COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER THIRTEENTH
TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT
AT TEN O’CLOCK 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

Commencement Address..............................................Mr. Charles E. Trimble
“The Challenge Ahead: Rebuilding America”

*Salvation*, arr. by Pavel Tschesnokoff.....................USD Chamber Singers
directed by Dr. David Holdhusen

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

Honorary Degree........................................................President James W. Abbott
Mr. Charles E. Trimble, Doctor of Humane Letters

Alumni Welcome...........................................................Mr. Clayton Cudmore
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

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**Alma Mater**

Words by Mabel Kingsley Richardson
Music by Winfred R. Colton

South Dakota! How dear to thy children thy name,
How daring the tales oft retold
Of thy builders who first to thy
wilderness came,
Their's 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.

Alma Mater, Dakota, we drink thee a health
As we go from thy sheltering walls;
Younger feet shall come troup ing 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.
## Stage Party

James W. Abbott, President  
Dean Krogman, Board of Regents Representative  
Charles E. Trimble, Speaker  
Clayton Cudmore, Alumni Association Representative  
Kaius Helenurm, Chair, USD Faculty Senate  
Charles Staben, Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs  
Barbara Yutrzenka, Interim Dean, Graduate School  
Rodney R. Parry, Vice President, Health Affairs and Dean, Sanford School of Medicine  
Barry R. Vickrey, Dean, School of Law  
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Rick Melmer, Dean, School of Education  
Daniel G. Guyette, Dean, College of Fine Arts  
Brian Kaatz, Dean, School of Health Sciences  
Laurie J. Becvar, Dean, Division of Continuing Education  
Kirsten Company, Acting Dean of Students  
Laura J. Jenski, Vice President, Research  
Thomas Sorensen, Associate Dean, School of Law  
Jenifer Jost, Acting University Registrar  
Ceason Hunter, Interpreter

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Emeritus Professor Dean Spader

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Professor Emily A. Haddad

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Psychology

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Dissertation: Can the Five Domain Factors of the Revised NEO Personality Inventory Predict Short-Term Individual Psychotherapy Outcome for Depressed Subjects?
Psychology

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Dissertation: The Role of Corticosterone-Sensitive Organic Cation Transporters in Stress-Mediated Serotonergic Signaling in the Rat Medial Hypothalamus
Biological Sciences

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Biomedical Sciences

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Joel G. Gentile
Charlotte Nichole Henning, Saint Cloud, MN
  Magna Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Recreation
Blake Alan Hojer, DeSmet, SD
Timothy John Rust, Luverne, MN
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Bachelor of Fine Arts

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COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Marcie Elizabeth Brenden, Sioux Falls, SD
  Theatre
  Cum Laude
Desirae F. Carson, Yankton, SD
  Art
Aleisha Ann Fuhrman, Norfolk, NE
  Art
  Thesis Scholar, Cum Laude
Nicholas Lee Hruby, Marion, SD
  Art
Cristina A. Kauffman
  Art
Debra Ann Kindelspire, Sioux Falls, SD
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  Art
Debra Ann Kindelspire, Sioux Falls, SD
  Art

Bachelor of Music

Suzannah R. Bryan
  Music Education
  Cum Laude
Kristi Elizabeth Linn, Spencer, IA
  Music Education
  Magna Cum Laude
Rebecca Lynn McDowell, Middletown, RI
  Music Education
  Cum Laude

Bachelor of Music

Suzannah R. Bryan
  Music Education
  Cum Laude
Kristi Elizabeth Linn, Spencer, IA
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  Magna Cum Laude
Rebecca Lynn McDowell, Middletown, RI
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SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Bachelor of Science

Lesley Margaret Andringa, Sheldon, IA
  Dental Hygiene
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Melanie Faye Bartow, Wilton, ND
  Dental Hygiene
Mischa’ Beth Brown, Vermillion, SD
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  Tasha Lorraine Hoeltzner, Aberdeen, SD
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Melanie Louise Kettler, Norfolk, NE
  Social Work
Emily Jo Logue, Wakonda, SD
  Dental Hygiene
  Summa Cum Laude
Crystal Marie Lubben, LeMars, IA
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  Cum Laude
Jacey LaRay Mohr, Watertown, SD
  Social Work
Nicole Elizabeth Post, Sioux Falls, SD
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Brooke Ann Riedemann, Sutherland, IA  
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Kendal Marie Schuurmans, Tyndall, SD  
Social Work
Amy Elizabeth Smith, Akron, IA  
Alcohol & Drug Studies  
Cum Laude

Heather Lynn Swensen, Vermillion, SD  
Social Work
Chris Turbak  
Alcohol & Drug Studies, Psychology

Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology

Matthew J. Sees

Associate of Science

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Nursing
Christine Jennifer Carey, Bismark, ND  
Nursing
Michelle Jo Cazer, Hot Springs, SD  
Nursing
Russ Christensen  
Nursing
Kelly Dawn DeGrote, Montevideo, MN  
Nursing
Dawn Marie Doud, Midland, SD/Pierre, SD  
Nursing
Kerrianna K. Fettig, Sioux Falls, SD  
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Rebecca L. Fossen, Pierre, SD  
Nursing
Jennifer Garro, Rapid City, SD  
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Tyler Joseph Geitz, Rapid City, SD  
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Christine M. George  
Nursing
Jeffrey Jon Gilchrist, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing
Michelle L. Gray, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing
Jennifer Catharina Hamilton, Canton, SD  
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Elisabeth Ann Harding, Rapid City, SD  
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Tricia Ann Henning, Brookings, SD  
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Andr Kline  
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Kristin Jean Leader, Crofton, NE  
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Lori Ann Lubben, Dell Rapids, SD  
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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.