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Leadership and Governance

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Dr. Tania Basta
*College of Health
and Human Services*

Dr. Terrance Brown
*Potter College of
Arts & Letters*

Dr. Corinne Murphy
*College of Education
and Behavioral Sciences*

Dr. David Brown
*Ogden College of Science
& Engineering*

Mr. Josh Vossler
University Libraries

Dr. Evelyn Thrasher
Gordon Ford College of Business

An aerial photograph of the Western Kentucky University campus, showing various buildings, a large stadium, and surrounding greenery. The image is faded and serves as a background for the top half of the page.

History of WKU®

On March 21, 1906 the Kentucky General Assembly approved legislation to establish two teacher training institutions, or “normal schools,” in the state. A locating commission chose Bowling Green to be the site of one, and the Western Kentucky State Normal School was created.

The new state-supported school took over the building and student body of the privately owned Southern Normal School. The owner of the Southern Normal School, Henry Hardin Cherry, had been actively involved in the campaign to establish teacher training schools and became the first president. Classes began on January 22, 1907.

On February 4, 1911 the school moved to its present site on “the Hill,” approximately 125 feet above downtown Bowling Green and formerly the site of The Pleasant J. Potter College. Over the next decade, the curriculum focused on teacher training and certification. Students received practical experience at the Training School, and a model one-room Rural School was opened on campus in 1924. In 1922 the state renamed the institution Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College and authorized it to grant four-year degrees. The first such degrees were awarded in 1924.

The campus expanded in 1927, when it merged with Ogden College, a private young men’s school located on the east side of the Hill. The name was shortened to Western Kentucky State Teachers College in 1930, and the following year the master of arts degree was first offered. President Cherry died in 1937 and was succeeded by Dr. Paul Garrett.

As the College’s mission broadened, its name was shortened in 1948 to Western Kentucky State College. Dr. Garrett died in 1955, and Kelly Thompson became the third president. In the early 1960’s, Dr. John D. Minton became the first graduate dean.

Under Thompson, both the curriculum and the campus underwent major reorganization and expansion. In June 1963, the college merged with the Bowling Green College of Commerce, formerly the Bowling Green Business University. Along with the Graduate School, the Bowling Green College of Commerce became a separate college within the administrative structure. In 1965, the Board of Regents approved the formation of three more colleges: the Potter College of Liberal Arts, the College of Education, and the Ogden College of Science and Technology.

On June 16, 1966, Western Kentucky State College became Western Kentucky University. The University’s colleges are now:

- College of Education and Behavioral Sciences
- Ogden College of Science & Engineering
- Potter College of Arts & Letters
- College of Health and Human Services
- Gordon Ford College of Business

Since 1969, Dero G. Downing, John D. Minton, Donald W. Zacharias, Kern Alexander, Thomas C. Meredith, and Gary A. Ransdell have served as WKU’s presidents. Our current president, Timothy C. Caboni, began his tenure as president July 1, 2017.

More than a century of growth has made WKU a respected center of learning where qualified students may receive general and specialized higher education at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Our undergraduate curriculum offers seven baccalaureate degrees through 99 majors, in addition to four associate degree programs and 50 certificate programs. The Graduate School at WKU offers graduate education in 91 degree and certificate programs. Today, the university proudly serves the educational needs of 15,920 students from 49 states and 57 foreign countries.

ACADEMIC TRADITION



HISTORY OF ACADEMIC ATTIRE

A time-honored tradition of great dignity, the wearing of academic attire is a survival of the ecclesiastical garb of the late Middle Ages. The academic gown, necessary for a scholar's warmth in unheated stone colleges, and the hood to protect his shaven head, were first adopted in the thirteenth century at the University of Cambridge.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied, as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council on Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, and it was again reviewed and revised in 1959.

GOWN, CAP AND HOOD

All candidates for degrees and those who hold degrees, including university officials, faculty and visiting dignitaries, are attired in traditional cap and gown. Recipients of the associate degree and the bachelor's degree wear black gowns and caps, and recipients of master's, specialist and doctoral degrees wear black gowns and caps with hoods of various colors.

Bachelors' gowns have pointed sleeves; masters' gowns have long closed sleeves with slits at the elbow for the arms; the doctors' gowns have wide, round open sleeves. Doctoral gowns are faced with panels of velvet down the front and three bars of velvet across each sleeve.

The mortar board is the headpiece most often worn at American universities for formal occasions. It is appropriately worn with the board flat on the top of the head. Degree candidates wear the tassel falling from the right quarter of the board, while graduates wear the tassel on the left. The tassel may be black or the color of the scholarly field of the degree held, with the short gold tassel reserved for those holding doctoral degrees.

It is the hood which adds meaning and dimension to the academic costume. Changed little since medieval times, the hood is worn falling from the shoulders down the back of the gown in a display of vivid color. The hood is edged in velvet which by its color denotes the academic discipline in which the wearer's degree was earned, and it is lined in two colors of silk which represent the college or university from which the degree was earned. Hence, the Western Kentucky University hood contains one white chevron on a field of bright red and is edged with the appropriate discipline color.



ONS

The following is a partial list of colors adopted by the American Council on Education that represent the various academic disciplines:

Agriculture	Maize
Arts, Letters and Humanities	White
Commerce, Accounting and Business	Drab
Communications	Gold
Criminology	Golden Yellow
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts	Brown
Journalism	Crimson
Library Science	Lemon
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	Citron
Sociology	White
Theology	Scarlet

ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

THE MACE

Originally used as a weapon during the Middle Ages, a mace was carried to protect a ruler. Eventually this scepter-like instrument became an emblem of authority and became popular for ceremonial purposes. Maces are now carried at the beginning of academic processions at many universities throughout the world, representing each institution's authority to confer degrees.

Western Kentucky University's Mace contains several elements that are symbolic of WKU's history. Hand-carved from Kentucky cherry, the top portion of the Mace is a representation of the lantern on the dome of Cherry Hall and is a tribute to our founder, Dr. Henry Hardin Cherry. The University Seal contains the University's motto, and carved bands around the shaft include significant dates in the evolution of the institution. Gems embedded in the lower portion of the Mace represent the colors of the academic disciplines offered by the University. The round ball at the base is symbolic of WKU's alumni around the globe.

The Mace, carried by the University's most senior faculty member, was dedicated to the University on May 7, 1998 during the Inaugural Week activities for President Gary A. Ransdell. It was designed by John Warren Oakes and was crafted by Terry Leeper and Frank Pittman.



THE UNIVERSITY SEAL

The University Seal features our treasured motto "The Spirit Makes the Master" and our ideal defined by Dr. Henry Hardin Cherry as "Life, More Life." First adopted by Dr. Cherry in 1911, the Seal evolved as the institution grew to university status. WKU's President Emeritus, Dr. Kelly Thompson, gave leadership to designing the present version of the Seal, which was approved by President Paul Garrett and first used in 1948. It was altered in 1966 to include the appropriate wording when university status was attained.

THE PRESIDENT'S MEDALLION

Medallions, as worn in higher education, represent the evolution of a practice arising in the Middle Ages and the very early beginnings of universities in the Western World. The Medallion identifies the wearer as the designated leader of the university. Representing both the authority and the responsibility of the person who wears it, the Medallion is worn by the president of the university at formal academic occasions. The face of the sterling silver medallion is a replica of the seal of the university.



GONFALONS

Another symbol used in commencement ceremonies is the academic banner, or gonfalon. A gonfalon is a flag or banner that hangs from a crosspiece or frame and originated in the medieval states of Italy as an ensign of state or office.

Gonfalons are used in the commencement ceremony to designate the university's various colleges and academic units. The university seal is prominently displayed on each gonfalon.

Recognition of Academic Achievement

Undergraduate students who maintain outstanding scholastic achievement are recognized at commencement according to the following designations and are indicated in this commencement program with the respective symbols. Determination of the honor status was based upon the academic record in existence at the beginning of the 2025 fall semester. The final determination of those who actually receive this recognition is made at the conclusion of the term in which degree requirements are met.

Degree candidates who are potential honors recipients wear red and white honor cords during the commencement ceremony. Further recognition of those who actually receive this recognition is made on the diploma and transcript at the conclusion of the term in which all degree requirements are met.

With Distinction - The honor given to students who have completed their associate degrees with cumulative overall and cumulative WKU grade point averages of 3.40 - 3.69 (+).

With High Distinction - The honor given to students who have completed their associate degrees with cumulative overall and cumulative WKU grade point averages of 3.70 - 4.00 (++).

Cum Laude - The honor given to students who have completed their baccalaureate studies with cumulative overall and cumulative WKU grade point averages of 3.40 - 3.59 (*).

Magna Cum Laude - The honor given to students who have completed their baccalaureate studies with cumulative overall and cumulative WKU grade point averages of 3.60 - 3.79 (**).

Summa Cum Laude - The honor given to students who have completed their baccalaureate studies with cumulative overall and cumulative WKU grade point averages of 3.80 - 4.00 (***)

Mahurin Honors College Graduates – The Mahurin Honors College requires students to complete a unique set of enhanced coursework while maintaining at least a 3.2 grade point average. Students completing a minimum of 33 semester hours and a Capstone

Experience/Thesis Project are designated “Honors College Graduates,” those completing 33 hours are designated “Honors Program Graduates,” and those completing 18 hours in their discipline are designated “Honors in the Major Graduates.” Students at all three designations are authorized to wear a gold medallion during the ceremony and are designated by the (■) symbol in the commencement program.

The Scholar of the College is the baccalaureate degree student in each undergraduate college with the highest cumulative overall grade point average and a minimum of 60 semester hours earned in residence.

The Ogden Foundation Scholar Award is presented to one graduating baccalaureate degree senior who has demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and outstanding university and civic engagement. The student with the highest grade point average in each college who earned at least 60 hours in residence was invited to apply for the award. The recipient will receive a plaque and a monetary award and is designated by (◆).

Candidates for Degrees

The list of candidates for graduation was prepared before final grades were reported, and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. The listing of a name in this program should not be construed as an indication that the person will in fact receive a degree from Western Kentucky University at this commencement. Conversely, the absence of a student's name from this list does not necessarily mean that the person will not be awarded a degree. The students whose names appear below made formal application for graduation by the date specified in the academic calendar. Graduates who achieved clearance after November 17 are not included in this program.

Potter College of Arts & Letters

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Order of Exercises

December 12, 2025 | 8:00 a.m. | E.A. Diddle Arena

Dr. Terrance Brown, Dean of Potter College of Arts & Letters, Presiding
Dr. Corinne Murphy, Dean of College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, Presiding

Grand March
Graduates, Faculty, and Platform Party

Welcome
President Timothy C. Caboni

“The Star-Spangled Banner”
Kiris Ray, Vocal Performance Major

Recognition of Honor Graduates
Dr. Bud Fischer, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees
Dr. Bud Fischer, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Conferral of Degrees
President Timothy C. Caboni and Jan West, Board of Regents Chair

Congratulatory Remarks
Dr. Terrance Brown, Dean
Dr. Corinne Murphy, Dean

Presentation of Ceremonial Diplomas
Dr. Terrance Brown, Dean
Dr. Corinne Murphy, Dean

Greetings from the WKU Alumni Association
Kevin Mays, WKU Alumni Association President

Closing Remarks
Dr. Bud Fischer, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

“College Heights”
Kiris Ray, Vocal Performance Major

Recessional
Platform Party, Faculty, and Graduates

Jordan Myers, Announcer
WKU Brass Ensemble, Directed by Dr. Gary Schallert

Leadership

Potter College of Arts & Letters

Dean
Terrance Brown

Sr. Associate Dean
Merrall Price

Associate Dean
Jeffrey Budziak

Department Chairs & School Directors

Art & Design
Kristina Arnold

English
Alison Langdon

History
Audra Jennings

Modern Languages
Alex Poole

Music
Zachary Lopes

Political Science
Scott Lasley

*School of Media
& Communication*
Ron DeMarse

*Society, Culture Crime,
& Justice Studies*
Amy Krull

Theatre & Dance
David Young

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Dean
Corinne M. Murphy

Associate Dean
Jennifer Klemm

Department Chairs & School Directors

*Counseling and
Student Affairs*
Jill Sauerheber

*Doctor of Psychology
in Applied Psychology*
Robert Welsh

*Educational Leadership
Doctoral Program*
Gary Houchens

*Military Science
and Leadership*
David Schnaak

Psychology
Sarah Bonis
Steve Wininger

*School of
Teacher Education*
Susan Keesey

*School of Leadership
and Professional Studies*
Marguerita DeSander

*It is customary for the audience to stand for the
processional and remain seated for the recessional.*

Potter College of Arts & Letters

Dr. Terrance Brown, Dean

MASTER OF ARTS

English

Shelby S. Armstrong
Brandon K. Peters

History

Megan E. Aldridge
Bridget M. Beavin
David H. Hartlage
Jeremy A. Herbert
Logan M. Johnson
Aaron J. Kline
Samantha A. Norris
Savanna N. Smith
Christian A. Vincent

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Public Administration

Angela D. Pace
Christopher R. Wallace

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Advertising

Alyssa J. Davis

Broadcasting

Alexander T. Fouch
Nathaniel J. May*
Tyler W. Meyers
Ryan N. Murphy***

Communication Studies

Katherine A. Henninger
Elizabeth A. Nisbet
Elizabeth A. Paty

Corporate and Organizational Communication

Carli Jo R. Bruner
Julian H. Klenner

Criminology

Madison Looper
Andrea E. Martinez*
Kylee A. McCloud
Lily O'Shaughnessy
Stephen M. Owen
Richard M. Prybilla
Hannah L. Thompson
Hayden M. Witt

Dance

Reili A. Farmer*
Kelcee R. Gabbard*
Leah B. Shaw**

English

Emily H. Arnett***
Eric M. Cantrell*
Kate A. Gentry
Katie L. Rice**
Allison L. Sadler■***
David J. Stover, Jr.
Chesney M. Wright
Faith C. Yonts**
Luke A. Ziegler

English for Secondary

Teachers

Hannah G. Stafford
Gabriel L. Thomas

Film

Jackson K. DiProssimo-Dunaway

History

Keller M. Brown
Avery S. Grant***
Mallory C. Lanham***
Nathaniel G. Leis
Finn Parks
Charles B. Thompson-Ross
Daniel I. Woosley

Journalism

Nolan M. Goodman
Bailey E. Reed■

Legal Studies

Blake Graham***

Music (Liberal Arts)

Joseph T. Mattingly
Alexander J. Miller
Holly E. Wix

Photojournalism

Hydia R. Jackson
Elijah L. Randolph

Political Science

Noah F. Barber
Michael T. Jinkins
Shelby L. Markus
Zoe L. Nowling■
Brenna A. Southwood
Kwame Theus
Sabrina M. Thomas

Professional Legal Studies

Olivia G. Burke
Jocelyn A. Fauber
Grant Larsen
Sophie K. Mcanelly**

Public Relations

Ann B. Jones***
Caitlyn E. Knox*
Anna E. Redden

Social Studies

Alera J. Barbee
Andrew C. Potter*
Harriette G. Woodall

Sociology

Reagan D. Cress**
Kara A. Dolchan
Haley Y. King
Camryn D. LaGrange***
Kylee A. McCloud
Charles M. Newport
Kabozya S. Ngoy
Malaika S. Ngoy

Spanish

Sophia J. Bryant■***

Theatre

Brayan A. Alfaro-Lovos

Visual Studies

Natalie M. Conder*
Kyra E. Embry
Samuel M. Engel**
Brellyn L. Foster
Emma R. Simpson*

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Film Production

Rj S. Eckel*

Visual Arts

Jack T. Coles
Sarah G. Davidson
Bailey M. Jones
James H. Madison
Rachael L. Ousley
Hannah D. Rogers
Logan M. Stamps***
Emmalee S. Tomlin-Smith

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Music

Reagan C. Boswell***
Amber L. Cain*
Aaliyah A. Henry

College of Education and Behavioral Science

Dr. Corinne Murphy, Dean

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Pauletha Monique Butts

Using Improvement Science to Build Collective Teacher Efficacy Among Special Education and General Education Co-teachers in a Title I Elementary School

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Stacy Leggett

Charles R. Cole

An Exploration of the Motivating Effect of Memorable Messaging on Non-Traditional College Student Enrollment Decisions

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Aaron Hughey

Tara Elaine Scroggins Glass

Using Descriptive Phenomenology to Understand Women in Leadership Navigating Work-Life Integration Before, During and After the Coronavirus Pandemic

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Monica Galloway Burke

Stephanie Ann Hagerty

Using Improvement Science to Improve Teacher Self-Efficacy and Well-Being

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Nicholas Brake

Phillip Landon Williams

The Perceived Effects of Gaslighting in K-12 Education: An Interpretive Phenomenological Analysis

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Monica Galloway Burke

DOCTOR OF PSYCHOLOGY

Michael David Soward

Rater Accuracy Comparison Between the Dyadic Parent-Child Interaction Coding System and an Electronic Coding System

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Frederick Grieve

SPECIALIST IN EDUCATION

Gifted Education and Talent Development

Amanda K. Bourne

Rebecca L. Gaddie

Stacy L. Houk

Lisa S. Phillips

Cheyenne N. Summers

Matthew J. Mulholland

Jonathan A. Poynter

Tyler Rhee

Shaye R. Snyder

Brianne N. Sykes

Troy A. Teipen

Amanda C. Terrell

Gracey Vanzant

Aislyn R. Welch

Kyle J. Wilcox

MASTER OF ARTS

Organizational Leadership

Adam F. Ashby

Paul J. Basirico

Alexander J. Bauer

Zachary W. Bell

Desy R. Bennett

Shelly R. Casteel

Jennifer P. Cook

Courtney L. Duvall

Christopher T. Gibson

Yosiah Hodge

Sharnesa M. Miles

Psychology

Katie E. Carter

Elvis Cortes

Dzenita S. Fridy

Darren H. Hylton

Elnad Jasarevic

Trevor M. Lile

Mckenzie L. Pruitt

Emily K. Roepke

Savannah L. Savage

Jada L. Webster

Alexander O. Wilson

MASTER OF ARTS

IN EDUCATION

Advanced Teacher Education

Aronie H. Aboah

Robert B. Arnold, II

Rebecca N. Batts

Jeffrey D. Breeze

Madeline L. Cecil

Patrice C. Coomes

Sara E. Coulter

Leanne P. Flowers

Camerin B. Garmon

Cassady Gorrell

Rachel C. Johnson

Carly L. Levesque

Keeli D. Lusk

Diana L. Mansfield

Lisa K. Miller

McKenzie D. Morris

Tanya K. Pickering

Jason E. Roberts

Grace A. Thompson

Joseph R. Wiedewitsch

Emily A. Williams

Counseling

Drue V. Collins

Daniel T. Glass

Gifted Education and Talent Development

Martina L. Frank

Elizabeth B. Joyce

Kennedy P. Smith

Jessica Thompson

Katlyn N. Thompson

Instructional Leadership, School Principal

Michael R. Fox

Ashley E. Gaddie

Timothy L. Hall

Rachel R. Hawkins

Samantha M. Hulsey

Samantha J. Marcoux

Tamara M. O'Nan

Amber N. Raymond

Chelsey B. Reid

Caleb A. Renfrow

Neesa L. Richardson

Christina F. Sanders

Holly A. Shuffett

Arly L. Williams

Alison K. Yell

Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education, Birth to Primary
Megan E. Stinnett
Kelly L. Tuttle

Special Education for Learning and Behavior Disorders
Mark T. Adkins
Ashley Artis
Svetlana Camp
Erika L. Daniels
Barbara Grose
Derek P. Ritli
Janice G. Straney

Special Education for Moderate and Severe Disabilities
Sara C. Breckenridge
Elizabeth Egbert
Sarah D. Hayes
Ashley N. Moons
Kimberly S. Vertrees

Student Affairs in Higher Education
Jessica R. Allen
Kaleigh J. Hooper
Stephanie D. Kizziah
Shane J. Montgomery
Alexis R. Shaffer
Chloe E. Snow
Joseph A. Szakacs
Katherine M. Williams

MASTER OF ARTS
IN TEACHING
Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education, Birth to Age 5, Initial Certification
Jessica M. Elfers
Jayme M. Mills
Amanda Ritchie
Maelie J. Stovall
Ashley F. Utley
Molly K. Washington

Secondary Education
Chloe M. Alford
Erin Anderson
Jessica E. Baird
Cody A. Bridges
Evan W. Cantarelli
Ali J. Cross

Elena H. Cruth
Layne E. Dempsey
Allie J. DeWeese
Allie N. Duncan
Alexandrea T. Fields
Huda A. Hamwia
Latisha C. Hardesty
Aaron J. Harp
Isaiah E. Hernandez
Haleigh B. Johnson
Heewon Kwon
Laura Lysek
Amanda M. Mark
Gabriel B. McCarty
Wade B. McCulloch
Brittany F. Miller
Haydon M. Mills
Mary E. Morgan
Krystle L. Oliver
Misty N. Osowicz
Alesio J. Pruitt
Bethany R. Randall
Tammie L. Stenger-Ramsey
Michelle M. Williams
Kevin M. Woolen

Special Education for Initial Certification, Learning and Behavior Disorders
Allison J. Baughn
Melissa A. Brady
Alyssa R. Coppett
Mercedes D. Glass
Sally K. Graves
Angela D. Green
Julia A. Hall
Emily G. LaForme Ramacher
Jennifer R. Lawrence
Rkiya L. Noyes
Abigail C. Pontrich
Jack Rutland
Sarah B. Sheffer
Ty Shouse
Erika L. Wenger
James-David J. Woodhead

MASTER OF SCIENCE
Instructional Design
Paul C. Blanchard, Jr.
Ashley P. Jordan
Stefanie W. Keown
Rick A. Tobin

Libraries, Informatics, and Technology in Education
Brittany N. Adkins
Bethany Allen
Erin N. Altman
Natalie R. Bishop
Anna A. Blevins
Miranda K. Boaz
Kathryn E. Brown
Marissa C. Cooke
Alicia J. Edwards
Karey E. Martinez
Samantha J. McDowell
Rachelle B. Mckie
Lori A. McQueary
Shanna Ragle
Lindsey D. Zurmehly

BACHELOR OF ARTS
Psychology
Faith J. Beams*
Livia A. Booker
Janay A. Burk**
Nailah S. Collins
Val D. Courtney
Leslie N. Daly
Reagan Donovan*
Trinity G. Dudley
Phoebe M. Furlan
Deborah Garcia**
Sasha L. Hodskins
Ericka N. Hoppes***
Josie S. Huffman***
Mary S. Huther
Kayla B. Kean
Makenzi A. Kelly
Mia D. Kizer
Emma B. Lawrence***
Kylie A. Lawson*
Victoria C. Lee
Victoria R. Lewis
Emma G. McCoy
Edna Miller***
Peyton E. Mormino**
Claire O. Mowery
Will J. Mullican
Isabella F. Perkins*
Kaitlin M. Polly***
Kyeesha Preston

Madison L. Reese
Maya M. Rhoades***
Chloe L. Richeson
Jenna L. Robertson
Marcella G. Rogers
McKenize A. Rogers
Sarah M. Sanders
Marleigh A. Solomon***
Harrison J. Stahl
Camryn A. Stith
Anela Veljan
Rebekah J. Waddle
Christopher J. Wall**
Garrison Ward*
Carissa D. Welz
Rebekah G. Westmoreland*

BACHELOR OF
INTERDISCIPLINARY
STUDIES
Interdisciplinary Studies
Gabriel L. Adkins
Liam D. Althavean*
Payton M. Ball
John M. Baumgarten
Stefanie M. Belew
Jacob C. Bimbi*
Jenna H. Blanton
Julian M. Boley
Ashley N. Botts
Madison B. Bowman**
Logan D. Brewster*
Beverly R. Broach
Elijah A. Brown
Tiyana A. Brown
Madelyn N. Bynes*
Lily H. Caldwell*
Katherine M. Cole
Johnathan F. Compton
Cydney O. Crutcher
Emily E. Dant
Amber E. Darling
Kaylor D. Decker**
Isaiah M. Deming
Athena M. Duckett
Devon Elcockholder
Charlotte A. Fitzgerald*
Kaylee D. Flack*
Dylan M. Flowers
Chase D. French
Maleah L. Gilliam
Debbie K. Gott
Jayden L. Gray
Brandy R. Gregory
Thomas E. Hackett, Jr.
Samantha L. Hally

Colton L. Hamblin
 Andrew B. Hardison
 Evianna M. Harris
 Lucas E. Hartman
 Heather Hazelett
 Christine L. Helm
 Lemar V. Henry
 Matthew Henry
 Blake A. Hockensmith
 Jemeil A. Jackson**
 Naranda D. Jewell
 Timothy S. Johnson
 Charles R. Knight, Jr.
 Jarrett V. LaDuke
 Alexis B. Lindsey
 Ana C. Lorenzana-Quezada
 Jaavan A. Mack
 Jairus A. Mack
 Angelia D. Markham
 Ian C. Martin
 Alexsus Mathews
 Caden B. McCalister
 Madeline R. Meurer
 Taziah D. Northington
 Dominic J. Oliver
 Brylee S. Pottie
 Tina D. Radford
 Jacob R. Rhinesmith
 Bennie C. Roberson
 Destiny D. Robey
 Caroline P. Sadlo
 Rylea J. Salyer
 Laundry O. Seymore, III
 Samantha B. Shepherd
 Rachel L. Shirley**
 Isabella C. Simmons
 Hunter L. Small
 Rylen Su'a-Filo
 Grace L. Tabb
 Bobbie J. Tabor
 Samantha P. Thompson
 Carol M. Trowell
 Grace M. Vance**
 Carlos A. Vasquez Espinosa*
 Jessica Wales
 Stevenline Y. Waritay*
 Kiersten E. Washington
 Caleigh-Rose O. West
 Willow G. Whisler
 Analyssa M. Wooten
 Madelyn A. Yonts*

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
Elementary Education
 Anslee S. Anderson
 Zineb M. Benchabane
 Claudia Black**
 Cortney N. Blake
 Chloe E. Covert*
 Leah P. Curtis***
 Sierra G. Decker*
 Katelyn E. Ditto**
 Kylee D. Evrard***
 Emma G. Grundhoefer***
 Courtney P. Hagan*
 Shaneaia P. Hanes
 Ashton T. Hoffman**
 Adriana E. Lambert***
 Graci P. Leach***
 Alex J. Loyall***
 Ally G. Maggard**
 Mia D. Morales
 Raeleigh M. Parrish***
 Emma L. Peden***
 Chloe E. Pepper***
 Eliza G. Porter*
 Kelly M. Quintanilla-Alfaro*
 Mackenzie L. Richards***
 Megan E. Riehl
 Aitana Safont Falomir
 Jayla S. Sharp
 Hannah M. Sledge***
 Elizabeth N. Willgruber

**Interdisciplinary Early
 Childhood Education**
 Payton A. Flynn***
 Ellison M. Jackson
 Aubrey E. Self**

**Middle Level Education
 in Social Studies and
 Language Arts**
 Garrett L. Busby
 Madison L. Estes
 Anna K. Johnsen***
 Jenna M. Shockley*
 Austin M. Theis*

Military Leadership
 Michael C. Felts

Organizational Leadership
 Taylor J. Alexander
 David A. Donaldson, Jr.
 George Joseph
 Ana M. Manuel
 Joseph M. Metz***
 Hana Moors Caudle
 Kendall M. Newton

Mary M. Owens
 Johnathan E. Perry
 Jesse L. Reed*
 Daniel Richards**
 Savannah F. Stewart
 Lee A. Swift
 Sadie L. Webb***
 Jacob F. Weidner

**Special Education:
 Learning and Behavior
 Disorders and Elementary
 Education**

Carson S. Bryant***
 Amelia R. Evers
 Channa F. Lay***
 Shelby N. Lyle
 Paige R. Murphy
 Ella R. Ryerson***
 Jayne E. Shannon
 Olivia G. Weatherholt
 Ellie B. Wright***

Workforce Administration

Tariah L. Andrews
 Amy E. Hanley*
 Nickie L. King**
 Tyler Lyons***
 Naomi L. May***
 Robert A. Roe***
 Michelle Sandefur

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS
Organizational Supervision
 Emily B. Damron
 Ryan R. Ramos
 James Trent
 Katelyn R. Wix+

ASSOCIATE OF
 INTERDISCIPLINARY
 STUDIES
Interdisciplinary Studies
 Natalyn L. Baranak+
 Charles C. Cassady++
 Josie E. Elliott
 Calla B. Fagone
 Gabrielle N. Gibbs
 Julia K. Jones
 Charles R. Knight, Jr.
 Jeffry Luc
 Bryan Mathews
 Madeline C. Prichard++
 Hailey V. Smelser+
 Mia G. West++
 Eric F. Williams

Gordon Ford College of Business Ogden College of Science & Engineering

Order of Exercises

December 12, 2025 | 10:30 a.m. | E.A. Diddle Arena

Dr. David N. Brown, Dean of Ogden College of Science & Engineering, Presiding
Dr. Evelyn Thrasher, Dean of Gordon Ford College of Business, Presiding

Grand March
Graduates, Faculty, and Platform Party

Welcome
President Timothy C. Caboni

“The Star-Spangled Banner”
Kiris Ray, Vocal Performance Major
Madison Kircher, Biology Major

U.S. Army Oath of Commission
Major Chase Attwood

Recognition of Honor Graduates
Dr. Bud Fischer, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Dr. Bud Fischer, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Conferral of Degrees
President Timothy C. Caboni and Jan West, Board of Regents Chair

Congratulatory Remarks
Dr. David N. Brown, Dean
Dr. Evelyn Thrasher, Dean

Presentation of Ceremonial Diplomas
Dr. David N. Brown, Dean
Dr. Evelyn Thrasher, Dean

Greetings from the WKU Alumni Association
Kevin Mays, WKU Alumni Association President

Closing Remarks
Dr. Bud Fischer, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Gordon Ford College of Business

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Evelyn Thrasher

Associate Dean
Alex Lebedinsky

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Accounting
Stacy Bibelhauser

Economics
David Zimmer

Finance
Christopher Brown

Information Systems
Ray Blankenship

Management
Whitney Peake

Marketing
Lukas Forbes

Ogden College of Science & Engineering

Dean
David N. Brown

Associate Dean
Stuart Burris

Associate Dean
Cathleen Webb

Department Chairs & School Directors

*Agriculture and
Food Science*
Paul Woosley

Biology
Douglas McElroy

Chemistry
Matthew Nee

*Earth, Environmental,
& Atmospheric Sciences*
Leslie North

*Engineering
& Applied Sciences*
Mark Cambron
Guangming Xing

Mathematics
Kanita DuCloux

Physics and Astronomy
Michael Carini

Psychological Sciences
Katrina Burch

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Gordon Ford College of Business

Dr. Evelyn Thrasher, Dean

MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY

Accountancy and Data Analysis

Natalie E. Hart
Cing S. Muang
Marcus C. Phelps
Riley M. Richardson

MASTER OF ARTS

Applied Economics

Garrett A. Giles
Paul Nuroh N. Kyeremeh
Joshua O. Ohimai-Uzebu

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Business Administration

Benjamin Andrews, Jr.
Ryan C. Barclay
Andrew Bates
Maria C. Betz
Christopher T. Biggs
Atly Blum
Derek Burke, II
Casey L. Cherry
Dalton W. Chism
Erik Davis
Nathan De Ycaza
Kingsley I. Eze
Haley E. Kirtley
Benjamin Lyon
James C. Mack, Jr.
Carson Marlowe
Andres A. Matos, Jr.
Kayo Mills
Caleb M. Moore
Jon S. Newton
Terry L. Obee
Jennifer S. Pedicini
Jessica Sanchez
Gina E. Stoll
Kayley E. Stone
Victor R. Suarez

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Cybersecurity Data Analytics

Arianna Brantley
Gary J. Kilmer
Nicholas Stanek
Chun Hei Yuen

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Economics

Mason I. Thomas

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Accounting

Altin Ademi
Justin T. Allen
Chapel A. Bryant
Asmir Cerimovic**
Maria F. Damian**
Lily E. Davis*
Camryn N. Dillehay
Tyler S. Hardcastle
Nejra Hasanovic
Kaitlyn N. Hesson***
Jake U. Jackson
Misty F. Kelly**
Adam M. Logsdon
Shelby L. Markus
Abigail G. Meyer**
Ethan M. Parker
Sandra G. Rutledge***
Preston E. Schmitt
Emma G. Shaw**
Courtney S. Shelton■*
Brian L. Sosa**
Kaylee P. Spurlock**
Miracle R. Stinson
Caden J. Whittle
Kyndra M. Winters***

Business Data Analytics

Kayla M. Holleran
Joshua M. McMurry
Erlind Mirena
Ian T. Shimizu

Business Economics

Dillon R. Cox■*
William P. Hughes*
Madeline B. Slagel***
Ataullah Tahiri■***

Finance

Camron M. Arnold***
Riley A. Basham
Katie R. Copas
Ethan P. Donnelly
Izabella L. Fratus
Nicholas P. Holzknecht**
Troy Howard***
Elsa L. Humphrey*
James V. Latella, Jr.
John J. Malley, IV
Gage A. McCombs**
Jamison W. McPherson*
Tate K. Meriwether**
Chase A. Nelson
Kaely E. Peterson
Noah C. Royal***
Wyatt M. Schultz
Ataullah Tahiri■***
Sebastian M. Young
Niang S. Zo***

Management

Dakota T. Allen
Callie M. Bauer***
Ceul L. Bik
Kaitlyn R. Blakley**
William J. Boyles
Ian M. Brown
William P. Bruehl*
Zachary T. Cary
Delaney R. Chilton***
Robert S. Coppage
Derrick Crouch**
Nick C. Dawson
Zachary G. Doran
Lloana L. Escobar
Brandi S. Flowers
Leslie K. Ford***
Abigail N. Freas
Madison F. Hagan

Samuel H. Hyland

Mason B. Johnson
Chris Joseph
Emma J. Kelley
Kaytlan E. Kemp***
Ava E. Key
Richard C. King***
Jenna Kittrell***
Cing H. Lun*
Dylan L. Lunsford
Hadley L. Lytton
Caleb S. Marmo
Reece M. Martin
Anna A. McGlothlin***
Leslie N. Miller***
Grant C. Mills***
Maryan H. Mohamed***
Brian Molgaard*
Emely J. Olvera Tumax**
Shreya N. Patel
Natalie B. Patterson***
Audrey Paul***
Matthew B. Peake
Lauren N. Perdue
Nadia L. Poore
Shekiya Porter
Brylee E. Rhodes
Ciin N. Sang**
Cheani J. Schroeder
Lauren G. Shultz***
Kelsy R. Sprouse
Alyssa A. Tripp***
Hosea L. Wheeler
Lia N. Whitfield
Griffin Wynsma
Mariana Zegada Osuna***

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College of Business

Marketing

Kyle M. Beard
Johnathan C. Carlisle
Bryce Donato
Jordan A. Eddy
Vynessa D. Gaerte***
Ella K. Galvin■**
Stacy C. Hamilton■*
Courtney Hauser**
Andrew C. Hayden
Chyann L. Holmes
Larkin E. Jarboe**
Kendall H. Kelly
Alaina V. Krieger
Grace M. Love*
Micah J. Marasigan■*
Reed C. Marple
Robert I. McCune
Mason A. Petlock
Mallory S. Poat**
Silas A. Roof
William P. Rudder
Maggie A. Ryan
Trinity M. Smith
Ronald J. Tedder
Kylie E. Thompson***
Kyndal L. Wilbanks
Nicholas P. Wilson■***
Blake E. Wood
Sarah E. Woodson
Kayleigh O. Worth*

Mathematical Economics

Justin M. Vila***

**Ogden College of Science
& Engineering**

Dr. David N. Brown, Dean

MASTER OF ARTS

Mathematics

Elizabeth D. Armstrong
George M. Jacks, III
Rob A. Kremer, Jr.

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Biology

Matthew Gillen
Eric R. Good
Rangana N. Ratnayake
Rachel M. Stevens
Monae L. Taylor

Chemistry

Loveth I. Marcel
Md Towhidul Islam Tareqe

Computer Science

Curie Tranquil Vattepu Benson

Engineering Management

Samantha J. Duncan
Peter Luksik
Jason Roskens

Homeland Security Sciences

Mark E. Carver
Jocelyn P. Evans
Laura L. Hale
Megan R. Meyer
Donna G. Peck
Julie J. Scott
Eric A. Stadtfeld
Luis D. Trujillo

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Mathematics

Dylan T. Berry
Emma K. Bunch■***
Stephen P. Campbell
Ellie R. Copas***
Arion M. Ford

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Agriculture

Brooklyn N. Adams
Luken J. Allen
Megan N. Boyd
Madorah P. Brooks
Brooks A. Dorman
Katelyn R. Grady
Whitney L. Jernigan
Sarah E. Lawson
Justin T. Norris***
Addison E. Ramey
Brentley T. Sorgmann*
Joe P. Taylor**
Ian B. White**

Architectural Science

Madalyn M. Davis***
Syntyah R. Hamilton
Nicholas K. Hines
Emily G. Sanborn***
Chloe G. Wright*

Biochemistry

Grayson H. Duvall■***

Biology

Isabel L. Ayala
Amelia R. Baker*
Jasmine R. Carroll
Jaden E. Cochran
Madison D. Cox■**
Charles C. Cross, III
Alexis G. Johnson*
Madison B. Kircher■*
Ella G. Longest
Hannah M. Mathis
Avery A. Morgan***
Caroline G. Parsley*
Lindsey M. Sargent◆■***
Rose L. Smith**
Paxton C. Walsh
Tucker W. Wells***
Caleb N. Wright*

Chemistry

Dylan C. Mathena
Benjamin T. Vice

Civil Engineering

Mustafa Abdekhalak
Morgan E. Cambron***
Caroline S. Cook■***
Jackson C. Dunn
Cole Hollinsworth
Carson A. Millay***
Laken M. Moffitt*
John S. Murphree
Scott P. Roberts
Benjamin J. Weintz
Zachery S. Yates**

Computer Information Technology

Aldin Begic
Hayden N. Billingsley
Trevante D. Boyd
Xavier J. Brundidge
Cameron M. Calvert
Blaine M. Casteel
Garrett T. Crumes**
Bart E. Hayes
Damon L. Hicks
Wesley R. Holman*
Bryson J. Howard
Carter C. Hutcheson**
Chloe M. Kidd
David P. Killeen
Jenna N. Kitchens**
Ethan Midgette
Matthew S. Napier
Eloi Ngabonziza
Nicholas L. Pecora
Wyatt Sleight
Ruben D. Soto-Cantalejo
Dayne B. Thomas**
Trevor Underwood*
Stephanie A. Wellman***
Corbin L. Werner
Jackson D. White***
Ethan L. Wilborn■**
Taylor Young

Computer Science

Emir Becirovic
Ethan R. England
Kelcee R. Gabbard*
Nicholas J. Johnson*
Benjamin H. Pena

Construction Management

Dalton N. Bahr
William A. Caudle**
Ashton S. Cerwinski**
Riley M. Cook
Jacob T. Dennis
William S. Donelson, IV
Jeovany Garduno
Chadwick S. Goldsmith
John H. Hart
Evan M. Hayse
Jessie M. Hepp
Di Anna McGuire*
Michael W. Mitchell**
Spencer W. Newman*
Shalon M. O'Bryan
Bryson D. Perry
Nancy R. Rodriguez
Peyton M. Snyder
Isaac S. Southard
Conner B. Townsend-Durocher
Nolan S. Vankleeck
John C. Walden*
Trevor J. Whaley

Electrical Engineering

Charles T. Dixon
David L. Garrett
Kenny T. Hoang*
David Lian U. Mung
Lonnie D. Shirah
Jason Sprague
Cadan G. Stephanski**
John B. Stephanski*
James E. Sublett**
Travis S. Tartar**
Micah R. Windhaus

Engineering Technology Management

Roger Bargo
Martin T. Cartwright
Andy Do
Justin L. Heidel
Kenneth L. Tapp
Braxston J. Trivett
Bryan Whitson

Environmental, Sustainability, and Geographic Studies

Jocelyn K. Agee
Eston S. Baur
Trent A. McCoy
Natalia R. Nussbaumer***
Carter E. Pannell***
Carson Potter
Megan R. Raab
Jackson E. Sutton
Nathan D. Voight

Geological Sciences

John R. Parker
Dayvon K. Woodard

Manufacturing Engineering Technology

Graham A. Kinzel
Larry D. Pearson

Mechanical Engineering

Caleb T. Ayala
Elizabeth R. Bowles***
Nathan C. Brown
Ryan D. Gensheimer**
Brionda L. Johnson
Zhongxu Lin
Charlize T. Luehmann***
Aydon Lyvers*
Logan A. Maynard
Andrew W. Mueller
Abby D. Myers■**
Noah R. Myers
Amelia C. Sheffield
Jonathan B. White

Middle Grades Mathematics

Maxwell D. Dukes
Ashley A. Milliner

Middle School Science

Mallory G. Jones*

Physics

Dylan T. Berry

Psychological Science

Ivette J. Arce-Flores
Sophia J. Bryant■***
Lily E. Faulkenberg■***
Jalynn N. Gann
Isaiah R. Hisler
Jordan E. Kirby
Emma N. Metzgar
Grace E. Wells
Olivia S. Zimmerman

College of Health and Human Services

Order of Exercises

December 12, 2025 | 1:00 pm | E.A. Diddle Arena

Dr. Tania B. Basta, Dean, Presiding

Grand March

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Congratulatory Remarks

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Recognition of Degree Recipients

Dr. Tania B. Basta, Dean

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WKU Brass Ensemble, Directed by Dr. Gary Schallert

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College of Health and Human Services

Dean

Dr. Tania B. Basta

Sr. Associate Dean

Dr. Danita S. Kelley

Interim Associate Dean

Dr. Ritchie D. Taylor

Faculty Fellow for Space and Facilities

Mr. Travis K. Wilson

Department Chairs & School Directors

Applied Human Sciences

Dr. Ann E. Embry

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Dr. Kimberly J. Green

Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport

Dr. Paula A. Upright

Nursing and Allied Health

Dr. Liz Sturgeon

Physical Therapy

Dr. Beth S. Norris

Public Health

Dr. Grace Lartey

Social Work

Dr. Grace Lartey

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College of Health and Human Services

Dr. Tania Basta, Dean

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Shelby E. Atwell

Low Sodium Diet Health Literacy in Community Dwelling Adults

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Eve Main

Caitlin Sloan Caroland

Quality of Life in Individuals with Lipedema: A Pilot Study

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Eve Main

MASTER OF HEALTH

ADMINISTRATION

Health Administration

Douglas K. Gott

Michael B. Lorenzana

Catherine A. Neuman

Ashley D. Watson

MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Public Health

Yolanda T. Benson

Gloria L. Crump

Tammy A. Davis

Shawn M. Scarpa

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Child and Family Studies

Ashley N. Mullins

Environmental and Occupational Health Science

Christopher M. Haughtigan

Lloyd Luapula

Recreation and Sport Administration

Brandon J. Doughty

Jalen K. Ellington

Jalen A. Hampton

George Hart, III

Kyle R. Huber

Kyle A. Jackson

Bryce P. Jones

Matthew C. Lutz

Alison M. Van Brunt

Speech-Language Pathology

Colene Brauer

Emily N. Scott

Rivka Waldbaum

Sarah N. Winkler

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Nursing

Manisha Arora

Sydney G. Ernst

Abby M. Evans

Ashley M. Evans

Brittney Gilbert

Bradley D. Godbey

William H. Gregory

Nelson R. Gritton, II

Rachel M. Held

Natalie A. Holland

Dionjae S. Hopper

Wendy C. Kahler

Rhonda Muhammad

Natasha M. Perry

Cady R. Schoeck

Beverly R. Smith

Megan L. Smith

Emily M. Speidel

Whitney M. Wheeler

Macey N. Wright

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Social Work

Abigail G. Noe

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Child and Family Services

Stacy N. Cary**

Briley A. Crabtree

Johanna Livingston

Maycie M. Mudd

Sara Ogans***

Anayah M. Rivas

Hannah G. Shelley

Environmental and Occupational Health Science

William T. Hughes

Jackson K. Knight

Exercise Science

Owen Baker

Isaiah L. Bouldin

Shelby K. Caudill

Lexi M. Clements*

William N. Divine

Jaelynn P. Etienne***

Hannah L. Fletcher*

Natalie C. Harrell Rigdon*

Lauren A. Hellmann*

Marshall J. Jackson

Elijah C. Jones

Mia D. Jones*

Madyson A. Parker**

Reese B. Pearson*

Bailey Poole***

Ellie S. Scorsone-Stovall***

Kendall E. Wade*

Family and Consumer Sciences

Samantha Hickerson

Health Care Administration

Sydney R. Alley***

Nicole M. Chylka

DaniMarie Cruz*

Hannah L. Heschke*

Conner D. Kingery**

Ko Meh

Sara M. Parsley

Victoria M. Peters

Alaezha R. Taliaferro

Jackson T. Willett*

Health Information Management

Nuamlun K. Khai

Amber M. Reed

Health Sciences

Sarah L. Baker

Lauren H. Bell**

Kelsey J. Brown

Kylie G. Campbell**

Alexa M. Casey

Kaitlynn B. Cornwell**

Sydney P. DeRossitt

Allyson Duraney**

Cady E. Farmer

CieAyra Z. Fields

Lexi K. Funk

Macalyn J. Gencauski

Tinley M. Graves

Nerma Halcic

Rachel Hausmann*

Drew I. Jimenez

Dara N. May

Brianna N. McHenry**

Skylar M. Oliver

Katherine M. Pettitt■*

Haley F. Spears**

Lauralee F. Swincher

Kristina J. Volker

Emma R. Willgruber

Spencer N. Zapfe

Hospitality Management and Dietetics

Kaitlyn P. Chapman***

Skylyn T. Goldberg

Lydia K. Rose■***

Interior Design and Fashion Merchandising

Emma C. Brewer***

Megan R. Christensen■***

Ava K. Distefano***

Elizabeth Elegado***

Taryn L. Elkin**

Windy C. Fusner**

Katey L. Goodwin

Caitlin M. Hazelwood

Kaitlyn R. McMichael***

Juliana B. Paisley

Kaitlyn A. Reynolds

Leah B. Shaw**
 Katie B. Shelton**
 Shelby E. Smith
 Isabelle F. Walker
 Makena F. Wiefering*

Physical Education

Trenton L. Ford
 John T. Strode

Public Health

Gracyn M. Ford*

**Recreation, Park, and
 Nonprofit Administration**

Henry E. Doyle
 Danielle A. Howard
 Carson E. Sansenbach
 Meagan L. Spicer*
 MaKaylee B. Thompson***

Sport Management

Jaden C. Burns*
 Melvin D. Collins, Jr.**
 Daniel C. Cristiani
 Lily G. Critchelow**
 Jalen L. Emery
 Jacob R. Jones
 Ja'Veon L. Manning
 Tristan C. Moore***
 Rex T. Robich
 Jackson T. Rogers
 Jon-Hunter S. Vance
 Dante J. Walker
 Callahan M. Wiegandt

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
 IN NURSING**

Nursing

Jonathan S. Abbey**
 Trey M. Barzee
 Alexis L. Beals**
 Emily Briseno**
 Lilie C. Broady*
 Alexa C. Bruce*
 Avery E. Clark
 Karina G. Combs**
 Addison G. Corder
 Lauren E. Dowd***
 Laynee B. Emmick
 Sydney G. Ernst**
 Ashley M. Evans*
 Grace M. Fleck***
 Lauren E. Floyd
 Sydney R. Fortwendel

Brittney Gilbert**
 Bradley D. Godbey**
 Nejra Golubovic***
 William H. Gregory***

Nelson R. Gritton, II
 Brooke A. Haley
 Megan A. Haynes
 Rachel M. Held
 Audrey K. Hinkle
 Karoline A. Holland
 Natalie A. Holland**
 Wendy C. Kahler***
 Lauren E. Kelly
 Jordan E. Kirby
 Kathryn S. Knuckles
 Lisa R. Lanas
 Natalie Lostutter**
 Aldyn G. Mathis
 Annabella E. McKinney
 Brooke E. Mitchell■*
 Anna C. Moock*
 Unia D. Moody
 Jessica B. Nesler
 Nicole A. Ossege***
 Talyne K. Payne*
 Eric C. Peterson
 Reagan E. Potter
 Avery G. Proffitt-Burks**
 Emily K. Rose**
 Trinity G. Rose***
 Kaitlyn D. Sabin
 Cady R. Schoeck
 Kara B. Scott
 Beverly R. Smith***
 Megan L. Smith
 Emily M. Speidel**
 Brianna Spinks**
 Amelia C. Spurlin***
 Amelia K. Stewart*
 Olivia T. Stice*
 Emme S. Thurston■***
 Charlotte I. Trunk*
 Amy E. Wahl
 Emily M. Wilkey*
 Karli M. Withers
 Macey N. Wright**
 Felicity J. Young

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
 IN SOCIAL WORK**
Social Work
 Maurice Davenport, Jr.

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE
 IN NURSING**

Nursing

Haley M. Allen
 Lori F. Attkisson
 Mandy L. Barlic++
 Montgomery T. Basham
 Raphael A. Battad
 Chelsea Beaty
 Renae M. Bettencourt
 Billie C. Bilbrey
 Jamie W. Boles
 Brittany Branum
 Kiersten J. Brooks+
 Caleb A. Brown
 DeShunna Clark
 Katie M. Clinard
 Alyssa J. Conrad
 Haley M. Coomer
 MaKayla M. Cornett Bain
 Laura Cox
 Martiuka V. Crabtree
 Elizabeth Crowder
 Jady P. Dawson
 Justise Dawson+
 Lisa M. Dietrich
 Juliet O. Dirichukwu
 Lacey E. Eaton
 Arjana T. Esters
 Deza'Rae Flewallen
 Precious Fortune
 Ericka R. Gardner
 Kayla E. Gray
 Tiffany D. Gray
 Makala J. Gregory
 Kyleigh Hardy
 April E. Hawkins
 Chelsea L. Hodges

Barbara Holland
 Brittany L. Hunsucker
 Jessica Hurst
 Erika C. Isaacs
 Rosa M. Jaramillo
 Emily Johnson
 Kara D. Jones
 Bethany B. King
 Jonatan I. Macias
 Autumn F. McClanahan
 Amber V. McMurray
 Cynesha McMurry
 Alicia D. Miller
 Heather N. Miller
 Claire B. Montoya
 Shelby L. Moore
 Rozita C. Morehead
 James C. Morton, III
 Elizabeth B. Parham
 Amanda Phillips++
 Kelsie L. Pierpoint
 Ramon Pineda Galvan
 James H. Powers
 Brittany Ramsey
 Kasey Robbins
 Travia N. Roberson
 Alesia B. Russell
 Breanna Santangelo McGee
 Kelsy S. Satterfield
 Tamala Scantland
 Laurel A. Scarbrough+
 Regan Seay
 Versean Sherrill
 Debralee J. Shrode
 Julie K. Stockton
 Sara Stojanovic
 Quaniece L. Stokes
 Jamie Stovall
 Brooke Trail
 Stephanie N. Tucker
 Patricia M. Walker
 Cala D. Wells
 Leah M. Williams
 Tyiesha L. Wilson

College Heights

Mary F. Bradley, 1930

Verse One

College Heights on hilltop fair with beauty all thine own,
Lovely jewel far more rare than graces any throne.
College Heights, We hail Thee.
We shall never fail Thee.
Falter never, live forever
Hail! Hail! Hail!

Verse Two

College Heights with living soul and purpose strong and true,
Service ever is thy goal, thy Spirit ever new.
College Heights, We hail Thee.
We shall never fail Thee.
Falter never, live forever
Hail! Hail! Hail!

Verse Three

College Heights thy noble life shall e'er our pattern be,
Teaching us through joy and strife to love humanity.
College Heights, We hail Thee.
We shall never fail Thee.
Falter never, live forever
Hail! Hail! Hail!

The Star-Spangled Banner

Francis Scott Key, 1814

Oh Say! can you see, by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight
O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there
Oh, say, does that Star-spangled Banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave

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