

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 2024, 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 6 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,



**Betsy Morgan**  
Interim Chancellor





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

- **UWL is the No. 2 public university of any size in Wisconsin**, according to Forbes' 2023 America's Top Colleges list. Forbes noted UWL's array of academic concentrations and its active student body, as well as opportunities to engage with La Crosse's vibrant culture.
- **UWL is the No. 1 public university in Wisconsin with fewer than 25,000 students**, according to U.S. News & World Report. In its annual ranking of colleges and universities, U.S. News listed UWL as the No. 135 national public university in the country.
- **UWL retained 86.5% for the 2022-23 first-year class – the highest mark in a decade and the fifth-highest mark in the past 50 years.** UWL's ability to recruit and retain students led to another year of increased enrollment, despite national declines in the number of college students.
- **On July 1, incoming Chancellor James Beeby will become the 11th leader of UWL following a months-long national search.** Beeby, currently the provost and vice president for Academic Affairs at Keene State College in New Hampshire, says he was struck by the reputation of the university and the dedication of the faculty, staff and students. He's been transitioning into his new role over the past two months and looks forward to hitting the ground running this summer. "During my visit to this beautiful campus, I was impressed with the dedication of the faculty and staff to student success and transforming lives through excellent academic programs," Beeby says. "I was also pleased to see the strong relationship with the city and local community, and I look forward to strengthening those ties as UW-La Crosse continues to serve the needs of the region and the state."
- **Also on July 1, interim Chancellor Betsy Morgan will complete her service as interim chancellor and return to the role of provost.** Morgan has led UWL through a challenging transitional period, leaning on her 30-plus years of experience at UWL to strengthen relationships and help move the university forward. Universities of Wisconsin President Jay Rothman thanked Morgan for her "wonderful presence," adding that "the campus community is indebted to her for her leadership."
- **UWL's fourth-annual giving day, One Day for UWL, brought in more than \$475,000 from 1,900 donors in just 24 hours.** The event was a success not just because it raised a record sum – but because it also raised awareness of the importance of philanthropy among the campus community.
- **The UWL men's track and field team claimed its 20th NCAA Division III Indoor Championship in March – more than any other DIII program.** The Eagles have now won back-to-back national championships, and a remarkable 13 in the past 20 years.
- **La Crosse is the best small college town in Wisconsin and among the best in the country**, according to Preply, an online language learning company. Its list of the best small college towns in the U.S. has La Crosse at No. 4 – the only Wisconsin city to crack the top 10.
- **UWL is one of only 258 campuses in 38 states and the District of Columbia designated as a "Voter Friendly Campus."** Voter Friendly Campuses help students overcome barriers to voting.
- **Students get their money's worth at UWL according to a ranking by finance technology company SmartAsset.** In the company's list of best value colleges, UWL placed No. 4 in Wisconsin and No. 50 in the U.S., underscoring UWL's commitment to affordability, high-quality academic programming and providing students with a strong return on their investment.
- **And, La Crosse is the state's most wallet-friendly and among the most economical college towns in the U.S.** Scholarship and grant search engine BrokeScholar.com ranks La Crosse the No. 11 most economical college town in the U.S. and the No. 1 most economical place in Wisconsin for students to study.
- **UWL is one of the most military friendly schools in the country.** The 2023-24 Military Friendly Schools survey gave UWL the distinguished gold designation. Additionally, in the Military Times' ranking of the "Best for Vets," UWL was the No. 199 university in the U.S. and No. 35 in the Midwest.
- **UWL Chemistry Professor Sujat Sen was named the 2023 Carl E. Gulbrandsen Innovator of the Year by WiSys**, a state nonprofit organization that works with the UW System. The award is given to UW System faculty, staff or students who make exemplary contributions as a WiSys innovator.
- **UWL Health Professions Professor Tom Kernozek was one of 25 people named to Gov. Tony Evers' Task Force on the Healthcare Workforce.** The group, led by Lt. Gov. Sara Rodriguez, is charged with studying the workforce challenges facing the state's health care system, identifying ways to improve patient care and alleviate burdens, exploring educational pathways to grow a sustainable workforce, and creating a solution-oriented action plan for consideration in the governor's 2025-27 executive budget.
- **UWL has received national attention for some of its more than 20 graduate degree programs.** U.S. News & World Report has recognized three graduate programs in the top 100 of their disciplines, including the UW MBA Consortium (No. 12), UWL's Doctorate of Physical Therapy program (No. 42) and UWL's Physician Assistant program (No. 65).
- **A new partnership means full steam ahead for the UWL River Studies Center and water research.** Prairie Springs: The Paul Fleckenstein Trust gave nearly \$500,000 through the La Crosse Community Foundation to fund the new research vessel. Local construction, environmental services, and harbor management company J.F. Brennan Co. will store, moor, and maintain the watercraft, which should hit the river this spring.

**POSTHUMOUS DEGREE RECIPIENT**

**James Koeberl**

June 18, 2001 - January 26, 2024

James Koeberl was born to be a servant leader and teacher of music. Although he had a few semesters remaining to complete his degree, James had already found success as a music educator. In the classroom, he was a natural – a kid magnet!! He possessed many intangible characteristics that enabled him to make positive connections. James taught the Onalaska High School summer marching band camp for 2 years, directed the Hilltopper show choir bands, and taught beginner band lessons at West Salem middle school. In this short amount of time, he touched the lives of many young student musicians. In addition, he had established himself as an up-and-coming music educator in the local professional network.

At UWL, James was a beloved member and student leader of the Screaming Eagles Marching band. He served in the position of Drum Major for 2 years and then transitioned to become a staff member, teaching drill and high brass. James was at his best when he was in front of a marching band.

It may sound cliché but James never met a stranger – he valued every person that he met. He was a trusted mentor and friend to his peers. The impact of James' connections and love of music will be everlasting in the lives of all those who had the privilege of being around him.

- Tammy Fisher, *Professor of Music Education*

**CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION**

**Associate Degree Candidates**

12:30 p.m. ceremony

Luis A. Bautista    Marisa S. Dolata    Katlyn J. Lindner    Kiran L. Nepal    Joshua P. Rader+    Matilda Sprain+

**BACCALAUREATE DEGREE CANDIDATES**

**School of Education**

9:30am ceremony

Sophie J. Alvarado**	Mikaila R. Carpino-Stevens	Emily R. Erickson**	Margaret L. Grant***
Sarah C. Ankney**	Chloe L. Champagne	Maggie J. Ferrando**	Makayla D. Gretebeck*
Jacob D. Baggot	Caitlin E. Clarey**	Teagan R. Friess	Sara M. Guenette**
Jaycie R. Bahr**	Samantha Crall	Gianna Fussell*	Jack G. Hager, III
Austin Becker*	Olivia G. Dahl*	Katie B. Gearing**	Abby M. Haldeman**
Brianna S. Behne*	Katherine J. Davis*	Megan E. Geerts**	Helen Hale**
Annalyn K. Bochat*	Bailey A. Deeg**	Morgan A. Gehri**	Marissa F. Harnisch**
Paige N. Brandner**	Rylee Dorow**	Claire M. Gentry**	Spencer S. Harrison*
Danielle A. Burr	Anne H. Dummer	Jenna E. Gillich**	Kiyan D. Hasan

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**School of Education continued**

Jackson L. Hauri*	Matias H. Marchan**	Brianna J. Rebhahn**	Abigail R. Suiter*
Kassi J. Heins*	Alexis Mazzara*	Noah R. Rice	Emma G. Syftestad*
Jinesis C. Her*	Emma J. Meade**	Cody M. Rohl	Sam J. Symond
Kathryn M. Herald++	Gracey D. Mlsna**	Grace L. Runkel**	Bruce D. Teale
Abby D. Hilby**	Martha G. Moran**	Makenna J. Sacre	Celeste R. Teichmiller*
Haley S. Hoffmann	Hannah E. Mueller**	Abigail M. Sawyer**	Amanda L. Thompson**
Riley M. Jahnke**	Julia A. Murphy*	Mykenzi K. Schicker*	Desiree N. Torres**
Oswaldo I. Jimenez	Cade B. Murray	Kathleen J. Schleicher	Johnathan T. Volden
Kallie A. Johnson**	Marlee J. Nehring**	Emma R. Sebek**	Abigail R. Wagner**
Logan W. Johnson	Katie G. Nordloh*	Riley T. Sebens*	Kaycie R. Wagner**
John Kabliska**	Riley J. Nowak*	Jillian K. Shanks**	Sophie M. Wentorf**
Jordan A. Karch**	Maggie M. O'Connell**	Olivia G. Sheehan**	Mariah A. Wick*
Kelsey A. Kemper**	Alexandrea S. Olson*	Rachel N. Siebers**	Rachel E. Wiederhold**
Geneveive S. Knudsen*	Kaleb J. O'Reilly	Marshall J. Simon**	Parker E. Wilkinson**
Ariel L. Koxlien	Nolan L. Paar	Rachel Slates*	Jenna L. Withrow**
Makenna Krause**	Olivia A. Pettersen**	Kylie A. Smith**	Lucas A. Zaiser
Rachel M. Kunz**	Kristen L. Pintar*	Paige A. Splinter	Sophia B. Zmuzinski**
Mckenzie J. Lantz**	Kylie M. Ploederl*	Angela J. Stadler*	Samantha K. Zuhde*
Maria C. Laurent	Michael P. Presslak**	Katelyn Steckbauer	
Jordan R. Lietz**	Theadora Ranis**	Elizabeth J. Steffes**	
Kyanna M. Lounsbury**	Grace C. Ranta**	Evonn E. Stoeckmann**	
Jacob Magnuson	Rebecca A. Raynier**	Lily M. Stonestreet**	

**College of Business Administration**

9:30 a.m. ceremony

Skembim Ademi	Erika L. Banitt*	Madison M. Benzine*	Brandon W. Burke**
Allison E. Albert	Maci A. Barabas	Adrianna L. Bethke*	Kevin N. Burkhardt
Helena J. Alisch*	Matthew R. Barker	Max J. Binger	Nolan R. Burnside
Camille E. Allaire	Brooke R. Barry	Jack K. Bleimehl	Gabrielle F. Buss
Braden S. Anderson*	Katherine Barry	Will T. Bonk+	Benjamin Busse
Jeff Anderson	Julia K. Bartels	Parker T. Borley*	Madelyn G. Calarco**
Zachary P. Arent*	Isabella R. Bartolotta	Camden M. Bowe*	Mitchell J. Callahan**
Amara M. Arndt*	Maycie Bean*	Christian A. Brayer+	Savannah M. Carlson*
Mikayla A. Arts	David M. Beaulieu	Elizabeth R. Breunig	Tyler D. Carpioux
Carter T. Ashley	Clayton J. Beilfuss	Elizabeth C. Brophy	Connor J. Cass
Haley F. Asp	Jordan C. Bell	Elijah J. Buczek	Tony J. Catalano
Cameron C. Baade	Lucas A. Benn*	Christopher J. Burg	Sophie B. Cedarblade
Brenden T. Ban*	Benjamin W. Benusa	Logan Burgard	Madelynn M. Chaput**

Nicholas R. Ciardo	Adam G. Feldt	Taylor M. Hamerski	Logan W. Kainz
Ethan J. Colvin	Ashley E. Fenton*	Jack J. Hansen**	Mallory N. Kaiser
Brandon M. Conger	Treyson J. Fenton	Ashley V. Hanson	Marcus D. Katka
Simon G. Conrad	Lucas A. Fink	Blake P. Harre	Zachary J. Kehl
Allison Cooley*	Nicholas C. Fink	Garrett R. Hatch	Ryan M. Kirn
Andrew K. Coppage	Grace M. Flandermeyer*	Dawson C. Hayden	Alexander Knoll
Lauren G. Cordy**	Michael R. Fortin	Zachary S. Hayes	Trevor Z. Knox+
Nicholas J. Crary	Samuel A. Freiberg*	Zachary J. Heacox	Jackson R. Kolbeck
Macallister A. Crowley	Trent J. Freit	Sean J. Heckler*	Elizabeth R. Kolodziej
Anna R. Criter	Samuel W. French	Kaylee D. Hemmelgarn	Bryce Kostman
Sydney R. Curtis	Samuel D. Frontier	Bryce R. Henderson*	Kelsie M. Kostuchowski**
Audrey J. Custar	Carlee N. Fuiten*	Elle M. Hersperger**	Colton I. Kotval*
Canyen J. Dacquisto	Sam D. Furth	Thomas G. Hess	Nicholas R. Kroll
Emily A. Dahlk*	Ryver M. Galle	Joseph P. Hesse	Kathryn J. Krueger*
Kaitlyn E. Dahlk*	Michael F. Gallus, III+	Ciara R. Hesselman	Isabella A. Krug-Wagner
Charles D. Dardis	Katherine E. Gapinski	Morgan E. Hestetune	Hayley M. Krysinski*
Luka Davidovic	Ana Gabriela M. Garcia	Timothy Hetrick	Maverick T. Kulmaczewski*
Austin T. Davis	Alexandria M. Geniesse	Katelyn M. Heun**	Taylor M. Kurer
Weston S. Davis	Riley N. Gent**	Maxwell Hildebrandt	Nicholas P. Kyte
Mackayla M. DeBaker	Hunter A. George	Weston D. Hill	Casey A. Laabs
Chloe E. Decker	Alexander M. Gerlach	Josie Hintz**	Emma R. Ladd
Alexis L. Dehmer	Mackenzie R. Geschke	Olivia N. Hipkins**	Andrew M. Langendorf
Conner R. Demers	Cole Glesner	Hunter T. Hlava	Sara J. Langmeier*
Megan E. Dewing*	Nicolas J. Golubic	Ryan B. Hocking	Tyler N. Lappe**
Monte R. Diestler*	Brianna M. Goodreau	Ethan J. Hohol	Austin Larson**
Alexander J. Doerfler	Eric G. Gramer+	Colin K. Holtzen*	Beatrice E. Laufer
Abigail R. Doerre*	Luke G. Grebe	Emelia G. Hovde	Jack P. Leahy
Luke S. Dohrmann	Bryce D. Greening	Alison M. Huber+	Chelsea C. Lee+
Madelyn Dokey**	Blake R. Griesbach	Keagan R. Hunter	Jacob Lee
John C. Dolan, Jr	Logan M. Griesbach	Mason M. Hunt-Olkowski	Noah J. Lenda
Keely E. Dorn	Abigail T. Griffin	Clay Huwacheck*	Seth W. Lenox*
Emily J. Dregney*	Amber M. Grim+	Paige T. Jahner**	Abigail M. Lent**
Ethan J. Drummond	Hunter E. Grimm	Anayeli R. Jaimes+	Kiana L. Lese
Melissa M. Duane	Dustin J. Groskreutz	Rachael Janes	Claire E. Lewis**
Elli M. Duddeck**	Logan A. Grossman	Drew M. Jeffery**	Elle F. Lewis
Jack F. Dudley**	Esbeidy Guevara*	Autumn J. Johnson	Matthew B. Lewis
Julia M. Eberhardt*	Joseph Guidici+	Emily M. Johnson	Austin T. Lietha
Brevyn P. Elliott	Jaycee L. Gundert**	Jacob J. Johnson	Quinn M. Lightfoot*
Henry M. English	Sydney K. Haase	Owen L. Johnson**	Spencer J. Linscheid
Kaitlyn M. Esser**	Makaylie M. Hager	Maritza N. Jones-Lavin	Grace E. Louko
Avary J. Fanning	Nash D. Hale	Arslan Jumabayev	Alexander R. Lowater

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**College of Business Administration continued**

Gavin G. Lueneburg**	Claire O. Mistele**	Jake A. Philipps**	Sophia C. Sahlin
Thomas S. Lundell	Amanda M. Mix*	Tyler T. Piek*	Mara A. Salza*
Connor D. Luoma	Jacob T. Mlodik	Kyle A. Plank	Tyler T. Savor
Lukas P. Lynch	Jaden E. Moore*	Samantha Plantz*	Sydney M. Schabow
Samuel T. Lynch	Jack W. Moran	Jack C. Polaske*	Austin M. Schaller
Skylar G. Lynch**	Anthony J. Moreno	Alexander A. Popke+	Lucian D. Scharf*
Mitchell J. Lyons*	Matthew Morse	Benjamin J. Price	Jacob D. Scharmer
Cameron S. Maas	Seairra Mortellaro	Mackenzie P. Prodoehl**	Lindsey M. Scheurer*
Alex T. Mach	Andrew J. Mueller~	Mason M. Prodoehl*	Noah D. Schilz*
Ashley M. Macht	Jacob S. Munz	Erica L. Pronschinske	Dennis O. Schleicher
Sierra L. Mack	Burke R. Murphy	Hayden M. Pynch	Alyssa L. Schmidt
Jacob Mackie+	Emma S. Murray	Samuel E. Quaintance	Maria A. Schmidt**
Michael W. Madoch	Alexander D. Mysicka	James Quam+	Ella E. Schmitz
Joseph Mahan	Andrew Nackel	Sierra Rabe+	Cooper B. Schnackenberg
Tyler J. Mahnke	Payten A. Nischke	Jaylyn A. Rachel**	Mackenzi E. Schultz*
Journey R. Malacina**	Timothy J. Nix*	Emily N. Radke**	Tyler F. Schumacher+
Adam J. Manske	Henry M. Noone	Toree R. Ralph	Paige Schumacker**
Clara G. Mansky*	Thomas J. Nystrom**	Grace K. Ramaker	Luke C. Schwartzhoff
Zachary A. Mara**	Kalli J. Olson	Adam M. Ramuta	Isabella K. Seitz
Amanda R. Marshall**	Parker D. Olson	Brayden Reedy	Chloe R. Seltz*
Jake Martin	Riley T. Olson**	Ben Reichert	Austin L. Shaw**
Maxwell C. Mathison	Nickolas A. Oreskovic	Hunter Reilly+	Jayden L. Sheard+
Olivia N. Mattsson**	John F. Ortloff	Chloe A. Renzelmann	Kavan M. Sherman+
Cade N. McCool	Ethan G. Ortmeier	Hayden Rice	Brandon Showers
Clarissa A. McKittrick	Brayden R. Page	Laura K. Rice**	Harwinder B. Singh
Samuel J. Mefford	Owen B. Parkhurst	Logan M. Richards**	Justin H. Sivertson
Lola I. Melcher**	Chasidy Parks	Christina G. Ries**	Liam C. Sjoquist
Laura G. Melland	Lucas Partanen	Taylor R. Rinehart	Madelyn G. Smith
Marissa C. Messina	Andrew N. Pathos	Ryan M. Rinn	Brady Snedden**
Isaac J. Meverden*	Landon D. Pederson	Ashley K. Rockweiler	Hope A. Solfest*
Grace A. Meyer	Austin J. Pelot	Hannah E. Romboy	Kylee M. Sommer*
Brianna E. Miller	Isabela N. Pericak	Jordan A. Ronge	Grace C. Sommers
Jacob S. Miller+	Joshua J. Peroz	Scott A. Rosendahl**++	Rachel M. Spaeth*
Jessica E. Miller	Elizabeth M. Perzewski*	Brystal J. Roshell**	Addison K. Spence
Kellan J. Miller	Cullen J. Peterson	Addison G. Rost	Alex J. Sperl
Kristen A. Miller**	Drew S. Peterson	Ryan R. Rostkowski*	Nolan T. Sporleder
Kyler Miller+	Thomas M. Pfaff	Hannah A. Roth	Christopher J. Stack
Mackenzie M. Miller	Annika G. Pfeil	Marco G. Rudy	James M. Starceвич
Mason L. Miller	Taylor J. Pham	Ethan S. Sacharski+	Anna D. Statz**

Cole Stensen	Daniel J. Thiem	Avery S. Vanderlinden**	Tyler J. Wietrzykowski
Molly D. Stern	Hannah M. Thomas	Moua Neng Vang	George D. Wilkinson*
Matthew R. Stoll	Whitney C. Thomas	Plai Vang+	Sydney A. Wiltsey*
Adam J. Streeton**	Karl J. Tillman, Jr	Malese I. Vesledahl	Josef E. Winship
Kerik O. Stubbe+	Jackson D. Todd	Ana L. Vicker	Jonathan J. Wizner
Tyler R. Stubbendick	Carter Tomich+	Michael D. Virata*	Katherine A. Woletz*
Austin R. Stuessel	Olivia M. Torpy	Adrian P. Voigt	Jonah Wuebben
Justin D. Sullivan	Evan J. Troyanek	Molly M. Vollbracht**	Mara E. Yates
Matthew J. Swenson*	Nathan J. Trudell	Chandler T. Vruwink*	Alayna K. Yttre
Jonathan L. Szews	Sage P. Trumbower	Grace A. Wallace	Mary C. Zarnott
Jake Templin	Matthew S. Turner	Peyton A. Walters	Hayden G. Ziegler
Chase J. Tenner**	Joseph P. Uchtyil	Jacob D. Ward	Allison R. Zimmerman**
Taylor L. Tews*	Timothy J. Urlaub*	Andrew T. Weber	
Duabhnub M. Thao	Zach Van Craenenbroeck	Maia M. Weiler**	
Jackson K. Thennes	Austin D. Van Ells	Austin J. Wiemer*	

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

12:30 p.m. ceremony

Claire M. Ahrens	Michael S. Bertoia	Destiny J. Carter*	Aidan M. Donahue**
Kalina J. Akgulian	Caleb J. Bleskacek+	Samantha B. Casey	Nathan M. Dudor**
Megan D. Alaimo**	Elijah D. Bliske	Abby J. Castro	Hannah E. Dull**
James M. Albers	Chris Boehmke	Claire E. Cater**	Natalie Dulmes*
Jack W. Albert**	Kalli L. Bohr	Ellen R. Cervantes*	Jessica Dumke*
Julien A. Allison*	Andrew J. Bomkamp	Emma B. Chambers*	Melisa Duratovic
Aliza A. Altendorf**+	Abby Bourbeau*	Leo I. Chavolla Barrera**	Camden L. Eagan+
Kyle K. Alvarez+	Sally Bowman+	Mackenzie I. Chvatal	Jack G. Echternach*
Margaret E. Andrews	Ashlyn R. Brown**	Hailey R. Clark**	Abigail J. Eftemoff
Sarah M. Appelen	Makenzie L. Brown	Kaitlyn Clauson**	Emily C. Eggers**
Emily Arens	Nicholas R. Bruder**	Meghan L. Collins*	Hannah E. Eggert*
Alivia R. Arnebeck*	Noah A. Buck**	Judy Crook**	Caitlin R. Elenteny**
Emily G. Babcock*	Ani S. Bulbulian	Aubree J. Danz-Fry*~	Kayley A. Ellis**+
Dominic D. Backes	Marcus S. Bunkowski**	Aaron R. Daye	Elisabeth I. Engman**
Devany J. Bauer**	Jessica K. Burdette~	Shelby Deml	Madeline Eppers
Braden C. Beauchamp	Brielle M. Bushaw*	Cody R. Depies**	Trace J. Erdmann
Kelsi R. Bellisle**	Madison Buttweiler+	Mikayla E. Deyo*	Emma M. Erny
Josephine M. Bennett	Brodyn M. Byington**	Chester Dick	Brenna G. Fechter**
Erik M. Berg	Sophia A. Byrne**	Gavin J. Dietz	Madisen M. Feyen
Angela M. Bergseth**	Madison P. Calvert**	Griffin J. Dinse*+	Simon Fichter*
Taleah M. Berkelman**	Donovan E. Campbell	Edward W. Doerr	Annabelle R. Fisher**

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

Josephine E. Fisher*	Brianna L. Heard*	Ellie A. Kleist	Jordyn M. McCormack**
Jaison E. Fishwild+	Edgar O. Hernandez+	Richard T. Knutson	Logan T. McCormick
Siri E. Flores*	Ximena M. Herrera	Mitchell Kocalkowski	Kayde D. McMannis
Ethan L. Francois*	Hailey A. Hetzel*	Alexa R. Koegel	Anika E. McNaughton**
Mackenzie M. Frankland*	Joshua D. Heyda	Annika G. Koenen*	Taylor A. McPherson
Anna B. Franklin**	Bryce M. Hibbs	Ethan G. Koestler**	Madeline E. Meltesen**
Kevin T. Frey	Jacinda Hickey+	Emma M. Kohl	Elizabeth G. Meyer*
Caitlin R. Frounfelter**	Kendra G. Hohenstein**	Hunter J. Kopp	Lucas D. Meyer**
Ashley J. Furlan	Erika L. Holen	Madeline A. Kozel**	Samuel J. Mikulak
Willow J. Geiser	Joshua M. Hood	Nicole S. Krohn	Caitlin E. Miller
Cassandra D. Gersbach	Kara E. Hurlebaus**	Ethan J. Krueger*	Fionna D. Miller
Jacob A. Gesteland	Ryan M. Hustedt	Brevin D. Kruse**	Sophia R. Miller**
Janie J. Gleason**	Miranda Iljazi	Megan K. Kruse*	Teagan M. Miller**
Gabrielle J. Goethel	Taylor M. Irwin**	Mikayla G. Kurzinski*	Julia K. Milne*
Isaac M. Gonzales	Audrey C. Iwanski	Elizabeth A. Labiszak*	Sidney J. Mitchell*
Isabella E. Gosda	Jackson E. Jahnke	Tess M. LaLonde*	Hailey C. Mleczo
Katelyn C. Graf	Joseph R. Jansen*	Benjamin W. Lehman*	Easton C. Moberg*
Jada M. Graham	Sarah A. Jantzen*	Ingrid J. Lembrich	Megan G. Moeller**
Ethan B. Gregg	Gabriella A. Jimenez**	Aaron G. Levenson+	Jacqueline G. Monson**
Anikke J. Grothaus	Alyssa C. Johnson*	Adam Lien	Jared W. Moran
Andrea Grunwald**	Gabriella A. Johnson	Jia Cheng Lim	Sophia A. Murillo**
Haydn J. Guns	Hannah N. Johnson*	Benjamin P. Lindl	Kathryn U. Murphy+
Terran A. Haase	Britta Jones	Jacob R. Lockwood	Makayla R. Murphy
Kayla M. Haftarski+	Rayeann Jones	Grace M. Lopez Johnson*	Matthew P. Myren
Paige L. Hagemann**	Kortnee Jostad**	Madison N. Lorenz	Gabriela I. Nejapa Jansen
Rylee C. Hajos	Vincent H. Joswiak	Emon E. Lorman-Buttar	Britta E. Nelson**
Maren R. Hale**	Sarah A. Jubeck*	Hope T. Losby	Alyssa M. Nesseim
Quinn W. Halstead	Molly M. Kadrich*	Kaley Lutker*	Kaytlin J. Nething*
Anna E. Halvorsen**	Samuel T. Kallis*	Madeline J. Maher	Sabrina R. Neurock**
Jenasea M. Hameister*	Molly M. Kalous	Macy R. Maier**	Breelyn Neuroth**
Esther M. Hammen*	Kendra L. Kasper**	Allison E. Majernik	Andrijana Nikitovic*
Madeline Hannan*	Simran Kaur	Katie G. Maliszewski*	Charles M. Nikolic
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Morgan J. Harvey**	Gavin G. King+	Anna E. McConahay	Maysa R. Osley**

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Ian J. Rickert	Emma M. Smith	Erin J. Tubb	Bao Xiong*
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Araceli Rodriguez*	Mikaylie J. Sosnowski**	Gabrielle L. VanBolhuis**	Taryn Zwiefelhofer
Tahlia L. Rogers**	Ashlyn A. Southworth**	Jaylen R. Vinney	
Emily L. Ross	Molly C. Spaeth**	Samantha M. Vite**	

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3:30 p.m. ceremony

Julia M. Adams	Reed M. Anderson*	Lauren M. Auge	Jessica Bauer**
Rachel M. Addis	Hattie J. Andre**	Anna Ayd	Stefanie L. Baughman+
Ryan R. Adkins	Kellie A. Annala*	Kayleigh E. Baasch**	Carter Z. Baures*
Quinn S. Alexander+	Ky J. Ariano**	Holly M. Bahr**	Noelle L. Bax**
Kylie A. Alger**	Matthew J. Arnoldi+	Ryan M. Ballard	Garrett C. Baxter
Chloe M. Anderson+	Madalyn D. Arrowood+	Aaron C. Barton**	Josephine R. Beard*
Israel A. Anderson	Ava Artus**+	JaBez M. Bates	Austin T. Beck**

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Lauren E. Becker	Natalie R. Carbajal	Kaia E. Elstad**	Nora Gaynor
Elijah L. Behnke	Bryan Carrera Ramos	Madyson B. Emer*	Alex Gergen**
Lukas M. Bekkedal	Isabelle G. Carroll**	Alexandra E. Emerson	Abigail Gerst +
Brock Bena	Aaron J. Carty	Ericka L. Endries***	Taylor J. Gilson*
Cheyenne L. Bennett+	Kimberly L. Carviou***	John R. Engelkes**	Abigail J. Glancey*
Brooke L. Bergeron**	Carlie J. Close**	Jacob P. Erickson	Kaitlyn J. Golen
Paige A. Bergquist*+	Chloe A. Close**	Nicholas A. Erickson	Matthew M. Gonzalez
Olivia R. Beyer*	Lance F. Colassacco	Lindsey K. Evenson*	Emily J. Goodbrand
Brianna L. Bilderback	AnnaBelle R. Coletti+	Emma Everett**	Grayson Gottschalk*
Emma L. Bird	Samuel A. Connelly*	Spencer Evers	Melissa M. Govek+
Emily Biscoe	Tyler J. Conroy	Madalyn M. Everson	Douglas C. Grace
Sebastian A. Bishop	Kayley A. Coppage	Kaitlyn V. Farley*	Emma M. Greeno
Rosa Bixler**	Kathleen E. Costello**	Rene K. Faun**	Elizabeth K. Grisar*
Megan J. Bloomhuff+	Jacob R. Cramlet**~	Jordyn M. Faust	Lily A. Gritzmaker
Lincoln S. Boe+	Maggie J. Cronk+	Lauren A. Feder**	Jacob S. Gross
Keira M. Boetel+	Evan M. Daley**	Ryan Fell	Josie D. Gulyash
Caden W. Boettcher	Evan G. Dammann*	Amanda L. Ferguson	Rachel Gundrum**
Brant B. Bohman	Jacob F. DeBruin	Joseph A. Feudner	Isaac J. Gust
Martin J. Bond**	Sydney L. DeFrang*+	Rosiline Filippelli**	Maxwell D. Gutenberg
Emily M. BonoAnno**	Emma R. Deichelbohrer***	Nathaniel J. Filzen	Hannah M. Guyette*+
Anna R. Bowes*	Samuel J. Dickerson*	Lindsey M. Fischer	Isabelle K. Haas
Nate J. Bowman+	Kyle J. Dollak*	Slater K. Fitzgerald*	Emily N. Hageman+
Anamonerta Braho	Shea M. Dooley**	Allison Fladhammer+	Carter J. Hahn
Calli C. Bremness**	Hannah Downing**	Samuel C. Flaig*	Sydney L. Hahn*
Madeline E. Bridge	Shaylyn M. Dreifuerst +	Olivia P. Flanagan**	Makenzie M. Haldiman*
Callie E. Brouette**	Jenna M. Droessler***	Payton Flood	Lillian J. Halvorson**
Annika E. Brown	Dustin M. DuCharme	Gabriel D. Flottmeyer+	Ellie M. Hammes
Anna R. Browning*	Keiana A. Dugan	Alexa K. Foth*	Kelsi N. Handel
Alyssa N. Brueggen*+	Sylvia L. Dunn**	Allison K. Fowle	Anton K. Hansen**
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Isabelle J. Buhler	Brady Dutton*	Lauren Foyt**	Carter R. Hanson+
Jesi K. Burds*	Kacie M. Ebert	Kassidy R. Frame	Colten Hanson
Ryann Burger**	Kennedy Ebert*+	Chad N. Franz	Devon M. Haraldson
Emma S. Burke	Gavin J. Ebli	Molly J. Friday***	Olivia R. Hartig+
Alexander A. Burns	Azalea J. Edwards	Abigale A. Fruendt	Caleb D. Hatch
Kalie Butcher	Lillian Eklund**	Corrina M. Furman	Cole W. Hawkins**
Nataya L. Calhoun*	Hannah D. Ekstrum***	Camryn J. Garriety	Samuel B. Healy
McKenzie M. Calvert**	Benjamin D. Ellingworth**	Olivia R. Gartner*	Chloe E. Hebeisen+
Braedan A. Calvillo	Jack T. Elliott**	Kamryn M. Gass	Brody J. Hegge*
Kaitlyn M. Cameron+	Grace E. Ellison*	Jessie Gates	Hayley E. Heiss**

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Olivia R. Herbst+	Amber R. Johnson	Christiaan C. Koopmans	Paige M. Lindquist*+
Maggie K. Hernandez+	Emma G. Johnson+	Alyssa Kosidowski	Alexis G. Litchy*
Benjamin M. Hersh	Evelyn M. Johnson	Lauren M. Koss	Yeng Shoua Lor
Danielle Heup	Kaydee J. Johnson*+	Lily M. Kowal	Brianna C. Luebstorff+
Collin Heyden	Logan D. Johnson*	Jacquelin J. Kragt+	Ashlynn P. Lueck*
Elizabeth R. Heying+	Marley E. Johnson	Michaela A. Kramolis**	Dirk A. Lueck**
Emily Higgins+	Mikayla Johnson*	Lydia H. Kreitlow**	Ellie C. Luinenburg+
Addison J. Hill+	Jude Johnston	Caitlyn I. Krejcarek	Brenna J. Lundgren**
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Olivia M. Hobbs***	Lucas B. Joniaux**	Ryan H. Krimpelbein	Samantha Lyons**
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HeatherRose M. Miller**	Hannah L. Pamperin*	Morgan Roe**	Aubrey A. Schwonek**
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Micah R. Missall	Cambrie G. Parker	Mason B. Rogers+	Faith Semanko**+
Ellen R. Mitchell**	Leah M. Parnitzke	Kayla A. Rondeau**	Jenny O. Serrano Peraza+
Jennifer Mitchen+	Katie Parrell**	Sophia M. Root*+	Jeremiah E. Sesvold
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Scott A. Mousel*	Makayla R. Perzinski	Raegan M. Rousseau*	Morgan M. Simpson
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Paige K. Tanntu	Morganne J. VanCamp+	Peter J. Weirich**	Maxwell J. Yass*
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Madeline E. Teale**	Emilie F. Vanderwyst	Hayden J. West	Emily L. Young**
Justin Tesar	Paige K. Vang*	Jaden R. White	Gaelen M. Young
Devan I. Tessmer*	Madeline L. Vantassel**	Mason T. White	Katherine Zacharias**
Bria P. Thalacker**	Cameron L. Varney	Skylar White**	Laura A. Zager+
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Owen T. Thompson**	Richard J. Von Drasek**	Emma M. Willett	Abby J. Zeman**
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Meaghan E. Tiedt+	Noelle R. Walechka	Grace Willmott*	Gabrielle M. Zinnel
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Cecilia M. Toenjes*	Elizabeth Walston*	Jakob D. Wilson**	Julia E. Zipoy**+
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Ethan A. Trewartha**+	Wyatt E. Walters	Grace A. Wittmann*+	Ilijana Zyteja+
Tanner P. Turba*	Holly J. Wardynski	Tyler D. Wohlfiel+	McKenzie C. Zywicki**

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Sabrina R. Neurock\*\*  
Sidney E. Paulson\*\*

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Sidney E. Paulson\*\*  
Madeline E. Stegeman\*\*  
Isaac R. Wegner\*\*

*Microbiology Program Honors*

Ky J. Ariano\*\*  
Skylar White\*\*

*Philosophy Program Honors*

Maysa R. Osley\*\*

*Political Science /Public Administration Program Honors*

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Paige L. Hagemann\*\*  
Jenasea M. Hameister\*  
Paige E. Marshall\*\*  
Drew A. Pearson+  
Alexander E. Wall

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Hailey R. Clark\*\*  
Mackenzie M. Frankland\*  
Abigale G. Hartwig\*\*  
Kara E. Hurlebaus\*\*  
Jia Cheng Lim  
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Noah A. Buck\*\*  
Annabelle R. Fisher\*\*  
Mikaela J. Robarge\*\*

## GRADUATE DEGREE CANDIDATES

12:30 p.m. ceremony

### **Doctor of Education**

*Student Affairs Administration  
and Leadership*

Cindy Fendrick+  
Quran Green+  
Marci K. Iverson+  
Mark J. Mach  
Theresa M. Martin  
Sarah Jane R. Moschenross+  
Melissa Recknor  
Melina M. Remesha  
Kelly J. Simerick  
Marco Torrez-Miranda+  
Hillary M. Vamstad+  
Cynthia Waldeck  
Kareem J. Watts

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Ryan M. Bastyr  
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Kelsey A. Berna  
Alexander Bongers  
Rachael Brochtrup  
Ally E. Brugler  
Jarod Burds  
Molly M. Carstensen  
Bennett J. Christensen  
Kadin C. Courson  
Rachel B. Danhauer  
Sophia S. DeCleene  
Daniel J. Forman  
Rebecca J. Fox  
Nicole Fry  
Ethan Gerbig  
Amber Hanson  
Ally Heidorn  
Ethan J. Hickcox  
Madison Hurrle  
Katie Krupo  
Molly Lyngaas  
Daniel B. Maatta

Maryjoy C. Maltizo  
Cassandra Newcomer  
Sophie Olson  
Megan Pierson  
Elisabet A. Pietz  
Calypso R. Pohlman  
Mitchell Reigard  
Morgan Ripp  
Katherine Samuelson  
Marina Schwanke  
Tyler M. Tatro  
Kyle J. Terhark  
Talia K. Tripp  
Paolo J. Turco  
Matthew J. Vandenberg  
Haley Waise  
Skyler Yunk  
Morgan M. Zink

### **Education Specialist**

*School Psychology*

Lena M. Bergo  
Skyler M. Bohn  
Abby L. Fischbach  
Katie M. Gilbert  
Wylie M. Jackson  
Kylie E. Rieder  
Bridget Schilling  
Andrea Y. Schwarz  
Genevieve Stout  
Brianna Swarm  
Benjamin Thom  
Emily Wagener

### **Master of Science**

*Applied Statistics*

Katherine L. Erlandson  
Jacob Feinas  
Allison Kriens  
Toni O. Mortensen  
Jordan Persinger

*Athletic Training*

Chase H. Balzer  
Emily E. Day  
Emily M. Knight  
Jason M. Lowrey  
Eddie M. Miller  
Kaitlin E. Resch  
Nicolette Schaeffges  
Jake Simuncak

*Biology*

Cheyana K. Bassham  
Noah Duke  
Caleb Kasper  
Drew Lysaker  
Vanessa K. Mbuyi  
Kaitlyn Schneider

*Biology: Aquatic Science*

Courtney N. Baker  
Nathan D. Schimanski

*Biology: Cellular and*

*Molecular Biology*

Kori Kruegel+  
Dannira Kulenovic

*Biology: Nurse Anesthesia*

Austin Busler  
Emily Ellingworth  
Hannah N. Fries  
Jonathan Gonzalez  
Kirsten Goumbala  
Laura C. Leder  
Brandon J. Niebuhr  
Matt Penzenstadler  
Courtney M. Rishavy+  
Austin J. Roach  
Denis Teplitski+  
Brooke Young

*Biology: Physiology*

Cheyenne R. Banasik+

*Clinical Exercise Physiology*

Anna Davenport+  
Morgan E. Gove+  
Hannah Kufalk+  
Mimi Lucido+  
Brett D. Mouse+  
Larissa L. Rowley+  
Payton Ruckdaschel+  
Nathan J. Staral  
Aaron E. Wahl+

*Data Science*

Daniel J. Drusch  
Charu Gupta  
Bradley K. Johnson+  
Sunghwan Ki  
Rachel Kim  
Sangeetha Marimuthu+  
Brian R. Parsons+  
Jacob Perkins  
Giselle C. Redila+  
David Reed  
Venkata Kesava Rao Sanku  
Whitney Stoker  
Chetan Kumar Tamballa  
Clarissa Venzke  
Logan A. Yool+

*Exercise and Sport Science:*

*Physical Education Teaching*

Kaitlyn R. Aitken+  
Nicholas H. Casal+  
Danielle S. Gatto+  
Rylee Quandt+  
Matthew K. Reinfeldt  
Tyler J. Sidders+  
Courtney M. Zangl

*Healthcare Administration*

Ngwa Augustine  
Daisy Boehm+  
Matthew T. Brouillard  
Jacob G. Koeshall  
Kalie Lambert+  
Tia M. Nelson+  
Samantha Wandel

*Information Technology Management*

Brendan P. Rohlik

*Microbiology*

Maxwell Bohl+  
Shahina Sultana+  
Andrew R. Wells  
Hannah M. Willingham  
Karly Yablonski

*Microbiology: Clinical*

*Microbiology*

Edward Bernas  
Mason J. Stenzel+

*Physician Assistant Studies*

Abigail G. Aguirre  
Sarah E. Anderson  
Emily Bartig  
Joseph D. Bierbaum  
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Madissen M. Burns  
Allison V. Cadden  
Karlee J. Curtis  
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Anna McGrath  
Sarah Modrak  
Anna Nick  
Matthew Nordby  
Katherine M. O'Connell  
Riyah Rudeen  
Abigail Rudolph  
Miles J. Saylor  
Nathanael P. Shull  
Aaron D. Thompson  
Hailey N. Wasti

*Recreation Management*

Nolan Hertel+  
Isabella R. Naughton  
Palak Dilipkumar Patel

*Recreation Management:*

*Professional Development*

Mannon M. Amelio  
Elliott Anuta  
Gala D. Evers-Crosno  
Lauren Hagedorn  
Melissa D. Heine  
Brad Muckenhirn  
Ryan Pawlisch  
Kenya Williams

*Recreational Therapy*

Anna Alvey  
Paige L. Coleman  
Mya Ellis  
Abigail Fleischmann  
Katelyn C. Jennings  
McKenna P. Jens  
JenniMae B. Mook  
Emma R. Zibble

### **Master of Software Engineering**

Eric Coursin  
Jazmin Gil+  
Logan Larson  
Connor Ludwigson+  
Jacob T. McAllister  
Michael Weisse  
Bennett Wendorf

### **Master of Science in Education**

*Reading Specialist*

Karen Kais

*Reading Teacher*

Dayna L. Baldwin~  
Kylie C. Bluske~  
Taylor Gohr~

**Graduate Degree Candidates continued**

*Reading Teacher/Specialist*

Kaitlyn Dochnahl  
Desirae A. Heckendorf-Reece  
Katherine E. Norman  
Sophia L. Skaleris  
Jamie L. Slawinski  
Jennifer Soehnlein  
Emily K. Stiemann

*School Psychology*

Katie K. Banie  
Jessica J. Brinkman  
Lauren R. Eiselt  
Megan N. Feist  
Maya L. Gorges  
Savannah Jennings  
Kyle Kargel  
Elizabeth Lecker  
Andrea R. O'Bryon  
Hannah M. Olson  
Kayley M. Provenzano  
Madison G. Wog

*School Psychology Online*

Brittany Brost  
Jordan T. Brull  
Lindsay Ferry  
Alexa Hardyman  
Eliza J. Koeller  
Laura Lenss  
Cassandra Ninnemann  
Amy J. Schmidt  
Raeann M. Schwab  
Emily K. Smithback  
Mykayla J. Sygulla  
Amy E. Wagner  
Talia A. Yaucher

*Student Affairs Administration  
in Higher Education*

Lawrence S. Blaser  
Macy C. Carty  
Caleb E. Colon-Rivera  
Alejandra M. Cruz  
Hannah M. Dickman  
Lucas W. Dresden  
Liam M. Granlund  
Rebecca Knoke  
Seev Y. Lee  
Casey C. Lehmann  
Rachel Leopold  
Maikou K. Lor  
Ashley E. McCarthy  
Cristina Montejano  
Amberly A. Roeck  
Henry Scamehorn  
Cooper L. Shea  
Michaela E. Smith  
Joe Trujillo  
Ashley Watzig  
Bergen A. Wendt  
Ray Windsor  
Nou Xiong

**Master of Education -  
Professional Development**

*Educational Leadership*

Justin Backeberg  
Madalyn Simonis  
Ryan Ziegler

**Learning Communities**

*Green Bay*

Jessica Bal  
Nicole Borley

Jennifer L. Egen  
Alexis Grunwald  
Jordan A. Guenther  
Elizabeth Hohol  
Andrea L. Koch  
Caitlin Krueger  
Adam Michalski  
Bobbi J. Moore  
Brianna M. Nichols  
Kendra Rivera  
Lynn M. Rivera  
Travis Ruegg  
Halee A. Stewart  
Danae M. Strathmann  
Molly J. Verdegan  
Kimberly L. Verriden  
Matthew R. Wepner  
Britney Weronka  
Michael G. Wichlacz  
Emily A. Wuest

*Sun Prairie*

Kelsey Bast+  
Amanda Birrenkott+  
Joel E. Block+  
Keely Brown+  
Jeanelle Choudoir+  
Kaitlynn R. Eversoll+  
Candice Hameister+  
Rebecca Kay+  
Danielle Knies+  
Nicole Loppnow+  
Erin Lynch+  
Jocelyn Meyer+  
Kylie Peterson+  
Kacie Sims+  
Mackenzie Wagner+

**Graduate Dissertation, Thesis, and Project Titles**

**COLLEGE OF ARTS, SOCIAL SCIENCES, & HUMANITIES**

**Doctor of Education - Student Affairs Administration  
and Leadership**

Mark Joseph Mach - *BIPOC Medical Student Wellness: An Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis*  
Melissa DeCarlo Recknor - *My Voice Matters: Latinx Students' Experiences in Dual Enrollment Programs in Rural North Carolina*  
Kelly Jo Simerick - *Juggling Acts: Navigating Motherhood and Leadership as Senior Student Affairs Officers*  
Cynthia A. Waldeck - *Medical Withdrawal Reentry Policies in a State University System: A Comparative Case Study*  
Kareem Jameel Watts - *An Arts-Based Study on Hip Hop Pedagogy for Black College Student Success*

**Master of Science in Education - Student Affairs  
Administration in Higher Education**

Lawrence Blaser - *Implementation of Restorative Justice in Higher Education Housing*  
Macy Caroline Carty - *Increasing Standardized Resources and Support for Working Professionals Supervising a Graduate Student*  
Caleb E. Colon-Rivera - *Agricultural School Pipeline: Diversification and Retention in Ag Programs*  
Alejandra Cruz - *Global Lens: Internationalization and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion*  
Hannah Mae Dickman - *An Alternative for Student Conduct: Restorative Justice and Trauma-Informed Care*  
Lucas Wilder Dresden - *Building Inclusive Communities: Gender Inclusive Housing at UW-Platteville*  
Liam Granlund - *Academic Program for Men of Color at the University of Wisconsin-Madison*  
Elliot F. Knoke - *Evaluation of Resources Provided for LGBTQ+ Students at Religiously Affiliated Institutions to Foster Success and Sense of Belonging in Higher Education*  
Seev Lee - *Shifting Institutional Culture Around Racial Tension in the UWEC Campus Through Professional Development*  
Casey C. Lehman - *Closing the Financial Equity Gaps Among Non-Traditional Students in Higher Education*  
Rachel R. Leopold - *Building Resilience in UW-Eau Claire Students by Encouraging Difficult Dialogues*  
Maikou Lor - *Supporting the Success of Hmong Students at Predominately White Institutions*  
Ashley E. McCarthy - *Empowering Pregnant and Parenting Students: Strategies for Retention and Persistence in Higher Education*  
Cristina Montejano Moreno - *Mi Experiencia Matters: The First-Year Latinx Commuter Student Experience*  
Amberly Ann Roeck - *Advancing UWL's Sorority Experience through Leadership Skill-Building*  
Henry John Scamehorn - *"Feeling Like a Freshman Again": Rebuilding Transfer Students' Sense of Belonging*  
Cooper Li Shea - *Identifying and Addressing Barriers in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Representation in Pre-Health Majors*

Michaela E. Smith - *Reframing Disability Culture: How Disability Cultural Centers Cultivate Community and Foster Belonging Among Disabled College Students*  
Joseph Trujillo - *Supporting Students with Learning Disabilities in Their Transition to Higher Education and Degree Attainment*  
Ashley Marie Watzig - *Undocumented and DACAmented Student Access to Study Abroad*  
Bergen Aleta Wendt - *My Senior Year: A Financial Literacy Program*  
Ray Windsor - *Legacy Admission: Increasing the Enrollment of Minoritized Students at Harvard College Through Policy Modification*

**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH**

**Master of Science in Athletic Training**

Chase A. Balzer - *Stress and Anxiety on Injury Risk Among Male and Female Division III Track and Field Athletes During the Competitive Outdoor Season*  
Emily E. Day - *Relationship Among Running-Related Load and Race Performance*  
Emily M. Knight - *Prevalence of Depression and Anxiety in College Track & Field Athletes and the Effects on Performance*  
Jason M. Lowrey - *Does Satisfaction of Basic Psychological Needs in Collegiate Track and Field Athletes Over a Competitive Season?*  
Edward M. Miller - *Effects of Blood Flow Restriction Exercise in Cross Education of Quadriceps Muscles*  
Kaitlin E. Resch - *Is Change in Hip Range of Motion Throughout a Baseball Season Associated with Development of Injuries in Baseball Players?*  
Nicolette G. Schaeffges - *Quadriceps Strength Differences Between Different Patellar Straps and Control*  
Jake Simuncak - *How Squat Performance is Affected by Lower Extremity Anatomy of Different College Athletes*

**Master of Science in Biology**

Cheyana Bassham - *Changes in Macroinvertebrate Composition and Diversity across Side Channels of the Upper Mississippi River System*  
Caleb Kasper - *Bioremediation Potential of Cannabis sativa (Hemp) Inoculated with Fungal Root Endophytes*  
Drew T. Lysaker - *Changing Prevalence of La Crosse Virus and Aedes triseriatus in Western Wisconsin*  
Vanessa Kaja Mbuyi - *Prevention of Cold-Induced Apoptosis in Platelets from Humans and 13-Lined Ground Squirrels*  
Kaitlyn M. Schneider - *Effects of Exercise-Induced Extracellular Vesicles on Triple Negative Breast Cancer Cells*

**Master of Science in Biology - Aquatic Sciences**

Brandon T. Thill - *Evaluating Suitable Habitat for Brook Trout (Salvelinus fontinalis) in The Driftless Area with Sandstone and Dolostone Rock Geologies*

**2024 GRADUATE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Callie Pohlman - Doctor of Physical Therapy  
Madison Moore - Master of Science in Microbiology  
Noona Xiong - Master of Science in Education in Student Affairs Administration  
Jamie Slawinski - Master of Science in Education in Reading Teacher/Reading Specialist

**Graduate Dissertation, Thesis, and Project Titles continued**

**Master of Science in Biology - Cellular and Molecular Biology**

Kori S. Kruegel - *Investigation of the Signaling Pathways of rap1b in Megakaryocytes*  
Dannira Kulenovic - *Examining the Role of Axl Inhibition in Chk1 Inhibitor-Resistant Triple Negative Breast Cancers*

**Master of Science in Biology - Nurse Anesthesia**

Austin Busler - *Evaluation of Dexmedetomidine in Adductor Canal Nerve Blocks*  
Emily Ellingworth - *Evaluation of Recovery of Peripheral Nerve Blockade*  
Hannah Fries - *Evaluation of Dexmedetomidine in Pediatric Patients*  
Jonathan Gonzalez - *Evaluation of Gastric Fluid during Endoscopic Procedures in Patients that took GLP-1 Agonists*  
Kirsten Goumbala - *Evaluation of Recovery of Peripheral Nerve Blockade*  
Laura Leder - *Evaluation of Midazolam Administration on Recovery after General Anesthesia*  
Brandon Niebuhr - *Evaluation of Dexmedetomidine in Adductor Canal Nerve Blocks*  
Matt Penzenstadler - *Evaluation of Midazolam Administration on Recovery after General Anesthesia*  
Courtney Rishavy - *Evaluation of Social Determinants of Health in Patients that had Gastric Bypass Surgery*  
Austin Roach - *Evaluation of Gastric Fluid during Endoscopic Procedures in Patients that took GLP-1 Agonists*  
Denis Teplitski - *Evaluation of Enhanced Recovery Protocol Medications in Patients that Had Gastric Bypass Surgery*  
Brooke Young - *Evaluation of Dexmedetomidine in Pediatric Patients*

**Master of Science in Data Science**

Charu Gupta - *Sentiment Analysis and Topic Modeling of Customer Complaint Data*

**Master of Science in Microbiology**

Shahina Sultana - *Examination of FimB Transcriptional Site Point Mutations on FimB Transcription in Uropathogenic Escherichia coli*

**Master of Science in Microbiology – Clinical**

Mason Stenzel - *The NmpRSTU Signaling System Influences Multicellular Development and an Oxygen Utilization Response in Myxococcus xanthus*

**Master of Science in Recreation Management**

Isabella Naughton - *Outdoor Recreation Professionals' Perceived Safety and Mitigation Strategies Employed to Minimize Unwanted Behavior*  
Palek Patel - *Comprehensive DMO Audit & DEI Initiatives*

**Master of Science in Recreation Management - Professional Development**

Mannon Amelio - *McHenry Parks and Recreation Summer Day Camp: Expanding Recreation Programs with Creating a Culture of Inclusion and Diversity*  
Elliott Anuta - *Internship Program for Apache Junction*

Gala Evers - *Creating a Culture of Belonging- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion- City of Waukesha Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department*  
Lauren Hagedorn - *Empowering Teams through Intentional Skill Development*  
Melissa Heine - *The City of Tigard's Evolving Recreation Department: How Building a Community Center Would Fulfill the Five Es Community Promise*  
Brad Muckenhirn - *Enhancing Community Well-Being: Establishing a Vibrant Amphitheater as a Central Hub for Recreation and Cultural Enrichment*  
Ryan Pawlisch - *The Impact of Adult Recreational Sports in a Community*

**Master of Science in Recreational Therapy**

Anna Alvey - *Open Doors: Communication is Key*  
Paige Coleman - *TEAM-UP: The Use of Team Sports to Increase Social Skills for Adolescents with Intellectual Disabilities*  
Mya Ellis - *Splash Zone: An Evidence-Based Recreational Therapy Adapted Aquatic Curriculum*  
Abigail Fleischmann - *Purposeful Paws Recreational Therapy*  
Katy Jennings - *STRIDE Toward Success: An Evidence-Based Recreational Therapy Walking Curriculum*  
McKenna Jens - *Making W.A.V.E.S. an Evidence-Based Aquatic Exercise Program for Adults with Spinal Cord Injury*  
JenniMae Mook - *Move Together: An Evidence-Based Recreational Therapy Physical Activity Curriculum*  
Emma Zibble - *Power of Pickleball: Evidence-Based Adaptive Pickleball Program*

**Master of Software Engineering**

Jazmin Gil - *A Web Application for Requesting Data Metrics of a Product Ordering Site*

**Master of Science in Education - Reading Specialist**

Karen Kais - *The Effects of Explicit Instruction in Morphological Awareness Focusing on Prefixes and Suffixes and Benefits to Students' Vocabulary and Comprehension*

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

Dayna Baldwin - *The Effects of Phonemic Awareness Instruction on the Application of Phonetic and Invented Spelling to Increase Writing Stamina and Independence*  
Kylie Bluske - *The Effects of Story Mapping and Parental Involvement*  
Taylor Gohr - *The Implementation of Small Group Explicit Phonics Instruction Impacting Decoding Skills and Overall Reading Achievement*

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

Kaitlyn Dochnahl - *The Effects of Morphological Awareness Instruction on Students' Applied Spelling*

Desirae Heckendorf-Reece - *The Effects of Utilizing Tier 3 Researched Decoding Interventions on Elementary School Students' Decoding Skills and Reader Self-Perceptions with Goals*  
Katherine Norman - *The Effects of Teaching Strategies on Literary Analysis*  
Sophia Skaleris - *Reading While Listening and Audiobooks' Impact on Student Vocabulary Growth and Student Perceptions Towards Reading*  
Jamie Slawinski - *The Effects of Literacy Learning Stations on Student Engagement and Perception of Learning in the Multigrade Classroom*  
Jennifer Soehnlein - *Morphological Awareness and Reading Comprehension in Multilingual Learners*

**Master of Science in Education Professional Development - Learning Communities**

**Green Bay**

Jessica Bal - *Effects of Co-Teaching and Inclusion on Multilingual Learners*  
Nicole Borley - *Strategies for Building Classroom Community to Improve Academic Identities*  
Jennifer Egen - *Supporting Upper Elementary Students in Advancing Their Reading Skills*  
Alexis Grunwald - *How Building a Classroom Community Affects Student Engagement at the Elementary Level*  
Jordan Guenther - *From Resistance to Resilience: Effective Strategies for Students to Embrace Effort*  
Elizabeth Hohol - *Encouraging Reading Independence in Secondary Students*  
Andrea Koch - *Impact of Mindfulness Practices on Overall Health and Academic Performance*  
Caitlin Krueger - *Enhancement of Student Engagement and Achievement in a Secondary Classroom Through Co-Teaching*  
Adam Michalski - *Increasing Independence in Secondary Students with Intellectual Disabilities*  
Bobbi Moore - *Systems of Support for Novice English as a Second Language Teachers*  
Brianna Nichols - *Finding the Balance Between Inquiry-Based Learning and Traditional Learning in Secondary Education*  
Kendra Rivera - *Effects of Energizers and Brain Breaks on High School Student Engagement*  
Lynn Rivera - *The Effects of Culturally Responsive Strategies on Student Engagement at the Secondary Level*  
Travis Ruegg - *Improving Students' Executive Function Skills Through Effective Teaching*  
Halee Stewart - *Encouraging Reading Independence in Secondary Students*  
Danae Strathmann - *Beyond Equations: Fostering Student Engagement in Mathematics Education*  
Molly Verdegan - *Impact of Various Methods of Co-Teaching Implemented in the Classroom*  
Kimberly Verriden - *Teaching Strategies to Increase Student Motivation and Drive*

Matthew Wepner - *Effects of Increased Student Choice on Academic Proficiency*  
Britney Weronka - *Impacts of SEL Practices on Student Success*  
Michael Wichlacz - *Motivating Middle School Students Struggling with Engagement*  
Emily Wuest - *Educators: Help Secondary Students Develop an Academic Growth Mindset*

**Sun Prairie**

Kelsey Bast - *The Effects of Self-Implemented Goal Setting on Learner Engagement*  
Amanda Birrenkott - *The Strategies and Benefits of Connected Learning in Outdoor Settings*  
Joel Block - *What Are The Best Conferring Techniques That Promote Positive Self-Actualization in Order to Increase Engagement In Learning?*  
Keely Brown - *Impact of Choice On Classroom Community*  
Jeanelle Choudoir - *The Impact of Community Building Techniques that Promote Student Engagement in Physical Education*  
Kaitlyn Eversoll - *The Effects of Differentiation Strategies on Student Understanding of Mathematical Operations*  
Candice Hameister - *How Utilizing Makerspace Helps Integrate Authenticity into the Process of Learning*  
Rebecca Kay - *Mindfulness Activities That Promote Positive Mental Health in Middle School*  
Danielle Kniess - *The Effect of Small Group Intervention on Engagement in Collaborative Work*  
Nicole Loppnow - *The Impact of Collaborative Partner Study vs. Computer-Based Study on Second Language Vocabulary Acquisition and Retention*  
Erin Lynch - *The Effects of Increasing Representation of Marginalized Communities on Student Engagement*  
Jocelyn Meyer - *The Impact of Building Collaborative Study Groups on Student Outcomes*  
Kylie Peterson - *The Benefits of Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) Strategies that Promote Positive Wellness in Learners*  
Kacie Sims - *Unlocking Productivity and Engagement: The Most Beneficial Group Strategies for Student*  
Mackenzie Wagner - *What Schools, Locally and Globally, Are Currently Doing to Maintain Personnel During a Time Period of a Plummeting Educational Workforce.*

**Master of Science in Education Professional Development: Educational Leadership**

Justin Backeberg - *The Effects of Extracurricular Activities on Students*  
Madalyn Simonis - *The Effect of Staff Engagement on Student Achievement*  
Ryan Ziegler - *The Effects of Extracurricular Activities on Academic Success Measured by Grade Point Average, Attendance, and Office Referrals While "In-Season" Versus "Out-of-Season"*

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## 2024 Outstanding Graduates

### The Murphy Award 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.

**Emily Young** graduates with a Bachelor of Science majoring in biology (biomedical science concentration) and minoring in chemistry and psychology, pre-medicine. She has served as a Vanguard for three years and has been involved with the Tri Sigma sorority throughout her time at UWL. With Tri Sigma, she served as secretary, honor council secretary, membership recruitment director, and member development director. Young has also advocated on behalf of people with disabilities, spending time as president and vice president of Disability Rights Education Activism and Mentoring (DREAM) and as a member of UWL's Individuals with Disabilities Advisory Committee (IDAC). Off campus, she has volunteered with adolescent patients at Gundersen Health System, Child Life Services. In 2022, she was one of four students selected to take part in the Medical College of Wisconsin's American Heart Association Student Summer Fellowship program. After graduating, Young plans to attend medical school and become a physician. She is from Crystal Lake, Illinois.

### 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.

**Kristen Baranowski** graduates with a Master of Science in biology (environmental science concentration). Baranowski's thesis, "Foraging Ecology and Space Use of Breeding Flammulated Owls (*Psiloscops flammeolus*) in Northern Utah" required her to work many long nights obtaining bird movement data and investigating bird activity locations. Her diligence, according to Assistant Professor Markus Mika, allowed her to succeed in an area of research where others have failed. As a result, Baranowski's findings dramatically increase our understanding of habitat requirements for species living in dry mountain environments amid pressures caused by habitat loss, human disturbance from recreation, and climate change.

**Jane Brannan** graduates with a Doctor of Education in student affairs administration and leadership. She is a former faculty and staff member at UWL, having served as chair of the Department of Military Science from 2015 to 2018, and as the veteran education benefits coordinator from 2018 to 2023. Brannan's dissertation, "National Guard students and academic disruptions in higher education: A hermeneutic phenomenological study," is a unique contribution to an understudied aspect of the military student experience, committee members remarked. Beyond campus, Brannan is highly regarded for her advocacy on behalf of military-connected and veteran students.

**Kristina Morben** graduates with a Master of Science in biology (aquatic science concentration). In addition to her thesis on rare fish species in the Black Hills of South Dakota, Morben made several important contributions to the aquatic science community in La Crosse. She was instrumental to the establishment of an aquatic science club at UWL, serving as the inaugural president. She received multiple awards for her presentation, including the best student presentation award at the Mississippi River Research Consortium. And she was recognized with the prestigious Carroll Norden Memorial Scholarship from the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Fisheries Society.

### 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.

**Emily Radke** graduates with a Bachelor of Science majoring in accountancy and minoring in German studies. Radke credits Assistant Teaching Professor of Accountancy Julie Ancius with sparking her interest in accountancy, and Associate Professor of Global Cultures & Languages Shelly Hay with epitomizing an instructor who cares for students beyond just a letter grade. On campus, Radke has served as a resident assistant along with being a member of the Residence Life Dorm Wars Committee. After graduating, she plans to move to Denver to work as a tax associate for Richey May. She also hopes to obtain her CPA license.

## Outstanding Graduates continued

### 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.

**Alexis Ringhofer** graduates with a Bachelor of Science majoring in biology (biomedical science concentration). On campus, she has been a member of the Pre-med Club, the Biology Club, the Pre-PA Club and the Eta Phi Alpha honor society. She has also held leadership positions within these groups, including treasurer and secretary of the Biology Club and communication manager for Eta Phi Alpha. Academically, Ringhofer has served as a teaching assistant in Anatomy and Physiology 1 and as a student researcher under Professor Scott Cooper, exploring the effects of oxidized cholesterol on 13-lined ground squirrels. In the community, she has volunteered with the Coulee Region Human Society, the Good Fight, Vivent Health, St. Clare Health Mission, and the Salvation Army, among others. After graduating, Ringhofer plans to attend physician assistant school and explore various specialties. Ultimately, she hopes to work with diverse or underserved populations. She is from Owatonna, Minnesota.

### 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.

**Leo Chavolla** graduates with a Bachelor of Arts majoring in music performance (jazz performance emphasis), and minoring in theater technology and art. Since transferring to UWL during the COVID-19 pandemic, Chavolla has been heavily involved in arts programming on campus. He has served as a sound system designer for musical and theatrical performances both on and off campus. He has played the bass trombone in various campus ensembles.

And he has displayed his artwork in the University Art Gallery. Chavolla's sound design for UWL's production of "Doctor Faustus" earned him a regional award from the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival, along with an invitation to a conference in Washington, D.C. After graduating, Chavolla plans to pursue a master's degree in theatrical sound design and composition, and launch his career as a professional sound designer and engineer. He is from Galesville, Wisconsin.

### The Alice M. Svec Excellence Award

recognizes an outstanding graduate in the School of Education. Svec, '59, went on to earn a master's in education media and post-graduate studies. She taught elementary education before becoming a visiting nurse for 51 years.

**Lily Stonestreet** graduates with a Bachelor of Arts majoring in early childhood-middle childhood education and minoring in art. She has worked on campus as a peer tutor, a high school tutor through Upward Bound, a teacher assistant for the Child Center and a desk assistant for Sandford Hall. Stonestreet was also involved with Aspiring Educators, Kappa Delta Pi (Education Honor Society) and the Dean's Student Advisory Council in the School of Education. In her role on the Dean's Student Advisory Council, she was heavily involved in event planning and even created two murals for the school. Stonestreet has also been active in the community, volunteering at local schools and assisting with local events such as Rotary Lights. After graduating, Stonestreet plans to teach at a local elementary school and continue her involvement in the La Crosse community. She is from Waterloo, Wisconsin.

## 2024 Alumni Awards

The UWL Alumni Association is awarding graduates from the '60s through 2021 its top alumni awards for 2024. They're being honored for distinguished service and successful careers.

The distinguished alumni will return to campus Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21, to speak with students and take part in a panel discussion, along with being recognized during a brunch.

### 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.

#### Ronald Bakari, '82 & '90

- Vice President of Student Affairs, Adelphi University in New York
- Has held numerous leadership roles in higher education across the country, from New York to Colorado to Iowa
- Assistant director and director, UWL Multicultural Student Services (1990-96)
- Recipient of the Parker Distinguished Multicultural Alumni Award (2010)

### 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.

#### Amanda McAllister Novak, '12

- Associate attorney, Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, Data Privacy & Cybersecurity (2020-present)
- Avid volunteer for the Red Cross, the Advocates for Human Rights, the Native American Service Project and many more

### 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.

#### Vickie Sanchez, '07

- Director, UWL Multicultural Student Services
- Nearly two decades of experience in student affairs, with a focus on equity, diversity and inclusion (UWL, 2005-11, 2022-present) (UW-Stout, 2011-22)

- Specializes in recruitment, retention and program development for Black, Indigenous and other people of color (BIPOC) students

### 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.

#### Jeanne Halderson, '92 & '96

- Seventh grade English language arts and social studies teacher at Longfellow Middle School in La Crosse (1992-present)
- Highly accomplished teacher and educational leader dedicated to enhancing the quality of education for all children and striving to support students, educators and the broader community through creativity, collaboration and innovation

### The Morgan Improving the Lives of Others Alumni Award

recognizes a UWL undergraduate alumnus who has chosen a career in the local region dedicated to improving the lives of others. It was established in 2023 by then Provost and current interim Chancellor Betsy Morgan.

#### Shaundel Spivey, '12 & '15

- Executive director, Black Leaders Acquiring Collective (2021-present)
- Director, UWL Upward Bound (2020-21)
- School board member, School District of La Crosse (2019-22)

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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.