

# UNIVERSITY of DUBUQUE COMMENCEMENT

168th Year

*Convocation for the Conferring of Degrees*



MAY THE SIXTEENTH  
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY

*Undergraduate*

# *The ORDER of EXERCISES*

## ***Processional***

Mr. Derek Grant, *Bagpiper*

## ***Welcome***

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey F. Bullock, *President of the University*

## ***Call to Order***

Dr. Mark D. Ward, *Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty*

## ***Invocation***

Rev. Dr. James D. Gunn, *Dean of Chapel and Edwin B. Lindsay Chaplain*

## ***Trustee Greeting***

Dr. Joseph A. Chlapaty, *Chair, Board of Trustees*

## ***Presentation of Candidates and Petition***

Dr. Ward

## ***Conferral of Degrees***

President Bullock

The Degree of Bachelor of Arts  
The Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration  
The Degree of Bachelor of Science  
The Degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing

## ***Introduction of Graduates***

Mr. Michael Durnin, *Dean of Student Formation*

## ***Alma Mater***

Sung By the UD Chamber Choir  
Ms. Kristen Eby, *Department of Fine and Performing Arts Head*

## ***Messages from the University Community***

UD Faculty, LIFE Instructors, and Staff

## ***Office of Alumni Engagement Welcome***

Katie Kraus (C'11), *Director for Alumni Engagement*

## ***Benediction and Farewell***

President Bullock

# UNIVERSITY of DUBUQUE

## MAY 2020 COMMENCEMENT

UNDERGRADUATE	Degree	Major	Hometown
Hussain Abbas Alaafi	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Dubuque, IA
Mohammed K. Aldaghir	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Faisal Eissa Aleissa	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Younis K. Al Ghamdi	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Dubuque, IA
Wael Ali Alhadhrami***	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Dubuque, IA
Sultan Abdullah Alharbi*	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Dubuque, IA
Wejdan Alhashim*	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Saihat, Saudi Arabia
Taylor Jan Allard	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting Business Human Resource Management	Fort Atkinson, WI
Danielle Beth Allen	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Sacaton, AZ
Dwayne Allen Jr.	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Hampshire, IL
Nader Almanasif	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Qatif, Saudi Arabia
Mazen Ahmed Almasmoum*	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Technology	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Abdullah Almugheer	Bachelor of Science	Computer Forensics and Security	Dubuque, IA
Bader Abdulrahman Alnaoufl	Bachelor of Science	Aviation Management	Dubuque, IA
Mohammed Adel Alnujaydi*	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Technology	Boise, ID
Sultan Abdulaziz R. Alquraishi*	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Technology	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Ahmed Hanif Alruwaili	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Al Jawf, Saudi Arabia
Nawaf Alsaga	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Abdulkarem Mohammed Alsalah	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Saad Fraih Alshammari*	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Dubuque, IA
Khalid Hassan Alsomali	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Abdulaziz Khalid Altawajri*	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Dammam, Saudi Arabia
Mohammed Ahmed Alyami	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Ayman Ahmed Alzahrani**	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Bara Mohammed Alznbg	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Larry Robert Andrews	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	South Holland, IL
Kayla Appleby	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Platteville, WI
Shantelle Janay Archunde**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Oracle, AZ
2LT Dustin Michael Axarlis	Bachelor of Science	Aviation Management	Newmanstown, PA
Yasmine Zulema Bargas	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Polo, IL
Blaze Patrick Barista	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Wheaton, IL
Matthew R. Baumhover	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting Business	Dubuque, IA
Ashley Bausman*	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Freeport, IL
Alison Beeman**	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Lakemoor, IL
Sydney Elizabeth Behning	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Dubuque, IA

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Joseph Bellows	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business Human Resource Management	Dubuque, IA
Cody J. Benhart*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Cedar Rapids, IA
William Bentley*	Bachelor of Science	Mathematics	Durant, IA
Jerid M. Beschen**	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Bellevue, IA
Kalyani Pramod Bhagwat***	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Cedar Rapids, IA
Anmar Binothman	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Technology	Abha, Saudi Arabia
Morgan Boer***	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting Business Marketing	Walker, IA
April Deann Boling*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Dubuque, IA
Allison J. Bolsinger**	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Edgewood, IA
2LT Tyler James Bolsinger***	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Colesburg, IA
Nicholas Estevan Brambila	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Kerman, CA
Miles W. Branch	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Bolingbrook, IL
Chloe Brehm	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Dubuque, IA
Angela Marie Breitsprecker*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Dubuque, IA
Paige Christine Brown*	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Durant, IA
Nina Brumm	Bachelor of Business Administration	Marketing	Dubuque, IA
Joshua Dean Buerger*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business Human Resource Management	Farley, IA
Dante Tyler Burchfield	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Zion, IL
Brandon Xavier Butler	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	DeForest, WI
Ethan J. Cain**	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Polo, IL
Reagan C. Callan**	Bachelor of Arts	Fine and Performing Arts	Hazel Green, WI
Connor Frederick Carlson	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Dixon, IL
Tyler James Carlson*	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Crystal Lake, IL
Aidan P. Carr	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Hampton, IA
Calista Carr	Bachelor of Arts	Psychology	Epworth, IA
Keyshawn J. Carr	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Technology	Milwaukee, WI
Jael Carrethers	Bachelor of Science	Health Care Administration	Phoenix, AZ
Luke D. Carroll*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business Marketing	Dubuque, IA
Sarah Ann Chapman	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Dubuque, IA
William J. Clancy**	Bachelor of Arts	Liberal Studies	Bellevue, IA
Carolyn Grace Clemens	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Middle Village, NY
Frances Annette Connolly	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Holy Cross, IA
Brittany Nicole Cook	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Cedar Rapids, IA
Michelle R. Corum***	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Springville, IA

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Abbey Thery Coskey	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Zion, IL
Dylan J. Cross	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Dubuque, IA
Breanna Cullen	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Chana, IL
Maurice Cushion-Lewis	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Social Circle, GA
Eric William Czajkowski	Bachelor of Science	Psychology	Oak Forest, IL
		Criminal Justice	
Brandon G. Dalton	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Mahomet, IL
Lexi R. Daniels*	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Galesburg, IL
Jacob Allen Day***	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Heyworth, IL
Kelsey Mae Dean***	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Goodell, IA
		Aviation Management	
Marlee Berrae Devroy	Bachelor of Science	Human Health Science	De Pere, WI
Cooper G. Diedrich**	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Kaukauna, WI
Kiera Nicole Donovan	Bachelor of Arts	English	Naperville, IL
Jonathon V. Doolin	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Oak Forest, IL
Brandi Drexler	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Cascade, IA
Benjamin E. Duarte	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Lyons, IL
Sean Patrick Duffy*	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Anchorage, AK
Tyler Dunwoody	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Dubuque, IA
Brandon Dutkiewicz	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Saint Francis, WI
Kati Eden	Bachelor of Science	Human Health Science	Stockton, IL
Megan Ely**	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Cedar Rapids, IA
Heidi Engebretson	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Pearl City, IL
Marissa Klinger Escoriza	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Dubuque, IA
Lila Estes**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Laveen, AZ
Audrey Rose Fajfer	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Oswego, IL
Sarraah Rose Farraday	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Wheaton, IL
Kaylin L. Featheringill	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Fort Madison, IA
2LT Nicole Jean Fehns**	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Port Barrington, IL
Nathanial David Ferguson**	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science	Delmar, IA
Denver Jon Feuerbach*	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Durant, IA
Austin Alan Feyen	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Fond du Lac, WI
		Business	
		Human Resource Management	
Chloe Fields	Bachelor of Arts	English	Maquoketa, IA
Adrianna Lynn Fier**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Maquoketa, IA
		Business	
Brianna Finnegan*	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Colesburg, IA
		Secondary Education - Science	
Hayden James Fischer	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Jesup, IA
Ali Salem Awad Flaihan	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Chase D. Fletcher	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Chariton, IA
Brianna Marie Flynn***	Bachelor of Science	Psychology	Dubuque, IA
Efren Prieto Fonseca Jr.	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Dagus Mines, PA
Vanessa Alexandra Fortney	Bachelor of Science	Chemistry	Janesville, WI
Tyler Fowler	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Cedar Rapids, IA
		Sociology	
Julianne Galante	Bachelor of Science	Human Health Science	Tinley Park, IL

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Tyler John Glenski*	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Cedar Rapids, IA
Rebekah Godwin	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations Aviation Management	Dubuque, IA
Danielle Gorman	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting Business	Dubuque, IA
Rebecca M. Gotto	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Dubuque, IA
Emily Griggs*	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Wheaton, IL
Jacob B. Gross*	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Antioch, IL
Timothy P. Guenther	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Cedar Rapids, IA
Cameron J. Guerra*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Marion, IA
Paige Nicole Harbort*	Bachelor of Science	Secondary Education - Science	Janesville, WI
Tyler S. Haroldson***	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	West Des Moines, IA
Joshua Jaylen Harris	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Matteson, IL
Gina Marie Haugen	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting Human Resource Management	Kieler, WI
Emmy Louise Hein*	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Cedar Rapids, IA
Jacob Steven Heitter**	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations Aviation Management	Byron, IL
Kaitlyn Henderson**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Center Point, IA
Christine Hernandez	Bachelor of Science	Health Care Administration	Cedar Rapids, IA
Ericka Hernandez	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Berwyn, IL
Jacob Herrmann	Bachelor of Arts	Fine and Performing Arts	Rockford, IL
Shelby E. Hibbler	Bachelor of Science	Human Health Science	Plainfield, IL
Abby Hoffmann	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Epworth, IA
Malik Zaire Holmes	Bachelor of Science	Mathematics	Fort Meade, MD
Kayla Howard	Bachelor of Arts	Sociology	Chicago, IL
Alexis Lynn Hoyne*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting Business	Dubuque, IA
Kwenton Tyler Hudson	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Lansing, IL
Mirela Huseinovic**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Human Resource Management	Peoria, AZ
Jayden Bravo Irvin	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Des Moines, IA
Colton T. Iwasaki**	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Dubuque, IA
Tarshma Akii Jackson Jr.	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	North Aurora, IL
Matthew J. Janzig	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Dubuque, IA
Chelsea Jargstorf-Benbenek	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Johnsburg, IL
2LT Carl Olivier Jean	Bachelor of Arts	Liberal Studies	Charlotte, NC
Emanuel Jenkins	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Menasha, WI
Adam J. Jensen*	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Dubuque, IA
Justin Richard Jensen	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Morrison, IL
Aaron Andrew Jewell*	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Clinton, IA
Braz R. Johnson*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Coralville, IA

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Brooke M. Jones	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Sun Prairie, WI
Eboney S. M. Jones	Bachelor of Arts	Sociology	Chicago, IL
2LT Junior Prudence Kassehin	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Bettendorf, IA
Gemma Louise Keegan**	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Oswego, IL
		Environmental Science	
Jesse J. Keller*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Maquoketa, IA
Monika Khadka*	Bachelor of Science	Health Care Administration	Phoenix, AZ
Lydia Grace Kleckner**	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Decorah, IA
Laura Kathryn Klein*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Burlington, WI
		Human Resource Management	
		Marketing	
Peter Benjamin Klein***	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Peosta, IA
Justin M. Kluesner**	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Dubuque, IA
Kip Wayne Koutny**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Hiawatha, IA
Derek Krohnke**	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Denison, IA
Emmy Rebecca Noelle Kubatzke***	Bachelor of Arts	Theology	Freeport, IL
Devon L. Kueter	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Bellevue, IA
		Marketing	
Derek E. Kunkle***	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Marion, IA
Daulton Kvenvold	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Herriman, UT
Nile Laguna	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Phoenix, AZ
Roberta L. Lanning**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Asbury, IA
Brady M. Lee	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Dubuque, IA
Alyssa Christine Lehnen	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Dubuque, IA
Emily Ann Less*	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Dubuque, IA
Margaret Lewandowski**	Bachelor of Arts	Fine and Performing Arts	Santa Clara, CA
Michael T. Lewis	Bachelor of Business Administration	Marketing	Joliet, IL
Jarrad Robert Linden*	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Dubuque, IA
Monica Renee Litman	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Burlington, WI
Katie Loeffelholz	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Dubuque, IA
		Psychology	
Chase Lopez	Bachelor of Arts	Sociology	Glen Haven, WI
Kailee Ann Luedtke	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Colona, IL
Kaitlyn R. Lytle*	Bachelor of Science	Aviation Management	Peoria, IL
Hannah Yoshino MacNaughton	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Asbury, IA
	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	
Connor W. Manning	Bachelor of Arts	Fine and Performing Arts	Glenwood, IL
Gabrielle Hope Marchese*	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Waukesha, WI
Maria Vivian Markham	Bachelor of Science	Health Care Administration	Dubuque, IA

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Chad R. Marsh	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting Business Human Resource Management	Oswego, IL
Alexa L. Martin**	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Cedar Rapids, IA
Connor Gabriel Martin*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Marion, IA
Paris Martin*	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Cedar Rapids, IA
Alex Melvin McCombs*	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Jesup, IA
Tara McDonald***	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Dubuque, IA
Tyler McIntosh	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Des Moines, IA
Kayla McIntyre	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Naperville, IL
Jaclyn Ann Mickelson	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Dubuque, IA
Madeline Kristine Miller**	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Dubuque, IA
Shelby Montag***	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Dyersville, IA
Katherine Anne Mulder*	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	German Valley, IL
Heather Jo Muntz**	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Asbury, IA
Jazlyn Skye Nelsen*	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Guthrie Center, IA
Jordan Patrick Nelson	Bachelor of Science	Human Health Science	Iowa City, IA
Kathryn Nelson**	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Peosta, IA
Justin Davis Newhouse**	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Van Dyne, WI
Kofi Kyei Nimakoh*	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Technology	Bolingbrook, IL
2LT Cameron Noble	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Chester, VA
Evelin Ortiz***	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Winthrop Harbor, IL
	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	
2LT Temitope M. Oshinbanjo	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Systems	Lagos, Nigeria
Justin Oswald**	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Durango, IA
Joseph Ott***	Bachelor of Science	Economics	Dubuque, IA
Isaiah M. Overton**	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Durant, IA
Angelica Marissa Pacheco*	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Phoenix, AZ
Alexandra Packard	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Dassel, MN
Jared D. Packer	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Davis, IL
Ashley Palacios-Quinonez**	Bachelor of Science	Computer Forensics and Security	Las Vegas, NV
Zachary Walton Pentico	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Des Moines, IA
Tyzhana Ranice Resha Piggue	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Freeport, IL
Bailey Katherine Pipiras	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	New Lenox, IL
Dustin Joseph Ploessl	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Dubuque, IA
Colfay Pointer	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice Sociology	Rochelle, IL
Cilycia Pope	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Naperville, IL
Brandon Ray Ramos	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Elgin, IL

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Amy S. Ranson	Bachelor of Business Administration	Human Resource Management	Cedar Rapids, IA
Abigail Marie Ray*	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Rockford, IL
Kendall L. Reagan	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Decorah, IA
Emily Reisch	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Garrison, IA
	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	
2LT Justin Daniel Reiss	Bachelor of Science	Aviation Management	Saint George, KS
Josh Reuter**	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Platteville, WI
Matthew John Reuter***	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Medford, WI
		Aviation Management	
Allyson Reynolds***	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Cedar Rapids, IA
Eric Lemont Rhyne*	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Mesa, AZ
Dakotah J. Riemer	Bachelor of Business Administration	Marketing	De Pere, WI
Carmen William Rigdon	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Hazel Green, WI
Xavier Rodriguez	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Lyons, IL
Patrick Roos-Barlow	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Menominee, IL
Nevada Michael Rosteck	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Parkersburg, IA
Adam Rothas	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Lake Zurich, IL
Kayla Schlichting*	Bachelor of Arts	Sociology	Bettendorf, IA
Easton Lee Schlueter**	Bachelor of Science	Computer Forensics and Security	Guttenburg, IA
		Computer Information Systems	
Addy Schober	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science	Dubuque, IA
Samantha Joanne Schultz	Bachelor of Arts	English	Dubuque, IA
	Bachelor of Science	Psychology	
Emily Schwendinger	Bachelor of Business Administration	Accounting	Dubuque, IA
		Business	
Kaitlyn A. Schwendinger**	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Farley, IA
Zachary Wayne Seaver	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Industry, IL
Ethan Senesac	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Homewood, IL
2LT Jasmine Nicole Shackelford	Bachelor of Arts	Psychology	Bristol, TN
Caitlin Carmineita Shelton	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Waukon, IA
Tanner John Sieverding	Bachelor of Business Administration	Marketing	Bellevue, IA
Kacie Sims	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Channahon, IL
Brandon Sindt	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science	Dubuque, IA
Emilia Rian Skeen	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Davenport, IA
Alyssa Kathryn Skrove*	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Delafield, WI
Abby Smith	Bachelor of Science	Secondary Education - Mathematics	Dubuque, IA
		Mathematics	
Ashley Nicole Smith*	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Bankston, IA

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Benjiman A. Smith	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Elburn, IL
Bobby Lee Snell III***	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Weyers Cave, VA
Alivia Nicole Spencer	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business Human Resource Management	Long Grove, IA
Colin Squiers	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Dyersville, IA
Rachel Lynn Stanley	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Moline, IL
Norman Tyler Stapleton	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Broadview, IL
Grace Strawser	Bachelor of Arts	Sociology	Bettendorf, IA
Shaylon Charles Strub*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business Marketing	Bernard, IA
Joel D. Sweeney**	Bachelor of Arts	Sport Marketing and Management	Independence, IA
Lucy L. Syverson**	Bachelor of Science	Wellness and Exercise Science	Walker, IA
Ryan Takes	Bachelor of Science	Computer Information Technology	Cedar Rapids, IA
Henry Thompson	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business Marketing	Plainfield, IL
Joseph Tobin*	Bachelor of Science	Digital Art and Design	Durant, IA
Cole Toone*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business Marketing	Geneseo, IL
Sultan Sami Towairqi	Bachelor of Science	Aviation Management	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Corey J. Udelhofen*	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Potosi, WI
Isalino Tesorero Valencia Jr.*	Bachelor of Science	Human Health Science	Marysville, WA
Travis Daniel Vetter	Bachelor of Science	Aviation Management	Naperville, IL
Anna Marie Vincent*	Bachelor of Business Administration	Marketing	Galena, IL
Andrew John Wagner	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Delaware, OH
Jason Michael Wallace	Bachelor of Business Administration	Marketing	Cedar Rapids, IA
Hailey Elizabeth Wang*	Bachelor of Science	Human Health Science	Elkhorn, WI
Maggie Ward	Bachelor of Business Administration	Business	Maquoketa, IA
2LT Churchlyn Warren*	Bachelor of Arts	Psychology	El Paso, TX
Jessica Nicole Wehrle*	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Nursing	Davenport, IA
Alicia Marie Werger	Bachelor of Arts	Liberal Studies	Garnavillo, IA
Kelsey L. White**	Bachelor of Science	Elementary Education	Corinth, MS
David Michael Whitsell**	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	West Des Moines, IA
Kayla Wilson	Bachelor of Arts	English	Indianola, IA
Cory Winch**	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice	Peosta, IA
Jazmine Lynn Wolf*	Bachelor of Arts	Communication	Dubuque, IA
Kara Leeanne Wright**	Bachelor of Science	Biology	Stockton, IL
Kelley Jean Wright*	Bachelor of Science	Flight Operations	Algonquin, IL
McKenna Lyn Young*	Bachelor of Arts	Criminal Justice Sociology	Plainfield, IL

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# The ACADEMIC PROCESSION

A colorful aspect of the Commencement Ceremony is the academic procession. Strong traditions govern the use of caps, gowns, and hoods worn by members of the academic community in the formal ceremony today. The academic apparel worn at University of Dubuque's Commencement dates back to the Middle Ages. Then, voluminous gowns were worn to ward off the damp and cold of medieval buildings, with mortarboards used as hats. In later years, lay persons, clergy, and scholars continued to wear the robes for church and academic occasions, with variations in style and color identifying different monastic orders.

Today, from the three items of academic apparel – the cap, gown, and hood – it is possible to distinguish the institution from which the wearer has graduated, the field of learning in which his or her degree was earned, and the level of degree – bachelor's, master's, or doctorate. The institution granting the degree is indicated by the colors of the lining of the hood. The degree is indicated by the width of the velvet trimming, becoming wider from bachelor's to master's to doctorate. The color of the velvet trimming indicates the discipline or field of study.

The academic disciplines of members of University of Dubuque faculty, trustees, and distinguished guests are represented by the following colors:

Agriculture	<i>Maize</i>	Medicine	<i>Green</i>
Arts, Letters, Humanities	<i>White</i>	Music	<i>Pink</i>
Accountancy, Business	<i>Drab</i>	Nursing	<i>Apricot</i>
Dentistry	<i>Lilac</i>	Oratory	<i>Silver Gray</i>
Economics	<i>Copper</i>	Pharmacy	<i>Olive Green</i>
Education	<i>Light Blue</i>	Philosophy	<i>Dark Blue</i>
Engineering	<i>Orange</i>	Physical Education	<i>Sage Green</i>
Fine Arts	<i>Brown</i>	Public Administration	<i>Peacock Blue</i>
Forestry	<i>Russet</i>	Public Health	<i>Salmon Pink</i>
Journalism	<i>Crimson</i>	Science	<i>Golden Yellow</i>
Law	<i>Purple</i>	Social Work	<i>Citron</i>
Library Science	<i>Lemon</i>	Theology	<i>Scarlet</i>
Veterinary Science	<i>Gray</i>		

## Gowns

The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist. The sleeve base hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut, and the front part has an arc cut away. Gowns for the bachelor's or master's degrees are untrimmed. The gown for the doctorate degree has bell-shaped sleeves and is faced down the front with black velvet; three bars of velvet are used across the sleeves. These facings and crossbars may be velvet of the color distinctive of the discipline to which the degree pertains, thus agreeing in color with the binding or edging of the hood appropriate to the particular doctorate degree. Gown color may reflect school colors.

## **Hoods**

*Length.* The length of the hood worn for the bachelor's degree is three feet, the master's degree is three and one-half feet, and the doctorate degree is four feet.

*Trimings.* The binding or edging of the hood is velvet, two inches, three inches, and five inches wide for the bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees, respectively; the color is indicative of the subject to which the degree pertains (see listing on page 11).

In the case of the doctor of philosophy (PhD) degree, the dark blue color is used to represent the mastery of the discipline of learning and scholarship in any field that is attested to by awarding of this degree and is not intended to represent the field of philosophy.

## **Caps**

Most caps are mortarboards with a long tassel that fastens to the middle point of the top of the cap. The tassel is black or the color appropriate to the subject, with the exception of the doctorate cap that may have a tassel of gold.

Many institutions, during Commencement Ceremonies, require candidates for the degree to wear the tassels on the right side before the degrees are conferred and to shift them to the left at the moment when degrees are awarded to them. The custom is, in some respects, a substitute for individual hooding.

Persons who hold degrees from international universities may wear the entire appropriate academic costume, including cap, gown, and hood. Members of religious orders may suitably wear their customary habits. The same principle applies to persons wearing military uniforms or clad in special attire required by civil office.\*

## **Academic Honors**

When degrees are announced, some are accompanied by the Latin words *cum laude*, *magna cum laude*, or *summa cum laude*. These are traditional distinctions that recognize students who have earned outstanding cumulative grade point averages. The term *summa cum laude* (with highest honor) is reserved for students who have earned a grade point average of at least 3.9 on a four point scale, *magna cum laude* (with high honor) a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.75, and *cum laude* (with honor) a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.5.

The graduates' gowns are complemented by symbols of individual achievement at University of Dubuque. Among these achievements are those graduating with academic distinction, wearing gold cords; those completing the University's Honors Program, wearing royal blue cords; and those members of the Alpha Chi national honor society, wearing gold medallions. Graduates of the University's Reserve Officer Training Corps program can be identified by their dress uniforms.

University of Dubuque has long been a supporter of our veterans and military personnel. In recognition of their military service to the United States of America, University of Dubuque is proud to honor all veterans and military personnel on graduation day. To recognize their service, our veteran and military graduates have been awarded a red, white, and blue honors cord to wear at the Commencement Ceremony.

## *Honoris Causa*

The tradition of granting a degree *honoris causa* or “for the sake of honor” dates to the Middle Ages when some institutions of higher learning decided to grant honorary degrees to individuals of the community as a mark of honor and respect. In some cases, the degree was clearly used as a reward for granting funds, lands, or other gifts to the community, while in other instances such degrees were awarded for accomplishments. Honorary degrees were also granted posthumously, as they are today. As well, the degree is conferred as a way of honoring a distinguished person’s contributions to a specific field or to society in general.\*

*\*Adapted from an Academic Costume Code and Ceremony Guide: American Colleges and Universities, American Council on Education, Washington, D.C.*

# UNIVERSITY *of* DUBUQUE

University of Dubuque’s long and distinguished history of leadership, innovation, and change in service to church and world began in 1852 when the Rev. Adrian Van Vliet started to tutor two brothers for the ministry. The Van Vliet School provided spiritual leadership for the burgeoning population of immigrants from Germany on the American frontier.

In 1864, the school was formally named the German Theological School of the Northwest. Six years later, in 1870, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church assumed control of the institution and renamed it the German Theological School of the Presbyterian Church of the Northwest. Over the next 50 years, the institution underwent multiple name changes until June 17, 1920, when a new charter was issued along with the new name of University of Dubuque.

In 1905, President William O. Ruston and Financial Secretary Cornelius M. Steffens reorganized the institution to expand its curriculum and grant academic degrees. In April 1905, the first four bachelor’s degrees from the school were awarded. During this time, Steffens led the charge to relocate campus to its present location on six acres of land along what is now University Avenue. The new campus’ first building, later named Steffens Hall, was dedicated in April 1907.

During Steffens’s tenure as president from 1908 to 1924, the campus expanded and became co-educational. Generous people who recognized the institution’s potential provided funding for the buildings that constituted the core of the campus by 1917: Severance Hall, Steffens Hall, Peters Commons, and McCormick Gymnasium. By 1923, University of Dubuque became a truly international institution with 96 of the 296 students from Asia, Europe, and Latin America.

Barely surviving the Great Depression, University of Dubuque faced another challenge during World War II. Nearly 500 students and former students joined the military. President Dale D. Welch secured the Navy’s V5/V12 program on campus in July 1943 that allowed sailors to take college courses. The program provided resources until the advent of the post-war GI Bill, which revolutionized higher education and society, filling campus with motivated veterans.

President Gaylord M. Couchman led University of Dubuque in building a modern campus during the 1950s and 1960s. No buildings, except for Van Vliet Hall in 1925-1926, had been constructed on campus since 1917. Under Couchman's leadership, Aitchison, Donnell, and Cassat residence halls, Ficke-Laird Library, Goldthorp Science Hall, Smith Hall, and Potterveld Apartments were built while McCormick Gymnasium underwent an addition. The growth in buildings made it possible to increase academic offerings, the endowment, and enrollment.

The 1970s produced a remarkable ecumenical thrust in higher education under the leadership of President Walter F. Peterson. University of Dubuque Theological Seminary, Aquinas Institute of Theology, and Wartburg Theological Seminary created an unprecedented threefold seminary consortium. Aquinas became the home for UDTS until 1981 when Aquinas moved to St. Louis, Missouri, thus dissolving the consortium, and UDTS returned to campus.

Although UDTS has seen considerable change over the years, faculty and staff have remained committed to maintaining a tradition of providing strong preparation for pastoral ministry. In 1998, a \$1 million grant from the Lilly Endowment funded a distance education program for lay pastors of the Presbyterian Church. In 2007, UDTS pioneered the first distance learning master of divinity degree in Presbyterian seminaries nationwide. The seminary now offers the master of arts in Christian leadership, master of arts in mission and discipleship, master of divinity, and doctor of ministry as well as a certificate in Christian leadership for commissioned ruling elders.

During the 1980s, University of Dubuque once again underwent multiple changes. Steffens Hall, the original building on campus, was razed, and Blades Hall was constructed. Arches and pillars from Steffens Hall were saved to create Steffens Colonnade – a piece of history that welcomes visitors to campus along University Avenue. During this same time period, the addition of Stoltz Sports Center on McCormick Gymnasium doubled the size of the indoor athletic facility.

In June 1998, Jeffrey F. Bullock became the eleventh president of University of Dubuque. Under his leadership and with guidance from the *Mission, Vision, Action Plan*, adopted by the Board of Trustees, University of Dubuque continues to provide leadership, innovation, and change in the church and society as we celebrate our 168th year of service. Multiple initiatives and programs support that service including Apex: Celebration of Student Scholarship and Creativity, the John and Alice Butler Summer Research Fellowship, the Joseph and Linda Chlapaty Summer Research Fellowship, and Wendt Character Initiative.

Since Bullock became president, University of Dubuque has grown its campus footprint in the most extensive transformation of the university's history. In 1998, the Jackaline Baldwin Dunlap Technology Center was dedicated. Three years later, in 2001, the Charles C. Myers Library was dedicated. Construction on a second-floor addition to the library was completed the following year. Also in 2001, Seminary Village was constructed on South Campus to provide housing for seminary students and their families.

In 2004, South Campus – the most significant land use development on campus since Steffens Hall was constructed in the early 1900s – was dedicated. South Campus anchored University of Dubuque along Highway 20 and, at the time of its dedication, included Seminary Village, Alumni Walkway, Conlon Colonnade, University Park Village, University Park Drive, and Oyen Field.

Over the next few years, Cassat, Donnell, and Aitchison residence halls were renovated and multiple buildings were dedicated: Charles and Romona Myers Center, University Science Center, Goldthorp Hall, Mary Chlapaty Hall, and Chlapaty Recreation and Wellness Center.

Campus growth continued through the new decade. Mercer-Birmingham Hall was dedicated in 2011, and Heritage Center held an Opening Night Celebration featuring the Columbus (Ohio) Symphony Orchestra and the Dubuque Symphony Orchestra in 2013. One year later, Chlapaty Hall and the Veterans Memorial Training Center were opened. In 2015, the dining hall in Peters Commons was renovated and renamed the Jack and Barbara Smeltzer Dining Hall. Also in 2015, the Sergeant Jeffrey B. Dodge Veterans Center was dedicated to invest in student veterans. The addition of Linda Chlapaty Hall on the University Science Center and Debra Runkle Center were dedicated in 2016. The following year, the Dan W. Runkle Baseball Field was dedicated. In 2018, a weight training facility at the Veterans Memorial Training Center opened and the renovation of the Quad was completed. Howard Wallace South Common and the Babka Aviation Learning Center were dedicated in 2019.

Growth also occurred in academic offerings. In 2009, the Learning Institute for Fulfillment and Engagement (LIFE) enrolled its first students. The program offers accelerated bachelor's and master's degrees for adult learners. LIFE expanded to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in 2013, Tempe, Arizona, in 2017, and Meridian, Idaho, in 2020. In 2016, University of Dubuque welcomed its inaugural class of students in the master of science in physician assistant studies program. The graduate-level program consists of a 27 month, year-round curriculum with 15 months of academic coursework followed by 12 months of clinical rotations. Additionally, University of Dubuque launched a new master in management program in 2018 designed to help graduate students develop an understanding of management practices and leadership skills in an organization. The program expanded and now has tracks in communication, sport management, aviation leadership, and organizational diversity and inclusion leadership.

Three major campus projects will be completed during the 2020-2021 academic year. The Smeltzer-Kelly Student Health and Wellness Center will provide students with a first point of access for outpatient and preventative medical care services for physical and brain health as well as referral services to medical facilities for more serious ailments. The Peter and Susan Smith Welcome Center will include an interpretive welcome area, classrooms, office space for UD's Office of Advancement and Alumni Engagement, and more. Finally, Opus 97, a pipe organ in John and Alice Butler Hall in Heritage Center, will expand students' musical horizons and enhance campus events.

As the University continues to grow, we remember and honor those who have committed themselves in service to the University's *Mission* of shaping lives of exceptional ability, worth, and purpose. Today we highlight our newest graduates who have pursued their educational dreams, and we welcome them to the University's alumni family – committed to serving the Church and the World with *Mancherlei Gaben Und Ein Geist* (Various Gifts and One Spirit).

# The SEAL of UNIVERSITY of DUBUQUE

The Great Seal of University of Dubuque, embossed on the program cover, reflects the Christian identity of the University that has been at the center of its educational mission since the University's founding by Rev. Adrian Van Vliet in 1852.

The German phrase found in the lower portion of the seal comes from I Corinthians 12:4, "Various gifts, and one Spirit." The phrase speaks to the divergent talents and backgrounds that students, faculty, and staff bring to the University community, but whose work is guided by one Spirit.

The German Bible is a reminder of the University's German and Judeo-Christian roots. The seven-branched candelabra atop the Bible symbolizes both the light of God manifest in learning – that all truth is God's truth – and the knowledge that comes to students through study.

The globe underscores the University's worldwide educational mission – bringing students from various international locations to the campus for undergraduate and graduate study as well as periodically offering graduate programs abroad. Also, it lays stress on the University's commitment to service across the nation and around the world. While the University's identity and heritage is clearly Christian, University of Dubuque welcomes people of all faiths and backgrounds to join this learning community.

## The HISTORY of the UNIVERSITY of DUBUQUE ALMA MATER

For a few years out of a student's life, the University of Dubuque campus is his or her college, seminary, or graduate school home. The term "alma mater" translates from Latin as "fostering mother," a reference to the campus as home. Unlike other school songs, such as spirit or fight songs, alma maters are considered to be anthems of the academy. Many alma maters have borrowed their melodies from other sources. *Far Above Cayuga's Waters* is Cornell University's alma mater and one of the best-known alma mater melodies. This melody is based on the folk song, *Annie Lisle*. The Austrian national anthem melody has been used for an alma mater. Even the Christmas melody *O Tannenbaum* has been used.

We are fortunate at University of Dubuque to have an original alma mater with its text written by Vincente Bernal, a former University student, and its music composed by Mark James, a former faculty member. Vincente Bernal was born in New Mexico and attended a mission school near his home and then a Presbyterian school for advanced studies in Albuquerque. He then decided to begin preparation for ministry, enrolled in Dubuque Academy that eventually became University of Dubuque Theological Seminary (UDTS), and planned to complete his degree in 1916. During his student years, he was a campus leader and a prolific writer. Tragically, Vincente Bernal was stricken with a fatal disease and died in 1915. He left behind many published works, including the words he wrote for the alma mater. A member of the University music faculty, Mark James, set Bernal's text to music, and it is their collaborative work we sing today.



# ALMA MATER

Words by Vincente J. Bernal (C'16)  
Music by Mark C. James

A wake the dor - mant voice and sing Till  
ac - cent va - ried swells our song To  
brow is crowned with heav'n - ly light, And  
ev - er live, thou na - tions' guide, 'Cross

air is rent and heav - ens ring, And ech - o peals from  
thee, thou no - ble true and strong, Thy fame rolls on o'er  
truth is rest - ing on thy right; The na - tions look, and  
ar - id waste, or swell - ing tide, Our prayers to God shall

mount to sea, Hail Al - ma Ma - ter hail to thee! With  
land and sea, Hail Al - ma Ma - ter hail to thee! Thy  
sigh to thee, Hail Al - ma Ma - ter hail to thee! For -  
rise for thee, Hail Al - ma Ma - ter hail to thee!