Schedule of Ceremonies & Locations

Friday, May 12, 2017

*Bud Walton Arena*
J. William Fulbright College of Arts & Sciences 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 13, 2017

*Bud Walton Arena*
All University Commencement Ceremony 8:30 a.m.
Sam M. Walton College of Business 1:00 p.m.
College of Education and Health Professions 5:30 p.m.

*Faulkner Performing Arts Center*
Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design 1:00 p.m.

*John Barnhill Arena*
College of Engineering 12:00 p.m.
Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 20, 2017

*Fayetteville Town Center*
School of Law 2:00 p.m.
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University of Arkansas
Commencement
A
Pre-ceremony Concert (8:00 a.m.) University Wind Symphony
Dr. Chris Knighten, Director of Bands, Conductor

Processional March University Wind Symphony

National Anthem Schola Cantorum
Dr. Stephen Caldwell, Conductor
“The Star-Spangled Banner”

Invocation Schola Cantorum
“Psalm 23” by Bobby McFerrin

Introductions Dr. Joseph E. Steinmetz
Chancellor

Greetings from the Board of Trustees Mr. Ben Hyneman
Chair

Greetings from the University of Arkansas System Dr. Donald R. Bobbitt
President

Awarding of Honorary Degrees Mr. Hyneman
The Honorable L. Clifford Davis
William T. Dillard II

Commencement Address Reverend Dr. Becca Stevens
Founder and President of Thistle Farms

Conferring of the Degrees Dr. Steinmetz

Alma Mater Schola Cantorum
Stephen Caldwell

Recessional March University Wind Symphony

The University community wishes to express its appreciation for the assistance of all people who helped make the 2017 University of Arkansas Commencement ceremony a success.
THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Chief Marshal and Bearer of the Mace
The Official Party
Faculty of the University
Candidates for Doctoral Degrees
Candidates for Specialist Degrees
Candidates for Master’s Degrees
Candidates for Juris Doctor Degrees
Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees

Chief Marshal and Bearer of the Mace
Kevin D. Hall, Chair of the Campus Faculty
Professor, Civil Engineering

Marshals

Adnan A.K. Al-Rubaye, Clinical Assistant Professor,
Biological Sciences
Nick Anthony, Professor,
Poultry Science
Gary Ferrier, University Professor,
Economics
Valerie H. Hunt, Associate Professor,
Political Science
Matthew J. Patitz, Assistant Professor,
Computer Science and Computer Engineering
Douglas D. Rhoads, University Professor,
Biological Sciences
Barbara B. Shadden, University Professor emerita,
Communication Disorders
Anna Zajicek, Professor,
Sociology and Criminal Justice

Banner Carriers

Nancy H. Arnold, Director of Credit Studies,
Global Campus
Ken L. Bills, Assistant Professor, Accounting,
Walton College of Business
Jeannine M. Durdik, Professor,
Biological Sciences
Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
Don W. Edgar, Associate Professor,
Agricultural Education, Communications and Technology
Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences
Christian Z. Goering, Associate Professor,
Curriculum and Instruction
College of Education and Health Professions
Michelle Gray, Associate Professor,
Health, Human Performance and Recreation
College of Education and Health Professions
Lauren Greenlee, Assistant Professor,
Chemical Engineering
College of Engineering
Carl W. Matthews, Professor,
Interior Design
School of Architecture
Uché Ewelukwa Ofodile, Professor,
School of Law
Curt R. Rom, University Professor,
Horticulture
Graduate School and International Education
Katrina D. Windon, Assistant Librarian,
University Libraries
THE OFFICIAL PARTY

Joseph E. Steinmetz
Chancellor

Ben Hyneman
Chair, Board of Trustees

Donald R. Bobbitt
President, University of Arkansas System

Becca Stevens
Commencement Speaker

William T. Dillard II
Honorary Degree Recipient

The Honorable L. Clifford Davis
Honorary Degree Recipient

Stephen Broughton
Member, Board of Trustees

Kelly Eichler
Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees

Cliff Gibson
Member, Board of Trustees

John C. Goodson
Member, Board of Trustees

Morril Harriman
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Sheffield Nelson
Member, Board of Trustees

The Honorable David Pryor
Member, Board of Trustees

Mark Waldrip
Vice Chair, Board of Trustees

James S. Coleman
Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Randy Massanelli
Vice Chancellor for Governmental Relations

Jeff Long
Vice Chancellor and Director of Athletics

Timothy J. O’Donnell
Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

Mark E. Power
Vice Chancellor for University Advance ment

Charles F. Robinson
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Laura Jacobs
Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief of Staff

Marcia Overby
Associate Vice Chancellor for Administration

Bill Kincaid
Associate General Counsel

Ro Di Brezzo
Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Enhancement

Terry Martin
Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

Suzanne McCray
Vice Provost for Enrollment Management and Dean of Admissions

James M. Rankin
Vice Provost for Research and Economic Development

Don Judges
Interim Vice Provost for Distance Education/Global Campus

Kathy Van Laningham
Vice Provost for Planning

Brandy Cox
Associate Vice Chancellor and Executive Director of Arkansas Alumni Association

Mark J. Cochran
Vice President for Agriculture

Lona Robertson
Interim Dean, Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences

Peter B. MacKeith
Dean, Fay Jones Architecture and Design

Matthew A. Waller
Dean, Sam M. Walton College of Business

Michael T. Miller
Dean, College of Education and Health Professions

John R. English
Dean, College of Engineering

Stacy L. Leeds
Dean, School of Law

Todd G. Shields
Dean, J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

Kim LaScola Needy
Dean, Graduate School and International Education

Carolyn Henderson Allen
Dean, University Libraries

Lynda L. Coon
Dean, Honors College

Melissa Harwood-Rom
Dean of Students

Kevin D. Hall
Chief Marshal andBearer of the Mace

Marc E. Wolfe
Lieutenant Colonel, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corp

Chad Quayle
Lieutenant Colonel, Army Reserve Officer Training Corp

Diane Boles
Interpreter for Persons with Deafness and Hearing Impairment

Shannon Buccino
Interpreter for Persons with Deafness and Hearing Impairment

Dawn Malley
Interpreter for Persons with Deafness and Hearing Impairment

Jen Powers
Interpreter for Persons with Deafness and Hearing Impairment

Jason Shifflett
Interpreter for Persons with Deafness and Hearing Impairment

Kevin Tietz
Interpreter for Persons with Deafness and Hearing Impairment

Mary Wenkus-Delap
Interpreter for Persons with Deafness and Hearing Impairment
THE UNIVERSITY MACE AND BATONS
The mace and batons are symbols of the authority and history of the University and are made from balusters from the original main staircase of Old Main, erected in 1875, the oldest University building now standing. The batons are carried by members of the faculty who are serving as marshals.

MARSHALS’ GOWNS
The gowns worn by the marshals are of the traditional University color, cardinal red.

HONOR STOLES
White or cardinal stoles denote students who are candidates for University Honors. Cardinal represents Honors (cum laude) and white represents High Honors (magna cum laude). White stoles with cardinal and white cords represent Highest Honors (summa cum laude).

THE UNIVERSITY SONG
In 1909 a prize of fifty dollars was offered for the best poem relating to the University of Arkansas that should be capable of being set to music and used as a college song. Out of many entries, that of Mr. Brodie Payne, 1906, of Hot Springs won the prize. The words were set to music by Professor H. D. Tovey, Director of the Conservatory of Music and Art at the University.

ACADEMIC REGALIA
The styles of gowns differentiate degree level. Trim of doctoral gowns indicates nature of degree (black or royal blue — Ph.D.; light blue — Ed.D.). Certain members of the faculty wear distinctive gowns and hoods authorized by their doctoral institutions. The lining of the hood denotes the color(s) of the institution awarding the degree. The official colors of the University of Arkansas are cardinal and white.

The color of the velvet band around the hood designates the academic degree of the wearer. Some examples are listed below:

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THE UNIVERSITY SEAL
The Seal of the University of Arkansas is affixed to each diploma and is stamped in gold on each diploma cover. The central element in the Seal is the front entrance to Old Main, the oldest building on campus.
Rev. Becca Stevens is an author, speaker, priest, social entrepreneur and the founder and president of Thistle Farms in Nashville, Tennessee. Steven's father died in a traffic accident when she was 5 years old, and a short time later she was a victim of sexual abuse. These experiences inspired her to work with other survivors and to ultimately open a sanctuary for them. She started her organization, originally under the name “Magdalene,” in 1997 to serve women survivors of addiction, prostitution, sex trafficking and life on the streets. Twenty years later the organization continues to welcome women into a healing sanctuary with a two-year residential program and four social enterprises that employ 50 residents and graduates.

The Global Market of Thistle Farms helps employ more than 1,500 women, and the national network has more than 30 sister organizations.

Stevens has been featured in the New York Times, on ABC World News, NPR, PBS, and was recently named a 2016 CNN Hero. In 2011, the White House named her a “Champion of Change.” She was featured in the PBS documentary, “A Path Appears,” named Humanitarian of the Year by the Small Business Council of America as well as the T.J. Martell Foundation, and inducted into the Tennessee Women’s Hall of Fame.

Stevens attended the University of the South and Vanderbilt Divinity School, and was ordained in 1991. She has been Chaplain of St. Augustine’s Chapel at Vanderbilt since 1995.

She has been conferred honorary doctorates from The University of the South, Sewanee and General Theological Seminary, New York. Her newest book, “Love Heals,” will be published by Harper Collins in September of 2017.

Stevens lives in Nashville with her husband, Grammy-winning songwriter Marcus Hummon, and their three sons.
Judge L. Clifford Davis, an Arkansas native, is recognized nationally as a civil rights pioneer, but he is also an unsung hero in the effort to integrate the University of Arkansas School of Law.

Davis was born in Wilton, in 1924, the youngest of seven children. His parents were successful farmers.

Davis was denied admission to the segregated University of Arkansas law school, so enrolled in Howard University, in Washington, D.C. But he continued to apply to transfer to the U of A.

His persistence, and the threat of lawsuits, were key reasons the law school was integrated in 1948. In fact, when that decision was announced, Davis was specifically named as the student who would be admitted. There were restrictions, however: African American students would be taught in a separate classroom, work in a separate study room without direct access to the library, student dorms, or bathrooms. Davis refused to accept those restrictions – but he had paved the way for Silas Hunt and all African American students who have followed.

Davis graduated from Howard in 1949, practiced law in Arkansas and worked with Thurgood Marshall on the landmark Brown v. Board of Education lawsuit before moving to Fort Worth, Texas, in 1954. There, he filed lawsuits that led to the desegregation of the Mansfield and Fort Worth public schools.

Davis made history again when he was appointed as criminal district court judge in 1983, then became the first African American to win an openly contested judicial race in Tarrant County. He remained on the bench until 2004 and was instrumental in establishing the first Drug Diversion Court in Texas. He has received many local and national awards.

Davis is an advocate for civil rights, but beyond that, for civil responsibility.

“I call it civil responsibility because I believe every human being is responsible and has a duty to work for the general welfare of the total population.”
Bill Dillard, chair and chief executive officer of Dillard’s Inc., is the oldest son of retailing pioneer William T. Dillard, the founder of Dillard Department Stores. He was born in Nashville, Arkansas, on March 4, 1945, and began working part-time in his father’s retail operations while still in school. He graduated from what is now the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration as an accounting major. He earned a Master of Business Administration from Harvard University two years later.

Dillard began his career in the family business in 1967 and joined the company’s board of directors the same year. From 1977 to 1998, Dillard served as president and chief operating officer of the company. He succeeded his father as chief executive officer in 1998 and was named chair of the company in 2002.

Dillard was among the first in the industry to computerize his company’s business operations. He has continued to guide Dillard’s during the tumultuous changes in the retail clothing industry.

Dillard served on the University of Arkansas’ Campaign Steering Committee and the Corporate and Foundation Relations Committee of the Campaign for the Twenty-First Century and now serves as a member of the Executive, Campaign Steering, and Corporate and Foundation Relations committees for Campaign Arkansas.

He is a former member of the Dean’s Circle and Dean’s Executive Advisory Board of the Walton College and has been a member of the Razorback Foundation for more than five decades.

Dillard received the University of Arkansas Chancellor’s Medal in 2015 and joined his father in the Arkansas Business Hall of Fame in 2016.
GRADUATE SCHOOL

Presented by Kim LaScola Needy, Dean of the Graduate School and International Education

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

John Colbert  
Dissertation: Title Not Available  
Directed by: Professor Carlton R. Holt

Joe Dalgarn  
Dissertation: Title Not Available  
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Angela Durborow  
Dissertation: Factors Contributing to the Program of Student Absenteeism in a Rural School  
Directed by: Professor Ed Bengtson

Jacklyn Gentry  
Dissertation: Importance of and Satisfaction with Characteristics of Mentoring among Nursing Faculty  
Directed by: Professor Kit Kacirek

Alice Griffin  
Dissertation: Utilizing the NSSE to Examine Behavior and Characteristic Differences between First-Year Students Who Persisted with First-Year Students Who Did Not Persist  
Directed by: Professor Ketevan Mamiseishvili

Mary Margaret Hui  
Dissertation: Quantitative and Qualitative Factors Affecting First-Generation Students On-Track to Graduate in Four Years at a Research University  
Directed by: Professor James O. Hammons

Stacy Kimbrough  
Dissertation: Organizational Change in a Rural, Mission Driven Educational Center  
Directed by: Professor Kit Kacirek

Somer Oversehn  
Dissertation: Assessing Patient Perceptions of Self-Care: Examining Chronic Disease in an Underserved Rural Area  
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Bridget Polk  
Dissertation: Characteristics and Behaviors of School Board Members in “Grade A” Arkansas Public School Districts  
Directed by: Professor Ed Bengtson

Latrina Prince  
Dissertation: Assessing Organizational Health Literacy at an Academic Health Center: A Quantitative Research Study  
Directed by: Professor Carsten Schmidtke

Mandel G. Samuels  
Dissertation: Factors Used to Determine the Teaching Load for Chairs in Public Community Colleges  
Directed by: Professor James O. Hammons

Daniel Snyder  
Dissertation: Title Not Available  
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Rose-Marie Speck  
Dissertation: On the Right Track: Exploring Influences Contributing to Successful Track-Switching of Indians Working for a U.S. Company  
Directed by: Professor James O. Hammons

Bentley Wallace  
Dissertation: Use of the Silver-Level Arkansas Career Readiness Certificate as a Pre-hire Screening Tool  
Directed by: Professor Carsten Schmidtke

Amber Wheeler  
Directed by: Professor Ed Bengtson

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Paige Davis  
Capstone: Promoting Self-Care Behaviors in Heart Failure Patients with a Nurse Practitioner-Led Discharge Education Program  
Directed by: Professor Angela Stewart

Leigh Ann Ellis  
Capstone: Emergency Department Use for Non-Urgent Health Problems  
Directed by: Professor Audrey Weymiller

Marietta Frazeet  
Capstone: A Quality Improvement Project on Emergency Staff’s Knowledge and Attitudes Regarding Cultural Competency  
Directed by: Professor Thomas Kippenbrock

Michelle Harp  
Capstone: Quality Improvement Project: A Smoking Cessation Intervention Tailored for Individuals with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)  
Directed by: Professor Angela Stewart

Timothy Horttor  
Capstone: A Quality Improvement Project on Nurses’ Attitudes and Knowledge Regarding Palliative Care in a Community Hospital Setting  
Directed by: Professor Angela Stewart

Alicia Lockard  
Capstone: Not Available  
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Elizabeth McCord  
Capstone: Not Available  
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Theresa Rickert  
Capstone: Improving Pain Management Scores through Educational Intervention On A Medical/Surgical Nursing Unit  
Directed by: Professor Thomas Kippenbrock

Amy Spinellia  
Capstone: Nurse-driven Mobility Program for Surgical Patients  
Directed by: Professor Audrey Weymiller

Donald Walker  
Capstone: Implementing an Evidence Based Algorithm to Treat Low Back Pain: Are Providers Adhering to the Evidence?  
Directed by: Professor Debbie Shirey

Karen Williams  
Capstone: Facilitating Role Transition for the Novice Nurse Practitioner: Recommendations for Orientation Programs  
Directed by: Professor Debbie Shirey

Natale Yates  
Capstone: Implementation and Evaluation ofSterile-Gloves in the Emergency Department to Reduce Blood Culture Contamination  
Directed by: Professor Thomas Kippenbrock

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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

ANIMAL SCIENCE
Mohan Acharya
Dissertation: Improvement in Simple Artificial Insemination in Sheep Using Chilled Extended Semen and Consideration of Fertility in Ewes
Directed by: Professor Rick W. Rorie

Saleh Abdullah M. Alrashedi
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Bryan Kutz
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Fred W. Pohiman

Michael Eldon Nihsen
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

ANTHROPOLOGY
Shawna Morton Cain
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Justin Nolan

Pritam Chowdhury
Dissertation: Cadilo Ritual Structures and Practices at the Ferguson Ceremonial Center
Directed by: Professor George Sabo III

Eric R. Jensen
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Ramey Moore
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Adam S. Wiewel
Dissertation: Remote Sensing Insights into Storage Capacities among Plains Village Horticulturalists
Directed by: Professor Kenneth L. Kwanme

BIOLOGY
Laura Allesa Berryman
Dissertation: It's a Small World: Meiofauna Responses in Ozark Bed Stream Bed
Directed by: Professor Art Brown

Auriel Fournier
Dissertation: Phenology, Habitat Use, and the Impacts of Wetland Management on Autumn Migrating Rails in Missouri
Directed by: Professor David Kreamentz

Marla Steele
Dissertation: Migration and Ecology of Juvenile Palla's Fish Eagle (Haliaeetus leucophyllus)
Directed by: Professor Douglas James

Karen L. Willard
Dissertation: An Ecological Study of Central Appalachian Wetlands with Emphasis on Assessing Patterns of Biodiversity Across Ecoregions
Directed by: Professor Not Available

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Christopher Berry
Dissertation: The Effects of Calorie Information Disclosures on Food Choice and Retailer-Related Outcomes
Directed by: Professor Scot Burtan

Hansin Bilgili
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Danny Franklin
Dissertation: The Disclosure of Organizational Secrets by Employees
Directed by: Professor Vikas Anand

Lifa Huang
Dissertation: Performance Evaluation and Risk Management: Time Series Bootstrapping Analysis of the Mutual Funds and Banking Sectors
Directed by: Professor Timothy J. Yeager

Yongia Li
Dissertation: Hedge Fund Performance and Derivative Hedging
Directed by: Professor Alexey Malakhov

Siqi Ma
Dissertation: Is It We or They? The Influence of Identity on Collaboration and Performance in Buyer-Supplier Relationships
Directed by: Professor John Aloysius

Saiil Mir
Dissertation: Creating Sustainable Supply Chains: Influencing Sustainable Practices in the Supply Chain
Directed by: Professor John Aloysius and Brian Fugate

Issam Moussouaui
Dissertation: The Value Creation Potential and Strategic Limitations of Operational Excellence
Directed by: Professor Christian Hofer

Amaradhi Mukherjee
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Ronn J. Smith

Danish D. Pestonjee
Dissertation: Insights into Managerial Motivation to Rate Accurately
Directed by: Professor Nina Gupta

Deena DeLane Rorie
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Shatovisha Dey
Dissertation: Single Nucleotide Polymorphism Based Genetic Analyses of Regions on Chromosomes 2 and 9 for Association with Ascites in Broilers
Directed by: Professor Douglas Duane Rhoads

Mercede Furr
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Suresh Kumar

Chirag Gupta
Dissertation: Systems Analysis of Plant Growth and Response to Abiotic Stresses
Directed by: Professor Andy Pereira

Ritu Mihani
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Andy Pereira

Sohita Ojha
Dissertation: Genome Wide Association Studies and Primordial Germ Culture Approaches for Understanding the Genetic Basis of the Sperm Motility Trait in Chicken
Directed by: Professor Douglas Duane Rhoads

Sakshi Rampal
Dissertation: Molecular Understanding of the Effects of Lignin Phenolic Monomers in Methane Production in Hydrogen-producing Bacteria
Directed by: Professor Ravi D. Barabote

Priyanka Sharma
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Ralph Henry

CHIMISTRY
Ryan T. Bauer
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Joshua Sakon

Cameron Crane
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Jingyi Chen

Julie Ebele
Dissertation: Engineering the Structure of Human Carbonic Anhydrase II
Directed by: Professor Suresh Kumar

Ashley Maclaren
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Julie A. Stenken

Benjamin Jones
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Ingrid Fritsch

Leanne Elizabeth Mathurin
Dissertation: Morphology Controlled Synthesis of Copper Based Multimetallic Nanostructures and Their Electro catalystic Properties for Methanol Oxidation Reaction
Directed by: Professor Roger E. Koepe

Jonathan Moldenhauer
Directed by: Professor David Paul

Dharma Theja Nanapaneni
Dissertation: Asymmetric Synthesis towards Antascomycin B & Novel Azole Based Rearrangements
Directed by: Professor Matt McIntosh

Marlena Patrick
Directed by: Professor David Paul

Thadeus Vasichek
Dissertation: Exploring Thermoresponsive Affinity Agents to Enhance Microfluidic Sampling Efficiency of Proteins
Directed by: Professor Julie A. Stenken

Jiang Wang
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTION
Sasha N. Canan
Dissertation: A Mixed-methods Study of Sexual Assault in Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Adults in the U.S
Directed by: Professor Kristen Jozkowski

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE AND CULTURAL STUDIES
Jeanette Fountain-Arnhart
Dissertation: Bifanerity and Identity in Maintenance Bilingual Secondary Classes as a Threshold to Post-Secondary Education for First and 1.5 Generation Latino Students in Northwest Arkansas Public Schools
Directed by: Professor Juan José Bustamante

Sarah Hudson
Dissertation: Modern Palestinian Filmmaking in a Global World
Directed by: Professor Mohja Kahf

Blanca Judith Martinez Diaz
Dissertation: The Dialectics of the Community: Mexican Production of Death
Directed by: Professor Keith Booker

Jeremy Miller
Dissertation: Screening Our Fathers: Representations of Native American Masculinity in American Film
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Trevor Williamson
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Not Available

Wawan Eko Yulianto
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Mohja Kahf

COUNSELOR EDUCATION
Aneeqa Ishtiaq
Dissertation: An Exploration of the Experience of Shared Mindfulness at the Beginning of Therapy Sessions
Directed by: Professor Kristin Higgins

Megan Little
Dissertation: Reconnection Group for Individuals Who Have Experienced Interpersonal Trauma: An Explanatory Case Study
Directed by: Professor Kristin Higgins

CROP, SOIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
Anuj Kumar
Dissertation: Development of and Characterization of Rice Genotypes for Water Use Efficiency and Drought Resistance
Directed by: Professor Andy Pereira

Marcos da Silva
Dissertation: Genetics and Phytopathological Studies on Charcoal Rot Resistance in Soybean
Directed by: Professor Andy Pereira

Chester E. Greub
Dissertation: Nitrogen Management Tools and Preplant Fertilizer Nitrogen Recovery Efficiency for Furrow-Irrigated Corn Production in Arkansas
Directed by: Professor Trenton L. Roberts

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Avijender Singh Kaler
Dissertation: Genomic and Physiological Approaches for Improving Soybean Drought Tolerance
Directed by: Professor Larry C. Purcell

M. Ryan Miller
Dissertation: Characterization of Candidate Compound for Control of Barnyardgrass (Echinochloa crus-galli (L.) Beauv.) and Other Troublesome Weeds in Rice (Oryza sativa)
Directed by: Professor Jason K. Norsworthy

Reifelli Salas Perez
Dissertation: Non-Target-Site-Based Tolerance to Herbicides in Amaranthus Palmeri
Directed by: Professor Nilda Burgos

Mathilda Van Der Westhuizen
Dissertation: Chlorophyll a Fluorescence as an Indicator of Temperature Stress in Four Diverse Cotton Cultivars (Gossypium hirsutum L.)
Directed by: Professor Derrick Oosterhuis

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION
Mohammed Abdalhai
Dissertation: Title Not Available
Directed by: Professor Felicia Lincoln

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Sydney Arend  
Reyner Bacailla  
Sandeep Banerjee  
Patrick Barnes  
Andrew Beasley  
Sarah Bennett  
Joellen Bisbee  
Julie Blagg  
Mark Blanco  
Chad Blish  
Michael Bollero  
Jatinder Braich  
Hannah Brunner  
Denise Bugos  
Matthew Bumgarner  
Jason Carrington  
Benedette Casey  
Nicholas Chavis  
Yu Chu  
Danielle Cirelli  
Colton Clark  
Dale Clifton  
Richard Corby  
Rebecca Cragun  
Cayla Crawley  
Priyanka Das  
Noemi Dominguez  
William Dukes  
Tiffany Duncan  
Amber Dunham  
John Earney  
Benjamin Faubion  
William Fedorchak  
Kaitlyn Fischer  
Carlos Francisco  
Warren Franzetti  
Travis Fredrickson  
Daniel Fritsche  
Jordan Glick  
Gustavo Gomez  
John Gragg  
Mark Hamrick  
Soyoun Han  
Aaron Hancock  
Fuad Haydar  
Mary Hill  
Sarah Hill  
Whitney Hill  
Jacob Huffs  
Evan Jackson  
Hayley Jackson  
Joshua Jackson  
Tiffany Jarrett  
Serena Jeffery  
Carly Jenkins  
Mini Ramachandran Korappath  
Kirk Kuli  
Candice Lambert  
Stefanie Larson  
Criselvi Lindsey  
Linyan Luo  
Junting Lyu  
Marianna Martinez  
Lucia Maschler  
John Mau  
Megan Michel  
Andrew Miles  
Jason Mowrey  
Atmadesh Mukherjee  
Louis Murad  
Jerra Nalley  
Jonathan Navallo  
Anthony Neal  
Benjamin Nice  
Jennifer Nicodemus  
Rut Nieves  
Sophia Obamije  
Bryan Ogle  
Richard Olson  
Mark Opp  
Manish Pandey  
Beaumont Papan  
Yogitha Navya Sri Pasapula  
Joshua Phillips  
Miguel Pulido  
Rajeev Raja  
Prasanna Rajendran  
Mary Rivard  
Kevin Rogers  
Jonathan Sandlin  
Heather Scott  
Meredith Shaddox  
Brenden Sherrer  
Austin Simkins  
Kaitlyn Slobodnik  
Tyler Spain  
Addison Stanfill  
Robert Thomas  
Jonathan Townsend  
Anna Vasquez  
Brandon Vernon  
Celso Vianna  
 Jamey Wallace  
Seth Washispack  
Nathan Watson  
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Rebecca West  
Evan Westbrook  
Kelsey Wheelhouse  
Taylor White  
William Whittenton  
Porter Williams  
Brittany Young  
Floyd Young  
Ashton Yust  
Manting Zhang

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**MASTER OF EDUCATION**

Della Adams  
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages  
Eunice Alberson  
Human Resource and Workforce Development Education  
Jackson Alexander  
Adult and Lifelong Learning  
Marcy Anderson  
Human Resource and Workforce Development Education  
Claudia Bates  
Educational Technology  
Stephanie Beaver  
Higher Education  
Charles Bell  
Recreation and Sport Management  
George Bieker  
Higher Education  
Jonathan Blake  
Recreation and Sport Management  
Lauren Brown  
Recreation and Sport Management  
Natalie Cannady  
Physical Education  
Emily Cook  
Educational Technology  
Carlan Davis  
Adult and Lifelong Learning  
Autumn Dixon  
Special Education  
Daniela Dooley  
Adult and Lifelong Learning  
Selena Douell  
Educational Leadership  
Josh Duncan  
Recreation and Sport Management  
David Edrington  
Educational Leadership  
Rick Elliott  
Recreation and Sport Management  
Brandon Flammang  
Curriculum and Instruction  
Chase Gardner  
Recreation and Sport Management  
Kelci Gatling  
Physical Education  
Tyler Gibson  
Physical Education  
Jonathon Green  
Higher Education  
Riyadh Hakami  
Curriculum and Instruction  
Geoffrey Harris  
Physical Education  
Jaecy Hebrlee  
Higher Education  
Clifford Henry  
Human Resource and Workforce Development Education  
Kenna Hodeaux  
Recreation and Sport Management  
Kyle Howerton  
Higher Education  
Katherine Jones  
Special Education  
Samuel Jones  
Physical Education  
Leah Jordan  
Higher Education  
Amanda Kennedy  
Adult and Lifelong Learning

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Educational Leadership

Casey Kraichoke
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Antoinette Longcrier
Higher Education

Jennifer Longstreth
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Katherine Martens
Higher Education

Asif Masoad
Curriculum and Instruction

Byron McCuan
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Courtnie McKone
Educational Technology

Kerri Meek
Career and Technical Education

Sarah Menk
Recreation and Sport Management

Jessica Miller
Special Education

Rubicely Monter
Higher Education

Amy Ogundayemi
Human Resource and Workforce Development Education

Bobbi Pace
Adult and Lifelong Learning

Jack Panyard
Recreation and Sport Management

Minji Park
Higher Education

Megan Pearson
Higher Education

Martha Perritt
Educational Technology

Erin Phipps
Special Education

Amanda Pickett
Higher Education

Shelby Pieper
Higher Education

Antonio Pressley
Recreation and Sport Management

Greg Rakovic
Physical Education

Kelsey Riley
Educational Leadership

Juan Robles
Higher Education

Kendall Ruff
Recreation and Sport Management

Emily Grace Ruggeri
Recreation and Sport Management

Scott Schroeder
Special Education

John Seidel
Educational Leadership

Katherine Selman
Higher Education

Joshua Sharp
Higher Education

Dana Shaw-Bailey
Educational Technology

Jennifer Smith
Educational Leadership

Tabitha Spivey
Educational Technology

Mollie Stehlik
Recreation and Sport Management

Morgan Stehele
Recreation and Sport Management

Kelly Strickland
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Aquiaia Thornhill
Recreation and Sport Management

Isis Trautman
Special Education

Jennifer Tuohy
Higher Education

Jason Weaver
Human Resource and Workforce Development Education

Laura Weeks
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Jasmine Welch-Beardsley
Special Education

Amber Widdowson
Higher Education

Roxanne Wood
Human Resource and Workforce Development Education

Jenna Zimmerman
Higher Education

MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Daniel Baskin
Art

Caroline Beimford
Creative Writing

Parker Boales
Art

Matthew Buffington
Art

Emily Clarkson
Theatre

Akingbenga Akintunde
Sathish Arunachalam
Brian Bopp
Andrew Bowman
Timothy Broadaway
Desiree Buchanan
Miranda Corwin
Richard Creekmore
Joshua Deshazer

Brody Craig
Creative Writing

Emily Cruz
Creative Writing

Joseph Farley
Theatre

Jesse Irwin
Creative Writing

Kiah Kayser
Theatre

Larissa Lewis
Creative Writing

Katrina Luehrmann Ratterman
Art

Michelle Myers
Creative Writing

Michael Pennekamp
Art

Molly Rector
Creative Writing

MASTER OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Jessica Giuttari
Soundarya Lahari Kavuri
Srinivasa Niharika Bhargavi Kavuri
Neels Kulshrestha
Nickalas Lenz
Hui Pin Lim
J. Guadalupe Lopez
Blake Malpass
Ally Maumba

Trevor Miller
Steven Nolan
David Noudaranouvong
R. Russell
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MAY 20, 2017
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Presiding.......................................................................................................................................................... Dean Stacy L. Leeds

Processional March........................................................................................................................................ Claudia Burson Trio

Welcome Remarks........................................................................................................................................ Dean Stacy L. Leeds

Academic Awards................................. High Academic Achievement Award (3rd Highest Ranked Student)
W.J. Arnold Memorial Award (2nd Highest Ranked Student)
Outstanding Academic Achievement Award (Highest Ranked Student)

Graduates’ Greetings..................................................................................................................................... James R. Renner

Commencement Address.......................................................................................................................... Kristine Gerhard Baker

Hooding and Awarding of Master of Laws................................................................................................. Professor Christopher Kelley
Professor Uché Ewelukwa Ofodile
Professor Nathan Rosenberg

Hooding and Awarding of Juris Doctor ....................................................................................................... Professor Steve Clowney
Associate Dean Will Foster
Associate Dean Brian Gallini

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The University community wishes to express its appreciation for the assistance of all people who helped make the 2017 University of Arkansas Spring Commencement ceremony a success.
Judge Kristine Gerhard Baker was sworn in as a U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas May 21, 2012.

She was born in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and is a charter-class graduate of the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy in Aurora, Illinois. She received two Bachelor of Arts degrees, summa cum laude, in 1993 from Saint Louis University and a Juris Doctor, with High Honors, in 1996 from the University of Arkansas School of Law.

She began her legal career by serving as a law clerk for then Chief U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas Susan Webber Wright from 1996-98. Baker entered private practice and focused on commercial litigation until taking the bench.

Prior to taking the bench, Baker served on the boards of and as a volunteer for many community and legal organizations. She served as an appointed member of the Arkansas Supreme Court’s Model Civil Jury Instructions Committee, as a board member and fellow of the Arkansas Bar Foundation and as a member and board member of the Pulaski County Bar Association.

She married John Baker, a Little Rock native and fellow lawyer, in December of 1994 between law school semesters. They have four children and reside in Little Rock.
Presented by Stacy L. Leeds, Dean of the School of Law

**SCHOOL OF LAW**

**MASTER OF LAWS**

Catherine Baker  
J.D., University of Arkansas School of Law

Jessica Fritts  
J.D., University of Arkansas School of Law

Jacob Kerksieck  
J.D., University of Arkansas School of Law

Jongho Lee  
LL.B., Yonsei University

Kelly Nuckolls  
J.D., Drake Law School

**JURIS DOCTOR**

Cassie Elizabeth Adams  
BA, Arkansas State University

Katelyn Admire  
BA, University of Missouri

Kyle Akin  
BA, University of Arkansas

John Albertson  
BSBA, University of Arkansas

Hannah Alsup  
BS, University of Arkansas

Lauren Christine Alvidrez  
BBA, Friends University  
MBA, University of Texas at El Paso

Garron Paul Amos  
BA, University of Arkansas

Corey Evan Anderson  
BA, University of Georgia

Estefania Arteaga  
BS, Lyon College

Samantha Caroline Baker  
BA, Colorado State University

Joseph Paul Barker  
BS, Brigham Young University-Idaho

Rollin “Ty” Barnes  
BS, University of Arkansas

James Baxter  
BS, University of Arkansas

Elijah Lane Bentley  
BS, Florida State University

Payton Crews Bentley  
BA, University of Arkansas

James Harrison Berry  
BS, Clemson University

Taylor Bish  
BA, University of Arkansas

Kelsey Boggan  
BA, University of Central Arkansas

Blake Zwiefel Brizzolara  
BS, University of Arkansas

Kelly Brown  
BA, University of Arkansas-Monticello

Raymond Brownlee  
BGS, Southeast Missouri State University

Verity Louise Grace Cameron  
BA, University of Arkansas

Machensie Campbell  
BS, University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma

MPA, University of Arkansas Health Sciences Center

Anna Catherine Cargile  
BA, University of Arkansas

Elizabeth Carson  
BA, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Jonathan Cigainero  
BA, Baylor University

Jacob Coleman  
BS, Missouri State University-Springfield

James Colston  
BS, University of Arkansas

Paul Thomas Cotton  
BSBA, Oklahoma State University

Sean Crain  
BA, Louisiana Tech University

Penelope Ann Teo Davis  
BA, University of Arkansas

Gabriel Graham DeVaux  
BA, Brigham Young University-Idaho

Jarrett Dixon  
BA, University of Missouri-Columbia

Jonathan Dixon  
BA, University of Missouri-Columbia

Mckinley Leo Duke  
BS, Harding University

Eric Holland Eggburn  
BA, University of Arkansas

Mariah Reid Elkins  
BA, Harding University

Abdellah Essalki  
BA, University of Al Quaouriyine

M.Ed., University of Arkansas

Amber Meeshell Farris  
BS, Old Dominion University

Victoria Marie Faulkner  
BA, University of Arkansas

Nathan Finch  
BS, University of Arkansas

Lisa Ford  
BA, University of Southern Mississippi

Phillip Chase Foster  
BS, University of Arkansas

Barry Keith Fowler  
BA, University of Arkansas

Adrian Frank  
BA, Thomas Edison State College

Benjamin Fruehauf IV  
BA, University of Arkansas

Houston Race Garner  
BA, University of Arkansas

Julius John Gerard IV  
BA, University of Central Arkansas

Brady Ghah  
BS, Missouri Southern State University

Catelyn Jane Gibbs  
BFA, Hendrix College

Noe Gomez  
BA, University of Arkansas

Misty Aaron Grady  
BA, Northeastern State University

Alex Gustafson  
BA, University of Arkansas

Hayley Marie Hanna  
BA, University of Arkansas

Douglas Bryan Harlan  
BA, Arkansas State University

David Trent Harrison  
BA, University of Arkansas

James Ryan Head  
BA, University of Kentucky

Matthew Dewayne Helton  
BA, University of Arkansas

Alexandra Elizabeth Hightower  
BA, University of Arkansas

Mary Elise Holman  
BA, Ouachita Baptist University

Joseph Hout  
BA, University of California-Santa Barbara

Traci R. Huesing  
BA, Ohio State University-Columbus

David Schaefer Humphrey  
BS, Indiana Tech

MA, University of Arkansas

Christopher Hussein  
BS, University of Arkansas

Timothy Mark Intessimone  
BSG, Wichita State University

Ronald A. Johnson  
BS, William Jewell College

Daisy Christina Karlson Fernández  
BA, Davidson College

Brian Keester  
BA, University of Oklahoma

Kerby Michelle Keller  
BA, University of Arkansas

Caroline Wells Kelley  
BA, Hendrix College

Kyle Kennedy  
BA, University of Arkansas

Kelsey Leigh Kent  
ABJ, University of Georgia

Bailey Knapp  
BS, University of Arkansas

Hayden Lovelace  
BSBA, University of Arkansas

Robert Kevin McClendon  
BA, University of Arkansas

Valerie Adams McClendon  
BA, Texas Tech University

Jacob McElroy  
BA, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

Brian McQuiston  
BS, The University of Texas at Dallas

Thomas Reid Murry  
BA, University of Arkansas

Khuong Ba Nguyen  
ScB & PhD, Brown University

Kesney Nichols  
BA, Stephen F. Austin State University

James Bola Omotosho  
BA, Wabash College

MPA, Metropolitan College of New York

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Dequeshia Prude  
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Carla Alejandra Quintana  
BA, University of Florida

SaVannah Justine Reading  
BA, University of Arkansas

Patrick Rees  
BS, University of Arizona  
MS, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

Anna Regnier  
BA, Cornell University

James Robert Renner  
BSBA, University of Arkansas

Cole Riddell  
BS, Southern Methodist University

Chloe Roane  
BA, Binghamton University

Brett Roberts  
BS, University of Central Arkansas

Nathan Roberts  
BA, University of Arkansas

Hannah Rucker  
BA, Ouachita Baptist University

Alex Shirley  
BA, University of Arkansas

Kyle Logan Singleton  
BA, Arkansas State University

Christopher Glen Smith  
BSE, University of Arkansas

Kelly Smith  
BS & MBA, Arkansas State University

Jordan Snoderly  
BBA, University of Central Arkansas

DeAnna Snyder  
BA, University of Arkansas

Clay Sullivan  
BS, Arkansas Tech University

Paiten Taylor-Qualls  
BA, University of Central Oklahoma

Adam Mitchell Thompson  
BS, Missouri State University

Madison Throneberry  
BS, University of Central Arkansas

Princess Tiaseu  
BS, Chaminade University of Honolulu

Austin Durand Todd  
BBA, University of Georgia

Larry Treat  
BA, University of Arkansas

Liliana Mireille Vasquez Catota  
BA, County College of Morris New Jersey

Samantha Vital  
BA, University of Arkansas

Kristen Webster  
BA, Hendrix College

Jessica Lauren Weltge  
BA, University of Arkansas

Robert Allen White  
BA, University of Arkansas

Matthew Whitfield  
BA, College of William And Mary

John Whitworth  
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Alex Wynn  
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See Yang  
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First-ranked Senior Scholars have maintained a 4.0 grade point average and completed all of their course work at the University of Arkansas.

DALE BUMPERS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, FOOD & LIFE SCIENCES
Lesleigh Colleen Beer
Aubrie Delta Hanson
Victoria Alexandra Maloch
Fred William Pohlman II

J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
Kristen Elizabeth Burger
Alexander William Crawford
Madison Brooks Cole
Michele L. Dobbins
Megan Marie Gardner
Gina Therese Hauptman
Bryce Christopher Imhoff
Justin Michael Klucher
Grayson Hayworth Lamb
Jordan Marcus Marsh

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS
Bethani Daun Hoelzeman
Emily Leah Richter

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
Ty C. Austin
Jacob Michael Brosh
Farida Ikpemesi Mahmoud
Brendan Scott McGeehan
Rebekah Sage Porter
Abby Lee Terlouw
Alec Bryant Walter

SAM M. WALTON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
John J. Bloodworth
Caroline Elizabeth Dominick
Alexander Sebastian Ross
Jonathan Robert Schultz
Thomas Roman Selig
Kelsey Nicole Smiley
Christine Shuk-Hui Tan
Benjamin Paul Tusson

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Senior Scholars have maintained a 4.0 grade point average and completed at least half of their course work at the University of Arkansas.

DALE BUMPERS COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL, FOOD & LIFE SCIENCES
Lauren Elizabeth Cheevers
Austin Robert Hamm
Kaitlyn Janelle Walker

J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
Adam Jackson Angel
Rima Shashikant Bhakta
Daniel Jacob Crawford
Hylke Wouter Obbe de Vries
Haven N. Frazier
Beth M. Frye
Savannah Marie Goudreau
Wilson Xavier Guillory
Larissa Marie Markwardt
Michael James Mertle
George Daniel Messersmith
Regan A. Pelloquin
Katherine Michelle Sargent

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS
Chelsea Ann Coker
Morgan Nicole Fritz
Kendahl Mary Hahn
Brooke Ann Hollingsworth
Melanie Alisa Hosty
Zoe Paige McKinney
Sydney Lauren Peterson
Lindsay Denise Richards
Celine Yun Siahmakoun
Madeline Marie Wagon
Cassandra Kay Ward
Monica Ann Ziebart

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
Cody J. Campbell
Emily A. Degner
Brian David Hillhouse
Daniel Trigg La Tour
Christopher Michael Matthews
Karla Gabriela Morrissey
Jason Thomas Norwood
Lauren Elizabeth Reed
Michael R. Sharp
Jason Paul Townsley
Tyler White

SAM M. WALTON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
Kimberly Marie Changose
Reynolds Anne Chew
Trevor Vaughn Darby
Hylke Wouter Obbe de Vries
Kennedy Ann-Michelle Hogle
Nicole Limpert
Kendal Murphy
Caleb Eliot Petersen
Destiny Paige Skaggs
Linh Thi My Vu
Keith P. White
Nichole Mae Young

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Michael Ferguson, Musical Director
“Processional” – Edward Elgar

National Anthem .................................................................................................................. Members of the Schola Cantorum

Welcome and Introduction ........................................................................................... Dr. Lona J. Robertson, Interim Dean

Student Address ................................................................................................................ Victoria Alexandra Maloch
First-Ranked Senior Scholar

Commencement Address ........................................................................................................... John Paul Pendergrass
Pendergrass Cattle Co.

Presentation of Degree Candidates ..................................................................................... Dr. George Wardlow
Professor, Department of Agricultural Education, Communications, and Technology
Dr. John R. Clark
Distinguished Professor, Department of Horticulture

Induction of Graduates into Alumni Association ............................................................... Dr. Courtney Alyssa Meyers
Associate Professor, Texas Tech University

Alma Mater ......................................................................................................................... Arkansas Winds
Henry Tovey

Recessional ............................................................................................................................ Arkansas Winds
“Recessional” – James D. Ployhar

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John Paul Pendergrass is a sixth generation cattle producer in partnership with his father. The family operation, Pendergrass Cattle Co., Inc., is a stocker and feeder cattle ranching and grow yard located in the Arkansas River Valley. Pendergrass Cattle Co., Inc. was named National Stocker Operation in 2008 by Beef magazine. They market about 5,000 head of cattle every year, making them one of the largest stocker and feeder operations in Arkansas.

John Paul is a 1977 graduate of the University of Arkansas Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness. John Paul’s wife, Cissie, is a retired middle school teacher and the couple has two grown children. Their son Eric is a graduate of the Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness and is currently a practicing attorney in Fort Smith, Arkansas with an agricultural law emphasis. Their daughter Grace is a middle school teacher and is a graduate of Bumpers College.

John Paul has been the lead farmer for Arkansas in the Farm Journal Foundation’s Farm Team Program since 2014. In that capacity, he has met with key members of the Arkansas Congressional delegation to discuss the importance of global food security, and participated in panel discussions on this issue at the 2014 Farm Journal Forum in Washington DC and at a Global Food Security event on the University of Arkansas campus in October 2015. He also serves on the Board of Directors for Innovative Livestock Services Inc., a farming and cattle feeding operation located in Kansas and Nebraska.

John Paul maintains strong ties with the University of Arkansas as an active alumnus and attends numerous sports events each year. He maintains close working relationships with College faculty on research focused on the future needs of the livestock industry. It is not unusual to see John Paul on campus several times a year consulting with faculty on a variety of issues. John Paul and the entire Pendergrass family are Razorbacks through and through.
Courtney Meyers, Ph.D., received her M.S. from the University of Arkansas in 2005. That same year, she received the Dale Bumpers College Outstanding Graduate Student Award. She is currently an associate professor in agricultural communications at Texas Tech University. She joined Texas Tech in 2008 and teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in Web design, public relations writing, and online media. She also serves as an academic advisor, Service Learning Faculty Fellow, and teaches a section of RaiderReady, the freshmen orientation seminar.

Meyers is a member of Texas Tech’s Teaching Academy and has received a number of teaching awards at the college, university, and national levels. One of her recent teaching awards is the 2015 U.S. Department of Agriculture’s New Teacher Award, which is given to only two recipients nationwide each year. Her contributions as an educator are reflected in Texas Tech’s recent distinction of ranking as the top undergraduate agricultural communications program in the nation.

Her research interests include exploring the use of emerging media in agricultural communications, media coverage of agricultural issues, public perceptions of agricultural topics, and the scholarship of teaching and learning. Meyers has worked with her colleagues to secure more than $2 million in extramural funding. She serves as the Research Director for the Association for Communication Excellence and the Poster Review and Submission Manager for the American Association for Agricultural Education. Her research has been recognized with awards at both the regional and national level in these associations. She has also received the Article of the Year award twice for the Journal of Applied Communications.

Meyers earned her B.S. from Kansas State University and her Ph.D. from the University of Florida.
Bumpers College Administration

Interim Dean
Interim Associate Dean
Assistant Dean
Associate Director of Scholarships
Coordinator of Distance Education and Facilities
Director of Advising and Student Records
Director of Communications
Director of Development and External Relations
Director of Employer Relations
Executive Assistant to the Dean
Finance Officer
Retention and Curriculum Coordinator
Undergraduate Student Recruitment Coordinator

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Kristin Seals
Jody Davis
Robby Edwards
Terry Bumgardner
Donna K. Graham
Carmen Alessi
Deena Coston
Vicky Watkins
Michelle Pribbernow

Department Heads

Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness  Steve Halbrook
Agricultural Education, Communications and Technology  George Wardlow
Agricultural Statistics  Ed Gbur
Animal Science  Michael Looper
Crop, Soil, and Environmental Sciences  Robert Bacon
Entomology  Rick Roeder, interim
Entomology  Rick Cartwright, interim
Food Science  Jean-Francois Meullenet
Horticulture  Wayne Mackay
Plant Pathology  Craig Rothrock, interim
Poultry Science  Michael Kidd
School of Human Environmental Sciences  Betsy Garrison

SPECIAL THANKS

Bumpers College wishes to express appreciation
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**Bachelor of Science in Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences**

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**Honors Recognitions**

- **Summa Cum Laude** 3.90 to 4.00 GPA with Highest Distinction
- **Magna Cum Laude** 3.75 to 3.89 GPA with High Distinction
- **Cum Laude** 3.50 to 3.74 GPA with Distinction

- Gold hood represents Bumpers College Honors Program Graduates.
- White stole with red and white braid worn on left shoulder represents a student graduating Summa Cum Laude or with Highest Distinction.
- White stole represents a student graduating Magna Cum Laude or with High Distinction.
- Red stole represents a student graduating Cum Laude or with Distinction.
- Purple and gold cords represent members of Phi Upsilon Omicron, the professional honor society for Human Environmental Sciences.
- Royal blue and gold cords represent member of Alpha Zeta, the professional honors fraternity for Agriculture.
- Forest green and parchment cords represent member of Gamma Sigma Delta, The Honor Society of Agriculture.
- Orange and brown cords represent members of Alpha Tau Alpha, The National Professional Honorary Agricultural Education Organization.
Bachelor of Science and Arts in University Studies Posthumous Honoris Causa
Tyler C. Wade

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL, FOOD AND LIFE SCIENCES

Joshua Alberius
Amanda Amigh
Joshua Andrews Distinction
Zakary Arban Distinction
Ruby Asare
Zachary Barr
Lesleigh Beer
  Summa Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
Russell Behr
Blake Bennett
Ben Birney Distinction
Kristen Bishop Distinction
Lauren Boone
Matthew Bradford
Ashlee Breakstone
  Magna Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
Jessica Breslau High Distinction
Elizabeth Brown
Madison Brown
  Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
Savanna Bruce
Chandler Buckingham
Kaysy Burchett
Bryna Bush
Amanda Calaway
Cannon Chadwick
Benjamin Chapin
Lauren Cheever’s Highest Distinction
Tye Cheney
Anna Coker
Lynda Combs
Samantha Copeland
Josh Crystal
  Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
Jef Cullin Distinction
Robert Curry
Jon Curtis
Dalton Curtsinger
Sidney Davis
Avery Deaton
  Magna Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
Canyon Dewey High Distinction
Kyle Dobson
Tyler Eck
Kyle Ehlers
Chelsea Ellington Distinction
Austin Evans
William Farr Distinction
Kent Fisher
Madison Fleeman
Eugenia Fletcher High Distinction
Will Ginger
Samuel Goll
  Summa Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
Heath McCracken
Dusti McCuistion
Spencer McDonald
Morgan McKay
Jeffrey McKinnis
Alexandria McLeod
  Summa Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
Megan McMillin
Dayna Meeks
Doris Miranda Santamaria
Brooke Mosley
Alex Newsom
Dominic Noto
John Oldenburg
Logan Parks
Jordan Payton Distinction
William Perritt
Katherine Peterson Distinction
Scarlet Peterson
Austin Pettit
Fred Pohlman II
  Summa Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
James Powell
Rebecca Pummill
Jacob Ray
Anna Rayfield
Kayla Rhoads
Christian Richmond
Daniel Roberts High Distinction
Joshua Sarpaning (Fall 2016)
Brooke Satterwhite
Daniel Schaffner
Kathryn Schmandt Distinction
John Seale
Sterling Sellers
Carson Shaddy
Matthew Shepherd
Sydney Simmons Distinction
Kelsey Smith
Olive Stassen High Distinction
Morgan Stephens
Jessica Straub
Jonathan Strayhorn
William Styles
Jay Surber
Tiffany Swofford
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Kaitlyn Walker Summa Cum Laude with Honors Distinction
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Ashley Weber Distinction
Anna Welch Distinction
Jordan West
Sarah West-Sacco
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Rachael Williams
Taylor Willis Distinction
Caitlin Wilson High Distinction
Gabrielle Wisson High Distinction
Caitlyn Wolf Distinction
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FAY JONES
SCHOOL OF
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MAY 13, 2017
FAULKNER PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS
University of Arkansas • 1:00 p.m. • Saturday, May 13, 2017

Processional March

Welcome

Peter MacKeith
Dean and Professor

Special Departmental Recognitions

Introduction of Student Address

Elysse Newman, Department Head, Architecture

Student Address

Molly Anna-Marie Evans
First Ranked Senior Scholar
Bachelor of Architecture

Awarding of Degrees

Peter MacKeith
Ethel Goodstein-Murphree
Associate Dean and Professor
Ken McCown
Department Head, Landscape Architecture
Carl Matthews
Department Head, Interior Design
Elysse Newman

Introduction of Speaker

Peter MacKeith

Commencement Address

Cheryl Durst, Hon. FIIDA, LEED AP
Executive Vice President and CEO
The International Interior Design Association

Closing Remarks

Peter MacKeith

Recessional March

Reception immediately following in Vol Walker Hall/Steven L. Anderson Design Center

The University community wishes to express its appreciation for the assistance of all people who helped make the 2017 University of Arkansas Spring Commencement ceremony a success.
Cheryl Durst, Hon. FIIDA, LEED AP
Executive Vice President and CEO
The International Interior Design Association

An exceptional communicator, innovator, and visionary leader, Cheryl S. Durst has spurred progress, driven change, and encouraged the expansion of the Interior Design industry. As the Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of IIDA, Cheryl oversees the strategic direction of the association and is committed to broad recognition for the value of design and its significant role in society. She manages a team of 25, leads the International Board of Directors, and directs all outreach and programmatic efforts, including more than a dozen annual global design awards programs. Under Cheryl’s leadership, IIDA advocates on behalf of the interior design profession and supports legislation that expands opportunities for commercial interior designers. She is also the creator of the innovative IIDA series, What Clients Want, which examines the designer/client relationship and publisher of Perspective, the association’s thought-leadership journal.

Cheryl’s ability to engage audiences with insight and humor has positioned her as a sought-after keynote speaker, panelist, and moderator at domestic and global conferences and seminars. With topics ranging from “The Future of Design” to “The Impact of Culture, Brand, and Place,” her presentations explore the value of design as a social, cultural, and economic force. An enthusiastic and energetic volunteer, Cheryl has participated on numerous boards and committees, including the Kent State University College of Architecture and Environmental Design, Harrington College of Design, US Green Buildings Council, the Kohl Children’s Museum Women’s Board, and the Literacy Foundation of Chicago.

Prior to Cheryl’s tenure at IIDA, she was the Director of Programs and Education with Merchandise Mart Properties in Washington, D.C. Cheryl’s industry experience also includes employment with Knoll, American Seating, and Westinghouse Furniture Systems. She holds dual bachelor degrees in print journalism and economics from Boston University, is a LEED-accredited Professional (LEED AP) and a member of the World Future Society, and firmly believes in the connection between place, history, and human behaviour, as well as the effect attitude, culture, and design have on shared-space environments.

In recognition of her contributions to IIDA and the profession of design, Cheryl was awarded Honorary Fellowship by her International Board of Directors in 2009. In 2015, she was named one of Newcity’s Design 50, an annual list of influencers who promote and present design in Chicago. Interior Design magazine, which named Cheryl to its Hall of Fame in 2016, has referred to her as “an ambassador for innovation and expansion, and a visionary strategist.”
Presented by Peter MacKeith, Dean of the Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design

BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE

Juan Alvarez Cepeda
Austin Autrey
Christian Campbell
Caitlin Caum
Carla Chang Mata
Nathan Clark
John Collamore
Meghan Davis
Fien Dobbelaere
Holli Esmundo
Molly Evans Magna Cum Laude
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Shani Ashley D King Distinction
William Kitkoski
Savanah Lea
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Abigale Mullet
Jeldryn Ochoa
William Pendleton
Joshua Powell
Amber Romes
Gregory Scherer
Rafael Segura
Sarah Tappe Magna Cum Laude
Isaac Thompson
Ashley Wagner Cum Laude
Haley Walton Magna Cum Laude
Steven Wells
Jessica Wood
Robert Wuthrich Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF INTERIOR DESIGN

Jessica Baker
Natalie Banister
Rhiannon Boland
Morganne Bryner
Amanda Burge
Luiza Carvalho
Josephine Chavez
Xuanxu Chen
Anna Gaspard
Brianna Jones–Mosby
Jaclyn Kerr
Megan Lockwood
Taegan Lovelace
Sarah Moll High Distinction
Mollie Robinson Distinction
Christine Wass

BACHELOR OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Hannah Moll Magna Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Nathaniel Adams
Blake Hammons
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University of Arkansas
Commencement
J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

MAY 12, 2017
BUD WALTON ARENA · FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS
Pre-ceremony Concert ................................................................. University Wind Symphony
  Professor Chris Knighten, Director of Bands, Conductor

Processional March ...........................................................................................................
  University Wind Symphony

National Anthem ........................................................................................................
  Schola Cantorum
  Dr. Stephen Caldwell, Conductor
  “The National Anthem” - Caldwell

Invocation ...................................................................................................................
  Bobby McFerrin
  “23rd Psalm”- McFerrin

Welcome and Introductions ......................................................................................... Dr. Todd Shields

Fulbright College Student Speaker From The Class Of 2017 ................................................ Ariel Romero

Presentation of Honorary Posthumous Degree ............................................................. Hayden Greenway Family
  Jessamy Samuels Family

Awarding of Diplomas ................................................................................................. Dr. Todd Shields

Shifting The Tassel ....................................................................................................... Dr. Todd Shields

Recessional March ....................................................................................................... University Wind Symphony

Guests please remain seated until all have withdrawn
Ariel Romero, is a Fulbright College student seeking a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in studio art with an emphasis in graphic design. He is also seeking a minor in communication and will be graduating with Fulbright Honors. He enrolled at the U of A after graduating as valedictorian of Haas Hall Academy, in Fayetteville, AR.

Ariel moved to Arkansas with his missionary parents from Honduras when he was six. He came to America as an undocumented immigrant but was unaware of his status until he was 16. He successfully appealed his status through DACA in order to legally remain in America. This was one of many obstacles he encountered while in pursuit of his education yet he continued on to be a highly successful student in college.

Since enrolling at the University, Ariel has been the recipient of the Silas Hunt Distinguished Scholarship from 2012-2016. He has had artwork selected for entry for a juried design competition about design and the Midwest, and was selected to attend the “Made by Few Design” conference and workshop. He has worked as a visual design intern at Global Campus and a graphic designer for Mullins Library. He has also served as a College Ambassador at Crystal Bridges Art Museum in Bentonville, AR and has been a mentor for international students through the Cross Cultural Mentor program.

His senior thesis was entitled “Welcome to America” which was a look at the lives of undocumented students at the University of Arkansas. Upon graduation, Ariel hopes to continue into graduate school here at the University in order to study communication.
PLATFORM PERSONNEL

Todd Shields  Dean
Joseph E. Steinmetz  Chancellor
Steve Beaupre  Associate Dean
Jeannine Durdik  Associate Dean
Kathy Sloan  Associate Dean
Doug Rhoads  Chair, College Cabinet
Ariel Romero  Representative, Class of 2017

Chairs of Department

Justin Nolan  Anthropology
Jeannie Hulen  Art
Ralph Henry  Biological Sciences
Wesley Stites  Chemistry and Biochemistry
Robert Brady  Communication
Bill Curington  Economics
Dorothy Stephens  English
Chris Liner  Geosciences
Calvin White  History
Laurence Hare  International Relations
Larry Foley  Journalism
Mark Johnson  Mathematical Sciences
Ronda Mains  Music
Edward Minor  Philosophy
Julio Gea-Banacloche  Physics
John Gaber  Political Science
Doug Behrend  Psychology
Ana Ziacek  Sociology and Criminal Justice
Yvette Murphy-Erby  School of Social Work
Michael Riha  Theatre
Steve Bell  World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures
In 1979 the College of Arts and Sciences established the Master Teaching Award to recognize the many talented and dedicated teachers in the College. The Fulbright College Cabinet makes selection, and each Master Teacher receives a permanent $500 salary increment in addition to a certificate.

*Recipients in the last ten years:*

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Recipients in the last ten years:

2007 - Laurent Bellaiche, Physics
          Joel S. Gordon, History
2009 - Steven J. Beaupre, Biological Sciences
          Robert G. Finlay, History
2010 - James Lampinen, Psychology
          John Ryan, Mathematical Sciences
2011 - Jak Tchakalian, Physics
          J. Michael Plavcan, Anthropology
2012 - Lynne Webb, Communication
          teven L. Stephenson, Biological Sciences
          Alessandro Brogi, History
2013 - Julie Stenken, Chemistry and Biochemistry
          Jeannie Whayne, History
2014 - Kay Pritchett, World Languages, Literatures and Cultures
          Paul Thibado, Physics
          Elizabeth Markham, History
2015 - Sergio Villalobos, World Languages, Literatures and Cultures
          Jack C. Lyons, Philosophy
2016 - Andrew Raich, Mathematical Sciences
          Patricia Herzog, Sociology and Criminal Justice
2017 - Myria Allen, Communication
          Jingyi Chen, Chemistry and Biochemistry
          Tricia Starks, History

OUTSTANDING ADVISOR AWARD

The Fulbright College Outstanding Advisor Award is presented to an individual who has made significant contributions to the improvement of a departmental advising program or the College advising program. The Fulbright College Cabinet makes selection, and the awardees receive a permanent $500 salary increment in addition to a certificate.

Recipients in the last ten years:

2007 - Steven M. Bell, Foreign Languages
2009 - Jerome C. Rose, Anthropology
2010 - Patricia Amason, Communication
2011 - D. Mack Ivey, Biological Sciences
2012 - Kathryn A. Sloan, History
2013 - Calvin White, History
2014 - Beth Schweiger, History
2015 - Lori Holyfield, Sociology and Criminal Justice
2016 - Laurence Hare, History
2017 - William D. Schreckhise, Political Science
J. HILLMAN YOWELL AWARD

With a generous endowment from former University student J. Hillman Yowell, the Yowell Award was established in 1989 in recognition of outstanding teaching by a Fulbright college graduate assistant. The College Cabinet makes selection, and the recipient is given a certificate and a $500 cash award.

Recipients in the last ten years:

2007- Matthew A. Byron History
2008- Derek Everett History
2009- Michael D. Hammond History
2010- Amy Schmidt English
2011- Ethan Morton-Jerome Anthropology
2012- Jeffrey Grooms History
2014- Demma Clymer History
2015- Elizabeth Kiszonas History
2016- Nicole Brandon Psychology
2017- Jama Grove History

THE ROBERT C. AND SANDRA CONNOR FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

The Robert C. and Sandra Connor Faculty Fellowship is used to support junior level faculty who provide the highest quality teaching, research and service in the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences.

2016- April Rand Social Work
Brandon Jackson Sociology & Criminal Justice
Brett Sterling World Languages, Literatures and Cultures
Caree Banton History
Freddy Dominguez History
Hugh Churchill Physics
Jeffrey Murdock Music
Joshua Mitchell Political Science
Matthew Day Mathematical Sciences
Matthew McDonnell Art
Timothy Evans Biological Sciences
Violeta Lorenzo-Feliciano World Languages, Literatures and Cultures
Wesley Stoner Anthropology

2017- Lindsey Aloia Communication
Grant Drawve Sociology & Criminal Justice
Todd Cleveland History
Joseph Herzog Physics
Kusum Naithani Biological Sciences
Marc Mitchell Art
Nathan Parks Psychological Science
Weston Wilkerson Theatre
Toni Jensen English
Daniel Abrahams Music
Ram Natarajan Anthropology
Johanna Thomas Social Work
Stefan Kilyanek Chemistry & Biochemistry
Celina Suarez Geosciences

FULBRIGHT COLLEGE NON-TENURE TRACK FACULTY TEACHING AWARD

The Fulbright College Non-Tenure Track Faculty Teaching Award honors one outstanding teacher. The award carries a one-time $500 award.

2017- Marcella Thompson Sociology & Criminal Justice
BACHELOR OF ARTS

Courtney Adair  Brandon Barker
Ashley Adlong  Callie Barkwill
Tiffani Aisley  Rhett Barragan
Ricardo Albarran  Miguel Barrios Honors
Madeelyn Albright  Andrew Bartels Honors, Fulbright Senior Scholar
Abdulmonem Aldarwish  Katelyn Bartlett
Michael Alexander  Giselle Bates
Orpa Ali  Mercedes Bates
Holly Alker Honors  Stephen Batty
Brittany Allen  Ian Bean
Emily Allen  Jeffrey Gardner Beaulieu (Fall 2016)
Rachel Allen  Aislinn Beaumont
Callie Alsip  Brennan Beeson
Skyler Ames Honors  Abigail Beineman
Katrina Anderson  Hannah Bell Honors
Omar Anderson  Kara Bell
Brittan Andres  Natalie Bell
Hannah Andrews  Chantz Bellamy
Patrick Angyal Honors, Fulbright Senior Scholar
Madeleine Applegate-Gross  Eric Bennett
Brenda Arias  Paige Bennett
Cameron Ariola  Margaret Benton
James Arnold  Savannah Bequeath Honors
Ariane Arroyo  Tyler Beringer
Devin Asbill  Betina Beringhelle (Fall 2016)
Madeline Astin Fulbright Senior Scholar  Daryl Bernard
Melody Astle  David Berryhill
Jaden Atkins Honors  Georgianna Bettis
Madeline Autrey  Britni Binam
Kelly Ayadi  Sarah Bingham
Ashley Bacon  Allison Birkett
Nur Suhana Baharuddin  Megan Black
Yasmin Bahena  Leean Blahitka
Kate Bailey Fulbright Senior Scholar  Aaron Blake
Nicole Baldwin  Autumn Blakely
Maria Ballesteros  James Blanton
Selina Baner Fulbright Senior Scholar  Matthew Blissitt
Emily Barber Honors, Fulbright Senior Scholar  Brett Blockhus

Bachelor of Science and Arts in University Studies Posthumous Honoris Causa
Hayden Carter Greenway

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March 4, 1997 – May 15, 2016

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OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD

Anna J. Egalite teaches in the Department of Educational Leadership, Policy and Human Development at North Carolina State University. She earned a doctorate in education policy from the U of A.

Egalite holds the rank of assistant professor. Her research focuses on the evaluation of education policies and programs intended to close racial and economic achievement gaps, such as the introduction of market forces into education through school choice and competition.

She has examined the competitive impacts of private school voucher programs on public school achievement, how voucher-induced student transfers affect racial stratification in public and private schools, and the effects of being assigned to a teacher of the same race and ethnicity. Egalite’s scholarly articles have appeared in the journals Economics of Education Review, Education and Urban Society, Early Childhood Research Quarterly, and the Peabody Journal of Education, and her research has been featured in a number of mainstream media outlets, including The New York Times, USA Today, The Atlantic, Education Week, and Politico.

She also has a bachelor’s degree in elementary education and history from St. Patrick’s College in Dublin, Ireland, and a master’s degree from the University of Notre Dame’s Alliance for Catholic Education.

OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD IN EDUCATION

Yvonne Johnson has served as dean of the Humanities and Social Sciences Division at St. Louis Community College since 2007 and is the author of numerous books, chapters and articles. She earned a bachelor’s degree in education from the U of A. She wrote The Voices of African American Women and edited Feminist Frontiers: Women Who Shaped the Midwest.

Johnson previously taught at the University of Central Missouri, where she received three grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities for summer study and received the university’s highest award, the Byler Award for Excellence in Teaching. She led several study abroad semesters for students in the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, and in Ghana, West Africa. In 2006, she received a Fulbright Teaching Award to Envila Institute in Minsk, Belarus.

She co-authored and directed the Africana Studies Program in 2001 and accepted the position of director of Women’s Studies in 2004.

Johnson also has a master’s degree in history from the University of Colorado and a doctorate in history of ideas from the University of Texas at Dallas.
Robin Bowen became the 12th president of Arkansas Tech University in Russellville in 2014. She earned a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling from the U of A. Bowen is the first female president of a public, four-year university in Arkansas. She was selected as a 2016 recipient of the INSIGHT into Diversity Presidents and Chancellors Giving Back Award, the only national award that honors college presidents and chancellors for their commitment to diversity by giving back to their campus and community. In 2015, she was named one of AY Magazine's Most Powerful Women. Bowen serves on the board of directors of the River Valley Shelter for Battered Women and Children, the Russellville Area Chamber of Commerce, the Arkansas River Valley Alliance for Economic Development, and the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce. She is a member of the Pope County steering committee for Uncommon Communities, a WinRock Breakthrough Community Development Initiative.

Bowen also holds a doctorate in higher education administration from Texas Tech University and a bachelor's degree in occupational therapy from the University of Kansas.

Reed Greenwood served as dean of the College of Education and Health Professions for eight years during a 35-year career at the U of A. He earned a doctorate in counselor education from the U of A, as well as master's and bachelor's degrees. While serving as dean, the college secured a gift of $20 million for scholarships and faculty chairs, increased enrollment by over 50 percent, recruited more than 50 new faculty members, and increased the college endowment from less than $4 million to over $34 million. He has published numerous papers and made presentations in the fields of counseling, rehabilitation and education. He was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to the President's Committee on the Employment of People with Disabilities and by Gov. Bill Clinton to the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling.

Greenwood served on the Fayetteville Board of Education, Blue Ribbon Commission on Public Education in Arkansas, Northwest Arkansas Symphony Orchestra, Walton Arts Center, University of Arkansas Alumni Association, United Way of Washington County, Lifestyles, Sources for Independent Living and as Junior and Senior Warden of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Fayetteville. His current service includes the Fayetteville Public Education Foundation, Ambassadors of the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences and the Arts, Advisory Board of the Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Towers of Old Main, University of Arkansas Chancellor's Society and University of Arkansas Capital Campaign Committee.
Sandra Keiser Edwards
Deputy Director
Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art

Sandra Keiser Edwards is deputy director of Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art and former associate vice chancellor for development at the University of Arkansas for nine years.

She has been a key member of the Crystal Bridges leadership team since 2007, helping oversee the founding of the museum, as well as its construction and successful opening in November 2011. Since that time, the museum has welcomed more than 1.2 million visitors. Edwards continues to be a guiding force in establishing this institution, creating and growing connections to bring increased tourism to the area, as well as offering museum visitors unparalleled arts, cultural and educational experiences.

With her late husband, Clay Edwards, she helped direct the University of Arkansas’ groundbreaking Campaign for the Twenty-First Century, a significant initiative that raised more than $1 billion for academic programs, including the founding of an honors college and endowing the graduate school.

She also served as director of development (outreach and cooperative extension) and director of station development (public broadcasting) at Pennsylvania State University, posts she held from 1988 to 1998. She created the first comprehensive advancement program in the field of continuing and distance education at a public university, and she was part of the management team that created Penn State’s World Campus, a virtual university for students at a distance from the physical location. As a result of these achievements, the university awarded Edwards the Outreach Pioneer Award.

Edwards holds a bachelor’s degree from Lenoir-Rhyne College in Hickory, North Carolina, where she served on the board of trustees from 1978-1986, and a master’s degree from Western Illinois University. She was awarded an honorary doctorate from Western Illinois University in 2014.
FACULTY AWARD WINNERS

Superior Service Award
Leslie Jo Shelton, Clinical Assistant Professor, Higher Education

Innovative Teaching Award
David Christian, Assistant Professor, Counselor Education

Outstanding Mentoring and Advising Award
Kimberly Frazier, Associate Professor, Communication Disorders

Significant Research Award
Jay Greene, Distinguished Professor, Education Policy
Lynn Koch, Professor, Rehabilitation Education and Research

Rising STAR Award, for Outstanding All-around New Faculty Member
Kaitlin Gallagher, Assistant Professor, Kinesiology

George Denny STAR Award, for Outstanding Service, Teaching, Advising, and Research
Ronna Turner, Associate Professor, Educational Statistics and Research Methods

Career Faculty Award, in Recognition of a Career that Exemplifies Outstanding Performance
Susan Mayes, Instructor, Kinesiology

PLATFORM PARTY

Joseph E. Steinmetz
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Janet Penner-Williams
Fran Hagstrom
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Jay P. Greene
Bart Hammig
Julie Hoff
Ketevan Mamiseishvili
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Cheri Headrick recently graduated from the University of Arkansas with a Master of Music in Choral Conducting and is currently pursuing a post-graduate certificate in Vocal Performance.

Fayetteville Jazz Collective

The Fayetteville Jazz Collective was founded in May, 2009, as a professional jazz orchestra comprised of musicians active in the Northwest Arkansas area. The FJC is an 18-piece group that seeks to preserve and enhance the big band tradition through education of young audiences, aspiring musicians, and the general public. It has performed the works of Duke Ellington, Billy Strayhorn, Thad Jones, Gil Evans, Oliver Nelson, Sammy Nestico, Frank Foster, Tito Puente, Gordon Goodwin, and many others. The FJC also provides an outlet for local composers and arrangers, such as James Greeson, Ben Harris, and Rick Salonen, the band's baritone saxophonist and “composer in residence.” The FJC hopes to continue to enrich the cultural life of the greater Northwest Arkansas community through performances and outreach. Contact information is available on their website at www.fayettevillejazzcollective.org

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Marshals

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Janet Forbess
Kristina-Marie Howlett

Clinical Assistant Professor, Curriculum and Instruction
Instructor, Department of Health, Human Performance and Recreation
Assistant Professor, Curriculum and Instruction

Commencement Committee

Lori Foster
Jeremy Battjes
Kristin DeAngelo
Denise Bignar

Event Coordinator and Assistant to the Dean
Assistant Dean for Administration
Senior Assistant Director, University Recreation
Director, Student Services

Event Volunteers

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Liz Lee, Undergraduate Student Recruitment
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Cindy Folsom, Academic Advisor
Deborah Henderson, Academic Advisor
Jordyn Henry, Academic Advisor
Elizabeth McKinley, Academic Advisor
Rebecca Stewart, Academic Advisor
Doug Talbott, Academic Advisor

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Jeana Carow, University Recreation
Brooke Cochran, University Recreation
Jonathan Elliott, University Recreation
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COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

University of Arkansas • 12:00 p.m. • Saturday, May 13, 2017

Processional March.................................................................Marshals

Welcome..................................................................................Dr. John English
Dean of the College of Engineering

National Anthem........................................................................Ms. Maja Sevo

Introduction of Senior Scholars..................................................Dr. John English

Greetings from the Undergraduates.............................................Danielle Neighbour

Commencement Address................................................................Adam Monroe
President
Novozymes Americans, Novozymes

Conferring of Degrees ...............................................................Dr. John English

Announcers................................................................................Dr. Robert Beitle
Professor, Chemical Engineering
Dr. Richard Cassady
Professor, Industrial Engineering

*Alma Mater ..............................................................................Ms. Maja Sevo

Recessional March ....................................................................Marshals

Music provided by the Northwest Arkansas Brass Quintet

The University community wishes to express its appreciation for the assistance of all people who
helped make the 2017 University of Arkansas Spring Commencement ceremony a success.
Adam Monroe is from Fayetteville, Arkansas. During college he worked for McClelland Consulting Engineers. After receiving his bachelor’s degree in chemical engineering in 1988, Monroe accepted a position as a process engineer for Freeze Technologies in North Carolina.

In 1991, Monroe joined Novo Nordisk, a biotechnology company headquartered in Copenhagen, Denmark. In 2000 Novo Nordisk spun out Novozymes, a separate public company specializing in the production of enzymes and microorganisms utilized in over forty diverse markets. He has worked for that company for over two decades in numerous roles.

As Recovery Engineer, Monroe successfully introduced the first genetically modified fermentation strain in the United States. As Director of Supply Chain Operations for the Americas, which also included responsibility for Global Capacity and Demand Planning, Monroe led a successful effort to establish Novozymes global supply line of enzymes for the biofuels market. Monroe also held the title of President for North America. As President for the Americas, Monroe has responsibility for locations across the Americas.

Monroe serves as the Chair of the Biotechnology Industry Organizations (BIO) Industrial and Environmental Board. He is also involved in developing models for business to engage and inspire students at all levels, particularly through the Early College Program of North Carolina with an emphasis on rural schools.

Monroe was inducted into the Arkansas Academy of Chemical Engineers in 2011. He serves on the chemical engineering department’s Industrial and Professional Advisory Council. In 2015, he received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the College of Engineering.
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Presented by John English, Dean of the College of Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering - Posthumously
Megan M. Browning
November 18, 1992 – January 15, 2017

Bachelor of Science and Arts in University Studies Posthumous Honoris Causa
Brian Gray Colton
October 19, 1990 – February 20, 2017

Bachelor of Science and Arts in University Studies Posthumous Honoris Causa
Ashley Lane Marrs

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Ignacio Bonilla Zamora
Benjamin Burton
Chloe Campbell
Brandon Conover
Andrew Corsini
Nathaniel Demery
Nicholas Francaviglia
Joshua Mocek
Syndall Murray
Neal Roberts
John Van
Sara White

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Ryan Albertson
John Alumbaugh
Patrick Bartholomew
Vitaly Borodin Distinction
Christopher Brown
Erin Butcher
Diego Calderon Rivera Magna Cum Laude
Caleb Clark
Peighton Combs
Richard Cook
Kathy Dai Magna Cum Laude
Henry Darnell Distinction
Patrick Dillingham
Brett Dixon Distinction
Preston Evans Magna Cum Laude
Peter Feinberg
Grady Fitzgerald
Joseph Gauthier
Andrew Graham Distinction
Jackson Haley
Nicholas Hardcastle
Charles Heller
Mason Hollis Magna Cum Laude
Jacob Hubbard
Johnnie Hunt
Bryan Janes
Grant Johns Distinction
Jeffrey Johnson
Brian Krumrey
Christopher Lail
Silas Lankford Cum Laude
Artiom Lezcano Koretski
Liang Li
Simon Luangsisombath
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Wesley Matthews
Benjamin Maxwell
Fabian Remberto Monasterio Riveros
Mika Moore
Thomas Nguyen Cum Laude
Kosma Olan
William Poorman
James Rorie
Michael Sharp Summa Cum Laude
Carter Smith
Isaac Snow
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Kevin Thorpe
Hayden Thrasher
Jason Townsley Highest Distinction
Dillon VanBuskirk
Caleb Welch
Omar Zambrano
Joseph Zhang Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGICAL ENGINEERING

Callie Acuff
Maureen Broglen Distinction
Lynsey Copley
Madison Crow Magna Cum Laude
Hailey Flatte
Reed Hill
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Daniela Arauz Gonzalez
Jacob Bonsteel
Kassidy Boyle
Andrew Briley Cum Laude
Anicet Cyusa
Nancy Diaz
Amelia Falcon
Victoria Gilson
Jill Goodrich
Adeeb Haroon High Distinction

Mason Harper Summa Cum Laude
Courtney Hunter Summa Cum Laude
Dakory Lee
Jonathan Lott
Elisa Mills
Patrick O’Brien Distinction
Christopher Oldfield
Luke Parish Cum Laude
Alexander Phan
Laury Quiel Lopez Distinction
Raisa Rasul Summa Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Miguel Abrego Tello
Samantha Allen High Distinction
Anthony Arman
Melissa Auduong Highest Distinction
Ryan Bernard Distinction
Carter Bodinger Cum Laude
Zachary Boyce
Agustin Caceres Gonzalez Cum Laude
Paul Clark
Emily Degner Summa Cum Laude
Gabrial Dickson
Dakory Lee
Annie Esparza
Zakary Galligan Cum Laude
Luke Galuska Magna Cum Laude

Christopher Graham Distinction
Joe Griffin Magna Cum Laude
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William Harris
Devin Hazlett
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Korey Herrman
Samuel Horn Magna Cum Laude
Julie Jameson Summa Cum Laude
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Khassan Khan Distinction
Keturah Kiper
Kirby Kohler
Abbie Lasater Summa Cum Laude
Rodrigo Lea Plaza Galarza
Pietro Malky Sandoval

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Ashley Anaya
Blake Baugher
Elliott Bethel
Charles Birmingham
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Reagan Booth
Gabriel Cook Summa Cum Laude
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Rebecca Zapata
Jason Norwood Highest Distinction

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Sandy Becerra
Bryan Beckwith
Zachary Brandt High Distinction
Martin Butler Distinction
Christopher Cartagena Distinction
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Jose Escobar
Nathan Evans
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Andrew Felder

Robert Fry
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Alex Hurt
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Kenny Neckels Distinction
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Brian E. Haggard, Professor, Ph.D.
Christopher G. Henry, Assistant Professor, Ph.D.
Jin-Woo Kim, Professor, Ph.D.
Yanbin Li, Distinguished Professor, Ph.D., P.E.
Yi Liang, Assistant Professor, Ph.D.
Otto J. Loewer Jr., Professor, Ph.D., P.E.
Marty D. Matlock, Professor, Ph.D., P.E.

G. Scott Osborn, Associate Professor, Ph.D., P.E.
Benjamin R. K. Runkle, Assistant Professor, Ph.D.
Samy Sadaka, Assistant Professor, Ph.D., P.E.
Bailey Sullivan, Instructor, Ph.D.
Karl Vandeveender, Professor, Ph.D., P.E.
Lalit R. Verma, Professor and Department Head, Ph.D. P.E.
Jun Zhu, Professor, Ph.D.

Biomedical Engineering

Qusay Alfaori, Instructor, M.S.
Kartik Balachandran, Assistant Professor, Ph.D.
Hanna Jensen, Research Assistant Professor, M.D., Ph.D.
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<td>Truman D. Williamson Sr. (BS '09, MSE '28)</td>
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William E. Clark (BSEE ’65)
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
CDI Contractors, LLC

2003
Rodger S. Kline (BSEE ’66)
Chief Operating Officer, Company Operations Leader and Director, Acxiom Corporation

Ralph E. Martin, (BSChE ’58, MSChE ’60)
Chief Executive Officer
Petrofac Inc.

2005
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Founder, President and CEO
Harvey Industries, Inc.

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Company Leader
Axiom Corporation

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Global Development Leader
Axiom Corporation

2006
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Chairman, Retired
Alltel Information Technology, Inc.

2007
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Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
Boise Cascade

2008
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Vice President
ESB-Medcor

2009
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Research Professor (Retired), College of Engineering, Associate Director (Retired), Mack-Blackwell Rural Transportation Center, Chief of Engineers and Commander of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (Retired), United States Navy

2010
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Sales and Marketing (Retired)
IBM

2011
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Program Manager, Cassini-Huygens Mission
NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

2012
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President and CEO (retired) Lyons Manufacturing, Inc.

2013
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2016
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Co-founder (Retired)
Crafton Tull

Larry Stephens (BSIE, ’58)
Chairman of the Board (Retired) Mid-South Engineering
1871 The University of Arkansas was established
1873 The first courses in civil engineering were offered
1888 The first civil engineering degree was awarded
1893 The College of Engineering was organized as a college of the university
1897 A separate civil engineering department was established
       The Department of Electrical Engineering was established
1903 The Department of Mechanical Engineering was established
       A chemical engineering curriculum was established in the Department of Chemistry
1920 The Engineering Experiment Station was established by the state legislature to investigate and study engineering problems of general interest to Arkansas
1925 The first master’s degree in engineering was awarded
1945 Chemical engineering became part of the College of Engineering
1948 The Department of Agricultural Engineering was established
       The Department of Industrial Engineering was established
1959 The Doctor of Philosophy degree was approved
1975 The Engineering Extension Center was formed to provide continuing education opportunities to practicing engineers
1976 A computer science engineering program was initiated within the industrial engineering department
1982 The college took possession of a deserted manufacturing plant that evolved into the Engineering Research Center
1985 Computer science engineering became a separate department
       The Arkansas Center for Technology Transfer was established
1986 The Engineering Distance Education Center was created to offer off-campus engineering education
       The GENESIS Technology Incubator was established
1989 Agricultural engineering became the Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering
1991 The computer science engineering department became the Department of Computer System Engineering
1998 Computer systems engineering merged with the computer science department housed in the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, creating the Department of Computer Science and Computer Engineering
2005 The chemical engineering department was named the Ralph E. Martin Department of Chemical Engineering
2012 Historic Engineering Hall, built in 1927, was renamed the John A. White Jr. Engineering Hall, in honor of the former chancellor.
2012 The Department of Biomedical Engineering was established
University of Arkansas
Commencement
Post Ceremony ................................................................................................................................. Leah and the Mojo Doctors

Processional ................................................................................................................................. Pomp and Circumstance Marches Nos. 1 & 2, Sir Edward Elgar*

America the Beautiful .................................................................................................................... Leah Spears-Blackmon*

Welcome ........................................................................................................................................ Dean Matthew Waller

Special Recognition of Faculty and Students ................................................................................ Dean Matthew Waller

Reflections from the Class of 2017 ............................................................................................... Ebene Allen

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Concluding Remarks .................................................................................................................... Dean Matthew Waller

Alma Mater .................................................................................................................................... Trey O’Dell

Postlude .......................................................................................................................................... Rondeau, Mouret

March, Bach

Almand, Brade

*Please Stand

Special Thanks –

• Leah and the Mojo Doctors for providing music for today’s ceremony
• Sign Language Interpreting Network for providing signing for today’s ceremony
• TES Productions for providing sound for today’s ceremony

The Sam M. Walton College of Business community wishes to express its appreciation for the assistance of all people who helped make the 2017 University of Arkansas Spring Commencement a success.
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Ed Wilson
BSBA ‘80
CEO/Founder, Dreamcatcher Media, LLC

Ed Wilson is an entrepreneurial-minded, modern media executive who moves seamlessly between traditional and emerging media, and gracefully from the hard-edged executive boardroom and sales arena to the free-thinking space of content creation and talent development.

Wilson is a partner at New Form Digital, a digital studio that develops and produces scripted content for global digital platforms and was created in partnership with Brian Grazer, Ron Howard, Craig Jacobson, Jim Wiatt, and Discovery Communications. Wilson is also the Executive Chairman and CEO of Dreamcatcher Broadcasting, a television group comprised of 3 stations: WNEP, an affiliate of ABC serving Wilkes Barre, PA; WTKR, a CBS affiliate serving Norfolk, VA; and WGNT, an affiliate of CW serving Norfolk, VA.

Previously, Wilson served as Executive Chairman of Timeline Labs – a big-data social intelligence network that provides the world’s leading media companies and brands with social content focusing on hyper-local, national and global news – which he successfully guided to an acquisition by SeaChange International, Inc. (NASDAQ: SEAC), a TV software-services company.

Prior to these recent endeavors, Wilson was President of Tribune Broadcasting, and Chief Revenue Officer of The Tribune Company (2008-2011). Earlier in his career, Wilson held top-level executive roles with FOX Television Network (President, 2004-2008), NBC Enterprises (Founder, President 2000-2004), and CBS Enterprises (Founder, President, COO 1996-2000). Wilson joined CBS when the network acquired MaXaM Entertainment, the independent syndication company he founded in partnership with A.H. Belo Corp in 1996.

In addition to his aforementioned roles, Wilson currently serves as an advisor to Guggenheim Partners. Wilson is a member of the Board of Trustees for Southern Methodist University, the Executive Board of the Cox School of Business at Southern Methodist University, the Dean’s Executive Advisory Board of the Walton College at the University of Arkansas, and is a board member for both the San Diego Zoo and SeaChange International, Inc. (NASDAQ: SEAC). He received a BSBA in finance and banking from the Walton College in 1980.
Presented by Matthew Waller, Dean of the Walton College of Business

Bachelor of Science and Arts in University Studies Posthumous Honoris Causa
Cole Robert Pangburn
October 3, 1995 – September 6, 2016

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Connor Patrick Walsh

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Kyani Alford
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Jesse Alvarez
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