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THE ORDER OF EXERCISES

WINTER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES DECEMBER 19, 2025 CHESTER FRITZ PERFORMING ARTS CENTER PRESIDENT ANDREW P. ARMACOST, PRESIDING

PRE-CEREMONY CONCERT

Roxanne Gessler, Pianist

PROCESSIONAL

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

“AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL” — *Samuel Ward*

Ella Henry, Soloist

GREETINGS FROM THE STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Curtis Biller

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DeAnna Carlson Zink
UND Alumni Association & Foundation

REMARKS

Jill Cholewa
Speaker information found on page 10

CONFERRING OF ACADEMIC DEGREES

President Andrew P. Armacost

CEREMONY FOR PROFESSIONAL & GRADUATE DEGREES

— 9 A.M.

School of Law — Juris Doctor Degrees — 3
School of Medicine & Health Sciences —
Doctor of Medicine Degrees — 3
School of Graduate Studies — Doctoral Degrees — 3
School of Graduate Studies — Master’s Degrees — 5

CEREMONY FOR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

— 1 P.M.

College of Nursing & Professional Disciplines — 15
School of Medicine & Health Sciences — 16
College of Engineering & Mines — 16
College of Arts & Sciences — 17

CEREMONY FOR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

— 4 P.M.

College of Education & Human Development — 19
Nistler College of Business & Public Administration — 20
John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences — 21

“ALMA MATER” — *Franz Joseph Haydn*

RECESSIONAL

Roxanne Gessler, Pianist

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, DECEMBER 19 — 9 A.M.

SCHOOL OF LAW

Bradley Myers, Dean

JURIS DOCTOR

Soore Omotola Akinfemiwa

Davis, CA
Law

Abigail Jo Donarski

West Fargo, ND
Law

Katherine Alexandra Franklund

Bloomington, IN
Law

William Franklund

Manvel, ND
Law

Dyllun Anthony Frazee

Grand Forks, ND
Law

Terressa Gerhardt

Bismarck, ND
Law

Olivia German

Bismarck, ND
Law

Allison M. Green

Grand Forks, ND
Law

Bryan P. Green

Temple, TX
Law

Matthew Green

Alba, TX
Law

Anas Kassem

Grand Forks, ND
Law

Sherry K. Mendoza

Alexandria, VA
Law

Joseph Henry Sand

Grafton, ND
Law

Alexandra Maureen Schill

Grand Forks, ND
Law

Mya Sistad

Grygla, MN
Law

Daniella Morganti Tavares

Winnipeg, MB
Law

Tavia Werner-Fisher

Crookston, MN
Law

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE & HEALTH SCIENCES

Marjorie R. Jenkins, Dean

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

Whitney Joy Carriveau

Grand Forks, ND
Medicine

Nicole Ann Sinclair

Fargo, ND
Medicine

Marie Chae Won Tate

Grand Forks, ND
Medicine

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

Soojung Kim, Dean

AEROSPACE SCIENCES

Robert Kraus, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Ronald Deverall Stenz

Elburn, IL
Atmospheric Sciences

Dissertation: The Impacts of Hydrometeor
Centrifuging on Numerical Simulations of Supercells
and Tornado-Like Vortices

Advisor: Matthew Gilmore

Lang Eric Sundby

Boerne, TX
Aerospace Sciences

Dissertation: Beyond Artemis: A Framework
for Strategic International Cooperation in Space
Exploration and Security

Advisor: Michael Dodge

ARTS & SCIENCES

Brad Rundquist, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Walter Eugene Carroll

APO, AP
Communication

Dissertation: The Role of Attitude Ambivalence
in Extending the Theory of Planned Behavior: A
Mixed-Methods Study of Factors Predicting Influenza
Vaccine Uptake Intentions Among Active-Duty
Military Parents for Themselves and Their Children

Advisor: Soojung Kim

Taylor James Linder

Sioux Falls, SD
Biology

Dissertation: Of birds and Beef: Expanding the
Knowledge of Rotational Grazing Systems on
Grassland Bird Productivity in North Dakota

Advisor: Susan Felege

Grant Gregory McMillan

Grand Forks, ND
English

Dissertation: Toward an Anthropological Ecocriticism
Advisor: Crystal Alberts

Jessica L. Van Bree

Grand Forks, ND
Psychology

Dissertation: Examining the Utility of Haptic Feedback
to Improve Pilot Situational Awareness & Performance:
A Psychophysiological Approach

Advisor: Dmitri Poltavski

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY, *continued*

Vladimir Zotov

Spartanburg, SC

Chemistry

Dissertation: Degradable and Tunable Silyl Ether and Silyl Ester Containing Polymers: Synthesis, Characterization, Hyperbranching, and Applications

Advisor: Guodong Du

**EDUCATION &
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**
Shelbie Witte, Dean

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Grace Elizabeth Allely

Washington, DC

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: Looking at Teacher Knowledge, Skills, and Dispositions to Create School-Wide English Learning

Advisor: Hyonsuk Cho

Rhys Mitchell Fryar

Vancouver, WA

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: Resistance Through Policy: Documenting LGBTQ+ Advocacy in Public Education

Advisor: Cheryl Hunter

Pamela Jean Shea

Grand Forks, ND

Educational Practice and Leadership

Dissertation: Exploratory Study of Relationships Between Law Students' Well-being, Academic Success, and Perceptions of Passing the Bar Exam and Admission

Advisor: Zarrina Azizova

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Hyungwoo Jo

Grand Forks, ND

Education, Health, & Behavior Studies

Dissertation: Integrating Cognitive and Visual Scanning Strategies in Flight Instruction: Effects on Student Pilots' Learning During Approach and Landing

Advisor: Zarrina Azizova

Badera Mohammed-Hasan Muhanna

Grand Forks, ND

Teaching and Leadership

Dissertation: Identity Formation Through the Lived Experiences of Immigrant Muslim High School Students

Advisor: Bonni Gourneau

ENGINEERING & MINES

Ryan Adams, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Rahate Ahmed

Grand Forks, ND

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Improvement of Lithium-Ion Battery's Fast-Charging Capability Through Anode Design and Charging Algorithm: A Modeling and Experimental Investigation

Advisor: Xiaodong Hou

Sina Ibne Ahmed

Fargo, ND

Electrical Engineering

Dissertation: A Stochastic Framework for Hosting Capacity Analysis of Residential Distribution Systems with Solar Photovoltaic and Electric Vehicle Adoption

Advisor: Hossein Salehfar

Akinwale Akinwunmi Akinmoladun

Grand Forks, ND

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Dynamic Techno-economic Analysis of Advanced Configuration of Chemical Absorption Carbon Capture Technology Integration with Natural Gas Combined Cycle

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

Mahsa Aliee

Painted Post, NY

Electrical Engineering

Dissertation: Integration of Fluorescence Imaging and Advanced Analytical Techniques for Reliable Contamination Detection

Advisor: Bo Liang

Shree om Bade

Grand Forks, ND

Energy Engineering

Dissertation: Control Strategy, Multi-Objective Optimization, and Economic Viability for Utility-Scale Wind-Solar-Based Hybrid Power Plant

Advisor: Olusegun Stanley Tomomewo

Friday Obuzor Eberé

Grand Forks, ND

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Geochemical Characterization for Underground Hydrogen Storage (UHS) in North Dakota's Red River Formation

Advisor: Hadi Jabbari

Osama Ahmed Galal Mohamed Ibrahim

Grand Forks, ND

Biomedical Engineering

Dissertation: Genetic Engineering of Mouse Models to Understand Gene Functions and Disease Mechanisms

Advisor: Abraam Yakoub

Ghoulem Ellah Haithem Ifrene

Long Beach, CA

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Numerical and Experimental Simulations of Fluid Flow In X-Crossing Rough Fracture Surfaces

Advisor: Sven Egenhoff

Joshua Kennedy

Elkland, MO

Biomedical Engineering

Dissertation: Cross Cancer Toxicogenomic Modeling of Arsenic Exposure Identifies a Four Gene Signature for Lung Cancer Risk

Advisor: Sandeep Singhal

Abdelhakim Khouissat

Spring, TX

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Dynamic Wellbore-Integrity Framework for Post-Blowout Capping of Offshore Wells

Advisor: Andreas Michael

Demetrius Maxey

San Antonio, TX

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Methane Infusion Improved Oil Recovery in the Bakken Formation

Advisor: Hadi Jabbari

Luc Yvan Nkok

Grand Forks, ND

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Integrated Machine Learning for Predicting Reservoir Properties and Experimental Approaches for Evaluating CO₂-Brine-Rock Interactions in Carbonate Formations

Advisor: Kegang Ling

Prasad Pothana

Grand Forks, ND

Petroleum Engineering

Dissertation: Experimental and Computational Insights into Reservoir Rock Mechanics and Petrophysical Properties

Advisor: Kegang Ling

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

MEDICINE & HEALTH SCIENCES

Marjorie R. Jenkins, Dean

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

**EkanayakeMudiyanselage
Dilini Vimarshani Ekanayake**

Grand Forks, ND

Biomedical Sciences

Dissertation: The Role of C-X-C Chemokine Receptor Type 5 (CXCR5) on Sex-Dependent Neurobehavioral Changes in the Sub clinically Sensitized Individuals with Repeated Allergen Exposure

Advisor: Kumi Nagamoto-Combs

NURSING & PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES

Maridee D. Shogren, Dean

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Cody C Schumacher

Moorhead, MN

Nursing Practice

Advisor: Jennifer Harrison

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

Soojung Kim, Dean

AEROSPACE SCIENCES

Robert Kraus, Dean

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Haley Olivia Boles

Gainesville, FL

Space Studies

Samantha Nicole Buck

Huntsville, AL

Space Studies

Carly Davidson

Saint Paul, MN

Space Studies

Ross Wilford DeMay III

Madison, AL

Space Studies

Shannon Caitlin Forrey

Brooklyn, NY

Space Studies

Preeti Priyakumar Nair

Grand Forks, ND

Space Studies

Nicholas Joaquin Proett

Tucson, AZ

Aviation

Charles Albert Richie II

North Platte, NE

Atmospheric Sciences

Steven M Sasiela

Colorado Springs, CO

Space Studies

ARTS & SCIENCES

Brad Rundquist, Dean

MASTER OF ARTS

Charity Britain

Sioux Falls, SD

Forensic Psychology

Caitlyn Bruggman

Prior Lake, MN

Forensic Psychology

Connie Jo Campbell

Kansas City, MO

Forensic Psychology

Renee DeHaven

Marsland, NE

Forensic Psychology

Claire Michelle Engebretson

Denver, CO

Forensic Psychology

Patricia Kathleen Fierling

Creswell, OR

Forensic Psychology

Alexander French

Fargo, ND

Forensic Psychology

Abby Fullem

Cheswick, PA

Forensic Psychology

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Forensic Psychology

Amber Nicole Holub

Spokane Valley, WA

Forensic Psychology

Mary Elizabeth Howard

Woodland, CA

Forensic Psychology

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San Antonio, TX

Forensic Psychology

Rylee Kate Metz

Starbuck, MN

Communication

Elaina C. Myers

Carmel, IN

Forensic Psychology

Macy Kae O'mary

Milan, IL

Forensic Psychology

Trinity Roering

Little Falls, MN

Forensic Psychology

Madeline Jean Rutherford

Moorhead, MN

Forensic Psychology

Benjamin J Suess

Bismarck, ND

Forensic Psychology

Patricia Paige Tomjack

O'Neill, NE

Forensic Psychology

Bailey Marie Wetmore

Minneapolis, MN

Forensic Psychology

Gregory CJ Wyche

Nine Mile Falls, WA

Communication

MASTER OF MUSIC

Lisa Sofia Morales Sears

Grand Forks, ND

Music

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: DOCTORAL DEGREES

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Esther Yirenkyiwaa Addo

Grand Forks, ND
Chemistry

Ushan Asela Adhikarige

Grand Forks, ND
Physics

Nafisa Bala

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Chemistry

Federico Nicolas Fiorda

Grand Forks, ND
Geography

Roland Lemlack Londe

Grand Forks, ND
Chemistry

Kylene Gail Martell

Grand Forks, ND
Psychology

Rachel Catherine Miller

Hugo, MN
Psychology

Teckla Tifuh Njei

Grand Forks, ND
Chemistry

Chandana Sampath Perera

Grand Forks, ND
Chemistry

Sara Margit Wallace

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Biology

BUSINESS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Patrick O'Neill, Dean

MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY

Kiera Michelle Bruce

High Point, NC
Accountancy

Angie Cantera

East Grand Forks, MN
Accountancy

Caleb Dockter

Bismarck, ND
Accountancy

Anya Penelope Gangl

Grand Forks, ND
Accountancy

Lajessieka Green

Lafayette, LA
Accountancy

Ashley Guthmiller

Bismarck, ND
Accountancy

Bethany Susanne Krebs

Fargo, ND
Accountancy

Theodore William Krein IV

Northwood, ND
Accountancy

Joshua R. McClintic

Newport, MN
Accountancy

Kia Marie McGlynn

Red Lake Falls, MN
Accountancy

Rebecca Mesidor

Miami, FL
Accountancy

Rajesh Nepal

Grand Forks, ND
Accountancy

Cortney Marie Newton

Manvel, ND
Accountancy

Ngoc Yen Nguyen

Orlando, FL
Accountancy

Isaac D Patzer

Grand Forks, ND
Accountancy

Steven Skalman

Litchfield, MN
Accountancy

Colby Thorlakson

Cavalier, ND
Accountancy

Mallory L Tremel

West Fargo, ND
Accountancy

Nora Wallace

Minot, ND
Accountancy

Shannon Rose Watson

Clinton Township, MI
Accountancy

Grace Kendall Marie Weiss

Fargo, ND
Accountancy

Sarah Elizabeth Wheeler

Valier, MT
Accountancy

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Blake Atkins

Fargo, ND
Business Administration

Therma Bayard

Marietta, GA
Business Administration

Dexter David Bell

Chicago, IL
Business Administration

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West Fargo, ND
Business Administration

Georgia Carey

Colorado Springs, CO
Business Administration

Nathan Thomas Eversole

Preston, MN
Business Administration

Riley Michael Gerhardt

Valley City, ND
Business Administration

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Sanford, MB
Business Administration

John Amedeo Gulino

Escondido, CA
Business Administration

John Lawrence Hunka

Akron, OH
Business Administration

Noah James Kasper

Savage, MN
Business Administration

Jake Allen Kramber

Hopkins, MN
Business Administration

Ian Patrick McDonald

Bismarck, ND
Business Administration

Tyler Daniel Munn

Grand Forks, ND
Business Administration

Christian James Norby

Evansville, MN
Business Administration

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Grand Forks, ND
Business Administration

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Bainville, MT
Business Administration

Thomas Joseph Semptimphelter

Ocean City, NJ
Business Administration

Shawn Vidden

Mankato, MN
Business Administration

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Elijah M Beach
Bartlett, IL
Public Administration

Cassidy LaRai Beuchler
Minot, ND
Public Administration

Alison Jean Braaten
Grand Forks, ND
Public Administration

Nicole Burkhartsmeier
Horace, ND
Public Administration

Precious Dada
Grand Forks, ND
Public Administration

Christopher Allan Lipsh
Grand Forks, ND
Public Administration

Zachary Raknerud
Minot, ND
Public Administration

Alicia Rixen
Bismarck, ND
Public Administration

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED ECONOMICS

Sean Zolcus
San Antonio, TX
Applied Econ & Pred Analy

**EDUCATION &
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**
Shelbie Witte, Dean

MASTER OF ARTS

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Sioux Falls, SD
Counseling

Felicia Blanco
Lancaster, MN
Counseling

Alicia Katherine Collett
Lacey, WA
Counseling

Aimee DeSherlia
Horace, ND
Counseling

Allison Gottwalt
Grand Forks, ND
Counseling

Kristen Jacobs
Shoreview, MN
Counseling

Ashley Brooke Lechuga
Colorado Springs, CO
Counseling

Julie McCann
Grafton, ND
Counseling

Emily Milbourn
Phoenixville, PA
Counseling

Kelly Marie Mitchell
Rolla, ND
Counseling

Georgia Nash
Warroad, MN
Counseling

Shera Wanyce Nesheim
Grand Forks, ND
Counseling

Madisynn Leigh Noeldner
Grand Forks, ND
Counseling

Stephan Noll
Fargo, ND
Counseling

Caleigh Marie Patten
Horace, ND
Counseling

Alexandra Kristine Pietralczyk
Jessup, PA
Counseling

Elizabeth Pistorino
Glenburn, ND
Counseling

Elisabeth Christine Storkson
East Grand Forks, MN
Counseling

Samantha Vejtasa
Tioga, ND
Counseling

Stephanie Marie Wynne
Grand Forks, ND
Counseling

MASTER OF EDUCATION

Amanda Marie Almquist
Grand Forks, ND
Special Education

Anna Marie Bellon
Grand Forks, ND
Special Education

ShaLee Ann Decker
Dickinson, ND
Special Education

Chana Eichorn
Baltimore, MD
Special Education

Mariah Estelle Halvorson
Stanley, ND
Special Education

Tiffany Jefferson
Grand Forks, ND
Reading Education

Rae-Ann Marie Lobao
Grand Forks, ND
Special Education

Sharon Zint Marts
Santa Rosa, CA
Special Education

Kerri Marucco
Fargo, ND
Special Education

Brittany Irene Pinkham
Wahpeton, ND
Special Education

Kiera Angeline Radniecki
New York Mills, MN
Special Education

Lyndsey Breanna Roy
Fargo, ND
Special Education

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Kenley Anderson
Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Lauren Rylee Anderson
Watford City, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Aaron Richard Andres
Hanover, MN
Special Education

Amanda Mary Arvay Garrison
Greenville, SC
Instructional Design & Tech

Aya Badawy
Pflugerville, TX
Special Education

Tariq Beach
Westlake, OH
Kinesiology

Jenna Beckman
Williston, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Tara Bieniewicz
Chesterfield, MI
Special Education

Brock Boltmann
Grand Forks, ND
Kinesiology

Rebecca Jo Brydl
Mandan, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Jacie Jolynn Cahill
Saint John, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Agnes Carlson
Grand Forks, ND
Special Education

Marquious Vanshea Curtis
Watford City, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Thomas Michael Dwyer
Watford City, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Savannah Stephanie Elkins
Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Haley Emerson
Langdon, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Amy Jo Fredericksen
Grafton, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Jack Germain
Palo Alto, CA
Kinesiology

Addison Goehner
Oviedo, FL
Kinesiology

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES: MASTER'S DEGREES

MASTER OF SCIENCE, *continued*

Melinda Marie Halverson

Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Haleigh Paige Harter

Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership

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Lincoln, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Kristian A Herman

Carlton, MN
Kinesiology

Courtney Hernandez

Grafton, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Nicole Erin Ingersoll

Meridian, ID
Reading Education

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Teaching and Leadership

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Watford City, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Patricia Krebs

Thompson, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Molly Beth Lippert

Williston, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Amie Marks

Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership

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Grand Forks, ND
Special Education

Jackson Riley Nichols

Georgetown, LA
Kinesiology

Torey Nicole Peterson

Lancaster, MN
Reading Education

Bryden Picklesimer

Watford City, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Amanda Rafferty

Bowman, ND
Reading Education

Korrie Randt

Brandon, MN
Teaching and Leadership

Nicole Elizabeth Root

Omaha, NE
Special Education

Ashley Danielle Sailer

Grand Forks, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Diana Magdalena Saravia

Los Angeles, CA
Special Education

Kylie Scholand

Bismarck, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Rebekah Diane Schumacher

Drayton, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Casey Selzler

Grand Forks, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Martha Ann Verner

New Town, ND
Special Education

Maggie Vold

Drayton, ND
Teaching and Leadership

Rachel Lee Wilkes

Fargo, ND
Special Education

ENGINEERING & MINES

Ryan Adams, Dean

MASTER OF ENGINEERING

Lilya Bahiri

Grand Forks, ND
Energy Engineering

Rahul Bhusal

Boise, ID
Chemical Engineering

Hichem Aymene Katib Chellal

Grand Forks, ND
Petroleum Engineering

Sadiq Gidado

Grand Forks, ND
Petroleum Engineering

Dagan Hambleton

Boise, ID
Environmental Engr

Keith Ryan Horvath

APO, AE
Petroleum Engineering

Yakubu Issahaku

Grand Forks, ND
Petroleum Engineering

Paschal Ogadi Mokwenye

Grand Forks, ND
Energy Engineering

Raphael Ayenajeh Noel-Berje

Grand Forks, ND
Petroleum Engineering

Alex Patel

Madisonville, LA
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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Jill Cholewa

Jill Cholewa is a 1977 and 1979 graduate of the University of North Dakota, a 2015 recipient of the Sioux Award for Distinguished Achievement & Leadership and a longtime supporter of UND academic and athletic programming.

She is a retired business owner currently serving as a SCORE Certified Mentor for small businesses and resides in San Luis Obispo, Calif.

Originally from Hillsboro, N.D., Cholewa played four years of volleyball at UND at the outset of the program — lettering twice — and earned a master's degree in Business Administration and Management.

Cholewa and her husband, Steve, founded S&J Lumber in Madera, Calif., in 1987, which they operated until 2008.

Over the years, the couple has contributed to UND scholarships and established three endowments in the Nistler College of Business & Public Administration, the College of Education & Human Development and for UND's volleyball program.

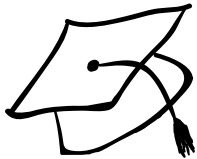


Beyond her leadership of S&J Lumber, Cholewa is a retired member of the University of California Cooperative Extension's Master Gardener Program and currently serves as chair of the UND National Women's Athletic Leadership Council, "Women Behind the Women."

She has served as president of the Infant of Prague Adoption Agency Foundation, president of AAUW (the American Association of University Women) California and president of the State Center Community College Foundation.

Additionally, Cholewa founded and operated the Madera Volleyball Club for 10 years, providing opportunities for around 90 young athletes a year, and has been a dedicated member of Rotary International for 20 years.

She is passionate about horticulture, entertaining with friends and family, education, traveling and experiencing new cultures, friend-raising, empowering and educating women and mentoring. Known as an active listener, Cholewa holds space for her friends and values meaningful connections.



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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 — 9 A.M.

Dr. Chih Ming Tan
Professor of Biomedical Sciences

Dr. Chih Ming Tan is a Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor and the Page Endowed Chair in Applied Economics at the Department of Economics & Finance, Nistler College of Business & Public Administration (NCoBPA). He is the first Associate Dean for Research at NCoBPA and has been in that role since October 2019. From 2016 to 2022, he served as the director of the Master of Science in Applied Economics and Predictive Analytics (MSAEPA) program.

Since joining UND in 2013, Tan has taught macroeconomics and econometrics courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Tan's research in applied econometrics examines income inequality and mobility, economic growth, and global health. Regarded as a seminal expert in his field, Tan was an early proponent of applying machine learning methods to uncovering endogenous social groupings in preferences for redistribution policies in the US, convergence clubs in economic growth across countries, and, more recently, poverty traps in mobility processes in the US. He was one of the first to investigate the impact of early exposure to famine on later life cognitive development in Sub-Saharan Africa (Ghana). He has since



studied the long-run impact of early health shocks on later life cognitive and mental health outcomes in a variety of other settings (China, India, Indonesia, and Mexico).

Tan is a prolific scholar and had authored over 20 peer-reviewed journal articles during his time at UND. His work has appeared in both leading general interest journals and top field journals in the discipline of economics, including the *Annual Review of Economics*, *Economic Journal*, the *European Economic Review*, the *Journal of Business & Economic Statistics*, the *Journal of Population Economics*, the *Journal of Public Economics*, the *Journal of Health Economics*, *Econometric Theory*, the *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, the *Oxford Bulletin of Economics & Statistics*, and more. His citations from these and other journal publications number in the thousands.

Since 2018, Tan has served as associate editor for the *China Economic Review*. He is an affiliate scholar of the James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Center for Research on Wealth Inequality and Mobility at the University of Chicago, a network member of the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group at the University of Chicago, and a senior fellow of the Rimini Center for Economic Analysis in Italy.

Tan has been a principal investigator on several grants and received a Meritorious Research Award from the NCoBPA in 2016. Tan is a referee for numerous journals and has evaluated proposals for grant agencies including the National Science Foundation, the Economic and Social Research Council (UK), and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (Canada).

Honorary Faculty Flag Marshal — 1 P.M.

Dr. Diane Darland
Professor of Biology

Dr. Diane Darland is a Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of Biology in the College of Arts & Sciences at the University of North Dakota and has been a member of the department's faculty since 2005.

Darland previously served as a research fellow and later an investigator and instructor at Schepens Eye Research Institute and Harvard Medical School from 1998 to 2005.

Prior to her academic career, Darland graduated with a B.A. in Biology from the University of California San Diego



and worked for several years as a lab research technician at the Sanford Burnham Prebys Cancer Research Center (then La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation) in La Jolla, Calif.

In 1998, Darland earned her Ph.D. in Cell and Developmental Biology from Oregon Health Sciences University.

She is a member of several professional groups, including the North American Vascular Biology Organization, the Society for Developmental Biology, the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity and the National Science Teaching Association.

Throughout her career, she has enjoyed learning and integrating new ideas from different disciplines. The overarching theme of her research addresses how vascular cells — the specialized cells that form blood vessels — and the cellular microenvironment can impact tissue formation and function during development and in disease states.

Honorary Faculty Flag Marshal — 4 P.M.

Dr. Sandra E. Moritz
Professor of Kinesiology

Dr. Sandra E. Moritz is a professor of Kinesiology in the College of Education & Human Development at the University of North Dakota. She joined the UND faculty in 1999 as an assistant professor, earned tenure and promotion to associate professor in 2002, and became a full professor in 2007. Prior to UND, she held a faculty position at the University of Rhode Island. She completed her doctoral work at Michigan State University, specializing in the psychosocial aspects of sport, and earned a Master of Arts in Kinesiology from the University of Western Ontario and a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from the University of Calgary.

During her tenure at UND, Moritz has served in several leadership roles, including department chair for Kinesiology & Public Health Education and both chair and associate chair for Education, Health & Behavior Studies.



She has been instrumental in supporting the growth and visibility of the Kinesiology program as it expands its impact across North Dakota and the region. Through her work with students, research, and service, she continues to advance Kinesiology as a STEM discipline centered on human health and performance.

Moritz is internationally recognized for her contributions to sport and exercise psychology, particularly in understanding how confidence, imagery, and other psychological variables influence performance in sport, exercise, and emerging areas such as esports. She has authored more than 60 research publications, including the book *Self-Efficacy in Sport*, and has delivered over 150 presentations at major professional organizations such as the Association for Applied Sport Psychology, the North American Society for the Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity, the American Psychological Association, and the American College of Sports Medicine. Her scholarship has been cited more than 8,000 times, and she is a two-time recipient of the UND Foundation Thomas J. Clifford Faculty Achievement Award for Excellence in Research.

Born and raised in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, Moritz is also the proud mother of two sons—Stoker, an MBA student at UND, and Brecken, a UND business student.

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.

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Alexis Armye
Herbert Che Mughe
Bryn Hanson

Anika Hovland
Torosa Johur
Monique Jones
McKenzie Menschel
Eugene Oga

Emily Oja
Isabelle Paro
Lauryn Perry
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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.

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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.

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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.

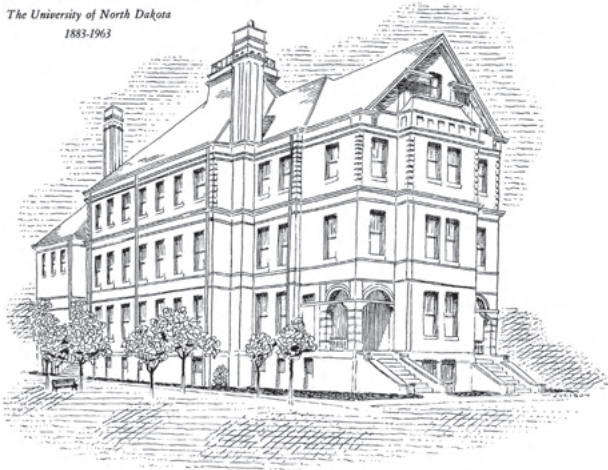
Kulas explained the artistic ideas he incorporated into his design:

"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

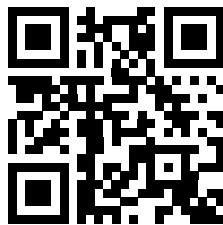


"Old Main," 1958

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Nursing

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Nursing

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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.

UND HISTORY



Science Lab



Ground Breaking Ceremony

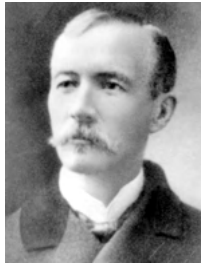
With help from more than 150,000 proud alumni, UND's traditions have endured for more than a century. Our history is colorful and diverse. From educators to political leaders and astronauts, our alumni credit UND for their successes. Here are some facts:

- 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



WILLIAM M. BLACKBURN
1884 — 1885



HENRY MONTGOMERY
1885 — 1887 (ACTING)



HOMER B. SPRAGUE
1887 — 1891



WEBSTER MERRIFIELD
1891 — 1909



FRANK L. MCVEY
1909 — 1917



EARLE J. BABCOCK
1917 — 1918 (INTERIM)



THOMAS F. KANE
1918 — 1933



JOHN C. WEST
1933 — 1954



GEORGE W. STARCHER
1954 — 1971



THOMAS J. CLIFFORD
1971 — 1992



KENDALL L. BAKER
1992 — 1999



CHARLES E. KUPCHELLA
1999 — 2008



ROBERT O. KELLEY
2008 — 2016



EDWARD T. SCHAFER
2016 (INTERIM)



MARK R. KENNEDY
2016 — 2019



JOSHUA WYNNE
2019 — 2020 (INTERIM)



ANDREW ARMACOST
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



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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.



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

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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Your photo may appear on **UND.edu**!