THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

HELD IN THE DAKOTA DOME ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, VERMILLION

SATURDAY, MAY NINTH
TWO THOUSAND AND NINE
AT NINE-THIRTY A.M.
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Commencement Exercises

Processional - *Pomp and Circumstance*, by Elgar........... Dr. Larry B. Schou
  Professor of Music

*The Star-Spangled Banner*, arr. by Lloyd Pfautsch.......USD Chamber Singers
directed by Dr. David Holdhusen
  The audience is invited to sing. Gentlemen, please remove your hats.

Welcome.................................................................Professor Kaius Helenurm
  Chair, USD Faculty Senate
  President James W. Abbott

Belbas-Larson Awards for Excellence in Teaching..................Dr. Charles Staben
  Acting Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs
  Professor Thomas Davies, Beacom School of Business
  Professor David Carr, Beacom School of Business

Commencement Address........................................Mary Lynn and Stephen R. Myers
  "It's All About You!"

*Ye Shall Have a Song*, arr. by Randall Thompson.......USD Chamber Singers
directed by Dr. David Holdhusen

Conferring of Degrees..................................................Regent Dean Krogman
  President James W. Abbott

Posthumous Degree..................................................President James W. Abbott
  Denae Marie Zerr, Bachelor of Science, Psychology

Honorary Degrees......................................................President James W. Abbott
  Mary Lynn Myers, Doctor of Public Service
  Stephen R. Myers, Doctor of Public Service

Alumni Welcome.........................................................Jen A. Porter
  Alumni Association Representative

University Hymn, *Alma Mater*.................................USD Chamber Singers
directed by Dr. David Holdhusen
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Recessional - *Grand Choeur*, by Salome.......................Dr. Larry B. Schou
Alma Mater

Words by Mabel Kingsley Richardson
Music by Winfred R. Colton

Alma Mater, Dakota, we drink thee a health
As we go from thy sheltering walls;
Younger feet shall come troupung to gather thy wealth,
Younger voices shall ring through thy halls.
Keep us true to the type of the brave pioneer.
No hardship e'er daunted his quest;
Alma Mater, lead on to the untried frontier,
We follow the trail to the west.

South Dakota! How dear to thy children thy name,
How daring the tales oft retold
Of thy builders who first to thy wilderness came.
Theirs a glory that never grows old.
O the pine crested peaks of the storied Black Hills.
The Missouri that ribbons thy plain.
Where the slant summer sunshine so lavishly spills
Over prairie and pasture and grain.

The writer of the Alma Mater’s lyrics, Mable Kingsley Richardson, graduated from The University of South Dakota in 1902 and directed USD’s library from 1907 to 1941. A pioneer’s daughter who loved South Dakota, she voiced in the Alma Mater the views of a woman of her time.

Stage Party

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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Jennifer Wieseler, Tyndall, SD  
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- Summa Cum Laude: equal to or greater than 3.9
- Magna Cum Laude: equal to or greater than 3.7
- Cum Laude: equal to or greater than 3.5

To earn an honors designation at graduation, the associate-level graduate must have completed at least 32 hours of USD credit and must meet the following USD and cumulative grade point averages:

- With Highest Honor: equal to or greater than 3.9
- With High Honor: equal to or greater than 3.7
- With Honor: equal to or greater than 3.5
ACADEMIC DRESS

The tradition of academic costume has a history of nearly eight centuries. In medieval Europe, all townsmen wore long flowing robes or gowns. The materials and colors varied greatly, according to wealth and rank of the individual, and were governed by royal decree. Gradually there developed distinctive gowns for the various professions, trades and guilds. They survive today in the gowns of religious orders, the judiciary and the academic regalia.

The gowns worn by the recipients of the various degrees vary somewhat in design. The sleeves of the gown worn by recipients of the baccalaureate degree are long and pointed, while the sleeves of the gown worn by the master's degree recipients are square at one end with a slit at the elbow. The doctor's gown has flowing sleeves with three bars of velvet and facing of velvet down the front of the gown.

Most distinctive of the academic regalia is the hood, which serves as identification of the graduate degree and the institution where the degree was awarded. The hood is lined with silk in the official colors of the institution. Thus, the hood of The University of South Dakota is lined in red. The trim is velvet, three inches wide for the master's degree and five inches wide for the doctor's degree. The color of the velvet border indicates the degree.

The academic cap was developed in the fifteenth century. Some caps were stiff, some soft, some square, some round, with a tuft in the center. The tassel used today is an elaboration of the tuft. While some institutions still use the round caps, most institutions have adopted the "mortar board" style which comes from Oxford. The tassel for graduate degrees may be black, except that a gold bullion tassel may be worn by recipients of the doctorate. The tassel's color indicates the discipline in which the degree has been earned. The tassel colors are shown below:

Arts and Sciences..........................................................White
Business.................................................................Sapphire Blue
Education...............................................................Light Blue
Fine Arts (Art and Theatre)......................................Brown
Fine Arts (Music)....................................................Pink
Health Sciences......................................................Green
Law..............................................................Purple
Medicine...............................................................Green

Honors societies wear specially designed stoles, cords or medallions. The designations are listed below.

Beta Gamma Sigma..................................................Blue ribbon with medallion
Chi Sigma Iota............................................................Blue & white honor cords
Golden Key International Honour Society..................Blue & gold honor cords
Mortar Board...........................................................Gold & silver interlaced honor cords
Omicron Delta Kappa..................................................White, black & blue twisted cords
Order of Omega..........................................................White & gold double cords
Phi Beta Kappa Society..............................................Light blue & light pink honor cords
Psi-Chi Psychology Club..........................................Double gold cord with blue & gold tassels
University Honors Program.........................................Gold stole

Faculty wearing medals with a red ribbon are recipients of a Belbas-Larson Award, given as the university's highest honor for teaching excellence; faculty wearing a red/white ribbon are recipients of Richard and Sharon Cutler Awards, given by the College of Arts and Sciences for promoting liberal arts education through teaching and research.