

UNIVERSITY *of*
NORTH DAKOTA

GENERAL COMMENCEMENT



AUGUST 2, 2024
GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA

THE ORDER OF EXERCISES

2024 SUMMER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
PRESIDENT ANDREW P. ARMACOST, PRESIDING

2:00 P.M., FRIDAY, AUGUST 2
CHESTER FRITZ PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

PRELUDE MUSIC Roxanne Gessler, Pianist

PROCESSIONAL “Pomp and Circumstance” — *Edward Elgar*
Roxanne Gessler, Pianist
Please stand during the Processional

“AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL” — *Samuel Ward*..... Eliza Dodds, Soloist

**GREETINGS FROM THE
STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION** Casey Ryan

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER..... Chuck Haga
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**CONFERRING OF
ACADEMIC DEGREES** President Andrew P. Armacost
Darrin Looker, Proctor
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ALUMNI GREETING Mike Mannausau
UND Alumni Association and Foundation

“ALMA MATER” — *Franz Joseph Haydn* Eliza Dodds

RECESSIONAL Roxanne Gessler

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 ever-burning
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 2 — 2 P.M.

SCHOOL OF LAW Brian Pappas, Dean

JURIS DOCTOR

Hassam Ali
Lilburn, GA
Law

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES Chris Nelson, Dean

AEROSPACE SCIENCES Robert Kraus, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Dario Gabriel Schor

Winnipeg, MB
Aerospace Sciences
Dissertation: Echo: A Graphical User Interface
Designed to Simulate, Study, and Mitigate Effects
of Interplanetary Communication Delays in Analog
Missions
Advisor: Pablo de Leon

ARTS & SCIENCES Brad Rundquist, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Samah Khalil N. Alotaibi

Grand Forks, ND
Communication
Dissertation: Saudi Acceptance of Digital
Communication and Satisfaction with Mobile
Government Services (M-Government)
Advisor: Pamela Kalbfleisch

Nadia Boahemaa Kyeremeh

Grand Forks, ND
Communication
Dissertation: Unveiling Facilitators and Barriers
of Breastfeeding Initiation and Continuation and
Designing Culturally Tailored Intervention for
African American Mothers
Advisor: Soojung Kim

Katya Maureen Mickelson

Wichita, KS
Clinical Psychology
Dissertation: MCMI®-IV and PID-5 Antecedents to
Self-Reported Sexual Perpetration
Advisor: Alan King

Toyosi Olola

Grand Forks, ND
Communication
Dissertation: Engaging Telepsychology as a Culturally
Appropriate Communicative Approach for Mental
Health Intervention for Women in Ondo State,
Nigeria
Advisor: Soojung Kim

Danielle Marie Piggott

Ann Arbor, MI
Clinical Psychology
Dissertation: Christianity in Conversations about
Sexuality: Influences of Parental Communication on
Young Women's Navigation of Nonconsensual Sexual
Experiences
Advisor: RaeAnn Anderson

Courtney Nicole Tindell

Springfield, MO
Clinical Psychology
Dissertation: The Potential Value of the MCMI-IV
and PID-5 in Physical Violence Risk Assessments
Advisor: Alan King

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Shelbie Witte, Dean

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Monique Marie Anair

Seattle, WA

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: Reimagining Non-Credit Higher Education: The Impact of Non-Credit Short-Term Accelerated Postsecondary Workforce Training at Santa Fe Community College

Advisor: Radomir Mitic

Camille Peterson Banger

Star Prairie, WI

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: Holistic Advising and Student Success: A Qualitative Study on Student Advising Experiences and Perceptions at the University of Wisconsin Stout

Advisor: Jocelyn Gutierrez

Krystal M. Caldwell

Warwick, ND

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: The Experiences and College Readiness of Native American Students Who Participated in Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment and Transitioned to Higher Education

Advisor: Radomir Mitic

Katie Madeline Clancy

Pawtucket, RI

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: A Qualitative Study on the Impact of Schedule Design on Student Engagement and Behavior and Teacher Professional Satisfaction at a Small Charter Middle School

Advisor: Julie Robinson

Raven Faye Gray

Pine Ridge, SD

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: Wooyake Winyan: The Experience of Three Native Women in Higher Education Leadership at 4-Year Institutions in the Midwest

Advisor: Jocelyn Gutierrez

Lisa Fricke Gusewelle

Center, ND

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: The Impact of Upper-Elementary C3WP Resources on First Draft Student Writing Samples: A Study of Lexical Cohesion, Semantic Overlap, Grammar, and Mechanics

Advisor: Jared Schlenker

Cory Holten

Mapleton, ND

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: Activities Eligibility: Building a More Equitable Approach to Support Students

Advisor: Mark Rerick

Vesna Radivojevic

Doral, FL

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: The Healing of Stories: International Teachers' Lived Experiences of School Culture Using The Hourglass Model For Mindful Reflections

Advisor: Bonni Gourneau

Sarah Ann Stokes

Courtice, ON

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: A Student Co-Creation Lab as a Sustainable System for OER Development

Advisor: Woei Hung

Jillain Kaye Veil-Ehnert

Horace, ND

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: A Document Analysis on the Role of Innovation in the Strategic Plans of Small Private Liberal Arts Institutions

Advisor: Jocelyn Gutierrez

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Laura Ann Gorman

New Berlin, WI

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Impact of Substance Use and Perceptions of Social Support on Psychological Distress Following Traumatic Brain Injury

Advisor: Kara Wettersten

Genel Gronkowski

Shavertown, PA

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Protective Factors for Suicidal Ideation in Transgender Adults Living in Rural Communities

Advisor: Rachel Navarro

Emily Grace Heavner

Fayetteville, AR

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Examining Mental Health Professionals' Attitudes Towards Individuals with Rural Accents

Advisor: Kara Wettersten

Margaret Doris Hilbers

Arnegard, ND

Teaching and Leadership

Dissertation: Insights from Teachers and Students on Literacy Strategy Integration in a Rural North Dakota High School

Advisor: Pamela Beck

Jordan Jaeger

Grand Forks, ND

Educational Foundations & Research

Dissertation: Examining Barriers and Motivation Toward University STEM Faculty Research Success

Advisor: Robert Stupnisky

Matthew Kettelhake

Grand Forks, ND

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: A Thematic Analysis: A Lived Experience Raising a Child Diagnosed with a Neurodevelopmental Disability in a Rural Community

Advisor: Katherine Nelson

Summer Rae Lardy

Richmond, MN

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: The Mediating Role of Emotion Regulation on Attachment Styles, Relationship Quality, and Internalizing Symptoms among Emerging Adults

Advisor: Kara Wettersten

Amanda Walkowiak

Grand Forks, ND

Counseling Psychology

Dissertation: Administering Psychological Tele-Assessment: A Delphi Study

Advisor: Rachel Navarro

Raquel Ann Zeidlik

Manvel, ND

Teaching and Learning

Dissertation: Perceptions of Interpersonal Communication Skills in Undergraduate Nursing Students

Advisor: Virginia Clinton

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

ENGINEERING & MINES

Brian Tande, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Abiodun Gbadegesin Adeyemi

Grand Forks, ND

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Experimental Investigation of the Suitability of Soybean-derived Surfactant (SODS) in Gas Well Deliquification

Advisor: Kegang Ling

Moones Alamooti

Grand Forks, ND

Geology

Dissertation: Fracture Networks Mapping from Lodgepole Formation, McKenzie County, North Dakota using Seismic Imaging

Advisor: William Gosnold

Ala Eddine Aoun

Grand Forks, ND

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Techno Economic Assessment of Gas Re-injection to Reduce Gas Flaring in the Bakken Petroleum System of the Williston Basin in North Dakota

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

Alexis Lucy Archambault

Grand Forks, ND

Geological Engineering

Dissertation: Investigating Climate Change Impacts of Surface Water Dynamics in a Cold Region Terminal Lake Basin Using Remote Sensing Technology

Advisor: Taufique Mahmood

Temitope Folusho Bankefa

Grand Forks, ND

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Mitigation of Alkali-Induced Ash Aerosol Particles Impacts on Solid Fuel Combustion Systems

Advisor: Daniel Laudal

Jappreet Singh Gill

Grand Forks, ND

Biomedical Engineering

Dissertation: Transcriptional Landscape of FOXP3+Regulatory T Cells Under Mitochondrial Oxidative Stress: Implications for Inflammaging

Advisor: Ramkumar Mathur

Ami Hannon

Scotts Valley, CA

Chemical Engineering

Dissertation: Development and Characterization of Novel Nanomaterials for Standalone Sensors and Electronic Nose Applications

Advisor: Wayne Seames

Tyson Lee Jeannotte

Bismarck, ND

Environmental Engineering

Dissertation: Impacts of Climatic Variability to Distributed Snow Observations in a Cold Region Agriculture Basin

Advisor: Taufique Mahmood

Kruti Pravinchandra Shah

Ontario, CA

Computer Science

Dissertation: Verification and Validation of Software System Class Models

Advisor: Emanuel Grant

Arash Tayyebi

Grand Forks, ND

Chemical Engineering

Dissertation: Machine Learning-Assisted Materials Development: Molecular Solubility Prediction, Polymeric Membrane Fabrication, and Scale Formation

Advisor: Ali Saleh Alshami

NURSING & PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES

Maridee D. Shogren, Dean

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Margaret Bagley

Grand Forks, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Jennifer Harrison

Cody Bekkerus

Pelican Rapids, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Amber Johnson

Kristine Cacnio

Elizabeth, NJ

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Amber Johnson

Justin Michael Carey

Fargo, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Kevin Buettner

Megan Kay Case

Horace, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Amber Johnson

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Alexandra Rose Dukart

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Advisor: James Sperle

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Advisor: Amber Johnson

Justin Hall

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Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

Kristin Rae Nelson

West Fargo, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Jennifer Harrison

Linet Atieno Ngete

Seattle, WA

Nursing Practice

Advisor: James Sperle

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE, *continued*

Funmi Ochoche

Gaithersburg, MD

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Jennifer Harrison

Rachel Rogers

Aberdeen, SD

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Jennifer Harrison

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Fargo, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Jennifer Harrison

Ashley Elizabeth Souders

Gulfport, FL

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Amber Johnson

Brendin Michael Steiner

Dickinson, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Kevin Buettner

Colton Stiefel

Bismarck, ND

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Kevin Buettner

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Randy John-Chapin Huard

Cloquet, MN

Nursing

Dissertation: The Experience of Caregiving Among Males Caring for a Family Member with Alzheimer's Disease: A Descriptive Phenomenology Study

Advisor: Tracy Evanson

MEDICINE & HEALTH SCIENCES

Joshua Wynne, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Ryan John Ostermeier

Grand Forks, ND

Physical Therapy

Advisor: Steven Halcrow

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Paula Lynne Aubrey

Smith River, CA

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: Historical and Contemporary Practices of Seal Harvesting: Policy Implications for Revitalization Among The TAA-LAA-WA DEE-NI'

Advisor: Melanie Nadeau

Courtney Marie Claussen

Rapid City, SD

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: The Interconnectedness of Indigenous Health: Local, National, and International Influences

Advisor: Melanie Nadeau

Nirmal Kumar

Grand Forks, ND

Biomedical Sciences

Dissertation: Impact of Endolysosome Iron on Reactive Species Interactome in in-Vitro Models of HIV-1 Associated Neurocognitive Disorders

Advisor: Julia Xiaojun Zhao

Heather Leigh Coraleen Medicine Bear

Kapolei, HI

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: Encompassing 'Himdag' (Indigenous Way of Life) to Address Cardiometabolic Disease in American Indian and Alaska Native Communities through Research, Policy, and Action

Advisor: Donald Warne

Abiodun E. Odufuwa

Fargo, ND

Biomedical Sciences

Dissertation: Maturation Changes in the Epigenome and Transcriptome of Hypothalamic Astrocytes: Implications for Axonal Regeneration

Advisor: John Watt

Adriann Darlene Ricker

Poplar, MT

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: PL 93-638 Utilizing the Indian Self Determination Act (ISDEAA) To Enhance and Improve Oral Health Outcomes in a Tribal Community

Advisor: Shawnda Schroeder

Wyatt Wade Whitegoat

Window Rock, AZ

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: Promoting Athletic Training Careers Among American Indian and Alaska Native Communities

Advisor: Shawnda Schroeder

Stephen Anthony Paul Wyatt

Nashville, TN

Indigenous Health

Dissertation: Healing through Decolonized Learning: The Transformative Journeys of Online Indigenous Health Ph.D. Students

Advisor: Shawnda Schroeder

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Today, the University of North Dakota rests on the ancestral lands of the Pembina and Red Lake Bands of Ojibwe and the Dakota Oyate - presently existing as composite parts of the Red Lake, Turtle Mountain, White Earth Bands, and the Dakota Tribes of Minnesota and North Dakota.

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.

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

Chris Nelson, Dean

AEROSPACE SCIENCES

Robert Kraus, Dean

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Jennifer Kate Bradford

Benbrook, TX
Space Studies

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Atmospheric Sciences

ARTS & SCIENCES

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MASTER OF ARTS

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Forensic Psychology

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Forensic Psychology

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Music

MASTER OF SCIENCE

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Psychology

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Psychology

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Biology

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Chemistry

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BUSINESS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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Accountancy

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Business Administration

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Business Administration

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Public Administration

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

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MASTER OF ARTS

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Hazen, ND
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Moorhead, MN
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Reading Education

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Grand Forks, ND
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MASTER OF SCIENCE

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Minot, ND
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Reading Education

Lindsay Elizabeth Leclair

Little Falls, MN
Reading Education

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Fargo, ND
Special Education

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Special Education

Bethany Marie Mauch

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Brookings, SD
Higher Education

Abigail Judith Mock

Moorhead, MN
Special Education

Staci Louise Ortiz

Grand Forks, ND
Higher Education

Madelyn Pearson

Minnetonka, MN
Reading Education

Erin Rae-Anne Post

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Kinesiology

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East Grand Forks, MN
Teaching and Leadership

Madelyn Grace Shane

Edina, MN
Early Childhood Education

Jaelyn Anne Smith

Leduc, AB
Reading Education

Kasey Lynn Sorensen

Fargo, ND
Special Education

Morgan Jean Spooner

Caroline, AB
Reading Education

Mahkena Alyssa Stroh

Fargo, ND
Special Education

Erica Gayle Thune

Bismarck, ND
Special Education

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

ENGINEERING & MINES

Brian Tande, Dean

MASTER OF ENGINEERING

Aimene Aihar

Grand Forks, ND
Petroleum Engineering

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Phoenix, AZ
Petroleum Engineering

Tyrone Benjamin

Spanish Fort, AL
Systems Engineering

Ines Benomar

Grand Forks, ND
Petroleum Engineering

Abraham Akech Cheluel

Phoenix, AZ
Energy Engineering

Kevin Fox

Plano, TX
Petroleum Engineering

Christopher L Morris

Gillette, WY
Mechanical Engineering

Claude Taylor Morris

Eatonton, GA
Energy Engineering

Tomiwa Isaac Oguntade

Fargo, ND
Petroleum Engineering

Oluchukwu Chisom Sunday

Grand Forks, ND
Energy Engineering

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Olaide Deborah Adebayo

Fargo, ND
Cyber Security

Ismail Adeniyi Ajagbe

Houston, TX
Energy Engineering

Innocent Kelechi Anosike

Grand Forks, ND
Environmental Engr

Piash Bhowmik

Grand Forks, ND
Mechanical Engineering

Tre'Darrius La'Gregory Brown

Tulsa, OK
Biomedical Engineering

Conner Carriere

Grafton, ND
Electrical Engineering

Jeremy Ernest Cossette

Barnesville, MN
Cyber Security

Ahmed Elfarran

Grand Forks, ND
Electrical Engineering

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Clovis, CA
Cyber Security

Samuel Kaitel Fort

West Des Moines, IA
Cyber Security

Raechel Friesen

Old Hickory, TN
Cyber Security

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Williston, ND
Energy Engineering

Doris Laguer Martinez

Chicago, IL
Energy Engineering

Andrew Misiani

Moline, IL
Energy Engineering

David Charles Loper

Orem, UT
Computer Science

Victor Moreno Lozano

Grand Forks, ND
Biomedical Engineering

Christopher Nkansah

Springfield, IL
Petroleum Engineering

Edner Oloo

Grand Forks, ND
Mechanical Engineering

Devarshi N. Patel

Grand Forks, ND
Computer Science

Ian Isaac Picklo

Grand Forks, ND
Electrical Engineering

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Bonne Terre, MO
Cyber Security

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Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Cyber Security

Derrick Charles Seubert

Willmar, MN
Mechanical Engineering

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Grand Forks, ND
Computer Science

Shafqat Ullah

Grand Forks, ND
Civil Engineering

Yeng Yangyoua Yang

Oakdale, MN
Cyber Security

Lun Zhao

Grand Forks, ND
Computer Science

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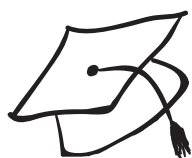
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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Chuck Haga

Chuck Haga is a journalist and adjunct professor in the Department of Communication at the University of North Dakota.

Born and raised in Valley City, N.D., Haga entered UND as a freshman in 1967. After time away from his studies to work and start a family, he earned a bachelor's degree in History in 1976 and a master's degree in Modern European History in 1978.

He also studied Norwegian emigration history, language and newspapers at the University of Oslo from 1978 to 1979 on a Rotary Foundation fellowship.

While a student at UND, Haga served as editor of the student newspaper, the Dakota Student, from 1969 to 1971. This experience led to a career in journalism – starting as a reporter for the Grand Forks Herald, then working as a staff writer for the Star Tribune of Minneapolis-St. Paul.



After 20 years with the Star Tribune, Haga returned to the Herald in 2007 until his retirement in 2013. Since 2022, Haga has written a weekly column for the Herald.

In 2012, Haga began teaching news writing classes as an adjunct professor in the UND Department of Communication.

Haga has a son, Peter, and three grandchildren, Morgan, Emma and Mason, the latter of whom is a UND engineering graduate.

UNIVERSITY MARSHAL

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

Sean Valentine Chair / Professor for Entrepreneurship & Management

The Faculty Flag Marshal at today's ceremony is Sean Valentine, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor, 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.

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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.

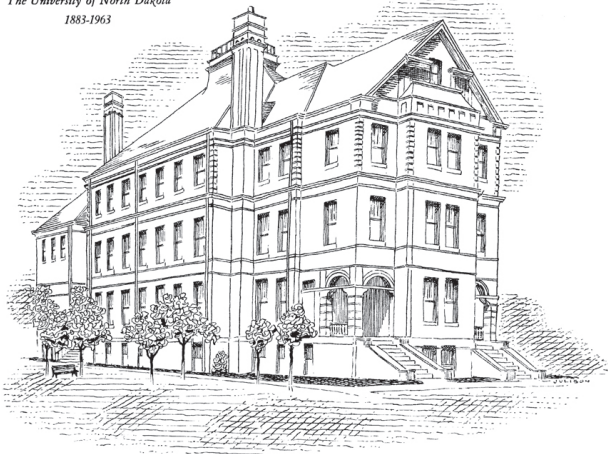
Kulas explained the artistic ideas he incorporated into his design:

"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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The following students have fulfilled the objectives of the University of North Dakota's Honors Program, a program designed to broaden and enrich the undergraduate curriculum. A substantial segment of their University training has been pursued in Honors courses, tutorials, and colloquia, and they have engaged in independent research.

Caroline Kelley
Leaders in Action

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Major Jared Budenski,
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Military Science

**COMMISSION AS
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Caleb Hill
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Plans After Graduation & Experiences Survey

Each semester, a survey is sent to new graduates asking them to reflect on their time at UND and to share post-graduation plans.

Complete the survey to be included in a drawing for a \$250 Amazon gift card - winner drawn one month after graduation.

To participate, watch for an email from UND Career Services with the link.

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UND HISTORY



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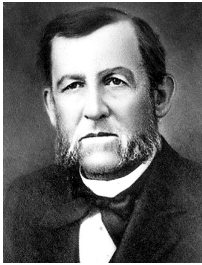


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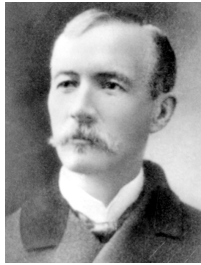
With help from more than 150,000 proud alumni, UND's traditions have endured for more than a century. Our history is colorful and diverse. From educators to political leaders and astronauts, our alumni credit UND for their successes. Here are some facts:

- 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.

PRESIDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY



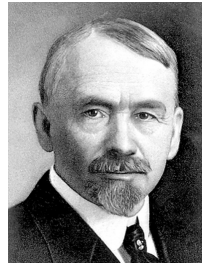
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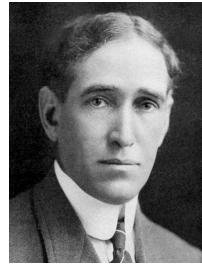
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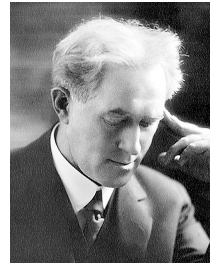
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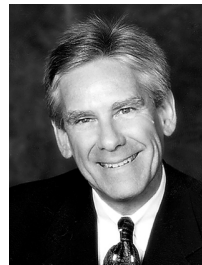
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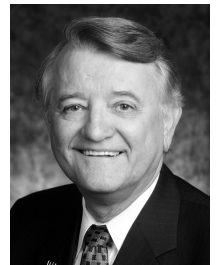
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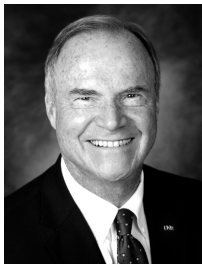
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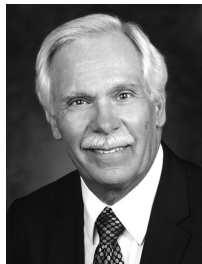
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THE FIRST COMMENCEMENT

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.

Congratulations and Best Wishes

The University of North Dakota is proud to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates and to extend best wishes to them, their families and loved ones.



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