



COMMENCEMENT



MAY 13, 2023

Lead On, O King Eternal

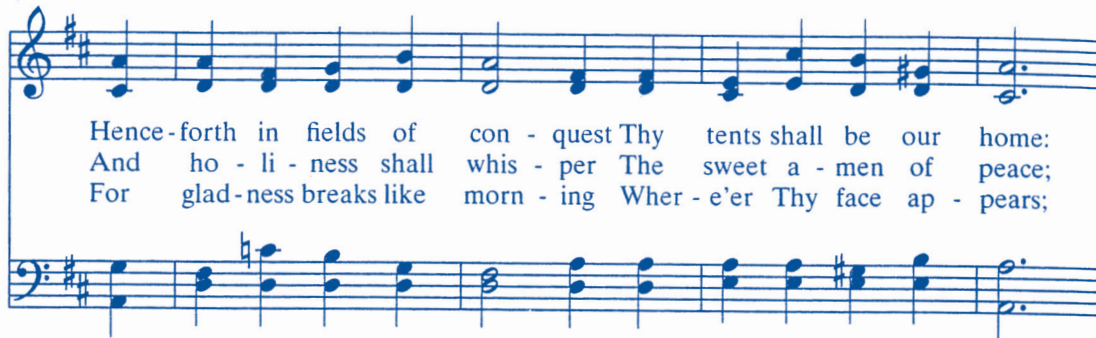
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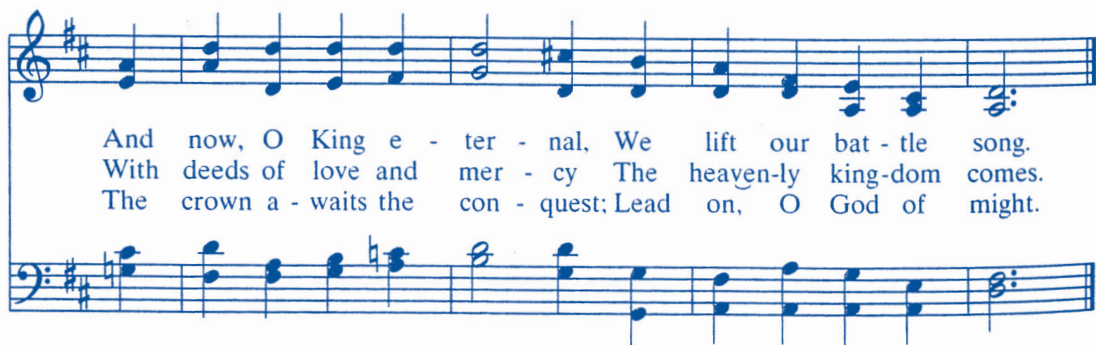
1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, The day of march has come;
2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: We fol - low, not with fears;



Hence - forth in fields of con - quest Thy tents shall be our home;
And ho - li - ness shall whis - per The sweet a - men of peace;
For glad - ness breaks like morn - ing Wher - e'er Thy face ap - pears;



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion Thy grace has made us strong,
For not with swords' loud clash - ing, Nor roll of stir - ring drums;
Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; We jour - ney in its light:



And now, O King e - ter - nal, We lift our bat - tle song.
With deeds of love and mer - cy The heav - en - ly king - dom comes.
The crown a - waits the con - quest; Lead on, O God of might.

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COMMENCEMENT

Nine o'clock in the morning
May thirteenth, two thousand twenty-three
Morris Cultural Arts Center, Dunham Theater

Dr. Stanley Napper
Presiding

*Welcome	Dr. J. Matthew Boyleston <i>Professor of English & Writing</i>
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DEGREE CANDIDATES

The following degrees and certificates will be awarded upon completion of all requirements.

ARCHIE W. DUNHAM COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Karla Veronica Ramirez Flores
Data Analytics

Irma Jailene Pineda
Data Analytics

Christopher Lee
General Business

Mayowa Azeezat Seriki
Data Analytics

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Air Inginsan Aung
General Business

Sam Hofman ★
General Business

Sasha Danielle Olguin
General Business

Angela Mai Lei Baltimore
General Business

Maks Klanjscek
General Business

Jason O, Thompson Jr.
General Business

Madeleine Cauley
General Business

Jourdan B Kyles
General Business

Tina Thuc Tong ★★
General Business

Drew Gibson Decker
General Business

Erin Bailey Morrissey ★★★
General Business

Jessica L Wilson
General Business

Ja'Nelle Dezerae' Edwards ★★
General Business

Danny Alfred Muntean ★★
General Business

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Madison Elaine Adams ★★
Marketing

Ben Dale Andrew Caton ★★★
Finance

Nathaniel Timothy Ewest
Finance

Ayomidele Chukwudi Adeseun
Finance

Maria Emilia Colin Vazquez ★
Marketing

Samantha Jazmin Flores
Accounting

Miguel Hassan Amar
Finance

Esther Abigail Cordova ★★
Finance

Noa Elena Grochowski ★
International Business

Bessy Johanna Banegas
Finance

Loyda Abigail Cordova ★
Finance

Ma De Jesus Jimenez
Accounting

Katilyn Marie Bell
Management

Jamila Peniel Cross ★★★
Accounting

Victoria Grace Kenney
Marketing

Priynka V Bhambhani
Marketing

Dillon Bradley Etter ★
International Business

Ashlie Hazel Kunschick
Management

★ CUM LAUDE

★★ MAGNA CUM LAUDE

★★★ SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Sitara Lalani
Management

Brett Allen Neubauer ★★
Management

Jessica Dafne Rose ★★
Management

Makenzy Alexandria Leonard ★★
Marketing

Alyssa Thanh Nguyen ★★
Marketing

Drew Everett Russell
Finance

Luchesi Vale Macedo
Finance

Joshua Chinekefurumanya Nkwo ★
Management

Christian Saldivar ★★
Management

Vannia Vanessa Mendoza ★★
Accounting

Michael Chukunweike Ogashi
Management

Michael John Townsend ★★★
Management

Andy Ronaldo Merida
Management

Silvia Raquel Ortiz Molina ★★★
Accounting

Tatiana Vasquez Ramirez ★★★
Marketing

Kevon Ellery Mosley
Accounting

Keaton Robert Parker ★
Management

Branden J Walker
Marketing

Caleb Daniel Munton
Management

Yareth Perez ★★
Finance

Jinghan Yang
Marketing

Merari Nambo ★★
Accounting

Brinkley Bass Richardson Junior ★★★
Management

Sirenia Tovar Navarro ★★
International Business

Samantha Del Carmen Romero Castillo
Marketing

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Shantai Danielle Warren
Organizational Development & Change

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Vickie Rechelle Anderson

Jeffrey Charles Green

Shonte N Randall

Manal Bayoumi

Matthew Macario Guerrero

Jared Burch Riley

Kenesha Faye Black

Lindsay P Harris

Talin Rae Rizo

Rita Chan

Rodrigo Alberto Mata Harrouch

Brittney Thomas

Akif Charinya

Enobong Joyce Houston

Zion Joshua Tordoff

Harshdeep Singh Chugh

Ye Lambert Charles Emmanuel
Dominique Kodjo Koffy

LaTresia Kiona Wilson

Aristophane Drouillard

Tamaraefieye Isaac Oweiotu-Ebi

Brennan Luke Young

Amanda Aster D'souza

Jared Ceasar Pyland

★ CUM LAUDE

★★ MAGNA CUM LAUDE

★★★ SUMMA CUM LAUDE

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Brady Batten
Management & Entrepreneurship

Leandre Wayne Prince
Human Resources Management

Farah N Walker
Management & Entrepreneurship

Ke'Ona Ja'Nae' Butler
Human Resources Management

Nyla Marie Robinson
Human Resources Management

Shantai Danielle Warren
Human Resources Management

Oluwatoyin Temitayo Oredoko
Human Resources Management

Joseph Angelo Lim Tiongson
Human Resources Management

Yaya Guislana Lukoki Pombolo
Human Resources Management

Zachary Ver Ferrer Villafuerte
Management & Entrepreneurship

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

MASTER OF ARTS

Taylor Erikson-Renken
History

Ilayda Ogtun
History

MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Eugenie LeBlanc Adams
Creative Writing

Katricia Michelle Lang
Screenwriting

Hannah Nicole Phelps
Creative Writing

Femi Olajire Akande
Studio Art

Symone Aimee LeFlore Murphy
Creative Writing

Courtney Nichole Shilo
Studio Art

Ashleigh Brooks Buchanan
Studio Art

Christopher M Lewis
Studio Art

William Henderson Soller
Studio Art

Maria A. Castagnetti Leal
Studio Art

Francis López Muñoz
Studio Art

Nicholas Alexander Vafiadis
Creative Writing

Charles Jason Collins
Studio Art

Rachel Victoria Marrero
Creative Writing

Kelsi Lyn Walters
Studio Art

Laura M Flores
Studio Art

Terri Denise McKnight
Studio Art

Isabella Jenny Wu
Creative Writing

Marcy Elaine Karmout
Studio Art

Lauren Elizabeth Otto
Screenwriting

MASTER OF LIBERAL ARTS

Kelly Blythe Garrison

Kerry Coleen Wagenhoffer

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Sharon Ibironke Ajayi
Computer Science

Nathanael Paul Alcorn ★★★
Electrical Engineering

Stephanie Arriaga
Biology

Ryan D Barnes ★
Computer Science

Joel Javier Bray
Computer Science

Ainsley Hannah Brown ★★
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Jacob William Buckles ★★
Cyber Engineering

Xiaofan Cai ★★★
Chemistry

Areeg Chishty
Biology

Isabella Felise De Carlos ★
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Andrea Marie De Leon
Biology

Crystal Vi Dinh
Chemistry

Darius Miles Gatson ★
Computer Science

Kim Bach N Giep ★★
Biology

Mayra Lizet Granados ★
Biology

Yenny He Lin ★★
Electrical Engineering

Aracely Hernandez
Biology

Eunice Hernandez Molina
Cyber Engineering

Charles Andrew Hoffmeister ★
Computer Science

Sean D Horgan ★★★
Cyber Engineering

Johnny Fulton Hoy
Cyber Engineering

Nadine I Ineza ★★
Computer Science

Shatavia L James
Biology

Annmaria Baiju Joseph
Biology

David Paul Kim ★
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Alyssa Nicole Long ★
Biology

Carmen Lopez-Alvarenga
Chemistry

Gabrielle Nnenna Mbagwu ★
Chemistry

Stephen Wangai Mukuria
Cyber Engineering

Maira M. Mulla ★★★
Biology

Saman Nekoobahr ★★★
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Xavier Ngo
Computer Science

Keren Lee Oliver ★★★
Biology

Mariana Orozco Segovia
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Christopher Ngoc Tam Phan
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Kenneth A Pipas Jr
Electrical Engineering

Eber Poitan
Biology

Benjamin Osvaldo Ramirez
Chemistry

Alexandre Rafael Schnell Ribeiro
Biology

Davin Gabriel Sanchez
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Belen Hailemichael Seyoum
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Anina Elsa Shajimon ★
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Melanye Silva
Biology

Tekaari L Slaughter
Cyber Engineering

Sarai Valdespino
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Zeinab Hasan Wafi ★★
Biology

Jasie Leann Williams-Roberts ★★★
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Sierra D Wright
Biology

Marika-Aurora Gracie Young
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

Alvina Zia ★★★
Biology

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Anees Alameldin ★★★
Legal Studies

Julia Paola Alvarez
Criminal Justice/Spanish

Antonio Eli Aranda
Political Science

Sarah A Ayala ★
Medical Humanities

Lishelle Bacon
Interdisciplinary Studies

Archie A Bijou Jr
Interdisciplinary Studies

Kristina M. Bonner
Mass Media Arts

Stephen V. Breedlove Jr.
Interdisciplinary Studies

Kevin Tyler Conley
Interdisciplinary Studies

April Faith Conner ★★★
English

Diego Andres Davila
Interdisciplinary Studies

Celeste Dominique Dunn ★★★
Legal Studies

Holli Michelle Evans
Interdisciplinary Studies

Karisma D Gillam
Interdisciplinary Studies

Evelyn Gonzalez ★
Medical Humanities

Michael Wayne Harrell Jr.
Interdisciplinary Studies

Tiffany Josefina Hinojosa ★★★
Legal Studies

Annie Ho ★★
Criminal Justice

Katina Denese Holland
Interdisciplinary Studies

Chloe M Hudspeth ★
Studio Art

Kristi Ann Hunsaker
Interdisciplinary Studies

Zachary Iyeyemi
Interdisciplinary Studies

Michael Alexander Johnican
Interdisciplinary Studies

Tracy Johnson ★
Interdisciplinary Studies

Imad Khan
Interdisciplinary Studies

Ryan J Lee ★★★
English

Charlette Lemaire
Interdisciplinary Studies

Jeeline Jomento Martinez ★
Interdisciplinary Studies

Nathan McCollum ★
Music

Celestine Denice Morales ★★
Criminal Justice

Hannah G. Morley
Medical Humanities

Cameron Edward Morvant ★★★
Creative Writing

Margarita Sanchez Nadal
Interdisciplinary Studies

Kim Thuan Ngoc Nguyen ★
Medical Humanities

Keily Abigail Palacios
Medical Humanities

Elise Johanna Cabatingan Parel
Interdisciplinary Studies

Brittany Payne
Interdisciplinary Studies

Giovany Moises Perez
Criminal Justice

Esther M. Poulouse
Medical Humanities

Melanie Irais Prince
Interdisciplinary Studies

Ashley R Quamme
Interdisciplinary Studies

Benjamin Osvaldo Ramirez
Music

Alexis Nicole Renteria
Interdisciplinary Studies

Cindy Reyes
Medical Humanities

Alexis Caroline Ritterbush ★★
History/Music

Julia Rodriguez
Criminal Justice

Guiselle Guadalupe Rubio ★★★
Legal Studies

Mary Jacklyn Salazar ★★
Interdisciplinary Studies

★ CUM LAUDE

★★ MAGNA CUM LAUDE

★★★ SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Jayden Markel Seals ★
Music

George Thomas VanZant ★★
Political Science

Eric Alexander Villanueva
Medical Humanities

Robert Eugene Smith Jr.
Interdisciplinary Studies

Alexandra Christine Vasquez
Legal Studies

Catie Cheryl Wuensche ★★★
English

Chase Jackson Stokes
Interdisciplinary Studies

Victoria Lynn Vasquez ★★★
Narrative Arts

Victoria Ashley Yarber
Medical Humanities

Kelli Alysse Valbuena
Criminal Justice

Meike Cornelia Maria Verdaasdonk
Interdisciplinary Studies

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Matthew Hunter Bridges ★★
Cinematic Arts

Elaynna Michelle Robins ★★★
Cinematic Arts

Thu Ngoc Minh Vo
Graphic Design

Nathaniel Emile Chavez ★
Cinematic Arts

Cassidy Brendan Schramm ★★
Interactive Media & Digital Design

Miranda Marie Zaebst ★★★
Cinematic Arts

Hope Edwards ★★
Graphic Design

Trey Tayler Smith
Interactive Media & Digital Design

Dillon Matthew Zastrocky ★★★
Interactive Media & Digital Design

Vijay Reddy Kaila ★★★
Cinematic Arts

Victoria Celeste Trevino
Cinematic Arts

Esabior Rivera ★
Cinematic Arts

Luis Angel Vielmas ★★
Cinematic Arts

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Mike A Betancourt ★★★
Music Performance-Piano

Gabrielle Rene' Tyler
Music Performance-Voice

Petronilo Reyes Jr ★
Music Performance-Voice

Natalie Kaitlyn White ★
Music Performance-Voice

BACHELOR OF MUSIC EDUCATION

Arianna Rose Jacobs ★
Music-Vocal/Keyboard

SCHOOL OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Miriam A Dickey ★
Kinesiology-Sport Management

Trent Logan Letney
Kinesiology-Sport Management

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Nathan Ray Allen ★★
Kinesiology-Allied Health

Isaiah Jacob Alonzo
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Zaena Aram Alzahrawi ★
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Aysis J Azarcon ★
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Lashaun Bailey
Kinesiology-Allied Health

Abbey Kalea Bufkin
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Mitchell James Cashion
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Tianna JaQuai Crooks
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Nathaniel David Culbreath
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Avery Morgan Drake
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Timothy Gerard Ewald Jr.
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Travis Matthew Goode
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Alejandra D. Gutierrez
Kinesiology-Allied Health

Shaya E Kiemele
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Shirmalyn Da'Nay Moore
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Paul Morales Jr.
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Erin Bailey Morrissey ★★★
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Jennifer Ortuno
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Catherine Grace Perez ★★
Kinesiology-Allied Health

Elijah Mikal Quarles
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Javan Christian Smitherman
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Thien-Hieu Tang
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Robert C West
Kinesiology-Wellness Management

Amber Alexandra Zimmer ★★★
Kinesiology-Allied Health

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Oluwapelumi Adebimpe Adebayo

Leslie Avila

Joanna Goh Basham ★★

Chloe Elizabeth Berry

Mackenzie Jewel Alyse Boehning ★

Ja'Natalye Denise Clark ★★

Jackeline Patricia Cura ★

C'ezanne Danielle M. Ealdama ★★★

Gladys Dragon Ebarle

Jenna Renee Edmonds ★

Brooke Alyse Franklin

Anna Elizabeth Gadway ★★

Cameron Lee Garcia ★★

Bryson C Gully

Jared Demetrice Hunter ★

Ayomide Esther Ilori

Elaina C Jones

Yetunde Olaide Kayode-Alhassan

Emma Nicole Larios

Hailey Lindsey

Rachel Long

Lesly Lopez Velazquez ★

Raveena Julia Mahabir ★★

Victoria Consuelo Martinez ★

Andraya-Grace Ngoyi Ngeya ★

Camilla Phuong Nguyen ★

Elizabeth Thanh Nguyen

Blessing Ohaeri ★

Ogechikanma Martha Oko ★★

Favour Chidinma Okoro ★★★

Christopher Gage Parham

Gabrielle Pedro ★★

Jazmine Balbina Perez Castillo ★★

Joanna Marie Plum

Leila Rastegar

Rebecca Madison Reeves ★★

Jocelyn Lisseth Romero

Zahir Taleyah Saei

Yesenia Salazar Hernandez

Andrew Vincent Tran ★

Chidinma Umeh

★ CUM LAUDE

★★ MAGNA CUM LAUDE

★★★ SUMMA CUM LAUDE

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Aracely Alvarez
Family Nurse Practitioner

Marissa J. Arlitt
Family Nurse Practitioner

Andrea Magdalena Barrios
Family Nurse Practitioner

Karla Yesica Camara
Family Nurse Practitioner

Monica Nguyen Cummins
Family Nurse Practitioner

Crystal Ann Gongora
Family Nurse Practitioner

Tina M Gonzales
Family Nurse Practitioner

Nikki Cherice Govan-Forge
Family Nurse Practitioner

Aimee Rene Nicole Grant
Family Nurse Practitioner

Blanca Lizzeth Gutierrez
Family Nurse Practitioner

Robert J Harris
Family Nurse Practitioner

Cindy Almanza Hinojosa
Family Nurse Practitioner

Manminder Kaur
Family Nurse Practitioner

Ngozi Kirsch
Family Nurse Practitioner

Christala Genee Lardas
Family Nurse Practitioner

Claudia Elena Loreda Rogers
Family Nurse Practitioner

Heather Adalynne Luper
Family Nurse Practitioner

Eden Mera
Family Nurse Practitioner

Patience Ekinadese Nehikhare
Family Nurse Practitioner

Laura Obiageli Okigbo
Family Nurse Practitioner

Lacey Lyn Overby
Family Nurse Practitioner

Marites Gomez Panopio
Family Nurse Practitioner

Ashley Monique Pollard
Family Nurse Practitioner

Shelley Ann Marie Ramirez
Family Nurse Practitioner

Veronica Ruth Riojas
Family Nurse Practitioner

Anabel Silva
Family Nurse Practitioner

Lauren Danielle Standfield
Family Nurse Practitioner

Emily May Weidler
Family Nurse Practitioner

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- *Welcome Dr. Vickey Giles
Associate Dean, Doctoral Programs & Grants
College of Education & Behavioral Sciences
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Mr. John Kirk, *Organ*
- *Scripture / Invocation Daylon Piper MDiv '23
- Hymn. *Lead On, O King Eternal* LANCASHIRE
Dr. David Kirkwood, *Tenor*
Mr. John Kirk, *Organ*
- Greetings Dr. Stanley Napper, *Provost &*
Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Special Music. *Give Me Jesus* Anonymous
Dr. David Kirkwood, *Tenor*
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- Recommendation of Class of 2023 Dr. Stanley Napper
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Mr. John Kirk, *Organ*
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SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Savannah Danielle Bradshaw
Christianity

Austin Michael Green
Christianity

Leul Mulugeta Tefera Sr ★★
Theological Studies

Jenna Nicole Frigon
Biblical Studies

Eric Owusu
Christian Ministry

Sierra Rae Gonzalez
Biblical Studies

Daylon L Piper ★★★
Christianity

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

William Anthony Scott
Philosophical Apologetics

MASTER OF ARTS

Grant Walker Broadhurst
Apologetics

Ryan Scott Minner
Apologetics

Johnnie Taylor
Theological Studies

Mary Louise Cornish
Apologetics

Tshepo Muvhulawa Rathiaya
Apologetics

Liang Yang
Christian Leadership

Craig Robert Fronckiewicz
Theological Studies

Claudette Richardson
Theological Studies

Mark W McNiel
Apologetics

William Anthony Scott
Apologetics

MASTER OF DIVINITY

Savannah Danielle Bradshaw

Daylon L Piper

James Eric Mingle

Abdias Samuel Sapon

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Samuel Kwasi Amponsem ★
Psychology

Emily Cardenas Cardenas
Psychology

Laura Janette Estrada ★
Psychology

Andrea Anzo
Psychology

Devon Mykalia Leigh Chase
Psychology

Immanuella Christopher Eyobio
Psychology

Xya Asia Balderas
Psychology

Katheryn Anne Collette
Psychology

Leslie Aine Garcia
Psychology

Daymar Campos ★
Psychology

Mya Ariana Dillon
Psychology

Soliyana Geberegieorgies
Psychology

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★★★ SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Joshua A Graham ★★
Psychology

Hailey Rena Harvey ★★★
Psychology/Studio Art

Steven Ho ★
Psychology

Silvia Ehizogie Iyamu ★
Psychology

Jimena Jimenez ★
Psychology

Esther Namutebi Kizito ★★
Psychology

Claudimira Augusto Landim
Psychology

Myrka Geovana Lopez
Psychology

Jackson Cornelius Moore
Psychology

Oyenike Blessing Oyewo
Psychology

Lyndee Potetz
Psychology

Brittney Nicole Robinson
Psychology

Sarah Ashley Monique White ★
Psychology

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Dorcas Madelin Cruz Zelaya ★★
EC-12 Art with Teacher Certification

Brooke Marie Koenig ★
*English, Language Arts & Reading (7-12)
with Teacher Certification & ESL*

Erin Belle Larmer
Elementary Education with ESL

Ryann Alessandra Luna
Elementary Education with ESL

Allexandra C Morales ★★
EC-12 Art with Teacher Certification

Hoai Tien Nguyen ★★★
Elementary Education with ESL

Kayla D Perrin ★★
Elementary Education with ESL

Reagan Nicole Rodgers ★★★
Elementary Education with ESL

Sherin E Varghese ★★
Elementary Education with ESL

Alfonso Vazquez Jr. ★★
*Kinesiology EC-12 with Teacher
Certification*

MASTER OF ARTS

Cynthia Ajin de Palomino
Marriage and Family Therapy

Koriyan Rhea Alexander
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Kimberly Kay Anderson
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Pooja Govind Bibe
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Megan Alyssa Brewer
Human Services

Amelia P Brown
Psychology

Maya Zhantè Burnett
Psychology

Mircle Monshay Carter
Marriage and Family Therapy

Flor M Caton
Psychology

Kennedy Rachelle Collins
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Lunden Daniel Davis
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DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

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A PHENOMENOLOGICAL STUDY OF
THE LIVED EXPERIENCES OF MIDDLE
SCHOOL TEACHERS IMPLEMENTING
A SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING
PROGRAM WITH AT-RISK STUDENTS

Sarah Lorraine Etter
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THE IMPACT OF ADMINISTRATORS
INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT ON
TEACHER EFFICACY FOR PREPARING
STUDENTS FOR HIGH-STAKES ONLINE
TESTING

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AND FIELD COACHES IN SECONDARY
SCHOOLS REGARDING THEIR
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN
THE WORKPLACE

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*Executive Leadership in Mental Health
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BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH:
SYSTEMIC REVIEW OF POLICY,
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CARE POLICY

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ADMINISTRATORS' PERCEPTIONS OF
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CERTIFIED TEACHERS' PERSPECTIVE
ON PREPAREDNESS WORKING IN HIGH
NEEDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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AFRICAN AMERICAN SINGLE MOTHERS
PURSUING AN ADVANCED DEGREE
WHILE RAISING CHILDREN

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PERCEPTION ON THE CURRENT ISSUES
OF SCHOOL SAFETY

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LEADERSHIP TOWARD EDUCATIONAL
EQUITY: A DIVE INTO THE SPILLOVER
EFFECTS OF COVID-19 IN A LARGE
TEXAS URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SELECTION, PLACEMENT, INDUCTION,
AND DEVELOPMENT OF NOVICE
MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE
TEACHERS IN TRANSFORMATION
SCHOOLS

Lesha Wincher
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PERCEPTIONS OF HEALTHCARE
HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTORS
REGARDING HIRING WITH COLLEGE
DEGREES OR WORK EXPERIENCE: A
NARRATIVE QUALITATIVE STUDY

UNDERGRADUATE HONORS

- ★ cum laude: grade point average of 3.50 to 3.69 on a 4.00 scale
- ★★ magna cum laude: grade point average of 3.70 to 3.89 on a 4.00 scale
- ★★★ summa cum laude: grade point average of 3.90 to 4.00 on a 4.00 scale

(Based on a minimum of 60 semester alpha hours in residence.)

THE PAGEANTRY OF ACADEMIC REGALIA

One of the more colorful aspects of a university commencement is the tradition of academic regalia developed by academic institutions in recognition of the accomplishments of scholars. American academic dress in the twenty-first century identifies specific degrees by distinctive robes and hoods.

The Robe

The robe for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. The robe for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, with the sleeve base hanging down in the traditional manner. The robe for the doctor's degree has a bell-shaped sleeve, with velvet panels and sleeve chevrons in black velvet or in distinctive colors representing the academic discipline.

The Hood

The hood is the most colorful feature of academic regalia. The outside of the hood is black trimmed with an edging of velvet or velveteen, in a color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains.

<i>White</i>	Arts, Letters and Humanities
<i>Drab</i>	Business Administration
<i>Copper</i>	Economics
<i>Light Blue</i>	Education
<i>Brown</i>	Fine Arts
<i>Peacock Blue</i>	Government
<i>Purple</i>	Law
<i>Lemon</i>	Library Science
<i>Pink</i>	Music
<i>Apricot</i>	Nursing
<i>Dark Blue or Black</i>	Philosophy
<i>Gold</i>	Computer Sciences, Statistics and Science
<i>White</i>	Sociology
<i>Scarlet</i>	Theology or Divinity

The hood is lined with the official color or colors of the university conferring the degree. HBU graduates proudly wear the Orange and Blue of their Alma Mater.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

The university mace is borne by the college marshal preceding the president in all academic processions. A mace was carried as a readily available weapon for the opening of official events in medieval England but later became a ceremonial symbol of office.

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TEN PILLARS 2030

THE CORE CONVICTIONS OF HBU

Pillar I: God, the Creator of a Good and Knowable World

Pillar II: A Plan of Restoration

Pillar III: The Importance of Human Agency

Pillar IV: A Renewed People

Pillar V: A Mandate to Understand the World

Pillar VI: Learning and Teaching as Discipleship

Pillar VII: Life, Marriage, Gender, and Humanness

Pillar VIII: Governmental Institutions

Pillar IX: The Christian University

Pillar X: The Mystery of Unity in Christ

Houston Baptist University has a history of affirming these particular ways of thinking and living, which we hereby describe as Ten Pillars. These convictions are an essential part of the traditional beliefs and commitments of the University. They are set forth here to bring to mind the ten physical pillars that are now iconic on our campus and thus represent the durable historical and theological commitments that undergird our practices and enable us to translate our worldview, Preamble, and mission into academic programs, curricular structures, and habits of the mind and heart. HBU confesses and takes shelter under these Ten Pillars.

Unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees

September 21, 2021

OUR MISSION

The mission of Houston Baptist University is to provide a learning experience that instills in students a passion for academic, spiritual, and professional excellence as a result of our central confession, “Jesus Christ is Lord.”

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February 24, 2009

Hail the Orange and Blue

The musical score is written on a single staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The score is divided into measures by bar lines, with measure numbers 5, 9, 13, 17, 21, 25, and 29 marked at the beginning of their respective lines. The lyrics are: 'In the great state of Tex - as, Hous-ton, U. S. A. Stands our no - ble al - ma ma - ter, Christ say-ing, "I am the way." In our search for know - ledge, tem-pered with thy love. Seek-ing our place of ser-vice with wis-dom from a - bove. Give us cour-age, strength and faith. To face a world filled with fear. E-ver on-ward to the chal-lenge, know-ing Thou art near. God bless our school. Keep her safe and true. God bless our al - ma ma - ter. Hail the Orange and Blue.'

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The Nature of the Institution

The Houston Baptist University is a Christian liberal arts university dedicated to the development of moral character, the enrichment of spiritual lives, and the perpetuation of growth in Christian ideals. Founded under the providence of God and with the conviction that there is a need for a university in this community that will train the minds, develop the moral character and enrich the spiritual lives of all people who may come within the ambit of its influence, HOUSTON BAPTIST UNIVERSITY shall stand as a witness for Jesus Christ expressed directly through its administration, faculty and students. To assure the perpetuation of these basic concepts of its founders, it is resolved that all those who become associated with Houston Baptist University as a trustee, officer, member of the faculty or of the staff, and perform work connected with the educational activities of the University, must believe in the divine inspiration of the Bible, both the Old Testament and New Testament, that man was directly created by God, the virgin birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, as the Son of God, that He died for the sins of all men and thereafter arose from the grave, that by repentance and acceptance of and belief in Him, by the grace of God, the individual is saved from eternal damnation and receives eternal life in the presence of God; and it is further resolved that the ultimate teachings in this University shall never be inconsistent with the above principles.

Preamble to the Bylaws of HBU
Amended by the Board of Trustees
February 22, 1974

