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AUGUST 4, 2023
GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA



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THE ORDER OF EXERCISES

2023 SUMMER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
PRESIDENT ANDREW P. ARMACOST, PRESIDING

3:00 P.M., FRIDAY, AUGUST 4
CHESTER FRITZ AUDITORIUM

PRELUDE MUSICBrent Hermans, Pianist

PROCESSIONAL “Pomp and Circumstance”
Brent Hermans, Pianist
Please stand during the Processional

“AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL”Kylar Moltzan, Soloist

GREETINGS FROM THE
STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION Danita Bye

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER..... Susan Ellis-Felege
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CONFERRING OF
ACADEMIC DEGREESPresident Andrew P. Armacost
Darrin Looker, Proctor
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ALUMNI GREETING DeAnna Carlson Zink
UND Alumni Association and Foundation

“ALMA MATER”Kylar Moltzan

RECESSIONAL Brent Herman

ALMA MATER

Hail to thee, O Alma Mater!
Hail to thee with heart and tongue!
Pride we feel and love yet greater
While we raise our grateful song.
Home of lofty thought and learning,
Beacon o'er our western land,
Shrine whence still the everburning
Torch is passed from hand to hand.

ACADEMIC PAGEANTRY

The pageantry of American colleges and universities, including such ceremonies as commencement, has been inherited from the medieval universities of the 11th and 12th centuries. Academic life as it is known today began in the Middle Ages, first in the church and then in the guilds. The teaching guild was the Guild of the Master of Arts, in which the Bachelor was the apprentice of the Master and the dress was the outward sign of privilege and responsibility.

The ceremony you will witness today will be less formal than would have been the case even a few decades ago. Still, many traditions have been

continued. To maintain continuity with the past, University of North Dakota faculty, the stage officials and the degree candidates will wear academic dress.

Principal features of academic garb are the gown, cap and hood. Early it became necessary for universities to set rules to preserve the dignity and meaning of academic dress. Both Cambridge and Oxford since the 15th century have made academic dress a matter of university control even to its minor details, and have repeatedly published revised regulations. American universities agreed on a definite system in 1895.

ACADEMIC DRESS

THE GOWN

The flowing gown comes from the 12th century. While it originally may have been worn as protection against the chill of unheated buildings, it has today become symbolic of the democracy of scholarship, for it covers any trappings of rank or social standing underneath. It is black for all degrees, with pointed sleeves for the bachelor's degree recipient, long closed sleeves with a slit at the arm or wrist for the master's degree, or full bell double sleeves for the doctoral degree. Bachelor's and master's degree gowns have no trimming. For the doctoral degree, the gown is faced down the front with velvet and has three bars of velvet across the sleeves in the color distinctive of the faculty or discipline to which the degree pertains.

THE CAP

The academic cap is a sign of freedom of scholarship, and of the responsibility and dignity with which scholarship endows the wearer. Ancient poetry records the cap of scholarship as square to symbolize the book. The color of the tassel denotes the discipline. At the University of North Dakota, the tassel colors associated with academic divisions are:

white, College of Arts & Sciences; **drab** (subdued orange), Nistler College of Business & Public Administration; **black and white**, John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences; **light blue**, College of Education & Human Development; **orange**, School of Engineering & Mines; **purple**, School of Law; **green**, School of Medicine; **apricot**, College of Nursing; **black**, School of Graduate Studies & Professional Disciplines. For undergraduate students, the tassels hang on the right side of the cap until they receive their degrees, at which time the tassel is moved to the left. For master's and doctoral students, the tassel hangs on the left side of the cap and is not moved.

THE HOOD

The hood is trimmed with one or more chevrons of a secondary color on the ground of the primary color of the college. The color of the facing of the hood denotes the discipline represented by the degree; the color of the lining designates the university or college which granted the degree. The official colors of the University of North Dakota, selected by the student body in preparation for the institution's first commencement in 1889, are the pink and green of the prairie rose.

CEREMONIAL OBJECTS

THE MACE

The mace was initially modeled after a 12th century implement of war. In earlier days, the mace, or heavy staff, was borne by or carried before a magistrate or other dignitary as an ensign of authority. A mace is placed as the symbol of royal authority on the treasury table in the British House of Commons at the opening of each session and is removed at its close. In the U.S. House of Representatives, it is a rather plain staff mounted in a marble pedestal at the right hand of the Speaker. The mace of the University of North Dakota symbolizes authority to carry out its mission, especially the granting of degrees. Made from the oak of the University's first building, "Old Main," the mace is carried by a marshal during academic processions and is placed at a prominent spot on the stage during commencement.

THE MEDALLION

A medallion or seal of office worn by the head of an educational institution is a practice that also dates to the Middle Ages. In those times, a seal was used to mark documents as official. Possession of the seal was so

important that it was usually worn around the neck for safekeeping. The wearing of the seal eventually became a symbol of authority. One side of the medallion worn by the president bears an engraving of the University's official seal and the names of all former presidents are included on the chain of office.

THE CHARTER

The University of North Dakota was founded six years before North Dakota became a state. The original, handwritten charter, enacted in 1883 by the Dakota Territorial Assembly, is preserved in UND's archives. One facsimile is displayed in the President's Office and another is used at commencements and other special occasions.

THE UNIVERSITY FLAG

The University flag features the UND flame logo set on a white background. The flag is used at ceremonial events and is carried by the honorary faculty flag marshal to lead the commencement procession. The flag is displayed on the stage during the commencement ceremony along with the mace and charter.

THE AWARDING OF DEGREES

The awarding of degrees and academic distinctions listed in this program is contingent upon successful completion of the various program requirements. Commencement ceremonies at UND are planned through Ceremonies & University Events in the Division of Marketing & Communications.

CEREMONY FOR PROFESSIONAL, DOCTORAL & MASTER'S DEGREES FRIDAY, AUGUST 4 — 3 P.M.

SCHOOL OF LAW Brian Pappas, Dean

JURIS DOCTOR

Chelsea Leigh Peries
Crookston, MN
Law

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES Chris Nelson, Dean

AEROSPACE SCIENCES Robert Kraus, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

William James Green
Grand Forks, ND
Aerospace Sciences

Dissertation: Spacesuit Hard Upper Torso Assembly:
Development of Fit Metrics and Customized Design
Frameworks
Advisor: Pablo de Leon

Joseph Robert O'Brien
Naperville, IL
Atmospheric Sciences

Dissertation: The Impacts of Airborne Cloud
Microphysical Instrumentation Mounting Location
on Measurements Made during the Observations of
Aerosols and Clouds and their Interactions (Oracles)
Project
Advisor: David Delene

Nana Yaw Owusu-Amponsah
Calgary, AB

Earth System Science & Policy
Dissertation: Analysis of Albedo as a Predictor of
Snow and Glacier Ice Changes Overtime: A Case
Study of the Wind River Range, Wyoming
Advisor: Jeffrey VanLooy

Jonathan Michael Pearson
Ruston, LA
Aerospace Sciences

Dissertation: The Impact of Training Disruption on
Commercial Certificate Attainment in Collegiate
Aviation Programs
Advisor: Elizabeth Bjerke

Terry Earl Rector
Tustin, CA

Aerospace Sciences
Dissertation: Cognitive Decay and Memory Recall
During Long-Duration Spaceflight
Advisor: James Casler

ARTS & SCIENCES Brad Rundquist, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Hussain Saeed R. Almalki
Grand Forks, ND
Communication

Dissertation: The Use of Cyber Media in Hybrid
Warfare: Narrative Stories from the Front Lines;
Proposing a New Gatekeeping Theory
Advisor: Pamela Kalbfleisch

Richard Belz
Selden, NY
Clinical Psychology

Dissertation: Real Memories for False Events: An
Examination of Individual Characteristics that
Predict Flashbulb Memories for Real and Fictitious
Mass Shootings
Advisor: John Paul Legerski

Stephanie Joy Brezinski
Hampshire, IL

Clinical Psychology
Dissertation: Risk Factors Associated with Childhood
Parental Violence Exposure: Child Abuse Potential
and Other Adulthood Maladjustment Outcomes
Advisor: Alan King

Sky Elizabeth Gabel
Tulsa, OK

Clinical Psychology
Dissertation: Disordered Eating Differences Among
Male and Female Sorority and Fraternity Members
Advisor: F. Richard Ferraro

Emily Ruth Gibbens-Buteau
Grand Forks, ND

Communication
Dissertation: Understanding the Characteristics,
Motivations, and Preferences of Non-Profit Donors
in Rural Areas
Advisor: Joonghwa Lee

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, *continued*

Kaitlin Alyssa Guston

Lansing, MI

Clinical Psychology

Dissertation: A Measure Predicting Treatment Outcome for Sexual Offenders

Advisor: Richard Wise

Jenna Nichole Laurin

Grand Forks, ND

Psychology

Dissertation: How Abortion Status Predicts Stigmatizing Beliefs: Measuring Enacted Stigma Using the Stereotype Content Model

Advisor: Heather Terrell

Angela Hunter Minnich

Cleveland, OH

Clinical Psychology

Dissertation: Intergenerational Continuity of Sexual Violence Victimization: A Socio-Ecological Examination of Risk

Advisor: John Paul Legerski

Jeremy McAlpine Raines

Lonaconing, MD

Clinical Psychology

Dissertation: Assessing Neuropsychological Changes Post Covid-19 Infection Using the Global Neuropsychological Assessment

Advisor: Joseph Miller

Muneer Shaik

Grand Forks, ND

Chemistry

Dissertation: Exploring Zinc Amido-Oxazolate Complexes as Catalysts for Ring Opening Polymerization (ROP) and Ring Opening Polymerization Co-Polymerization (ROCOP)

Advisor: Guodong Du

EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Cindy Juntunen, Dean

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Kelsey Jean Buchholz

Garretson, SD

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: Need for Vertical Alignment in English Classes Between K-12 and Higher

Education Institutions

Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Kelli Gast

Moorhead, MN

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: Mental Health and Youth Sports: The Importance of Adding a Smartphone App to Improve Awareness, Education, and Resources for Youth Athletes

Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Brittany N. Melfi

Olean, NY

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: Educator Perceptions on Equity and Inclusion in the Classroom

Advisor: Gail Ingwalson

Amanda Melsby

Oakland, CA

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: Building a Better Teacher Evaluation System

Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Michael William Mills

Menomonie, WI

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: Graduates' Perceptions of Horizontal Mismatch: A Case Study of a Marketing Program at a Regional Research University

Advisor: Radomir Mitic

Allyson Muehleemann

Liverpool, NY

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: "When you fully immerse yourself, that's where you gain the most confidence": Integrating Clinician Perspectives to Reframe Excellence in Neurologic Physical Therapy Patient Education

Advisor: Radomir Mitic

Kelsey Rae Peltier

Belcourt, ND

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: Teachers' Perspectives on Transformational Leadership

Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Kevin Xiong

Brooklyn Park, MN

Educational Practice & Leadership

Dissertation: Hmong Parent Engagement: The Need to Provide Basic Needs Services in Hmong Charter Schools to Increase Parent Engagement

Advisor: Jared Schlenker

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Heather Lynn Adame

Grand Forks, ND

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Tele-mental Health for Rural Children with Cancer and Their Families

Advisor: Kara Wettersten

Mallika Chakrabarti

Kolkata, WB

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: The Predictiveness of Gendered Racism on the Well-Being of Women of Color

Advisor: Tamba-Kuui Bailey

Omar Jaudat Elmoussa

Plantation, FL

Teaching & Leadership

Dissertation: The Challenge of Predicting College Success in Male and Female Saudi Arabian Students: An Examination of whether High School GPA, Quadrat, and Tahsili are Effective Predictors

Advisor: Bonni Gourneau

Kylie Anne George

Boise, ID

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Self-Efficacy of Applied Doctoral Students Scale: Initial Development and Validation

Advisor: Kara Wettersten

Michael James Herbert

Bemidji, MN

Education, Health, & Behavior Studies

Dissertation: Examining Faculty Autonomous and Controlled Motivation for Learning Analytics

Advisor: Robert Stupnisky

Michael Preston Huttar

League City, TX

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Towards A New Model of Romantic Attachment for Autistic Adults

Advisor: Kara Wettersten

Heather Ann Leavitt

Mayer, AZ

Teaching & Leadership

Dissertation: Community College Faculty Perceptions of Open Educational Resources

Advisor: Sonja Brandt

Rodney DeShan Lewis

Alexandria, VA

Education, Health, & Behavior Studies

Dissertation: Core Values in Higher Education: Students, Faculty, Staff, and Administrator Alignment at a Midwestern Research University

Advisor: Deborah Worley

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, *continued*

Jay Ryan Metzger

Argusville, ND

Educational Foundations & Research

Dissertation: Title Page and Permission Page - title of dissertation needs to match.

Advisor: Virginia Clinton

Caroline Perez

Bowie, MD

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: VIA-IS-M and Latinx Cultural Strengths: A Study Validation & Confirmatory Factor Analysis

Advisor: Rachel Navarro

Samantha Jo Peterson

Grand Forks, ND

Teaching & Learning

Dissertation: Teaching Professionalism to Undergraduate Medical Laboratory Science Students Using Virtually Simulated Case Studies

Advisor: Ryan Summers

Olawumi Oluranti Salako

Little Elm, TX

Teaching & Learning

Dissertation: Parental Involvement for Spanish-Speaking English Learners: Teachers' Perspectives

Advisor: Grace Keengwe

Terrill O'Bryan Taylor

Austin, TX

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Does Race Matter? An Experimental Vignette Study on Harm Severity, College Student Discipline, and Restorative Justice

Advisor: Tamba-Kuui Bailey

ENGINEERING & MINES

Brian Tande, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Samuel Asante Afari

Accra, AA

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Investigation of Cyclic Gaseous Solvent Injection for Enhanced Oil Recovery in Unconventional Formations

Advisor: Kegang Ling

Daniel Boakye Danquah

Alpharetta, GA

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Analysis, Development and Design of Energy Storage System -Fault Detection and fire Safety for lithium-Ion Battery Technology

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

Cynthia Bradley Bryant

Charlotte, NC

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: A Multivariate Comparative Analysis of Small Modular Nuclear Reactors and their Role in Net Zero 2050

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

Carlos Javier Bucaram Carbo

Richardson, TX

Chemical Engineering

Dissertation: A WRF-CHEM Air Pollution Modeling Study Over the Northern Plains

Advisor: Frank Bowman

Patrick Bernard Ferron

East Stroudsburg, PA

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: A Deep Review of Sustainable Approaches for Hydrogen Production for Energy Generation

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

Michael Misch

Las Vegas, NV

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Carbon Capture Storage Implemented on Flexible Power Plants and their Grid Impacts

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

Ogochukwu Ozotta

Houston, TX

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Impact of CO2 Storage on the Geomechanical and Geophysical Properties of Bakken Formation

Advisor: Hui Pu

Md. Saifur Rahman

Grand Forks, ND

Computer Science

Dissertation: A Hybrid Deep Neural Network Model To Forecast Day-Ahead Electricity Prices In The USA Energy Market

Advisor: Hassan Reza

Marcus Jai Richburg

Montgomery, AL

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Assessing Options for Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Increasing Energy Savings from Municipal Solid Waste Utilizing EPA Models

Advisor: Michael Mann

David John Stadem

Grand Forks, ND

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Real-Time Monitoring and Controlling Feedstock Properties Fluctuations in Solid Fuel-Fired Energy Conversion Systems

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

MEDICINE & HEALTH SCIENCES

Joshua Wynne, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Gbolahan Gbenga Bamgbose

Grand Forks, OG

Biomedical Sciences

Dissertation: The Interplay between Papr-1 and Histone Modifications in Transcriptional Regulation during Development and Heat Shock Response

Advisor: Alexei Tulin

Cody Adam Boyle

Grand Forks, ND

Biomedical Sciences

Dissertation: Neuromodulatory Mechanisms of Neuropeptides in the Amygdala

Advisor: Saobo Lei

Danya Carroll

McNary, AZ

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: Nohwi' Nadeesh Diyih: Honoring Indigenous Health through Research, Evaluation, and Policy

Advisor: Nicole Redvers

Danielle La Mae Germundson-Hermanson

Bonetrail, ND

Clinical & Translational Science

Dissertation: Intracranial Mast Cell Activation and Central Histaminergic Dysregulation in Food Allergy-Associated Neuropathology and Behavioral Changes

Advisor: Kumi Nagamoto-Combs

Sonalika Singhal

Grand Forks, ND

Clinical & Translational Science

Dissertation: Application of Artificial Intelligence and Multi-Omics to Understand the Effect of Heavy Metals Exposure on Human Health

Advisor: Don Sens

Amy Stiffarm

Harlem, MT

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: Perinatal Mental Health for Indigenous Women and Birthing People

Advisor: Andrew Williams

Mona Zuffante

Winnebago, NE

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: Supporting Positive Mental Health Well Being in Indigenous Youth and Young Adults

Advisor: Melanie Nadeau

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Jalyn Tiara Robinson

Drayton, ND

Physical Therapy

Advisor: Emily Henneman

NURSING & PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES

Maridee D. Shogren, Dean

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Madeline Rose Adamczak

Kettle River, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Tolulope Emmanuel Adediwura

Dayton, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Mary Jane Rivard

Max Buchholz

Minot, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Za Chang

Rochester, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Patricia Parker

Ashley Ann Flack

Aberdeen, SD

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Abass Jafuneh

Minnetonka, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Patricia Parker

Alpha S. Jalloh

Fargo, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Kelly Marie Leach

East Grand Forks, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Heidi Bender

Amy Lee

Minot, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Elizabeth Gotay

Jacklin LeeAnn Lemke

Glencoe, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Karen Semmens

Reid Magnuson

Fargo, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Page Madeline Mark

Carrington, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Christian Michael May

Fargo, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Tara Eide Maynard

Mint Hill, NC

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Elizabeth Gotay

David Lee Mischel

Mason, WI

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Mary Jane Rivard

McKenzie LaRae Moor

Williston, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Patricia Parker

Heather Morrisette

Warren, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Brian Higgerson

Mickayla Nagel

Minot, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Sarah Elaine Nell

Bathgate, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Christopher Odens

Willmar, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Emilee Louise Olson

Bovey, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Jennifer Lea Olson

Minot, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE, *continued*

Autumn Parizek

Minot, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: James Sperle

Joanna Ramirez

Litchfield, MN
Nursing Practice
Advisor: Heidi Bender

Charlene D. Raya

Billings, MT
Nursing Practice
Advisor: Mary Jane Rivard

Danielle Reinisch

Velva, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: Elizabeth Gotay

Bill Staples

Cavalier, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: James Sperle

April Madonna Sweet

Fargo, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: Patricia Parker

Jenna Waind

Grand Forks, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: James Sperle

Comfort Mungho Wendi

Grand Forks, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: Mary Jane Rivard

Brenton Wilson

West Fargo, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: James Sperle

Justine Lea Yutrzenka

Turtle Lake, ND
Nursing Practice
Advisor: James Sperle

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

Chris Nelson, Dean

AEROSPACE SCIENCES

Robert Kraus, Dean

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Abraham Ahumada

Cypress, TX
Space Studies

Sai Tarun Prabhu Bandemegala

Grand Forks, ND
Space Studies

Brian Timothy Horan

South Haven, MI
Atmospheric Sciences

Hernán David Mateus Jiménez

Bogota, DC
Space Studies

Benjamin Hauk Remington

Grand Forks, ND
Atmospheric Sciences

ARTS & SCIENCES

Brad Rundquist, Dean

MASTER OF ARTS

Brianna Mckenzie Anderson

Ellendale, MN
Forensic Psychology

Angeline Marie Ashbaugh

Ellensburg, WA
Forensic Psychology

Emma Kay Metz

Oconomowoc, WI
Forensic Psychology

Samantha Ann Rooney

Saint Petersburg, FL
Forensic Psychology

LaRae Skachenko

Bismarck, ND
Forensic Psychology

Wayne Arthur Wetherby

Peyton, CO
Forensic Psychology

Patricia Lynn Wright

Paisley, ON
Forensic Psychology

Carolina Esmeralda Zamarron

Mapleton, ND
Forensic Psychology

MASTER OF MUSIC

Itzel Fabiola Orellana Sierra

Tegucigalpa, FM
Music

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Madison Elizabeth Adrian

Grand Forks, ND
Psychology

Gavin Canlas-Rinke

Wheaton, MN
Mathematics

Haley Cooper

Reynolds, ND
Biology

Sena Dossou Gouchola

Grand Forks, ND
Chemistry

Jessica Emond

Elko, MN
Chemistry

Emily Gisi

Grand Forks, ND
Biology

Emily Rose Haynes

Woodstock, ILI
Psychology

Emmanuel Nana Nyarko

Nkoranza, Bo
Mathematics

Ben Regorrah

East Grand Forks, MN
Mathematics

Destinye Runions

Hohenwald, TN
Psychology

Lydia Westberg

Cambridge, MN
Biology

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

BUSINESS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Amy Henley, Dean

MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY

Madelyn Marie Brown

Sioux Falls, SD
Accountancy

Andrew James Diephuis

Rochester, MN
Accountancy

Bryce Richard Dively

Grafton, WI
Accountancy

Gabriella Rosalind Dodgson

Cheyenne, WY
Accountancy

Alexander M England

Radcliff, KY
Accountancy

Ross Jirik

Ulen, MN
Accountancy

Scott Kirst

Bayside, WI
Accountancy

Jonah William Nail

Rockford, IL
Accountancy

Lori Elizabeth Olurin

Olympia Fields, IL
Accountancy

Rachel Ann Weigel

Napoleon, ND
Accountancy

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Jennifer K. Eckman

Bismarck, ND
Business Administration

Ashok Illapakurthy

Belle Mead, NJ
Business Administration

April Mae Kraemer

Thief River Falls, MN
Business Administration

Kyra Traino Sedej

Waddell, AZ
Business Administration

Hannah Whalen

Grand Forks, ND
Business Administration

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Sashiel Pina

El Paso, TX
Public Administration

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED ECONOMICS

Evan Williams

Austin, TX
Applied Economics & Predictive Analytics

EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Cindy Juntunen, Dean

MASTER OF EDUCATION

Lauren Austin

Golden Valley, MN
Special Education

John Sebaganwa Bidogo

Grand Forks, ND
TESOL

Haley Elizabeth Chopp

Duluth, MN
Special Education

Tiana Marie Deforest

Holland, MI
TESOL

Brittany Donarski

East Grand Forks, MN
Special Education

Ashley DeeAnn Engen

Northwood, ND
Special Education

Ashlyn Jae Hanson

Grand Forks, ND
Special Education

Garrett Frederick Hol

Zimmerman, MN
Elementary Education

Tayler Hol

Zimmerman, MN
Elementary Education

Alexis Hute

Minot, ND
Special Education

Sadie Klingenberg

Valley City, ND
Special Education

Hadassa Nechama Landau

Toronto, ON
Special Education

Allison Lardy

Fairmont, MN
Special Education

Genese Yaa Perlas

Haymarket, VA
TESOL

Kathleen Ryan Proulx

Crookston, MN
Special Education

Raizel Rodal

Los Angeles, CA
Special Education

Allison Rose Sampsel

Killdeer, ND
Elementary Education

Kelsey Rae Schiroo

Lakeville, MN
Elementary Education

Macy A. Strem

Crookston, MN
Special Education

Karleigh Jean Ann Trosen

Larimore, ND
Reading Education

Maggie Vekich

Bovey, MN
Reading Education

Lindsay Widicker

Bowdon, ND
Special Education

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Shoshana Agular

Baltimore, MD
Reading Education

Gloria Aya Albert

Fargo, ND
Special Education

Breanna Elizabeth Becker

Devils Lake, ND
Reading Education

Courtney Cooper Broocks

Charlotte, NC
Reading Education

Destiny Marie Byrd

Cedar Rapids, IA
Special Education

Alainna Chretien

Orlando, FL
Special Education

Breanna Marie Dockter

Cottage Grove, MN
Special Education

Anastasia Jade Free

North Hollywood, CA
Special Education

Rachel Marie Germscheid

Inver Grove Heights, MN
Special Education

Shana Gottschall

Norma, ND
Special Education

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

MASTER OF SCIENCE, *continued*

Kristi Halvorson
Glenfield, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Madison Rae Hennen
West Fargo, ND
Reading Education

Tonya Lee Keller
Mandan, ND
Special Education

Matthew Kemmit
Minot, ND
Higher Education

Maggie Mae Melvin
Grand Forks, ND
Higher Education

Jalen Morrison
Grand Forks, ND
Kinesiology

Kianna Jean Novacek
Greenbush, MN
Kinesiology

Kaylie Olson
Grand Forks, ND
Reading Education

Luana Opsal
Grand Forks, ND
Higher Education

Isaac Preble
Grand Forks, ND
Special Education

Anyi Schell
Ray, ND
Reading Education

MeaganCarolynn Schmitz
Bismarck, ND
Reading Education

Megan Stout
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Nursing

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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Susan Ellis-Felege

Dr. Susan Ellis-Felege is a professor of wildlife ecology and management in the Department of Biology at the University of North Dakota.

Felege earned a B.S. in Ecology from Penn State University and a Ph.D. in Wildlife Management from the University of Georgia. Since 2011, she has been a faculty member at UND, where she teaches courses in wildlife ecology, management and survey methods.

Her ecological research covers a vast area, from the southeastern U.S. to the Arctic, as well as a broad diversity of organisms, from small birds to polar bears. She has been recognized among her peers for combining extensive field work with cutting-edge technologies such as drones, remote sensing and Big Data computing. Felege strives to include students in her research and creates opportunities for hands-on learning both inside and outside the classroom.



While at UND, Felege has secured more than \$3.8 million in external funding while publishing more than 50 journal articles. In recognition of those efforts, she received the UND Foundation Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award in 2017; the UND Foundation Faculty Scholar for Excellence in Teaching, Research, and Service in 2023; and is a two-time award winner of the National Wildlife Society's Outstanding Student Chapter Advisor award, in 2017 and 2019.

Felege is a member of the Board of Directors for Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever. She is passionate about conservation and loves spending time outdoors with her husband, Chris Felege (also a UND Biology faculty member), as well as her two children and their dog.

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We acknowledge the people who resided here for generations and recognize that the spirit of the Ojibwe and Oyate people permeates this land. As a university community, we will continue to build upon our relations with the First Nations of the State of North Dakota - the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Nation, Spirit Lake Nation, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, and Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians.



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A UND faculty member, chosen from the ranks of the Chester Fritz Distinguished Professors, carries the University flag and leads the commencement procession.

Honorary Faculty Flag Marshal

Cindy Juntunen
**Dean of Education &
Human Development**

Dr. Cindy Juntunen, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of Counseling Psychology in the College of Education and Human Development.

Juntunen joined the UND faculty in 1994, in the Counseling and Counseling Psychology programs. She was named Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor in 2015, and in 2016 assumed the role of Dean of the College of Education and Human Development. Juntunen is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association and has served on numerous national and state boards and committees in psychology.



Juntunen is active as a national leader in the training and education of psychologists and counselors, and her work has been recognized with several teaching and leadership awards. Her scholarship focuses on vocational psychology, the impact of poverty and socioeconomic status on work attainment, and rural behavioral health issues and access to care.

She also serves as Co-Director of the Mountain Plains Addiction Technology Transfer Center and Director of the State Opioid Response - Technical Assistance serving Region 8 (North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and Montana).

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A tradition since the early years of the University of North Dakota, students serve as the honorary marshals and ushers for commencement exercises.

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THE MACE OF THE UNIVERSITY

The ceremonial mace was first a practical weapon intended to protect the king and borne by the Sergeants-at-Arms, a royal bodyguard. The history of the civic mace begins about the middle of the 13th century. Since about the 15th century, universities have displayed a mace as a symbol of both internal authority and the independence of the scholarly tradition.

The mace of the University of North Dakota came into being at the direction of George W. Starcher, president from 1954 to 1971. In 1963 he approached Alvin Rudisill, chairman of the Industrial Arts Department, with the idea of creating a mace with materials from "Old Main," UND's first building. Condemned for decades for its severe structural deficiencies, Old Main was being demolished as administrative offices had moved to the newly completed Twamley Hall.

Rudisill turned to one of his students, Dennis Kulas, who was also pursuing a minor in art. Kulas crafted a mace in wood and then a second, when some thought the first might be too heavy for ceremonial use. The first one is the mace that has been carried at the front of all commencement ceremonies since.

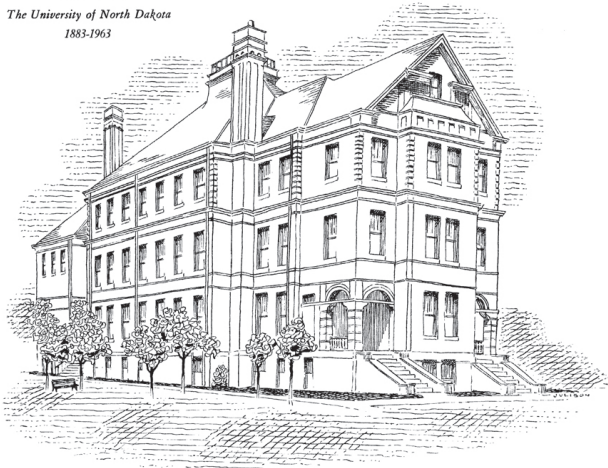
Kulas explained the artistic ideas he incorporated into his design:

"The theme used for making the mace was like a drop of water falling into a body of water, its effects sending out ripples throughout the water. Likewise, a little learning affects everyone by sending out knowledge to all four corners of the Earth, hence the design. The globe: symbolizing the Earth. The rings: symbolizing a drop of knowledge ever spreading throughout the Earth. The four spikes: emphasizing the four corners of the Earth."

The second mace used the same theme, but the globe was hollowed out to make it lighter by using recessed rings.



"Old Main"
The University of North Dakota
1883-1963



"Old Main," 1958

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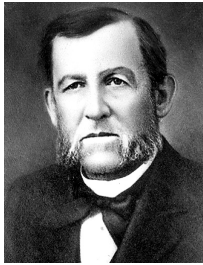


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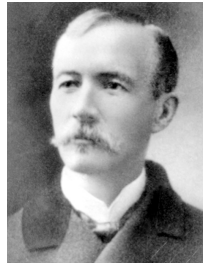
With help from more than 150,000 proud alumni, UND's traditions have endured for more than a century. Our history is colorful and diverse. From educators to political leaders and astronauts, our alumni credit UND for their successes. Here are some facts:

- UND was founded in 1883 by the Dakota Territorial Assembly — six years before North Dakota became a state.
- The cornerstone for Old Main — UND's first building and where the Eternal Flame in the Old Main Memorial Plaza now stands — was laid in the fall of 1883.
- As part of its evolution into a full-fledged, multi-purpose University, UND added research and the instruction of graduate students (the first master's degree was awarded in 1895) before the end of the 19th century.
- Four faculty members met the 11 students who entered the University on opening day, September 8, 1884.
- Three U.S. Presidents have visited campus: Franklin D. Roosevelt, John F. Kennedy, and Ronald Reagan.
- The first class of eight students graduated on June 13, 1889.
- Unlike most state institutions of higher education west of the Mississippi, UND did not begin as an agricultural school or as a teachers college. It was organized initially as a College of Arts & Sciences, with a Normal School for the education of teachers.

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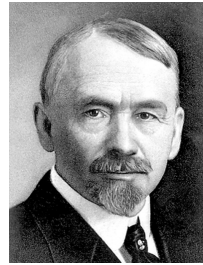
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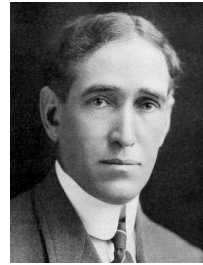
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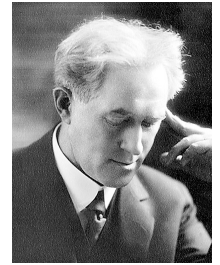
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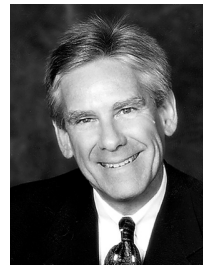
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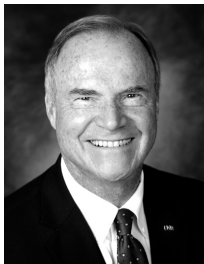
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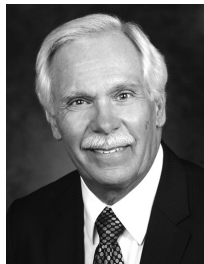
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2019 — 2020 (INTERIM)



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2020 — PRESENT

THE FIRST COMMENCEMENT

The following is excerpted from University of the Northern Plains, the history of the University of North Dakota written by Louis G. Geiger and published in 1958 as part of the University's 75th anniversary celebration.

A major milestone in student affairs, as well as in the University's history, was the graduation of the first college class in 1889. A faculty committee was appointed in February to plan the exercises. In April the student body met and chose the school colors, the pink and green of the prairie rose, "suggestive of our green prairies and rosy prospects." On June 13, a cool, fair day, the ceremony began at ten o'clock in the University assembly hall, which had been decorated with flags and flowers and a large "89" centerpiece. A capacity crowd of students and spectators (perhaps as many as 250) was on hand as the graduates — "the ladies ... dressed in white" and "the gentlemen ... neatly attired" — marched to their places on the stage to the accompaniment of music by [W. W.] Hall's Cadet Band. Special guests were the Regents, H. M. Mellette, governor of the Territory, several other territorial officials [North Dakota did not attain statehood until November 2, 1889], and Nehemiah Ordway, who as governor had signed the organic act of the University. [President Homer B.] Sprague presided and introduced the speakers. Mellette observed that it was a "Red River letter day." Ordway spoke with pride and feeling on the University's founding. One of the Regents relieved the occasion with a touch of unconscious humor when he explained: "As to the faculty we have done the best we could with the money at hand." Following the official commemoration of the occasion, the main part of the program began; there were essays and orations presented by each of the eight graduates, six from the college and two from the four-year normal course; Frances M. Allen (B.A.), Clinton S. DeGroat (B.S.), Ben E. Ingwaldson (B.S.), Cora Smith (B.S.), Marie Teel (B.S.), May Travis (B.A.), and Genevieve Arnold



The University of North Dakota graduated its first class on June 13, 1889. Seated: Frances M. Allen, B.A.; May Travis, B.A.; Genevieve Arnold, Normal Certificate; and Marie Teel, B.S. Standing: Irene Mares, Normal Certificate; Clinton S. DeGroat, B.S.; Cora Smith, B.S., and Ben E. Ingwaldson, B.S.



The Main Building and Ladies' Hall (later Davis Hall)

and Irene Mares (normal certificates). The orations, on current as well as literary and moral subjects, were printed in full in the Grand Forks newspapers.

Three of the college graduates were from Grand Forks; none had come from farther than Hillsboro. Not one had been born in North Dakota; Ben Ingwaldson had been born in Norway. In the class of 1890, of seven college graduates, four were from Grand Forks, three were women, and six took the science degree. A considerable proportion of the early graduates entered medicine, law, or teaching. Cora Smith, a member of the first class, took a degree in medicine at Boston University; Mary Crans of the second class completed the course in dentistry at the University of Michigan. Ben Ingwaldson went on to the University of Minnesota law school. North Dakota's first appointee to West Point, Joseph Travis, graduated in the class of 1890.

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