

SPRING 2017
Commencement
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

*THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTIETH ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
DAKOTA DOME, VERMILLION, SD
MAY 6, 2017*

Graduate & Undergraduate Commencement

*Dakota Dome
May 6, 2017 9:30 a.m.*

The Commencement Procession

Dr. Susan Keith-Gray, Professor of Music

The National Anthem

USD Chamber Singers
Directed by Dr. David Holdhusen

Welcome

Dr. Robin Ammon, University Senate Chair
James W. Abbott, President

Belbas-Larson Awards for Excellence in Teaching

Jim Moran, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs
Associate Professor Jason Porter, Beacom School of Business
Assistant Professor David Lane, College of Arts & Sciences

Commencement Address

Royce C. Engstrom, University of Montana

USD Chamber Singers

i carry your heart arr. by Connor Koppin
Directed by Dr. David Holdhusen

Honorary Degree

Pamela Smith Hill, Doctor of Humane Letters

Authorization of Degree Conferral

Harvey C. Jewett, South Dakota Board of Regents

Hoarding and Conferring of Doctoral Candidates and Presentation of Diplomas

- Doctor of Philosophy
- Doctor of Education
- Doctor of Audiology
- Docotor of Occupational Therapy
- Doctor of Physical Therapy
- Transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy
- Doctor of Medicine
- Juris Doctor

Conferring of Specialist and Master Degrees and Presentation of Diplomas

- Specialist in Education
- Master of Arts
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Fine Arts
- Master of Music
- Master of Professional Accountancy
- Executive Master of Public Administration
- Master of Public Administration
- Master of Public Health
- Master of Science
- Master of Social Work

Conferring of Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees and Presentation of Diplomas

ROTC Oath of Office

- Jim Moran, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Lieutenant Colonel Michelle Bunkers, Department Chair, Military Science

Induction into Alumni Association

- Staci Stern, Alumni Association Representative

University Hymn, *Alma Mater*

- USD Chamber Singers
- Directed by Dr. David Holdhusen

Closing Remarks

- James W. Abbott, President
- Dr. Robin Ammon, University Senate Chair

Recessional

Note to Guests:

The audience will remain seated for both the Processional and Recessional and will rise for the National Anthem and Alma Mater. Professional photographs by Lifetouch Photography will be available a week after the ceremony at www.usd.edu/registrar/commencement.cfm.

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

Commencement Speaker



Royce C. Engstrom

Dr. Engstrom is on the faculty at the University of Montana after serving as President of UM for six years and Provost for three years before that. He was a member of the University of South Dakota community for 28 years, holding positions as a Faculty member in the Department of Chemistry, Department Chair, and Vice-President for Research, Dean of the Graduate School and Provost. In all of those roles, Engstrom has been a staunch advocate for student engagement, interdisciplinary learning, and research growth. He takes great pride in his relationships with both UM and USD, and views the growth of student research at USD and the launch of the Global Leadership Initiative at UM among his most important work.

He has been actively involved in the national agenda for higher education, serving in leadership roles in the Council on Undergraduate Research, the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, and the Association of American Colleges and Universities.

Royce is married to Mary Engstrom, who holds a doctorate from USD and who served on the faculty there. They have two children. Carey is married to Pete (both USD grads) and they have two boys. Tyler is married to Ellie, and they live in New York. Royce has had a long-time hobby of building and paddling wooden canoes.

He is grateful to the opportunity to speak at USD's 2017 Commencement.

Honorary Degree Recipient



Pamela Smith Hill

Pamela Smith Hill is the *New York Times* best-selling editor of Laura Ingalls Wilder's *Pioneer Girl: The Annotated Autobiography* and the author of *Laura Ingalls Wilder: A Writer's Life*. She is also the author of three award-winning young adult novels. At eighteen, she sold her first story to her hometown newspaper and has been writing professionally ever since. She's taught professional and creative writing classes at universities in Oregon, Washington, and Colorado. Her popular massive open online courses on Laura Ingalls Wilder, offered through Missouri State University, have reached 10,000 students worldwide. Her books have been recognized by the Junior Library Guild, the Oregon Book Awards, Western Writers of America, Women Writing the West, the New York Public Library, the National Indie Excellence Committee, and the Mark Twain Award Committee. She holds BA and MA degrees from the University of South Dakota. Ms. Hill lives in Portland, Oregon, where she continues to teach and write.

Stage Party

James W. Abbott
President
Harvey C. Jewett
Board of Regents Representative
Royce C. Engstrom
Speaker
Pamela Smith Hill
Honorary Degree Recipient
Staci Stern
Alumni Association Representative
Robin Ammon
University Senate Chair
Jim Moran
Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs
Ranjit Koodali
Dean, Graduate Education
Mary Nettleman
Vice President, Health Affairs &
Dean, Sanford School of Medicine
Paul C. Bunger
Dean, Medical Student Affairs
Thomas Geu
Dean, School of Law
Kurt Hackemer
Dean, College of Arts & Sciences
Venky Venkatachalam
Dean, Beacom School of Business
Donald Easton-Brooks
Dean, School of Education
Larry Schou
Dean, College of Fine Arts
Michael Lawler
Dean, School of Health Sciences
Timothy Pyles
Reader, College of Fine Arts
Jennifer Thompson
Registrar

Honorary Marshals

Emeritus Professor Gervase Hittle
Emeritus Professor Robert Stoner

Head Marshals

Michelle Van Maanen
College of Arts & Sciences
Leon Korte
Beacom School of Business

Marshals

Daniel Bird
Sanford School of Medicine
Kathryn Birkeland
Beacom School of Business
Darlene Bogenpohl
School of Health Sciences
Sherrie Bosse
School of Education
Scott Breuninger
College of Arts & Sciences
Ann Brunick
School of Health Sciences
Steven Bucklin
College of Arts & Sciences
David Carr
Beacom School of Business
John Dudley
College of Arts & Sciences
Gregory Huckabee
Beacom School of Business
Christine Hutton
School of Law
Moses Ikiugu
School of Health Sciences
Eric Jepsen
College of Arts & Sciences
Joy Karges
School of Health Sciences
Beverly Kennedy
School of Health Sciences
Peter Kindle
School of Health Sciences
Solveig Korte
College of Arts & Sciences
Kelly McKay-Semmler
College of Arts & Sciences
Jay Memmott
School of Health Sciences
Lana Svien
School of Health Sciences
Rand Wergin
Beacom School of Business

Board of Regents

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Randy Schaefer
Madison
Pam Roberts
Pierre (Hughes County)
Joan Wink
Howes (Mead)
Conrad Adam
Pierre

Faculty in Attendance

Professor Mejai Bola Avoseh
Professor John Banasiak
Professor Chet Barney
Professor Mark Baron
Professor Kathleen Brown-Rice
Professor Ayana Campoli
Professor Jean Caraway
Professor Karen Card
Professor Michael Card
Professor Susan Curtin
Professor Thomas Davies
Professor David De Jong
Professor De Vee Dykstra
Professor Dan Engebretson
Professor Matthew Fairholm
Professor Diana Feldhacker
Professor Lisa Feller
Professor Raimondo Genna
Professor Lisa Hazlett
Professor Helene Hegge
Professor Angela Helmer
Professor David Holdhusen
Professor Gerard Jacobs
Professor Marni Johnson Martin
Professor Lindsey Jorgensen
Professor Maribeth Jorgensen
Professor Teddi Joyce
Professor Christina Keller
Professor Bruce Kelley
Professor Jacob Kerby
Professor Karen Kindle
Professor Yi-Fan Li

Professor Whitney Lucas Molitor
Professor Dongming Mei
Professor Jessica Messersmith
Professor Diana Messick
Professor Ranelle Nissen
Professor Doug Peterson
Professor Kari Potter
Professor Kristine Reed
Professor Kevin Reins
Professor Randy Quevillon
Professor Soonhee Roh
Professor Kyle Roux
Professor Alexei Savinov
Professor Shane Semmler
Professor Daniel Soluk
Professor Carole South-Winter
Professor Teresa Stephenson
Professor Gabrielle Strouse
Professor Andrew Sykes
Professor Charles Thatcher
Professor Thomas Tiaht
Professor Jill Tyler
Professor Dan Van Peursesem
Professor Barry Vickrey
Professor Laura Vidler
Professor Hongmin Wang
Professor Mandy Williams
Professor Sara Wollersheim Shervey
Professor Garreth Zalud
Professor Frank Zavadil

Graduate School

Presented by Dean Ranjit Koodali

Doctoral Degrees

Doctor of Philosophy

Madhubabu Alaparthy, Vermillion, SD
M.S., University of South Dakota
Materials Chemistry
Dansylamide Derivatives of 1,8-Anthraquinone-18-Crown-5: Synthesis, Characterization and Emission Behavior with Metal Ions

Christina Amatya, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., St. Cloud State University
Basic Biomedical Sciences
Testing Alternative Protein Engineering Strategies for Induction of Functional T Regulatory Cells as a Potential Therapeutic Approach for Type 1 Diabetes

Hitomi Gunsolley, Funabashi
M.S., California State University - Los Angeles
Psychology
Japanese People's Reactions to the Great East Japan Earthquake and Development of Theory of Secondary Control

Adam Hardy, Sioux Falls, SD
M.A., University of South Dakota
Counseling & Psychology in Education
Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect among Substance Abuse Counselors

Sigurd Edward Hartnett, Redwood City, CA
B.A., University of California - Berkeley
Physician Scientist
Potential Mechanisms Underlying the Reduced Parasympathetic Control of the Heart: The Roles of UCHL1 & BCHE

Stephanie J. Jensen, Elk Point, SD
M.S., University of South Dakota
Materials Chemistry
Cobalt Doped Anatase for Use in Photo-electrochemical Water Splitting Applications: A Density Functional Theory Study on Non-radiative Relaxation Dynamics

Benjamin S. Kohls
M.S., Minnesota State University - Mankato
Counseling & Psychology in Education
The Experience of Fatherhood with an Ill or Preterm Infant

Laurel Krokstrom, Vermillion, SD
M.A., University of Southern California - Los Angeles
Counseling & Psychology in Education
What Makes Music Majors Unique? Motivation to Learn in Major and General Coursework

Philip Neil MacKenzie, Mankato, MN
M.F.A., Minnesota State University - Mankato
English
The Dead Don't Mind: A Novel

Briana Chalese Nelson Kraayenbrink, Platte, SD
M.A., University of South Dakota
Psychology
Training Effectiveness and Mental Model Change

Sarah Anne Novickis
B.A., Briar Cliff University
Counseling & Psychology in Education
Teachers' Conceptions of Evidence-Based Practices & School Mental Health in Rural Versus Urban Cluster Settings

Jordan Nathan Sheets, Dixon, CA
M.S., Black Hills State University
Basic Biomedical Sciences
Identifying the Role of SUSD2 in the Progression of High-grade Serous Ovarian Cancer

Stacy Marie Solsaa, Castlewood, SD
M.S., South Dakota State University
Counseling & Psychology in Education
School Counselor Perceptions of State-Level Resources and Supports for School Counselors Implementing CSCP's

Doctor of Education

Matthew Allen Hoyer, Rapid City, SD
M.S., South Dakota State University
Educational Administration
Attachment and Retention Amongst First-Year College Students

Tanja N. Pederson
M.S., South Dakota State University
Educational Administration
Implementing a Five-Week Summer Program as an Intervention to Kindergarten Readiness

Paul Edward Von Fischer, Brookings, SD
Ed.S., University of South Dakota
Educational Administration
The Relationship Between Teacher Perception of Principal Servant Leadership Behavior and Teacher Job Satisfaction in South Dakota

Heather Anne Bleecker, Fountain Valley, CA
M.A., California State University - Long Beach
Curriculum & Instruction
South Dakota Middle School Mathematics Teachers' Perceptions of Teaching Competencies

Krystal Dawn Kooiker, Sheldon, IA
M.S., Southwest Minnesota State University
Curriculum & Instruction
Response to Intervention in Middle School: Teacher Perceptions of Learner Characteristics

Colleen Ann Murley, Aberdeen, SD
Ed.S., University of South Dakota
Educational Administration
*Demographic Characteristics of Successful
English Language Learners in Rural
Communities*

Samuel Platt, Tallahassee, FL
M.S., Florida Agricultural & Mechanical
University
Curriculum & Instruction
*A Phenomenological Approach to
Understanding the Essence of Bullying and
Prevention on School Buses from the
Perception of School Bus Monitors*

Ben Michael Schaap, Pierre, SD
M.S., South Dakota State University
Educational Administration
*Fostering Creativity In Higher Education: A
Study Of College Educators*

Jennifer Ross Sierra, Porcupine, SD
M.A., Oglala Lakota College
Educational Administration
*Lakóta Language Program: A Case Study of
Second Language Learning Model and
Curriculum at Red Cloud Indian School*

James R. Weaver
M.S.Ed., Northern State University
Educational Administration
*Job Satisfaction of Fine Arts Teachers in a
Rural State*

Doctor of Audiology

Holly Marie Bonnichsen, Blunt, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
*How Adults with Acquired Hearing Loss
Remember Normal Hearing*

Joel Thomas Brewer, Lennox, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
*Preference and Performance: Manufacturer
"Proprietary Fit" Algorithm Hearing Aid Fitting
Versus Probe-Microphone Verified Prescription*

Hillary Ann Donnelly, Elk Point, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
*The Effect of Device Reliability and the
Provision of Loaner and Personal Spare
Devices on Self Reported Patient Stress*

Samantha J. Ewing, Redwood Falls, MN
B.S., St. Cloud State University
*The Use of Amplification, Masking, and
Counseling for Patients with Tinnitus and Normal
Hearing Sensitivity*

Brittney Ann Van Gent, Luverne, MN
B.S., University of South Dakota
*Effect of Video Model on Measures of
Perceived Stress/Anxiety, Usefulness, Ease of
Use, and Self-Efficacy for Adults with Post-
Lingual Hearing Loss Being Treated with
Cochlear Implants*

Doctor of Occupational Therapy

Megan Marie Aesoph, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., University of St. Thomas
Cali Lynn Bellar, Norfolk, NE
B.A., Doane College

Matthew Douglas Buescher, Lincoln, NE
B.S., University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Kelsey Frances Croghan, Norfolk, NE
B.S., Wayne State College

Rebecca Jo Fischer, Ashton, IA
B.S., South Dakota State University
Nicole Rene Green, Columbus, NE
B.S., University of Nebraska - Kearney

Bethany Lynn Hansmeier, Bristol, SD
B.S., South Dakota State University
Jessica Anne Hicks, Rapid City, SD
M.S., University of South Dakota

Rebecca Jo Lynn Johnson, Rapid City, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
Tanae Joy Kartak, Winner, SD
B.S., South Dakota State University

Tessa Leigh Kleinwolterink, Sibley, IA
B.A., Augustana College
Clare Theresa Koezly, Ham Lake, MN
B.A., Benedictine College

Nicole Renee Kraft, Omaha, NE
B.S., Nebraska Wesleyan University
Jenna Louise LaMee, Andover, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota

Alyssa Victoria Leisinger, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., Southwest Minnesota State University
Alexya Hope Maassen, Brandon, SD
B.A., Northwestern College

Amy Lynn Marie Nelson, Yankton, SD
M.S., University of South Dakota
Tyler Lee Ommen, Sheldon, IA
B.A., Morningside College

Morgan Lee Stover, Columbus, NE
B.S., Concordia University - Seward
Katlin Jo Van Peurse, Rushmore, MN
B.S., South Dakota State University

Timothy Austin Wallick, Columbus, NE
B.S., Nebraska Wesleyan University

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Kristin Ann Arens, Crofton, NE
B.S., University of South Dakota
Marisa Sue Blackwell, Miller, SD
B.S., South Dakota State University
Steven Michael Blom, Corsica, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
Jacy Rae Brown, Buffalo, SD
B.S., South Dakota School of Mines &
Technology
Renee Lynn Burnham, Winner, SD
B.S., South Dakota State University
Jena Rae Haigh, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., South Dakota State University
Jennifer Renee Hall, Columbus, NE
B.A., College of Saint Benedict
Shelbi Leigh Hatfield, Papillion, NE
B.S., College of Saint Mary
Matthew David Hodgden, Holloway, MN
B.A., Southwest Minnesota State University
Rhianna Nicolle Hoffman, Rapid City, SD
B.S., South Dakota School of Mines &
Technology
Spencer John Laufmann, Brookings, SD
B.S., South Dakota State University
Clay Matthew Lovro, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
Chelsey Nicole Michel, Dell Rapids, SD
B.S., University of Sioux Falls
Sarah Joy Moen, Anoka, MN
B.S., South Dakota State University
Melissa Lynn Muehler, Mitchell, SD
B.S., South Dakota State University
Sarah Peterson Baker, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., Northern State University
Alyssa Shay Pfeifle, Brandon, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
Tyler James Sarringar, Pierre, SD
B.S., Dakota Wesleyan University
Jenna Elizabeth Sieve, New Ulm, MN
B.S., South Dakota State University
Boni Slagerman, Woodbury, MN
B.S., University of South Dakota
Kelsey Rae Tobin, Sioux City, IA
B.A., Morningside College
Britt Matthew Wickett, Brandon, SD
B.S., Southwest Minnesota State University
Mark Robert Wilcox, Yankton, SD
B.S., Black Hills State University
Dawn Teresa Williams, Sioux Falls, SD
B.A., College of Saint Benedict
Christa Renae Wolf, Pierre, SD
B.S., Chadron State College

Professional Degrees

Sanford School of Medicine

Presented by Dean Mary Nettleman

Doctor of Medicine

Jed H. Assam, Sioux Falls, SD
M.S., Creighton University
B.A., Bethel University
B.S., Bethel University
Kelsey Lea Bean, Sioux Falls, SD
B.A., St. Olaf College
Paul David Berndt, Mankato, MN
B.A., Augustana College
Daniel Boadwine, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Dominique Boudreau Boadwine, Yankton, SD
M.A., University of South Dakota
B.S., University of South Dakota
Scholarship Pathway Scholar
Kassidy Randell Boyd, Mitchell, SD
M.A., University of South Dakota
B.S., University of South Dakota
Cum Laude
Kaitlin Ann Branick, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
Ryan Buse, Brandon, SD
B.A., South Dakota State University
B.S., South Dakota State University
Cum Laude
Peter S. Chang, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., Arizona State
*Summa Cum Laude, Scholarship Pathway
Scholar*
Daniel R. Davies, Vermillion, SD
B.S., University of South Dakota
*Summa Cum Laude, SSM Alumni
Student Scholar*
Samuel Alan Evenson, Sioux Falls, SD
B.A., Augustana College
Scholarship Pathway Scholar
Brendan Patrick Feehan, Rapid City, SD
B.S., University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Brooke Autumn Fischer, Sioux Falls, SD
B.A., Mount Marty College
Summa Cum Laude
Margaret Elizabeth Free, Sioux Falls, SD
B.A., College of Saint Benedict
Michael Paul Frost, Rapid City, SD
B.S., Montana State
*Magna Cum Laude, Scholarship Pathway
Scholar*

Tyler Gilliland, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
Magna Cum Laude

JaMicah Rudo Harris, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., South Dakota School of Mines &
 Technology

Sigurd Edward Hartnett, Redwood City, CA
 B.A., University of California - Berkley

James Benjamin Hellekson, Faith, SD
 B.S., Black Hills State University

Kirstin Ashley Hockhausen, Rapid City, SD
 B.S., South Dakota State University
Magna Cum Laude

Amber Kay Holmes, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
Cum Laude

Matthew Lee Hustrulid, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., South Dakota School of Mines &
 Technology

Brooke Jensen, Humboldt, SD
 B.S., South Dakota State University

Eric William Jones, Escondido, CA
 B.S., Brigham Young
Cum Laude, Scholarship Pathway Scholar

Trevor Olson Kindle, Yankton, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
Summa Cum Laude

Keely Marie Krolkowski, Winner, SD
 B.S., Black Hills State University
Summa Cum Laude

Benjamin Lee Lancaster, Crofton, NE
 B.S., Buena Vista University
Cum Laude

Jens Jacob Lillevold, Yankton, SD
 B.S., University of Minnesota - Minneapolis

Benjamin Dean Meyerink, Platte, SD
 B.S., South Dakota State University

Collin Thomas Michels, Yankton, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
*Magna Cum Laude, SSM Alumni
 Student Scholar, Scholarship Pathway Scholar*

Emily Ann Nachtigal, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Summa Cum Laude

Michael Eric Neilson, Yankton, SD
 B.S., South Dakota School of Mines &
 Technology

Charis Elizabeth Noteboom, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.A., Bethel University
 B.S., Bethel University
Magna Cum Laude

Karah Dawn Odegaard, Rapid City, SD
 B.S., University of Sioux Falls

Ashley Michelle Osenga, Dell Rapids, SD
 B.S., University of Sioux Falls

Daniel Parrott, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., University of Minnesota - Minneapolis
Cum Laude, Scholarship Pathway Scholar

John Alexander Person, Hartford, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 A.S., Community College of the Air
 Force - Maxwell AFB
Magna Cum Laude

Joshua Rezkalla, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., University of North Dakota
Magna Cum Laude

Paul Dean Rozeboom, Sergeant Bluff, IA
 B.S., University of California - Riverside
Magna Cum Laude

Mason Ray Ruthford, Rapid City, SD
 B.S., University of Iowa

Jordan Thomas Schild, Yankton, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota

Meredith Shama, Fishers, IN
 B.S., South Dakota State University

Andrea Sherman, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., Augustana College
Magna Cum Laude

Hannah Grace Statz, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., Creighton University
Magna Cum Laude

Danielle Anne Thornburg, Hayti, SD
 B.S., Creighton University
Scholarship Pathway Scholar

Randall James Waldner, Redfield, SD
 B.S., South Dakota State University
Summa Cum Laude

Trevor James Watson, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
Scholarship Pathway Scholar

Lucinda Jean Weaver, Rapid City, SD
 B.S., Augustana College

Kristin Ann Wempe, Mitchell, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
SSM Alumni Student Scholar

Kelly Elizabeth Wong, Custer, SD
 B.S., Augustana College
Scholarship Pathway Scholar

Ethan Michael Young, Harrisburg, SD
 B.S., University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Summa Cum Laude

School of Law

Presented by Dean Thomas Geu

Juris Doctor

Kiira Marie Anderson, Dell Rapids, SD
 B.A., University of Iowa

Abigail Marie Baatz, Lester, IA
 B.A., National American University

Joseph Ole Bjornstad, Spirit Lake, IA
 B.A., Saint John's University

Elliot J. Bloom, Scenic, SD
 B.A., Augustana College

Nicole Mary Brandt, Yankton, SD
 B.A., Mount Marty College

Ashley R. Brost, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.A., Augustana College

Shad Eugene Christman, Lemmon, SD
 B.S., South Dakota State University

Sarah Elizabeth Christopherson, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.A., Luther College
 Kayla Caresse Clark, Broken Bow, NE
 B.S., Wayne State College
 William Dewitt Coby Jr., University City, MO
 B.S., Missouri State University - Springfield
 Maggie Kay Cockburn, Cherokee, IA
 B.B.A., University of South Dakota
 Matthew Jacob Davidson, Kahoka, MO
 B.S., Saint Louis University
 Jacob Daniel Dawson, Howard, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Mathew Doud, Rapid City, SD
 B.A., University of Southern Maine
 Joseph Brian Erickson, Dell Rapids, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Jessica Dee Four Bear, Eagle Butte, SD
 B.S., Oglala Lakota College
 Brandi D. Gant, Geddes, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 Lori K. Goad, Denton, TX
 B.S., University of North Texas
 Brian Marcus Griffin, Jacksonville, FL
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Carl Franz Haberstick, Huron, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 Austin James Hieb, Aberdeen, SD
 B.A., Dakota Wesleyan University
 Jeffery H. Holt, Wayne, NE
 B.S., Wayne State College
 Kyle Layne Jensen, Aberdeen, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Lloyd Grey Jensen, Watertown, SD
 B.S., South Dakota State University
 Derrick Nilus Johnson, Tyndall, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Kelly Lynn Kanaan, Rapid City, SD
 B.A., Morningside College
 Andrea Lynn Keupp, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.A., Augustana College
 Nicholas H. Koontz, Sturgis, SD
 B.S., Black Hills State University
 Kody Ray Kyriss, Lesterville, SD
 B.A., Northern State University
 Amanda Ashley LaCroix, Rapid City, SD
 B.S., University of Utah
 Kasen Ellis Lambeth, Cedar City, UT
 B.A., Southern Utah University
 Brianna Elizabeth Lear, Rock Springs, WY
 B.A., University of Wyoming
 Anna Mae Limoges, Beresford, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Seth Allen Lopour, Fort Pierre, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Aaron Patrick Lougheed, Beresford, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 Andrew Michael Magner, Indianapolis, IN
 B.A., Purdue University
 Emily Christine Maurice, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.A., Augustana College
 Kimberly Breanne McNulty, Omaha, NE
 B.A., Creighton University
 Rene T. McNulty, Omaha, NE
 B.S., Bellevue University
 Joseph Andrew Meader, Sioux Falls, SD
 B.A., Augustana College
 Benjamin James Mulford, Fresno, CA
 B.A., Fresno Pacific University
 Jeffry A. Mulrain
 B.S., Stetson University
 Kfir Orgad, Las Vegas, NV
 B.S., Brigham Young University
 Brianna H. Palomaki, Poplar Grove, IL
 B.A., Rockford University
 Jun Byung Park, Seoul
 B.A., SUNY at Buffalo Center
 Gavin Douglas Pochop, Gregory, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Craig Matthew Popper, Bangor, ME
 B.S., Southwest Minnesota State University
 Ryan William Wendell Redd, Columbus, SD
 B.S., South Dakota State University
 Hayley Nicole Ridgway, Yankton, SD
 B.A., University of South Dakota
 Gail Marie Schilmoeller, Marcus, IA
 B.S., Northwest Missouri State University
 Mallory Kay Schulte, Yankton, SD
 B.A., Augustana College
 Michael Ernest Spraitz, Vermillion, SD
 B.S., National American University
 Christopher Rush Storz, Panama, NE
 B.S., Midland University
 Adam Ian Stratmeyer, Rapid City, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 Michael Imlay Teigum, Madelia, MN
 B.A., Augustana University
 Jeffrey Allan Theisen, Le Mars, IA
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 Jason C. Thomas, Rapid City, SD
 B.A., Chadron State College
 Ryker Thompson Tieszen, Pierre, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 Erik Harper Van Buren, Los Altos, CA
 B.S., Saint Mary's College of California
 Matthew Jacob Vonnahme, Carroll, IA
 B.A., Buena Vista University
 Zach Wetzel, La Canada, CA
 B.M., Brigham Young University
 Nicholes D. Wiest, Rapid City, SD
 B.S., University of South Dakota
 Alafia Shangol Wright, Madison, WI
 B.A., University of Wisconsin - Madison

Specialist & Master Degrees

Graduate School

Presented by Dean Ranjit Koodali

Specialist in Education

Joshua Edward Bowar, Sioux Center, IA
M.A., Dordt College
Educational Administration

Brian M. Burnight
M.A., Azusa Pacific
Educational Administration

Lynette Sheri Busch, Alcester, SD
M.A., University of South Dakota
Educational Administration

Deborah Ann Caskey, Rapid City, SD
M.S., Black Hills State University
Educational Administration

Lori Lee Enright, Rapid City, SD
M.S., South Dakota State University
Educational Administration

Nicole Rae Freeman, Sioux Falls, SD
M.A., University of South Dakota
Educational Administration

Jessica Jo Hunziker, Lake View, IA
M.Ed., Morningside College
Educational Administration

Anne E. Kallsen
B.A., Briar Cliff University
Counseling & Psychology in Education

Brenda L. Leader
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David Alexander Amussen, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Music, Music Performance
Symphonie Mathématique

Bogdan Anton, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
Public Perception of the Berkeley Soda Excise Tax As Portrayed by Print Media

Joshua Thomas Arens, Yankton, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Chemistry
Scaling Up Multistep Organic Synthesis to Produce Novel Fluorinated Materials with Applications in Energy Conversion

Kennedy Bonnimaie Asche, Scotland, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Psychology & Criminal Justice
Racial Perception in the Contexts of Economic Risk and Personal Security

Stephen Jeffrey Bakke, Brandon, SD
 Bachelor of Business Administration, Marketing
The Effect of Price On Sustainable Products Purchasing

Katherine Marie Barnett, Wagner, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
Prediction of Select Sector Exchange Traded Funds' Returns Using a Multi-Factor Model

Olivia Haeker Brown, Dakota Dunes, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
A Critically Appraised Topic of Pragmatic Language Interventions and Their Effectiveness in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Michael William Buchanan, Aberdeen, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology & Psychology
*Monoaminergic Responses to Acute Stress Exposure in Sexually Dimorphic Species: Stalk-Eyed Fly, *Teleopsis Dalmanni**

Tanner Colombe, Mission, SD
 Bachelor of Business Administration, Business Administration
Business Plan for Wellness Center to Target Diabetes on the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Reservation

Thorn Dramstad, Huron, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Chemistry
*Solar Hydrogen Production Using Metal-Free
 Die-Sensitized Mesoporous Materials*

Joshua Alan Dudley, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
The Microbiome and Insulin Metabolism

Nathan James Ellenbecker, Pierre, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Political Science
*Collective Bargaining in Professional Sports: A
 Rigged Game?*

John William Fanta, Yankton, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Chemistry
*The Role of Endovanilloids in Mediating
 Stress-Induced Modulation of Nociception*

Jessica Rose Feldman, Panama, IA
 Bachelor of Business Administration, Finance
Farm Analysis

Adam Rolph Fenton, Temecula, CA
 Bachelor of Arts, Spanish
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
*A Case for Grey Wolf Reintroduction to South
 Dakota's Black Hills*

Breanna M. Fischer, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
Hine's Emerald Terrestrial Activity

Jade Irene Fostvedt, Vermillion, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Chemistry
*Dehydrochlorination of Methylene Chloride,
 Chloroform, and Chlorodiphenylmethane in the
 Presence of Ga/N Frustrated Lewis Pairs*

Zane Hunter Frederick, Pierre, SD
 Bachelor of Business Administration,
 Accounting
*Cartel Cash: Attacking the Financial
 Operations of the Mexican Drug Cartels*

Stephen Gene Gemar, Mobridge, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science
*Afghanistan: The Factors That Make a
 Graveyard of Empires*

Aidan F. Goetzinger, Rapid City, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science
*Capital Punishment in South Dakota: An
 Examination and Call for Abolition*

Megan Ann Goldammer, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology &
 Psychology
*Characterization of Interactions Between
 Inclusion Membrane Proteins of Chlamydia
 Trachomatis Using a Bacterial Two Hybrid
 System*

Emily Elizabeth Haase, Omaha, NE
 Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Nursing
*Jolley School Population Health Nursing
 Assessment*

Jacob Martin Haiar, Mitchell, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
*Food Security Status of WIC Households in
 Clay County, SD: Causes, Consequences, and
 Policy Suggestions*

Tanner Ray Hajek, Tyndall, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Computer Science
*Data Breaches: Preventions and a Change in
 How They Are Approached*

Schae Eunice Hanson, Burke, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
Native American Healthcare Perspectives

Emily Ann Hattouni, Apple Valley, MN
 Bachelor of Science, Psychology
*Cognitive Flexibility of Mindfulness and
 Rumination*

Cole William Hensley, Brandon, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
*Treating America: An Analysis of
 Pharmacological Economics*

Mackenzie Mikale Huber, Vermillion, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Political Science
*A Comparative Study in Young Women's
 Political Ambition*

Rachel Elizabeth Johannsen, Milbank, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
*Updating the Distributions of South Dakota
 Amphibian and Reptile Species*

Epiphany Sandra Knedler, Vermillion, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science
*Shedding a Light: Economic Inequality in the
 Midwest*

Andrew D. Koch, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
*Serotonergic Modulation of Stomatopod
 Aggressive Behavior*

Devin Michelle Kurtz, Delmont, SD
 Bachelor of Science in Education, Elementary
 Education
*Preschoolers and Social Interactions: How
 Young Minds are Molded*

Nicco Amedeo La Mattina, Madera, CA
 Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology
Speaking on Pantelleria

Clay Thomas Lippert, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology & Psychology
*The Old, the Young, and the Dehydrated:
 Comparing Ecotypic Dehydration Tolerance of
 Physcomitrella Patens*

Katelyn Loutsch, Milbank, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
EMS Responses to Medical Alert Tattoos

Luke Jaylen McFarland, Spearfish, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
*The Quest for Anatomical Knowledge: A Look
 at the Impact of the Renaissance Era on
 Modern Day Human Anatomy*

Lucas A. McGowan, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
Capsaicin Preference

Megan MacKenzie Mead, Huron, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
Genetics and Violence

Cale Reed Meier, Omaha, NE
 Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology, History &
 German
*Between Kings and Caliphs: Monetary
 Legitimization of Power*

Jose Martin Munoz, Vermillion, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science & International Studies
Civil Wars and Quality of Democracy (1946-2013): The Effects of Negotiated Settlements and War Intensity on Post-War Voter Turnout

Courtney Margaret Neeson, Omaha, NE
 Bachelor of Arts, Media & Journalism
First Amendment V. Censorship: A Look Into Children's Literature

Brandon Michael Ness, Waubay, SD
 Bachelor of Business Administration, Finance
Analyzing the Relationship Between Alcohol Consumption and Collegiate Academic Achievement

Jenna Ann Neugebauer, Mitchell, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Spanish
 Bachelor of Science, Psychology
Comparison of Prosthetic Materials Being Used Across the United States

Sara Olivia Niederbaumer, Aberdeen, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
Eye Tracking Used to Diagnose Cognitive Diseases

Geralyn Marie Palmer, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
The Influence of Sex and Estrous Cycle on Contextual Fear Conditioning

Emily Pauli, Milbank, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Psychology
Addressing Healthcare Needs of Hispanic/Latino Populations of Limited English Proficiency in the Rural Midwest

Elizabeth Pekas, Brookings, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Kinesiology & Sport Science
 Bachelor of Music, Music Performance
The Development of the Classical Clarinet and Robert Macellus's Interpretation of the Mozart Clarinet Concerto, K. 622

Mitchell Todd Peterson, Centerville, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Computer Science
Web Crawler Analysis of Linguistic Differences Between English and Russian Speaking News Sites

Rebecca Pulse, Canistota, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Psychology & Criminal Justice
These Pieces

Casey Alexander Reihe, Alcester, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
The Effect of Neddylation Inhibition on Autophagic Flux

Allison Anita Ann Reuland, White Lake, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology & Psychology
College Students' Reactions to the Portrayal of the Elderly in Television Commercials

John Taylor Ricketts, Pierre, SD
 Bachelor of Business Administration, Finance
The Jordan Variable

Dustin Dean Santjer, Aberdeen, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science
 Bachelor of Business Administration, Finance
Prediction of Select Sector Exchange Traded Funds' Returns Using a Multi-Factor Model

Rachel Schmidt, Excelsior, MN
 Bachelor of Science, Psychology & Criminal Justice
Deviant Careers and the Lifetime Criminal

Andrew D. Schuiteman, Orange City, IA
 Bachelor of Musical Arts, Musical Arts
An Exploration of Wind Instrument Performers' Dental Health and Performance Quality: Opinions of Professional Wind Instrument Performers and Dental Practitioners

Timothy David Skog, Worthington, MN
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
A Novel Indirect Pathway of Crf Innervation to Perifornical Orexin Neurons Is Relayed Through the Lateral Septum

John Leslie Slunecka, Sioux Falls, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology & Chemistry
Veratridine, A Natural Plant Alkaloid, Induces Apoptosis and Necrosis in Colon Cancer Cells

Hannah Steinley, Rapid City, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
Effect of the Neonicotinoid Imidacloprid on Larvae of the Endangered Hine's Emerald Dragonfly (Somatochlora Hineana)

Nathaniel Steinlicht, Milbank, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Political Science & History
Simplifying Student Aid: The Disconnect Between Legislative Action and Public Policy Research

Sydney Strait, Watertown, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Biology
Central Administration of Cyclosporine-A Decreases Ethanol Intake in a Rodent Model of Binge-Like Ethanol Drinking

Dana Lynn Vandenberg, David City, NE
 Bachelor of Science, Health Sciences
Holes in the Holistic: Filling in the Spiritual Care Gaps in OT

Thayme Hardi Watson, Brookings, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, History & Political Science
Locating the Influence of Populism in the Initiative Process in South Dakota

Shannon Kathaleena Ann Weber, Mitchell, SD
 Bachelor of Science, Medical Biology
Antibiotic Resistance: An Evaluation of the Disposal of Unused Antibiotics and the Potential Consequences

Logan Edward Welker, Hamill, SD
 Bachelor of Arts, Psychology & Spanish
Narcissistic Traits and Alcohol-Related Problems Among College Students

Jennifer Jane Welu, Milroy, MN
 Bachelor of Science, Health Sciences
Aging and Quality of Life

Carrie Wintle, Iroquois, SD
Bachelor of Science, Mathematics
Bachelor of Business Administration,
Accounting
*Mathematics in Cheerleading: Modeling
Basket Tosses*

Kayla Wyffels, Marshall, MN
Bachelor of Business Administration,
Marketing
*The Effects of Anthropomorphic Brand
Mascots on Logos*

Baccalaureate & Associate Degrees

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Desiree Whiteflower Bernett, Glenwood, IA
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Collette Jade Bowman, Rapid City, SD
Psychology

Shannon Marie Brasel, Yankton, SD
Psychology

Kaitlyn Ann Brown, Dakota Dunes, SD
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Derrick Scott Bruestle, White Bear Lake, MN
Political Science

Lucas Bryant, Red Wing, MN
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Cum Laude

Shelby Ann Burgess, Corcoran, MN
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Brandi M. Casillas, Marcus, IA
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Mei Kwan Chan
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Philosophy & International Studies

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James Eric Hagedorn, El Paso, TX
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David Wayne Hancock, Livingston, NY
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 Criminal Justice & Psychology
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Abby Margueritt Jarrott, Sioux Falls, SD
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Becky Lee Keller, Pipestone, MN
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Taylor Raney Kimball, Sioux Falls, SD
 Psychology

Nicholas Charles Kinder, Sanger, CA
 Medical Biology
Cum Laude

Dylan David Kirchmeier, Webster, SD
 Political Science
Cum Laude

Taylor Kirtley, Overland Park, KS
 Psychology
Magna Cum Laude

Erin Michelle Kleiner, Lakeville, MN
 Psychology
Cum Laude

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 Medical Biology
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Riley J. Knutson, Sioux Falls, SD
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 Chemistry

Taylor Kruse, Little Rock, IA
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Danielle Renea La Fleur, Rapid City, SD
 Psychology

Corina Mae Larson, Aberdeen, SD
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Dylan Chad Letcher, Sioux Falls, SD
 Medical Biology

Yangyang Li, Vermillion, SD
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Hannah Jo McKelvey, Beresford, SD
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 Medical Biology

Brandon Lee Meyerink, Platte, SD
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Lynette Louise Moak, Selby, SD
 Psychology

Kerry Mulder, Rock Rapids, IA
 Criminal Justice

Charles Lynn Nearman, Jefferson, SD
 Biology

Jordan Ray Neeman, Lennox, SD
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Shelby Lynn Rice, Neligh, NE
Criminal Justice
Magna Cum Laude

Alicia Marie Richard, Denison, IA
Psychology

Mathew Charles Rico, Sioux Falls, SD
Psychology

Hanna Gordon Ringsdorf, Glenwood, IA
Communication Sciences & Disorders
Summa Cum Laude

Uver Esau Rodriguez-Argueta, Sioux Falls, SD
Medical Biology
Cum Laude

Jayme Rossow, Rapid City, SD
Psychology
Cum Laude

Tracy Lyn Routh, Colome, SD
Communication Sciences & Disorders

Corbin James Ryswyk, Sioux Falls, SD
Medical Biology

Kyle Jacob Sarringar, Pierre, SD
Psychology & Criminal Justice
Magna Cum Laude

Nathan Dale Saunders, Sioux City, IA
Physics

Alexander Hunter Savage, Yankton, SD
Criminal Justice & Psychology
Magna Cum Laude

Rachel Schmidt, Excelsior, MN
Psychology & Criminal Justice
Magna Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Tosha L. Schmiedt
Criminal Justice

Kyle Jon Scholten, Sioux Falls, SD
Medical Biology
Magna Cum Laude

Nathanial David Schroder, Tea, SD
Biology
Magna Cum Laude

Ann Alysse Shoemaker, Rapid City, SD
Criminal Justice

Timothy David Skog, Worthington, MN
Medical Biology
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

John Leslie Slunecka, Sioux Falls, SD
Medical Biology & Chemistry
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Emma Lucia Smith, Jackson, MN
Communication Sciences & Disorders

Madison Kaitlyn Sneller, Sioux City, IA
Communication Sciences & Disorders

Shea Thomas Soderlin, Martin, SD
Medical Biology

Akela Michelle Sorensen, Sioux Falls, SD
Psychology

Brittany Ann Spader, Sioux Falls, SD
Biology

Joshua Michael Speck, Sioux City, IA
Computer Science

Dylan James Stanko, Stuttgart, Germany
Political Science & History

Hannah Steinley, Rapid City, SD
Biology
Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Sydney Strait, Watertown, SD
Biology
Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Desiree Van Thai Su, Sioux City, IA
Biology

Arial T. Swallow, Okreek, SD
Medical Biology & Psychology

Charlotte Adara Taggart, Yankton, SD
Criminal Justice
Magna Cum Laude

Sierra Thomas, Gregory, SD
 Psychology & Communication Studies
Cum Laude

Frank Taylor Turner, Pierre, SD
 Biology & English

Rachel Tverberg, Sioux Falls, SD
 Medical Biology
Magna Cum Laude

Haley Tamarah Ullom, Valley Springs, SD
 Psychology

Jack Jerome Vogel, Sioux Falls, SD
 Biology
Summa Cum Laude

Danielle M. Voss, Viborg-Hurley, SD
 Medical Biology

MacKenzie Lee Wand, Inver Grove Heights, MN
 Psychology

Christian Emery Wasley, Vermillion, SD
 Psychology & Criminal Justice

Shannon Kathaleena Ann Weber, Mitchell, SD
 Medical Biology
Magna Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Caleb Ray Wenz, Britton, SD
 Medical Biology
Magna Cum Laude

Lee T. Wessel
 Biology

Corby Katharina White, Rapid City, SD
 Biology
Cum Laude

Maxwell Thomas Whitehead, Slayton, MN
 Psychology
Cum Laude

Zachary Schultz Williams, Brandon, SD
 Psychology

Carrie Wintle, Iroquois, SD
 Mathematics
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Derek J. Wolterman, Newell, IA
 Criminal Justice

Abby Lynn Yeska, Sioux City, IA
 Medical Biology

Associate of Arts

Charoline Contino Ladu, Sioux Falls, SD

Alexis Marie MaComb, Pierre, SD

Ayaka Ogino, Japan

Robert L Pfund

Andrea Ileene Shawda, Rapid City, SD
With Honor

Kristen Nicole Snyder, Morgantown, WV

Beacom School of Business

Presented by Dean Venky Venkatachalam

Bachelor of Business Administration

Hussam Almekhlafi, Vermillion, SD
 Accounting

Stephen Jeffrey Bakke, Brandon, SD
 Marketing
University Scholar Graduate

Shane W. Barrows
 Business Administration

Bruce B. Biegler, Timber Lake, SD
 Finance
Summa Cum Laude

Maria C. Binder, Yankton, SD
 Marketing

Thomas James Bork, Sioux Falls, SD
 Management

Aaron Whitnee Breen, Rapid City, SD
 Business Administration

David Glenn Bruce, Sioux Falls, SD
 Economics

Jennifer Lynn Brunick, Sioux Falls, SD
 Health Services Administration

Nicole Rita Bussmus, Mitchell, SD
 Human Resource Management

Grant Owen Campbell, Clive, IA
 Economics

Courtney Clark, Yankton, SD
 Accounting

Shelby Lynn Claypool, Fort Dodge, IA
 Accounting

Tanner Colombe, Mission, SD
 Business Administration
Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Tanner Comp, Sioux Falls, SD
 Accounting
Magna Cum Laude

Derek Russell Conover, Ida Grove, IA
 Management

Brady Charles Daly, Sioux Falls, SD
 Marketing

Mara Davidson, Sioux Falls, SD
 Finance

Brier Joseph Derby, Watertown, SD
 Finance

Chelsea Makayla Dubbelde, Sioux Falls, SD
 Accounting

Jarren Duffy, Huron, SD
 Marketing

Brent Dutenhoffer, Watertown, SD
 Business Administration

Michael Dvoracek, Sioux Falls, SD
 Business Administration

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| Haley Kay Eberhart, Garden City, MN Human Resource Management | Matthew T. Koch Health Services Administration |
| Youssef Mostafa Elnowaihy, Alexandria, Egypt Finance | Mitchell Lee Koehn, Watertown, SD Business Administration <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Ashely Dawn Erfman, Sioux Falls, SD Finance | Kyle John Koerner, Freeman, SD Management <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Jessica Rose Feldman, Panama, IA Finance <i>Magna Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate</i> | Eric Vaughn Konakowitz, Sioux Falls, SD Accounting |
| Jared Fodness, Lennox, SD Accounting <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Logan James Koopman, Hartford, SD Business Administration |
| Tyler Frank, Wayne, NE Accounting | Alex Kopfmann, Huron, SD Management <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Zane Hunter Frederick, Pierre, SD Accounting <i>University Scholar Graduate</i> | Daniel Kositzke, Omaha, NE Accounting <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Zachary Thomas Garrett, Omaha, NE Marketing | Morgan Lea Krier, Harrisburg, SD Accounting |
| Jordan Gooding, Mina, SD Management | Keyen Walton Lage, Sioux Falls, SD Business Administration |
| Rachel M. Green, Sioux Falls, SD Finance | Mariah Elizabeth Larson, Vermillion, SD Marketing |
| Christian Leslie Gustafson, Omaha, NE Economics <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Mitchell Laue, Fenton, IA Management |
| Johnathan Guy, Volin, SD Management | Hannah Mary Lentsch, Clare, IA Health Services Administration |
| Nathan Thomas Hauck, Sioux Falls, SD Economics <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | John Hank Lentsch, Clare, IA Management |
| Laura Beth Heeringa, Canton, SD Accounting | Jackson Bo Lounsbery, Sioux Falls, SD Management <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Alex Heglin, Yankton, SD Finance <i>Cum Laude</i> | Abby Lee Lubeck, Cherokee, IA Human Resource Management |
| Rebecca Lynn Herman, Parkston, SD Marketing | Cameron James Luken, Yankton, SD Marketing |
| Elijah Shane Houchens, Rapid City, SD Accounting <i>Cum Laude</i> | Scott Michael Manley, South Sioux City, NE Management |
| Andrew Sumner Hurd, Vermillion, SD Marketing <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Taylor Martin, Sioux Falls, SD Finance |
| Christopher Ray Husby, Marshall, SD Management | Kenneth Michael Mattson, Brandon, SD Finance <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Allison Kathleen Ireland, Watertown, SD Accounting | Shelby Marie McCabe, Omaha, NE Marketing <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Tyler Isackson, Huron, SD Accounting <i>Cum Laude</i> | Colin James Mertlik, Blair, NE Management |
| Austen Layne Iverson, Mitchell, SD Business Administration | Jason Michael Mertz, South Sioux City, NE Business Administration |
| Ashley Marie Jansma, Worthington, MN Accounting | Skyler Dean Mickelson, Mitchell, SD Finance |
| Alex Jones Economics | Christina Marie Moody, Aurora, CO Business Administration |
| Natasha Shianne Kaltenbach, Martin, SD Accounting | Justus Henry Moreland, Wichita, KS Management |
| Kiefer Ketelhut, Plainfield, IL Marketing | Sheldon D. Moysis, Freeman, SD Management |
| Trenton James Klimper, Fort Morgan, CO Accounting | Brandon Michael Ness, Waubay, SD Finance <i>Magna Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate</i> |

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| Thuy Loan Thi Nguyen, Sioux City, IA Accounting | Cody Jason Seal, Victoria, MN Finance |
| Christian S. Nielsen, Madison, SD Accounting | Bailey Ann Sherman, Pierce, NE Management |
| Stacey Ann Nielsen, Yankton, SD Accounting | Karly Ann Sifferath, Hector, MN Finance |
| Nicklos Norby, Sioux Falls, SD Health Services Administration <i>Cum Laude</i> | Jenna Marie Sime, Omaha, NE Accounting |
| Jared Nygaard, Vermillion, SD Business Administration | Elizabeth Ann Smith, Columbus, NE Accounting <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Lauren Elizabeth Olson, Sioux Falls, SD Accounting | Kallie Ann Smith, Springfield, MN Accounting |
| Krysta Marie Ostlie, Truman, MN Accounting | Brady Jasper Soden, Wayne, NE Management |
| Sara Elizabeth Pannell, Sioux Falls, SD Marketing | Trevor Lawrence Stacey, Spearfish, SD Health Services Administration |
| Hait Patel, Watertown, SD Finance | Sarah Elizabeth Stewart, Vermillion, SD Management |
| Lisa Ann Patterson, Omaha, NE Health Services Administration | Spencer Strait, Watertown, SD Finance |
| Dana Elizabeth Peterson, Sioux Falls, SD Management <i>Cum Laude</i> | Muhammad Ali Suria Accounting <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Abby Marie Pillar, Sioux Falls, SD Health Services Administration <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Matthew Jon Svendsen, Pierre, SD Finance <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Tye Raml, Watertown, SD Accounting | Ryan Gene Thomas, Sioux Falls, SD Management |
| Tyler Cameron Reed, Sioux Falls, SD Marketing | Rachel Rae Tunender, Sioux Falls, SD Finance <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Logan James Remmers, Melvin, IA Accounting | Drew Utterback, Sioux City, IA Business Administration |
| Derek Robert Reuter, Le Mars, IA Accounting | Brandt N. Van Roekel Finance |
| John Taylor Ricketts, Pierre, SD Finance <i>University Scholar Graduate</i> | Tyler Jon Vander Maten, Pierre, SD Economics |
| Kyle John Ringhofer, Blaine, MN Finance <i>Cum Laude</i> | Krista Ann Vogt, Worthington, MN Finance |
| Seth Nelson Rombough, Miller, SD Accounting <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Aubrey Pearl Wald, Pierre, SD Marketing <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Hunter Charlie James Rowe, Le Mars, IA Finance | Danielle Jade Waldner, Redfield, SD Finance |
| Ryan Rozeboom, Rock Valley, IA Business Administration | Tye Johnathon Wangberg, Colman, SD Accounting <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Matthew Peter Runia, Sibley, IA Accounting | Tessa L. Wegner, Brandon, SD Business Administration |
| Dustin Dean Santjer, Aberdeen, SD Finance <i>Magna Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate</i> | Sara Rose Welch, Tea, SD Marketing |
| Dylan Ray Sawyer, Norfolk, NE Management | Nolan George Welker, Hamill, SD Management |
| Saylor Louise Schoffelman, Lennox, SD Management | Keaton Ross Westover, Colman, SD Management |
| Mason Andrew Schultz, Rapid City, SD Accounting | Tyler M. Wiebe, Madison, SD Business Administration |
| Samantha Christine Schuttinger, Columbus, OH Marketing | Alex Burchill Williams, Sioux Falls, SD Business Administration |
| | Nicholas Allen Willuweit, Dell Rapids, SD Accounting <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |

Carrie Wintle, Iroquois, SD
Accounting
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Kayla Wyffels, Marshall, MN
Marketing
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Litong Xu, China
Finance

Nicholas William Young, Conde, SD
Finance
Cum Laude

Yunda Zhang, China
Management

Taylor Marie Zueger, Bath, SD
Health Services Administration

Klarissa Marie Kobernusz, Sioux Falls, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Jase Arlin Likness, Yankton, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Cum Laude

Dalton Kade McCollam, Martin, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Cum Laude

Caden McDonnel, Sioux Falls, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Abigail Leigh Mitchell, Yankton, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Benjamin Joseph Myers, Omaha, NE
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Dakota David Navrkal, Elk Point, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Elizabeth Pekas, Brookings, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Allie Pfauth, Berthoud, CO
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Cheyenne Jo Porter, Cushing, IA
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Jordan Paul Preuss, Adrian, MN
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Cum Laude

Tyler James Rosenbaum, Sioux City, IA
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Michael James Rucker, Yankton, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Kristina Jean Sanderson, Mitchell, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Jackson Cole Schumacher, Pierre, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Blake James Story, Brandon, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Summa Cum Laude

Ashley Nicole Taylor, Sioux Falls, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Leslie Ann Terwilliger, Winfred, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Madelyn Rae Thein, Owatonna, MN
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Rebecca Marie Wangberg, Colman, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Alexis Weier, Mitchell, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Dillon Robert Werkmeister, Platte, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Quinn Ray Westphal, Ida Grove, IA
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Kennedy Winterringer, Yankton, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Taylor LeeAnn Wiskus, Northfield, MN
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Lucas Loren Zingmark, Vermillion, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

School of Education

Presented by Dean Donald Easton-Brooks

Bachelor of Science

Austin Nelson Backer, Sioux Falls, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Jonathan Shane Batchelor, Irvine, CA
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Dylan Matthew Block, Watertown, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Trevor Bourma, Le Mars, IA
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Christina JoAnn Burmeister, Huron, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Cum Laude

Jhett Paul Robert Cihak, Sturgis, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Cum Laude

Haley Jo Coyle, Akron, IA
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Samantha Marie Foley, Sioux Falls, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Tyler Harms, Lennox, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Jacqueline Marie Heisterkamp, Sioux City, IA
Kinesiology & Sport Science

KC Herman, Milford, NE
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Jordan Michele Kessler, Fort Worth, TX
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Faye Lu King, Volga, SD
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Magna Cum Laude

Erin Michelle Kleiner, Lakeville, MN
Kinesiology & Sport Science
Cum Laude

Austin Gene Klinghagen, Katy, TX
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Jacob Dean Knowles, Lockport, IL
Kinesiology & Sport Science

Bachelor of Science in Education

Arianne Mary Aasen, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Jordan James Bakke, Gregory, SD
Elementary Education

Kristen Ball, Elkhorn, NE
Elementary Education & Special Education
Magna Cum Laude

Katie Lynn Becvar, Scotland, SD
Elementary Education

Meagan Lea Bishop, Omaha, NE
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Sean Bredl, Cedar Rapids, IA
History Education

Savanna Bremer, Luverne, MN
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Alexa Jean Chester, Quimby, IA
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Megan Joy Christiansen, Newell, IA
Elementary Education
Summa Cum Laude

Sean C. Clancy, Omaha, NE
History Education

Delaney Mae Clark, Fremont, NE
Elementary Education & Special Education
Cum Laude

Anne Marie Coder, Omaha, NE
Elementary Education & Special Education
Cum Laude

Martha Contreras, Elk Point, SD
Elementary Education

Abigail E. Countryman, Merville, IA
Elementary Education & Special Education
Magna Cum Laude

James Gordon DeKay, Verdel, NE
History Education

Donte Jamall Edmundson, Sioux Falls, SD
English Education

Lexy Christina Foss, Huron, SD
Elementary Education
Summa Cum Laude

Gabriella Grace Gearke, Le Mars, IA
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Keira Nichole Goergen, Alexandria, SD
Elementary Education & Special Education

Ellen Mary Hammel, Sergeant Bluff, IA
English Education
Magna Cum Laude

Shelby Lynn Harris, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Ellie Anne Hart, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education

Margo Rose Hegge, Dell Rapids, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Tia Rae Hemiller, Watertown, SD
Elementary Education

Ashley Marie Holm, Pierre, SD
Elementary Education

Allie Elizabeth Houchens, Rapid City, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Benjamin Michael Hruby, Marion, SD
Elementary Education

Tyler Farris Hull, Omaha, NE
History Education & Special Education

Brittany Ann Johnson, Papillion, NE
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Randi Ranae Johnson, Sioux Falls, SD
English Education
Magna Cum Laude

Samantha Lauren Johnson, Las Vegas, NV
Elementary Education & Special Education
Summa Cum Laude

Kelsi Marie Kampshoff, Salem, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Shelby Lynn Keil, Longmont, CO
Elementary Education

Cum Laude

Rebecca Grace Hoefgen Kimbell, Sioux Falls, SD
Physical Education

Julie Ann Konz, Brandon, SD
Elementary Education & Special Education

Cassandra Ann Krogen, Marshall, MN
English Education

Devin Michelle Kurtz, Delmont, SD
Elementary Education

University Scholar Graduate

Mackenzie Lynne Larson, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education

Cum Laude

Tiffany Kae Lemos, Tulare, CA
Elementary Education

Kylee Ann Ligtenberg, Wagner, SD
Elementary Education

Kathleen Elizabeth Martin, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education

Magna Cum Laude

Brittany Massmann, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education

Summa Cum Laude

Samantha Jo Mathis, Dell Rapids, SD
English Education

Tory McCreary, Elk Point, SD
Elementary Education

Cum Laude

Samantha Ann Monson, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education & Special Education

Magna Cum Laude

Trey Michael Naasz, Sioux Falls, SD
Physical Education

Elizabeth Emelie Neuharth, Waseca, MN
Elementary Education & Special Education

Cum Laude

Michelle Corrine Olson, Minnetonka, MN
Elementary Education

Sara Whitney Owens, Chaska, MN
History Education
Magna Cum Laude

Alyx Leann Phillips, Sac City, IA
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Stacia Marie Rawhouser, Columbus, NE
English Education
Cum Laude

Elizabeth G. Renbarger, Chamberlain, SD
History Education

Cleon Sherrill Richards, Mobridge, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Isaiah Brian Richter, Rock Valley, IA
Elementary Education

Makenzie Marie Ricke, Remsen, IA
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Miranda Sue Ritts, Le Mars, IA
Biology Education

Abby Louise Roskam, Canton, SD
Mathematics Education
Magna Cum Laude

Ryan Lee Rozeboom, Sergeant Bluff, IA
Biology Education

Justin Scott Ruden, Remsen, IA
Physical Education

Tristen Marie Scherr, Wagner, SD
Elementary Education & Special Education
Magna Cum Laude

Megan Lucille Schwartz, Le Mars, IA
Elementary Education
Summa Cum Laude

Regan Marie Specht, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Hayley Stahl, Bruce, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Samuel Alan Stoltenberg, Gretna, NE
Elementary Education

Ashley Autumn Thompson, Rapid City, SD
Mathematics Education
Magna Cum Laude

Lacey Lynn Vekovius, Corsica, SD
Elementary Education & Special Education
Cum Laude

Matthew Viereck, Larchwood, IA
Elementary Education & Special Education

Rachael Christina Vinzant, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education & Special Education
Summa Cum Laude

Kimberly Grace Weiland, Garretson, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Blake Franklin Wendt, Le Mars, IA
Mathematics Education

Hannah Rae Whitlock, Watertown, SD
Elementary Education & Special Education
Cum Laude

Hunter Lynn Wilkes, Chandler, AZ
Physical Education
Magna Cum Laude

Jessica James Winterringer, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education

Charlotte Elizabeth Yaw, Birmingham, MI
Elementary Education

Lexy Louise Zimmerman, Flandreau, SD
History Education
Summa Cum Laude

College of Fine Arts

Presented by Dean Larry Schou

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Miles Packard Bergner, Longmont, CO
Theatre
Cum Laude

Meghan Lucile Cameron, Vermillion, SD
Theatre
Cum Laude

Katherine Chambers, Sioux Falls, SD
Art
Cum Laude

Masha Hannah Pearl Fehr, Jefferson, SD
Art Education

Rebecca Anne Froehlich, Madison, SD
Art
Summa Cum Laude

Leah Geis, Newcastle, NE
Theatre
Cum Laude

Christa Nichole Gesicki, Broomfield, CO
Theatre

Leila Ghasempour, Urbana, IL
Art

Allison Howe, Vermillion, SD
Theatre
Magna Cum Laude

Shea Alexandria Kister, Fort Calhoun, NE
Art
Cum Laude

Epiphany Sandra Knedler, Vermillion, SD
Art
Magna Cum Laude

Kelsey K. Kunkel
Art

Elizabeth Marie McMillen, Yankton, SD
Theatre

Jordan Dean Mitchell, Apple Valley, MN
Theatre

Samantha Chase Nunnery, Vermillion, SD
Theatre

Alison Lea Porter, Sioux City, IA
Art Education

Morgan Renee Porter, Broomfield, CO
Theatre

Anna Nicole Robertson, Springfield, SD
Theatre

Shayna Ashlyn Roush, Blue Springs, MO
Art

Marci Rochelle Smith, Sioux Falls, SD
Art Education
Kaitlyn Carrie Southwick, Sioux Falls, SD
Art Education
Summa Cum Laude
Ebrin Rashaud Stanley, Houston, TX
Theatre
Nicole Christine Theobald, Eden Prairie, MN
Art
Jasmine N. Thorson
Art
Nicholas J. Urban, Struble, IA
Art
Allison Marie Verry, Belle Fourche, SD
Theatre
Summa Cum Laude

Bachelor of Music

Thad J. Alberty, Rapid City, SD
Music Performance
David Alexander Amussen, Sioux Falls, SD
Music Performance
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate
Rachael Biggerstaff, Sioux Falls, SD
Music Performance
Cum Laude
Hannah Elizabeth Johnson, Sioux Falls, SD
Music Performance
Cum Laude
Xiola Judith-Louise Koile-Paxton, Louisville, NE
Music Performance
Benjamin Locke Edseth Lunn, Forest Lake, MN
Music Performance
Elizabeth Pekas, Brookings, SD
Music Performance
Magna Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate
Joshua A. Rolling, Merrill, IA
Music Education
Spencer Lee Smith, Hermosa, SD
Music Performance
Magna Cum Laude
James Stueckrath, Osmond, SD
Music Education
Cum Laude
Kaitlynn Marie Wolfe, Sioux City, IA
Music Education
Shelby Jane Wollmuth, Sibley, IA
Music Education
Magna Cum Laude

Bachelor of Musical Arts

Michael David Conway, Edwards, CA
Joshua Richard Guenther, Sioux Falls, SD
Cum Laude
Andrew Dale Schuiteman, Orange City, IA
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate
John Travis Wetherington, Aurora, NE
Magna Cum Laude

School of Health Sciences

Presented by Dean Michael Lawler

Bachelor of Science

Allie Jean Albrecht, Jackson, NE
Health Sciences
Rebecca Jean Andera, Garretson, SD
Health Sciences
Sarah Lynn Avery, Sioux City, IA
Dental Hygiene
Kristyn Lee Bahr, Aberdeen, SD
Dental Hygiene
Summa Cum Laude
Samantha JoAnn Baus, Mitchell, SD
Health Sciences
Erica Marie Beare, Aberdeen, SD
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude
Kylie Marie Beckman, Hartford, SD
Dental Hygiene
Melody Rose Beloskur, Rapid City, SD
Dental Hygiene
Katy L. Bergenske, Sioux City, IA
Health Sciences
Mackenzie Gail Blow, Sioux Falls, SD
Dental Hygiene
Emily Victoria Boettcher, Rapid City, SD
Dental Hygiene
Mercedes Donet Bordeaux, Sioux Falls, SD
Dental Hygiene
Makayla Marie Braaten, Garretson, SD
Dental Hygiene
Jazmine Katherine Brown, Sioux Falls, SD
Dental Hygiene
Karlee Michael Buchanan, Manson, IA
Health Sciences
Jessica Ann Carvatt, Saint James, MN
Health Sciences
Cum Laude
Lexi Katlyn DeLay, Beresford, SD
Health Sciences
Taylor Rae Dessler, Prior Lake, MN
Health Sciences
Kay Lynnette Dosch, Pierre, SD
Health Sciences
Cum Laude
Brooke M. Doty, Wagner, SD
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude
Leann Cecelia Du Prey, Olympia, WA
Health Sciences
Aspen Marie Ducheneaux, Eagle Butte, SD
Health Sciences
Tessa Marguerite Ede, Mound, MN
Health Sciences
Sydney Rae Faessler, Bridgeport, NE
Health Sciences

Rachel Jean Fendrich, Salem, SD
Dental Hygiene
Magna Cum Laude

Justine Rae Fischer, Hartington, NE
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude

Allison Carol Folkema, Le Mars, IA
Dental Hygiene
Cum Laude

Ryan Geppert, Sioux Falls, SD
Health Sciences

Abigail Rae Gottsche, Sergeant Bluff, IA
Social Work

Derek Granum, Sioux Falls, SD
Addiction Studies
Cum Laude

Alex Joseph Greger, Mobridge, SD
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude

April Ashley Hansen, Hot Springs, SD
Dental Hygiene & Health Sciences

Paige Marie Harpenau, Remsen, IA
Health Sciences
Cum Laude

Hannah Sue Harrington, Columbus, NE
Health Sciences

Brianna Jean Haugen, Aberdeen, SD
Social Work
Magna Cum Laude

Marsha Lynn Helgerson, Lesterville, SD
Social Work

Stacy Ann Henderson, Gayville, SD
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude

Jenna Ann Hill, Sioux Falls, SD
Dental Hygiene

Raven Mary Rae Hill, Canton, SD
Dental Hygiene

Lisa Linnea Hinderaker, Adams, MI
Dental Hygiene

Beatriz Hoyos-Ponce, Sioux City, IA
Dental Hygiene

Holly Ruth Iwan, Philip, SD
Dental Hygiene
Cum Laude

Madeline Jane Jankowski, Madison, WI
Health Sciences

Taylor Jo Jenks, Sioux Falls, SD
Social Work

Gretchen Ann Jensen, Tyler, MN
Health Sciences

Page Jean Jensen, Winside, NE
Dental Hygiene

Keela Jerde, Florence, SD
Health Sciences
Cum Laude

Jessica Marie Johnson, Sioux Falls, SD
Health Sciences

Kelly Marie Kavan, Omaha, NE
Dental Hygiene

Danika Lynn Kessenich, Merrill, IA
Health Sciences

Ean Dodson Kiddoo, Lincoln, NE
Addiction Studies

Sarah Elizabeth Kirk, Pitman, NJ
Health Sciences

Taylor Dawn Knecht, Sioux Falls, SD
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude

Shawna Christina Koch, Pierson, IA
Social Work

Lyndy Loree Krause, Mitchell, SD
Health Sciences

Megan Candace Kress, Oakdale, MN
Social Work

Savanna Marie Larson, Groton, SD
Social Work
Magna Cum Laude

Anna Alina Letsche, Chaska, MN
Health Sciences

Kristi Livermont, Pierre, SD
Health Sciences

Morgan Lea Mahanke, Brookings, SD
Social Work
Magna Cum Laude

Cara A. Mara, Stanton, NE
Health Sciences

Kelsey Ann Markovetz, Harvard, IL
Health Sciences

Shaina Renae McCullough, Sioux City, IA
Health Sciences
Summa Cum Laude

Kristina Ann McManimon, Rochester, MN
Health Sciences

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Medical Laboratory Science
Cum Laude

Courtney Marie Mollet, Jefferson, SD
Health Sciences

Fisher James Mollet, Jefferson, SD
Health Sciences

Jacob Wayne Munger, Larchwood, SD
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude

Mijah Murden, Windom, MN
Health Sciences
Cum Laude

Victoria Rae Anne Nelsen, Colman, SD
Health Sciences
Summa Cum Laude

Ericka Lynn Niles, Sioux City, IA
Social Work

Michael Andrew Noga, Hutchinson, MN
Social Work
Cum Laude

Ashley Lynn Ogstad, Yankton, SD
Health Sciences

Jacqueline Quinnett Olson, Kimball, SD
Health Sciences

Mary B. Peterson, Vermillion, SD
Dental Hygiene

Jeremy Frank Pinkham, Gainesville, FL
Health Sciences

Shayna Marie Possail, Tyler, MN
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude

Amy Prokop, Sioux Falls, SD
Dental Hygiene
Magna Cum Laude

Brooke Christine Rasmussen, Geneva, NE
Health Sciences
Summa Cum Laude

Rachel Rayman, Gregory, SD
Health Sciences

Audrey Lee Reeg, Dubuque, IA
Health Sciences
Cum Laude

Allison Marie Rief, Missouri Valley, IA
Health Sciences

Shelby Ann Ripperger, Sioux Falls, SD
Health Sciences
Summa Cum Laude

Elizabeth Anne Runge, Hartford, SD
Dental Hygiene
Magna Cum Laude

Eric Rupe, Pierre, SD
Health Sciences
Summa Cum Laude

Jenae Kim Schneider, Big Stone City, SD
Health Sciences
Cum Laude

Kaylee Lynnae Sehr, Canton, SD
Dental Hygiene
Magna Cum Laude

Nicole Kaye Seitz, Madison, SD
Health Sciences

Madison McKenzie Smith, Northville, SD
Dental Hygiene

Sandra Lee Sprecher, Brookings, SD
Dental Hygiene

Kelli Sprik, Platte, SD
Dental Hygiene

Kiley Rose Thompson, Laurel, NE
Dental Hygiene
Cum Laude

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Health Sciences

Elizabeth Ann Tolzin, Slayton, MN
Health Sciences

Shamsya Tufaa Tussa, Sioux Falls, SD
Medical Laboratory Science

Dustin Valind, Marinette, WI
Health Sciences
Cum Laude

Erika LaBeth Van Beek, Ireton, IA
Dental Hygiene

Bailey Marie VanDenBerg, Ireton, IA
Health Sciences

Dana Lynn Vandenberg, David City, NE
Health Sciences
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

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Dental Hygiene
Magna Cum Laude

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Samuel Wade Walker, Sioux Falls, SD
Social Work
Cum Laude

Karlie Renae Warne, Pierre, SD
Social Work
Magna Cum Laude

Brooke Kathleen Watson, Colorado Springs, CO
Health Sciences
Magna Cum Laude

Jennifer Jane Welu, Milroy, MN
Health Sciences
Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar Graduate

Shelly Elizabeth Wurtz, Hinton, IA
Dental Hygiene

Kristel Marion Jane Ymker, Sioux Falls, SD
Health Sciences

Brooklyn Paige Young, Pierre, SD
Dental Hygiene

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Soniya Adhikari, Brandon, SD

Amberlee Joy Archer, Estelline, SD

Carlie Atwood, Hot Springs, SD

Elizabeth M. Baker, Sioux Falls, SD

Brittnee Bawek, Worthing, SD

Wrena Marie Bechen, Lake Andes, SD

Sarah Marie Bentley, Sioux Falls, SD

Loretta Jean Biel, Summerset, SD

Rebecca Dee Borkowski, Everly, IA
Cum Laude

Hunter Bourne, Sioux Falls, SD

Brittney Lou Bowyer, Canton, SD

Sam Hollis Brownlee, Eagle River, AK

Jordyn Agnes Cleveland, Montrose, SD

Amy Marie Conrad, Viborg, SD
Magna Cum Laude

Melissa Sue Cowell, Luverne, MN

Bailey Viola Dammen, Denison, IA

Ellee Kristeen Darkow, Sioux Falls, SD

Lisa Marie Davis, Rapid City, SD

MaKayla Marie Dietrich, Flandreau, SD

Alyssa Ann Donat, Sioux Falls, SD

Christine Ann Duerksen, Bridgewater, SD

Shawnee Marie Earley, Rapid City, SD

Janelle Jean Edwards, Heron Lake, MN
Cum Laude

Lindsey Alyson Ellinghausen, Wheaton, IL
Cum Laude

Jessica Lynn Fenner, Hot Springs, SD
Magna Cum Laude

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Jessica Marie Gaudino, Rapid City, SD

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Raelyn Victoria Geigle, McIntosh, SD

Mariah Rose Grau, Aberdeen, SD

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Amanda Corrine Hanson, Sioux Falls, SD

Stacy Loreen Hecht, Centerville, SD

Chantel L. Heeren
Samantha Kay Helm, Garretson, SD
Greysen Hertting, Appleton, WI
Magna Cum Laude
Diana Darlene Hogan, Spearfish, SD
Cum Laude
Kara Lynn Homandberg, Slayton, MN
Cindy Marie Horst Hauge, Lennox, SD
Kristen Hovdestad, Sioux Falls, SD
Cole James Huber, Viborg, SD
Jade Ellen Jasper, Sioux Falls, SD
Cum Laude
Nicole Beth Keiter, Hartington, NE
Trisha Marie Krull, Rapid City, SD
Catherine Rae Licklider, Rapid City, SD
Gina Kaye Littrel, Rapid City, SD
Sheriden Kathleen Lodes, Sioux Falls, SD
Jaci Linn Lubberstedt, Dixon, NE
Krista Lynn Lyke, Sioux Falls, SD
Aileen Rose Maw, Roseville, MN
Cum Laude
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Rachel Rae Meyer, Battle Creek, IA
J Jesus Meza, Hill City, SD
Julie Mingo, Armour, SD
Cum Laude
Dalton Jared Montileaux, Tea, SD
Sasha Mosset, Newcastle, WY
Paola Kasengela Mwenentanda, Republic
Democratic of Congo
Brynn Nelson, Albion, NE
Cum Laude
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Alyxis Rose Perry, Westport, SD
Madilyn A. Pickering, Omaha, NE
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Jamie Rae Rykhus, Oak Grove, MN
Samantha Jo Ryman, Sioux Falls, SD
Shelby Lee Marie Schreiber, Oacoma, SD
Megan Serr, Bison, SD
Samantha Renee Skowron, Aberdeen, SD
Cum Laude
Anthony J. Smith
Alyson Marie Spencer, Sioux Falls, SD
Lena Nataly Starovoytov, Sioux Falls, SD
Cum Laude
Nichole Ann Steiner, Yankton, SD
Kimberly Jean Sullivan, Chicago, IL
Elizabeth Ann Szymonski, Vermillion, SD
Cum Laude
Krista Turnwall, Hartford, SD
Taryn Rose Twite, Beresford, SD
Cum Laude
Candance Nichole Van Beek, Scotland, SD
Heather Julianna Mildred Whelan, Sioux Falls, SD
Robyn Le Wingen, Sioux Falls, SD
Katie Zeller, Elk Point, SD

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Michele Catherine Allgaier, Pierre, SD
Emily Ascher, Chamberlain, SD
Shaina Ann Bollinger, Chamberlain, SD
Hope Bowden, Gettysburg, SD
Kristin Julia Fawcett, Ree Heights, SD
Taylor Hattum, Pierre, SD
Mindy Beth Heuer, Pukwana, SD
Teresa Louise Laleman, Pierre, SD
Lisa Ann Peary, Pierre, SD
Heather Dawn Riggins, Wanblee, SD
Libby Megan Sherer, Draper, SD
Samantha Lynn Shields, Lake City, SD
Desiree Diane Stephen, Gregory, SD
Heather Elise Trebesch, Pierre, SD

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Presented by Provost & Vice President Jim Moran & Lieutenant Colonel Michelle Bunkers

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Dylan James Stanko, Stuggart, Germany
Charlotte Adara Taggart, Yankton, SD
John Travis Wetherington, Aurora, NE

Academic Honors

To earn an honors designation at graduation, the baccalaureate-level graduate must have completed at least 60 hours of USD credit and must meet the following USD and cumulative grade point averages:

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| Summa Cum Laude | equal to or greater than 3.9 |
| Magna Cum Laude | equal to or greater than 3.7 |
| Cum Laude | equal to or greater than 3.5 |

To earn an honors designation at graduation, the associate-level graduate must have completed at least 30 hours of USD credit and must meet the following USD and cumulative grade point averages:

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| 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 |

Honor Societies

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

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| Alpha Eta Sigma Delta..... | Hunter Green double cords |
| Beta Gamma Sigma..... | Blue Ribbon with medallion |
| Chi Sigma Iota..... | Blue & White honor cords |
| Golden Key International Honour Society..... | Blue & Gold honor cord |
| Mortar Board..... | Gold & Silver Interlaced honor cords |
| National Society of Leadership and Success..... | Black & Platinum silk 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 Alpha Sigma Theta..... | Yellow & Blue ribbons with gold medallion |
| Pi Alpha Theta..... | Red & Blue honor cords |
| Phi Beta Kappa Society..... | Light Blue & Light Pink honor cords |
| Pi Alpha..... | Blue & Green honor cords |
| Pi Mu Epsilon..... | Purple & Gold honor cords |
| Psi-Chi Psychology Club..... | Double Gold cord with Blue & Gold tassel |
| Scholarship Pathways Program..... | Gold Medallion with red ribbon |
| Sigma Delta Pi..... | Red & Gold honor cords |
| University Honors Program..... | Gold stole |

Academic Dress

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

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

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

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

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| 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 |

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.

Alma Mater

Words by Mabel Kingsley Richardson
Music by Winfred R. Colton

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| 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 trouping 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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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.

An academics and research leader in South Dakota and the region since 1862, The University of South Dakota is the state's flagship liberal arts institution.

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