Borders+
Jessica L. Carlson+
Shannon E. Conlin+
Elizabeth Griepentrog+
James K. Harris+
Joseph Holger+
Jennifer E. Johnson+
Joshua C. Laack+
Amy B. Tevis+

Clinical Exercise Physiology

Chelsea J. Hahn

Exercise and Sport Science:

Human Performance

Alexandria L. Berry+
Kathryn A. Cardwell
Jamie R. Erickson
Lydia A. Gillen
Claire Harnell
Joseph J. McGlynn
Jacob R. Meiller
Jamie L. Ochsenwald
Ryan M. Reh
David R. Zettler

Exercise and Sport Science:

Physical Education Teaching

Andrew B. Gough
Yongju Hwang+
Korey A. Kleinhans+
Mary C. O'Reilly+
Alex Parsons+
Trevor I. Pruett
Joseph R. Schmid+
Thomas J. Teigen
Quinton D. White+

Health Education: Community Health Education

Craig Martin
Heidi L. Odegaard+
Cortney D. Springer+

Microbiology

Amy Baker
Samuel M. Grund+
Daniel Liska

Microbiology: Clinical Microbiology Emphasis

Manisha Dahal
Brandon C. Hayes
Matthew D. Meindel
Michaela M. Schmidt+

Physician Assistant Studies

Noel Amborn
Marie J. Bedard
Brooke M. Benjamin
Whitney J. Boedeker
Mariah R. Cropp
Sarah Eichenberg
Peter D. Fitzgerald
Kelly E. Halbach
Lainee J. Hoffman
Leah M. Lemke
Jennifer R. Page
Erin M. Peeters
Jenna L. Ramler
Lisa C. Rydeen
Amy Van Asten
Alexis M. Wypyszynski
Zachary J. Zabadal
Laura Zeamer

Recreation Management

Paige P. Albrecht
Brooke Hemstead
Lee A. Johnson
Kaitlyn L. Patrick+
Kailey M. Pesik+
Joshua A. Thompson+
Victoria A. Vinokur
Connor R. Williams

Therapeutic Recreation

Lee Her+
Jessica F. Hiles
Michael C. Kempf
Trevor L. Pumnea
Kacie C. Webster

Master of Public Health

2 p.m. ceremony

Colton M. Anderson
Kallen E. Anderson
Kjirsten L. Anderson+
Jimmy Chun+
Alec J. Fitzsimmons+
Katherine S. Jensen, CHES+
Tiffany L. Lein+
Nicole M. Lundgren
Hatoon M. Maghrabi
Anne J. McElroy Hooper
Vaishnavi Paripally
Christina E. Prust
Lee Vang
Stephanie J. Young

Master of Software Engineering

2 p.m. ceremony

Matthew E. Allen
Cameron J. Ario
Xia Chen
Ian A. Cichy
Bradley Fisher
Yifan Gu
Leland E. Haley
Brandon P. Holtorf
Guanzhong Qian
Andrew M. Quaschnick
Dezheng Wang
WeiKang Wang
ChaoHui Xu
Zhihao Yuan
Sheng Zhang



Graduate Degree Candidates

Master of Science in Education

10 a.m. ceremony

School Psychology

Ashley P. Brugger
Merissa L. Cutter
Jennifer L. Gimmer
Joseph W. Hames
Lynsi J. Havens
Matthew Molini
Lauren N. Nixon
Lauren K. Powers
Jessica J. Showen
Laura A. Sommers
Allison R. Wolf
Rochelle L. Zabadal

Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education

Kathleen Allison
Corie L. Anderson
Morgan L. Anderson
Jessica M. Austin
Melissa L. Bennett
Jacqueline R. Bisson
Joshua J. Bonnell
Katherine E. Butzen
Suzie Chang
Kaylie A. Connaughty
Matthew T. DeBlieck
Katie M. Denzin
Emily L. Ender
Christopher D. Farvour
Simon A. Franco
Callie M. Frost
Tia I. Fuhr
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Master Thesis Project Titles

Hannah Bergen, Biology - Physiology Concentration, Increase of Extracellular Matrix Proteins in Hibernating Ground Squirrels Could Help Maintain Bone Health

Alison Bonis, Biology - Cellular and Molecular Concentration, Effects of Hibernation on Blood Clot Formation and Fibrinolysis in 13-Lined Ground Squirrels

Riley Buley, Biology - Aquatic Science Concentration, Lethality of Hot Water and Ozone to Freshwater Aquatic Invasive Species

Kelly Adkins, Doctorate in Physical Therapy, Effect of heel lifts on patellofemoral joint stress in running

Jillian Asmus, Doctorate in Physical Therapy, Effect of real-time visual feedback and fatigue during drop landings on patellofemoral joint stress in healthy female adults

Jamie Berglin, Doctorate in Physical Therapy, Effect of real-time visual feedback and fatigue during drop landings on patellofemoral joint stress in healthy female adults

Zac Mestelle, Doctorate in Physical Therapy, Effect of heel lifts on patellofemoral joint stress in running

Jessica Miller, Doctorate in Physical Therapy, Effect of heel lifts on patellofemoral joint stress in running

Christina Olbrantz, Doctorate in Physical Therapy, Effect of real-time visual feedback and fatigue during drop landings on patellofemoral joint stress in healthy female adults

Kathryn Cardwell, Exercise and Sport Science - Human Performance, A Comparison of Neuromuscular Fatigue Levels in Collegiate Baseball Catchers and Position Players Over a Competitive Season

Jamie Erickson, Exercise and Sport Science - Human Performance, Safety and Efficacy of a Multi-Ingredient Thermogenic Pre-Workout Supplement during Low-Intensity Running in College-Aged Females

Jessica Beecher, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Strategies to Improve Student Motivation

Sarah Blanton, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Formative Assessments for English Language Arts

Sandra Bongard, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of Incorporating Movement into the Classroom on Student Engagement

Kendra Bostick, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Experiential and Mainstream Programs

Sarah Bradle, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effect of Math Workshop on Student Achievement

Kelly Buchholtz, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Vocabulary Strategies

Jocelyn Buxton, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Value of Social Skills Instruction Within the Classroom

Amy Carran, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of Service Learning on Student Achievement

Lindsay Charles, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Non-Traditional Education on At-Risk Students

Phillip Edmonds, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Social Emotional Learning on Academics

Lee Finn, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Social Emotional Learning in the Classroom

Katie Gauthier, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of Goal Setting in an Elementary Classroom on Motivation and Achievement

Alyssa Gray, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of School Culture and Student Self-Efficacy

Rae Grosman, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Service Learning on Civic Responsibility, Cultural Diversity, Student Engagement, Leadership, Career & Employability

Kathryn Gudgeon, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Engagement and Achievement of Upper Elementary Students in an Integrated Curriculum

Aubriana Gullicksrud, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Poverty on School Readiness in Early Education

Julie Hatfield, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of Goal Setting in Mathematics

Jessica Hensen, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Classroom Community on Physical Education

Kara Hoelker, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Benefits of Movement in the Classroom

Bobbi Howe, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of Gender on Goal-Setting and Achievement in the Kindergarten Classroom

Chad Huggins, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Critical and Creative Thinking in Arts Education

Sydney Hulbert, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Self Selected, Individualized, Short-term Literacy Goals on First Grade Students' Reading Ability

Jennifer King, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Problem-based Learning in the Middle School Classroom



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- Courtney Kirchner, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of Goal Setting on Math Achievement in a Third Grade Classroom
- Tanya LaFleur, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of a Social Emotional Curriculum on Disruptive Behaviors
- Bryn Lottig, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Outdoor Adventure Programming on College Success of Underserved Youth
- Nicole Love, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Community in Physical Education Engagement
- Jesse Martinez, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Cultural Relevance in the Classroom
- Cara Masuga, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Community and Student Engagement in the Classroom
- Jamie McCabe, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effects of Outdoor Play on Childhood Development
- Amy O'Connor, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Activity's Impact on Learning in the Classroom
- Carrie Overeem, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Meaningful Inclusion
- Lindsey Pearson, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Empowering Students Through a Growth Mindset
- Jessica Pfennig, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effect of Transition Programming
- Michelle Leigh Powell, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Universal Culturally Responsive Behavior Practices
- Autumn Rollins, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, The Effects of Open-Ended Questions During Inquiry Based Science Instruction
- Heidi Schleicher, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Social Emotional Learning in the Elementary Classroom
- Ashley Schultz, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Effective Strategies That Assist Students in Meeting Kindergarten Reading Benchmarks
- Melissa Scriver, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Math Workshop
- Cassandra Sturzl, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Universal Design for Learning and Catalyzing Autonomy
- Jasmine Valentine, Master of Education - Professional Development Learning Community, Integrated Curriculum in the Classroom
- Kjirsten Anderson, Master of Public Health, The Development, Implementation, and Evaluation of Logan Strides, an Eighth-Grade Girls' After-School Program at Logan Middle School, La Crosse, Wisconsin
- Alexandria Berg, Master of Public Health, The Development, Implementation, and Evaluation of an Electronic Sustainability Toolkit for the West African Medical Mission in Sierra Leone, Africa
- Jimmy Chun, Master of Public Health, Composting: A Teaching Guide for Teachers, Interns, and Volunteers at State Road Elementary School, La Crosse, Wisconsin
- Katherine Jensen, Master of Public Health, Forthcoming
- Tiffany Lein, Master of Public Health, Concussion Prevalence and Reporting in Women's Professional Football
- Nicole Lundgren, Master of Public Health, A Social Marketing Campaign to Educate University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Students About the Signs of Emotional Distress and Community Mental Health Resources
- Vaishnavi Paripally, Master of Public Health, Perception of Harm in Uw-La Crosse International Undergraduates on Smoking Tobacco
- Christina E. Prust, Master of Public Health, The Creation, Implementation, and Evaluation of Stomp Out Stigma: Mental Health Dialogues; An Event to Increase the Mental Health Literacy of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Campus Community
- Lee Vang, Master of Public Health, Racial Discrimination Experiences and Perceived Mental Health of Students of Color on a Predominantly White Campus
- Stephanie Young, Master of Public Health, The Development, Implementation, and Evaluation of an Electronic Coaching Toolkit for Wisconsin School SBIRT-TIP Trainers
- Hatoon Maghrabi, Master of Public Health, Using the Health Belief Model to Address the Sleep Deprivation of College Students
- Sharan Swenski, Master of Science - Medical Dosimetry, Application of Nonstandard Radiotherapy Techniques in Glioblastoma Multiforme: A Case Study
- Yinan Wang, Master of Science - Medical Dosimetry, Application of Nonstandard Radiotherapy Techniques in Glioblastoma Multiforme: A Case Study
- Elizabeth Leighton, Master of Science - Biology, Effects of *Alliaria petiolata* (garlic mustard) on *Morchella* in vitro
- Kristin Short, Master of Science - Biology, Characterization of BRCA1-deficient breast cancer cells with acquired resistance to CHK1 inhibitor therapy

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Samuel T. David, Master of Science - Biology, Occurrence and identification of fungal endophytes from *Carex pensylvanica* in sand prairies

Craig Martin, Master of Science-Community Health Education, The Development, Implementation, and Evaluation of an Educational Website Focused on Increasing the Nutritional-based Self-Efficacy of Patients at the United Hospital System

Cortney Springer, Master of Science-Community Health Education, Forthcoming

Ian Cichy, Master of Software Engineering, Reinforcement Learning for Atari 2600: JStella Learning Environment

Yifan Gu, Master of Software Engineering, UberLite - A Ride Sharing Application

Andrew Quaschnick, Master of Software Engineering, A Scalable Machine Learning Approach for Social News Censorship Prediction

Chaohui Xu, Master of Software Engineering, UberLite - A Ride Sharing Application

Daniel Joseph Liska, Microbiology, Effects of Fly Ash on Laboratory Landfill Bio-reactors

Brandon Hayes, Microbiology: Clinical Microbiology Emphasis, Role of HPIV-3 matrix protein ubiquitination for release

Michaela Schmidt, Microbiology: Clinical Microbiology Emphasis, The effect of an *Escherichia coli* ompR, ompA, ompB triple mutant on transcription of the fimB and fimE genes and type 1 pili expression when grown in various pH and osmolarity media

Ashley P. Brugger, School Psychology, Refugee Students: Coping, Acculturation, and Connectedness to School

Merissa L. Cutter, School Psychology, Using Video for Parent Training: Impacting Children with ASD

Jennifer L. Gimmer, School Psychology, Mindfulness: A Strategy to Decrease Aggression in High Needs Students

Joseph W. Hames, School Psychology, Student Anxiety: Examining Teacher Knowledge and Perceptions

Lynsi J. Havens, School Psychology, Depression and Coping Strategies: The Effects on Academic Success

Matthew M. Molini, School Psychology, Mental Health Stigma in High School Athletes Transitioning to College

Lauren N. Nixon, School Psychology, Family-School Partnerships: Parent Perceptions Across the Years

Lauren K. Powers, School Psychology, Trauma-Informed Care Consultation: Fostering Trauma-Informed Interactions and Instruction

Jessica J. Showen, School Psychology, 21st Century Community Learning Centers: The Impact on Student Engagement

Laura A. Sommers, School Psychology, Peer Coaching: Influencing Teacher Self-Efficacy and Relationships with Challenging Students

Alison R. Wolf, School Psychology, School-Wide PBIS Implementation: Impact on Behavioral and Academic Outcomes

Rochelle L. Zabadal, School Psychology, Paraprofessional Burnout: Examining the Impact of Educational Team Involvement

Corie L. Anderson, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Asian International Students: The Need for Culturally-Sensitive Practices

Morgan Anderson, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Mental Health in Higher Education

Jessica Austin, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Committing to social Justice Education and Support Services at UNCSA

Melissa Bennett, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Polk State College Retention

Jacqueline Bisson, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Restorative Justice: A Conduct Model Based on Repairing Harm and Rebuilding Community

Joshua Bonnell, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, From Classroom to Cubicle: Exploring How Higher Education Prepares Students for the Workforce

Katie Butzen, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Academic Advising as an Intervention for STEM Students with ADHD

Suzie Chang, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Southeast Asian American Student Success in Higher Education

Kaylie Connaughty, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Faculty-Led Study Abroad Programs and Guidelines for Success

Matt DeBlicke, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Academic Support Services: Closing the Gap

Katie Denzin, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Undocumented Students at the University of Wisconsin-Madison

Emily L. Ender, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Increasing Persistence with Living Learning Communities

Christopher D. Favour, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Pushing Through Adversity: Supporting Poor and Working Class Students at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls



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Simón Franco, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
MLEAD Program Assessment

Callie Frost, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Outcomes-Based Assessment of Faculty-Led Study Abroad
Programs

Tia I. Fuhr, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Combat,
College, and Call to Duty: Student Veterans' Transition to Higher
Education

Jannie M. Gonzales, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
First-Generation College Students: How Institutions Support
Student Success

Nicole Hackbarth, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Trans* Identified Student Programming

Kelly Hickmon, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Student Affairs Employee Retention, Training, and Assessment

Matthew Ison, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Developmental education Assessment Placement

Dylan Kersten, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Enhancing Sense of Belonging for Students of Color in the UWL
Residence Halls

Sarah Koenigs, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, GED
Holders in Higher Education

Elise C. Koop, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, "I'm
not Racist, but...": Developing a Race and Connection Education
(RACE) Program

Alex Lawlor, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Leadership Programming at UW-Marquette: Inclusive Practice for
Increased Development

Sarah Lunsford, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Transfer Student Retention

Angela Mangin, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Addressing the Mental Health Needs of Community College
Students

Michelle McNamara, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Living-Learning Communities at Concordia College

Logan Morris, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Student Emergencies: Exploring Emergency Funds for Low-income
Students

Maggie O'Donnell, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
UW-Eau Claire First Year Experience

Emily Parsons, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Service Learning at Tulane University

Priscilla A. Perez, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Call for Back Up: Resident Assistants and Mental Health

Alexandra Pflughoeft, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Study Abroad Pre-Departure and Re-Entry Programming: A
Necessity for Student Cultural Development

Tasia Pinkham, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
African American Women at Predominantly White Institutions:
Recognizing the Intersection of Race and Gender

Liisa Preslan, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, The
Second Chance Pell Pilot Program

Stephanie Scott, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Chinese International Students Acculturation In Higher Education

Ka Lia Smith, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Bridging the Path: A Hybrid Semester Program for Western
Technical College Transfer Students at UWL

Adam Szalacinski, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Counteracting the Influence of Racism on Students of Color
Studying Abroad

Veronica A. Tabor, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Recruiting Students of Color in Study Abroad

Elizabeth Vodra, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Integrating Academic and Career Advising: Collaboration in Creating
Mission, Vision, Values, and Goals

Aaron J. Voldberg, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Looking Beyond the Student: A Case Study of Retention at UW
River Falls

Felicia Walker, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Creating a Home for All: A Proposed Intervention for Inclusive
Housing Communities

Darren Ward, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education, Falcon
Leadership and Development Academy

Madison Warner, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Addressing the Importance of Transfer Student Resources at a Small
Private Institution

Chelsey Willms, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
When the Minority Becomes the Majority: Non-traditional Students in
Higher Education

Manee K. Yang, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
Addressing Inclusivity and Diversity in Student Affairs Hiring
Practices

Hillary M. Young, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
English Language Learners: A Pathway to Higher Education

Emily Zahasky, Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education,
International Student Retention



2017 Outstanding Graduates

The Murphy Awards for Academic Excellence

recognize the University's top two graduating scholars, as chosen by the Scholarship and Awards Committee. A grant from the Murphy Foundation created the awards in 1980 to recognize outstanding and exceptional scholastic ability. Recipients receive \$1,500 and \$1,000, respectively.

Jonathan 'Jack' Flinchum graduates with a Bachelor of Science in psychology with minors in sociology and statistics. He was a member of several honor societies and other on-campus organizations, but his main involvement was research. As a freshman, he was a part of the Eagle Apprenticeship program. Flinchum continued in research during his academic career in a variety of fields including exercise and sport science, organizational behavior, psychology, and sociology. He presented at several research conferences, earned an on-campus grant, and has been published. Flinchum plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Charlotte to work toward a doctorate in organizational science. He would like to become actively involved in research as a business consultant or professor. He is the son of Phil and Cindy Flinchum, Waunakee.

Courtney Mumm graduates with degrees in statistics, with an actuarial science concentration, and finance, with a risk, insurance and financial planning concentration. She was treasurer of the UWL Volunteering Within Club, vice president of the UWL Actuary Science Club, a statistics tutor at the Murphy Learning Center, and a member of the Golden Key International Honor Society and the UWL Mathematics and Statistics Club. Mumm interned with UWL's Statistical Consulting Center and presented research at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research in spring 2016. She also participated in the Midwest Undergraduate Data Analytics Competition. Mumm has been hired as an actuarial analyst for State Farm Insurance Company in Bloomington, Illinois. She is the daughter of Jim and Sue Mumm, Lancaster.

The Jake and Janet Hoeschler Award for Excellence

recognizes a College of Business Administration graduate for academic accomplishment and leadership on campus and the community. Janet Hoeschler, a 1940 graduate, established the award in 1992 to signify a partnership of business and the university. Recipients receive \$1,500.

Benjamin Jordan graduates with a Bachelor of Science in economics and a minor in Spanish. Jordan was a four-year student-athlete for the men's track & field team. He served as chief justice to the UWL Student Association, working to resolve student organization disputes, adjudicate cases brought to the Student Court, and refine the UWL conflict resolution process. Jordan was an active member of the CBA honor society, Beta Gamma Sigma, and the men's track & field team representative on the Student Athlete Advisory Committee. After graduation, he plans to attend the UW Law School. Jordan plans to remain committed to community and campus volunteerism, and intends to become an attorney in corporate, international or immigration law. He is the son of Mitch and Cheryl Jordan, McFarland.



2017 Outstanding Graduates

The John E. Magerus Award for the Outstanding Graduating Senior from the College of Liberal Studies recognizes an outstanding graduate for academic accomplishments, leadership, and campus and community involvement. The award is named for Magerus, who retired in 2004 after 28 years of teaching and serving as an administrator in the college. Recipients receive \$1,000.

Rachel Ramthun graduates with a Bachelor of Arts in political science and public administration with a minor in economics. She was chair of the Segregated University Fee Allocation Committee, president of the Political Science and Public Administration Association, Learning Enrichment Coordinator at White Hall her sophomore year, and member of several other clubs and organizations. Ramthun completed undergraduate research on tax incremental financing and presented at the National Conference for Undergraduate Research, where she was published in the conference proceedings. Ramthun has published a piece about Old Abe the War Eagle on the website, WI101.org. She completed several internships and is currently the economic development intern for the City of La Crosse Department of Planning and Economic Development. She plans to attend graduate school for a Masters of Public Administration/ Affairs and would like to work in local government management. She is the daughter of Jeffery and Mary Ramthun, Waukesha.

The Strzelczyk Award in Science and Health recognizes an outstanding senior in the College of Science and Health for academic achievement, along with campus and community service. Robert, '54, and Judy Strzelczyk, who funded many physical therapy projects and scholarships, endowed the award in 1996. Recipients receive \$1,000.

Katie Davenport graduates with a Bachelor of Science in chemistry and a minor in biology. Davenport worked as an organic chemistry tutor, pioneered the supplemental instruction program in the Chemistry Department, and was an undergraduate research grant recipient studying factors affecting the stabilization of DNA. She also worked as a pharmacy technician at Walgreens and volunteered on a VIDA medical mission trip to Guatemala in summer 2016. Davenport plans to attend pharmacy school at UW-Madison and hopes to become a pharmacist in a Milwaukee area hospital. She is the daughter of Donna Davenport, New Berlin, and Dan Davenport, Mukwonago.

The Rosandich Graduate Thesis Award recognizes the best graduate thesis, based on originality, impact and written quality. The award is funded through generosity of Thomas P. Rosandich, '54, president of the U.S. Sports Academy in Daphne, Alabama. The recipient receives \$1,000.

Kayleigh Day graduated in August 2016 with a Master of Public Health. In 2011, she graduated from UWL with a Bachelor of Science in community health education and women's, gender, and sexuality studies. Day was a graduate assistant in the Health Education/Health Promotion Department. Her thesis research was "An Exploratory Study Assessing the Perceived Health and Workplace Health Promotion Needs of Monroe County Employees." Following graduation, Day continued working at Monroe County Health Department in Sparta as a community health educator. After spending time at the local level, she hopes to pursue a doctorate, along with teaching and conducting public health research. Day is the daughter of Michael and Amanda Day, Menomonee Falls. She is married to Eric Hammer.



2017 Alumni Awards

The Maurice O. Graff Distinguished Alumnus Award

Recognizes outstanding achievement of alumni who have brought honor and distinction to the university. Long-time administrator Maurice O. Graff instituted the honor in 1977.

Shelmina Abji, '85

- Empowerment speaker with great passion for accelerating the success of girls and women.
- Bachelor's in computer science.

Rada Distinguished Alumnus Award

Recognizes alumni who have graduated within the last 20 years, achieved professional distinction and taken part in humanitarian activities. Professor emeritus Ron Rada and his wife, Jane, created the award in 2002.

Hollie Nyseth Brehm, '08

- Assistant professor in sociology, Ohio State University; accomplished researcher and educator.
- Bachelors of Science, double major in sociology and political science; double minor in Spanish and international studies.

Patrick Gonzales, '05

- High-impact, peer-reviewed researcher in microbial genetics and genomics, addressing antibiotic resistance
- Master's in biology – cellular and molecular biology concentration.

Parker Distinguished Multicultural Alumni Award

Recognizes outstanding alumni who have contributed greatly to improve multiracial culture and understanding on campus and in their careers. History Professor Emeritus James Parker initiated the award in 1997.

Jessica Rae McMunn, '05

- Award-winning filmmaker; stage manager and camera operator for Dodger Vision, Los Angeles Dodgers.
- Bachelor's with a theatre major, Latin American studies minor.

Burt and Norma Altman Teacher Education Award

Honors and recognizes outstanding educators and the significant contributions they make to children and communities. Professor Emeritus Burt Altman and his wife, Norma, long-time supporters of teacher education, created the award in 2015.

Lisa Koenecke, '91

- Passionate advocate for youth and school counseling; counselor at River Bluff Middle School, Stoughton.
- Bachelor's in psychology.

Christopher Gleason, '02

- Outstanding educator and accomplished musician, instrumental music teacher at Patrick Marsh Middle School, Sun Prairie.
- Masters of Education Professional Development.

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