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The Order of Exercises

2023 Winter Commencement Ceremonies
Chester Fritz Auditorium
President Andrew P. Armacost, Presiding

Pre-Ceremony Concert
Brent Hermans, Pianist

Processional
“Pomp and Circumstance” — Edward Elgar
Please stand during the Processional.

“America the Beautiful” — Samuel Ward
Kylar Moltzan, Soloist

Greetings from the State Board of Higher Education
Casey Ryan, SBHE Chair

Remarks
Mark Pfeifle
Speaker information found on page 10

Conferring of Academic Degrees
President Andrew P. Armacost

Ceremony for Undergraduate Degrees
Friday, December 15 — 1 p.m.
College of Nursing & Professional Disciplines — 14
School of Medicine & Health Sciences — 15
College of Engineering & Mines — 15
College of Arts & Sciences — 16

Ceremony for Undergraduate Degrees
Friday, December 15 — 4 p.m.
College of Education & Human Development — 18
Nistler College of Business & Public Administration — 19
John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences — 21

Alumni Association Greetings
Sarah Prout
UND Alumni Association & Foundation

“Alma Mater” — Franz Joseph Haydn
The Assemblage
Led by the song leader, Kylar Moltzan
Please stand
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 ever-burning
Torch is passed from hand to hand.

Recessional
Brent Hermans, Pianist


**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**

Under Roman law, a slave that had been set free received the privilege of wearing a 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 or 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, in a marble pedestal at the right hand of the Speaker. The mace of 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 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.

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**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 & GRADUATE DEGREES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 — 3 P.M.

SCHOOL OF LAW
Brian Pappas, Dean

**JURIS DOCTOR**

Yusuf Abas  
Winnipeg, MB  
Law

Caitlin Baker  
Grand Forks, ND  
Law

Thomas Bales  
Grand Forks, ND  
Law

Christianna A. Cathcart  
Grand Forks, ND  
Law

Jacob T. Clements  
Osage, MN  
Law

Amelia L. Cope-Robinson  
Virginia, MN  
Law

Seth Michael Flynn  
Carrwright, ND  
Law

Riley W. Gilmore  
Winnipeg, MB  
Law

Laura Rose Helgeson  
Grand Forks, ND  
Law

William Alexander Levy  
Grand Forks, ND  
Law

Elijah Amadeus Schwindt  
Grand Forks, ND  
Law

Logan J. Simons  
Minot, ND  
Law

Stockton McKay Vander Werff  
Orem, UT  
Law

Jacqueline Elise Wetteland  
Buckley, WA  
Law


SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES
Chris Nelson, Dean

**AEROSPACE SCIENCES**
Robert Kraus, Dean

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

Jiyang Zhang  
Tianjin, China  
Earth System Science & Policy  
Dissertation: Land Acquisition for Flood Adaptation under Changing Climate  
Advisor: Haochi Zheng


**ARTS & SCIENCES**
Brad Rundquist, Dean

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

Joseph Earl McGilligan Robertson  
Holly, MI  
Chemistry  
Dissertation: Quantification of Rigidity and Synthesis of Cyclobutane Bisimide Building Blocks  
Advisor: Qianli Chu

Alyssa Noelle Rowland  
Happy Valley, OR  
Clinical Psychology  
Dissertation: GAY OR NAY? GAYDAR Snap Judgment Accuracy Rates Among Queer and Straight Cis-Men  
Advisor: Alan King

Sara Elena Yannuzzi  
Oakton, VA  
Biology  
Dissertation: Integrating Technology into Wildlife Surveys  
Advisor: Susan Felege
Doctor of Education

Christine Graham Breen
Eau Claire, WI
Educational Practice and Leadership
Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Alissa Kaye Carter
Halmhausen, BY
Educational Practice and Leadership
Dissertation: Transforming Educational Landscapes: How Student Choice Influences Achievement, Engagement, and Instructional Objectives
Advisor: Shannon Grave

Samantha Kay Kaloustian
Arnegard, ND
Educational Practice and Leadership
Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Aaron Miller Prestwich
Firestone, CO
Educational Practice and Leadership
Dissertation: Community College Strategic Planning: An Examination of Implementation, Assessment, and Evaluation Practices
Advisor: Jocelyn Gutierrez

Jennifer Marie Schlinger
Bismarck, ND
Educational Practice and Leadership
Dissertation: Trauma Education in Social Work Curricula: An Innovative Approach to the Teaching of Trauma-Informed Care
Advisor: Deborah Worley

Travis Jerome Smith
Minot, ND
Educational Practice and Leadership
Dissertation: Educating Families to Engage Families in Grades 9-10 of Public Education
Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Sharon Kay Stout
Richmond, TX
Educational Practice and Leadership
Dissertation: Distracted, Bored, and Disengaged: How to Reengage Gen Z Learners in the Secondary School Classroom
Advisor: Bonni Gourneau & Julie Robinson

Doctor of Philosophy

Rebecca Simone Bakke
Grand Forks, ND
Teaching and Learning
Dissertation: The Effect of Metacognition on Medical Laboratory Science Students’ Perceived Feelings of Self-Efficacy
Advisor: Julie Robinson

Madeline Carriere Graff
Grand Forks, ND
Teaching and Learning
Dissertation: Occupational Therapy Student Perceptions of Team-Based Learning and Flipped Classroom Learning Activities
Advisor: Carolyn Ozaki

Tamara Ann Hoffer
Fargo, ND
Teaching and Leadership
Dissertation: Preparing Special Educators and Team Members to Support Students with Severe Behaviors in Schools
Advisor: Patricia Mahar

Billie Jo Lorius
Bismarck, ND
Education, Health & Behavior Studies
Advisor: Zarrina Azizova

Jody Maanum
Farwell, MN
Teaching and Leadership
Dissertation: Empowering Educators: Enhancing Teacher Efficacy in Rural Schools Through Innovative Professional Development for Teachers in English Language Learners
Advisor: Pamela Beck

Mojdeh Jonna Mardani
Grand Forks, ND
Educational Foundations & Research
Dissertation: Examining the Unique Experiences of Underrepresented Minority STEM Faculty: How Discrimination, Microaggression, and Allyship Relate to Sense of Relatedness, Motivation, and Perceived Success
Advisor: Robert Stupnisky

Chioma I. Owumelu
Sugar Land, TX
Geology
Dissertation: Experimental Investigation of Thermal Maturation Processes of Bakken Formation and Their Impact on Organic Matter and Mechanical Properties
Advisor: Stephan Nordeng

Nathan Alexander Ruprecht
Greenville, TX
Biomedical Engineering
Dissertation: Developing a Multiomic Association Between Ionizing Radiation Exposure and Biological Aging Processes for Space Exploration Purposes
Advisor: Sandeep Kumar Singhal

Engineering & Mines
Brian Tande, Dean

Doctor of Philosophy

Md. Maruf Ahamed
Ames, IA
Electrical Engineering
Dissertation: RF Coverage Planning and Analysis with Adaptive Cell Sectorization in Millimeter Wave 5G Networks
Advisor: Ryan Adams

Keyshon Bachus
Neshit, MS
Environmental Engineering
Dissertation: Risk Assessment and Geographic Impact of Virtual Power Purchase Agreements and Unbundled Renewable Energy Certificates on Greenhouse Gas Abatement
Advisor: Yeo Howe Lim

Abdalmalek Bellal
Setif, Se
Energy Engineering
Advisor: Xiaodong Hou

Shabaz Khan
Grand Forks, ND
Energy Engineering
Dissertation: Two Techniques for Improving Renewable Energy Performance: Fast Charging of Li-Ion Batteries and Electrostatic Filtration of Wind Turbine Gear Box Oil
Advisor: Michael Mann

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SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

ENGINEERING & MINES
Brian Tande, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, continued

Tala Talaei Khoei
Grand Forks, ND
Electrical Engineering
Dissertation: Performance Analysis Of Data-driven Algorithms in Detecting Intrusions on Smart Grid
Advisor: Naima Kaabouch

Al Thibeault
Regina, SK
Energy Engineering
Dissertation: A Study of the Global Rare Earth Industry Transition
Advisor: Michael Mann

MEDICINE & HEALTH SCIENCES
Joshua Wynne, Dean

DOCTOR OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
Alexis Claire Skogen
Farmington, MN
Occupational Therapy
Advisor: Kelly Dornbier

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Nathan Alexander Velaris
Eagan, MN
Biomedical Sciences
Dissertation: Staphylococcal Enterotoxin I Immunotherapy Combined With HLA-DQ8 Induces Tumoricidal Activity, With Low Superantigen Toxicity, Leading to Long-Term Survival and Tumor-Specific Memory Against Established B16-F10 Melanoma in Humanized HLA-DQ88 Transgenic Mice
Advisor: David Bradley

NURSING & PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES
Maridee D. Shogren, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Stephanie Jean Orth
Newport, OR
Nursing
Dissertation: An Exploration of the Meaning of the Phenomenon of Hope, in the Context of Hopelessness, for Rural Frontline Registered Nurses in South Dakota, North Dakota, and Minnesota during the Covid-19 Pandemic
Advisor: Tracy Evanson

Brenda Khamete Sanya
Alexandria, VA
Nursing
Dissertation: Attitudes, Subjective Norms, and Perceived Behavioral Control of Perianesthesia Nurses’ Intentions to Engage in Mindful Self-Care
Advisor: Dawn Denny

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER’S DEGREES
Chris Nelson, Dean

AEROSPACE SCIENCES
Robert Kraus, Dean

MASTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Ethan Pieczykolan
Grand Forks, ND
Earth System Science & Policy

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Bailey Carlson
Grand Forks, ND
Space Studies

Tate Few
Columbia, SC
Space Studies

Christopher Todd Gannon
Fleming Island, FL
Space Studies

Noah Reese Gunter
Sanford, NC
Aviation

Brian Joyal
Escondido, CA
Space Studies

Talia Dawn Kurtz
Spanish Springs, NV
Atmospheric Sciences

Jennifer Rose Moore
Sewell, NJ
Atmospheric Sciences

Samuel Reams
Grand Forks, ND
Space Studies

Michael Douglas Willette
Urbana, IL
Atmospheric Sciences
## School of Graduate Studies: Master’s Degrees

### Arts & Sciences
Brad Rundquist, Dean

#### Master of Arts

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### Business & Public Administration
Amy Henley, Dean

#### Master of Accountancy

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SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER’S DEGREES

BUSINESS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Amy Henley, Dean

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Matthew Hayes-Regan
Brooklyn Park, MN
Public Administration
Shaylee Lynn Miller
Deerig, ND
Public Administration

Marisa Kathryn Pacella
Fargo, ND
Public Administration

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED ECONOMICS
Gavin Justice
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Applied Economics & Predictive Analytics
Michael Patrick Rahlf
Slinger, WI
Applied Economics & Predictive Analytics

EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
Cheryl Hunter, Dean

MASTER OF ARTS
Teri Jo Andersen
Tioga, ND
Counseling
Katherine Marie Cooper
Jamestown, ND
Counseling
Keegan Hunter Krantz
Kartstad, MN
Counseling
Darci Lynn Miller
Grand Forks, ND
Counseling
Shamaeaka Mae Pagado
Las Vegas, NV
Counseling
Monica P. Savadel
Grand Forks, ND
Counseling

MASTER OF EDUCATION
Brooklyn Dawn Anderson
Thief River Falls, MN
Elementary Education
Stefani Ann Baggett
Ewa Beach, HI
Educational Leadership
Bethany Sue Benjamin
Grand Forks, ND
Special Education
Janel Dormire
Bismarck, ND
Special Education
Emily Epker
Issaquah, WA
Special Education
William Jeffrey KruscheI
Winstead, MN
Special Education
Bailey Lynn Lamoureaux
Bismarck, ND
Special Education
Ashley Miller
Grand Forks, ND
Reading Education
Taylor Anne Moen
Fargo, ND
Reading Education

Kelsey Lynn Rokahr
Harrisburg, ND
Special Education
Bailey Jo Walters
Bismarck, ND
Special Education
Sonya Dee Weinberger
Breien, ND
Special Education
Kasey Lynn Bradford
Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership
Elizabeth Becker Bruner
Philadelphia, PA
Early Childhood Education
Sarah Lyne Cherney
Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership
Christopher M. Choate
Grand Forks, ND
Higher Education
Brianna Corzzi
Lincoln, ND
Teaching and Leadership
Abby Delzer
Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership
Paige Helen Fettig
Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership
Kara Fisher
Bismarck, ND
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Andrea Beth Frovarp
Bismarck, ND
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Samuel Lee Gable
Mandan, ND
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Nursing

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Andre Romel Reese  
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Social Work
Mark Pfeifle

Mark Pfeifle founded Off the Record Strategies in 2011. The company assists governments, corporations, universities and non-profit groups in building long-term relationships by providing superior service and innovative problem solving.

Pfeifle was deputy national security advisor for strategic communication and global outreach at the White House from 2007 to 2009. He was interagency coordinator for national security and communication implementation, leading the successful effort to promote the “surge” of U.S. forces into Iraq in 2007 and initiatives to de-legitimize al Qaeda and advocate for freedom, liberty and human rights.

In the private sector, he led initiatives to make communities safer after the 2020 killing of George Floyd with jail reform efforts in a dozen communities; for the U.S. Space Command’s X-37 spaceplane; for law enforcement during COVID-19 on behalf of the Department of Justice COPS Office; sensitive missions for the U.S. State Department; to prepare local communities for potential improvised explosive attacks on behalf of the Homeland Security Department’s S&T Human Factor Division; and to fight terrorism in association with U.S. Central Command.

He leads media training and crisis management training seminars for foreign governments, the U.S. Marine Corps and local and national law enforcement offices, trade associations, nonprofits and corporations.

He has appeared on national networks including CBS News, BBC, MSNBC, Al Jazeera, CNN and Fox News. His commentaries have been published in TIME, Wall Street Journal, Foreign Policy and Christian Science Monitor.

Pfeifle was one of the first advisors sent by the White House to New York City after 9/11, was awarded an Edward R. Murrow Award for radio news reporting, is a recipient of a Polly Award for Best Overall Internet Strategy Campaign and was recognized with the US Army’s Outstanding Civilian Service Award.

He has led seminars and discussions at universities and platforms across the world, including The Henry Jackson Society at Westminster Palace, at the Oxford Union Society and Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University.

He graduated in 1997 with a bachelor’s degree in communications from the University of North Dakota.
**University Marshals**

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**
Thursday, Dec. 14 — 3 P.M.

**Dr. Colin Combs**
**Professor of Biomedical Sciences**

Dr. Colin Combs is a Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Sciences. Dr. Combs received his PhD in 1996 from the Department of Neurobiology and Anatomy at the University of Rochester and completed his postdoctoral training at Case Western University.

He joined the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology & Therapeutics at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine & Health Sciences in 2000 as an Assistant Professor. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 2007 and Professor in 2014. He assumed the position of Chair of the Department of Biomedical Sciences in the School of Medicine & Health Sciences at UND in 2015 and was honored as a Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor in 2017. He became the Associate Dean for Research in the School of Medicine & Health Sciences in 2023.

Dr. Combs’ laboratory has a long-standing interest in neurodegenerative diseases with a particular focus on Alzheimer’s disease (AD). The majority of his research projects are related to age-associated comorbidity with AD and how the immune system and nervous system interact during age and disease. He is particularly interested in how chronic peripheral inflammatory conditions communicate to the brain to exacerbate progression of AD. He is an internationally recognized expert in this area.

**Honorary Faculty Flag Marshal**
Friday, Dec. 15 — 1 P.M.

**Dr. Michael Wittgraf**
**Professor of Music**

Dr. Michael Wittgraf joined the UND Music Department in 1998, and was named Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor in 2013. He earned the Doctor of Music Degree in Composition from Northwestern University, the Master of Arts Degree in Music Composition from the University of Minnesota, and the Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics from Carleton College. His specialties lie in music composition, music technology, music theory, and bassoon.

His original music has been performed around the world, and is available on the Navona, Ravello, New Ariel, Eroica, and SEAMUS recording labels, and through iTunes, Spotify, SoundCloud, YouTube, and other platforms. He has awards, commissions, and recognition from ASCAP, Modern Chamber Players, National Symphony Orchestra, Tempus Fugit, Louisiana State University, University of Minnesota, University of North Dakota, Florida State University, Pi Kappa Lambda, Zeitgeist, Chiara String Quartet, Bush Foundation, North Dakota Museum of Art, North Dakota Council on the Arts, and more. He was awarded North Dakota Council on the Arts Individual Artist Fellowships in 2007 and 2022, and in 2011 he was named the North Valley Arts Council Artist of the Year.

**Honorary Faculty Flag Marshal**
Friday, Dec. 15 — 4 P.M.

**Dr. Sean Valentine**
**Professor of Entrepreneurship & Management**

Dr. Sean Valentine is the Eugene Dahl Innovation & Character Endowed Chair, and Professor of Management and Chair of the Middleton School of Entrepreneurship & Management in the Nistler College of Business & Public Administration. He joined the UND faculty in 2008 and was named a UND Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor in 2020. His research interests include business ethics, workplace misconduct, human resource management, and organizational behavior, and his work has appeared in journals such as Human Resource Management, Human Relations, Journal of Business Ethics, Journal of Business Research, Business & Society, Contemporary Accounting Research, and Behavioral Research in Accounting.

**University Student Marshals**

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

Mohammad Alam  
Chloe Eaton  
Emily Fiorella  
Jeremy Grohs  
Morgan Hungness  
Shereen Ismail  
Faith Johannes  
Sarah Kempe  
Emily Kline  
Hannah Laumb  
Jenice Lynch  
Ethan Mathews  
Lauren Olson  
Alexia Parisien  
Lauryn Perry  
Andrew Seneker  
Jorge Soto  
Erica Stemske  
Oluchukwu Sunday  
Cassie Taggart
Special Notices

Whether the individual is the first or last to receive a degree in the graduation ceremony, the conferring of that degree is a very special event for every graduate and family. To this end, it is requested that everyone remain seated until the conclusion of the commencement ceremony.

Photography
The University has contracted the services of The Grad Team for all commencement ceremonies. The service will provide each graduate access to a photo taken when accepting congratulations on stage and a posed photo. Graduates will see their proofs via email a few days after the ceremony.

View and order portraits at thegradteam.com/UND.
Customer Service: call 1.800.482.0321 or email help@thegradteam.com

Social Media
Send a virtual message to your graduate by posting to social media using #UNDproud. Your post may appear on UND.edu!

Webcast
UND provides a live stream video of its commencement ceremonies to allow family and friends to participate, even if they cannot attend in person.

The ceremonies will be streamed live on UND’s website (UND.edu) and UND Facebook page. If you are interested in watching one of the ceremonies, review the list below.

Free video downloads of the ceremonies will be available on UND’s Vimeo channel at vimeo.com/uofnorthdakota.

Student Honor Medallions

Honor Medallions are earned by candidates for the bachelor’s degree who have at least 50 graded hours from the University of North Dakota and achieve a scholastic average of 3.50 (cum laude), 3.70 (magna cum laude), and 3.90 (summa cum laude) in courses completed at the University of North Dakota. For the purpose of the commencement program and publication, honors are based on the UND grade point average at the end of the previously completed term. Once final semester grades are recorded and the degree has been cleared by the college, grade point averages are recalculated and final graduation honors are recorded to the transcript and diploma.
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.
CEREMONY FOR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES
Friday, December 15 — 1 p.m.

COLLEGE OF NURSING & PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES
Maridee D. Shogren, Dean

Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition

Kaylyn Paige Sorensen
Lakewood, CO
Human Nutrition

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Carissa Albert
Bismarck, ND
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Liset Marie Amacher
St. Paul, MN
Nursing

Eve Marie Atwater
Hopkins, MN
Nursing

Ethan Marsh Baumgartner
Fargo, ND
Nursing

Sydney Mackenzie Baumgartner
Ramsey, MN
Nursing

Lauren Olivia Belisle
Fargo, ND
Nursing

Rachel Blais*
Duluth, MN
Nursing

Viktoria Anastasia Bosch*
Grand Forks, ND
Nursing

Emily Anne Boysun
Washburn, ND
Nursing

Noah M. Burgess
Bemidji, MN
Nursing

Lily Maria Burnsksi
Russ City, MN
Nursing

Lain Mikol Combs
Buffalo, ND
Nursing

Arynn Joy Crockett
Langdon, ND
Nursing

Ashley Rae Davis
Belcourt, ND
Nursing

Madison A. Denzer*
Waconia, MN
Nursing

Harmony G. Downer
Gilby, ND
Nursing

Olivia Ellingson***
Fertile, MN
Nursing

Nicholas Ray Paul*
Bismarck, ND
Nursing

Kenzie Lynn Fox*
Cook, MN
Nursing

Alexandria Denae Grosz
Bismarck, ND
Nursing

Courtney Hendricks
Fargo, ND
Nursing

Molly Ann Henkes
Grand Forks, ND
Nursing

Jillian A. Hjelden***
West Fargo, ND
Nursing

Addison I. Hoornaert***
Carrington, ND
Nursing

Mason Talor Jochim***
Bismarck, ND
Nursing

Sara M. Kessler
Duluth, MN
Nursing

Jacquelyn Christine Krieger
Minneapolis, MN
Nursing

Keaton Lindgren
Fracdl, ND
Nursing

Courtney Marshall
Towner, ND
Nursing

Angela Marie Grace McCue*
Fridley, MN
Nursing

Greta Mac McLagan
Fargo, ND
Nursing

Dalton John Meidinger
Grand Forks, ND
Nursing

Madyson Paige Melgard***
Perham, MN
Nursing

Madeline Fay Moore*
Maple Grove, MN
Nursing

Jadyn Brier Moulds
Grand Forks, ND
Nursing

Dylan Robert Nelson
Grand Forks, ND
Nursing

Kara Puckett*
Blaine, MN
Nursing

Hayden James Reitmeier***
Fisher, MN
Nursing

Grace Ann Roberts*
East Grand Forks, MN
Nursing

Miah Marie Roen
Glenwood, MN
Nursing

Emma Jane Rosin
Rochester, MN
Nursing

Mathew Eric Schmidt
Bismarck, ND
Nursing

Nevaeh Jean Schmiege*
Tappen, ND
Nursing

Sara Elizabeth Schneider
West Fargo, ND
Nursing

Sydney Schroeder*
Wayzata, MN
Nursing

Jordan Marie Stricker
Conifer, CO
Nursing

Morgan Jacquelyn Thompson***
Grand Forks, ND
Nursing

Isabella Marie Tighe*
Savage, MN
Nursing

Elsie Sandra Tongueu
Grand Forks, ND
Nursing

Bella Urhammer*
North Branch, MN
Nursing

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIAL WORK

Brittni Lynn Baker
Fort Totten, ND
Social Work

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Douglas, ND
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Modarie Lauren Celto
Parshall, ND
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Tia Dahlen
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Lorinda Leben
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Inver Grove Heights, MN
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Social Work

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Social Work

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Maple Grove, MN
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Leslie Michelle Uecker
Valley City, ND
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Joshua Edward Jacobs
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Chemical Engineering

Bogdan Nechepurenko
Bismarck, ND
Chemical Engineering

Sampson George Samuel
Chicago, IL
Chemical Engineering

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Minneapolis, MN
Chemical Engineering

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- 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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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 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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