

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



HELD IN THE DAKOTA DOME ON THE  
UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, VERMILLION

**SATURDAY, MAY SEVENTH**  
TWO THOUSAND AND ELEVEN  
AT NINE-THIRTY A.M.

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

# Commencement Exercises

Processional - *Pomp and Circumstance*, by Elgar.....Dr. Susan Keith Gray  
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 Mark Yockey  
Chair, University Senate  
President James W. Abbott

Belbas-Larson Awards for Excellence in Teaching.....Dr. Charles Staben  
Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Professor Joseph Vitt, College of Arts & Sciences  
Professor Michael Allgrunn, Beacom School of Business

Commencement Address.....Lt. Governor Matt Michels  
"Desire to Inspire"

*O Magnum Mysterium* by Morten Lauridsen.....USD Chamber Singers  
directed by Dr. David Holdhusen

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

Honorary Degree.....President James W. Abbott  
Dr. Gabor Boritt, Doctor of Humane Letters

Alumni Welcome.....Myron "Buzz" Walkes  
Alumni Association Representative

University Hymn, *Alma Mater*.....USD Chamber Singers  
directed by Dr. David Holdhusen  
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## Alma Mater

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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.

The writer of the Alma Mater's lyrics, Mabel 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.

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## Stage Party

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James W. Abbott, President  
Dean Krogman, Board of Regents Representative  
Lt. Governor Matt Michels, Speaker  
Dr. Gabor Boritt, Honorary Degree Recipient  
Myron "Buzz" Walkes, Alumni Association Representative  
Mark Yockey, Chair, University Senate  
Charles Staben, Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs  
Laurie J. Becvar, Dean, Graduate School & Division of Continuing & Distance Education  
Rodney R. Parry, Vice President, Health Affairs & Dean, Sanford School of Medicine  
Paul C. Bungler, Dean, Medical Student Affairs  
Barry R. Vickrey, Dean, School of Law  
Matthew Moen, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences  
Michael J. Keller, Dean, Beacom School of Business  
Rick Melmer, Dean, School of Education  
Larry Schou, Dean, College of Fine Arts  
Brian Kaatz, Dean, School of Health Sciences  
Laura J. Janski, Vice President, Research  
Thomas L. Sorensen, Associate Dean, School of Law  
Jenifer Jost, University Registrar

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## Board of Regents

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## Honorary Marshals

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Emeritus Professor Bill Rickord  
Emeritus Professor Nancy Zuercher

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## Lead Marshals

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Professor Barbara Yutzenka	Professor Leon Korte
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## Marshals

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Professor David Carr	Professor Clayton Lehmann
Professor Susan Gapp	Professor Dave Moen
Professor Tom Geu	Professor Christopher Meyer
Professor Kurt Hackemer	Professor Doug Peterson
Professor Emily Haddad	Professor Kristine Reed
Professor Moses Ikiugu	Professor Lee Ann Roripaugh
Professor Joy Karges	Professor Timothy Schorn
Professor Beverly Kennedy	Professor Lana Svien
Professor Peter Kindle	Professor Michelle Van Maanen
Professor Solveig Korte	Professor Gerald Yutzenka

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## Faculty in Attendance

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Professor Asai Asaithambi	Professor Eric Jepsen
Professor Mejai Bola Avoseh	Professor Marni Johnson Martin
Professor Mark Baron	Professor Christina Keller
Professor Teri Bellis	Professor Bruce Kelley
Professor Mary Berry	Professor Dona Kennealley
Professor Sherrie Bosse	Professor James Korcuska
Professor Larry Bradley	Professor John Koster
Professor Larry Bright	Professor Michael Lawler
Professor Karen Card	Professor Yi-Fan Li
Professor Michael Card	Professor Paula Mabee
Professor Hee-sook Choi	Professor Leroy Meyer
Professor Patrick Cross	Professor Marcia Morrison
Professor Tom Davies	Professor Seth Olson
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Professor John Dudley	Professor Carolyn Prentice
Professor Kelly Duncan	Professor Randy Quevillon
Professor DeVee Dykstra	Professor Mary Ring
Professor Angela Ericson	Professor Raymond Ring
Professor Dan Engebretson	Professor Frank Schieber
Professor Connie Evenson	Professor Mitch Schinstock
Professor Darlene Farabee	Professor Judith Sebesta
Professor Wioleta Fedeczko	Professor Terri Shive
Professor Gina Forster	Professor Gemma Skillman
Professor Elizabeth Freeburg	Professor Stacy Smallfield
Professor Jarod Giger	Professor Meglena Sternadori
Professor Eric Hagen	Professor David Swanson
Professor Lisa Hazlett	Professor William Sweeney
Professor Angela Helmer	Professor Elizabeth Theiss Smith
Professor Robert Hilderbrand	Professor Barry Timms
Professor Matthew Hittle	Professor Dan Van Peurse
Professor David Holdhusen	Professor Candace Walton
Professor Gregory Huckabee	Professor Michael Watt
Professor Vaughn Huckfeldt	Professor Garreth Zalud

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## Ushers

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Dominique Lyon, Lead Usher	Natalie Honey
Dawn Brown	Teresa McDowell-Johnson
Jason Dean	Clarence Shoemaker
Deborah Dodge	Deb Wiemers
Teresa Hays	Student Ambassadors



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# Candidates for Degrees

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## GRADUATE SCHOOL

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### Doctor of Philosophy

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- Tasha M. Almond  
B.S., Rockford College  
M.S., Northern Illinois University  
Counseling & Psychology in Education
- Adam Wayne Baldwin, Lander, WY  
B.S., The University of Sioux Falls  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
Computational Science & Statistics  
Parallel Global Optimization Using Interval Analysis
- Jeffrey L. Barr, Clifton Heights, PA  
B.S., Millersville University  
Biomedical Sciences  
Modulation of the Structure and Function of the Hippocampus by Long Term Psychostimulant Exposure.
- Gregg Alan Bieber, Bowdle, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.S., Iowa State University  
Ed.S., The University of South Dakota  
Counseling & Psychology in Education  
The Technical Adequacy of the Basic Reading Inventory: An Analysis of Reliability and Validity
- Andrew Robert Burke, Greenfield, IN  
B.S., Indiana University  
Biomedical Sciences  
Effects of Adolescent Stress on Behavioral and Neural Amphetamine Responses in Adults
- Ann Marie Cross, Oglala, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.S., The University of South Dakota  
Materials Chemistry  
Characterization and Dipicolinate Sensitization of Citrate-Stabilized Euro pivm-Doped Lanthanum Fluoride Core-Shell Nanoparticles
- Joseph R. Engler  
B.A., Minot State University  
Counseling & Psychology in Education
- Amanda Marie Ervin, Nashville, TN  
B.S., Middle Tennessee State University  
Biological Sciences  
Habitat Selection, Nesting Success and Genetic Structure of the American Three-Toed Woodpecker (*Picoides dorsalis*) in the Black Hills, South Dakota
- Luke Edward Hofkamp, Rapid City, SD  
B.A., The University of South Dakota  
Biomedical Sciences  
Identification of Novel Subsets of High Grade Prostate Intraepithelial Neoplasia (HGPIN) and Analysis of the Distribution of Suppressor of Fused (SuFu) during the Cell Cycle.
- Christina M. Huhn  
B.A., SUNY at Potsdam College  
M.A., SUNY at New Paltz  
Psychology
- Sean Gerald Johnston, Saskatoon Saskatchewan, Canada  
B.A., Carleton University  
M.A., University of New Brunswick  
English  
Listen All You Bullets
- Laura Anne Koepsell, Yankton, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
Biomedical Engineering  
Tissue Engineering of the Annulus Fibrosus
- Daniel James Palmer, Miller, SD  
B.A., Wartburg College  
M.P.A., The University of South Dakota  
Political Science  
College Administrators as Public Servants: A Q Methodological Exploration
- Maneeshi Suryanath Prasad, Nagpur, India  
B.S., Nagpur University  
M.S., Nagpur University  
Biological Sciences  
Gene Regulatory Network of Cadherin-7 during Spinal Cord Development
- Joseph W. Raiche  
B.A., St. Cloud State University  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
English  
To Give Up the Ghost
- Thomas Wilbur Tiaht, Vermillion, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
B.A., The University of South Dakota  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
Computational Science & Statistics  
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## Doctor of Education

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- Gary A. Bjordal  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration  
Serving the Nontraditional Student: One Size  
Doesn't Fit All
- Bruce B. Brown  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
Curriculum & Instruction
- Kimberly Jo Buechler, Watertown, SD  
B.S. Northern State University  
M.E., Northern Arizona University  
Curriculum & Instruction  
Relationship Between Perceived Student-  
Teacher Relationships and Success of At-Risk  
Students
- Michael J. Butts, Aberdeen, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.A., Northern State University  
Ed.S., Chadron State College  
Educational Administration  
Student and Parent Perceptions of the Success  
of the Transition of Students from Middle School  
to High School
- Daniel James Christoffer, Lansing, IA  
B.A., Buena Vista University  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration  
The Evolution of Athletic Training and  
Perceptions of the BOC Examination Change to  
a Computer-Based Format
- Gloria Jean Coats-Kitsopoulos, Martin, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.A., Virginia Commonwealth University  
Educational Administration  
The Relationship Between Early Literacy  
Assessment and First-Grade Reading  
Achievement for Native American Students
- June Annette Kniep Gaston, Brandon, SD  
B.S., The University of Nebraska  
M.A., The University of Nebraska  
Educational Administration
- Larry L. Gullickson  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.B.A., The University of South Dakota  
M.P.A., The University of South Dakota  
J.D., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration  
Herzberg's Theory of Motivation as Applied to  
Full-Time and Adjunct Faculty Teaching Courses  
Online for Four Members of the Iowa  
Community College Online Consortium.
- Matthew Hanson, West Concord, MN  
B.A., Buena Vista University  
M.A., Southwest Minnesota State University  
Educational Administration  
A systematic Review of Health-Promotion  
Programs in NCAA Division III Institutions
- Marlene M. Johnson  
B.A., Buena Vista University  
M.A., Morningside College  
Educational Administration  
Practices and Perceptions of Northern Plains  
Elementary Principals Regarding Inclusion
- Calvin Joel Jones, Cushing, OK  
B.S., The University of Central Oklahoma  
M.Ed., The University of Central Oklahoma  
Ed.S., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration  
The Lottery and its Financial Contribution to  
Public Education in America
- Monte Ray Kramer, Pierre, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.B.A., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration  
Funding Higher Education: Looking for the  
Pieces of the Puzzle
- Faye LaDuke-Pelster, Belle Fourche, SD  
B.S., University of Wyoming  
M.E., West Texas A&M  
Curriculum & Instruction  
An Investigation of Preservice Teachers' Ability  
to Recognize Effective Reading Comprehension  
Instruction
- Mathew Brett Nelson, Hendricks, MN  
B.S., Dakota State University  
M.S.E., Dakota State University  
Educational Administration  
Attitudes and Gender Differences of High  
School Seniors Within One-To-One Computing  
Environments in South Dakota
- Melissa K. Puhmann  
B.S., South Dakota State University  
M.A., University of South Dakota  
Curriculum & Instruction
- Angela Dawn Raber, Belle Fourche, SD  
B.S., Black Hills State University  
Educational Administration
- Andrea D. Magnuson Serna, Black Hawk, SD  
A.A., North Iowa Area Community College  
B.S.S., Cornell College  
M.B.A., Southwest Minnesota State  
Educational Administration  
Remediation to College Algebra: Factors  
Affecting Persistence and Success in  
Underprepared Students



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## Doctor of Audiology

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Audiology Capstone: Effect of Duration of Participation in Band and Instrument Played on Distortion-Product and Transient-Evoked Otoacoustic Emission Amplitudes  
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Audiology Capstone: Behavioral and Electrophysiologic Measures of Central Auditory Processing Performance in College-Aged Students with Learning Disabilities.

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Audiology Capstone: The Effect of Personality Characteristics on Job Satisfaction for Audiologists Working in Different Settings  
Danielle Marie Starr, Box Elder, SD  
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Audiology Capstone: The Relationship Between Temperament and Hearing Aid Satisfaction

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## Doctor of Physical Therapy

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## SANFORD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

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### Doctor of Medicine

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## SCHOOL OF LAW

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### Juris Doctor

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B.A., Minnesota State University Mankato

Brooke Kristen Beaver, Hinton, IA  
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James Julian Berreth, Pierre, SD  
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Derek James Bertsch, Spearfish, SD  
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B.S., University of Idaho

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Michael J. Gee, Dillon, MT  
B.S., Charleston Southern University

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B.S., Black Hills State University

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B.S., Sam Houston State University

Abigail Ann Howell, Volga, SD  
B.A., South Dakota State University

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B.A., University of South Florida

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B.A., Mount Marty College

Kraig Lee Kronaizl, Scotland, SD  
B.A., Augustana College

Frank Archie Marnell, Sloan, IA  
B.A., University of Northern Iowa

James Anthony McCave, Lincoln, NE  
B.J., University of Nebraska Lincoln

Mitchell L. Morrison, Sioux Falls, SD  
B.A., Augustana College

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B.A., The University of South Dakota

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Mindy Rose Ovenden, Pipestone, MN  
B.A., University of Sioux Falls

Nathan Robert Oviatt, Whitewood, SD  
B.A., University of Nebraska Omaha

Joe Robert Prieksat, Pierre, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota

Jacob Michael Quasney, Rapid City, SD  
B.A., Chadron State College

Alicia Ann Ramsdell, Sturgis, SD  
B.S., Black Hills State University

Robbie James Rohl, Aberdeen, SD  
B.A., University of St. Thomas Minnesota

Krista Lenae Schram, Rock Rapids, IA  
B.A., The University of South Dakota

Brian J. Schuster, Fullerton, NE  
B.S., University of Nebraska Lincoln

Brian Jeffrey Shreves, Omaha, NE  
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Cassidy Marie Stalley, Rapid City, SD  
B.S., University of Mary

Eldon Earl Thompson IV, Carroll, IA  
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B.A., Harvard University  
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Melissa Ann Ure, Kamas, UT  
B.A., Utah State University

C. Michelle Venable-Ridley, Sioux City, IA  
B.A., University of Virginia  
M.A., Temple  
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Christopher Wentzlaff, Sioux Falls, SD  
B.A., Augustana College

Benjamin James Wetherell, Cleghorn, IA  
B.B.A., The University of South Dakota

Robert A. Winsor, St. George, UT  
B.S., Arizona State University

Meghan Kathleen Woster, Sioux Falls, SD  
B.A., The University of South Dakota

Lonnie Bartel Wright, Ridgeview, SD  
B.S., South Dakota School of  
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## GRADUATE SCHOOL

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### Specialist in Education

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- Brice J. Bultje, Lake Andes, SD  
B.A., South Dakota State University  
M.S., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration
- Gayle Cady, White River, SD  
B.S., The University of Nebraska  
M.A., The University of Nebraska  
Educational Administration
- Tammy D. Clodfelter  
B.S., Upper Iowa University  
Counseling & Psychology in Education
- Kyley W. Cumbow  
B.S., Concordia University  
M.S.E., Chadron State College  
Educational Administration
- Candance S. Foltz, Rapid City, SD  
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Educational Administration
- Nikki J. Fuller  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration
- Dustin Everett Hinckley, Clear Lake, SD  
B.A., Southwestern Minnesota State University  
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Educational Administration
- Mark Allen Iverson, Vermillion, SD  
B.S., The University of South Dakota  
M.A., The University of South Dakota  
Educational Administration
- Linda Faye Jensen, Howard, SD  
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 Physics  
*University Scholar, Cum Laude*

Sara Beth Word, Pierre, SD  
 Biology

Nick J. Wuebben, Yankton, SD  
 Earth Science

Stephanie Michelle Zavilla, Highlands Ranch, CO  
 Psychology, History

Winnie Yiyun Zou, Vermillion, SD  
 Chemistry  
*University Scholar, Summa Cum Laude*

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## Associate of Arts

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Sarah Marie Rajewich, Hartford, SD  
 Derek P. Shemon, MN  
 Thomas Dale Voss

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## BEACOM SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

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### Bachelor of Business Administration

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Erin Kay Alberts, Rapid City, SD  
Marketing  
*University Scholar, Magna Cum Laude*

Rebecca Helen Amundson, Hutchinson, SD  
Human Resource Management

Benjamin Harris Anderson, Wall, SD  
Management

Joshua Eric Anderson, Milbank, SD  
Finance  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Christopher John Barnett, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Melissa Marie Bell  
Accounting

Lisa Ann Blankers, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Holly Elizabeth Blocker, Hartford, SD  
Marketing

Monica Renee Bobic, Sioux Falls, SD  
Accounting

Christopher Lee Boyd, Hurley, SD  
Health Services Administration  
*Cum Laude*

Trisha Caldwell, Rock Valley, IA  
Accounting

Caitlyn Campbell, Sioux Falls, SD  
Accounting

Mai Hoang Chau, Sioux Falls, SD  
Accounting

Elizabeth Marie Conn, Volin, SD  
Finance  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Adam Curtis Cutler, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Katherine Anne Day, Belle Fourche, SD  
Accounting  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Erica Anne Donovan, Sioux Falls, SD  
Human Resource Management

Skyler Scott Dowling, Pierre, SD  
Accounting  
*Cum Laude*

Nick R. Eichacker, Salem, SD  
Management

Ashley Patrice Elliott, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Trenton Wayne Elliott, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Colby Grant Farmen, Redfield, SD  
Accounting

Adam Jon Finke, Luverne, MN  
Health Services Administration

Mandy Lynn Fisher, Yankton, SD  
Accounting  
*Summa Cum Laude*

John A. Flaten, Treynor, IA  
Finance

Zachary Flood, De Smet, SD  
Economics  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Trevor Eugene Freudenthal, Parkston, SD  
Finance

Owen R. Fritz, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Kyle Fuchs, Brandon, SD  
Management  
*Cum Laude*

Cassie Rae Garner, Sioux Falls, SD  
Human Resource Management, Spanish

Adam J. Geraets, Dell Rapids, SD  
Human Resource Management  
*Cum Laude*

Cory James Gillen, White Lake, SD  
Health Services Administration  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Sean Douglas Gilmore, Pierre, SD  
Management

Zachary John Gleysteen, Castlewood, SD  
Finance

Andrew Joseph Goeden, Crofton, NE  
Accounting  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Sarah Michal Gonzalez, Sioux Falls, SD  
Marketing

Andrew Wesley Green, Alcester, SD  
Accounting  
*University Scholar, Magna Cum Laude*

Ben Michael Guenther, Crofton, NE  
Accounting  
*Cum Laude*

Ashley Noel Hall, Egan, SD  
Health Services Administration  
*Cum Laude*

Olivia Marie Hansen, Sioux Falls, SD  
Accounting

Justin Bryan Harnisch, Yankton, SD  
Management

Jared Mark Heiden, Sioux Falls, SD  
Finance

Emily Ann Hein, Mitchell, SD  
Human Resource Management

Edward Mitchell Hessman, Wakonda, SD  
Management  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Jacqueline Hiebert, Maple Grove, MN  
Accounting  
*Cum Laude*

Beau Hoodjer, Lincoln, NE  
Marketing

Dustin Dean Jeschke, Aberdeen, SD  
Management

Jacob Ryan Jessop, Presho, SD  
Human Resource Management

Chelsey Mere Johnson, Watertown, SD  
Marketing

Kyler Clark Johnson, Yankton, SD  
Accounting  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Nicholas Joseph Kellen IV, Sioux Falls, SD  
Health Services Administration

Christa Kemnitz, Platte, SD  
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Jessica R. Kemp, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Chelsie Lael Kennedy, Grenville, SD  
Economics

Kristopher Richard Kneip, Sioux Falls, SD  
Human Resource Management

Megan Elizabeth Kniffen, Tyndall, SD  
Health Services Administration

Courtney Koch, Tyndall, SD  
Management

Alexis Paige Hokana Konstant, Spearfish, SD  
Management

Kerry William Kooi, Sioux Center, IA  
Marketing

Austin Krause, Sioux Falls, SD  
Accounting

Benjamin R. Kreklow, Blaine, MN  
Management

Colby James Kuchta, Yankton, SD  
Health Services Administration

Cory Nathan Kuehl, Rock Rapids, IA  
Management

Shane Laible, Howard, SD  
Finance

Olivia Kirsten Larson, Woonsocket, SD  
Marketing

Lauren Elizabeth Leddy, Milbank, SD  
Marketing

Jenna Joy Lee, Sioux City, IA  
Marketing

Preston David Leise, Hartington, NE  
Accounting

Erika Marie Lyle, Sioux Falls, SD  
Marketing

Molly Jean Mack, Redfield, SD  
Management  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Mike Marshall  
Accounting

Meghan Kathleen McCauley, Sioux Falls, SD  
Health Services Administration

Alicia Renae Meinke, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Joel Steven Mettler, Menno, SD  
Management  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Clayton Douglas Miller, Draper, SD  
Marketing

Sheila Ann Mirth, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management

Wycklyffe Sasati Mogondo, Sioux Falls, SD  
Finance

Nick Nelson  
Accounting

Peter Ardean Nelson, Canton, SD  
Health Services Administration

Corica Beth Olfert, Pierre, SD  
Accounting

Christopher Leslie Olson, Howard, SD  
Accounting  
*Cum Laude*

Daniel Mark Olson, Huron, SD  
Human Resource Management

Sarah Olson, Brandon, SD  
Health Services Administration

Bryan James Palmer, Pierre, SD  
Accounting  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Whitney Anne Pelzel, Heron Lake, MN  
Management

Haley Marie Peterson, Norfolk, NE  
Management  
*Cum Laude*

Kyle Pickner, Arlington, SD  
Finance

Jennifer Ann Poppen, Madison, SD  
Health Services Administration  
*Cum Laude*

Nicole Ann Rasmussen, Sioux Falls, SD  
Finance

Christina Lynne Ray, Sioux Falls, SD  
Health Services Administration  
*Cum Laude*

Bradley Louis Rehfeldt, Sioux Falls, SD  
Finance

Lance James Relf, Colman, SD  
Management

Hannah Lea Riedemann, Van Meter, IA  
Marketing

Zachary Taylor Rikkens, Hartford, SD  
Accounting

Candace Marie Riley, Belle Fourche, SD  
Health Services Administration

Alex Charles Rosheim  
Management

Ashley Marie Schelling, Brandon, SD  
Accounting  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Ryan A. Schneider, Sioux Falls, SD  
Finance

Kyle Patrick Schoenfelder, Iroquois, SD  
Marketing  
*Cum Laude*

Jason Michael Schoenleber, Naperville, IL  
Marketing

Trevor Jay Schuurmans, Tyndall, SD  
Health Services Administration

Justin Lee Shatto, Sioux Falls, SD  
Marketing

Jeffrey James Shearer, Sioux Falls, SD  
Finance  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Andrew Wesley Sitz, O'Neill, NE  
Management  
*Cum Laude*

Michael Thomas Smith, Montrose, SD  
Finance  
*University Scholar, Magna Cum Laude*  
Emily Rose Stark, Albert Lea, MN  
Health Services Administration  
*Cum Laude*  
Nicole Rochelle Stauffacher, Baltic, SD  
Management  
*Cum Laude*  
Tyler Autry Stewart, Sioux City, IA  
Finance  
Ryan James Thimjon, Sioux Falls, SD  
Finance  
Mark T.K. Thorsen, Eden Prairie, MN  
Finance  
Alyssa Nicole Tirrel, Yankton, SD  
Finance  
Drew Tolley, Palmdale, CA  
Marketing  
Steffany Jo Treiber, Danbury, IA  
Management  
Lucas Edward Turner, Bowdle, SD  
Health Services Administration  
Cody James Ulven, Sioux Falls, SD  
Economics  
Cortni Jean Van Hill, Rock Valley, IA  
Accounting  
Keith James Van Nyhuis, Boyden, IA  
Accounting  
*University Scholar*

Lauren Michele VanGerpen, Avon, SD  
Economics  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
Bryce Viereck, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management  
Derek Vine, Sioux Falls, SD  
Management  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
Jacob Ryan Wagner, Pierre, SD  
Finance  
*Cum Laude*  
James Lee Walsh, Yankton, SD  
Marketing  
Mallory Ann Wankum, Marcus, IA  
Finance  
*Cum Laude*  
Ann Elizabeth Weber, Dimock, SD  
Finance  
Lonnie James Weier, Viborg, SD  
Accounting  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
Bret Werning, Parkston, SD  
Economics  
Magan Ann Whetham, Garretson, SD  
Accounting  
Ethan James Young, Yankton, SD  
Health Services Administration

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## SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

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### Bachelor of Science in Education

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Jessica Rae Anderson, South Sioux City, NE  
Elementary Education, Special Education  
Kayla Marie Armstrong, Sioux City, IA  
Elementary Education  
Brittini Lynn Badger, Pierre, SD  
Elementary Education, Special Education  
*Cum Laude*  
Dani Leigh Bahlmann, Marshall, MN  
Elementary Education  
Joseph Allen Barth, Hazlet, NJ  
Elementary Education, Special Education  
Chelsea Marie Berens, Sioux Falls, SD  
Elementary Education  
*Cum Laude*  
Steven L. Cass  
English Education  
Emma Patricia Dettmer, Avoca, NE  
Elementary Education  
Matthew Aaron Dickinson, Sioux Falls, SD  
Physical Education  
*Cum Laude*  
Jonathan Michael Drefs, Armour, SD  
History Education  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Brooke C. Edman, Sioux Falls, SD  
Elementary Education  
Katrina Aileen Ehrlich, Lincoln, NE  
Elementary Education  
Adam L. Ericsson, Madison, SD  
History Education  
Shannon Foos, Woonsocket, SD  
Elementary Education  
Breanna Lynn Henrichsen, Hermosa, SD  
History Education, Special Education  
Brittany Kay Henry, Kingsley, IA  
Elementary Education  
*Cum Laude*  
Justin Jeremey Heyd, Aberdeen, SD  
English Education  
Branden Robert Hoefert, Harrisburg, SD  
Elementary Education  
*Summa Cum Laude*  
Jonathan M. Kennedy, Shorewood, WI  
Physical Education  
Brandon Eric Krull, Rapid City, SD  
History Education  
Brittany Jean Lanz, Sioux Falls, SD  
Elementary Education  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Courtney Jo Lerew, Mellette, SD  
Elementary Education  
*Cum Laude*

Alisha Lee Limoges, Elk Point, SD  
English Education  
*Cum Laude*

Maria Louise Love, Madison, NE  
Elementary Education

John Daniel Ludwig, LeMars, IA  
Physical Education

Kyle Patrick McFarland, Sioux Falls, SD  
Elementary Education

Kevin Richard McKinstry, White, SD  
History Education

Lydia Marie Michels, Vermillion, SD  
Elementary Education

Mitchell Lee Mohr, Genoa, NE  
Physical Education

Kellen Moser, Yankton, SD  
English Education  
*Cum Laude*

Nicole Elaine Mueller, Milbank, SD  
Elementary Education  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Heather Marie Nehring, Aurelia, IA  
History Education  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Vanessa Lynn Nelson, Elk Point, SD  
Elementary Education

Jennifer Anne Ogren, Raymore, MO  
Physical Education

Bridgette Michael Olinger, Emery, SD  
Elementary Education, Special Education  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Tanner Steven Oman, Rapid City, SD  
History Education

Melissa Marie Ottenbacher, Rosholt, SD  
Elementary Education, Special Education  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Rachel Lynn Palmer, Rapid City, SD  
English Education  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Megan Rose Peitzmeier, Omaha, NE  
Elementary Education

Kyle Alan Petersen, Marion, SD  
Elementary Education

Danielle Marie Place, Norfolk, NE  
Elementary Education, Special Education  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Kari Lynn Rasmussen, Papillion, NE  
Elementary Education

Alisha Lea Reiffenberger, Sioux Falls, SD  
Elementary Education  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Shawn Richard Ruml, Letcher, SD  
History Education

Janelle Nicole Saylor, Tabor, SD  
Elementary Education, Special Education  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Mason James Schramm, Yankton, SD  
History Education  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Courtney Semmler, Parkston, SD  
Elementary Education

Brittany Erin Sirovy, Renner, SD  
Elementary Education, Special Education

Scott Russell Slotten, Madison, WI  
Physical Education

Jacqueline Diane Smidt, Vermillion, SD  
Elementary Education

Heather Renee Stanton, Homer, NE  
Elementary Education

Sarah Frances Vining, Sioux Falls, SD  
Elementary Education

Natasha Meghan Weeg, Box Elder, SD  
Elementary Education

Amy Marie Welch, Sioux Falls, SD  
Physical Education

Steve Patrick Wiblemo, Lander, WY  
Elementary Education

Samantha Jean Wurdinger, Randolph, NE  
Elementary Education

Michael Zane Zeman, Chamberlain, SD  
Physical Education

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## **Bachelor of Science in Recreation**

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Ryan Donald Dineen, Wilmot, SD  
Alexie Nicole Eversley, Yankton, SD  
Janea Raquel Hagen, Bellevue, NE  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
Kelly Lynn Horner, Sioux Falls, SD

Jara Lynn Lammers, Hartington, NE  
William Jennings Lane, Sioux City, IA  
Brittany Ann Schuller, Sibley, IA  
Tyler Williamson, Estelline, SD

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## **Bachelor of Science in Recreation Management**

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Collin Kristopher Berke, Yankton, SD  
*Magna Cum Laude*

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## COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

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### Bachelor of Fine Arts

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Nicholas M. Amundson Theatre	Nichole Marie Jorgensen, Tea, SD Theatre
Rebecca Ashley Barczak, Clarksville, IN Theatre <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	<i>Cum Laude</i> Lyndsey Kathryn Kastein, Springfield, SD Art
Jessica Pearl Baxter, Yankton, SD Art	<i>University Scholar, Cum Laude</i> David J. Lethcoe Art
Nicholis R. Block, Sioux Falls, SD Theatre	Stephanie N. Maddox, Orlando, FL Theatre
Amy Marie Braunesreither, Yankton, SD Art	Garrett O. Schnathorst, Omaha, NE Theatre
Samantha Anne Brewer, Fargo, ND Theatre	Ebony Symone Shanklin, Sioux Falls, SD Theatre
Maggie Conley Theatre	Stacia J. Swenson, Sioux Falls, SD Art
Emily Jennifer Connelly, Lincoln, NE Art Education <i>Cum Laude</i>	Justin B. Tobin Art
Zachary Ray Drane, Amana, IA Theatre <i>Cum Laude</i>	Sharon Lynn Wegner-Larsen, Hurley, SD Art
Kevin Eugene Earlywine, Rockford, IL Theatre	Nicholas Alexander Wineman Theatre
Angelica Raye Elwell, Hill City, SD Theatre	Elizabeth Margaret Wright, Yankton, SD Theatre <i>Cum Laude</i>
Timothy C. Harden Art	Amelia Frances Irene Wulf, Pierre, SD Art
David Michael Hernandez III, Huron, SD Theatre	

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### Bachelor of Music

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Scott Arens, Yankton, SD Music Performance <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Jessica L. Jans, Fostoria, IA Music Education, Music Performance <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Megan Sue Benz, Melvin, IA Music Education, Music Performance <i>University Scholar, Summa Cum Laude</i>	Sheila J. Lange, Coleridge, NE Music Education <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Laura Lorinda Bertschinger, Creighton, NE Music Performance	Nikole Marie Nuttall, Ralston, NE Music Education, Music Performance <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Carl Guilford Collison, Yankton, SD Music Performance	Kari Anna Owens, Aberdeen, SD Music Education <i>Cum Laude</i>
Timothy Michael Cone, Rapid City, SD Music Education <i>Cum Laude</i>	Ella R. Ricker, Lincoln, NE Music Education
Autumn Renee Ingwersen, Lake Park, IA Music Education <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	

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### Bachelor of Musical Arts

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Timothy K. Evenson



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## SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

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### Bachelor of Science

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Crystal Anderson, Brandon, SD Dental Hygiene	Kathryn Anne Kneifl, Sioux Falls, SD Social Work
Kalee Sumer Archer, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene <i>Cum Laude</i>	Stephanie J. Koch, Plankinton, SD Social Work <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Laura Marie Berens, Parker, SD Dental Hygiene	Megan Marie McPherson, South Sioux City, NE Social Work
Nicholas Thomas Breuer, Sioux Falls, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies	Melissa Ann Miller, Howard, SD Dental Hygiene
Jena Mae Chettinger, Sergeant Bluff, IA Dental Hygiene	Ashley Kay Morgan, Sioux City, IA Dental Hygiene
Taunia Rae Christiansen, Ainsworth, NE Dental Hygiene <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Chelsea Sue Nelson, Columbus, NE Dental Hygiene
Jacqueline Marie Creelman, Rogers, MN Dental Hygiene	Jenna Lynn Parmely, Watertown, SD Dental Hygiene <i>Cum Laude</i>
Michelle Renae Dirks, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene <i>Cum Laude</i>	Jodi Lynn Petershagen, Sioux Falls, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Michelle Alexandra Duch, Aberdeen, SD Social Work <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Tynna Lynn Phillips, Summit, SD Dental Hygiene
Tessa Heiliger Dental Hygiene <i>Cum Laude</i>	Devin Renee Preheim, Freeman, SD Dental Hygiene
Tiffany Claire Henriksen, Yankton, SD Dental Hygiene	Kelsey Lea Pudwill, Springfield, SD Dental Hygiene
Kelsey Erin Hlebichuk, Sioux Falls, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies	Abby Marie Roberts, Deadwood, SD Dental Hygiene
Sara Ann Ingalls, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Amanda Lynn Schroeder, Wall Lake, IA Dental Hygiene
Megan Sage Johnson, Omaha, NE Dental Hygiene	Tyrone Towns Alcohol & Drug Studies
Adam Jurgens Alcohol & Drug Studies	Carrie Ann Van Wyk, Sioux City, IA Dental Hygiene
Genavieve Marie Kelly, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene	Andrew James Weckman, Mankato, MN Alcohol & Drug Studies
	Nichole Lee Willuweit, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene
	Tricia Rhyanne Yoshida, Newell, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies

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### Bachelor of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science

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Kristen Linae Schaffer, Rapid City, SD

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### Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology

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Allen Leroy Bull Bear, Jr., Pierre, SD  
Trevor D. Cook, Custer, SD  
*Cum Laude*

Michael Thomas Fagerness, Sioux Falls, SD  
Cole Justin Weaver, Wall, SD

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## Associate of Science

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Suzanne Ackerman, Hot Springs, SD  
Nursing

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Nursing

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Dental Hygiene

Bailey Lynn Anderson, Rapid City, SD  
Dental Hygiene  
*With Honor*

Crystal Anderson, Brandon, SD  
Dental Hygiene

Nicole L. Anderson  
Nursing

Voni Anderson, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing

Whitney Ann Antonsen, Kadoka, SD  
Nursing

Kalee Sumer Archer, Sioux Falls, SD  
Dental Hygiene  
*With Honor*

Kylie Jo Bakke, Hartington, NE  
Nursing

Ashley Marie Banks, Albuquerque, NM  
Nursing

Stephanie Dawn Battell, Ft. Wayne, IN  
Nursing

David L. Baumberger, Colton, SD  
Nursing  
*With High Honor*

Dena Kay Behrns, Syracuse, NE  
Nursing

Laura Marie Berens, Parker, SD  
Dental Hygiene

Sharon M. Bezenek  
Nursing

Jeanne M. Bierman  
Nursing

Ilsa Marie Bjordal, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Heidi Bludorn  
Nursing

Heath William Boetker, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing

Deidra Jo Bonte, Garretson, SD  
Nursing

Heather Lynn Bostel, Cheyenne, WY  
Nursing

Matthew David Bower, Rio Rancho, NM  
Nursing

Piper Ann Boyle, Santa Fe, NM  
Nursing

Karin Jean Bratcher, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Amy Lynn Brausey, Yankton, SD  
Nursing

Susan T. Brick, Arroyo seco, NM  
Nursing

Cassandra Gwen Briggs, Milbank, SD  
Nursing  
*With High Honor*

Caitlin J. Broek  
Nursing

Jessica Lynn Brooks, Sisseton, SD  
Nursing

Ashley Brown  
Nursing

Brandy Jo Bruining, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Alissa H. Buckstead  
Nursing

Melissa Jean Buehl, Howard Lake, MN  
Nursing

Lindsay L. Burrer  
Nursing

Donna L. Cardenas  
Nursing

Natasha Michelle Chavez, Albuquerque, NM  
Nursing

Bethany Gail Christiansen, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Taunia Rae Christiansen, Ainsworth, NE  
Dental Hygiene  
*With High Honor*

Christine Lea Marie Cook, Verdigre, NE  
Nursing

Marissa Rae Cool, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Jacqueline Marie Creelman, Rogers, MN  
Dental Hygiene

Eric Dean Curtis, Dallas, SD  
Nursing  
*With Highest Honor*

Jody Marlana DeBoer, Hills, MN  
Nursing

Natasha Lynn Deitschman, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Anna Gabrielle Dennis, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing

Catherine Rose Derzab, Black Hawk, SD  
Nursing

Kaili Jo DeVries, Yankton, SD  
Nursing

Megan Noel Dickinson, Albuquerque, NM  
Nursing

Michelle Renae Dirks, Sioux Falls, SD  
Dental Hygiene  
*With Honor*

Sara Jo Dolney, Waubay, SD  
Nursing

Holly Doorn, Vermillion, SD  
Nursing

Brianna Renae Dose, Worthing, SD  
Nursing

Lindsay Drake, Waubay, SD  
Nursing

Robert Dale Dvorak, Pierre, SD  
Nursing

LaToija Dawn Efraimson, Hazel, SD  
Nursing

Stephanie Marie Ellis, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing

Erica Ann Elsasser, Columbia, MO  
Nursing

Tom E. Eyong  
Nursing

Jeremy Paul Fischer-Bigge, Armour, SD  
Nursing

Kyle Lee Fonder, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Jean Schneider Fouch, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Stephanie A. Fousek  
Nursing

Dulce L. Frank, Burke, SD  
Nursing  
*With High Honor*

Christopher Scott Gacke, Harrisburg, SD  
Nursing

Roberta Lea Gagnon, Brandon, SD  
Nursing

Cynthia Gamble, Albuquerque, NM  
Nursing

Mia Rae Gehm, DeSmet, SD  
Nursing

Melissa Marie Gering, Marion, SD  
Nursing

Erin Lyn Gerry, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Danielle Elizabeth Gilliam, Matthews, NC  
Nursing

Amanda L. Glanzer, Carpenter, SD  
Nursing

Christina Dawn Gomez, Albuquerque, NM  
Nursing

Cierra Jean Grayson, Tea, SD  
Nursing

Janet L. Green  
Nursing

Molli J. Greenfield, Vermillion, SD  
Nursing

Brynn Lauren Gudahl, Howard, SD  
Nursing

Kathryn Haaland, Sisseton, SD  
Nursing

Kelly Jo Hall, Belle Fourche, SD  
Nursing

Alissa Marie Halse, Thomas, SD  
Nursing

Erica McKay Hanson, Madison, SD  
Nursing

Kelsey Jayne Hare, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing  
*With Honor*

James Anthoiny Alexander Harrilal, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Nicholas Hartje, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing

Stephanie D. Hayes  
Nursing

Tiffany Claire Henriksen, Yankton, SD  
Dental Hygiene

Katie Marie Herther, Black Hawk, SD  
Nursing

Janelle Marie Hieb, Brookings, SD  
Nursing  
*With High Honor*

Corena Joan Hoffman, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing

Samantha Ann Hohn, Ethan, SD  
Dental Hygiene  
*With Honor*

Erin Elizabeth Horacek, Hartford, SD  
Nursing  
*With High Honor*

Kathy Ann Howard  
Nursing

Jessica Rae Immecker, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Sara Ann Ingalls, Sioux Falls, SD  
Dental Hygiene  
*With High Honor*

Mallory Marie Jacobs, Tolstoy, SD  
Dental Hygiene

Cassandra M. Janke  
Nursing

Haley Ann Janousek, Bonesteel, SD  
Nursing

Sherise Nicole Jaramillo, Albuquerque, NM  
Nursing

Lillian Antoinette Jefferson, Pierre, SD  
Nursing

Amelia Ann Jensen, Pierre, SD  
Nursing

Amy Catherine Jensen, Beresford, SD  
Nursing  
*With Highest Honor*

Megan Sage Johnson, Omaha, NE  
Dental Hygiene

Tayla Cassandra Johnson, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing

Lacie Junso, Watertown, SD  
Nursing

Hope K. Jurrens  
Nursing

Lyn Cha Karjalainen, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing

Pamela Ann Kathol, Irene, SD  
Dental Hygiene

Genavieve Marie Kelly, Sioux Falls, SD  
Dental Hygiene

Karmyn Brianna Kindle, Lemmon, SD  
Nursing

Samantha L. Kliskey  
Nursing

Edna Jane Knutson, Philip, SD  
Nursing

Gail Mari Knutson, Sherwood, ND  
Nursing

Catherine Elizabeth Koch, Casper, WY  
Nursing

Lisa Joy Koistinen, Hayti, SD  
Nursing

Patrick A. Koistinen, Bryant, SD  
Nursing

Michelle J. Kopecky  
Nursing

Jeri Rene Kost, Rapid City, SD Nursing	Casey Colleen Merrigan, Watertown, SD Nursing
Erin Christine Kramer, Waconia, MN Nursing <i>With Honor</i>	Michelle Mary Merritt, Yankton, SD Nursing <i>With High Honor</i>
Jennifer Fra Krout, Harden, MT Nursing	Samantha Ellen Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene
Jared Vincent Kruse, Yankton, SD Nursing	Melissa Ann Miller, Howard, SD Dental Hygiene
Lisa Marie Kummer, Ethan, SD Nursing	Stesha Ann Miller, Brandon, SD Nursing
Nicholas James Kuno, Sturgis, SD Nursing	Jacey Rae Mills, Rapid City, SD Nursing
Valerie Anne Laferty, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing <i>With Honor</i>	Hollie Minton Nursing
Amber A. Larsen Nursing	Sandra Mae Monger, Rapid City, SD Nursing
Amy N. Larsen, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing <i>With High Honor</i>	Jacqueline S. Montoya, Rio Rancho, NM Nursing
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JR Lavielle Nursing	Ashley Kay Morgan, Sioux City, IA Dental Hygiene
Jordan Shay Lawrence, White Horse, SD Nursing	Mischelle Lynne Morgan, Rapid City, SD Nursing
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Kathleen Rae Logan, Newcastle, WY Nursing	Chelsea Sue Nelson, Columbus, NE Dental Hygiene
Adrienne Danielle Logue, Wakonda, SD Nursing	Jennifer Marie Noem, De Smet, SD Nursing
Ernestina Lopez Nursing	Amy Jo Norling, Centerville, SD Nursing
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Fridah Mbatia Nursing	Angie Olson Nursing
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	Nicole Robyn Payer, Yankton, SD Nursing

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Nursing  
Felicia Ann Pederson, Lake Preston, SD  
Nursing  
Daniel Paul Peterson, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing  
Lisa Rose Peterson, Labolt, SD  
Nursing  
Thoa Pham  
Nursing  
Darci A. Phelps  
Nursing  
Tynna Lynn Phillips, Summit, SD  
Dental Hygiene  
Suzanne Kay Pica, Dell Rapids, SD  
Nursing  
Katie Marie Pierce, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing  
Antonia N. Porth, Dassel, MN  
Nursing  
Rachel Ann Pravecek, Tyndall, SD  
Nursing  
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Dental Hygiene  
Nicole Marie Putnam, Gayville, SD  
Nursing  
Lynnette Marie Ragatz, Rapid City, SD  
Nursing  
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Elizabeth Ann Rayman, Tracy, MN  
Nursing  
Cindy Lynn Reichling, Watertown, SD  
Nursing  
Theresa Remily  
Nursing  
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Nursing  
Tiffany Richter, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
Anna Marie Schneider, Mitchell, SD  
Nursing

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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Dental Hygiene  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Nursing  
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Springs, SD  
Nursing  
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Dental Hygiene  
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Nursing  
Lucas R. Stewart, Watertown, SD  
Nursing  
Brandie Nicole Stoner, Sioux Falls, SD  
Nursing  
Kristina M. Stubbs, Newcastle, WY  
Nursing  
Jodi Kay Sutton, Watertown, SD  
Nursing  
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Nursing

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Stephanie Marie Tucker, Custer, SD Nursing	Ina Marie White, Rapid City, SD Nursing
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Kristin Kaye Van Engen, Alcester, SD Nursing	Amy Rebecca Williams, Pierre, SD Nursing
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Madelaine Jean Vander Ziel, Chandler, MN Nursing	Nichole Lee Willuweit, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene
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Christopher Lauren Velk, Yankton, SD Nursing	Elizabeth Marie Wrich, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing <i>With Honor</i>
JoLynn Gayle Vlaininck, Rapid City, SD Nursing	April Lynn Yantis, Sturgis, SD Nursing
Randi Lynn Voegele Nursing	Joelle Zimprich Nursing
Bunpeng Kimlee Vongkaenchan, Mountain Lake, MN Nursing	Erin Mirinda Zink, Wayne, NE Nursing <i>With High Honor</i>
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Jennifer Andrea Webb, Spencer, SD Nursing	

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## ACADEMIC HONORS

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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

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## HONOR SOCIETIES

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Honor 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 Epsilon.....	Blue & gold 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
Scholarship Pathways Program.....	Gold medallion with red ribbon
Sigman Delta Pi.....	Red & Gold honor cords
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.

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## ACADEMIC DRESS

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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