


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 2019, 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. 3 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 now are ranked No. 89 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.

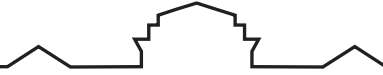
A commitment to excellence exists throughout the UWL campus, and the accomplishments listed on page 5 showcase some of our most notable achievements. But the greatest testament to our tradition of academic excellence is the group of outstanding students who make up today's graduating class. Each one 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



Fifty Fifth Annual Winter Commencement
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
Sunday, the fifteenth of December, two thousand nineteen
La Crosse Center | 11 a.m.

School of Education
 College of Business Administration
 College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities
 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

Welcome Joe Gow, *Chancellor*

Graduating Class Student Introduction Vitaliano Figueroa, *Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs*

Student Address..... Cortlyn Kelly

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

Conferring of Degrees and Awarding of Diplomas Joe Gow, *Chancellor*
 Bob Hetzel, *Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance*
 Barbara Stewart, *Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Inclusion*
 Greg Reichert, *Vice Chancellor for University Advancement/President of the UWL Foundation*

School of Education Marcie Wycoff-Horn, *Dean*

College of Business Administration..... Laura Milner, *Dean*

College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities..... Karl Kunkel, *Dean*

College of Science and Health..... Mark Sandheinrich, *Dean*

Graduate Studies..... Meredith Thomsen, *Director*

New Alumni Welcome.....Tim Behling, '88

Vice Chair, UWL Alumni Association Board of Directors

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 RemarksJoe Gow, *Chancellor*

Recessional

"Triumphal March"Verdi/ arr. Claire Johnson

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

"Sonata from Die Bankelsangerlieder"ed. Robert King

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

Mace Carrier

A. Wahhab Khandker, College of Business Administration

Commencement Interpreter..... Colleen Cudo

Name Reader Terry Wirkus, *Academic Technology Services*
Kristine Wirkus

Commencement ushers are members of the Vanguard organization.

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 ceremony.
Please proceed to South Hall to meet your graduate. A map of the La Crosse Center can be found on page 16.

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 Academic Excellence

Wearing a medallion or seal of office has been a symbol of academic excellence 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 Heberd 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 ...

- **U.S. News & World Report's 2020 America's Best Regional Universities in the Midwest** lists UWL the state's top and the No. 3 public university in the Midwest among institutions providing undergraduate and master's programs. It's the 19th consecutive year UWL is at the top. UWL also made the magazine's first "Top Performers on Social Mobility" which identifies how schools assist students with Pell Grants.
- **UWL is No. 13 among four-year public institutions nationally with the highest, five-year repayment rates for Pell Grant recipients.** Eighty-two percent receiving Pell Grants in the 2010 or 2011 fiscal years had paid toward their principal five years later. Also, UWL students who began repaying federal student loans during 2015 have the lowest loan default rate over a three-year period among all other UW System institutions. Only 1.6 percent of UWL students defaulted on their loans, compared to the 5.1 percent UW average.
- **Students in fall 2019 set a record enrollment for UWL: 10,580.** The first-year class included a record 2,194 students. The number of undergraduate degrees awarded has steadily risen over the last decade with 2,020 undergraduate degrees awarded in 2018-19, up from 1,658 in 2010-11.
- **UWL retains and graduates a higher percentage of its students than any other comprehensive university in the UW System.**
- **The largest single gift ever to UW-La Crosse – \$2.1 million – in fall 2019 is a "game-changer" for the College of Business Administration and the region.** It establishes the Menard Family Midwest Initiative for Economic Engagement and Research that provides students more opportunities to learn economics through hands-on experiences and community engagement.
- **UWL Associate Lecturer in the History Department Kyle C. Lincoln, a historian of Medieval Europe, has received the 2019 Lone Medievalist Prize for Teaching.** The international award honors his unique approach to teaching Medieval History.
- **A UW-La Crosse staff member has received a national lifetime achievement award.** Criss Gilbert, office manager and testing coordinator in Counseling & Testing, was honored with the lifetime achievement award at the National College Testing Association conference for his dedication and commitment to excellence in testing, service to the organization, and contributions to NCTA and testing.
- **The UW-La Crosse Therapeutic Recreation Program received the Program of Merit for Health Professions designation from The Academy for Gerontology in Higher Education in 2019.** It's the first ever health professions program to receive the honor.
- In addition, **UWL's Therapeutic Recreation Program received the American Therapeutic Recreation Association Excellence in Education award in 2019.** The annual award goes to one clinical agency or institution of higher education that has distinguished itself through outstanding contributions to the profession.
- **Associate Professor of Physics Shelly Lesher received a Yale Presidential Fellowship for 2019-20** – one of about 10 awarded each year. She is teaching a Yale University class about the history of the atomic bomb and its implications on society.
- **Three UW-La Crosse sport clubs earned national honors in spring 2019.** The Archery Club won the gold medal for Mixed Bowhunter Team; the Bowling Club took second place in its league, and the Men's Volleyball Club team earned third place in its Division II league.
- **2017 graduate Timothy Fallon was one of 110 nationwide to receive the Elijah Watt Sells Award from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in 2019.** It cites outstanding performance on the Certified Public Accountant exam by obtaining a cumulative average score above 95.50 across all four sections and passing all four on the first attempt.
- AffordableCollegesOnline.org, a leading online organization that lists affordable colleges, ranks **UWL No. 6 among the Top LGBTQ-Friendly Colleges for 2018-19.**
- UWL is tied for **No. 22 on the list of the 2019 Most Affordable Online Colleges for Educational Leadership** for its Master of Education – Professional Development Educational Leadership Emphasis program.
- **The La Crosse County Conservation Alliance awarded UW faculty member Niti Mishra and several students the Conservation Project of the Year Award in 2019.** The honor recognizes their work to survey an invasive flowering plant degrading regional wetlands and wildlife habitat.
- **UWL Professor Keely Rees was named a Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation 2019 Champion in Women's Health.** The honor recognized five statewide dedicated to improving the lives of the state's women and their families.
- **The UWL College of Business Administration received an international seal of approval from AACSB International** – The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. The re-accreditation is valid for five years.
- **UWL was one of two Wisconsin schools to make Kiplinger's Personal Finance's list of the top 100 best values in public colleges for 2019.**
- **The American Institute for Economic Research pointed to UWL when listing La Crosse as the No. 19 best college town in America** – the only Badger State city in the top 20.
- For the last 20 years, students and others have been able to hear firsthand from world leaders in physics. **The UWL Distinguished Lecture Series in Physics brings Nobel Laureates to campus each year** – a one-of-a-kind series regionally. The department is one of the nation's leading programs for graduating physics majors with bachelor's degrees.
- **UWL's physician assistant program earned a 100-percent pass rate on the Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam.** That, small class sizes, and partnerships with the Gundersen Medical Foundation, Mayo Clinic School of Health Science and Marshfield Clinic keeps the program attractive.





CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

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+ Summer 2019 ~ Winter 2020 ~~ Spring 2020 *Commencement Honors ** Commencement Highest Honors

College of Science and Health

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Zachary J. Baklund*	Lucas T. Fix	Alexander S. Kyser	Catalina J. Pawlak
Carol A. Baryenbruch	Hunter M. Fjorden	Ashley C. Lardy	Rachel M. Pawlak
Jenna L. Bekkum~	Alyssa J. Flagge	Alexa R. Laurino*	Matthew R. Peck
McKenna E. Beyer	Benjamin J. Franson	Amanda E. Lauterbach	Alejandro Perez~
Jacob R. Bill*	Leah K. Fricke*	Rebecca L. Lawrence*	Masan J. Polk*~~
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Mitchell L. Splinter**	Jami L. Turriff	Justin White	Xiaolei Zhang
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Josephine P. Talbert*	Samuel J. VanderZee*	Cori Williams**	Brogan N. Zochert*~~
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Physics Department Honors

Samuel J. Haeuser

*Political Science /Public Administration
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Ron and Jane Rada are two respected and beloved retired educators who are philanthropic in spirit. They have been pillars of stalwart support for UWL, its students, staff and faculty.

Ron had a distinguished career at UWL beginning in 1975, serving as professor, director of the River Studies Center, associate dean of the College of Science and Allied Health and interim provost twice. Officially retiring in 2006, he continued to serve as an official volunteer under three chancellors and work with the university in general and the River Studies Center. As professor emeritus he helped lead efforts for two successful National Conference on Undergraduate Research events on campus, along with the 2006 International Conference on Rivers and Civilization and the 2015 International Symposium for River Science in La Crosse. He served on the leadership and transition teams for the UWL Foundation and remains a special assistant to its president.

Jane had a distinguished career at Western Technical College in La Crosse as an instructor in the Business Division from 1975–2002. She was program head of the Business Technology Department from 1994–2000. Jane also served as coordinator of WTC's Academic Quality Improvement Program for the college's accreditation through the North Central Association's Higher Learning Commission and as an examiner for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Program. She is a longtime volunteer at Gundersen Health System, has served on numerous non-profit boards, was on the UWL Foundation Board of Directors from 1995–2004 and currently serves as an emeritus director.

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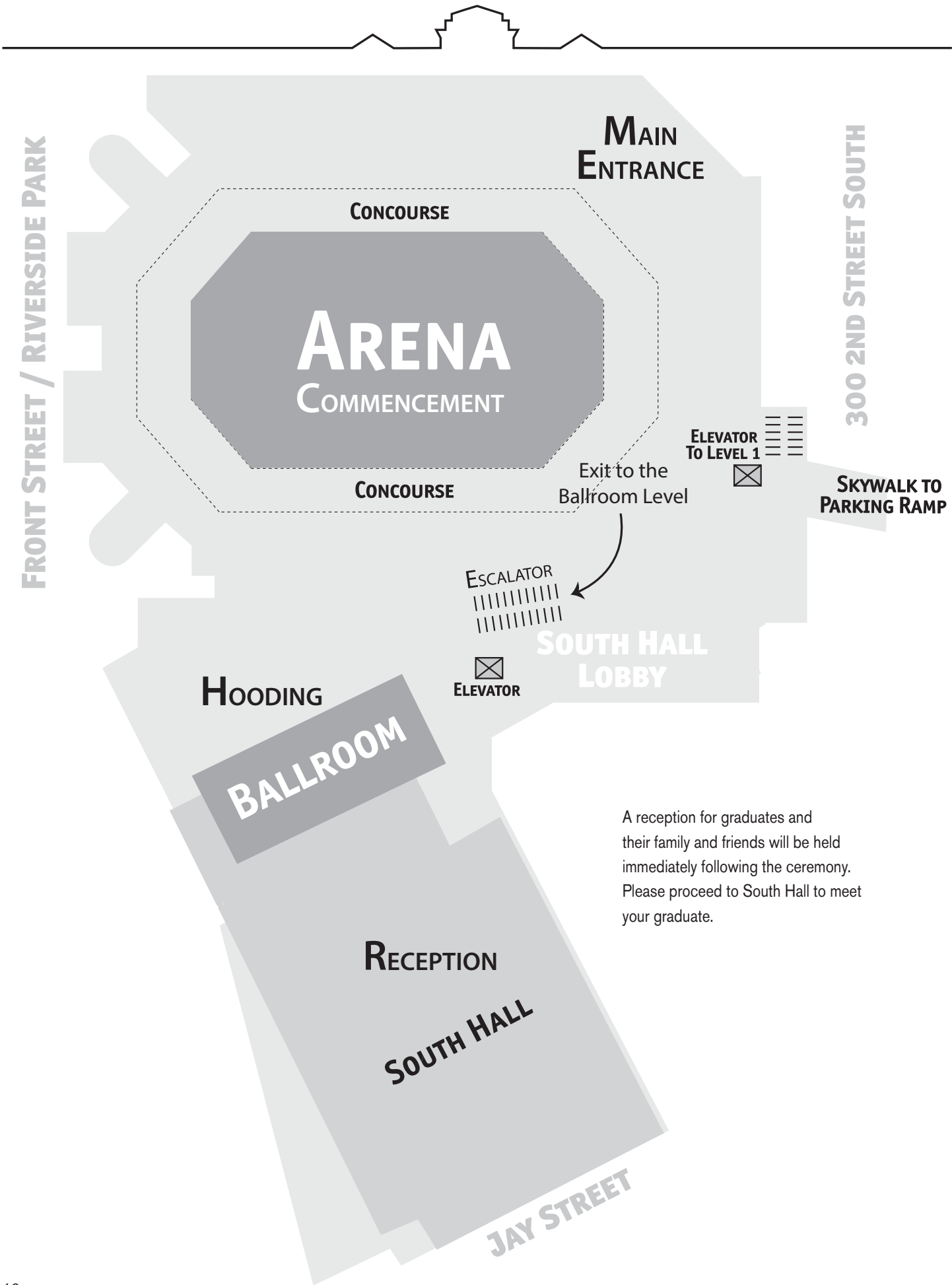
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