

# FALL 2024 commencement

CONVOCATIONS

December 13 & 14, 2024 Haas Center for the Arts, Mitrani Hall, Bloomsburg

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Please be informed that all candidates for degrees and all honors designated for degrees earned are determined according to the academic record that includes the student's last semester which becomes official once all grades have been submitted and posted. A student's receipt of degree and the declaration of related honors must be confirmed and validated by the final transcript.

In all cases, the actual awarding of a degree by the university is subject to verification by the registrar. Time limitations associated with commencement make such verification before this ceremony impossible. Therefore these exercises are to be considered as ceremonial only.

The views or opinions expressed by the guest speakers at today's commencement are their own and do not necessarily represent the views or opinions of Commonwealth University.

College of Arts, Humanities, Education and Social Sciences — Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Education,

Bachelor of Social Work, Associate of Science

College of Health, Science and Technology — Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Zeigler College of Business — Associates in Business Administration, Bachelor of Applied Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Education

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## **GRADUATE CONVOCATION**

#### **School of Graduate Studies**

Mace Bearer: Patricia Dórame-Holoviak, Ph.D. Marshals: Stephen Gitonga, Ph.D., Stephanie Gardner, Ph.D., Rita Carey-Nita, CRNP, Carolyn Lamacchia, Ph.D.

Welcome	
Processional	
The National Anthem	Chrissy Updike, Student Soloist
President's Remarks	Bashar W. Hanna, Ph.D., President
Greetings from the Trustees	Angela Smith Commonwealth University Council of Trustees
Degree	Ceremony
Presentation of Candidates	Michelle Kiec, Ph.D. Provost and Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs
Introduction of Candidates	School of Graduate Studies Heather Feldhaus, Ph.D. Associate Provost and Dean of Graduate Education Reader: Mike Shapeero, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees	Bashar W. Hanna, Ph.D., President
Closing C	Ceremony

Recessional

## SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

#### Master of Accountancy

Hannah Jade Caccia

#### Master of Business Administration

Rachall Adams
Jessica L. Gacsi
Cora Alexandra
Bailey-Getz
Charbel Jo Ghaleb
Brianna Rae Johnson
Kaila Rochelle Johnson
Emily Mae Kernoschak
Julia Marie LaMura
Blake David Nesbitt
Benjamin Phillip Ries
Michael Chad Rusk
Gavin James Tice
Damian J. Yost

## Master of Education Business Education/ITM

Melany Marie Fiato Daniel Hoban Jodi Lavalley Jared Marshman Sawyer Mueller Samantha Elizabeth Snyder Allison Ashley Yoh

#### Curriculum & Instruction

Andre Ki'vonne Bramhan Madissen Irene Davis Carolyn A. McSween Patrick John Roberts Benjamin Royce White

## Early Childhood Education PK-4

Hope Anastasia Cunniff Olivia Caitlyn Polastre

#### **Educational Leadership**

Nathan Douglas Crawford Rebecca Lee Phelps Karen Louise Sheriff Lindsay Elizabeth Smeigh Kristen Danielle Stahl Sharp

#### Reading

Aimee Jayne Diehl Kayla Elizabeth Drasdis Abigail Michele Fink Mikki Lynn Gifford Kate Jensen Kelsey Lynne Koppen Taylor Elizabeth Williams

#### **Special Education**

Lucinda Rose Ashton Michelle Dean Elizabeth Jordan

#### Master of Science

#### Applied Exercise Physiology

Stephen Hollis Samuel Mark Seyfried I

#### **Biology**

Sarah Michelle Buckley

#### Exercise Science

Patrick J. DeBlass Benjamin Alan Potts

#### Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Morgan Hope Kianka (LH) Lance Michael Klinefelter (LH) JoHannah Grace Newman (LH) Keri A. Wintersteen (LH) Julie Yocum (LH)

#### **Information Technology**

Kelly Emanuel Davis Sarah Estelle Dean Kevine L. Kamga Ashley M. Montijo

#### Instructional Design & Technology

Melissa Bengtson
Olivia Crawford
Alison Lenze
Yi Mei
Ashley M. Montijo
Joseph John Ohlheiser
Logan Patrick Pierce
Brittany L. Reynolds
Cadence Briana
LaShaun Robinson
Julianna E. Scappaticci
Paola Elise Terreforte

#### **School Counseling**

Kody Alan Brown

#### Sport & Performance Psychology

Frida Castillo Sydney Lynne Hoffman (LH)

#### Sport Management

Ethan Paul Walker

## Master of Science in Nursing

Karen Mains Magee Samantha Christine Niznik Marianne Peipher Abigale Elizabeth Walton Alyssa Marie Zigarski

## UNDERGRADUATE MORNING CONVOCATION

#### College of Health, Science and Technology Zeigler College of Business

Mace Bearer: Carolyn LaMacchia, Ph.D. Marshals: Allison Maloney, Ph.D., Meghan Pontz, DNP, Mr. Michael Huben, Yucheng Chen, Ph.D.

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Processional	
The National Anthem	Madison Young, Student Soloist
President's Remarks	Bashar W. Hanna, Ph.D., President
Greetings from the Trustees	Angela Smith Commonwealth University Council of Trustees
Greetings from Student Representative	Jessica Dodge, Student Trustee
Commencement Address	Assistant Professor, Interim Chair, Department of Nursing
	Degree Ceremony
Presentation of Candidates	Provost and Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs
Introduction of Candidates	College of Health, Science and Technology Latha Ramakrishnan, Ph.D., Dean <i>Reader:</i> Robert Montante, Ph.D.
	Zeigler College of Business Todd Shawver, Ph.D., Dean <i>Reader</i> : Carolyn Lamacchia, Ph.D.
Conferral of Degrees	Bashar W. Hanna, Ph.D., President
	Closing Ceremony
Alumni Welcome	Hakeem Thomas, Class of 2017
Recessional	

## UNDERGRADUATE AFTERNOON CONVOCATION

#### College of Arts, Humanities, Education and Social Sciences

Mace Bearer: Lisa Stallbaumer-Beishline, Ph.D. Marshals: Amanda Stutzman, Ph.D., Amarilis Hildalgo-Jesus, Ph.D., Harry C. "Neil" Strine IV, Ph.D., Craig Young, Ph.D.

Welcome

Processional	
The National Anthem	Kelsey Sheffe, Student Soloist
President Remarks	Bashar W. Hanna, Ph.D., President
Greetings from the Trustees	Angela Smith Commonwealth University Council of Trustees
Greetings from Student Representative.	Jessica Dodge, Student Trustee
Commencement Address	Professor, Department of History, Political Science and Philosophy
	Degree Ceremony
Presentation of Candidates	Provost and Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs
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	Closing Ceremony
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## UNDERGRADUATE COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS

Morning Ceremony

#### Kimberly Delbo, DNP, RN-BC

Assistant Professor, Interim Chair, Department of Nursing

r. Kimberly Delbo is an innovative, heart coherent, healthcare leader with over 18 years of experience serving as a trailblazer in diverse settings across the healthcare continuum, ranging from bedside to boardroom.

Dr. Delbo is dedicated to transforming healthcare through empathetic, human centered design and the creation of healthy work and learning environments.

Dr. Delbo obtained her Associate of Science in Nursing from Thomas Jefferson University in 2006, and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Certification in School Nursing from Slippery Rock University in 2011.

In 2012, Delbo obtained a Master of Science in Nursing with advanced specialization in community and public health nursing from Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. In 2022, she obtained a Doctor of Nursing Practice from Liberty University, Virgina, with a focus on healthcare transformation, leadership, and education.

She has served as a Community Innovations Director with Partners for a Healthy Community.

Dr. Delbo currently serves as an Assistant Professor at the Breiner School of Nursing, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania. Additionally, she is a co-founder of Radiant & Resilient Leadership,



LLC, where she serves as a transformation and optimization consultant, national speaker, mentor and coach.

Afternoon Ceremony

#### Jennifer Oast, Ph.D.

Professor, Department of History, Political Science, and Philosophy

r. Jennifer Oast has taught American
History at Bloomsburg University since
2009. She previously served as Chair of the
History Department and is currently the Director
of Interdisciplinary Studies for Commonwealth
University.

Before coming to Bloomsburg, she taught classes in history, writing, and classical Latin for Virginia Commonwealth University and the Portsmouth, Virginia public school system. Dr. Oast earned her Ph.D. in American History from the College of William and Mary in 2008.

Dr. Oast researches slavery in early America, focusing especially on slave-owning by colleges and church congregations. Among her works on this topic is her book Institutional Slavery: Slaveholding Churches, Schools, Colleges, and Businesses in Virginia, 1680-1860, published by Cambridge University Press in 2016. Journalists

for The Washington
Post, The VirginianPilot, and Voice of
America radio, among
other media outlets,
have interviewed Dr.
Oast for her views on
institutional reparations
for slavery. She has
held positions on the
national board of the
Southern Historical
Society, and recently
she served as a Visiting
Fellow for the College



Board to review the Advanced Placement African American Studies Course Pilot Framework. In 2019, she received the College of Liberal Arts Dean's Salute to Excellence Award.

## HONOR GRADUATES

#### Summa Cum Laude (3.95 - 4.0 overall average)

Brandon D. Brown Rvlee Nicole Burdge Alayni Marina Caprio Briana M. Catanzaro Ian R. Comly Cara Jeanne Doherty Emma Rose Ely Charisma Danielle Grega Emily Dawn Hippenstiel Nicole Renee Keim Kylie Elizabeth Kirkendall Emma P. Koprowski Madison Olivia Maloney Devin R. Sanguinito Madison Lee Short Jade Anthony Swartz Karalee Jessica Tedrow Grace R. Walter

#### Magna Cum Laude (3.75 – 3.94 overall average)\_

Erica Ashley Baker Dillon Michael Bohner Devon Bourke Olivia Cabrera-Carter Marissa Lynn Chadrow Amanda Leigh Cipriano Shera Banez Crowner Zoe Beth Eck Elinor A. Frank Abigail Jean Frey Miya Claire Gillin Rvlee E. Granville Abigail Grace Henne Jeffrey Michael Hoffman Niciaa E. L. Jestine Kaleigh Michelle Johnson Savanna Janiah Jones Kaitlyn Noelle McBride Kaitlyn Christine McWilliams Chelcea Morgan Caitlyn Morrison

Alexis Carter Ormsbee Anna Gemma Parascandolo Anjali Grace Passi Courtney Alyssa Pedersen Chloe Summer Pembleton Delaney E. Porter Jordyn Marie Prediger Julia L. Priestman Jordan Patricia Ralston Bryce Maguel Ripley Carson Matthew Rush Jocelyn Joy Shirev Calvin C. Slusser Callie Jessica Sowers Elizabeth Ann Stavinski Chloe Louise Styer Madison Grace Thatcher Luxi O. Walz Christopher Allen Williamson

### Cum Laude (3.5 – 3.74 overall average)

Josue Gabriel Alcalde Carranza Owen Thomas Anderson Maria Rose Bagnata Dylan Berezin Paige Alexandria Borrell Breeanna Braskey Renate Carrabba Cain Chen Jason Allen Clarke Anna Caroline Cole Bailee Jo-Anne Connors Hecenit Cruz Morgan Alexandra Curran Daniel Eric Damaso Madison Elizabeth Dietsche Jacob Andrew Dorman Lauren Elizabeth Dudak Madison Taylor Ellis Leah Lyn Faulkner

Cieanna Fernandes Delanev Grace Foster Carlee K. Ginther Olivia Paige Greenwood Hailey Marie Hukill Karen L. Hull Christine (Alaric) Elaine Jumet Andrew Paul Kasatkin Svdnev Alexandria Kline Matthew Robert Laraia Skylar Ann Leonard Mathew K. Mahserejian Morgan Rebecca Marks Caroline Alivia Marzano Isabella Allison Masias Christopher A Mercedes Chase Tyler Morris Jaclyn Ann Ohl Giana Christina Polisi

Kylee Anne Prowell Leah Teresa Samuel Hannah Elizabeth Shambach Mia Brandt Shuler Anastasia Roberts Slobodnik Emily Sosa Kyle Phoenix Tyndale Hayden Marie VanBuskirk Gabriel C. Waltman Jenna Elizabeth Welch Maria Zuniga

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

#### **Applied Computer Science**

Kaitlyn Noelle McBride (LH)

#### Associate in Applied Science Healthcare Professions

Skylar Marie Quick (LH)

#### **Biology**

Chloe Ashley Hons
Emma M. Kelly (LH)
Anjali Grace Passi
Casey Leigh Ream (LH)
Hannah Elizabeth Shambach
Tanner M. Weighknecht
Macy J. Yohn (LH)

Lauren Elizabeth Dudak (LH)

#### **Biomedical Sciences**

Justin Allen Haney Madison M. Mengel Victoria Caroline Poggio Sara Williams

Rachael Elizabeth Zula

#### Chemistry

Dylan Berezin

#### **Computer Science**

# Vanessa Mae Brouse Oleh Krupko (MA) Calvin C. Slusser

## Digital Forensics & Cybersecurity

# Ian R. Comly
Jacob Andrew Dorman
Gavin N. Flatch
Luis R. Fuentes
William Joseph Jozefowicz
Logan G. Kuhn

Matthew Robert Laraia Dennis Loverdi Jr. Mathew K. Mahserejian Haley A. Pensyl Ryley Shemonski Cameron Wilson Sweger Eric Christopher Wise

#### Electronics Engineering Technology

Tanner James Culver Kurt Ronald Keough Anthony V. Peluzzo Cole Russell Seese Zachary James Stahl

## Environmental, Geographical, & Geological Sciences

Philip Richard Hemsarth Anastasia Roberts Slobodnik

#### **Exercise Science**

Delaney L. Barone

Walker E. Coleman Julie Nicole Kasper Nicholas Russell McClean Shane Michael Noonan Delaney E. Porter Kate Elizabeth Roberts Zachary N. Steen Marlon Shyheem Westcott

#### Health & Physical Education

Megan Lysek-Hagy (LH)

#### **Health Sciences**

Gabrielle Sophia Bakaysa (LH) Emma Rose Ely (LH) Julia Patricia Fumo Carlee K. Ginther (LH) Sarah Jane Gurzynski Andrew Paul Kasatkin Allyson Courtney Lynch
Emma Grace Morlock (LH)
Espefani Altagracia
Santos-Soto (LH)
Londyn Hope Sayres

#### **Mathematics**

Breeanna Braskey Edward Castillo

#### **Medical Imaging**

KCAnn Blank

# Shera Bañez Crowner

Madison Elizabeth Dietsche
Abigail Jean Frey

#### Nursing

Anna Marie Burdett
Ashley DeGroat
Madison Ashleigh Harris
Makayla Lynn Kerrick
Catherine Julie Mayo
Paige Makenna Miller
Caitlyn Morrison
Anna Gemma Parascandolo
Megan Ashley Patriarca
Haley Nicole Paul
Benjamin Robert Polley
Taylor A. Styer
Maria Zuniga

#### **Physics**

Garrett M. Stenberg

#### Speech Pathology & Audiology

Amanda Leigh Cipriano Sydney Paige Fitzgerald Megan Caroline Fitzpatrick Taylor Lynn Haas Norah Christine McHugh

## ZEIGLER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

#### Accounting

Owen Thomas Anderson
Justin T. Burke
Leah Lyn Faulkner (LH)
Madison A. Heintz
Hailey Marie Hukill
Victoria Grace Iveson
Shamall Joseph
Benjamin Matthew Kahler
Kaylei Elizabeth Klepper
Celestina MaeLynn Leva
Nathan Ludwikowski
Richard Piez
Jordyn Marie Prediger
Jose Javier Shearer
Elizabeth Ann Stavinski

## Business Administration \*Finance

Justin T. Burke
Alexander Harrison Cornell
Kayla Michele Dzomic
Dylan Joseph Kronick
Jacob John Kuperavage
Nathaniel T. Long
Claire Elizabeth Schmoke
Blaise Patrick Unger
Bryan Michael Widdis
Brittany Autumn Wright
Dylan Joseph Yarnevich

#### Business Administration \*Information Technology & Analytics

Arison James Zeisloft

Isaiah M. Beverly Devon Bourke Desiree Cathey Alhaji Lamin Jalloh Zachary Michael Karchin Ava R. Krum Ryan Patrick Murphy Jordan Arnaj Rivers

## Business Administration \*Management

Samyul Jay Alauddin Azad Danielle A. Crotsley (MA) Brandon Dylan Lee Dekontee T. Kofa Chase Tyler Morris Sebastian Podesta Vargas Lukas J. Reynolds Alése Lauran Rinker Dwayne Patrick Rockey Jr. Kyle Christopher Saglimben Chloe A. Shultz Samantha Lee Snyder Adam John Strini # Madison Grace Thatcher Owen William Thygeson Anthony Luis Ward Louis Michael Wild Bryce D. Winner

#### Business Administration \*Marketing

Joseph Omar Abdelnaby Dillon Michael Bohner Claudia Kaminski Kamila Kaminksi Skylar Ann Leonard Raely Alanza McFarland Rachel Lynn Palmerine # Rachel A. Senese Ashley Anna Shaffer

Kyle Phoenix Tyndale

#### **Economics**

Nicholas Goff Brandon D. Good Kelby Shianne James Draven William Murray Jose Javier Shearer

#### **International Business**

Joseph Omar Abdelnaby Niciaa E. L. Jestine John Labombarda Winson Lin Callie Jessica Sowers

## Professional Sales & Marketing

Logan A. Booth Richard Bordone Gabriel R. Cobaugh Dylan Patrick Pupo

#### Sports Management

Jaden Helton

#### Supply Chain Management

Gwen Elise Esher Katelyn Kramer Aanyah Capri Walker

#### **Technical Leadership**

Brandon D. Brown Cain Chen Christopher Allen Williamson

## COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES EDUCATION & SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### Anthropology

# Alexis D. Comuntzis
Christine (Alaric)
Elaine Jumet
Cameron Ryan Kilpatrick
Xavier J. Newman

#### **Art History**

Isaac Frech Christine (Alaric) Elaine Jumet

#### Art Studio

Joseph R. English III Ciera K-Lyne Zacek

#### ASL/English Interpreting

Cieanna Fernandes Brieanna Mae Jackson Kathryn O. Mints

#### **Communication Studies**

Hakeem N. Bacon Devon Renee Bird Olivia Cabrera-Carter Rylee O. Dillon (LH) Madison Taylor Ellis Sierra Kresge Josiah Rogers McCoy Keolebogile Tiffany More Jocelyn Joy Shirey

#### Criminal Justice

Madison Nicole Bower Giovanni J Cancro Briana M. Catanzaro (LH) Jason Allen Clarke (LH) Hecenit Cruz Naomie Krissthell Cumbicos Ocasio Kara Danean Feldman Thomas Leonard Goetz Jenna M. Goodnow Olivia Paige Greenwood

- # Abigail Grace Henne Elijah Kevin Hernandez Flaurii Hernandez Jack Robert Hughes
- # Emma P. Koprowski Tate Matthew Ligenza Jamese Lashawn Lundy-Byrd Darell Darius Lyles Olivia Jewel Medica Caitlyn Mariah Murhon Jacquline Elizabeth Nevel Alvssa Nolan Jonathan Marcus Oglesby Alexis Carter Ormsbee Blake William Paukovits Collin J. Sanford Devin R. Sanguinito Auryanna Renez Scott Jacob Snyder Karalee Jessica Tedrow (LH) Alyse Tracie Ulrich Abigail Lynn Walter

#### Criminal Justice Administration (AS)

Shelby L. Retorto

#### Early Childhood (PK-4)

Kathryn Jean Aunkst
Tessa Catherine Bohn
Alayni Marina Caprio (LH)
Marissa Lynn Chadrow
Millie Ann Collins
Bailee Jo-Anne Connors
Riley Morgan Dando
Kyra L. Destefano
Jenna A. Dilliplane
Zoe Beth Eck
Angel Lynne Farrone
Madison Elizabeth Hannon
Madelyn Hansbury

Jessica J. Huber Savanna Janiah Jones Kylie Elizabeth Kirkendall (LH) Kalyn Mackey Madison Olivia Maloney Kaitlyn Christine McWilliams Kirsten Paige Mock Randa Lynn Parmer Chloe Summer Pembleton Giana Christina Polisi Jordan Patricia Ralston **Emily Sosa** Chloe Louise Styer Marissa Angelica Thorsen Luxi O. Walz Olivia Grace Yanss

#### Early Childhood (PK4)/ Deaf Hard of Hearing

Britney Allynn Greeley Courtney Alyssa Pedersen

## Early Childhood & Elementary Education

Charisma Danielle Grega (MA) Bryce Maquel Ripley (MA)

#### **English**

Daniel Eric Damaso Morgan Lyn Fetzer Miya Claire Gillin Jeremiah Matias Chelcea Morgan Julia L. Priestman

#### **Graphic Design**

Sarah A. Spohn (MA)

#### History

Daniel Lucas Bailer Emily Dawn Hippenstiel Jeffrey Michael Hoffman Matthew J. Neifert Kobe Charles Terwilliger (MA)

## COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES EDUCATION & SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### **Interdisciplinary Studies**

Alayzha Amay Hodge (LH) Tobi Lynn Garrity Mackenzie Marie Kelty Emilee Justine Kwaak Sarah Elizabeth Moffa Daniel John Spearing

#### Languages & Cultures

Damarys Acevedo
Dillon Michael Bohner
Delaney Grace Foster
# Christopher A. Mercedes
Chelcea Morgan

#### **Mass Communication**

Dante Lee Alucci
Maria Rose Bagnata
Abby Elizabeth Burke
Madison Taylor Ellis
Felix-Alexandre
James Godin-Blier
Morgan N. Saltzman

# Leah Teresa Samuel
Kelsey J. Sheffe
Brian K. Tatum Jr.
Skylar Zoe Weddle

#### Media & Journalism

Erin Julia Powers Claire Thomas

#### Middle Level Education (4-8)

Ellis Arvydas Aikey

# Elinor A. Frank
Isabella Allison Masias
Kayla Noonan
Melanie Marie Romero
Jacob L. Smith

#### Music

Josue Gabriel Alcalde Carranza

#### Philosophy

Aiyana C Jenkins

#### **Political Science**

Isaac Frech Adryan Garcia Patrick Alexander Kader Kiersten Marina Patterson Amara L. Pellowski Carson Matthew Rush

#### **Psychology**

Johnathon M. Bodkins Rylee Nicole Burdge Renate Carrabba Briana M. Catanzaro (LH) Jasmine Marie Clayton Tvlar Mae Coulter Naomie Krissthell Cumbicos Ocasio Amani Niyae Custis Cara Jeanne Doherty (MA) Taylor Nicole Evans Rylee E. Granville Haley Elizabeth Gross Olivia Ann Hackenberg Hannah Marie Hilpp Sage Mackenzie Hugo (MA) Aiyana C. Jenkins

# Kaleigh Michelle Johnson
Brianna E. Kirk
Gabe Andrew Klembara
Corey Lim
Leo Vito-Francis Malfara
Nathan Michael Miller
Jada M. Mills
Nina Nicole Nye
Julia Layne Sauers (LH)

Nia Shelby Simon Dillon Skupski Taylor A. Styer

# Jade Anthony Swartz Kassandra M. Troutman

## Secondary Education \*Chemistry

Katherine Marie Eyler

## Secondary Education \*Citizenship

Daniel Lucas Bailer Emily Dawn Hippenstiel Matthew J. Neifert

## Secondary Education \*English

Daniel Eric Damaso Isabelle Joy Edwards (MA) Morgan Lyn Fetzer Miya Claire Gillin

# Julia L. Priestman

### Secondary Education \*Mathematics

# Claire Elizabeth Schmoke

## Secondary Education \*Social Studies

Sophia Elizabeth Boyle

#### Secondary Education \*Spanish

Delaney Grace Foster

## COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES EDUCATION & SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### Sociology

Olivia Cabrera-Carter Alexis Carter Ormsbee

#### Social Work

Brandy Lynn Foresman (LH)
Karen L. Hull
David Joseph Kaback
Nicole Renee Keim

Christopher A Mercedes
Madison Lee Short
Heather M. Williams (LH)

#### Special Education (PK-12)/ Early Childhood (PK-4)

Erica Ashley Baker Chelsea Lynn Bassett Paige Alexandria Borrell Mckenzie Paige Chapman Anna Caroline Cole Morgan Alexandra Curran Allison C. Harris (LH) Elijah M. Heintzelman Sydney Alexandria Kline Kayleigh Justina Lenner Morgan Rebecca Marks Caroline Alivia Marzano Jaclyn Ann Ohl Kylee Anne Prowell Mia Brandt Shuler Hailey Alexis Stahler Graziana Marianna Tuggle Hayden Marie VanBuskirk Gabriel C. Waltman Jenna Elizabeth Welch

#### Studio Arts

Cielo Dorthea Giandomenico (LH)

#### Theatre Arts

Alexandria Scout Kwiecien

## ACADEMIC REGALIA

he traditional academic regalia worn at commencement exercises is a record of the academic achievement of that individual. Its use originated at English and European universities during the twelfth and thirteenth centuries.

The long gown evolved from the monk's habit. The hood evolved from the cowl that the monks wore over their heads. Today's mortarboard can be traced to the skull caps worn by the churchmen.

The colorful hoods designate the degree of the wearer, the subject in which the degree is held, and the institution that awarded the degree. The color of the velvet band on each hood and robe represent a scholar's field of learning, while the official colors of the school awarding the degree always are shown in the lining of the hood and, sometimes, by the distinctive color of the gown. Bloomsburg University colors are maroon and gold.

As institutions of higher learning were established in America, beginning with Harvard College in 1636, the universities followed the English precedent in which each developed its own version of academic dress. As has been the case with the British universities, there was virtually no conformity from one institution to another and sometimes not even within institutions. College and university administrators, sensing a need for uniformity, convened in 1895 to develop a uniform

code of academic regalia. Still in use by most American institutions, the code has been reviewed and revised only twice.

The colors for academic fields established by the American Council on Education include:

AgricultureMaize
Arts, Letters, HumanitiesWhite
Commerce, Accountancy, Business Drab
DentistryLilac
EconomicsCopper
Education Light Blue
EngineeringOrange
Fine Arts, including Architecture Brown
ForestryRusset
JournalismCrimson
LawPurple
Library ScienceLemon
MedicineGreen
MusicPink
NursingApricot
Oratory (Speech)Silver Gray
PharmacyOlive Green
PhilosophyDark Blue
Physical EducationSage Green
Public Administration,
including Foreign Service Peacock Blue
Public HealthSalmon Pink
ScienceGolden Yellow
Social WorkCitron
TheologyScarlet
Veterinary ScienceGray

## THE UNIVERSITY

andwritten words on six sheets of lined paper established the Bloomsburg Literary Institute in 1856. Recorded in a Columbia County deed book, the Act to Incorporate the Bloomsburg Literary Institute established "a company for the provision of education, both in the ordinary and higher branches of English, literature and science, and in the ancient and modern languages."

The newly formed institute grew from an academy that operated with varied success in Bloomsburg since 1839.

The rules of the corporation outlined how the institution's first trustees would be selected and their terms of service and how new trustees would be elected. It listed the trustees' specific duties, which included the issuance of stock at \$20 per share, the purchase or sale of real estate, and the employment or discharge of teachers. The trustees also would be called upon to adjudicate conflicts between teachers and parents or guardians "and in general exercise such oversight as may tend to the greatest efficiency and usefulness of the school."

One of the most visible symbols of the university's past is Carver Hall. The building, named in memory of Henry Carver, principal at the time, was erected in 1867. Today, it is considered the university's landmark.

Largely through the efforts of J.P. Wickersham, superintendent of public instruction, Bloomsburg Literary Institute became Bloomsburg Literary Institute and State Normal School in 1869. The school continued under this name and structure until 1916 when it was purchased by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and named Bloomsburg State Normal School.

The emphasis at the Normal School changed during the early 1920s from secondary and college preparatory courses for special teachers to full-time teacher education. This new thrust in the curriculum led to the adoption, in May 1927, of the designation Bloomsburg State Teachers College. The institution was authorized to grant a bachelor of science in education, a degree which prepared students for teaching careers in elementary and secondary schools.

Under the administration of Francis B. Haas (1927-1939), great progress was made in the teacher education program, including the addition of a new degree program in business education.

Haas left Bloomsburg to accept an appointment as superintendent of public instruction for Pennsylvania, the same post he held from 1925 to 1927 prior to coming to Bloomsburg. Harvey A. Andruss, then dean of instruction and former director of the business education department, served as acting president from 1939 until January 1941, when the school's trustees unanimously elected him president, a position he held until his retirement in 1969.

During World War II, the United States Navy V-12 Officer Training Program was conducted on the campus, a service now commemorated by the naming of Navy Hall. In 1957, the Division of Special Education was instituted. Major expansions in facilities, faculty, and student body followed. Enrollment rose from 1,743 in 1960 to 8,924 in fall 2018.

In 1960, the school's name was changed to Bloomsburg State College. Authorization was received shortly thereafter to grant a bachelor of arts for liberal arts programs in the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences and mathematics. Graduate study leading to a master of education also was inaugurated. In 1968, approval was received for a master of arts; in 1970, for a master of science; in 1976, for a master of business administration; and in 1982, for a master of science in nursing. In 2003 a doctoral program in clinical audiology was approved; and in 2014, a doctor of nursing practice program was added.

The name Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, was officially adopted when commonwealth legislation established the fourteenmember State System of Higher Education on July 1, 1983. James H. McCormick, Bloomsburg's president at the time, became the system's interim chancellor and later its first permanent chancellor.

In July 2017, Bashar W. Hanna was named the university's nineteenth president.

On July 1, 2022, Bloomsburg University integrated with Lock Haven and Mansfield universities to become Commonwealth University.

Today, Commonwealth University is a comprehensive institution offering curricula in the liberal arts, business, science and technology, nursing, allied health sciences, and teacher education. Degree programs are offered at the associate's, bachelor's and master's levels, in addition to doctoral programs in audiology and nursing.

## HONORARY DOCTORATES

Beginning in 1983, the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University granted approval to award honorary degrees by the university. The policy provides that recipients of honorary degrees will be people who have made noteworthy contributions to Bloomsburg University, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to society, or to a particular academic discipline and have demonstrated meritorious achievement or scholarship in the arts and humanities, the social sciences, science and technology, education, the health professions, commerce and trade, or industry.

It further provided that such degrees will be awarded only to those women and men whose lives and works exemplify excellence, service, and integrity. It also is expected that the honorary degree recipient, through deeds and performance, will be an exemplary model for graduates of this and other institutions of higher learning.

Bloomsburg has awarded honorary degrees to: Howard F. Fenstemaker, Doctor of Pedagogy John Heinz, Doctor of Laws Frank C. Laubach, Doctor of Humane Letters Grace M. Hopper, Doctor of Science Roger Tory Peterson, Doctor of Letters Edwin M. Barton, Doctor of Letters Louise B. Mitrani, Doctor of Humane Letters Thomas C. Royer, Doctor of Humane Letters Hugh O'Brian, Doctor of Humane Letters Henry Hood, Doctor of Humane Letters Curtis R. English, Doctor of Pedagogy Ann M. Verville, Doctor of Commercial Science The Most Reverend Desmond M. Tutu, Doctor of Humane Letters Rick Santorum, Doctor of Laws Ervin S. Duggan, Doctor of Humane Letters Pat Mitchell, Doctor of Letters Susan McDowell, Doctor of Humane Letters Steph Pettit, Doctor of Humane Letters Kerby Confer, Doctor of Commercial Science Ronn Cort, Doctor of Commercial Science

## University Medallion

he university medallion is worn by the president of the university during academic convocations as a symbol of the leadership responsibilities vested in that office.

The Commonwealth University medallion is depicted on the cover of the program. The chain the medallion is suspended from incorporates the names each campus was identified by and the dates those names were used.

At Bloomsburg, replicas of the Bloomsburg University medallion have been given to individuals who have performed exemplary service to the university:

Marco Mitrani, Louise Mitrani, Richard Benefield, Helen and John Lanning, Eda Bessie Edwards, Daniel Bauman, James Magee, Ted Stuban, Anthony Lanzone, Walter F. Vorbleski, Robert "Doc" Warren, Jack Mertz, Barbara B. Hudock, and Terry and JoAnn Zeigler.

## University Mace

Boomsburg's mace made its first appearance at a commencement ceremony in August of 1963. The history of the ceremonial academic mace can be traced back to the fourteenth century when it developed as a composite of two ancient objects, the royal scepter and the battle mace.

European universities combined these two symbols into an academic mace or ceremonial staff that demonstrated the authority and right of academic institutions to grant degrees to candidates who had earned that privilege. Colleges and universities in the United States gradually adopted this tradition, and in early 1963, the Dean of Students at Bloomsburg State College, J. Alfred McCauslin, proposed the school adopt one as well.

Academic maces are usually carried by a marshal who precedes the institution's president in the ceremonial procession.

## THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

he Bloomsburg Alumni Association congratulates today's graduates, the newest members of the association.

The Alumni Association was formed in 1871 by members of the classes of 1870 and 1871. These graduates wanted to remain connected to their alma mater and preserve and celebrate relationships with classmates, faculty, and staff. Thanks to their vision, 150 years later the association provides programs and services to nearly 76,000 alumni. Through events and programs, the alumni association fosters relationships that engage alumni in the university's strategic priorities and philanthropic goals.

While your time as a student at Bloomsburg University has concluded, never forget your alma mater and plan to come back to BU, virtually and in person, often. As the newest members of the BU Alumni Association, we invite you to become actively engaged alumni and consider supporting future generations of Huskies.

To say connected, visit www.bloomu.edu/alumni and subscribe to receive communications from the association, through monthly alumni e-newsletters, invitations to alumni events and exclusive networking opportunities, and access to career and professional development resources through Bloomsburg's online career management system, Handshake. The alumni webpage also provides information about regional alumni networks and volunteer opportunities to stay engaged with Bloomsburg.

The alumni association, led by 15 volunteer members of the board of directors representing a wide range of class years, geographic locations, and interests, is here for you. Please reach out any time to share your ideas, provide input, or ask for support. You can visit the Alumni Association on the third floor of the Greenly Center, 50 East Main St., in downtown Bloomsburg or contact us at 1-800-526-0254 or alum@bloomu.edu. GO HUSKIES!

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## FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

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For transcripts please visit: www.parchment.com

## CAMPUS EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

CU-Bloomsburg is excited to welcome you to Haas Auditorium, your safety is a priority, please read the below emergency plan to assist prepare you for an enjoyable ceremony. CU-Bloomsburg University strives to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for all attendees during commencement activities. To this end, the University collaborates with the Town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County Emergency Management, state agencies and the private sector to support the event. Many of these resources work behind the scene, both inside and outside the venue.

#### Report a Public Safety Issue

To report a public safety issue, call CU Bloomsburg Police at 570-389-2211 or 911 if it is an emergency. The public may also report a concern in person to any law enforcement officer. Make sure to provide the section, row, and seat number.

#### **Public Address Announcements**

Should an emergency occur, instructions will be provided through public address system. Public safety personnel dispersed throughout the auditorium may also provide instructions to guests. It is important for people to remain calm and follow the instructions.

#### Medical

If medical attention is needed, please call 911 or 570-389-2211 to request assistance. If telephone service is unavailable, ask or direct someone to contact the nearest usher or police officer. Police & security personnel are deployed throughout the auditorium. If public safety personnel cannot be immediately located but other University support personnel are available, ask them to request assistance. Medical personnel are stationed in the lobby of Haas Auditorium.

Remember to provide the location (section, row, and seat number) and nature of the emergency.

Persons with mobility impairments who need assistance evacuating will be assisted by event staff and emergency responders.

#### **Lost Child**

Parents or a designated responsible adult should advise children to seek a law enforcement officer if they are lost or become separated. Parents or a designated responsible adult may call BUPD at 570-389-2211 or report their lost child to the nearest police officer or security personnel. It is important to provide a description (clothing, age, last known location, etc. Parents should carry a photograph or have an electronic picture of their children. Parents may also want to (1) photograph their children with a cell phone before commencement, (2) leave their contact information in their children's pocket, and (3) have a designated meeting location should they become separated.

#### **Power Failure**

If the power fails, instructions will be provided through the public address system. Please remain calm and in your seat until instructions are provided. Consider bringing a small penlight to assist you while the power is out.

#### **Evacuation**

Under special circumstances for safety purposes, guests may be required to evacuate the venue. Should this occur, please follow the directions provided through the public address system and leave in a calm, orderly fashion through the nearest exit. (This may not be the entrance you entered.) Please continue to move away from Haas Auditorium so that those behind you have room to exit and are not hindered.

Keep in mind that it will take some time to evacuate. Please do not push the crowd but try to keep moving. This will permit a quicker and more efficient evacuation. Guests who need more time may want to leave the auditorium before a foreseeable event (such as weather) arrives.

Please watch out for and help people with special needs. If an evacuation were ordered, in most cases it is recommended that guests return to their vehicles and leave the area. In some situations, such as severe weather, it may be advisable to leave the auditorium and seek nearby shelter.

#### Weather

Should a weather event develop, information and warnings will be provided through the public address system.

#### **Explosion**

Call 911 or notify the nearest police officer if an explosion occurs. Guests should move away from the area, exit the auditorium, and return to their vehicles.

#### **Fire**

To report a fire, the public should call 911 or notify the nearest police officer or security personnel. Alert others and move away from the area. Please help persons with special needs.

#### Suspicious Behavior/Package

As a preventive measure, guests are asked to call 570-389-2211 or notify the nearest police officer or security personnel of a suspicious package or person. Police personnel will pursue an appropriate response based on the circumstance.



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