

THE ONE-HUNDRED NINETEENTH ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA



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UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, VERMILLION

SATURDAY, MAY THIRTEENTH
TWO THOUSAND AND SIX
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. Matthew Harden
The audience is invited to sing. Gentlemen, please remove your hats.

Welcome.....Heidi Nickisch Duggan
Chair, USD Faculty Senate
President James W. Abbott

Belbas-Larson Awards for Excellence in Teaching.....Dr. Royce C. Engstrom
Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs
Professor Christina Keller, College of Arts & Sciences
Assistant Professor Gregory Huckabee, School of Business

Commencement Address.....Greg Mortenson
"Three Cups of Tea" - Changing the World and Building Nations One School at a Time

Alumni Achievement Award.....President James W. Abbott
Greg Mortenson, 1983, A.S., B.L.S.

Come My Light, by Stephen Yarbrough.....USD Chamber Singers
Directed by Dr. Matthew Harden

Conferring of Degrees.....Regent Kathryn Johnson
President James W. Abbott

Posthumous Degrees.....President James W. Abbott
Pamela R. Kreykes, Master of Arts, Counseling & Psychology in Education
Rhonda Lynn Thompson, Associate of Science, Nursing

Honorary Degrees.....President James W. Abbott
James Lloyd Weaver, Doctor of Humane Letters
Robert Neff Williams, Doctor of Letters and Literature

Alumni Welcome.....Steve Sikorski
Alumni Association

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

Stage Party

James W. Abbott, President
Kathryn Johnson, Board of Regents Representative
Tonnis H. Venhuizen, Board of Regents Representative
Greg Mortenson, Speaker
Steve Sikorski, Alumni Association Representative
James Lloyd Weaver, Honorary Degree Recipient
Robert Neff Williams, Honorary Degree Recipient
Heidi Nickisch Duggan, Chair, USD Faculty Senate
Royce C. Engstrom, Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs
Karen L. Olmstead, Associate Vice President, Academic

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Sanford School of Medicine

Barry R. Vickrey, Dean, School of Law

Matthew C. Moen, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences

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Hank Rubin, Dean, School of Education

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Diane S. Zak, Director, Human Resources

Carmen J. Howard, University Registrar

Thomas L. Sorensen, Associate Dean, School of Law

Paul C. Bunger, Dean, Medical Student Affairs

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,
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.

Alma Mater, Dakota, we drink thee a health

As we go from thy sheltering walls;

Younger feet shall come tramping 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.

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Candidates for Degrees

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Philosophy

- Kari E. Bappe, Movable, IA
B.S., The University of South Dakota
Counseling & Psychology in Education
Dissertation: Social/Relational Aggression
in Adolescent Females: Antecedents and
Contributing Factors
- Isabelle Dumans, Grenoble, France
B.A., University of Savoie, Chambrey, France
M.A., The University of South Dakota
English
Dissertation: Walker Percy: A Diagnostician
of Despair
- Pamela Joy Maas, Washougal, WA
B.S., University of North Dakota
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Psychology
Dissertation: Electronic Aircraft Navigation
Displays and Perceived Risk of Mid-Air Collisions
- Mary Katherine Teleha Bard, Sidney, ME
B.A., University of Toledo
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Psychology
Dissertation: The Relation Between History of
Abuse, Personal Characteristics, and Sexual
Offense Characteristics and Recidivism
Among a Sample of Juveniles Who Have
Sexually Offended
- Brent R. Wright, Filer, ID/Hartford, SD
A.A., College of Southern Idaho
B.S., University of Idaho
Biomedical Sciences
Dissertation: Regulation of Myelin Basic
Protein Gene Expression in
Oligodendrocytes: Roles for PKC and
hnRNP-K

Doctor of Education

- Sherrie Duerson Bosse, Jefferson, SD
B.S.Ed., The University of South Dakota
M.A., Morningside College
Curriculum & Instruction
Dissertation: The Role of the University
Reading Clinic in Reading Instruction,
Practice, and Theory
- Sara Ann Bradfeldt-Waring, Sioux Falls, SD
B.A.A&S, M.Ed., South Dakota State University
Educational Administration
Dissertation: The Impact of Teacher Training
on the Achievement of English Language
Learners
- Craig P. Coenen, Harlan, IA
B.A., Iowa State University
M.A., Ed.S., The University of South Dakota
Dissertation: Substance Abuse Counseling
Students and Relapse Patients Beliefs about
Relapse Prevention and the Readiness for
Change
- John G. Duxbury, Rochester, MN
B.S.Ed., University of Vermont
M.S., St. Michael's College
Educational Administration
Dissertation: The Effects of Cooperative
Learning on Foreign Language Anxiety
- Craig Alan Heynen, Sioux Center, IA
B.A., Dordt College
M.S., Emporia State University
Curriculum & Instruction
Dissertation: The Relationship Between
Physical Activity and Grade Point Average in
Selected Parochial High Schools in Iowa,
Nebraska, and South Dakota
- Mary Beth Kovarna, Merrill, IA
B.S., University of Iowa
M.S., South Dakota State University
Educational Administration
Dissertation: Nursing Students' Attitudes
Toward People Living in Poverty
- Sue Ann Wood, Fort Dodge, IA
B.S.Ed., M.S.Ed., University of Nebraska,
Kearney
Ed.S., The University of South Dakota
Educational Administration
Dissertation: Implementation of 15 Elements
of Effective Adolescent Literacy Programs in
Middle Schools in Iowa

SANFORD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Medicine

- Jonathon Curtis Adams, Yankton, SD
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B.S., M.S., Iowa State University
- Brian Kenneth Berendes, Pierre, SD
B.S., The University of South Dakota
Magna Cum Laude
- Noelle Estherlene Blue Arm, San Jose, CA
B.S., Creighton University
- Amanda Jo Bradley, Britton, SD
B.S., North Dakota State University
Magna Cum Laude
- Kristina Marie Buchholz, Huron, SD
B.S., Pepperdine University
Summa Cum Laude

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GRADUATE SCHOOL

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Master of Arts

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 History
 Thesis: The Dignity of Our Country:
 Prestige, Irredenta and Imperialism in the
 Early Kingdom of Italy

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 Thesis: Evolving Participatory Research
 Approaches in Partnership with Tribal Communi-
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 Thesis: White House Press Rhetoric After
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 Thesis: Education Empowers Immigrant
 Women to the Midwest

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 Thesis: When Monday Comes

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 Thesis: Judicial Review: Why it Survived
 the Presidencies of Thomas Jefferson and
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 Thesis: Women in Coaching: Title IV in Effect,
 But Their Presence Still Not Felt

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 Content Analysis of Saturday Morning
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 Thesis: Investigation in Lisfranc Injuries Suffered
 by College Age Athletes at a Midwest University

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 Thesis: Sioux City - Chicago's Only Rival:
 The Conquest of the Northwest and the
 Building of a Metropolis

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 Thesis: Yielding to God and Finding Agency:
 Christian Submission in Susan Warner's
The Wide, Wide World and Maria S. Cummins'
The Lamplighter

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 Thesis: Alkylolation of Aromatic Compounds on
 Graphite in Absence of Strong Lewis Acids

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 Thesis: Study of Relationship Between Structures
 of Bicyclic Diquinones and their Citotoxicity
 Towards Ovarian Cancer and Leukemia L1210
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 Thesis: Longevity of Healthcare Employees:
 An Analysis of Organizational and
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Thesis: A Model of Assimilation: The Pierre
Indian School, 1891 - 1928

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English
Thesis: Criticism in Fiction: Understanding
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Thesis: The Use of RNA Interference to
Locally Knockdown Corticotropin Releasing
Factor in the Central Nucleus of the
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Thesis: Alterations In Neural and Endocrine
Systems in Response to Repeated
Amphetamine Treatment in the Rat

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Thesis: Elementary Education K-8

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Women and Work: Historical and
Contemporary Perceptions of Opportunity

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in the Migration of Chick Neural Crest

Christopher D. Bordewyk

Streets of Bishop Narrows

John Andrew Carlson

The Effects of Phencyclidine and Quetiapine
on the N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA)
Receptor Subunits NR1 and NR2B

Andrew Thomas Christianson

Fiscal Discipline in the Eurozone: A Monetary
Ultimatum

Lucy Josephine Connealy

Experientia Docet; Discipula Scribit

Ryan Scott Galer

Does a College Education Pay? Measuring the
Private Rate of Return on a College Degree

Greg J. Garry

A Comparative Analysis of Property Taxes on
the Elderly in South Dakota

Brian Kenneth Giedd

The Impact of Agricultural Chemical Usage in Clay
County on Public Health

Darin Joseph Gully

Judges in the People's Court: A Rhetorical
Analysis of Judicial Criticisms and Their
Significance

Travis Alan Hogan

Kalaro Ke'tar: A Brief History and Introduction
to the Ke'tar Language

- Adam Robert Hoier
Understanding Emerging Technologies: An Examination of Internet and Video Game Regulation
- Ashley Elizabeth Huber
Need for Collaborative Mental Health Care in the Criminal Justice System for Severely Mentally Ill Offenders
- Holly Kristen Huse
Characterizing Microbial Environmental Samples Using Phylogenetic Analysis of the recA Gene
- Joseph John Jayjack
A Redesign of *The Volante*, USD's Student Newspaper
- Teramie Lin Jerred
The Police Perception of Sexual Assault
- Karen Kay Kezar
A Music Recital with a Business Twist
- Jolene Lynn Kranz
The Effects of Mandatory Price Reporting in Oligopolistic Markets
- Jessica Marie Larson
A Body of Language: Uses of Human Body Parts in Everyday English
- David Fredrick Manke
A Comparative Analysis of Bow and Arrow Systems
- Eric Ronald Matt
An Economic Analysis of Wind Energy Incentives in Five Select States
- Kevin Timothy Mellem
Synthesis and Characterization of Organic Light Emitting Diode (OLED) Precursors
- Adam Christopher Moen
Why are Females More Susceptible to Anterior Cruciate Ligament (ACL) Injury?
- Nicholas Garrett Moser
Turn Around: A Vietnam Story
- Bobbi Jo Olson
What a Funhouse Mirror is Love: Love and Sexual Relationships in Don DeLillo's Fiction
- Melanie Violet Ottenbacher
The Effects of Phencyclidine and Risperidone on N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) Receptor Subunits
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An Analysis of Leadership Theories Applied to The Endurance and The Karluk Expeditions
- Scott Douglas Pfahler
The Thing Itself
- Tyler John Scheer
The Sale of Thomas Wellborn
- Michael D. Schmit
Council-Manager Government: A Conceptual Analysis of its Benefits in South Dakota
- Kimberly Renee Schnider
Trauma, Grief and Coping
- Leslie Ann Simdorn
Logging the Blog: The Effect of Weblogs on the 2004 Presidential Campaign
- Emily L. Sippel
Examining Executive Appointments Through the Lens of Affirmative Action
- Clay Arthur Smith
Cholinesterase Inhibitors for Alzheimer's Disease: Are They Worth Their Cost?
- Bethany Jill Sorensen
Analysis of Retail Pull Factors for Cities in South Dakota
- Elijah James Stines
A Characterization of a Class of HFDs with Rank 1 DVR Overruns in Terms of Their Groups of Divisibility
- Daniel Robert Sullivan
The Great Highland Bagpipes: A Skirling of Drones
- Andrea Kay Locken Tucker
Public Education and the Propagation of Revolution: Cuba and Nicaragua
- Lynn Marie von Koch
Kabul @ 21: An Afghan Summer: Reflections on the Past, Present and Future of a Nation
- Amber Joy Wegehaupt
Making Connections and Feeling Connected: ESL Conversation Sessions in The University of South Dakota Writing Center
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Understanding the Life: Interviews with Midwestern Jazz Musicians

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- Aimee Larie Nielsen
Pornography and Objectification as it Relates to the Fear and Causes of Rape
- Eric D. Omdahl
The Economics of "Fairly" Priced Coffee
- Adriane Tanae Raba
Reading Acquisition & Phonological Awareness of ESL/EFL Learners: Strategies for Writing Centers & Language Learning Centers

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- Michele E. Dain, Sioux City, IA
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- Nicholas Elliot Damon, McCook Lake, SD
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- Jennifer Erin Dunn, Lyons, SD
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- Matthew F. Fenske, Pierre, SD
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Criminal Justice
- Tana Marie Fye, Black Hawk, SD
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Political Science
Cum Laude
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- Jeffrey J. Gordon, Sioux Falls, SD
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SSM Alumni Student Scholar

Teresa M. Gliko, Huron, SD
Earth Science

Jessie A. Goin, Sioux Falls, SD
Psychology

Jesus Gonzalez B., Ocotlan, Jalisco, Mexico
Contemporary Media & Journalism

Jennifer Marie Gray, Denison, IA
Contemporary Media & Journalism

Sally Rae Gruenhagen, North St. Paul, MN
Psychology

Nicholas Francis Hagemann, New Vienna, IA
Computer Science

Ashley Rose Hanson, Sioux Falls, SD
Criminal Justice, Psychology

Jacob Benjamin Henry, Marcus, IA
English

Jessica Renee Hess, Lemmon, SD
Psychology

Joshua Travis Hofland, Elk Point, SD
Psychology

Travis Alan Hogan, Worthington, MN
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude
University Scholar

Adam Robert Hoier, Sioux Falls, SD
 Political Science
Summa Cum Laude
University Scholar

Kristin Lynn Houghtaling, Mobridge, SD
 Sociology

Tara Marie Hoxeng, Volin, SD
 Psychology

Joshua E. Hughes, Sioux Falls, SD
 Biology

Holly Kristen Huse, Onida, SD
 Biology
Summa Cum Laude
University Scholar
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Lisa Marie Hustrulid, Beresford, SD
 Psychology

Micki Lee Hutchinson, Isabel, SD
 Communication Disorders

Molly Marie Imwiehe, Breda, IA
 Contemporary Media & Journalism

Cindy Marie Jackson, Newport, WA
 Biology

Darren James C. Jacobsen, Sturgis, SD
 Contemporary Media & Journalism

Emily Kristine Jensen, Sergeant Bluff, IA
 Earth Science

Adam Michael Jerome, Sioux City, IA
 Political Science

Brandon Mitchell Jerred, Rapid City, SD
 Criminal Justice, Psychology

Bret Alan Jones, Irene, SD
 Computer Science

Greg Jon Jones, Sioux Falls, SD
 Biology

Jacey Rose Jones, Sioux Falls, SD
 Contemporary Media & Journalism

Joey Rene Jurgensen, Wagner, SD
 Biology

Elizabeth Kaye Justice, Colton, SD
 Criminal Justice, Psychology

Justin Damon Kappeler, Centennial, CO
 History

Rebecca Anne Kean, Sioux Falls, SD
 Psychology
Magna Cum Laude

Lindsey Ann Keck, Rapid City, SD
 Biology, Psychology

Michele Genevive Keffeler, Rapid City, SD
 Biology
Magna Cum Laude

David W. Kezar, Rapid City, SD
 Criminal Justice

Genean Marie Kiefer, Aberdeen, SD
 Criminal Justice

Derek George Kindelshire, Leola, SD
 Biology
Magna Cum Laude

Amanda Marie Kjelden, Minnetonka, MN
 Psychology
Cum Laude

Alison Kate Klein, Sioux Falls, SD
 Psychology

Lea Marie Klosterboer, Montevideo, MN
 Communication Disorders

Christopher Ty Kovarna, Hinton, IA
 Contemporary Media & Journalism

Dale Robert Krienke, Lester Prairie, MN
 Contemporary Media & Journalism
Magna Cum Laude

Tyler Adam Kruse, Shenandoah, IA
 Criminal Justice

Tara Marie Kuhn, Timber Lake, SD
 Biology
Cum Laude
Thesis Scholar

Thomas Grant Künstle, Corsica, SD
 Criminal Justice
Magna Cum Laude

Joshua John Lamers, Browns Valley, MN
 Psychology

Michael Curtis Larson, Gettysburg, SD
 Political Science

Kathryn Grace Leuning, Michell, SD
 Psychology
Cum Laude

Rachel Lee Lintvedt, Presho, SD
 Communication Disorders
Magna Cum Laude

Benjamin Michael Lord, Sioux Falls, SD
 Criminal Justice, Psychology

Melissa Marie Lucas, Vermillion, SD
 Psychology

Seth Roth Luoma, Watertown, SD
 History

James M. Madson, Sioux Falls, SD
 History

Jake A. Mailander, Rapid City, SD
 Criminal Justice, English
Magna Cum Laude

Ryan Glenn Malone, Lincoln, NE
 Computer Science

David Fredrick Manke, Sioux Falls, SD
 Mathematics
Cum Laude
University Scholar

James C. Margadant, Rapid City, SD
 History

Blake Raye Markve, Dakota Dunes, SD
 Criminal Justice

Rex Alfred McDonald, Iowa City, IA
 Psychology

James Francis McFarlane, III, Redfield, SD
 Contemporary Media & Journalism

Melissa Ann McKee, Akron, IA
 Communication Disorders

Geri Lynn McKenna, Sioux City, IA
 Biology

Robert Richard Mehling, Wessington, SD
 History

Casey Marie Meier, Lennox, SD
 Psychology

Melissa Lynn Meier, Kennebec, SD
 Psychology
Summa Cum Laude

Dmitri A. Melius, Pierre, SD
 Contemporary Media & Journalism,
 Earth Science

Kevin Timothy Mellem, Irene, SD
 Chemistry
Summa Cum Laude
University Scholar

Misty Marie Metz, Kennebec, SD
 Psychology

Katey Amanda Miles, Ashland, NE
 Biology

Ross Allen Miller, Sioux Falls, SD
 Chemistry
Summa Cum Laude

Adam Christopher Moen, Inwood, IA
 Biology
University Scholar

Ryan Bradley Molencamp, Clear Lake, IA
 Psychology
Magna Cum Laude

Emily Jean Mueller, Papillion, NE
 Political Science

Andrew Joseph Mueiting, Sheldon, IA
 Chemistry
Magna Cum Laude

Tyler Michael Neuharth, Rapid City, SD
 Criminal Justice

Jacob Scott Nissen, Hampton, NE
 Criminal Justice

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 Physics
Cum Laude
Thesis Scholar

Melanie Violet Ottenbacher, Selby, SD
 Psychology
Cum Laude
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Elizabeth Jane Overmoe, Watertown, SD
 Psychology, Criminal Justice

Jillian Crystl Patterson, Rapid City, SD
 Psychology

Lee Michael Patterson, Sloan, IA
 Psychology, Criminal Justice

Erin Marie Pease, Sioux Falls, SD
 Psychology

Beth Erin Peters, Winner, SD
 Psychology
Cum Laude
University Scholar

Seth L. Petersen, Meadow Grove, NE
 Criminal Justice

Larissa Dawn Petree, Sioux Falls, SD
 Biology

Emily Michelle Pieper, Omaha, NE
 Biology
Cum Laude

Amber Lynn Postma, Lennox, SD
 Sociology

Michelle Louise Powers, Avon, SD
 Psychology

Eric Todd Preheim, Marion, SD
 Criminal Justice
Summa Cum Laude

Sam David Pribyl, Webster, SD
 Psychology

Nicole Rene Pritchard, Sioux City, IA
 Psychology
Summa Cum Laude

Adriane Tanae Raba, Rapid City, SD
 English, Psychology
Magna Cum Laude
Thesis Scholar

Joseph D. Rainboth, Marcus, IA
 Contemporary Media & Journalism

Mark A. Rambow, Piedmont, SD
 History

Rebecca Renee Ramse, Canton, SD
 Biology
Cum Laude

Sara Elizabeth Rasmussen, Sioux Falls, SD
 Psychology

Tashina Jean Renquist, Windom, MN
 Communication Studies

Louis Gregory Rezac, Dante, SD
 Earth Science

Ashley Suzanne Richmond, South Sioux City, NE
 Political Science

Stephen John Riesenber, Omaha, NE
 Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

David Loren Ring, Rapid City, SD
 Chemistry
Cum Laude

Jenna Lou Robbenolt, Sioux Falls, SD
 Communication Studies

Sara Renae Rohlk, Aurelia, IA
 Sociology

Nicole Brittany Rupp, Cherokee, IA
 Criminal Justice

Rachel Renee Rydell, Sioux Falls, SD
 Chemistry
Cum Laude

Tyler John Scheer, Lincoln, NE
 English
University Scholar

Nicholas Gordon Schiltz, Rosholt, SD
 Biology

Robert Francis Schlieman, III, Rapid City, SD
 Psychology

Dan Schmidt, White River, SD
 Criminal Justice

Kyla Michelle Schnabel, Sioux Falls, SD
 Contemporary Media & Journalism

Angela Nohra Schneider, Gettysburg, SD
 Psychology

Kimberly Renee Schnider, Rapid City, SD
 Psychology
University Scholar
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Seth Joseph Schramm, Yankton, SD
 Biology

Megan Marie Schulte, Verdigre, NE
 Psychology, Criminal Justice
Cum Laude

Nick Skye Schultz, Pierre, SD
 Anthropology

Adam Richard Schwaderer, Delmont, SD
History

Kathryn Therese Schwartz, Colome, SD
Biology

Nicholas Lee Shaul, Highmore, SD
Political Science, Criminal Justice
Summa Cum Laude

Peter Benjamin Shearer, Sioux Falls, SD
Psychology

John Elof Shubeck, Centerville, SD
Earth Science

Emily L. Sippel, Groton, SD
Criminal Justice
Cum Laude
University Scholar

Clay Arthur Smith, Piedmont, SD
Psychology
Magna Cum Laude

Heidi Rai Sperry, Blunt, SD
Psychology

Andrea Terié Stalheim, Sioux Falls, SD
Political Science
Cum Laude

Benjamin Louis Stammer, Tea, SD
History, Economics

Erin Marie Steffen, Yankton, SD
Economics

Elijah James Stines, Holstein, IA
Psychology, Mathematics
Magna Cum Laude
University Scholar

Sarah Elizabeth Stokke, Appleton, MN
Psychology

Amber Leah Stoltenburg, Elkton, SD
Psychology, Criminal Justice

Brady James Sumners, Custer, SD
Psychology, Criminal Justice

Thomas R. Sweetman, Sioux Falls, SD
Political Science

Jinny K. Tran, Sioux Falls, SD
Criminal Justice
Cum Laude

Breona Nichole Tunge, Sioux Falls, SD
Psychology
Cum Laude

Abby VanDenBerg, LeMars, IA
Criminal Justice

Jesse Gregory Van Heukelom, Mattawan, MI
Biology
Magna Cum Laude

Billi Leigh-Ann Van Hunnik, Sioux City, IA
Communication Disorders

Andrew Dean Van Osdol, Rapid City, SD
Physics, History
Magna Cum Laude

Stephanie Marie Van Vuuren, Corsica, SD
Communication Disorders
Cum Laude

Minga Cecilia Vargas, Bridgewater, SD
Chemistry

Christopher Matthew Venjohn, Orient, SD
Psychology, English

Hannah Joy Wampler, Fairburn, SD
Psychology

Jessica Elizabeth Weber, Salem, SD
Contemporary Media & Journalism
Cum Laude

Jamie Marie Weissenfluh, Twin Brooks, SD
Physics

Abigail Olga Wensel, Watertown, SD
Criminal Justice, Psychology
Cum Laude

Malinda Rachele Wenzlaff, Yankton, SD
Sociology

Bethany Ann Withee, Rapid City, SD
Psychology
Magna Cum Laude

Matthew John Wolf, Aberdeen, SD
Contemporary Media & Journalism

Randall G. Wood, Northfield, IL
Biology

Amy Marie Worthington, Sioux Falls, SD
Biology
Summa Cum Laude

Kevin Allen Yackley, Onida, SD
Biology
Summa Cum Laude
University Scholar
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Associate of Arts

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Deborah Dawn Olson, Sioux Falls, SD
Krystal Lillian Riesenfeld, McKinney, TX

Joel Duane Stauss, Sioux Falls, SD
Tamara Ann Turner, Winner, SD
Patrick John Tweedy, Yankton, SD

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Bachelor of Business Administration

Waylon J. Achterhof, Boyden, IA Management	Beau Christopher Geier, Watertown, SD Finance
Cameron J. Aisenbrey, Freeman, SD Marketing <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Aaron Nicholas George, Cherokee, IA Marketing
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Kyle Kerr Alexander, Sioux Falls, SD Marketing	Amanda May Guhlke, Sioux Falls, SD Accounting
Derek V. Arend, Garretson, SD Accounting	Jay Andrew Gustafson, Sioux Falls, SD Marketing
Seth Joseph Artz, Rapid City, SD Accounting	Megan Andrea Halverson, Parker, SD Finance
Amy M. Bambas, Sioux Falls, SD Management	Mei Han, Shenzhen, P.R. China Accounting <i>Cum Laude</i>
Anne Elizabeth Bertschinger, Creighton, NE Management <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Adam Lee Hansen, Redfield, SD Accounting
Ryan Christopher Dean Bowder, Norfolk, NE Marketing	Ted J. Hansen, Sioux Falls, SD Finance
Katie M. Brende, South Sioux City, NE Accounting <i>Cum Laude</i>	Amy Elizabeth Harrington, Windom, MN Marketing
Aaron Thomas Clayton, Parkston, SD Accounting	Nathan Dale Harrington, Windom, MN Accounting
Jenna Marie Dreessen, Freeman, SD Finance <i>Cum Laude</i>	Rachel Marie Hensley, Sioux Falls, SD Management
Alex James Drey, Sioux Falls, SD Management	Brad Allan Herrboldt, Menno, SD Accounting <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Sara Marie Durkin, Minneapolis, MN Economics	Jennifer Ann Hinker, Woonsocket, SD Management, Psychology
Melissa Frances Elsen, Hecla, SD Finance <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Barry Alan Hoogland, Luverne, MN Finance
Chad Micheal Erling, Raleigh, NC Finance	Jill Diane Horsley, Sioux City, IA Accounting
Susan Kay Fick, Hills, MN Accounting	Tabitha Ann Hubert, Vermillion, SD Accounting
Joseph Theodore Fitzpatrick, Sioux Falls, SD Finance	Justin M. Jonas, Sheldon, IA Accounting <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Ashley Kristine Foss, Custer, SD Accounting <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Wendy Mae Jones, Plankinton, SD Finance
Derek Scott Franken, Sioux Falls, SD Accounting	Jennifer Lee Karpinen, Sioux Falls, SD Accounting
Brooks Timothy Friederich, Tripp, SD Finance	Karen Kay Kezar, Alcester, SD Accounting <i>Cum Laude</i> <i>University Scholar</i>
John Jason Froseth, Mobridge, SD Marketing	Eric Gabriel Kittles, San Jose, CA Economics
Ryan Scott Galer, Huron, SD Economics, Political Science <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> <i>University Scholar</i>	Jennifer Renae Kloucek, Scotland, SD Finance <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Greg J. Garry, Madison, SD Economics <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> <i>University Scholar</i>	Jami Marie Kholmeyer, Sioux Falls, SD Accounting
Joshua Ryan Gebel, Mitchell, SD Marketing	Kaisha Jean Krahmer, South Sioux City, NE Accounting
	John Alvin Kramer, Sioux Falls, SD Management
	Jolene Lynn Kranz, Kranzburg, SD Accounting <i>University Scholar</i>

Brooke Kroetch, Philip, SD
Marketing

Kassandra Marie Laber, Parkston, SD
Management
Cum Laude

Yvette K. Lafrentz, Mission Hill, SD
Economics
Magna Cum Laude

Kira Jennifer Lakner, Wessington, SD
Marketing
Cum Laude

Heather Anne Larsen, Martin, SD
Management

Long-Yeow Lee, Johr Bahru, Malaysia
Accounting

Megan Marie Leighton, Watertown, SD
Accounting

Jeremy James Martin, Burke, SD
Finance

Eric Ronald Matt, Quinn, SD
Economics
Summa Cum Laude
University Scholar

Matthew G. Matzke, Yankton, SD
Marketing

Matthew David McKinney, Storm Lake, IA
Management
Cum Laude

Mallory Paige Meyers, Mitchell, SD
Marketing

Travis Allan Miller, Olivet, SD
Finance

Seth Ray Neuharth, Mitchell, SD
Accounting

Bradley Charles Noel, Mitchell, SD
Accounting
Summa Cum Laude

Christine Kay Nyvold, Sisseton, SD
Management

Eric D. Omdahl, Grand Forks, ND/Sioux Falls, SD
Economics
Cum Laude
Thesis Scholar

Angela Jon Palma, Omaha, NE
Management

Drew Ryan Palmer, Pierre, SD
Accounting
Cum Laude

Jennifer M. Pelzel, Sisseton, SD
Accounting
Magna Cum Laude

Matthew Perkins, Sioux Falls, SD
Accounting

Adam Russell Perrigo, Custer, SD
Management

Tracy Lynn Peterson, Brandon, SD
Accounting
Cum Laude

Nicole Joyce Pittman, Harrisonburg, VA
Management

Brian Christopher Reimer, Chamberlain, SD
Management

Katie Mae Reiners, Lennox, SD
Marketing

Christopher Donald Rider, Brookings, SD
Management
Cum Laude

Andrea Kaye Ruedebusch, Watertown, SD
Finance

Darin Lee Rus, Corsica, SD
Finance
Cum Laude

Melissa Jennifer Ryken, Tabor, SD
Marketing
Magna Cum Laude

Tanya Marie Salter, Fargo, ND
Marketing

Troy Dean Schaffer, Isabel, SD
Management

Chantell Marie Scharf, Chamberlain, SD
Management
Cum Laude

Katie Lynn Schoenrock, LeMars, IA
Management

Rachel Renee Schuldt, Stickney, SD
Accounting
Summa Cum Laude

Colleen Mary Schulte, Sioux Falls, SD
Management

Buddy James Seiner, New Underwood, SD
Marketing
Magna Cum Laude

Peter Neil Siegling, Redfield, SD
Finance

Becky Ann Singrey, Hazel, SD
Accounting

Lisa Michelle Slepnickoff, Rapid City, SD
Management

Justin Harris Smith, Sioux Falls, SD
Management

Lindsay Kae Smith, Gettysburg, SD
Management
Cum Laude

Brett Alan Snoozy, North Sioux City, SD
Management

Bethany Jill Sorensen, Yankton, SD
Economics
Magna Cum Laude
University Scholar

Kristin Marie Sorensen, Rapid City, SD
Accounting
Summa Cum Laude

Sabrina Marie Sorken, Sioux Falls, SD
Accounting
Magna Cum Laude

Mitchell Cole Steckler, Leola, SD
Finance

Jessica Anne Stroup, Sioux Falls, SD
Finance

Ashley Nicole Swedean, Sioux Falls, SD
Accounting
Summa Cum Laude

Johnathan Tyler Talcott, Watertown, SD
Management

Brian James Templeton, Pierre, SD
Marketing

Jacob Paul Timblin, Sioux City, IA
Management

Aaron Douglas Tribble, Watertown, SD
Finance
Bryan Jay Van Ruler, Sioux Falls, SD
Finance
Rachel Lea Vetch, Mitchell, SD
Finance
Kelli Lynn Viereck, Sioux Falls, SD
Marketing
Matthew Tyler Wahl, Sioux Falls, SD
Finance
Summa Cum Laude

Jennifer J. Weber, Lake City, SD
Accounting, Political Science
Cum Laude
Jessica Elizabeth Weber, Salem, SD
Marketing
Cum Laude
Teresa Maria Wessling, Harrisburg, SD
Accounting
Alexander Gregory York, Guthrie Center, IA
Marketing

Bachelor of Science in Health Administration

Jennifer Marie Dewald, Yankton, SD
Magna Cum Laude
Lindy Roy Hill, Brookings, SD
Amanda Joyce Hoffman, Mount Vernon, SD
Matthew Lawrence Price, Mitchell, SD

Kelly Kathleen Reiff, Jefferson, SD
Summa Cum Laude
Mark Daniel Schulte, Geddes, SD
Tracy Ann Shields, Sioux Falls, SD
Laura Rae Angela Van Sloten, Hawarden, IA
Magna Cum Laude

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Education

Michael Stephen Anderson, Mount Pleasant, MI
Elementary Education
Jami Renee Baedke, Ponca, NE
Physical Education
Cum Laude
Tyler Brenden Beisch, Waubay, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude
Mary Jean Bennett, Scotland, SD
Mathematics Education
Cum Laude
Anna Marie Boltjes, Rock Rapids, IA
Elementary Education
Bethany Joi Bousema, Hull, IA
Elementary Education
Audrey Jo Foltz, Vermillion, SD
Elementary Education
Summa Cum Laude
Amber Mae Friedrich, Algona, IA
Biology Education
Kristel Cherie Wharton Furches, Wise, VA
Elementary Education, Special Education
Sarah Rae Geddes, Hinton, IA
Elementary Education
Jody Marie Gildemaster, Artesian, SD
Elementary Education
Rainie Jane Goedken, Spencer, IA
Elementary Education
Danelle Marie Hansen, LeMars, IA
Physical Education
Joshua Duane Hastie, Glenwood, IA
Physical Education
Jeffrey Allen Heisinger, Parkston, SD
History Education
Haley Ann Hult, Davis, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Mary Beth Jennewein, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Amanda Darlene La Croix, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education
Dustin Joseph Lenhoff, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education
Kayla Lea Loecker, Vermillion, SD
Elementary Education
Melinda Dawn Makings, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude
Andrea Jeanette Martin, Rapid City, SD
Elementary Education
Tamara Lynette Nankivel, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education
Warren Raymond Osborn, Yankton, SD
History Education
Rebecca Lynn Pelton, Avon, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Roxann Carol Addy Peterson, Canistota, SD
English Education
Lourdes Margarita Reaves, Queens, NY
Elementary Education
Sarah Louise Reed, Fort Pierre, SD
Elementary Education
Tamara Jo Reindl, Custer, SD
Elementary Education
Jessica Marie Sievers, Canton, SD
Elementary Education
Brett Allan Stofferahn, Humboldt, SD
Elementary Education
Alexis Noel Terwilliger, Lincoln, NE
Elementary Education
Ashley Ann Trudeau, Elk Point, SD
Elementary Education
Crystal Yvonne Weinhaus, Rapid City, SD
English Education
Cum Laude
Kristin Jo Wilson, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education

Bachelor of Science in Recreation

Denise Annette Brandt, Avon, SD
Cum Laude

Phillip R. Compary, Alamogordo, NM

Adam Christopher Fischer, Sioux Falls, SD

Darren James Johnson, Ipswich, SD
Cum Laude

Kerri Jo Starceвич, Monroe, IA

Teresa Maureen Stillman, Graettinger, IA

Daniel James Tolsma, Vermillion, SD

Maria Therese Vandersnick, Garretson, SD

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Regina Marie Aerts, Malcolm, NE
Theatre
Cum Laude

Karen Christine Bankowski, Sioux Falls, SD
Art

Sarah Emily Bauer, Rapid City, SD
Theatre

Raymond Warren Bishop, Frisco, CO
Theatre

Nathan Wayne Clark, Hector, MN
Art Education

Timothy John Donovan, Sioux Falls, SD
Art

Jason Alan Engelbrecht, Brandon, SD
Art

Kimberly Anne Grunewaldt, Pierre, SD
Art

April Leigh Olson, Newell, SD
Art

Rusty W. Ruth, Deadwood, SD
Theatre

Stacie Jean Schlomer, Presho, SD
Art Education
Magna Cum Laude

Angela Ann Stalker, Sheridan, WY
Art

Magna Cum Laude

Robyn Lynne Tomac, Lemmon, SD
Art Education

Katherine Marie Trumm, Chamberlain, SD
Theatre

Bachelor of Music

Mark William Anderson, Loveland, CO
Music Education
Magna Cum Laude

Nell Holland, Lennox, SD
Music Performance
Cum Laude

Karen Kay Kezar, Alcester, SD
Music Education
Cum Laude
University Scholar

Kimberly Charlotte Weiser, Fargo, ND
Music Performance
Magna Cum Laude
University Scholar

Juris Gunars Zvaners, Sioux Falls, SD
Music Studies

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Bachelor of Science

Lea Marie Allbaugh, Paullina, IA
Dental Hygiene
Cum Laude

Tiffany Lynn Barber, Chester, SD
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies, Psychology

Nicole Kay Bruce, Rock Rapids, IA
Dental Hygiene

Cori Jean Carroll, Lake View, IA
Dental Hygiene

Jessica Lee Dougherty, Page, NE
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies

Adam William Dunn, Rapid City, SD
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies

Stacy T. Fritz, Mobridge, SD
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies, Psychology
Cum Laude

Alesha Marie Gay, Cherokee, IA
Dental Hygiene
Magna Cum Laude

Abbie René Groepper, Kingsley, IA
Social Work

Keri Elizabeth Hansen, Hinton, IA
Dental Hygiene

Valerie Kay Kiesz, Bowdle, SD
Dental Hygiene

Carrie Ann Kilburg, Bellevue, IA
Dental Hygiene

Rachel Marie Luoma, Watertown, SD
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies

Ann Elizabeth McLaury, Huron, SD
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies, Spanish

Lisa Lynn O'Neill, Clark, SD
Dental Hygiene
Magna Cum Laude
Kara L. Opheim, Spirit Lake, IA
Dental Hygiene
Helena Marie Pedersen, Sioux Falls, SD
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies
Lindsey Marie Risinger, Pierce, NE
Dental Hygiene
Nicholas L. Saylor, Fort Wayne, IN
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Studies

Amy Shipman, Sioux Falls, SD
Social Work
Alicia Renee Simons, Council Bluffs, IA
Dental Hygiene
Tera Nicole Thompson, Rapid City, SD
Dental Hygiene
Zabrina Leigh Treeby, Hecla, SD
Dental Hygiene
Renaë Marie Van Wyk, Sanborn, IA
Dental Hygiene
Lindsey Ann Walker, Armstrong, IA
Dental Hygiene

Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology

Jennifer Lynn Carlson, Alexandria, SD
Laura Marie Gwinn, Johnston, IA
Magna Cum Laude

James Patrick Redmond, Sioux Falls, SD

Associate of Science

Dental Hygiene Majors:

Lea Marie Allbaugh, Paullina, IA
With Honor
Jeana Lynn Bresnahan, Hinton, IA
With Honor
Nicole Kay Bruce, Rock Rapids, IA
Ann Therese Burbach, North Platte, NE
With High Honor
Cori Jean Carroll, Lake View, IA
Alesha Marie Gay, Cherokee, IA
With High Honor
Keri Elizabeth Hansen, Hinton, IA
Jessica La Ray Horsley, Pierre, SD
Roxanne Ruth Hunstad, Clarkson, NE
With High Honor
Crystal René Jerred, Sioux City, IA
With Honor

Lacy Kay Johnson, Garretson, SD
Valerie Kay Kiesz, Bowdle, SD
Carrie Ann Kilburg, Bellevue, IA
Carrie Lynn Kneifl, Newcastle, NE
Nicole Elizabeth Leaver, Arlington, NE
Jennifer Lynn McCormick, Salem, SD
Lisa Lynn O'Neill, Clark, SD
With High Honor
Amber Elizabeth Pitlick, Pierre, SD
Lindsey Marie Risinger, Pierce, NE
Sheila Jean Schaefer, Gettysburg, SD
Alicia Renee Simons, Council Bluffs, IA
Jeannie Ann Tew, Sioux City, IA
Tera Nicole Thompson, Rapid City, SD
Renaë Marie Van Wyk, Sanborn, IA
Erin Leeae Wragge, Norfolk, NE

Nursing Majors:

Charla Gail Adamcik, Lubbock, TX
Kristy Lee Albers, Sioux Falls, SD
Janice Ann Alswager, Columbus, NE
Heidi Marie Amborn, Rapid City, SD
Amanda Leah Anderson, Vermillion, SD
Laina Lynn Anderson, Fort Pierre, SD
Jodi Lynn Andretta, Scotland, SD
Svetlana Maria Bagguns, Baku, Russia
Kristina Danielle Bakker, Hudson, SD
Jennifer Lynn Banks, Sioux Falls, SD
With Honor
Heather Ann Battey, Redfield, SD
With Honor
Cynthia Ann Berg, Dell Rapids, SD
Heather Berniece Berkhof, Brandon, SD
Callie Rae Berlin, Mitchell, SD
Patricia Ann Black, Rochester, NY
Lindsey Anne Boeke, Watertown, SD
Kelly Jean Bork, Milbank, SD
Erin Nicole Bowers, Custer, SD
Jennifer Ann Braun, Watertown, MN
Nichol Lynn Brown, Vermillion, SD
Brenda Jean Carr, Sioux Falls, SD

Sherry Lynne Charnes, Rapid City, SD
Aubrey A. Christman, Lemmon, SD
Jennifer Dawn Cichosz, Spearfish, SD
Kelly Jo Cimpl, Dante, SD
Amy Marie Clark, Clearbrook, MN
Stacy Marie Clites, Aberdeen, SD
Natasha Marie Colella, Chadron, NE
Tammy Nicole Collins, Sioux Falls, SD
Jennifer Lynn Combs, Dakota Dunes, SD
Julie Ann Cox, Leola, SD
Thyra Jean Crissey, Beresford, SD
Karlen Marie Davis, Rapid City, SD
Regina V. Davis, Rapid City, SD
Shaunda Marie Davis, McLaughlin, SD
Carrie Lyn Deis, Pierre, SD
Tara Lynn Delzer, Rapid City, SD
Katherine Kay Deniger, Huron, SD
Abigail Kay Dickerson-Gossard, Pierre, SD
Stephanie Ann Dickhaut, Redfield, SD
Amy Elizabeth Dietrich, Bottineau, ND
With High Honor
Anne Ellen Dobberstein, Naples, FL
Shannon Renee Dorsett, Watertown, SD

Miranda Ruth Doss, Sioux Falls, SD
Robin Jean Douglass, Fort Pierre, SD
Meghan Noelle Dudgeon, Sioux Falls, SD
Jessica Lee Duinkerken, Sioux Falls, SD
Marla C. Durfee, Highmore, SD

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Jennifer Joy Edwards, Worthing, SD
Danelle Claire Egan, Baltic, SD
Darcey Ann Ellefson, Egan, SD
Debra Lynn Elvik, Marvin, SD
Mark C. Erickson, Jr., Platte, SD
Dixie Sue Erikson, Midland, SD
Stephanie Marie Eschen, Madison, MN
Heather M. Eskens, Yankton, SD
Tracee Hedwig Eucken, Jeffers, MN

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To earn an Honors Designation at graduation, the baccalaureate-level graduate must have completed at least 64 hours of USD credit and must meet the following USD and cumulative grade point averages:

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

The commencement program is a list of candidates for degree.
 It is not an official listing of degrees conferred.

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 the 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 doctoral degrees. The tassel's color indicates the discipline in which the degree has been earned. The tassel colors are shown below:

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

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

University Honors Program	Golden stole
Mortar Board Honor Society.....	Medallion on white ribbon
Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society.....	White, black & blue twisted cords
Order of Omega Honor Society.....	Ivory & golden cords
Phi Beta Kappa.....	Light blue & light pink twined cord
Golden Key Honor Society	Golden stole with Golden Key emblem