

# University of Colorado Colorado Springs



COMMENCEMENT

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MAY 15, 2020

## FROM THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY TO THE CLASS OF 2020

Dear Graduate:

One of the greatest honors for the University of Colorado Board of Regents, the institution's governing board, is to be part of this commencement ceremony. Your success is a success for us all. Your degree is a measure not only of an accomplishment of dedication and talent, but also notice to the world that you have the skill and discipline to contribute greatly to any endeavor you pursue.

This commencement ceremony, like every University of Colorado graduation since 1935, will close with the reading of the Norlin Charge. As originally expressed by former CU President George Norlin in 1935, graduation "marks your initiation in the fullest sense of the fellowship of the University, as bearers of her torch, as centers of her influence, and as promoters of her spirit." Welcome to the ranks of CU's alumni family, which is over 445,000 strong. Congratulations on achieving this milestone. Well done and well earned!

Cordially,

### THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO



Back Row: Linda Shoemaker, District 2 (Boulder); Lesley Smith, At Large (Boulder); Chance Hill, District 5 (Colorado Springs); John Carson, District 6 (Highlands Ranch); Glen Gallegos, Chair, District 3 (Grand Junction)

Front Row: Heidi Ganahl, At Large (Superior); Sue Sharkey, District 4 (Castle Rock); John "Jack" Kroll, District 1 (Denver); Irene Griego, Vice Chair, District 7 (Lakewood)

# ORDER OF EXERCISES

**DR. CHRISTOPHER BELL, COMMENCEMENT MARSHAL  
UCCS MARSHAL'S CLUB MEMBER\***

## **Ceremony**

*The National Anthem (Lyrics on page 33)* . . . . . Performed by Select Members of the  
Visual and Performing Arts University Choir  
Directed by Instructor Solveig Olsen

UCCS Chancellor's Welcome . . . . . Chancellor Venkateshwar Reddy

University of Colorado President's Remarks . . . . . President Mark Kennedy

Class of 2020 Gift . . . . . Graduate Philip Oke-Thomas  
SGA Vice President  
B.A. Political Science

Congratulations from 2020 Student Achievement Award Recipient . . . . . Graduate JayJay Porcadilla  
B.A. Communication

**Conferring of Advanced Degrees (page 12)** . . . . . Chancellor Venkateshwar Reddy and Academic Deans

Recognition of Honors Graduates . . . . . Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
Thomas Christensen

**Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees (page 20)** . . . . . Chancellor Venkateshwar Reddy and Academic Deans

Initiation of Graduates into Alumni and Friends Association . . . . . Graduate Sarah Frazier  
Students Today Alumni Tomorrow (STAT) Representative  
M.A. Leadership in Education

Norlin Charge to the Graduates . . . . . Regent John Carson  
Regent Irene Griego  
Regent Linda Shoemaker

## **Closing**

*To view Virtual Ceremony videos, visit [commencement.uccs.edu](http://commencement.uccs.edu).*

*Online Program Updated as of May 28, 2020*

### **University Choir Members:**

- Mikayla Dobyms, sophomore
- Timothy Hansz, senior
- Wylie Harris, junior
- Kathryn Leslie, senior
- Madyson Moran, sophomore
- Ashley Purslow, sophomore
- Sam Silva, junior
- Sheridan Singer, freshman
- Amanda Turmes, Spring 2020 graduate, B.S. Mechanical Engineering

*\*The 2013-14 Faculty Assembly created the UCCS Marshal's Club; the Club selects a Commencement Marshal for each graduation ceremony starting this year going forward.*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY TO THE CLASS OF 2020



Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on achieving a significant milestone in your life and welcome to the family of University of Colorado alumni. To say that you are joining that family at an extraordinary time in history would be a substantial understatement. None of us has experienced times like those brought about by COVID-19.

We appreciate your flexibility and adaptability over the last several weeks of the semester and with virtual commencement ceremonies. We regret that we had to cancel in-person ceremonies this spring, but ensuring the health and safety of our community takes precedence.

We know you have worked hard to earn your degree and one of the many benefits of doing so is sharing your joy and success with the family and friends who supported you on your educational journey. We are planning ways to host ceremonies for you in the future so we can appropriately recognize your achievement.

Until then, I believe there is a silver lining to the challenges of late spring 2020 – that you appreciate the importance of adaptability. It will be essential to your success, not only with COVID-19 related challenges, but also in the longer term. Throughout your time at CU, and particularly in the last several weeks of your academic career, you had to employ innovation, creativity, critical thinking, and working in teams. In short, you had to adapt.

That skill will serve you well as you enter a world where the galloping pace of change will favor those most prepared to adapt to new challenges, new technologies, new thinking and a new normal.

I wish you all the best in this next phase of your life, whether you are starting a career, a cause or a family. I trust your University of Colorado degree will serve you well no matter the path you take.

I leave you with the words of former President Theodore Roosevelt, who said “Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.” You are now part of a group of alumni that prides itself on work worth doing and excels at it. Congratulations!

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Kennedy". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Mark Kennedy

President

## FROM THE CHANCELLOR OF UCCS TO THE CLASS OF 2020



May 15, 2020

Dear Graduates,

Today is a momentous day, but it is also a day we are commemorating with heavy hearts. We all hoped to be celebrating together in person, as we have every year since the first UCCS graduate walked across a Commencement stage in 1966. Please know that although it is in a virtual format, the entire university community celebrates the phenomenal achievements of the Class of 2020, whether you are earning a bachelor's, master's or a doctoral degree.

Your last semester has been a trying one. I hope you will take pride in overcoming the challenge of transitioning to remote learning and adjusting to a variety of challenges. You could not have given the world a more powerful demonstration of your resilience and determination to succeed. And though this is not the ceremony you envisioned, you now have a unique story to tell in years to come – how you overcame the challenge and tasted success.

As a campus community, we salute the accomplishments of your past, present and future. We expect the members of the Class of 2020 to achieve great things personally and professionally and to make their mark on the world. We are confident UCCS has prepared you for the challenges inherent in a complex and fast-changing world, just as you rose to challenges in your life again and again.

The support of the members of the University of Colorado Board of Regents, faculty, staff and alumni shows the pride this university has in you: its graduates. We are pleased to welcome you to the family of more than 46,000 UCCS alumni as you begin a new chapter in your lives.

We are so very proud of your tremendous accomplishment. Graduates, this is your moment. You earned it. Congratulations!

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Venkat Reddy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Venkat Reddy

Chancellor

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

In 2009, the UCCS administration decided to showcase a graduate as the main speaker during the Spring Commencement ceremonies. They chose to designate the speaker honor to the recipients of the Student Achievement Award.

The Student Achievement Award is an annual award that has been in existence since 1982. It is presented during the annual Campus Awards Ceremony to two students who have excelled in one or both of the following areas:

- Made a significant personal accomplishment in conjunction with earning a degree (e.g., overcame a personal barrier, or undertook a special student research project)
- Made a substantial contribution to the quality of student life at UCCS (e.g. served with a student organization, launched a new program or group)

Given this spring's Commencement is a single virtual ceremony, recipient Abigail Solis yielded her opportunity to speak to recipient JayJay Porcadilla:



### JayJay Porcadilla | Student Achievement Awardee and Speaker

JayJay Porcadilla is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication with an emphasis in Organizational and Strategic Communication. He is a first-generation student, a Multiple Sclerosis Foundation Scholarship recipient, UCCS Student Body (SGA) President, Vice President of Community Service for his Fraternity Delta Sigma Pi, former Resident Assistant, Residence Hall Association member, National Residence Hall Honorary writer, and Students Today Alumni Tomorrow Executive Board Officer.

JayJay represented UCCS on regional, national, and international levels and has received presenter awards in leadership and diversity from the IACURH and NACURH conferences. During his role as the SGA president, JayJay not only discussed measures needed to create an inclusive environment at UCCS, but he also supported these conversations with initiatives and programming. He contributed numerous hours to assist in the completion of the campus inclusivity pledge, the UCCS Strategic Plan and the CU Strategic Plan.

In the community, JayJay devotes his time to volunteering at many Multiple Sclerosis (MS) events around Colorado. This is in support of his mother who was diagnosed with MS and has inspired him through her strength and perseverance. Additionally, JayJay prides himself in being an advocate for Mental Health issues. As a survivor of attempted suicide, he believes in representing those who struggle and contemplate suicide. After graduation, he would like to continue his work around populations of underrepresented disabilities by becoming an event coordinator for a hospital or working as a communication specialist for leadership and development programs.

### Former Graduate Commencement Speakers

2009	Michael Reyes	2016	Christopher Roth (morning)
2010	Caleb Rainey		Tanweer Saleem Baig (afternoon)
2011	Benjamin Jourdan	2017	Mykinthia Ebron (morning)
2012	Mary Commerfor		Nicole Chung (afternoon)
2013	Maria Tobin (morning)	2018	Nayda Benítez (morning)
	Jesse Perez (afternoon)		Justin McConnell (afternoon)
2014	Chris Richey (morning)	2019	Victoria Asuquo (morning)
	Paige Wilson (afternoon)		Ryan Dobbs (afternoon)
2015	Dylan Shuster (morning)		
	Matthew Prichard (afternoon)		



### **Abigail Solis | Student Achievement Awardee**

Abigail Solis is graduating with a Master of Arts degree in Counseling and Human Services with an emphasis in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. During Abigail's time at UCCS, she was a graduate research assistant, Daniels Fund Ethics Ambassador, Campus Connections counselor-in-training, member of Chi Sigma Iota, NBCC Minority Fellow, and an intern at Mt. Carmel Veteran Service Center.

While attending UCCS, Abigail dedicated much of her time to helping with the Campus Connections therapeutic youth mentoring program. Her time with Campus Connections has consisted of volunteering as a research assistant and counselor-in-training. She has positively influenced the lives of dozens of middle school students and their undergraduate UCCS mentors, who work one-on-one with these students. Additionally, Abigail has helped the counseling department in collecting data on the success of the Campus Connection program with a manuscript under review.

After graduation, Abigail intends on becoming a licensed professional counselor, and continuing her education by pursuing a Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision. Abigail aspirations are to one day become a counselor educator while providing mental health services to military personals, military-connected families, and underprivileged populations.

**Welcome to the Alumni & Friends Association!**



On behalf of the more than 46,000 graduates who span the nation and dot the globe, we are excited that you are a lifelong member of the Mountain Lion family. Stay informed of UCCS news, events, and alumni opportunities at [www.alumni.uccs.edu](http://www.alumni.uccs.edu)

### **COMPREHENSIVE HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM**

In 2016, the Colorado legislature passed Senate Bill 196. This bill established a pilot program to develop opportunities for inclusive higher education for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities in our state. UCCS was one of the institutions given the opportunity to develop a pilot program because of our reputation for excellence and the expertise of the professors and staff in our college of education. This spring, the following students with disabilities completed the 54-credit course of study program.

Mia Rose Barone

Nicholas Allen Harmon

Ashley Nicole Mabry





## **MISSION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO**

The University of Colorado is a public research university with multiple campuses serving Colorado, the nation and the world through leadership in high-quality education and professional training, public service, advancing research and knowledge, and state-of-the-art health care.

Each campus has a distinct role and mission as provided by Colorado law.

*(Laws of the Regents, Article 1, Part C. Adopted 02/11/2010.)*

## **MISSION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO COLORADO SPRINGS**

The Colorado Springs campus of the University of Colorado shall be a comprehensive baccalaureate and specialized graduate research university with selective admission standards. The Colorado Springs campus shall offer liberal arts and sciences, business, engineering, health sciences, and teacher preparation undergraduate degree programs, and a selected number of master's and doctoral degree programs.

*Colorado Revised Statutes. Senate Bill 11-204. Section 2. 23-20-101 (1) (c) Approved June 10, 2011.*

## **VISION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO COLORADO SPRINGS**

UCCS, a premier comprehensive undergraduate and specialized graduate research university, provides students with academically rigorous and life-enriching experiences in a vibrant university community. We advance knowledge, integrate student learning with the spirit of discovery, and broaden access to higher education for the benefit of southern Colorado, the state, nation and world.



## THE NORLIN CHARGE TO GRADUATES

*(From the baccalaureate address by President George Norlin, of the University of Colorado, June 1935)*

“You are now certified to the world at large as alumni of the university. She is your kindly mother and you her cherished sons and daughters.

This exercise denotes not your severance from her, but your union with her. Commencement does not mean, as many wrongly think, the breaking of ties and the beginning of a life apart. Rather it marks your initiation in the fullest sense into the fellowship of the university, as bearers of her torch, as centers of her influence, as promoters of her spirit.

The university is not the campus, not the buildings on the campus, nor the faculties, nor the students of any one time — not one of these or all of them. The university consists of all who come into and go forth from her halls, who are touched by her influence and who carry on her spirit. Wherever you go, the university goes with you. Wherever you are at work, there is the university at work.

What the university purposes to be, what it must always strive to be, is represented on its seal, which is stamped on your diplomas — a lamp in the hands of youth. If its light shines not in you and from you, how great is its darkness! But if it shines in you today, and in the thousands before you, who can measure its power?

With hope and faith, I welcome you into the fellowship. I bid you farewell only in the sense that I pray you may fare well. You go forth, but not from us. We remain, but not severed from you. God go with you and be with you and us.”

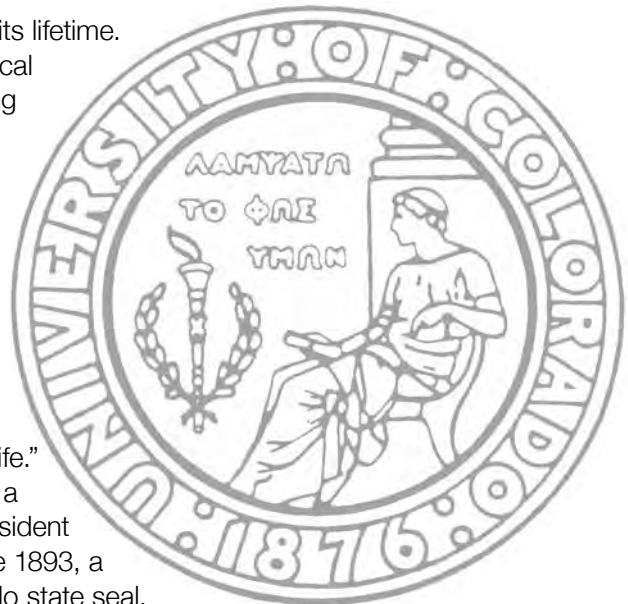
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## THE UNIVERSITY SEAL

The University of Colorado has used three seals in its lifetime. The present seal, adopted in 1908, depicts a classical male Greek figure seated against a pillar and holding a scroll. Laurel branches frame a burning torch beside him. The Greek inscription means “Let Your Light Shine.” The seal’s designer, Henry Reed of Denver, chose the classical motif because Greek civilization “stands as the criterion of culture.” The laurel symbolizes honor or success, the youth of the figure suggests the “morning of life,” and the scroll represents written language.

From 1893 to 1908, the university seal was a copy of Wyon’s medallion, “Science Trims the Lamp of Life.” The classical figure of a Greek woman knelt before a lamp and was flanked by mariposa lilies, which President Baker described as “a true Colorado flower.” Before 1893, a seal was used which essentially copies the Colorado state seal. It was never adopted by the Regents.

The official seal of the University of Colorado is used primarily on official documents, such as diplomas and transcripts that have been issued on behalf of the university. The Board of Regents uses the seal in transmitting official business.



## THE PRESIDENTIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE

Chains of office or “necklets” are one of the oldest symbols of authority. They have been worn as early as the days of the Roman Empire and displayed by emperors, kings, pharaohs, and religious figures as physical representation of their power and position. In their formal portraits, both Napoleon and Henry the 8th were pictured wearing these symbols.

The tradition of the chain of office was passed down through the Middle Ages and coincided with the rise of the university system in Europe. Many of these European institutions of higher learning were branches of the church or connected to royal power and soon the chain of office became a treasured part of university practice.

When American colleges and universities began to establish themselves in the 17th century, they adopted the same chain of office tradition from their European counterparts. Each chain of office is as unique as the institution it represents. In most designs a prominent medallion or shield is suspended from a series of links. The central piece usually bears the institution’s official seal or logo, and it may be enhanced with enamel in the official colors of the school.

The links in each chain of office are also highly personal to the institution they represent. Often shaped to resemble specific school symbols, they can be engraved with meaningful words, mottos, or ideas. Chains of office are worn as part of the pomp and ceremony at official public celebrations of the college or university.

The University of Colorado Presidential Chain of Office was created in 1980 by Mary Sartor, M.F.A., University of Colorado Boulder, for the inauguration of President Arnold R. Weber. The chain was a gift to the university by Mr. and Mrs. David G. Hawthorn, Class of 1924.

Colorado gold and silver are used throughout the chain to symbolize the importance of those minerals to the history of the state. The gemstones chosen also consist entirely of minerals from Colorado.

Three pendants are suspended on the chain. The back pendant is the seal of the State of Colorado surrounded by a golden ribbon representing the golden “Circle of Knowledge.” The top pendant in the front, the seal of the University of Colorado surmounted by an arch set with diamond and topaz, signifies the necessary link between the search for knowledge and its practical application to the world outside the university. The seal is supported at the bottom by the laurel wreaths found in the seal, emblematic of honor and success.

The bottom pendant is centered with a golden topaz indicating man’s quest for knowledge. The surrounding ring is paved with fragmented cubes and diamonds which suggest fragments of knowledge with brilliant breakthroughs of understanding. The chain surrounding these pendants symbolizes the endless but ever-changing cycle of human knowledge.

The presidents of the University of Colorado are:

Joseph A. Sewell	1877–1887	Arnold R. Weber	1980–1985
Horace M. Hale	1887–1892	William H. Baughn	1985
James H. Baker	1892–1914	E. Gordon Gee	1985–1990
Livingston Farrand	1914–1919	William H. Baughn	1990–1991
George Norlin	1919–1939	Judith E. N. Albino	1991–1995
Robert L. Stearns	1939–1953	John C. Buechner	1995–2000
Ward Darley	1953–1956	Alexander E. Bracken	2000
Quigg Newton	1956–1963	Elizabeth Hoffman	2000–2005
Joseph R. Smiley	1963–1969	Hank Brown	2005–2008
Eugene H. Wilson	1969	Bruce Benson	2008–2019
Frederick P. Thieme	1969–1974	Mark Kennedy	2019–present
Roland C. Rautenstrauss	1974–1980		



## THE CHANCELLOR’S CHAIN OF OFFICE

A campus commencement tradition began in 2008 when the Chancellor’s Chain of Office was created to recognize and celebrate the chancellors who have led the University of Colorado Colorado Springs since its founding in 1965. The chain was a gift to the university from Kathy Griffith and other campus leaders. Mrs. Griffith worked in the Chancellor’s Office for 30 years – upon her retirement in 2008, and provided the initial gift to create the chain.

The chain is a traditional part of academic regalia that provides recognition at formal events to the person who currently holds the position of chancellor, as well as those who previously filled the role.

The Chancellor’s Chain of Office is connected with the interlocking CU to symbolize campus ties to the University of Colorado System. The words “Chancellor” and “Colorado Springs” surround the chain’s medallion of the university’s seal. The chain includes links denoting the university’s six colleges and schools; it also includes individual links recognizing all UCCS chancellors. The chancellors listed are:

Lawrence Silverman	1974-1977	Linda Bunnell Shade	1993-2001
Don Schwartz	1978-1982	Pam Shockley-Zalabak	2002-2017
Neal Lane	1984-1986	Venkat Reddy	2017-present
Dwayne Nuzum	1986-1993		

## ACADEMIC DRESS

The tradition of the academic costume began during the twelfth or thirteenth century in the early European universities. Since the clergy composed the majority of the educated class, academic dress is an adaptation of the cape or mantle which was usually of silk or wool and worn by church dignitaries in religious processions.

Through the years, great diversity in color and in style of cap, gown and hood developed. In 1896, the colleges and universities in the United States adopted a uniform code governing academic dress. Today, the black gown, hood, and mortar board worn by the graduates in most institutions follow this code.

While it is not apparent to the casual observer, the gowns worn by the recipients of the various degrees differ somewhat in design. The sleeves of the gown worn by the baccalaureate candidate are long and pointed, while the sleeves of the gown worn by the master's degree recipients are square at one end with a slit at the elbow. The doctor's gown has flowing sleeves with three bars of velvet and facing of velvet down the front of the gown.

Those who receive a master's or a doctoral degree from the University of Colorado wear hoods lined with the school colors, silver and gold. The hood worn by the doctoral candidate differs in design from that of the master's as it has side panels and is slightly longer. The velvet border of the hood indicates the degree and usually follows the same code as the color of the tassels.

The oxford cap, usually referred to as a mortar board, is black and has a long tassel which is fastened by a button on the top. Candidates for the baccalaureate degree wear the tassel pendant over the right front of the cap before the degree is conferred, then it is worn on the left thereafter.

Cum Laude candidates wear bronze honor cords. Magna Cum Laude and honors candidates wear silver honor cords. Summa Cum Laude and special honors candidates wear gold honor cords. The color of the tassel on the bachelor's cap indicates the field of study, with the exception of the BA degrees in Letters, Arts & Sciences whose candidates wear white tassels indicating the arts.

### DOCTORATE TASSEL COLORS

Doctor of Philosophy . . . . . Old Gold  
Doctor of Nursing Practice . . . . . Apricot

### MASTER TASSEL COLORS

Master of Science/Sciences (Beth-El) . . . . . Gold  
Master of Business Administration. . . . . Sapphire  
Master of Criminal Justice . . . . . Peacock  
Master of Public Administration . . . . . Peacock  
Master of Arts (Education) . . . . . White  
Master of Sciences (Education) . . . . . Gold  
Master of Engineering/Science . . . . . Gold  
Master of Arts (LAS). . . . . White  
Master of Science/Sciences (LAS). . . . . Gold

### BACHELOR TASSEL COLORS

Nursing . . . . . Apricot  
Health Care Science . . . . . Green  
Business . . . . . Sapphire  
Criminal Justice . . . . . Peacock  
Education. . . . . Light Blue  
Engineering . . . . . Orange  
Letters, Arts and Sciences . . . . . White



## HONORS DESIGNATIONS DESCRIPTIONS

Graduates having been awarded honors are noted in the program. Following is an explanation of the criteria required of the honors designations.

### *with Honors*

These terms denote students who have met criteria including, but not limited to, grade point average set by the college from which they are graduating that demonstrate exceptional academic performance within the college.

### *with Special Honors*

### *with Distinction*

### *with High Distinction*

### *with Highest Distinction*

These terms denote students who have met criteria including, but not limited to, grade point average set by the department of the student's major that demonstrate exceptional academic performance within the major.

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Graduates having completed an honors program are also noted in the program. Following is an explanation of the criteria required of the honors programs.

### **University Honors**

This program recognizes students who have successfully maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.75 and have completed 18 hours of Honors-dedicated or designated courses, including the First-Year Honors Seminar, Honors Public Speaking, and the Honors Capstone Seminar.

### **Mountain Lion Honors**

This program recognizes students who have successfully maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.50 and have completed the First-Year Honors Seminar, Honors Public Speaking, and the Honors Capstone Seminar.

## CANDIDATES FOR ADVANCED DEGREES

The following list of candidates for degrees includes students graduating in May 2020. Graduates will receive their diploma jackets by walking across the commencement stage in two lines in order of college or school listed in the program.

### GRADUATE SCHOOL

Kelli Klebe, Dean

#### PH.D. – EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP RESEARCH & POLICY

Curtis Garcia

*“Investigating Relationships Between Measures of Teacher Quality and School Context in Colorado: A Multilevel Moderated Mediation Analysis”*

Michael McNamee

*“Alumni Identity: A Structural Equation Approach to Beliefs and Behaviors”*

#### PH.D. – COMPUTER SCIENCE

Yousef Salah Alsaahafi

*“Robust Fine-Grained Object Classification in Videos Domain”*

Khaled Alyousefi

*“Toward Accurate Motion Estimation with Affine Correspondences”*

Abdel Hamid Elgzil

*“Cyber Anonymity Based on Software-Defined Networking and Onion Routing (SOR)”*

Shaoqi Wang

*“Scalable Distributed Machine Learning on Data-Parallel Clusters”*

#### PH.D. – ENGINEERING

Dubari Borah (*emphasis in Electrical Engineering*)

*“Differential Multiband Reconfigurable Filters for RF Front-End Applications”*

Matthew H. Johnson (*emphasis in Electrical Engineering*)

*“Application of Rateless Codes”*

#### PH.D. – SECURITY

Oluwatobi Akanbi

*“A Novel Network Orchestration Layer for SDN: Fine-Grain Control and Security”*

Ehab Ashary

*“Toward More Secure Bluetooth Low Energy Beacon Technology”*

Scott Melton

*“Network Security and Quality of Service Assessment for Hybrid Software Defined Networks”*

#### PH.D. – APPLIED SCIENCE

Jacob Bible (*emphasis in Physics*)

*“Surprising Results from Simple Models: Magnetic and Elastic Self Focusing and Biomedical Applications”*

Luke Harmon (*emphasis in Math*)

*“Lower Finite Modules over Commutative Rings with Identity”*

Jason Nobles (*emphasis in Physics*)

*“Optimization of Liquid Crystal Based Devices Operating In The Microwave Region”*

Patrick Yarbrough (*emphasis in Physics*)

*“High Frequency Magnetization Dynamics Affecting Parallel Pumping, Reflectivity and Thermal Properties of Magnets”*

## CANDIDATES FOR ADVANCED DEGREES

### PH.D. – PSYCHOLOGY

Cara Bussell (*emphasis in Clinical Geropsychology*)

*"Factors Influencing Individuals' Capacity Decisions for Patients Requesting Medical Aid in Dying"*

Jessica Saurman (*emphasis in Clinical Geropsychology*)

*"Longitudinal Measurement Invariance of Executive Functioning Measures and the Use of Process Variables to Differentiate Novel and Familiar Test-Taking Strategies"*

Carolyn Yeager (*emphasis in Trauma Psychology*)

*"If We Build It, Will They Come? Engagement with Digital Health Interventions for Trauma Recovery"*

### DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE - CAPSTONE PROJECT

Katherine Albert

*"Assessment of Oncology Provider Knowledge of and Screening Practices for Anthracycline-Associated Cardiovascular Complications"*

Bethanie Demmitt

*"Breaking the Pattern: Does Intensive Case Management Reduce ED Visits by High-Utilizer Patients?"*

Lauren Dieterman

*"Gender-Affirming Hormone Therapy Clinical Toolkit: Development, Implementation, and Evaluation in the Primary Care Setting"*

Nola Restesan

*"Increasing the Use and Provision of Written Asthma Action Plan in Managing Pediatric Asthma at A Primary Care Clinic"*





## CANDIDATES FOR ADVANCED DEGREES

### HELEN AND ARTHUR E. JOHNSON BETH-EL COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Kevin Laudner, Dean

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING

*Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year: Sarah Mros*

Ashley Anne Bauder

Sarah Mros

Gabrielle Opperman

Elizabeth Nicole Carrington

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Ashley Meagan Benally-Ross

Stacie L. Herring

Christina Lauren Lonigro

Ruth Ann Bentley

Isabella Ashley Hertz

Nahomy Maria Marrero

Allison Page Buck

Hadley Grant Hofreiter

Steffanie Marie McCombs

Laura Jean Carlsen

Alexandra Hogan

Heike Petersen

Brenna Jean Christie

Ting Ting Hsieh Kinser

Runa Pradhan

Rachael Conner

Emily Hull-Lierheimer

Nicole Rene Provins

Melinda L. Evans

London Teri Jackson

Katie Racine

Caitlin Conner Finn

Jennie Renee Jolliffe

Justin Robert Ragon

Robyn Francine Goldsmith

Kelly Ann Jost

Laura Smith

Patrick alan Grady

John Arthur Klube, Jr.

Jamie Leigh Stokes

Keenan Michael Griego

Jessica Lauren Kraft

Marge E. Strawn

Amanda Harrison

Grace Lee

Kathy Robin Thai

Brandy Vail Helfer

Rachel Liverett

Grace A. Worland

Brenda Henderson

Kimberly Lockwood

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN SPORTS MEDICINE

Sarah Mros

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

Jake Bone

Ryland Emery Townsend

Mason Thomas Walters

Emily Caryl Kulakowski

Whitney Tramel

Dalton James White

Katelin Eleanor Staab

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN HEALTH PROMOTION

*Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year: Kimberly Humphrey, Morgan Lavender, Cynthia Lewis*

Kimberly Humphrey

Morgan Lavender

Cynthia Lewis

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN SPORTS NUTRITION

*Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year: Elizabeth D. Hubbell*

Lexie Greitzer

Hilary Lynn Kave

Brittany Prien

Elizabeth D. Hubbell

Jack Courtright O'Connor

## CANDIDATES FOR ADVANCED DEGREES

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION

Eric Olson, Interim Dean

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

*Distinguished Graduate Academic Achievement Awards: Mason Cullen, Jacqueline May Jewell, James Thomas Kochanski, Andrea Bett Sedgley*

Maggie Anne Andrews	Gregg Hunter	Richard Kenneth Pope
Jordan Patrick Broers	Alex Inzer	Melissa Sue Rather
Ioan-Paul Burca	Jacqueline May Jewell	Ian Kimble Ratz
Mason Cullen	Ryan Michael Jeziorski	John Michael Rubley
Joshua Patrick Davis	Nicholas Jimenez, III	Andrea Bett Sedgley
Charles Emanuel	James Thomas Kochanski	Nathan Gregory Seither
Joseph Friesen	Jeffrey Charles Lindquist	Maryellen Sims
Argelia Gabbard	Thomas Scott McKee	Tyler Thorne
Miles Jackson Gearin	Russel Leon Mehler	Bobbi Ann Ullman
Kendall Godley	Sarah Colleen Mensch	Sarah Joan Vogt
Kaitlyn Hazard	Cheryl Meyers-Saffold	James Richard Wills
Diane Rebecca Hesselbrock	Douglas Perry	Eric Wilson
Jereen Hossain	Heather Peterson	Michael James Wright, Jr.
Mandy Hubbell	Devon Lynn Phelan	

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTING

*Distinguished Graduate Academic Achievement Awards: Nicole Tenenini*

Nicole Tenenini	Christine Walker	John Wojnarowski
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### SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

George Reed, Dean

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

*Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year: Leslee Anne Bechtel*

Jared Michael Adams	Patricia Cortes	Nate Schwartz
Krystal Adkins	Martin Anthony Leopard	Karli Ingrid Welborn
Leslee Anne Bechtel	Suzan Abdulla Malazada	

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

*Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year: Kayah Cherie Swanson, Lydia Grace Van Thiel, Shannon Vassen*

Krystal Adkins	Martin Anthony Leopard	Rachel N Stanton
Rubba Ibrahim Ahrum	Kimberly Ann Mullins	Melanie Strescino
Natasha Michelle Allen	Jerome Nichols	Kayah Cherie Swanson
William Allen Brassfield	Christina Reuter	Jerilyn Britton Taylor
Patricia Cortes	Mike Seeger	Lydia Grace Van Thiel
Alexander R. Jobe	Aaron Burke Shonk	Shannon Vassen

## CANDIDATES FOR ADVANCED DEGREES

### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Valerie Martin Conley, Dean

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING AND HUMAN SERVICES

Stephen Len Anderson	Jake Hall	Christina Waverly Royal
Stacy Lynn Andrews	Brianna Leigh Hawk	Chera Prideaux Sheets
Samantha Diane Archuleta	Caitlin Hernandez	Trever Jeremiah Shirin
Daniel Arnal	Kayla Nicole Higbee	Abigail Esparza Solis
Tara Darlene Aronstam	Laura Elizabeth Hunt	Lauren Rebecca Taylor
Tori Cannella	Sherry Lynn Jackson	Tatainya Zoe Taylor
Jada Vivian Carr	Matt Janzik	Steve Terezakis
Cassidy L. Cassidy	Liz Jarding	Alyssa Shannon Tetrault
Richard Michael Cheng	Chris Knaute	Jeffrey Michael Tetrault
Stephanie Danielle Collins	Stephanie Vannyda Kol	Cassie Jean Thomas
Breanna Marleen Dasher	Amanda Loree Kosturko	Shosana Lee Troop
Raquel Jaleen Dronenburg	Joshua Michael LeVay	Stephanie Troscher
Kodi Enkler	Charles John MacGregor	Chris Varnier
Rachael Falgout	Christopher William Marquez	Mike Wetherbee
Kaylyn Farrell	Ingrid Rose Morath	Jasmine Caprice White
Melanie Ann Folkerts	Mica McCratic Myers	Rebecca Williams
Giovanny Romy Franco-Diaz	Patty Nadeau	Matthew Holt Yarrington
Zachary Samuel Franklin	Sarah Booth Parker	Joshua Roy Yerik
Bryan Gibbs	Lisa Christine Powers	Stephany Zarifa-Ewers
Kamillah Devonne Gray	Michael Jon Robinson	Mauricio Daniel Zumba
Lupita Guadalupe Gromko	Rachael Beth Rosner	

#### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

*Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year: Kimberly Lynn Cox, Lauren Ann Crocker, Katherine Emily Fails, David Anthony Jung, Veselka Dlaboha Kuzma, Erica Lingle, AnnaLise Marie Rafferty, Deborah Michelle Schutz, Bryanna Ruth Shirin*

Kimberly Lynn Cox	David Anthony Jung	Deborah Michelle Schutz
Lauren Ann Crocker	Veselka Dlaboha Kuzma	Bryanna Ruth Shirin
Katherine Emily Fails	Erica Lingle	Mary Elizabeth Spurlock
Franklin Edward Goodwin, Jr.	Stephany Lisseth Mayorga	
Angela Kim Herrera	AnnaLise Marie Rafferty	



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### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN LEADERSHIP IN EDUCATION

*Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year: Caroline Feldman, Erik J. Newhouse*

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Caroline Feldman	Jill Miller	Carlie Snethen
Sarah Ruth Frazier	Chris Morgan	Alex Snyder
Jess Christopher Haney	Kaeley Frances Neppi	Stacy Amanda Steepe
Cydney Elyn Hughes	Erik J. Newhouse	Anna Lee Stewart
Samantha Midori Kelleher	Molly Irene Pargas	Regan Delone Welsh

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

*Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year: Mi Na Choo*

Melissa Allison Baxter	Nancy Michelle McFadden	Danielle Maria Strauss
Mi Na Choo	Bryce Edward Nelson	Courtney Thompson
Karen Lynn Lane	Tiffany Anne Reno	Shaye Leigh Worley
Matthew McEnroe	Natale Maria Riley	

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

*Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year: Ashley Nicole Hamman, Krista M. Joyce, Brenda Sebastian*

Jenna Dae Armstrong	Ashley Nicole Hamman	Heidi McClure
Carole Denise Ellsworth	Krista M. Joyce	Brenda Sebastian
Jacqueline Kenya Fritz	Alan Gary Lane	

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE

Donald Rabern, Dean

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ENGINEERING

Cassidy A. Bowie	Peter Karanevich	Chad Wesley Spalinger
Daniel Richard Compton	Michael Massey	Phillip Jared Thomas
Syed Imran Hossain	Nathan Nordby	Aaron James Vetack

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Daniel Ryan Boxler	Joshua Daniel Lawson	Ryan Matthew Young
Guillem Budia Tirado	Andreas Gerald Slovacek	
Abhishek Sanjay Chepe	Madhushankar Suresh	

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Aloisio Henrique Kawakita de Souza	Anton Sergeevich Pancheshnyy David Peckham	Jordi Perera Miro Benjamin Stephen Watts
Rosa Josefina Machado		

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Micah Briggs Chapman Tyler Gillespie	Emily Ann Larsen	Lluís Umbert Amat
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## COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS, AND SCIENCES

Rex Welshon, Interim Dean

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN APPLIED GEOGRAPHY

*Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year: Zach Cleland*

Zach Cleland

Dwayne Liller

Kaleb Pietkoski

Ashley Joyal

Eric Maez

Travis Wright

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

*Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year: Jolena Dombrowski, Hanne Ruth Murray*

Jolena Dombrowski

Leann Rebecca Rochelle

Hanne Ruth Murray

Liz Irvine-Madrid

Mandeville

Stacey Erin Tatum

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY

*Outstanding Graduate Students of the Year: Stefan Scott Huddleston, Heather Marie Poll, Chris Schreck*

Kurt Blose

Reagen Eric Hudson

Heather Marie Poll

Kirstin Dillingham

Allison Christine McDonald

Nathaniel Wayne Rennicks

Ryan Anthony Harris

Spencer Miles

Chris Schreck

Stefan Scott Huddleston

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Katie Lynn Granier

Lisa Eileen Stone

Tia Elisabeth Tourville

Sydney Nolan

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY

Liz Carruthers

Julia Lucero-Orebaugh

Sarah Mayer

Robert Alec Phelton Fitzpatrick

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS

*Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year: Karl Anders Buvarp*

Karl Anders Buvarp

Elizabeth Sarah Peterson

Stephen John Sivetts, Jr.

Lucas Christopher Goad

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN BIOLOGY

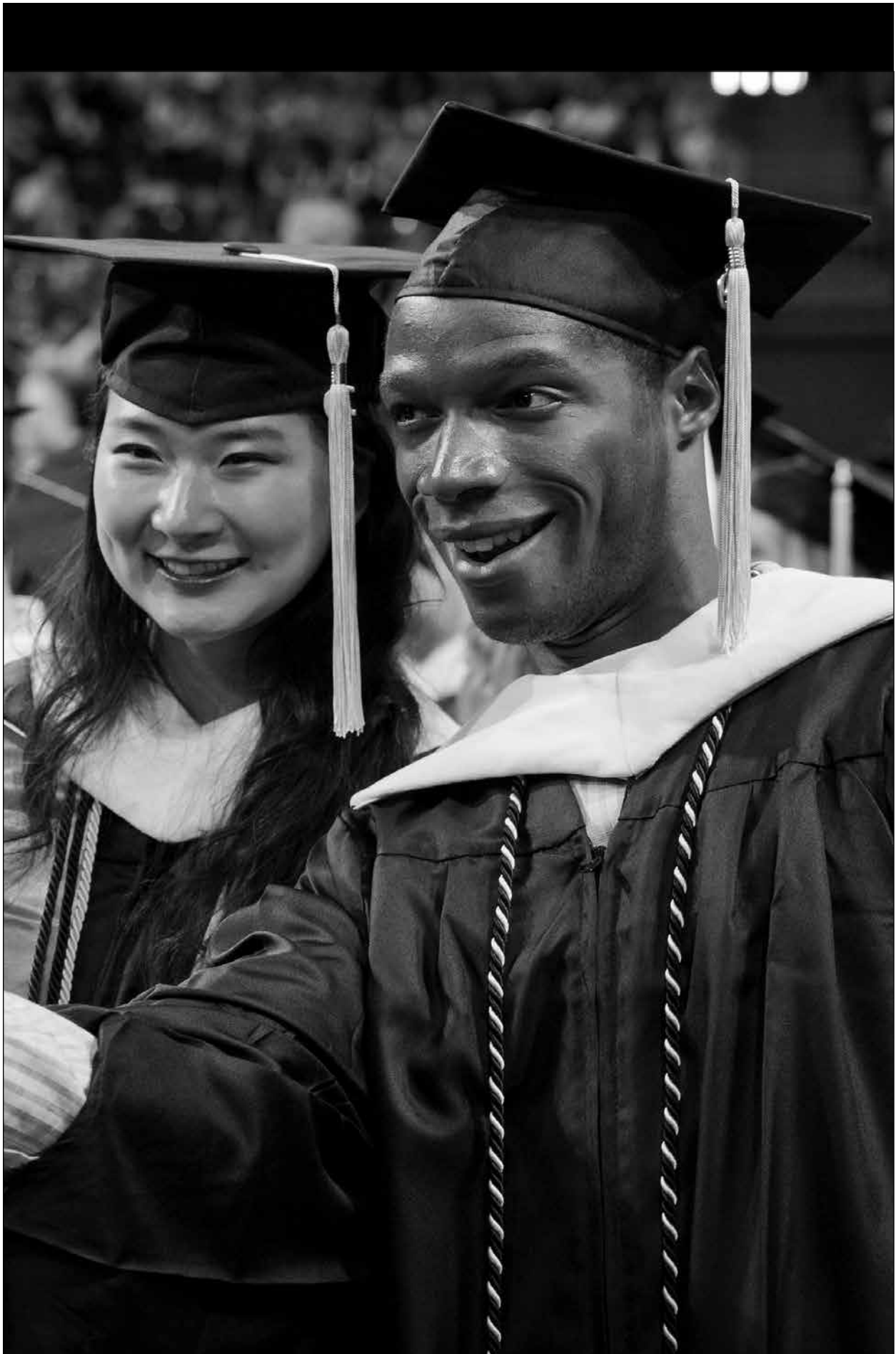
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Eric Gaulke

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## CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### HELEN AND ARTHUR E. JOHNSON BETH-EL COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Kevin Laudner, Dean

#### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EXERCISE SCIENCE

Maia Adriana Austin***	Arianna Rose Gregg***	Derrick Simon Roberts
Annalise Hope Ball*	Antonio Deontay Hawkins	Chloe Rose Rohrbaugh
Shania A. Barcene-Ives	Clarielle Heinicke**	Shealy Ann Salas**, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
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Cassie Jane Bunyard	Peter Johns	Aubrey C. Slack
Connie L. Chen	Lauren Kennedy	Megan Marie Smiley***
Alexandra C. Cook*	Kayti Frances Lewis***	Calli Callida Terrell
Danielle Lamai Cormier	Anna Katherine Ligas***	Michelle Kathleen Vereline*
Jack Duguid	Briona Nicole Lo-Romero	Madison Warwick
Alexa Rose Dwelis	Alisyn Marie Meritt	Kennedy Faith Watson
Kylee Rose Elmer**	Cole Charles Pappas	Yasmine Wright
Robert L. Frankforter	Michael John Prieditis	
Angelina Marie Garduno	Taron Z. Reifschneider	

#### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH CARE SCIENCE

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Kinsey Fischer, Jeff Driscoll*

Emilee Erin Aschoff***	Hannah Rebecca Filer*	Kassandra C. Pontilo
Devon Taylor Baker	Iliana Marie Finken*	Scott Michael Porter*
Ashley Anne Bauder	Kinsey Fischer*	Catherine Constance Robohn
Kierra Barrington**	Kate Formiller*	Kyle Schrock*
Gina Marie Bellestri*	Chase Mitchell Garrison	Breanna Corin Sisson
Nicholas Ryan Berghorst**	Kason Ryan Hanson***	Collette Genevieve Summers
Isaac Boahen	Darena Lucy Cora Herschler**	Keenan Layne Thomas**
Amanda Renee Childress	Nicholas Anthony Kellner**	Alisia Valdez
Marissa Courtney Conklin	Amber Nicole Lamdin*	Lauren Vyvlecka
Cassidy Nicole Crown*	Leann Renee Ludlow**	Meghan C. Waidler
Katherine Ann Daniel***	Kerri Ann Luttrell	Amity Faith Warme***
Jeff Driscoll***	Madeline Brooke McGraw	
Alizza Beth Eddinger	Mia Alexandra Mendija	

#### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Jaclyn Marie Klingenmeier, Emma R. Roberts*

Amy Elizabeth Albright*	Julia Marie Claussen*	Selana Nicole Gallegos***, <i>with University Honors</i>
Krista Yvonne Barthel*	Montana RyAnn Cook **	Ashley Faith Gardner*
Cody Benjamin Bates*	Eryn Elizabeth Cos***	Heidi Francis Gardner
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Justine Clair Lorch*	Megan Rathbun*	Tesse Nicole Taylor**
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Alyssa Christine Martin**	Nicole Rogers*	Joanna Margaret Washburn
Gabriella Noel Matl*	Vanessa Nicole Roggie**	Emily Weldon*
Ashton Blair Melton***	Kathleen Claire Ruonavar	Megan Ann Wilkins**
Kenny James Miller*	Kiera Elizabeth Ashely Rusk**	Chase Joseph-Leonard Wychulis
Rachel Ann Miller*	Darian Marie Sanfelice*	Eunice Yeboah
Sydni Paige Mueller	Roshanak Shahvari-Medina*	Kailey Marie Yost*
David Thu Nguyen***		Anthony Ray Zimmerman-Cortez **

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## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION

Eric Olson, Interim Dean

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Breanne Cranmer	Colin Michael McCreary	Tyler Sidhom
Gabby Deaderick	Adam Mitchell Newell	Emma Kaitlyn Suchomel
Lee Michael Haider	Margo Suzanne Pengilly	Taylor D. Swierc
Megan Raeann Hogan	Emma Kristin Protsik	Robert Trujillo
Jeremiah Johnston	Caitlin Nichole Ruth	Andrew Charles Webb
Kayla May	Cody J. Schauer	Dawson Josiah Wright

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS

*Distinguished Undergraduate Academic Achievement Awards: Mason Alexander Davis, Elizabeth M. Poskey*

Kyla Acker*	Jared Berenstein**	Michael Tanner Comes
David James Adamson	Heath Garrett Bichel**	Taylor Paul Comroe
Chauncey Gayle Baybay Aguila	Neil David Bowling**	Kolten Michael Craft
Rufino Ismael Agustin	Troy Riley Brist	Sydney Ann Cunfer**
Patrick John Aldredge*	Clark David Brown	Austin Timothy Daily
Giovanna Apfelbaum	Jared Skyler Burroughs*	Calli Janee Dalal
Danica Artzberger**	Emily Grace Carmi**	Cooper H. Daniels
Donald William Bailey**	Charles V. Chandler	Mason Alexander Davis***
Jordan Ann Baker***	Jason Chau	Caitlyn DeMonico***, <i>with University Honors</i>
Andrew Banuet*	Mitchell John Clark	Elena Isabel Diaz
Ashley L. Barker	Matthew Evan Clarke*	Joseph David Donelson
Logan Scott Barker**	Jacob Peter Claton*	Allie Marie Downing
Joseph Clifford Bassett***	Drusilla Ashley Colby	

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## CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Christian James Dwire	Anthony Jerome Kosovich***	Garrett Martin Pugh
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Jack Colton Evans	Amanda Lynn Leyba	Serah Rosemary Rhea**
Lauren Emilie Fernandez**	Babavoe Ghislain Jeff Jean-Luc Liliou, Sr.	Nicholas Allen Richardson
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Jessica Christine Fornelius*	Jillian Marie Lovelace	Alexandra Cathleen Riggs*
Richard Frankel	Israel Lucero	Aryn Elizabeth Robinson
Russell Lane Freeman	Alexa Marie Lujan**	Serena Jade Rodriguez
Madi Rae Gaibler	Jacob Ryan Lutz	Kylene Alea Romero
Fachone Cymone Gaines	Saruja Maharjan	Kylie Jean Rossman*
Johnny James Gallegos, Jr.	Leah Eve Maliszewski	Andrew Gil Rothenbury*
Joshua P. Garzaniti**	John Robert Mallon	Mitchelle Arman Rulloda***
Kendra Kathleen Gearhard	Luis Carlos Marengo	Eliette Renee Rutledge
Tyler Joseph Geddes*	Sammy Martinez	Katie Lea Schumacher*, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
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Mary Katherine Glidden	Clayton McCrory	Varick Anthony Snyder*
Samuel Joseph Gomez*	Haley J. McDaris	Alyssa Nicole Strong**
Veronica Greives*	Matthew Michael McDermott	Justin Karl Sturdy
Michelle Lynn Griffith*	Matthew Thomas McKenney	Sara Patricia Taylor
Martin S. Grot	Ana Mendoza Ornelas	Caitlin Alexandra Themann*
Matthew Dean Hanson*	Morgan Grace Metcalf	Nathan A. Tillema
Matthew Kenneth Hayashida*	Patrick J. Miller**, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>	Samuel Budimir Tomovich
Josephine Claire Hedenstrom	Austin Bradley Milner	Meagan Tracey*
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Zack Lawrence Hennen	Aly Morgan	Olivia N. Trujillo
Aleah Nicole Heredia	Gunnar Jay Morse**	Jon David Tubbs
Katherine Lane Hines	Nikowa Lee Neill	Madison Anne Turner
Philip Alan Hogan	Logan Daniel Neumeister*	Peyton Marie Turner**
Faith Elizabeth Hopfe*	Ari Dion Norton	Alexander Mitchell Unger
Kristen Anne Howarth*	Katie Anne Novak***	Landon Joseph Urban*
Matthew Vincent Hruska*	Jacklyn Jeanette O'Neill***	Megan Ashton Vernon
James Thomas Hurrell	Alan Owens**	Alfonso Damian Via***
Vivian Mae Hymer	Michenzie Elizabeth Pace	Padiet Mayian Padiet Wang
Krista A. Ionita*	Beauregard Cordin Parmenter	Ryan David Warner
Kyle Austin Jeffries	Sarah Nicole Partee	Shawn Calvin Watkins, Sr.
Seth Daniel Jensen*	Chelsea Jean Pearson**	Ryan William Watson
Zachary Jackson Jobe	Norma Lizeth Perez**	Kelsey Marie Weatherford***, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
Salma Kazemi	Ryan Michael Peterich**	Taylor Nicole White
Geoffrey Leon Deitsch Kelly**	Brandon Steven Petty	Kelly Jeanette Willman*
Liam Pilipo Kenoi	Kayla Nicole Pfannenstiel	Eric James Yates***
Tammie Jean Keyonnie	Tyler Bernard Pfannenstiel	Amanda Brook Yerger*
Logan James Kidd	Chase Spencer Pollock**	Angel A. Zapata*
Kaiden Robert Kimball	Elizabeth M. Poskey***	Thomas Eric Zarkovacki*
Marlee King	Taylor Mackenzie Pryor	
Angela Kiana Knight		
Jacob Robert Kopycinski		

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## CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

George Reed, Dean

#### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Keara Alexis Werth*

Christopher Anthony Alban	Daniela Gamboa*	Lauren Bianca Ness
Cole Bronson Anwiler	Balin Cape Gentry	Emileo Charles Ochoa-Boyce
Nicholas William Athanasiou	Tiffany Renee Gordon	Jenna Oliver
Christina Marie Grace Bartalo	Myeisha LaQuail Grate	Sydney Leigh Poole***
Elizabeth Nicole Behnke*	Mahaylee R. Green	Amanda Paige Raslowsky**
Michael J. Benz	Andrew Ross Grindle*	Hannah Renee Reasbeck
Brandon Michael Biedermann	Travis Keifer Hartman*	Yhatisse Michelle Reynolds- Jones*
Mariah Rose Blair	Alex Hauser	Elizabeth Dawn Robinson**
James Corey Blasingame*	McKenley D. Hoelmer*	Alia Elizabeth Ryan
Tyler James Boatwright	Hannah Michelle Ingram*	Arianna Sanchez*
Maddison Bowker	Haydee Antonieta Jara-Quinones	Aylicia Marie Sanchez*
Nathan Brenenstuhl	Brianna Knope***	Samuel Sandoval
Amber Renea Browning**	Cameron Michael Komrofske	Stephanie Savolt
Eric Andrés Carlson**	Jordan Elizabeth Kreiser***	Madeleine Ruth Simon
Matthew A. Charbonneau	Noah James Kremes*	Julia Nicole Sivetts
Talia Marie Christensen***	Brandon James Litwiller**	Zakris Lee Swanson
Kassey A. Cibula***	Caroline Lule*	Heather R. Teague
Alec Cirka	Danielle Marlow**	Brian Thomas Trentman
Douglas David Condit	Kendall Jacques McAteer-Sierra	Kufto Ahmed Walio
Ryan Cordrey	Alicia Elizabeth McCurdy	Kayla Dawn Ward***
Ashton Marie Davidson	Rob Morley	Kylie Marie Warren
Sarah Dibernardo	Zachary Taylor Morran*	Dawson Michele Weiss***
Timmy Andrew Ehrhart	Gina Munro	Keara Alexis Werth***
Nicholas Alexander Fisher	Makenzie Grace Neal	Kaitlyn Jane Wormsbacher
Katlyn Diane Gallardo	Myles D. Nelson*	

### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Valerie Martin Conley, Dean

#### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HUMAN SERVICES

Annie Alaine Hallis                                  Natalia Ashley Hart                                  Leslie Anabel Reyes Ortiz

#### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INCLUSIVE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Traci Lynn Berta, Abigail Kjesti Muser, Samantha Jean Verrill*

Holly Nicole Anderson	Jourdan Owen Ellis	Breanna Lynn Himot***
Jacob Robert Babcock**	Emily Rose Faith***	Casey Michelle House***
Cassandra Ann Bacon**	Samantha Kaylene Farmer***	Kylie Brook Hylton**
Kylee Nicole Bailey	Jillian Nicole Gawley***	Vanessa Marie Joens***
Mikayla Mae Bensman**	Kristen Marie George*	Dimitri Andreas Johnson*
Karen Renee Beresky	Jacob Alonzo Godino*	Kylie Anne Johnson
Traci Lynn Berta	Chloe Kara Gomez***	Brook Ann Joslyn*
Nancy S. Bishara**	Reilly Greene	Leigh Katherine Lancaster**
Stephanie Katherine Compton**	Elizabeth Hambsh**	Chanelle Lynn LeVack**
Jasmine Cruz*	Naomi Dharma Elizabeth Hayner***, <i>with University Honors</i>	Kristi Michelle Lutz
Meagan Marie DeNio***		Madison Brooke Mackenzie***

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Marlie Paige McDowell*	Relaina Marie Rios**	Katie Louise Tourtillott
Christina Ann McGeehan**	Charlotte Linnea Ross***	Kailey Michelle Valliere
Nicole Dorine Moon	Lucas Michael Singer	Samantha Jean Verrill***
Abigail Kjesti Muser***	Kelsey Brooke Snyder**	Brittney Ladell Wagner*
Michelle Perry**	Michael Benner Steiner	Shannon ElizaBeth Wagner*
Tori Carolyn Quintana	Moriah Carmen Swank	Julie Christine Wilson**
Casey Randolph***	Jennifer N. Tello***	Kimberly Anne Wilson**
Brittney Ann Reichert***	Katie Lynn Toler**	Mikayla M. Young

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN INCLUSIVE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Emily Elizabeth Gaytan	Carys A. Jacobs	Benee Elise Trempert
Kaitlyn Nicole Gunn*	Kelly Elizabeth Parrish***, <i>with University Honors</i>	Madison Leigh Young
Rikki Monique Hampton		

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## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE

Donald Rabern, Dean

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Isaac Eugene Berge	Tai Z. Martinez, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Mathew William Pollard, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Milo Latham Davis	Michael Anthony Nixon, <i>with Honors</i>	Gia Ting Zhuang, <i>with Special Honors, with University Honors</i>
Jake Engelen		
Brandon John Even		

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN COMPUTER SCIENCE & SECURITY

Abdullah Tarik Alsindy	Zachary Miles Hosier	Angelo T. Salazar
Swan Sky Allure Garcia	Kamil M. Kieszkowski	Thayer Morrison Shepherd
Erik N. Guy	Ryan Logan Rabinowitz	

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Garrett T. Downs

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN GAME DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT

William James Bono, III	Stephen T. Deetman	Tristan Ashle Selph, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Matthew William Briggs	Jacob Scott Howell	Andrew Joseph Stanecek
Rion Tanner Cole, <i>with Honors</i>	Samuel Gilliland Layton IV, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Joshua Michael Young
Chad Anthony Credeur	Liam Michael McAleavey	
Joshua D'Andrea		

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Sam James Duden	Brent Lowe, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Wilfred Karl Smith Jr.
Michael David Jones, <i>with Honors</i>	Cade Nash	Richard Hunter Wallace, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Justin Antony Leo, <i>with Special Honors with University Honors</i>	Rodney Greg Rodriguez	Kendall Jamal Watts
	Cory DeCuir Saunders	Josh Willis, <i>with Honors</i>
	Jason Lee Schattschneider	

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## CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Tanner Robert Barrett	Austin Michael Johnson	Aaron Andrew Phillips
Gerrit Rolf Birkeland, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Austen Phillippe Laplace	Elisabeth Grace Post, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Sean Bowers, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Cesar Oswaldo Larrea	Curtis John Rebhan
Tyler Ryan Bredl	Alex Hunhui Lee	Jordan Thomas Richardson, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Joshua Joseph Christensen	Christopher Raymond Long, II	Daniel Alejandro Rivera, <i>with Honors,</i>
Brandon Collins, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Elijah Joseph Lopez	<i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
Jack Benjamin Cullen, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Caleb Jordan Maftai, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Erik Kenneth Russell
Christopher Michael Davis	Thomas Ely McDonald, II	Jacob A. Sanders
James Patrick Dugan, <i>with Honors</i>	Andrew Scott McGrath, <i>with Honors</i>	Patrick Joshua Spriggs
Jude Quiaoit Falcon	Kelly Jay McMurtrey	Kyle David Strother, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Emily Hao Gayton	Armand Prephy Nimrod Moussaouyi	Jason Driscoll Tarr
Kaden Tyler Griffith	Mimi Sophie Namsinh, <i>with Honors</i>	Mitchell Wesley Walker, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Rocky Allen Griffith, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Robert LeRoy Nasuti, Jr.	Simeon James Wuthier
Jeremy Lee Jersin	Tyler Shea O'Connell	Robert Vincent Wyckoff
	Shawn Partin	Barrett Zurn-Sinclair
	Eric Michael Peterson	

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DATA ANALYTICS AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

Jacob Bostick	Michelle Annette Davis	Allegra Grace Shippy
Samantha Nicole Caricato		

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Marwan Abdurraheem S Aljuhani	Jason Lewis Fisher	Michael Anderson Neale
Hareth Alsaeed	Wesley Allen Hileman, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Tyler James Nutting
Farah Hussain Ali Alsarraf, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Theresa Josephine, <i>with Special Honors</i>	John Tilla Parish, IV
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Jared Alexander Backofen	David James McConnell	Jose Angel Silva
Kristopher John Bourgeois	Patrick McKenzie	William Alexander Smith
Austin Michael Chasse	Jason Miller, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Ryan Daniel Toffel, <i>with Special Honors</i>
Todd Martin Christiansen, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Emily Renee Moore, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Brianna Lynn Vetter, <i>with Honors</i> <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
Eric Graham Duff		

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Emily Jeanne Allen	Dylan Patrick Copley	Ryan M. Janitell
Norman Anderson	Krystall Miosotis Corbaley	Scott Edward Jensen, <i>with Honors</i>
Daniel Joseph Benishek, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Christian Cumming	David A. Johnson
Collin Wesley Bennett	Ross E. Dunlap	Kyle Christopher Joslyn, <i>with Honors</i>
Kevin Matthew Brown, <i>with Honors</i>	Emily Morgan Eby, <i>with Honors</i>	Bryan Alexander Kassner
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Luke Aspen Burkstaller	Madeline Anne Ellis	Alexander Steven Kracht
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Craig Arlin Chambers, <i>with Special Honors</i>	Brett S. Erickson	Zhenyu Lin
Bradley Joseph Chesney	Mitchell Fox-Rivera	Jeffrey Wayne Lurch, <i>with Honors</i>
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	Dylan Jay Hansen	Cesar Mejia Mendoza
	Taylor Monroe Heitz	Micah Allen Mesward
	Alexander William Huey	

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## COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS, AND SCIENCES

Rex Welshon, Interim Dean

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Alex Blanco-Castaño, Jacenta Marie O'Halloran-Maynor, Victoria Marie Rick, Paz Vigil*

Alex Blanco-Castaño**, <i>with High Distinction</i>	Sonia Gonzalez	Victoria Marie Rick**
Alejandro M. Delgado	Ethan Davis Mascarenhas	Shannon Elizabeth Seebeck
Ashley Marcella Ellis	Jacenta Marie O'Halloran-Maynor**	Paz Vigil*
	Erin Taylor Perret*	Alora Elizabeth Wallace

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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIOLOGY

Patricia Ann Andrews*	Nadia Jean Duncan***	Jessica Nicole Kingstrom**
Soledad Anglada*	Marah Guzman	
Anna Blaisdell***	Elizabeth Henry	

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHEMISTRY

Justin Bendesky

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Adey Abebe, Jodi Marie Battle, Meghan Lee Johnson, Derek T. Lee, Joshua Philip Ray Shepherd, Galen David Westmoreland, Christopher Michael Wingate*

Lexi Anne Aagesen	Hannah Emilie Arnoldi	Henry Brition Batty
Susan Marie Abbarno	Adam Samuel Atenacio*	Brittany Leigh Baugh*
Adey Abebe*	Blend Avdili	Xavier Dejour Bennett
Daniela Aguilar	Johan Michael Barry	Chris Benson**
Christian Michael Alires Gallegos	Eric Anthony Batdorf	Lauren Dion Bethel
Heather Marie Allen	Jodi Marie Battle**	John Bode

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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ECONOMICS

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Jessica Lynn McDermott*

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 Brenton Loran Emmons  
 Gibran Stanley English  
 Nicholas James Hawkins  
 Brian Christopher Herbert

Chase Michael Hindman  
 Lawrence Sherrill Kershaw  
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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

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 Charles Edward Davis\*\*  
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 Kendall E. Johnson\*\*\*  
 Sarah Nichole Johnson  
 Rebecca Irene Kemp\*\*  
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 Gabrielle Marie Kochevar\*\*  
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 Christopher Moises Martinez  
 Lisa Anne Miller\*  
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 Anne Louise Moser  
 Brandi Lea Myers  
 Katherine Kristine Pritchard\*\*\*  
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Ethan Gabriel Roach\*\*\*  
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## CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Dawn Reimer<sup>#</sup>*

Danielle Joy Ardan	Cameron Richard June	Joshua Gabriel Ramirez*
Matthew T. Augustine	Jeff King	Theresa Lynn Randall***
Annie Attellia Berg	Natalie Marie Luther*	Elisabeth Mary Ross**
Alex Blanco-Castano**	Shelby Rae Paxton**	Carrie Ann Silverstein
Marissa Leigh Bodenhausen**	Luke A Petersen	Zachary Sean Slindee
Meghan Brunner	Laurn E. Petrowski***	Aaron Wilson**
Kelsey Calhoun*	Aaron De Jesus Plascencia	Eric Geordon Witte***
Avis Regina Clayton	Daniel Homer Powers	
Laurens Alexander Hare	Zachary Alexander Priller*	

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Kateri Lynn Pacetti, Erin Rogers, Thecla Michaela Shubert, Aaron Wilson, Eric Geordon Witte*

Jamie Marie Anderson	Nathaniel Edward Henderson**	Damian Alexander Ruminski
Laynie Reid Anderson**	Jessica Anne Johnson	Thecla Michaela Shubert***
Megan V Aragon**	Sarah Lee Kriner	Seon Smyth**
Hannah Elizabeth Bolin*	Austin Lubbers	Elysée Merced Szantyr
Edward Kevin Bourke	Marc Andrew Lucena*	Marissa Marie Tobias**
Kyle Collins	Greg Alan Massa	Aidan Alfred Torgerson
Carlos Felipe Cruz	Micah Danielle Mehl***	Stephen A. Wall**
Jessica Faith Denning***	Kateri Lynn Pacetti***	Aaron Wilson**
Aleah Cathrieann Eddy**	David Michael Reyhons*	**Eric Geordon Witte***
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Elizabeth M. Giles	Erin Rogers	
	Elisabeth Mary Ross**	

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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Suzanne Margaret Seyfi\*  
Quinita Contrella Thomas

Terri Wagner  
Dwayne Lenord Walker, Jr.

Israel Wheatley\*\*

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Austin B. Rhodes, Hanna J. Woods*

Connor James Barnes\*\*  
Felicia Isabel Boza\*  
Paola Irad Carrasco  
Nicolas Isaac Champlin  
Kyle Cody Cox  
Christopher Jacob Garner

Fred Gustafson  
Felicia Renee Hart  
Michaela Rae Joachim  
Elise LaRaine Krause\*\*  
Michael Travis Mattinson\*  
Daniel McArdle

Ana K. Partida Tristan  
Austin B. Rhodes\*  
Priscilla Robles Karr  
Alex Sharp  
Hanna J. Woods\*\*

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Larry A.D. Young*

Gabriel L. Alissa  
Joseph P. Alissa  
Breana N. Arnold\*\*  
Dina Atambwe  
Connor James Barnes\*\*  
Maximus Lee Brumback  
Kara Elizabeth Flores  
Christopher Jacob Garner  
Marina Gonzalez

Felicia Renee Hart  
Jeremy Quintana Hendron\*  
Jalen Marie Jordan  
Kristina E. Katz\*\*  
Elise LaRaine Krause\*\*  
Daniel McArdle  
Kayla Elizabeth McDevitt  
Shaun Robert Miller  
Philip Ryan Oke-Thomas\*

Priscilla Robles Karr  
Jordan Mackenzie Reeder  
Julius Ammon Simmons  
Jordan Cole Smith  
Seth Cameron Unruh  
Mary Elizabeth Varland\*  
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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Malia Jackson*

Bridgett Colleena Abeyta**	Sabrina Nichole Harper	Katrina L. Quinn*
Adelita Victoria Aguirre*	Aujinae Jatasja Harris	Julia Ralston
Lauren Lynn Anderson**	Atlanta Nicole Alohilani Haynes	Yhatisse Michelle Reynolds-Jones*
Rebecca Joyce Arnold	Lindsey Raye Heal	Dayshia I. Richmond
Beatriz A. Avelar*	Lauren Patricia Hoese	Joseph Leland Robertson
Christina Marie Grace Bartalo	Corina Lynn Holder**	Aryn Elizabeth Robinson*
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Drew Christopher Blodgett	Malia Jackson***	Robledo***
Tyler James Boatwright	Ji W. Jang***	Tyler Stapleton Rogers
Kyle Bunecke	Meghan Jannicola***	Adriana Alayna Romero
Emily Carlson	Brooke-Lynn Jeffries	Brezane Heaven Ruiz-Smith
Johanna Faith Carlson	Emily Shay Johnson**	Kaitlin Evelyn Ryan-Martinez**
Emma Elizabeth Chicas**	Porche Elaine Jones	Aylicia Marie Sanchez*
Talia Marie Christensen***	Samantha Jo Jones**	Elizabeth Ursula Schmidt***, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
Trey Anthony Michael Connor**	Jonathon Roy Jubb	Emma Jeanne Schultz
Oralia Cruz Garduno*	Kimberly Chrystal Kelley	Samantha Leigh Shofner
Samantha Lynn Da Broi	Bella King	Madeleine Ruth Simon
Karleigh Ann Dahle-Melsaether	Melitta Astrid Macher	Brianna Marie Soehren*
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Amanda Lenore Doering**	Heather Jean McCrystal**	Kim Ann Thomas
Kayla Marie Elling***	Alicia Elizabeth McCurdy	Kim Toader
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Benjamin Colin Fanning	Shannon Patrice McKiernan	Courtney Ann Veazey***
Gabriela Guadalupe Flores*	Connor Malcolm McKone*	Samantha Kimberly Walker**
Alicia Frank	Gina Munro	Brooke Weaver**
Reina Angelica Gonzales*	Myles D. Nelson*	Keara Werth***
Denisa Grofova**	Michaela Renae Norve**	Lauren Marie Yeager***
Gerrod David Groubert**	Emileo Charles Ochoa-Boyce	Sydney Yu**
Courtney Lynn Hall	Jenna Oliver	Jordan Ashley Zaccariello
Sun Young Han	Alan Owens**	
Raymond Christian Haneke	Hannah Kristine Powell**	

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Sung Ahn*

Sung Ahn*, <i>with Distinction</i>	Myeisha LaQuail Grate	Alexia Marie Phillips
Joe Nathen Brown, Sr.*	Emma Elizabeth Hill	Hannah Kristine Powell**
Neecha Michelle Brown	Alicia Nicole Howie***	Anna Arianna Raney**
Sydney Joanne Coen**	Christen Angela Lilly***	Haley Anne Slezosky*
Jamie Christine Cox	Iris Grace Mosbarger	Emily Marie Smarjesse
Katlyn Diane Gallardo	Ally Renee Moseley***	Kaila Rose VanLieshout
Daniela Gamboa	Kelly Laurel Oakley**	Bethany Jayde Weaver
Skylerann Kaleikaumaka Mei Lun	Gloria Chinonyerem Ogbuji	Gloria Patricia Wells
Gorgonio-Wong**	Aiden Olson	

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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SPANISH

Mariah Brooke Mayhew                      Jacob R. Woods

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Jess Lynn Carmona, Erynn R. Mitchell, Deborah Schoen#, Nikki L. Valdez*

Ashley Andersen**, <i>with Highest Distinction</i>	Vincent Anthony Grego***, <i>with High Distinction</i>	Erynn R. Mitchell*, <i>with Highest Distinction</i>
Bryan Scott Bachmann	Cheyenne Darrian Griswold	Julia Margaret Mortenson*
John Dale Bartlett	Tyler Dean Haynie	Emily Rose Osur
David Zachary Baxter	Nicholle Denise James	Isabel D. Paez
Caroline Elizabeth Bodnar	Shaide Alexandra Jones	Elizabeth Ursula Schmidt***, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
Nicole Marie Brewer***, <i>with Highest Distinction</i>	Andrew Marcus Juhl**, <i>with Highest Distinction</i>	Ryan Andrew Sturt, <i>with Distinction</i>
Jess Lynn Carmona, <i>with High Distinction</i>	Brooke Vivian Koster, <i>with Distinction</i>	Nikki L. Valdez
Ashley Marcella Ellis	Minerva MacRae	Martha Ann Wheeler**, <i>with Highest Distinction</i>
Christine Flores**	Jennifer Chavez Marquez, <i>with Distinction</i>	

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN WOMEN'S AND ETHNIC STUDIES

Karen Jackelyn Bermudez	Aiden Olson	Madison Lynne Vail*
Ally Renee Moseley***	Anna Arianna Raney**	Bethany Jayde Weaver

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS | MUSEUM STUDIES AND GALLERY PRACTICE

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Ana Lorena Legg*

Dallas Elizabeth Coleman	Jessica Jean Daroczy*, <i>with Distinction</i>	Ana Lorena Legg*, <i>with High Distinction</i>
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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS | MUSIC

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Ana Baylee A. Parks*

Baylee A. Parks\*\*\*, *with Highest Distinction*

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOCHEMISTRY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Clayton Jesse Hull-Crew*

Clayton Jesse Hull-Crew***, <i>with Highest Distinction</i>	Rexy Jackson* Jeremy Alan Lang	Sadie Rowland* Michael James Wheeler***
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### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Meg Kathleen Super*

Brittany Marie Abshire*	Taylor Baski	Cali Jae Bills**
Sean Kelly Alexander	Jessica Ann Battin**, <i>with University Honors</i>	Daly Blanton
Robert William Altrich	Kwame Becker-Waganda	Emily Kathleen Bonagura
Lucia Archuleta	Samantha Belliston*	Easton A. Byers
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		Janay Marie Cathey

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Cherish Frances DePinto	Ava Angeli Liam	Anna Elizabeth Smith**
Tania Diego	Erica Marie Lopez	Zoey Marie Stealey**, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
Veronica Ashley Dotson	Christopher Michael Main*	Courtney Paige Stears*, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
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Felicia Renee Engebrecht	Joslyn Skye Meek*, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>	Kevin Michael Sullivan
Matthew A. Fiala	Lacey Cheyenne Meek	Meg Kathleen Super***
Taylor Quinn Fitzpatrick	Danielle R. Morin***	Stephanie Ann Thompkins**, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
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Alyssa Nicole Forman***	Karissa D. Neufeld*	Ly Truc Tran**
BaiLee Lynne Gallegos	Jaremy Franklin Neufeldt	Staci Maria Vecchiarelli*
Mark Ross Galmon	Diana C. O'Cuilinn	Barbie Joylen Voss
Aeden Grant Gehling*	Amaryssa Nicole Parker***	Brian Andrew Waite***
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Dillon Hawthorne	Addison David Rhodes*	Nicole Leigh Young*
Joshua Lee Henderson	Natalie Isabel Roman**	Bailie Jenae Zuber**
Britni Michelle Jacques*	Makayla K. Sanchez	
Chayanne Alonzo Jimenez**	Savannah Marie Santiago	
Rachel L. Kalblinger*	Jenna Schaffert**, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>	
Vanessa Marie Kantosky		
Daniel Korchuk*		

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHEMISTRY

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Andrew Outlaw*

Justin Bendesky	Spencer B. Hoover***, <i>with University Honors</i>	Bethany Johns*
Marshal Bannor Dolan*		Andrew Outlaw**
Ben Joshua Foronda		

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS

*Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards: Christopher James Elszasz, Colton Zachery Hill*

Maryam Alabbad	Christopher James Elszasz***	Benjamin Asher Schwartz***
Josiah Jeffrey Ball	Colton Zachery Hill***	Karsang Sherpa
Tyler Ryan Bredl*	Troy Ivan Johnson***	Caleb Alexander Smith
AJ Cimino	Dallas Klumpe*	Kimberly Rebecca Smith
William Roger Coast	Evan James McGovern**	Roy Jack Yeomans, II
Kyle Cody Cox	Brandon Webb Nachbar	Nik Young
Jesse Davis Dodder	Emily Barbara Randono*	

### THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICS AND ENERGY SCIENCE

Justin Bendesky	Hannah Marie Kerven*	Emma Marie Pauls***, <i>with Mountain Lion Honors</i>
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Kendra Shea Engstrom	Will Howard Onstott	Kyle Donald White
Kenneth Michael Isbill	John Tilla Parish, IV	

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### SECOND LIEUTENANT, UNITED STATES ARMY

*Distinguished Military Graduates: Sarah Divernardo, Sun Han, Samantha Jones, Kristina Katz, Eric Sirles*

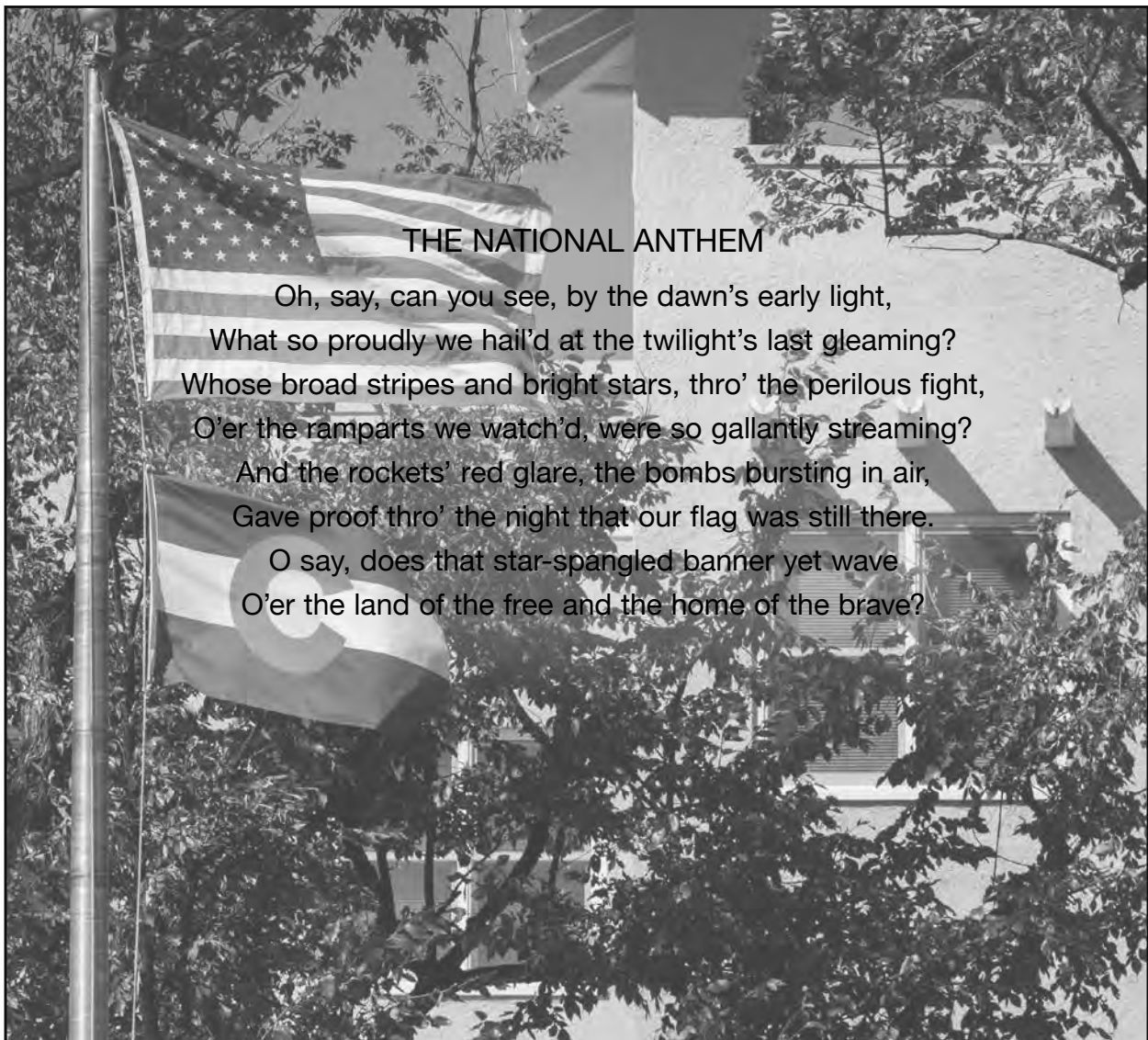
Jarad Adams  
Samantha Almario  
Felicia Boza  
Connie Chen  
Douglas Condit  
Danielle Cormier  
Christian Cumming  
Roger Delahunt

Sarah Dibernardo  
Nicholas Fisher  
Cooper Glenn  
Reina Gonzales  
Sun Han  
Ryan Harris  
Antonio Hawkins  
Kristina Katz

Noah Krems  
Emileo Ochoa-Boyce  
Tyler Pfannenstiel  
Brandon Sanders  
Thomas Schuemann  
Eric Sirles  
Heather Teague

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# CELEBRATING UCCS COMMENCEMENT

1966

First UCCS student graduates; walked in the Boulder Commencement and listed in the Boulder program.



1975 & 1976

Graduates were honored with a "recognition ceremony" on-campus.



1977-2005

Professor Paul Ballantyne was the featured vocalist at every UCCS commencement.

## 1965 1975



1976-1985

Graduates wore gold regalia from 1976 (centennial year of the University) to 1985.

1977-1992

Until 1977, UCCS graduates marched in CU Boulder's Commencement. UCCS held its first official Commencement at the BRO<sup>A</sup>DMOOR International Center on May 17, 1977. Later ceremonies moved to the original BRO<sup>A</sup>DMOOR World Arena.



2007

First December Commencement for Summer and Fall graduates held at the Pikes Peak Center on December 14, 2007. Moved to the World Arena in 2009.

2007

First Ph.D. Psychology graduate.



May 2009

Student Achievement Award recipients are first introduced as May Commencement speakers.

## 2005

2006

Stephen Ludwig ('93) becomes the first UCCS alumnus to serve on the CU Board of Regents and attend Commencement in that role.

2007-2013

December Commencement Marshal is that year's Faculty Award for Excellence in Research recipient.

May 2008

First graduates under reworked Ph.D. in Engineering.



May 2009

First Doctor of Nursing Practice graduates.

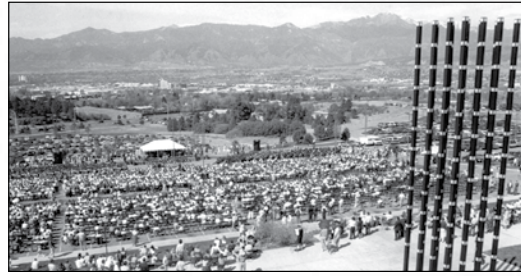


**1984-2013**

May Commencement Marshal is the previous year's Outstanding Teacher Award Recipient.

**1993-1998**

Commencement held on campus in former parking lot in front of Engineering Building.



**1985**

**1995**

**2005**

**1988**

First Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering graduates

**1998**

First Ph.D. in Computer Science graduates

**1998**

First Distance MBA Degree graduate

**1999-present**

May Commencement held at new World Arena



**Dec 2009**

Distinguished Alumnus first introduced as December Commencement speaker.

**2013-present**

Increasing numbers of graduates prompts a need for two May Commencement ceremonies; separated into LAS and all other colleges.

**May 2011**

First Ph.D. in Applied Science graduate.

**May 2013**

First concurrent high school/UCCS graduate – earns BS in Biology.

**Dec 2015**

First ceremony to be livestreamed.

**May 15, 2020**

First Virtual Ceremony (in-person ceremony cancelled due to COVID-19).

**2010**

**2020**

**Dec 2009**

First Bachelor of Innovation™ graduate.

**May 2010**

First Ph.D. in Educational Leadership Research & Policy graduates.

**May 2012**

First recognized Golden and Silver graduates.



**2014**

The 2013-14 Faculty Assembly created the UCCS Marshal's Club; the Club selects a Commencement Marshal for each graduation ceremony starting this year going forward.

**2020**

More than 46,000 alumni.



## UCCS SITE AND UNIVERSITY/CAMPUS HISTORY

The history of the University of Colorado dates back to the earliest days of Colorado and precedes the creation of the state. At its first session in 1861, the Colorado territorial legislature passed an act providing for the creation of a university in Boulder. To establish the university, the legislature appropriated \$15,000, which was matched by Boulder residents. However, the formal founding was delayed for another fifteen years by the Civil War. When Colorado became the 38th state in the Union in 1876, the university was declared an institution of the state, and the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado was established under Colorado's State Constitution as its governing authority.

The University of Colorado Colorado Springs has a rich history as a site and campus. Many millennia before any students began studying here, a small group of ancestral American Indians set up camp overlooking an arroyo on the west edge of what is now the campus. Remains from approximately 30 sites used by Plains Indians from about 100 A.D. to 1400 A.D. dot the campus grounds. The cultural heritage of the area is witnessed not only architecturally and in diverse ecological phenomena but also in the significant prehistoric archeological components observable throughout the University acreage. The daily discarded artifacts of Cragmor Sanatorium life - medicine bottles, crumbling foundations, and broken dishes are intertwined with artifacts from the prehistory of the region.

Henry Austin, for whom the bluffs on campus were named, purchased a large part of what is now the campus in 1873 to graze herds of sheep.



Circa early 1960s  
Courtesy, Kraemer Family Library, UCCS Archives



Circa 1968, Cragmor Campus sign  
Courtesy, Kraemer Family Library, UCCS Archives

The first known building on the site was a cabin built by the world-famous physician, Dr. Edwin Solly. Dr. Solly suffered from tuberculosis and moved from England to the area, as the region was becoming known for its healthy climate. After years of planning for a sanatorium on the site, Dr. Solly was spurred into action in 1902 when General William Jackson Palmer (founder of Colorado Springs) gave him 100 acres of land on Austin Bluffs and \$50,000 towards the start of his sanatorium. Solly selected one of the most important and versatile architects working in Southern Colorado, Thomas MacLaren. MacLaren (1863-1928), acknowledged master of architecture, designed many structures in Colorado Springs including several sections of the opulent BROOKMOOR Hotel. The sanatorium building echoed the aesthetics of the founders merging with Spanish-Moorish influence; it embodied the heritage of the builders of Colorado Springs and the understated beauty of the Hispanic culture. Cragmor Sanatorium (now Main Hall) opened its doors to patients on June 20, 1905, and thereafter became the most luxurious place for well-to-do consumptives in the United States. Dr. Solly named the site Cragmoor (later shortened to Cragmor), reminiscent of the crags and moors he had left behind in Great Britain.

Cragmor became the health mecca for artists, writers, and corporate tycoons who found not only their health but also a new home in Colorado Springs. Laura La Tille (Broadway performer), Constance Pulitzer (Joseph Pulitzer's daughter),

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Murielane Pancost (concert soprano), Jeanette MacCoil (well-known New York musician), and Russell Cheney (renowned painter) spent time and regained their health at Cragmor. Upon his death Solly was memorialized as a world class physician who had brought the Colorado Springs community to global acclaim for its outstanding health facility. Ironically, the world forgot Solly as Cragmor became even more established under the direction of new leaders in health care: Gerald B. Webb, Alexius M. Forster, Otto Einstein, and George J. Dwire.

The 1930's stock market crash brought financial disaster to many of the Cragmor Sanatorium's exclusive clientele. The facility was adapted to serve the health needs of less affluent patients. Alexius Forster's death in 1954 (took charge of Cragmor in 1910 at age 29) found Cragmor at a loss for medical and financial leadership. The last decade of the sanatorium's homeopathic life was to become tied to the Bureau of Indian Affairs

as Navajo Indians were flown in to Cragmor. This was one of the first public health programs launched by the newly formed U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW). The first Indian patients arrived at Cragmor in 1952 with the signing of a government contract between the Cragmor Foundation and HEW. The institution would be guaranteed a permanent base of financial support. In return, Cragmor would provide for the medical needs of hundreds of tuberculous Navajos. George Dwire, Managing Director, oversaw the decade of fiscal recovery for the institution. He created a dynamic program which not only provided for the health needs of hundreds of Navajos infected with tuberculosis but also expanded to include educational and occupational therapy. As the health crisis of the Navajo people subsided so did the Federal funding for Cragmor. By April of 1962, remaining patients were being transferred to other facilities.



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Circa 1995, Spring Commencement On-Campus  
Courtesy, Kraemer Family Library, UCCS Archives

As early as the 1920s, the University of Colorado offered courses at numerous Colorado Springs locations including Colorado College and various storefronts. By the mid-1960s, community leaders were pressing for a full-fledged University of Colorado presence in the community. In his negotiations with then-Governor John Love, Hewlett-Packard (HP) co-founder David Packard, a Pueblo native, wanted a permanent University of Colorado campus in Colorado Springs to support the educational needs of company employees. The combination of the state's desire to attract HP to Colorado Springs and George J. Dwire's sale of the defunct 80-acre Cragmor Sanatorium property for \$1 led to birth of the Colorado Springs Center of the University of Colorado. June 15, 1964, commemorated the funding and legislation signed by Governor Love allowing the University of Colorado to assume custody of Cragmor. In 1965, the Colorado Springs Center of the University of Colorado opened on the south side of Austin Bluffs, an area which showcased a spectacular panoramic view of Pikes Peak and the Garden of the Gods; tuition was \$13 per credit hour. Professor offices in Cragmor Manor (now Cragmor Hall) were equipped with small kitchenettes and private bathrooms, due

to the building's previous use as a nursing home (Cragmor Manor was added to the Sanatorium in the 1950s). A few offices were still outfitted with this unique piece of history as late as 2002; Cragmor Hall was completely remodeled and reopened in January 2004.

From 1965 to 1972 the Colorado Springs Center operated as a division or extension of the Boulder campus. It became the first permanent home for a growing following of scholars. Colorado Constitutional Amendment 4, approved at the 1972 Colorado General Election, designated the Colorado Springs campus and two other centers as distinct campuses of the University of Colorado. Dwire Hall opened as the first solely academic building on campus in 1972; it was completely remodeled in 2007. In 1974, the University of Colorado reorganized into four campuses – Colorado Springs, Boulder, Denver, and the Health Sciences Center in Denver. The two Denver campuses later consolidated administratively in June 2004; the model was reversed in 2014 for each campus to again have its own chancellor. 1974 also marked the establishment of the first Chancellor of the Colorado Springs campus, with ties to the Boulder campus being changed to have the campus directly reporting to

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the President of the University. UCCS grew over the years, and in 1996 the first on-campus student housing opened. The next year a community referendum merged the city-owned Beth-El College of Nursing with the campus. During the 2010-2011 new branding campaign, “at” was removed from the official UCCS name – University of Colorado at Colorado Springs – to become University of Colorado Colorado Springs.

Because of the ties to HP, initial university programs focused on engineering and business. Today, 54 years after its beginning, UCCS offers 50 bachelor’s, 25 master’s, and five doctoral degrees in six colleges and schools. The initial university programs of engineering and business still serve as pillars of the university, and are joined by a broad range of degree programs offered in the liberal arts and sciences, as well as professional programs in nursing, education and public affairs to meet the needs of Colorado’s second-largest metropolitan area and beyond. In 2012, Colorado Springs voters again added to the UCCS campus by agreeing to lease city-owned Memorial Hospital to University of Colorado Health. As part of the agreement, an administrative branch of the CU School of Medicine is in the

Lane Center for Academic Health Sciences at UCCS. Recently, partnerships such as with the National Cybersecurity Center cast an eye toward the future. From its original 80 acres, UCCS has added 450 additional acres along Austin Bluffs Parkway and North Nevada Avenue. North Nevada continues growth with the opening of the Ent Center for the Arts and Mountain Lion Park in 2018 and the Spine Road last fall.

UCCS spring commencement ceremonies have been held at the old BRO<sup>A</sup>DMOOR Ice Arena, a campus parking lot where the Osborne Center for Science & Engineering now stands, and The BRO<sup>A</sup>DMOOR World Arena. The first December commencement ceremony for summer and fall graduates was held on December 14, 2007 at the Pikes Peak Center. After only two years, the December graduates outgrew the Pikes Peak Center, and now all yearly ceremonies are held at The BRO<sup>A</sup>DMOOR World Arena. The COVID-19 pandemic caused the May 2020 Commencement to be the first-ever in-person ceremony to be cancelled. Since the first UCCS commencement in 1975, more than 46,000 students have graduated from the University of Colorado Colorado Springs.



Photo by Jeff Foster, staff, 2010

## UCCS MASCOT

The University of Colorado Colorado Springs mascot is the mountain lion. It is visible across campus in a variety of ways – as the artistic logo on UCCS shuttles, the grand marble statue on El Pomar Plaza (moved from University Center Lower Plaza in March 2016), and the costumed mascot who ignites crowds at athletic games and official campus events. The mountain lion is an integral part of campus life, but that has not always been the case.

As UCCS began to develop an intercollegiate sports program in the 1980s, it became necessary to establish team identity with official colors and a mascot. In 1986, the first UCCS mascot, the hawk, was chosen and green and white sports uniforms were purchased. The Editor's Corner in *The Scribe* (student newspaper) was even renamed "The Hawk's Eye." Until this time, the campus was told it was part of the University of Colorado System, and as such, already had a mascot — the buffalo. NCAA rules stated that due to differences in division level sports played at the Boulder and Colorado Springs campuses, UCCS was not allowed to claim the buffalo as its mascot. At the June 18, 1987 University of Colorado Board of Regents Meeting, the "regents decided not to officially designate a school mascot and colors for UCCS, but instead opted to allow UCCS to choose its own mascot while still maintaining the official CU colors of gold, silver, blue and black" (*The Scribe*, August 1987, pg 1). "CU Gold" became the accepted identity of the sports teams in Fall 1987.

In 1991, the student body voted for the "Fighting Longnecks" – or giraffes – to become the unofficial spirit symbol. This was personified by "Stretch," a costumed giraffe obtained by former chancellor Dwayne Nuzum. Other options for a new spirit symbol considered by the Student Government Association (SGA) Committee were eagles,



prospectors, gold diggers, golden avalanche, and pronghorns. Popularity of the spirit symbol waned with time. Many did not connect the giraffe with "CU Gold" and wanted a stronger identity.

Not until 1997 did a new campaign for a UCCS mascot begin. Realizing a need for a credible mascot, the SGA collected nominees for an official mascot. The overwhelming suggestion was the mountain lion, which won by 86% of the student body vote in spring 1998. Since that time, it has been the officially recognized symbol of the University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Dakota, a 14-year-old mountain lion at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, was adopted by the student body in December 2002. Boomer, the costumed mascot, was named by the winner of the "Name the Mascot" contest in September 2003 and was officially introduced at Fall Fest (original name for Back to the Bluffs and Homecoming) that year.

In spring 2011 the UCCS student body voted to officially change the name of the school mascot to Clyde, based on the name of a live mascot UCCS supported at the time.

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