

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

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# 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 2021, 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.

For more than 20 years, U.S. News & World Report has ranked UWL the top school in the UW System and among the top five public universities in the Midwest that offer undergraduate and master's programs. Also, for more than a decade UWL has been one of only two UW campuses ranked in Kiplinger Magazine's list of the Top 100 Values in American Public Higher Education, further recognition of our strong national leadership in higher 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 ELEVENTH ANNUAL SPRING COMMENCEMENT**  
**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-LA CROSSE**  
**SATURDAY, THE FIFTEENTH OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY ONE**

9 a.m. ceremony  
College of Business Administration

11:30 a.m. ceremony  
School of Education | College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities

2:30 p.m. ceremony  
School of Education | College of Science and Health

**Ceremony**

Welcome ..... Joe Gow, *Chancellor*

Graduating Class Student Introduction ..... Dina Zavala, *Assistant Vice Chancellor for Diversity & Inclusion*

Student Address

9 a.m. Ceremony ..... Mackenzie Goranson

11:30 a.m. Ceremony ..... Jesimiel Banjiram

2:30 p.m. Ceremony ..... Vanessa Mbuyi Kaja

Commissioning Officer Oath of Office ..... Lt. Col Erik Archer, *Army ROTC*

Conferring of Degrees and Awarding of Diplomas ..... Joe Gow, *Chancellor*  
Betsy Morgan, *Provost & Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs*

School of Education ..... Marcie Wycoff-Horn, *Dean*

College of Business Administration ..... Taggert Brooks, *Interim Dean*

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

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

Graduate Studies ..... Meredith Thomsen, *Dean*

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**

"Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Edward Elgar, *UWL Brass Ensemble*

Commencement Interpreter ..... Colleen Cudo

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

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.



### 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 named UWL the No. 1 regional university in the state and the No. 6 regional university in the Midwest** among schools with undergraduate and master's programs for 2021. It's the 20th consecutive year UWL earned a top ranking. UWL also finished among "Top Performers on Social Mobility," which assesses how schools assist students with Pell Grants.
- **UWL is No. 1 in awarding physics bachelor's degrees nationwide**, according to the American Physical Society. UWL awarded an average of 35 degrees annually between 2015-17, making it No. 1 among bachelor's degree-granting institutions on the latest American Physical Society list.
- Biology Senior Lecturer Renee Redman has received a **2021 UW Board of Regents Teaching Excellence Award**. Regents name only two instructors from across the UW System to receive this award.
- **UWL is one of around only 230 campuses in 37 states and the District of Columbia designated as a "Voter Friendly Campus."** Voter Friendly Campuses help students overcome barriers to participate in the political process.
- **A national theatre blog puts the UWL Theater Arts Department center stage in Wisconsin — and one of the best in the country.** OnStage Blog says UWL has the best theatre program statewide in listing top programs in all 50 states, identifying those doing "amazing things and giving their students fantastic preparation for their various industries."
- **The UWL Radiation Therapy Program is No. 7 on the Best Value Schools list.** Rankings highlight tuition and enrollment, while listing notables such as UWL's 13-month internship program and national accreditation.
- **Physics Professor Shelly Leshner has been named a 2020 American Physical Society Fellow.** In the national citation, colleagues recognized her for "advocating on behalf of the essential role of physics in society, and for demonstrating the importance of physics education for all students."
- **Exercise and Sport Science Professor Carl Foster has been named to the U.S. Speed Skating Hall of Fame.** He was inducted for contributing to the sport after three decades as an exercise physiologist for Team USA.
- **UWL has received a \$1.25 million U.S. Department of Education grant** to improve educational services for children with disabilities nationwide. The grant aims to better prepare state and nationally licensed adapted physical educators and school psychologists so they can enhance assistance and results for children with disabilities, ages 3-21.
- Financial and business news website **Business Insider says when it comes to giving students the most bang for their buck, UWL is among the best nationally.** With a 69.7% ROI, UWL placed 20th out of the 24 colleges that cracked the list — the only Wisconsin university ranked.
- The career expert website **Zippia has listed UWL one of the nation's best "total package" schools.** UWL not only earned the top ranking in Wisconsin — it was No. 6 nationally.
- **UWL's Jail Literacy Program has received the 2020 Eisenberg Award** from the State Public Defender Board. It's given annually to a person or organization that has made a substantial impact on criminal justice and the indigent defense community. Established by English Department faculty in 2015, the program offers sessions on poetry, fiction, nonfiction, memoir and more.
- **The NCAA has awarded UWL bids to host the 2024 NCAA III Wrestling Championships and 2026 NCAA III Women's and Men's Outdoor Track & Field Championships.** UWL has hosted numerous national championships throughout the years.
- **December 2020 grad Lilli Minor was named the 2020 National Student Employee of the Year** by the National Student Employment Association. The peer health advocate loves her job because she can help "make the world a more equitable and healthy place."
- **Political Science and Public Administration Department Assistant Professor Shilpa Viswanath has been named a 2020 Section for Women in Public Administration Rising Star**, given to someone with less than five years of academic or professional public service.
- **The largest single gift ever to UWL — \$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, which provides students more opportunities to learn economics through hands-on experiences and community engagement.
- **The Therapeutic Recreation Program received the Program of Merit for Health Professions designation** from The Academy for Gerontology in Higher Education in 2019 — the first health professions program to receive the honor. And, the program received the **2019 American Therapeutic Recreation Association Excellence in Education**, recognizing a clinical agency or college that has distinguished itself through outstanding contributions to the profession.
- **UWL is ranked among the nation's top Military Friendly Schools for 2021-22.** UWL earned a silver rating for its commitment, effort and success in creating sustainable and meaningful benefit for the military community.
- **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 CPA exam by obtaining a cumulative average score above 95.50 across all four sections and passing all four on the first attempt.
- **UWL's physician assistant program earned a 100% 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 helps attract students.



**CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION**

**Associate Degree Candidates**

11:30 a.m. ceremony

Savannah J. Bartczak	Joseph R. Leibl	Curry J. Perkins
Shelby Bott	Alec T. Nissen	Carolyn J. Shaffer
Trinity J. Davidson		Marina Sivanich

**BACCALAUREATE DEGREE CANDIDATES**

**College of Business Administration**

9 a.m. ceremony

Alex A. Abozeid	William A. Brahan	Chase T. Danielson	Patrick C. Filardo*
Yousef M. Almazrua	Breanna R. Breunig**	Anna M. Daun**	Dayne J. Fisher
Nicolas R. Alonge	Kara A. Buchaklian	Troy T. De Bruin**	Ryan B. Flathers
Alexander D. Alt*	Adam R. Buchinger	Abigail E. Delain*	Harrison B. Foss
Aaron C. Anderson	Brianna L. Buhrow	Carsen R. Dellemann	Luke D. Frahm
Laura Anderson	Leif V. Bungum	Samuel G. Dellis	Cody J. Frank+
Kailey R. Andrews	Alec D. Burgoyne	Mitchell T. Dentice	Dawson T. Freiberg
Wagener*	Carlie C. Burkhardt**	Hunter L. DeSmet	Emily C. Fried
Elizabeth R. Andriacchi*	Samuel J. Burns*	Daylon J. DeSouza+	Patrick J. Froehlke*
Maggie E. Aumann*	Shane P. Burns	Samuel T. Diedrich	Chase A. Frye
Elena M. Backhaus	Christian C. Caliendo	Nicole F. Doffing**	Emma E. Futoransky**+
Brianna N. Banks+	Rylee A. Callahan	Lauren E. Domanico	Joshua J. Gableman
Adam J. Baryenbruch	Taylor N. Carden	Jesse J. Dondlinger	Jackson R. Gadiant
Blake J. Bauer	Hunter I. Chadwick	Patrick J. Donohue	Nolan R. Gaffney**
Elena R. Beck*	Megan C. Charland	Patrick J. Doyle	Steven M. Gage
Hunter Behnke	Ann M. Chenal	Zane M. Drummond	Thomas W. Gallagher**
Collin J. Beier	Taylor J. Cherti	Sara J. Dryer	Kylan J. Geiger
Benjamin J. Bell*	Ethan W. Cinealis	Colleen E. Duffy*	Isabella M. Gemignani*
Cameron M. Below*	Quentin W. Clark-Meyer	Caleb Dupae	Dominic R. Gentile+
Elizabeth A. Benson	William A. Coker	Aaron M. Durand	Gabriela Y. Gerner
Justin T. Bertzyk	Devin Coleman	Jason C. Edman	Danielle L. Goddard*
Kaitlyn M. Bieberdorf**	Tyler W. Conroy	Allyson M. Eiden*	Danyel L. Goff
Andrew C. Binder	Stephanie N. Cook*	Lukas C. Eldien	Alexander L. Goodyear
Joseph J. Bolda*	Lauren N. Crawford*	Drew M. Ericson	Mackenzie L. Goranson**
Megan A. Borgmeyer*	Hunter M. Crispell	Patricia J. Ferrone	Daniel F. Graf
Kamren S. Bornbach	Isaac J. Dahl**	Alexia J. Feyen	Brianna M. Graw

Brian T. Griesmaier*	Garrett M. Kern	Cassidy M. Mason	Mary Pocock
Tyler J. Hafeman	Jacob M. Kessenich*	Kevin J. Maxey+	Jordan R. Potting
Fern E. Hall	Colton P. Ketter	Benjamin T. Mayberry*	Haley E. Radewan
Joy B. Harley*	Alison M. Kielty**	Shannon L. McClurg+	Jenna M. Reed*
Charles F. Hartt, V	Aaron T. Kimball	Megan R. McDonald*	Anna M. Rehbein
Michael V. Hauser	Spencer R. Klemm	Nathan J. McDonald	Allison P. Rehrauer*
Kennedy R. Heinen**	Zachary W. Kluever	Matthew T. McGlenn	Troy T. Reifsteck
Marley A. Hellenbrand**	Mitchell R. Knapp	Patrick D. McLoone	Travis H. Reiter*
Jack F. Heller	Carolyn K. Knobloch*	Jenna M. Meyer*	Colton Reynolds
Ivan J. Hernandez	Patrick J. Knowski+	Justin J. Mezera	Carter A. Ricco+
Reginald R. Hernandez	Jasmine A. Koehler	Davis L. Miles	Samantha N. Rod**
Brynn E. Hetland+	Abby L. Koehn	Thomas G. Moely	Courtney L. Rosengarten
Laura M. Hetland	Evan J. Koehnke	Charles W. Monday	Victor Ross+
Daniel J. Hinman	Leah M. Koopman*	Maximillian J. Morris	Alejandro J. Rowe
Cole W. Howard	Devyn M. Korish	Alec D. Morrison**	Brandon D. Sandquist
Cole D. Hunstad*	Ryan C. Kraus	Austin J. Mortl	Rory J. Sarenich
Carlie A. Huss**	Roman G. Kryshak	Jonathan C. Mundschau+	Carter A. Sawdey**
Zachery L. Ihle	Alyssa R. Kuchar	Benjamin C. Munson	Brennan J. Scallon*
Cody J. Ihlenfeld	Bridget A. Kudronowicz+	Luke R. Murphy**	Nathan J. Schams
Celeste Ives	Ryan A. Kunkel	Mariah H. Nadolny	Samuel G. Scherwinski
Sydney M. Jahnke	Alex A. Ladd	Rebecca N. Nelson**	Michael G. Schimelfenyg*
Kyle A. Jansen	Trace R. LaDu	Samantha J. Nelson*	Alyssa M. Schlieper
Ryan W. Janssen*	Genevieve M. Lanser	Clarise M. Nettum*	Marcus J. Schmitt
William B. Jelacic	Lilly M. Larsen	Jonas R. Neururer	Megan N. Schmitt*
Owen J. Jensen	Jack H. Larson	Anika E. Nybo	Nicholas R. Schramel
Sam M. Jochimsen	Valerie J. Laue	Brian R. O'Connell	Nicholas V. Schroeder
Brayden D. Johnson	Ashley M. Legge*	Mark R. O'Donnell	Holden S. Schultz
Brooke A. Johnson	Beighley K. Leth	Allen J. Olson	Sarah M. Schuster
Paul R. Johnson	Alicia R. Levenhagen	Eli A. Olson**	Samuel P. Schwieters*
Zachary P. Johnson	Cameron T. Lewis*	William M. Olson	Michael A. Scislow
Philip M. Judkins	Nathan A. Lichtfuss**	Tanner W. Orten*	Cole J. Shilobrit
Connor J. Julius	Peyton L. Lightfoot	Andrew D. Osterhues	Emily R. Shore
Steven T. Kacvinsky**	Andrew Lind	Amanda J. Pape	Joshua B. Shrake
Kyle M. Kain	Samuel J. Loughan*+	Charles P. Parish	Payton A. Siehr*
Colin M. Kammerzelt	Isaac J. Mancini	Kira A. Pauls+	Payton P. Simon**
Samantha M. Kapellusch	Evan C. Marcus	Alexis G. Peterson	Megan E. Sobieski
Madeline C. Kaphingst	Amber L. Markowiak	Charles T. Peterson	Cole J. Soular
Hannah Kath	Christopher G. Marshall	Alec M. Phelps	Amrutha Sreeram
Nicholas J. Kelly	Austin J. Martin	Tyler T. Piepenburg	Jordan C. Stark**
Ellison L. Kerg	Lisette Martinez*	Andrew J. Ploch+	Jordyn A. Stearns

\*Commencement Honors \*\*Commencement Highest Honors ~ Fall 2020 + Summer 2021 ++ Fall 2021

**College of Business Administration continued**

Desiree J. Stehling	Mercedes D. Szabelski*	Kathryn A. Voet	Samantha E. Weyker
Mackenzie R. Steinfadt	Lauren A. Taggart	Austin Voit	Alexander M. White**
Olivia L. Steingraber	Gabriel C. Taylor	Lane M. Von Rueden*	Holly D. Wickstrom**
Bryce H. Stellmacher	Julia S. Tennies	Adam J. Vote	David J. Widenski+
Jacob D. Stelzer	Charles S. Terrill	Chasten R. Vruwink*	Max-Leopold C. Wieland**
Alexa M. Stensen	Jacob M. Thomas	Brandon D. Wagner	Samantha M. Witter
Daniel J. Stetter*	Callie M. Thundercloud	Lauren N. Walsh*	Caitlin T. Wiza*
Jack T. Stoeffler	Nicholas R. Trawicki	Bradley Wannow	Brody M. Woodson
Jacob C. Streeter*	Holly S. Truckenbrod	Christopher J. Warner	Brandon J. Wozny
Allyse R. Sullivan*	Drew A. Tschumper	Samuel W. Watson	Julia M. Wulff
Jared M. Sullivan	Madison M. Vander Heyden	Max C. Weber	Emma C. Yackley**
Sophia A. Sullivan	Erika L. Vandeveld	Megan E. Wells	Kalista E. Ysquiedo
Dylan D. Sumnicht*	Brennan W. VanWychen	Lindsey R. Welter	Grant L. Zamin
Kayla A. Swanson	Oliver O. Vasanoja**	Tyler J. Wendt*	Adam V. Zbikowski
Mitchell R. Swanson	Kyle Vaughan+	Alexander J. Werchowski	Bailey E. Zdroik
Brandon D. Swantz	Adam C. Vieth	Rachel C. Werner	Anna M. Zeeh*
Ryan J. Swietlik	Caroline A. Voet	Maxwell S. Westhoff	Erika M. Ziolkowski*

**College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities**

*11:30 a.m. ceremony*

Kaelee N. Ackermann	Isabella C. Bazaldua*	Samuel B. Brink**	Joseph D. Comeau
Sane Ahmedoska	Trevor A. Beam	Eleanor A. Brown	Sarah F. Conley
Olivia J. Ahnen*	Kari M. Becker*+	Kayli M. Brown**	Courtney E. Conway**
Dillon D. Allar	Joshua M. Behling	Molly J. Brown	Nikita A. Conway
Casey H. Allen	Danielle J. Beisecker*	Kyra S. Bruesewitz	Brianna L. Corey**
Skye E. Allen**	Lauren A. Bernard**	Jordan E. Burns+	Carly A. Cornell
Brittany C. Anderson	Emma K. Biller*	Logan D. Carmichael*	Natalie M. Day**
Courtney V. Anderson*	Rebekah G. Birschbach	Brianna I. Carpenter*	Amanda DeBoer~
Ireland A. Andre	Kaeson M. Black*	Kayla A. Casper*	Kaitlyn C. Dempsey**
Ashley N. Andresen*	McKenna L. Black+	Carly J. Chadd*	Olivia A. DeNamur*
Mackenzie L. Aneke+	Sydney E. Bodendorfer*	Lillian S. Chiaro*	Kendrick D. Desrosiers
Reneah R. Arndt	Amber J. Boesel	Kimberly A. Christianson	Emma C. Digman
Haley J. Avery	Madeline J. Bond	Hana N. Church**	Maya J. Dix**
Morgan L. Baardseth	Brandl M. Bonetti	Carley C. Chwala**	Cody A. Dobson**
Jesimiel M. Banjiram	Zoe M. Bossert**	Alexandria S. Cimoch*	Stuart M. Doering**
Haley L. Barnes+	Bailey L. Brandner*	Paul J. Cimoch, III	Grace E. Dolgner*
Bennett M. Bartheld+	Tessa K. Brantner	Jalen Clark	Dylan F. Dooley
Hunter T. Bay	Nathaniel Brenengen+	Madison N. Clarke	Jared T. Doucet

Dana M. Dougherty	Kelly A. Gerharz+	Gunner G. Jensen**	Abigail R. Leasman*
Erin F. Doughman*	Koehler J. Gerlach	Alexandra O. Jeske	Gabrielle M. LeBouton**
Madeline K. Douglass	Katie M. Gilbert*	Cami J. Johnson*	Madeline P. L'Ecuyer
Taylor R. Douma	Emily M. Gilbertson	Jamison E. Johnson	Amanda S. Lee
Kaitlyn L. Downing**	Bailee K. Golisch**+	Miranda M. Johnson	Madeline J. Lien
Dylan M. Drews*	Claire C. Gorges*	Zoe A. Johnson*	Meredith M. Liermann+
Mia C. Duffrin	Hannah Gothard	Croix N. JoliCoeur	Kyra M. Litwin**
Rachel E. Dulcamara	Kiera M. Grant**	Marley D. Kaiser	Josiah L. Loeffelholz*
Gabriel T. Eagon**	Mariah S. Greuel	Samantha R. Kanouse	Meghan L. Long+
Sydney A. Eberhardt	Malarie K. Griese	Joshua R. Kaser	Hailey R. Looker**
Anita C. Eckrose**	Kelly A. Griffa*	Adam C. Kaye**	Emily M. Ludewig**
Lisa J. Ehlers	Lane P. Hable**	Ryan E. Kelly*	Riley J. Lull
Erik E. Ellefson	Brice D. Hansen~	Corinne T. Kessler	Kylee L. Lunderville
Allison K. Emmel*	Kendra M. Hansen	Junaid Khan*	Kohleen M. Lyons*
Brianna T. Emmrich*	Lauren E. Hanson**	Amanda L. Kind**	Casey C. Machajewski
Jocelyn E. Englebert*	Madison E. Harmening**	Emily G. Kinney**	Daniel J. Madonia
Emily J. Erkamaa	Kristin M. Hartung	Leslie Kitten	Kailey J. Mael
Philip M. Erlandson	Alex R. Harvey	Kjersten R. Kleveland	Brandon T. Maglio
Paul J. Escalante+	Lauren T. Head*	Jack T. Knuth+	Madeline G. Malloy
Carlee E. Felton	Emma K. Hedding*	Josh D. Koenecke	Ann M. Maloney*
Brady S. Fischer**	Cameron J. Heiman**	Katelyn S. Kolehmainen*	Helen M. Manke
Jacob D. Fischer*	Kathryn K. Heiser+	Austin M. Konen	Amber J. Matlock*
Samantha M. Fischer*	Mary Heistand+	Callie P. Koziol**	Elizabeth C. McCabe
Faith J. Fisher	Jacob M. Heller*	Ava M. Kramer*	Dani A. McCaffery
Brooke L. Flanders Johnson	Joseph M. Herbst+	Melissa Kronser*~	LaKiah R. McCallson**
Katelyn D. Fleischman+	Madelyn P. Hermus*	Gabriela C. Krueger	Blake H. McCoy**
Josiah R. Flood	Gabrielle M. Hill-Sanow*	David J. Kubicek+	Easton M. McCready
Katlyn M. Fochs**	Aliza N. Hitz**	Mitchel M. Kuhn	Madeline R. McKay
Kailey N. Foster	Emma E. Hoiby**	DeVon L. Kuykendall	Cally M. McPherson*
Grace E. Fox*	Elizabeth M. Holland*	Nicholas La Fleur	Jordan J. Medenwaldt
Paige J. Friday	Cecilia A. Hook**	Colin J. Lake+	Kayrene M. Midtlien+
Sydney M. Friedle**	Katheryn G. Horne	Sarah E. Laman**	Maeve A. Miller**
Lexie E. Friess	Jacob M. Hudecek	Abigail C. Lange**	Trey J. Miller+
Samuel E. Fritz*	Miriam Hurula	Antonia M. Langowski**	Chelsie Miskowski
Emma J. Furniss**	Luke J. Hutterer	Jacob A. Larsen*	Dakota R. Moldenhauer*
Brittany K. Gagas*	Jordyn L. Ivey*	Catherine O. Larson*	Patricia J. Moore
Madison K. Gander**	Wylie M. Jackson*	Mikayla D. Lash	Samantha F. Mozey
Dylan J. Ganem	Johnathon L. Jaeger**	Nicole M. Lavelle	Dillon M. Murman**
Elizabeth L. Georgetta	Collin Jahns+	Gaitlyn E. Leahy*	Ryan D. Murray*

**College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities continued**

Roger Mustache, Jr	Daria A. Richardson	Elliot R. Smith*	Jade L. Wahlgren*
Zackery T. Myers	Taylor M. Robertson	Samuel R. Smith**	Maxwell E. Ward*
Carrie R. Nelson	Dylan T. Roeser*	Sydney R. Smith**	Ryan S. Wasielewski
Jacob E. Nelson*	Eleanor L. Rogalinski*	Emily J. Snyder	Sophia L. Waters
Malcolm J. Nelson	Madeline J. Rogin*	Kaylynn K. Solheid**	Valerie Watson
Mason X. Nelson	John M. Roherty**	Jiaoyang Song**	Christina A. Weaver
Katie M. Newborg	Laura K. Rohmeyer	Kyle A. Spieker	Gabrielle A. Weaver
Aaron M. Nicholson	Corrina A. Romandine**	Mikayla N. Stadler**	Vanessa P. Weber
Sunflower Q. Noonan	Emma M. Rowe	Savannah K. Stanley**	Samantha R. Weiler
Madison Novitzki	Elizabeth G. Rudolph*	Alaina Steffes**	Taylor S. Weis*
Cayden E. Nuernberger**	Andre X. Rousseau*	Rachel L. Stock*	Lily M. Werner**
McKenzie L. O'Connor	Emily J. Rux**	Madeline I. Stoffel*	Rylie J. Westfall+
Alyssa M. Onley	Eric Sand	Jessica A. Stofflet	Brittany L. Wiese
Tadziu S. Oprzedek	Brett A. Sander*	Madisyn E. Storie	Leah A. Williams**
Isabel N. Ortiz	Riley M. Sarkauskas+	Ethan H. Strunk	Alexis L. Winker*
Elizabeth F. Osborne**	Rayna E. Sauers**	Kaylee M. Sturdevant	Alexis Withuski
Samuel J. Ott*	Sabrina A. Scardamaglia*	Emma C. Svendsen	Larissa A. Wnek**
Karly K. Pabich	Anna K. Schell	Ellie A. Szczupakiewicz**	Quinn L. Wondolowski
Alex J. Pagel**	Noah C. Schober	Ma Lee Thao	August Wright
Mikayla J. Pagel	Jillisa A. Schoenbauer+	Elizabeth J. Thiel+	Emily R. Yang
Christopher P. Pahnke*	Sophie F. Schoonover	Clark J. Thiele	Jacky X. Yang
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### **Master of Education – Professional Development**

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Emily K. Whalley  
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Jacqueline M. Ziegler

## 2021 GRADUATE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Lauren Harding - Doctor of Physical Therapy  
Noah Splinter - Master of Science in Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology  
Sarah Miller - Master of Science in Education: Reading Teacher/Specialist  
Nic DeKeyser - Master of Science in Education: School Psychology



## Graduate Dissertation, Thesis, and Project Titles

### COLLEGE OF ARTS, SOCIAL SCIENCES, & HUMANITIES Doctor of Education - Student Affairs Administration and Leadership

Mai Chao Duddeck - *Redefining Hmong American Woman Identity in Higher Education: A Scholarly Personal Narrative*  
Tina M. R. Rettler-Pagel - *The Influences of Success for Community College Black Women Students in Online Learning Spaces*

### Master of Science in Education – Student Affairs Administration in Higher Education

Alyssa M. Bovinette - *COVID-19 Response: The Need to Assess Student Satisfaction and Support*  
Jordan M. Brick - *Increasing the Population of Men Students Studying Abroad at the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse*  
Deanna P. Cahoon-Draus - *Developing Staff Understanding of LGBTQ+ Students' Mental Health and Sense of Belonging*  
Magann E. Dykema - *Virtual Engagement: Student Activities Initiatives in a Technologically Focused Era*  
Samuel M. Elinson - *International Students and Racism in Western Education*  
Carissa Garletts - *Eliminating the Final Barrier: Removing Standardized Tests From the College Admissions Process*  
Aislinn Hernandez - *Retaining BIPOC Students at 2-Year Institutions: Programs and Support Embedded*  
Jazzma Holland - *Elite Essence: Creating a Mentorship Program for Women of Color at the University of Wisconsin- La Crosse*  
Laura A. Jones - *A Call for Mentorship: Faculty and First-Generation Students of Color*  
Sara M. Karpik - *From Countryside to Campus: Supporting Rural Students' Transition to Higher Education*  
Amelia Kimmes Kneser - *Repairing Harm: Navigating University Conduct Sanction Success and Equity*  
Lauren M. Klink - *Funding Higher Education: How Implicit Bias Impacts Scholarships*  
Trevor C. Knitter - *First Generation Students & Sense of Belonging*  
Molly E. McAndrew - *Opting In: An Assessment Consortium to Combat Survey Fatigue in Higher Education*  
Joshua B. Nesja - *Identifying the Invisible: An Early Identification Program for Students with ADHD*  
Sean P. Payette - *We Belong Here: Addressing Impostor Phenomenon in New Student Affairs Professionals*  
Rebecca L. Pearce - *The Eagle Domestic and Global Education Initiative: Reimagining Global Educational Experiences*  
Seanna Petr - *Food for Thought: Meeting the Needs of Food Insecure Students at Vanderbilt University*  
Molly E. Ponasik - *Are We Doing Enough? Supporting First-Generation Students in Their Career Development Process*  
Christopher J. Porter - *Think Outside the Box: Discrimination of Formerly Convicted Applicants in Higher Education*

Collin D. Schroeder - *Building Virtual Communities: Expanding University Housing Programming for a Virtual World*  
Kristina Schubert - *Anti-Xenophobia: Orientation*  
Andrew M. Sella - *Equitable Leadership: Evolving Selection Process to Better Empower Students of Color*  
Abigail M. Shaw - *Workers of the World: Addressing Issues in the Career Preparation of International Students*  
Johnathon T. Shaw - *The Student Debt Crisis*  
Corey J. Stilwell - *Men and Mental Health Literacy on the American College Campus*  
Kayla L. Sygulla - *Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention: Engaging College Men Athletes and Fraternity Members in Bystander Intervention Training*  
Myxee M. Thao - *Transcending Our Pain: Fostering Radical Healing Among BIPOC Student Activists*  
Annjeanett Urbano - *Re-examining "Return on Inclusion" Modules: Developing a Deeper Understanding for Black Student Athletes*  
Deanna VanderWielen - *Winnebago Area College Partnership Program*  
Kab Vue - *Investing in Sustainable Equity: Social Justice Policy Making within UW System Universities*  
Spencer P. Wakefield - *Indigenize UW River Falls: Creating Community Collaborations and Cultural Engagement*  
Jennifer T. Wang - *We Are Here: Disrupting Colonialism by Empowering Voices of Recovery*  
Kathryn J. Witt - *No More Postponing: Help-seeking Behaviors of College Men with Anxiety and Depression*  
Phong Yue Yang - *Assessing Hmong College Students' Experiences at the University of Wisconsin - River Falls*  
Angela Yang - *First-Generation Multicultural Living Community*  
Joshua K. Zabel - *Student Conduct Revision Process at the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse*

### Master of Science in Applied Statistics

Jillian L. Hebert - *A Comparison of Statistical Modeling Approaches for Hierarchical Data: A Simulation Study and Application to Ecology Data*  
Kohei A. Osterloth - *The Impact of Endocrine Therapy on Overall Survival in ER Negative/PR Positive Breast Cancer Patients: An Analysis of the National Cancer Database*  
Laura L. Peterman - *Using Bayesian Statistics to Analyze Environmental Toxicology Data from Native Freshwater Mussels*  
Bradley D. Rehtzigel - *LymeStop Treatment Efficacy for Chronic Lyme Disease*  
Madison J. Roy - *Predicting Allergy Associates' Graded Oral Food Challenge Outcomes Using Ensembles*  
Lucas J. Spellman - *Comparison of Semi-Supervised Learning Methods for Detection of Marine Species*

## Graduate Dissertation, Thesis, and Project Titles continued

### Master of Science in Biology

Dylan Baldassari - *Endophytic Fungal Diversity in Whitebark Pine: Links Between Species Assemblage, Biogeography, and Blister Rust Occurrence*  
Shayla Michel - *Effects of the Neonicotinoid Pesticide, Thiamethoxam, on Two Fish Species*

### Master of Science in Biology – Environmental Sciences

Noah Splinter - *In Vitro Effects of Cold Storage on Human and 13-Lined Ground Squirrel Platelet Apoptosis*  
Gaokhia Yang - *Hypothalamic Control of Feeding Behavior in the 13-Lined Ground Squirrel*

### Master of Science in Biology – Nurse Anesthesia

Kirsten Akpoguma - *Evaluation of Propofol Usage During the COVID-19-Associated Shortage*  
Nicoli Bettin - *Evaluation of 2% Mepivacaine Versus 0.5% Isobaric Bupivacaine Spinal Anesthesia for Total Knee Arthroplasty*  
Jenna Brinkman - *Comparison of Different Dosages of Preoperative Gabapentin on Postoperative Opioid Requirements after Total Knee Replacement*  
Adam Carlson - *Feasibility of an Anesthesia Waste Segregation (Recycling) Program*  
Kaitlyn Crawford - *Evaluation of 2% Mepivacaine Versus 0.5% Isobaric Bupivacaine Spinal Anesthesia for Total Knee Arthroplasty*  
Richard Dziewit - *Anesthesia Utilization Index to Improve Staffing of Nurse Anesthetists*  
Laura Geiger - *Evaluation of Propofol Usage During the COVID-19-Associated Shortage*  
Brooke Joppru - *Implementation of an Ultrasound-Guided Peripheral Intravenous Catheter Insertion Educational Program*  
Justin Lehrke - *Evaluation of Epidural Opioids on Neonatal Apgar Scores*  
Nathaniel Stephens - *Feasibility of an Anesthesia Waste Segregation (Recycling) Program*  
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Sarah Wendland - *Implementation of an Ultrasound-Guided Peripheral Intravenous Catheter Insertion Educational Program*

### Master of Science in Data Science

Rachana Dikshit - *Document Formatter Using Machine Learning*  
Brian L. Pankau - *Detecting Resident Space Object Maneuvers*  
Shishir S. Shrivastava - *Supply Driven Demand Forecasting in Process Manufacturing Industry*

### Master of Science in Microbiology

Michelle A. Malysa - *Development of Antiviral Edible Films Against Tulane Virus, a Human Norovirus Surrogate, in Strawberries*

### Master of Software Engineering

Elise Baumgartner - *A Modern Implementation of SLEUTH Urban Growth Model*  
Ethan Booker - *A Tool for Message Processing in a Healthcare Social Network*  
Jian Chen - *Evaluating Quality of Life (QoL) of Hemodialysis Patients*  
Nathan Diedrick - *Topic Modeling for Non-Technical Users*  
Xingzhan Feng - *Enhancing Scrum Tool using Machine Learning Techniques*  
Ziyu Guo - *Multi-agent Simulator: A Front-End Simulator Based on Unity3d Engine*  
Zhuoer Huang - *Multi-agent Simulator: A Front-End Simulator Based on Unity3d Engine*  
Jiashu Li - *A Detection Tool for Traffic Objects*  
Jiaxuan Li - *A Web Application for Managing Faculty Senate Committees*  
Lu Liang - *Indoor Localization and Tracking based on Neural Networks*  
Rui Liu - *Building a Robot Enthusiasm Generator*  
Wentai Peng - *A Detection Tool for Traffic Objects*  
Derek Stoner - *Solving the Unit Circle Problem: A Web Application Powered by a Genetic Algorithm*  
Sahee Thao - *An Evolutionary Algorithm Sandbox: Finding Solutions to the Iterated Prisoner's Dilemma*  
Yaoyuan Wei - *A High-performance Version SLEUTH based on Kubernetes*  
Cara Wintin - *Launch Document Generator from Spectrum to Generate Equipment Submittals*  
Jiayi Yao - *A Gomoku Game with AI Players using Alpha-Beta Pruning*

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN RECREATION MANAGEMENT - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Master of Science in Therapeutic Recreation

Rachel Horstman - *Reintegrating Community During a Pandemic*  
Carl Klubertanz - *Operation Recreation*  
Chelsea LaRue - *The Need to Adapt to the Millennial Era: Attracting and Retaining Millennial Members in Country Clubs*  
David Roehrig - *An All-Inclusive Senior Recreation Approach*  
John Stutzman - *2020's Beneficial Impact on the Evolution of Parks and Recreation Programming*  
Gage Zettelmeier - *Creating an Outdoor Adult Fitness Space*



## Graduate Dissertation, Thesis, and Project Titles continued

### SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

#### Master of Education - Professional Development

- Hannah Beilke - *Accessibility and Equity to Wilderness and Outdoor Experiences*
- Grant Boettcher - *Motivation in the Elementary Classroom*
- David Burgard - *Wilderness Experienced Based Learning Adventures and Adolescents' Social and Emotional Health*
- Rayelle Deidrich - *Social and Emotional Learning in Adventure and Outdoor Education*
- Karen Doll - *The Role of Mindfulness in Schools*
- Callie Hainzinger - *What are the benefits of Experiential Education?*
- Nathan Hataj - *Implementing and Understanding Project Based Learning in Technology Education and Beyond*
- Andrew Johnson - *Social and Emotional Learning in Outdoor Education*
- Steven Jones - *The Value of Goals, Experiential Education, and Reducing Distractions*
- Alexandra Karnowski - *Developing the Creative Process*
- James Kersten - *Elementary School Should Implement Outdoor Education Into Their Curriculum*
- Samantha Kuhns - *The Impact of Social-Emotional Learning in Elementary Classrooms*
- Joshua Kurutz - *Barriers to Access and Equity in Outdoor Recreation*
- Nicholas Lemin - *Barriers To the Outdoors*
- Keegan Lynch - *Fostering Motivation and Engagement in the Elementary Art Room*
- Dennis Mossholder - *Motivation and Engagement in Technology Education*
- Sarah Sorensen - *Implementing mindfulness for the whole school community*
- Emily Stangel - *How Does Universal Design for Learning Impact Students with Disabilities and General Education Students?*
- Sean Stubbendick - *Promoting a Growth Mindset*
- Emily Whalley - *When Outcomes Are Valued More Than Experiences: The Effects of Declining Experience-Based Learning*
- Lindi Winter - *The Benefits of Adventure Education*
- Junhao Zhou - *How Does Community Building Influence Motivation on Language Learning*
- Jacqueline Ziegler - *The Power of Play in the 2020 Classroom*

#### Master of Science in Education - Reading Teacher

- Georgene Darbo - *The Effects of Read-Alouds on Students' Attitudes Toward Reading and Foundational Reading Skills*
- Kathleen Marien - *A Comparative Study of Vocabulary Acquisition In Virtual and Traditional School Settings*
- Anne Pearson - *The Effects of Student Set Goals on Their Reading Growth and Motivation*
- Heather Struver-Gonyo - *The Effects of Reading with Conferring on the Fluency and Comprehension of Firth Grade Students*
- Samantha Yehle - *The Effects of Poetry and Songs on Fluency of Second Grade Students*

#### Master of Science in Education - Reading Teacher/ Reading Specialist

- Rachel Eckert - *The Effects of Systematic Data Collection Paired with Tiered Interventions on Third Grade Students*
- Jessica Fetting - *The Impacts of Close Reading Strategies on Students' Comprehension of Complex Text*
- Johanna Gimenez - *The Effects of Movement Integration on Literacy Development*
- Mary Meisner - *The Effect Increased Technology Use has on the Reading Comprehension of Eighth Graders*
- Ricki Tierney - *The Incorporation of Focused Note Taking Into AP Human Geography Curriculum and its Effects on Comprehension, Motivation, and Self-efficacy*

## 2021 Outstanding Graduates

### The Murphy Awards for Academic Excellence

recognizes the university's top graduating scholar, as chosen by the Scholarship and Awards Committee. A Murphy Foundation grant created the award in 1980 to recognize outstanding and exceptional scholastic ability.

**Kendra Kreienbrink** graduates with a Bachelor of Science majoring in physics with a biomedical concentration. She has minors in mathematics and chemistry. Kreienbrink was on the Dean's List every semester while maintaining a 3.98 GPA. She earned numerous awards and scholarships; among them: the Dean's Distinguished Fellowship, the Eagle Apprenticeship Scholarship, the Charles and Lillian Gay Scholarship, the Scott Carnes Memorial Scholarship Fund, and the Physics and Astronomy Honors programs. Kreienbrink was named an outstanding presenter at the Gulf Coast Undergraduate Research Symposium in October 2020. Her studies have included microtubule mechanics (biophysics) research with a two-week BioBootcamp at Syracuse University, along with a week collecting data at Lawrence University while interning for UWL Physics Department Chair Taviare Hawkins. Kreienbrink has served as a math and physics tutor, and has been involved in numerous clubs. She took part in the Vida Medical Mission Trip to Guatemala in 2019. Kreienbrink plans to attend graduate school for a doctorate in biomaterials for drug delivery or tissue regeneration. She is from Hopkins, Minnesota

### The Rosandich Graduate Thesis and Dissertation Award

recognizes the best graduate thesis, based on originality, impact and writing quality. The award is funded by Thomas P. Rosandich, '54, founding president of the U.S. Sports Academy in Daphne, Alabama.

**Heidi Lang** earned a doctorate in Student Affairs Administration & Leadership in May 2020. Lang's dissertation focused on the role of college unions as campus community builders. Her research concentrated on unions in which students oversee decisions and staff serve as consultants rather than directing students' experiences. Lang also studied the impact student unions have on campus climate, distinguishing differences among students of color and those who are white. Faculty mentors called her dissertation research "outstanding." Lang earned her master's in higher education from North Carolina State University in 1997 and has since worked in the Wisconsin Union at UW-Madison. She is an assistant director of Program and Leadership Development.

**Annie Schauster** graduated in May 2020 with a Master of Science in biology. Schauster's thesis was titled, "Genetic and Genomic Insights into the Successional Patterns and Reproduction Methods of Fire-Associated *Morchella*." Graduate faculty nominated her noting her thesis is conceptually and methodologically excellent, and her results provide interesting insights on a topic of considerable interest in her field of fungal biology. Schauster's mentors credit her for displaying motivation, perseverance, organization, discipline and maturity in her work. Her personal qualities, as well as the experience she gained in her graduate research, were instrumental to her being admitted into the doctorate program in integrative biology at the University of Colorado, Denver. She is currently a first-year doctoral student.

### **The Jake and Janet Hoeschler Award for Excellence**

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

**Troy De Bruin** graduates with a Bachelor of Science in accountancy and finance. He has made the Dean's List each semester and holds a 4.0 GPA. De Bruin received five business-related scholarships, along with the Jo Laux Family CBA Top Scholar Award. He was on the Eagles Track & Field teams, finishing as a national qualifier in the 4 x 100-meter relay in spring 2019. De Bruin has volunteered with numerous organizations and events, including Veteran's Day Breakfast, Children's Museum, Down Syndrome Awareness Walk, Live Generously and athletic activities. Following graduation, De Bruin plans to take the CPA Exam and in September will begin working full-time at Baker Tilly in Appleton, Wisconsin, as a part of its Construction and Real Estate Audit Team. His goal is to become a fraud investigator or CFO. De Bruin is from Little Chute, Wisconsin.

### **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.

**Colin Jackson** graduates with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in mathematics and physics. He was on the Dean's List each semester and earned at 4.0 GPA. Jackson received the Eagle Apprentice Scholarship, the Charles and Lillian Gay Scholarship, the Sentry Insurance Scholarship, and the JD and Marcia Wine Scholarship. He also earned a College of Science and Health grant and department endowment grant for research. Jackson participated in the Mathematics and Statistics Club, Chess Club, and Womxn and Minorities in Math. He also played on the Men's Soccer Club team. Jackson plans to attend graduate school to pursue a doctorate in mathematics, eventually becoming a mathematics professor. He is from Madison, Wisconsin

### **The John E. Magerus Award for the Outstanding Graduating Senior from the College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities**

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 as a professor and administrator in the college.

**Laura Zinnel** graduates with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in psychology and mathematics. Zinnel has completed research on campus in psychology and mathematics, as well as with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. She earned a Dean's Distinguished Fellowship Research Grant and the College of Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities Recognition of Excellence Award. Zinnel received 15 scholarships and worked in numerous off-campus positions along with serving as a mathematics and statistics tutor on campus. Zinnel was vice president of the Womxn and Minorities in Mathematics Club, treasurer of the Mathematics and Statistics Club, and outreach leader of InterVarsity. She was also a member of Screaming Eagles Marching Band, Intramural Soccer and Psychology Club. Zinnel plans to attend graduate school for either computational neuroscience or mathematics. She is from Rockland, Wisconsin.

### **2021 Alumni Awards**

Alumni from the '80s through 2009 have earned top awards bestowed by the UWL Alumni Association for 2021. They're being honored for distinguished service and successful careers.

Distinguished alumni awarded in 2020 and 2021 will be honored virtually in fall 2021 or during an in-person ceremony in 2022, if possible. When recognized, the alumni will speak with students and take part in a panel discussion.

A virtual ceremony for some of the recipients is set for 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, 2021.

#### **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.

#### **Margaret Van Bree, '82**

- Revered health executive, educator; collaborator; mentor.
- Recipient of Exemplary Leadership Award, Ronald McDonald House of Providence; Career Achievement Award, Providence Business News; Houston's 50 Most Influential Women, others.
- Retired president of Rhode Island Hospital and Hasbro Children's Hospital.
- Bachelor's in community health education; master's in hospital administration, University of Minnesota; doctorate in public health, Tulane University.

#### **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.

#### **Anna Hatch, '09**

- Renowned scientist in biomedical research, science diplomacy and science communication.
- Recipient of the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship; P.E.O. Scholar Award.
- Currently a Declaration on Research Assessment Program Director at the American Society for Cell Biology in Rockville, Maryland.
- Bachelor's in biology and chemistry; doctorate in biochemistry, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire.

#### **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.

#### **Mai J. Lo Lee, '07**

- Student mentor; social justice advocate.
- Recipient of the 2020 Wisconsin's 48 Most Influential Asian American Leaders; appointed to Governor's Advisory Council on Equity and Inclusion in 2021.
- Currently Diversity Director of Multi-Ethnic Students Affairs, UW-Green Bay.
- Master's in education; bachelor's in mass communications and English, UW-Eau Claire.

#### **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.

#### **Scott Noet, '90**

- Dedicated and respected long-time educator.
- Recipient of the Goethe Institute American Fellow of the Year; Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History Minnesota Teacher of the Year; state and school Teacher of the Year; Transatlantic Outreach Program Fellow of the Year; others.
- Currently a 7th and 8th grade social studies teacher at Owatonna, Minnesota, Public Schools.
- Bachelor's in history; master's in education, Southwest State, Marshall, Minnesota.

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**13,750+**

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**1,000**

COVID-19 vaccines daily at Cleary Alumni & Friends Center.

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