

THE THIRTY-SIXTH WINTER SESSION
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA



HELD IN THE DAKOTADOME ON THE
UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, VERMILLION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER SEVENTEENTH
TWO THOUSAND AND ELEVEN
AT TEN O'CLOCK 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 Barbara Goodman
Chair, University Senate
President James W. Abbott

Commencement Address.....U.S Representative Kristi Noem
"Desire to Inspire"

Sing me to Heaven by Daniel Gawthrop.....USD Chamber Singers
directed by Dr. David Holdhusen

Conferring of Degrees.....Regent Randy Schaefer
President James W. Abbott

Alumni Welcome.....Kersten Johnson
Executive Director, Alumni Association

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

Words by Mabel Kingsley Richardson
Music by Winfred R. Colton

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

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

Stage Party

James W. Abbott, President
Randy Schaefer, Board of Regents Representative
U.S Representative Krisit Noem, Speaker
Kersten Johnson, Executive Director, Alumni Association
Barbara Goodman, 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
Thomas Geu, 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
Michael Lawler, Dean, School of Health Sciences
Laura J. Janski, Vice President, Research
Thomas L. Sorensen, Associate Dean, School of Law
Jennifer Thompson, Associate Registrar

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Kathryn Johnson	Jack R. Warner
Dean Krogman	Patrick Weber

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Emeritus Professor Bill Rickord
Emeritus Professor Nancy Zuercher

Lead Marshals

Professor Barbara Yutrzenka
Professor Leon Korte

Marshals

Professor Scott Breuninger	Professor Peter Kindle
Professor Steven Bucklin	Professor Solveig Korte
Professor David Carr	Professor Dave Moen
Professor Darlene Fett	Professor Kristine Reed
Professor Kurt Hackemer	Professor Lee Ann Roripaugh
Professor Emily Haddad	Professor Timothy Schorn
Professor Gregory Huckabee	Professor Michelle Van Maanen
Professor Beverly Kennedy	Professor Gerald Yutrzenka

Faculty in Attendance

Professor Edward Allen	Professor Bridget Nichols
Professor Mark Baron	Professor Wade Nilson
Professor Sherrie Bosse	Professor Ranelle Nissen
Professor Larry Bright	Professor Louise Papka
Professor Barbara Brockevelt	Professor Carolyn Prentice
Professor Jean Caraway	Professor Randy Quevillon
Professor Karen Card	Professor Linda Reetz
Professor Anne Cooper Moore	Professor Mary Ring
Professor Audrey Cross	Professor Pat Ronan
Professor Lucy Dai	Professor Susan Santo
Professor Kelly Duncan	Professor William Schweinle
Professor DeVee Dykstra	Professor Andrew Shim
Professor Timothy Farrell	Professor Gemma Skillman
Professor Marvin Gamble	Professor Stacy Smallfield
Professor Angela Helmer	Professor Charles Thatcher
Professor David Hulac	Professor Doug Tillman
Professor Betty Hulse	Professor Daniel Tracy
Professor Moses Ikiugu	Professor Nancy Trimble
Professor Gerard Jacobs	Professor Dan Van Peurseem
Professor Christina Keller	Professor Barry Vickrey
Professor Karen Kindle	Professor Bruce Vogt
Professor Clayton Lehman	Professor Jae Yom
Professor Marcia Morrison	

Ushers

Dominique Lyon, Lead Usher	Natalie Honey
Dawn Brown	Teresa McDowell-Johnson
Jean Brown	Kasie Olson
Jason Dean	Clarence Shoemaker
Bill Dodge	Lindsay Sparks
Teresa Hays	Deb Wiemers

Candidates for Degrees

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Philosophy

- * 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
- * Theodore Charles Bohn, III, Richardson, ND
B.A., Dickinson State University
M.A., The University of South Dakota
English
The Heroes of Old
- Christina Jo Eliason, Gilbert, MN
B.A., University of Minnesota
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Psychology
Managing Nonsexual Dual Relationships: A Phenomenological Study of Rural Psychologists' Experiences
- * Ryan M. Engdahl, Saint Cloud, MN
B.A., St. John's University
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Psychology
Querying Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Symptoms with or without Reference to a Single Worst Traumatic Event: Effect on PTSD's Factor Structure.
- * 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
- * Nathaniel Lee Hansen, Sleepy Eye, MN
B.A., Southwest Minnesota State University
M.A., Minnesota State University-Moorhead
English
A Way of Asking Questions
- Maribeth F. Jorgensen
B.S., University of Nebraska-Kearney
M.A., University of Nebraska-Kearney
Counseling & Psychology in Education
Expanding the Dimensions of Master's-Level Counselor Professional Identity:
Grounding the Concept of Research Identity.
- * Rheanna Marie Kado, Lakeville, MN
B.A., College of Saint Benedict
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Psychology
The Ethical Decision Making of Psychologists: Emotions, Decision Making Frame, and Social Context
- Rebecca Lee Matlock, Pierz, MN
B.A., College of St. Benedict
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Psychology
Factors Related to Employee Retention in Mental Health Treatment Provided in a Juvenile Justice Setting
- * Jason Edward Murray, Shawnee, OK
B.A., East Central University
M.A., Northeastern State University
English
American Indian (Women and) Movement
- * Jordan Pekevski, Skopje
B.A., University of Illinois-Chicago
Psychology
PTSD Symptom Cluster Associations with Alcohol Use and Physical Health Status in a Populations of Veterans Exposed to Psychological Trauma.
- * Joseph William Raiche, St. Cloud, MN
B.A., St. Cloud University
M.A., The University of South Dakota
English
- * Christina M. Sanner
B.A., SUNY at Potsdam
M.A., SUNY at New Paltz
Psychology
The Relationship Between Interpersonal Identity Status and Interpersonal Problems in College Students
- * Marie Angela Schaaf Gallagher, Mandan, ND
B.A., North Dakota State University
M.S., North Dakota State University
Psychology
Gender Differences in Farm Stress, Depression, and Social Support
- Douglas Roger Tillman, Kearney, NE
B.S., University of Nebraska-Kearney
M.A., University of Nebraska-Kearney
Counseling & Psychology in Education
Counselor Development of Spiritual Competence: A Grounded Theory Understanding
- Kristi Elaine Tschetter, Sioux Falls, SD
B.S., University of Sioux Falls
Biomedical Sciences
Early Life Stress and Addiction in Adolescence
- * Jeremy John Vogt, Sioux Falls, SD
B.A., The University of Nebraska, Lincoln
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Psychology
Evidenced-Based Medicine as a Predictor of Use of Developmental Screening Tools in a Poplulation of South Dakota Pediatricians and Family Physicians.

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Doctor of Education

- * Pamela Jane Arneson, Rapid City, SD
B.S., Black Hills State University
M.S., The University of Utah
Educational Administration
The Role Biomedical Science Laboratories Can Play in Improving Science Knowledge and Promoting First-Year Nursing Academic Success
- Kristi Lynn Baldwin, Andover, SD
B.S., Northern State University
M.S., Northern State University
Educational Administration
The Influence of Teacher Professional Development on Technology Integration at the Secondary Level
- Gary Allan Bjordal, Sioux Falls, SD
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M.A., The University of South Dakota
Educational Administration
Attracting and Serving the Nontraditional Students
- * Camille Marie Brandt, Fargo, ND
B.S., Valley City State University
M.S., Minnesota State University-Moorhead
Curriculum & Instruction
Parent Perceptions of the Individual Education Plan Process for the Child with Autism
- Margaret English, Spearfish, SD
B.S., Dakota State College
M.S., University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Educational Administration
Alternative Education in South Dakota for at Risk Students: Perceptions Regarding Program Goals
- Ann F. Goldade
B.S., Minnesota State University-Moorhead
Educational Administration
- Lourdes Herling, Clarkson, NE
B.S., Texas A&M University-Commerce
M.C.S., Colorado State University
Educational Administration
Hispanic Women Overcoming Deterrents to Entry to Computer Science: A Phenomenological Study.
- Mary E. Hoversten
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M.S., Mount Marty College
Educational Administration
Program Characteristic and Student Demographic Predictors
- * Christina M. Jackson, Flandreau, SD
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Educational Administration
Using Social Media to Reach Students During a Crisis
- * Monte R. Kramer
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Educational Administration
Funding Higher Education: Looking for the Pieces of the Puzzle
- * Urla Ann Marcus, Spearfish, SD
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Educational Administration
Perspectives of American Indian Students Who Attend a...
- Elizabeth Christine Plumb, Rapid City, SD
B.A., California State University
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M.A., Northern Michigan University
Educational Administration
Perceptions of South Dakota Public School Superintendents and Board Presidents Regarding Collaboration Practices
- * Donald Earl Reese, Farmington, MO
B.S., Southern Illinois University
M.S., Southern Illinois University
Educational Administration
21st Century Apprenticeship and the New Millennial Generation
- * John Alex Soka, Moshi-Tanzania
B.E., Saint Mary's University
M.A., The University of South Dakota
Educational Administration
South Dakota School Principals' Preferred Leadership Styles for Leading Change to Face Poverty and Discrimination

SANFORD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Medicine

- Kathryn A. Calmus, Volga, SD
B.S., University of Norte Dame
- Rachelle Ranee Miles, Crystal, NM
B.S., Arizona State University
- Jessica Top, Sioux Falls, SD
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M.S.E., Northern State University
Educational Administration
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M.E., Washburn University
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Counseling & Psychology in Education

Master of Arts

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Speech Language Pathology
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Central Asian Governance and the Threat of
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 Ben Potts
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Master of Public Administration

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B.S., Ponnaiyah Ramajayam College
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Materials Chemistry
Synthesis of New Nitrogen-Containing
Anthraquinone Macrocycles for the
Luminescence Detection of Heavy Metal Ions

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Computer Science
Aravind Baride, Hyderabad, India
B.A., Osmania University
Chemistry
Two-photon Uncaging of Coumarin from
Cinnamate Coated CdS
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Technology for Education & Training
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Impacts of Chytrid Fungus and Contaminants
on Amphibians of the Missouri River
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 Chemistry
 Photo-Induced Release of 7-Hydroxycoumarin from CdSe Quantum Dots as a Model Drug Delivery System

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 Occupational Therapy Students' Perspectives on the Personal and Environmental Factors that Influence Their Leadership Behavior.

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 Biology
 Development of the Pharyngeal Arches in Cypriniformes

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 Biomedical Sciences
 Altered PSNS Regulation of the Aging Heart

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 Biology
 Analysis of Urea and Glycerol as Cryoprotectants in the Boreal Chorus Frog (*Pseudacris maculata*)

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 Chemistry
 Crystallinity Enhancement of Co-Solvent Induced Titania-Silica Mixed Oxides for the Photocatalytic Remediation of Organic Pollutants

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Riparian Forest Vegetation Patterns and
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Biomedical Sciences
Disruption of CLN6 and its Role in the
Development and Maintenance of the Cerebral
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Chemistry
Manipulations of Silver Nanowires for
Improving Surface-Enhanced
Raman Scattering

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Chemistry
Room Temperature Synthesis of Ti-MCM-48
and Ti-MCM-41 Mesoporous Materials and
their Performance on Photocatalytic Splitting
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Chemistry
Syntheses, Characterization and
Photostability Studies of n-Type
Semiconductor Materials

* Chao Qiu, China
B.S. Qingdao University of Science
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Chemistry
Surface-Enhanced Raman Scattering
Detection of Melamine via Silver
Nanostructures

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* Abbey M. Rotter B.S.Ed., Dakota State University Technology for Education & Training	* Keenan John Thomas, Rapid City, SD M.S., The University of South Dakota Physics Random Monitoring and the Role of Iron Oxide on Radon Emanation at the Sanford Underground Laboratory at Homestake in Lead, South Dakota
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University Scholar

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Amanda Elise Jackson
Catharsis and Anonymity in
Revealing Secrets Online: A Case Study of
PostSecret.com
David Kuyper Janssen
Financial Beta Tendencies: Portfolio Beta
Reversion to the Mean
Avery Yerrington Tooley
A Winery Business Plan With A South Dakota
Perspective

Jessie Mae Atkinson
"Role of a Lifetime" - The Process of Creating
a Benefit Concert Performance of Bare by Jon
Hartmere and Damon Intrabartolo

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Bachelor of Arts

Angie Jean Ahrenholtz, Wayne, NE
Contemporary Media & Journalism
* Kristin M. Anderson
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* Dustin Lee Baker, Fort Madison, IA
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Communication Studies
Kelcey Kye Beaner, Hartford, SD
Contemporary Media & Journalism
Shalea Allyssa Bridges, St. James, MN
Psychology
Alexandrea N. Brummer
Psychology

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Psychology
Summa Cum Laude
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Contemporary Media & Journalism
Ann Marie Jean Celis, Wagner, SD
English
Sean P. Contreras
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English

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Cum Laude

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Criminal Justice

Taylor Fulton-Lovsmith, Sioux City, IA
Psychology

Kayla Gengler, Remsen, IA
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Chelsi Marie Gunderson, Sioux Falls, SD
Political Science

Alyxandria Ellen Harter, Omaha, NE
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Sean Hugh Hoelsing, Bronson, IA
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Britney Elena Holmberg, Vermillion, SD
Sociology

Andrea Kantrovich, Woodbridge, VA
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Tyler James Klatt, Henry, SD
Political Science, English

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Spanish Education

Erica Jan Knigge, Sioux Falls, SD
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Hannah Rae Korcuska, Vermillion, SD
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Summa Cum Laude

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* Christina Marie Meathe
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Magna Cum Laude

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Thesis Scholar, Cum Laude

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Summa Cum Laude

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Political Science

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Magna Cum Laude

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Psychology
- Jordan Reece Alton, Yankton, SD
Economics
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- Jodie Andrea Banner, Roseville, MN
English
Cum Laude
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- Matthew Blake, Pierre, SD
History, Political Science
Magna Cum Laude
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Psychology
- Charisse Nichelle Bordeaux, Mission, SD
Psychology
- * Michael Brandwein
Psychology
- Emily Danielle Brockett, Morris, IL
English
- * Marie A. Chase
Biology
- Sara Jo Christman, Alcester, SD
Criminal Justice
- Matthew Lawrence Collins, Eden Prairie, MN
Computer Science
- Thomas Compton, Rosemount, MN
Political Science
- Daniel N. Cook, Gurnee, IL
Computer Science
- Kerri Ann Couron, Sioux City, IA
Psychology
- Brian Robert Dalke, Sioux City, IA
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- * Michael J. Ewald
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- * Kristine Ann Feltman, Sioux Falls, SD
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- Shannon Marie Fickbohm, Alcester, SD
Biology
- * Nancy Lynn Fischer, Rapid City, SD
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- Casey Franken, Harrisburg, SD
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- Sarah Fuoss, Pierre, SD
Chemistry
- Kaitlin Elizabeth Gebhart, Elkton, SD
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- Vanessa Joy Gravedoni, Yankton, SD
English
- Brian Lee Graves, Pierre, SD
Criminal Justice
- Nathan James Hancock, Malvern, IA
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Cum Laude
- Ryan Hanson, Aurelia, IA
Biology
Magna Cum Laude
- Jason R. Haug, Hermosa, SD
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- * Taiana Hayes, Vermillion, SD
Psychology
- Amelia Suzanne Heier, Gayville, SD
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- Nathan James Hoffman, Madison, SD
Political Science
- Lucas J. Houlihan, Sioux Falls, SD
Computer Science
- Khai Tan Huynh, Sioux Falls, SD
Chemistry
- * Alicia Renee Jacob, Pipestone, MN
Criminal Justice
- David Kuyper Janssen, Pipestone, MN
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University Scholar, Magna Cum Laude
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Magna Cum Laude
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Psychology
- Natasha Ann Keller, Canistota, SD
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Michael D. Zellmer, Sioux Falls, SD
Management

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Education

Jennifer Elizabeth Ashley, Alma, NE
Mathematics Education, History Education
Rita Marie Buschbacher, Brighton, MI
Mathematics Education
Cum Laude
Andrew Joseph Cahalan, Winterset, IA
History Education
Tyler Dickes, Yankton, SD
History Education
Melanie Sue Duchscher, Yankton, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Monica Renae Goeden, Vermillion, SD
Elementary Education
Andrew Nicholas Griffin, Spokane, WA
Physical Education
Molly Anne Hansen, Beresford, SD
Elementary Education, Special Education
Yolanda Herrera, Burbank, SD
Spanish Education
Cum Laude
Elizabeth Kristine Hunhoff, Yankton, SD
English Education
Erica Lynn Krull, Allison, IA
Elementary Education
Kendra Marie Lundeby, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education
Derek Joshua Maassen, Brandon, SD
Elementary Education, Special Education
Heather Renae Mahaney, Akron, IA
Elementary Education
Danyel Marie McFarlane, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education
Melani Elizabeth McGillivray, Rapid City, SD
Elementary Education, Special Education
Kaylani Rae Mercado, Brandon, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Shalena Faye Meyer, Winner, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Bridger Scott Miller, Gillette, WY
Physical Education

Lindsey Ann Miller, Denison, IA
Elementary Education
Travis James Miller, Yankton, SD
Physical Education
Abbey Rae Mudder, Tyndall, SD
Elementary Education, Special Education
Magna Cum Laude
Katie Page Nielsen, Dell Rapids, SD
Communication Studies Education
Alex Joseph Pyper, Sioux Falls, SD
English Education
Kelsey Remund, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education
Irma Xiomara Reyes, Garden City, KS
Elementary Education
Rebecca Anne Roberts, Lawton, IA
Elementary Education, Special Education
Magna Cum Laude
Hannah Leslie Roetzel, Newcastle, WY
Physical Education
Andrea Kaye Rubendall, Sac City, IA
Elementary Education
Kelsey Jeane Sammons, Sioux Falls, SD
English Education
Abby Rosa Sanderson, Brookings, SD
English Education
Cum Laude
Kristi L. Schmitz, Elk Point, SD
Elementary Education
Danielle J. Seeley, Gregory, SD
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude
Kelsey Kay Lynne Shoultz, Huron, SD
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Adam Michael Simington, Graettinger, IA
Elementary Education
Catherine Ann Vietor, Lennox, SD
English Education
Cum Laude
Cori White, Sioux Falls, SD
Elementary Education, Special Education

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Bachelor of Science in Recreation

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Lindsay Nichole Beyeler, Newcastle, NE
Magna Cum Laude
Evan Capper, Aplington, IA
* Eric James Griffith, Sioux City, IA

* David Therran Hopper, Newell, IA
Magna Cum Laude
Andrew Lesch, Sioux Falls, SD
* Tate R. Douglas Pesicka, Yankton, SD
* Mitchel Reid Seitzinger, Yankton, SD
Tyler Nolte Trageser, Lake Benton, MN

Bachelor of Science in Recreation Management

Jill Allison Estes, Rock Rapids, IA
* Robbie Hecht

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Jessie Mae Atkinson, Sioux City, IA
Theatre
University Scholar, Magna Cum Laude
Rachel Lea Coyle, Yankton, SD
Art
* Kathleen Ann Divine, Raymond, NE
Art
Kristen Kay Ericsson, Madison, SD
Art
Cum Laude
Sarah Ann Horacek, Yankton, SD
Art
Cum Laude
Ronald A. Jenkins, North Sioux City, SD
Art
Allen Neal Jones, Miller, SD
Theatre

* Jessica Ann Larson, Pierre, SD
Art
Molly Moore O'Connor, Vermillion, SD
Art
Magna Cum Laude
Natalie Marie Polisson, Cedar Lake, IN
Theatre
Magna Cum Laude
Justin B. Tobin
Art
Jessica M. Verchio, Hill City, SD
Theatre
Magna Cum Laude
Noelle Elizabeth Vondrak, Sioux City, IA
Art Education
* Raymond Charles Wieser, III, Vacaville, CA
Art

Bachelor of Music

Kelly Lynn King, Council Bluffs, IA
Music Education
Alexis Rae Washburn, Kingsley, IA
Music Education
Magna Cum Laude
Molly Ann Woodard, Vermillion, SD
Music Education

Bachelor of Musical Arts

Sarah A. Marsolek

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SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Bachelor of Science

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* Jennifer Jo Anderson, Viborg, SD Social Work	Rachel A. Larsen, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene
* Brittney Renea Beil, Parker, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies	* Rebecca Christine Linder, Hartford, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies <i>Cum Laude</i>
* Andrew James Dreesen, Crofton, NE Social Work	Allison Jean Marcus, Olivia, MN Social Work
* Sandy R. Hart, Sheldon, IA Social Work	Taylor Lee Mattke, Pierre, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies
* Taiana Hayes, Vermillion, SD Social Work	* Charis Deisrae McConnel, Sioux Center, IA Social Work
* Rose S. Healy Dental Hygiene <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Samantha Ellen Meyer, Sioux Falls, SD Dental Hygiene
Amanda Marie Heiberger, Salem, SD Social Work	Matthew Jeffrey Pederson, Grand Island, NE Alcohol & Drug Studies
Amelia Suzanne Heier, Gayville, SD Social Work	* Megan LaVerne Plagge, Charter Oak, IA Social Work
* Rose M. Hervagault, Vermillion, SD Social Work	Alyssa Lynn Powell, Sioux Falls, SD Social Work
Michelle M. Hiatt Alcohol & Drug Studies	* Brad Allen Roepke, Kingsley, IA Social Work
* Kelsey E. Hlebichuk Alcohol & Drug Studies <i>Cum Laude</i>	* Jamie Marie Shellum, Brandon, SD Social Work
Samantha Ann Hohn, Mitchell, SD Dental Hygiene <i>Cum Laude</i>	Stephanie Jo Simons, Yankton, SD Social Work
* Derek J. Hook Social Work	* Esther EJ Street, Moberg, SD Social Work
* Tasia Marie Job, Vermillion, SD Social Work	Michaela Ann Taylor, Sioux Falls, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies <i>Cum Laude</i>
* Valerie A. Johnson Social Work	* Elizabeth Margaret Thomas, Rapid City, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies
Melissa Nicole Kittles, Rapid City, SD Social Work	* Andrea Joan Thomas, Chanhassen, MN Dental Hygiene <i>Cum Laude</i>
Anna S. Knotek, Omaha, NE Social Work	* Abby Lynn Vreugdenhil, Plankinton, SD Alcohol & Drug Studies
* Kristin Ann Krittenbrink, Gretna, NE Social Work	Mary Katherine Willis, Sioux Falls, SD Social Work
* Thomas Joseph Kulawiak, Willow Springs, IL Alcohol & Drug Studies	

Bachelor of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science

* Suzanne Alaouie, Monterey, CA

Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology

* Tanya Nichole Grootwassink, Flandreau, SD <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	* Ashley Marie Robinson, Hospers, IA
* Savannah Lee Reed, Sioux Falls, SD	* Kelly S. Schulte <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>

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Associate of Science

Bjarne Johan Aanning, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing	Haley Mae Nelson, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing
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Heidi Brown, Tea, SD Nursing	Jennifer Lynn Oedekoven, Sturgis, SD Nursing
Kimberly A. Cuppy, Baker, MT Nursing	Kasey K. Peterson, Vicksburg, MI Nursing
Mallory Joann Cutler, Britton, SD Nursing	Rebecca Ann Poeppel, Belle Fourche, SD Nursing
Angela Kay Dennison, Murdo, SD Nursing	Jessica Rios, Watertown, SD Nursing
Samantha Earley Nursing	<i>With Highest Honor</i>
Adrienne Perine Freyer, Hermosa, SD Nursing	Heather LeAnn Sand, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing
Christian Curtis Froschheuser, Rapid City, SD Nursing	Deborah Jo Sandstrom, Rapid City, SD Nursing
Kayla Dawn Glerup, Sturgis, SD Nursing	Matthew Richard Sorensen, Vermillion, SD Nursing
Melissa Hammond, Rapid City, SD Nursing	Matthew David Stinson, Burlington, ON Canada Nursing
Chelsea Teniel Hennebold, Winner, SD Nursing	April Patricia Sundby, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing
Julie Marie Jefferis, Parker, SD Nursing	Jacob John Thompson, Spearfish, SD Nursing
Jennifer Lynn Johnson, Garretson, SD Nursing	Jennifer Rae Thompson, Rapid City, SD Nursing
Jennifer Renee Johnson, Rapid City, SD Nursing	Sarah Beth Thompson, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing
Scott Michael Klutman, Brandon, SD Nursing	Lindsey Marie Ulrich, Sturgis, SD Nursing
Laura Elizabeth Lingscheit, Spearfish, SD Nursing	Amy Beth Varilek, Rapid City, SD Nursing
Melanie Lual, Sioux Falls SD Nursing	Jessica R. Visser, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing
Jennifer Joyce Lynde, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing	Nicole Lynn Wilson, Brandon, SD Nursing
Megan Miriam McLaughlin, Brandon, SD Nursing	<i>With Honor</i>
Shannon Lee Muchow, Sioux Falls SD Nursing	Christine Lynne Zuel, Sioux Falls, SD Nursing

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ACADEMIC HONORS

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

HONOR SOCIETIES

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.

ACADEMIC DRESS

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

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

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

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

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

