

Commencement

MAY 4, 2025 • 2:00 P.M.

WELLS FARGO ARENA, DES MOINES, IOWA

Academic Processional: *Pomp and Circumstance Edward Elgar
The Grand View University Wind Ensemble
Scott Davis, *Director of Instrumental Activities*

***Invocation**..... Rachel Cohen '14, *Director of Faith Life*

WelcomeChristian M. Murray '98, *Chair, Board of Trustees*
Elizabeth Joe '25, *President, Viking Council, Bachelor of Science - Biochemistry*

Introduction of Student Speaker..... Dr. Rachelle K. Keck, *President*

Student SpeakerConnie Welcher '25, *Bachelor of Social Work, Political Science*

Introduction of Commencement SpeakerDr. Rachelle K. Keck

Commencement Address.....The Honorable Connie Boesen, *Mayor of Des Moines*

Conferring of Honorary Degree..... Dr. Rachelle K. Keck, The Honorable Connie Boesen, and
Dr. Patricia Williams, *Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Presentation of Candidates..... Dr. Patricia Williams

Conferring of Degrees.....Dr. Rachelle K. Keck

Closing Remarks..... Dr. Rachelle K. Keck

***Loyalty Song (see page 16)** Dr. Joshua Boggs, *Director of Musical Arts*
Clara Kleiboeker '26, *Bachelor of Arts in Accounting,
Business Administration-Finance*
Alynn Fuller '27, *Bachelor of Arts in Game Design*
Salvador Ramirez-Garcia '25, *Bachelor of Science in Biology/Pre-PA*
Isaac Bleich-Sisco '25, *Bachelor of Arts in Theatre Arts*

***Benediction**Rachel Cohen '14

Fanfare & Recessional.....James D. Ployhar
The Grand View University Wind Ensemble

**Please stand.*

Need Assistance? Look for Grand View University staff, wearing red, as well as the Wells Fargo staff who can help answer any questions you may have.

Commencement Speaker

AND HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT



The Honorable Connie Boesen

Connie Boesen was sworn in as the first female mayor of Des Moines in January 2024, after serving as an at-large member of the Des Moines City Council since 2017. Her mayoral priorities include economic development, neighborhood revitalization, transportation, housing, mental health, social issues and supporting our youth. Prior to serving as a council member, Connie worked as a buyer for Younkers department store for 30 years. She was also a member of the Des Moines Public School Board from 2003-2017. A proud East High graduate, she also attended Grand View University. Since 1988, Connie has owned and operated Applishus and The Salad Bowl stands at the Iowa State Fair.

Degree Candidates

CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF EDUCATION DEGREE

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|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Φ Cassondra Ascheman | Φ Kristie Dana | Φ Kristin Anne Moore |
| Φ Kevin Michael Bauman | Φ Nicole Hegewald Hora | Φ Diana Pillado |
| Φ Kelly Blomquist | Φ Samantha S Henningsen | Φ Dana Renae Bockelmann Recker |
| Φ Bethany Cole | Φ Kelsey Abigail Henschen | Φ Carla Rivas |
| Φ Abigail Contreras | Φ Kristine Hill | Kirsten Patrice Schroeder |
| | Φ McKenzie Langstraat | |

CANDIDATE FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ANALYTICS DEGREE

- Φ Cody J Anderson

CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ATHLETIC TRAINING DEGREE

- | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Samantha Anne Engman | Elizabeth Anastasia Hurlbut | Jacob James Tollefson |
| James Ellwood Estey | Ryne David Mohrfeld | Jenna LeeAnn White |
| Φ Nathan Michael Hamilton | Juan Diego Rosillo Hernández | |

CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING DEGREE

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| Φ Anastazia Acker | Breanna Marie Goeller | Φ Alexandra Martinez |
| Jasmine Alexander | Φ *Becca Hansen | Φ Shea McCuen |
| Φ Allyson Arenivas | Taylor Marie Harding | Φ Iliyah W Moore |
| Φ Kelly Binkowski | Φ Caitlyn L Holm | Φ Abigail Catherine Placke |
| Φ Arijana Catic | Φ Audrey Pearl Hood | Φ Madison Pleggenkuhle |
| Φ Chelsea Kaitlyn Chapko | Φ Samantha Jo Ivie | Φ Benjamin Potter |
| Φ Rebecca Christiansen | Φ *Mariah Jena | Φ Tate Skartvedt |
| *Melanie Clark | Φ Shelby Karr | Rain Sirena Robinson |
| Φ *Breeana Zoe Runyon Coberley | Φ *Alexis Klein | Julie May San |
| Φ Megan Dillavou | Φ *Elizabeth Klink | Φ Avery M Schweitzer |
| Φ Megan Ellen Doran | Φ *Jocelynn Klos | Φ Emily Mary Smolinski |
| Φ Cheries Annette Dupee | Φ *Courtney Kopischke | Revay Stewart |
| Φ Ariel Hjordis Engel | Φ Eleanor Kues | Φ William Chevel Thomas |
| Φ Dana Beth Ferris | Φ Cecily Liphardt | Φ Miranda Marie Tiller |
| Samona Garcia | Φ Olivia Arlene Martin | Φ *Edward Michael Wollner |

CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP DEGREE

Φ Seth Alan Cloe	Shakrissa Juannet McCoy	Colby Franklin Royal
Φ Sarah Danforth Flippen	Φ *Michael Paul Nguyen	Φ Laren Michael Simon
Φ Brennen Frederick Jack Harrison	Φ Emmawyn Hermione Powers David Reasby	Φ *Blake Ryan Turner
Sheri Howard	Φ Robert Reedy	Φ *Andrew Webber
Φ Robert Isaacs	Lucas Rodriguez	Φ Nathan Paul Willcockson Drew Woodley

CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SCHOOL COUNSELING DEGREE

Φ *Shawn Patrick Liker-Hill	Φ Sophia Volk
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CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPORT MANAGEMENT DEGREE

Nelson Becassis	Φ *Aaron Hafner	Φ *Kai McPeak
Φ Ellie Michaela Blosser	Jacob Harvey	Mackenzie Rae Olson
Mackenzie Ann Cahalan	Lindsey Nicole Holmberg	Φ *Matheus Martins
Andrew Lynn Conn	Φ Owen Howard	Φ Logan Smith
Alexis Danner	Brody Lamp	*Alessandro Venditti

CANDIDATES FOR THE MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE

Φ Emily Beaham	Φ Callie Jo Henrichs	Φ Mila Isabella Trombino
Φ Marian Marie Coover	Φ Makayla Rae Hinners	Φ Alexis Kate Wernimont
Φ Jaclyn Duden	Φ Karima Koko	Φ Ashly Renae Wigand
Φ Janice Rae Fenton	Φ Alisha Reynolds	
Φ Kimberly Michelle Rodriguez	Φ Keimara Roby	

CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

Benjamin Acri.....	Business Administration
€ Makena Marie Adkins	Sport Management
€ Diana Aguayo.....	Business Administration
Jalen Aguiniga	Criminal Justice
Braden Cole Anderson	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
Cody J Anderson	Business Analytics
§ Rachel Iona Anderson	Elementary Education
Leonardo Annichini.....	Business Administration
Lier Ayarza.....	Business Administration
*Camden Baarda.....	Business Administration, Graphic Design
McKayla Jo Babinat.....	Business Analytics, Accounting

	Prince Bagabo.....	Criminal Justice
	Steven Banks	Computer Science
	Van Ding Bawi.....	Accounting
€	Gabriel Beardsley	History
€	Sydney Nicole Beasley	Psychology
	James Beaty	Business Administration
€	Ajla Becirovic	Elementary Education
	Garritt Andrew Berkland.....	Criminal Justice
€	Hannah Rae Beveridge.....	Business Administration
μ	Tapash Bhattarai	Accounting
§	Isaac Bleich-Sisco	Theatre Arts
§	Charity Bos	Secondary Education, History
§	Naomi G Bourland	Business Administration
	Allan Joe Paranhos Brewer	Biotechnology, Biology
€	Andrew Brittingham.....	History
	Erik Brian Broekemeier	Business Administration
	Aaron C. Brown	Business Administration
	Fabian Brown.....	Business Administration
§	Jaylynn K Brown.....	Psychology
§	Olivia Nicole Brown.....	Accounting, Business Administration
	Prince Zlankohn Brown	Business Administration, Sport Management
μ	Lily Grace Burkhead	Game Design
	Connor Canny	Business Administration
	Kairah Cantillo.....	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Ein Carlos	Liberal Arts
	Christine K Carter	Elementary Education
	Camrey Chaiya Cavan.....	Business Administration
§	Adeline Chance	Elementary Education
	Tucker Christensen.....	Sport Management
§	*Riley P Clancy.....	Business Administration
	*Sarah Elizabeth Clark	Paralegal Studies
	Kynan Clemons	Sport Management
€	Margaret Clifford	Accounting
	Alexandria Cockrell	Business Administration
	Bryce Cockrell.....	Business Administration
	Jackson Ray Cockrell.....	Liberal Arts
	Edi Cokovic	Business Administration
	Olivia Connors.....	Business Administration
	Peyton Kay Cook	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
€	Benjamin Michael Craven.....	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	Zachary Armond Cue.....	Game Design
	Wendi Michelle Danitz-Hart.....	Criminal Justice
	Krzysztof Darowski	Accounting, Business Administration
	Martece R Davis.....	Theatre Arts
	Mario Wilbert De La Cruz Zuviri Jr	Business Administration
	Ezra Denny	Computer Science
	Emma Elaine DeStigter	Sport Management
μ	Eva Marie Diaz	Accounting

§	*Alexandra Rose Dieger	Elementary Education
	*Makensie L Dimmitt	Criminal Justice
€	Tagen Douma	Physical Education
	Emma Kathleen Dunlavy	Elementary Education
§	Brady Duwa	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	Maria Alejandra Ekwall	Human Services
μ	Elizabeth Lucille Marie Elkins	Accounting, Business Administration
	Thomas Even	Sport Management
€	Anabelle Fank	Business Administration
	Valerie Ferguson	Business Administration
	Thomas Fisher	English
€	Katherine Fogarty	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
€	Ayden Foster	Psychology
§	Ryan Foster	Psychology
	Jake Marshall Frederick	Game Design
	Madison Fry	Psychology
	Andrew Funke	Theatre Arts
€	Daniel Galili	Business Analytics
	Kennedy Gall	Liberal Arts
	Yarissa Lilia Gallo Campos	Psychology
	Paulina Garcia-Arreola	Studio Arts
	Edward Louis Garner V.	Accounting, Business Administration
€	Clay Joseph Garretson	Elementary Education
	Elisha Gaye	Business Administration
	Journey E Goering	Human Services, Psychology
€	Rachel Elizabeth Gore	Business Administration
	*Kanishka gowthaman	Accounting, Business Administration
§	Tanarra Ray Mariah Gray	Human Services
	Ryan Griffel	Sport Management
§	Nayeli Guerrero-Zamarripa	Business Administration
	Gregory Hagan	Liberal Arts
§	Hailey K. Haines	Psychology
€	Emilee Anne Hall	Accounting, Business Administration
	Abbot Haner	Physical Education
	Torie Harmon	Business Administration
μ	Creighton Hatting	Secondary Education, Mathematics
	Cole T. Haynes	Business Administration
	Rece William Heinen	Business Administration
	Impaneza Heritier	Management Information Systems
	Davis Herndon	Criminal Justice
§	Abigail Krysten Herrick	Business Administration
€	Linnea Hietala	Communication and Media Practice
	Evan Hightshoe	Elementary Education
	*Ariel JoAnna Hilson	Psychology
	Hank Himrich	Communication and Media Practice
€	Patrick Lee Hirth	Criminal Justice
μ	Kaylee Hodnefield	Elementary Education
	Dim Thian Huai	Accounting, Business Administration

μ	Noah D Huff	Communication and Media Practice
	Madison Brooke Huisman	Business Administration
	Ryan Christopher Hulse	Sport Management
€	Caleb S Humphrey	Political Science
§	Dung Huynh	Accounting
	Zavier Jackman	Computer Science
	Trayvonne Jackson	Liberal Arts
	Alexis Jemison	Business Administration, Sport Management
μ	*Connor J. Johnson	Business Administration
€	Dane C Johnson	History
	Chantal Jones	Organizational Studies
μ	Dezi Jones	Liberal Arts
	Gregory Jones	Communication and Media Practice
	Laura Jones	Accounting
§	Lily Anna Mae Jones	Human Services, Psychology
	*Nicholas Jones	Computer Science
€	Dominick E. Judge	Game Design
	Isaiah La'amaikahiki Makoto Kalima-Izumi	Sport Management
	Matthew Cole Kauffman	Business Administration
	Carlton Timothy Keith JR	Business Administration
	Connor J Keller	Sport Management
	Lorina Lea Kern	Organizational Studies
μ	James Peter Kiernan	Management Information Systems
	*Laura Andrian Chebet Kipnusu	Criminal Justice, Political Science Pre Law
§	Karlee Rebecca Knode	Organizational Studies
	Mohammed Koraishi	Management Information Systems
	Garavous Kouekabakialaho	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Rhonda Kaye Heaberlin	History
§	Kody Elijah Kruschwitz	Accounting, Business Administration
	Gabe Kuehler	Psychology
	Noah Kueter	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Jordan A Kumm	Business Administration
§	Olivia Kyes	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	Kambree Ladd	Psychology, Human Services
	Emiliano Laguna Cuellar	Business Administration
	Karen Michelle Landaverde Lara	Human Services
	Ra'Shjon Martinez	Business Administration
€	Bowen Larsen	Liberal Arts
	Ella Larsen	Biology
μ	Easton Lee Larson	Business Analytics
	Martin Launay	Political Science
μ	Julie Nguyen Le	Elementary Education
μ	Jonah Leifker	Business Administration
	Alek Ray Lemke	Sport Management
§	Eric Liborio	Criminal Justice
	Samuel Londono Ibarra	Business Administration
	John C Lopez	Human Services
	*Alexander Lucas	Psychology

μ	*Isaiah Luellen	Elementary Education
	Christella Luyeye	Human Services, Psychology
	Kali Mae Mable	Criminal Justice
	Richard Mack	Sport Management
μ	Riley Mackey	Elementary Education
€	Cole Lee Mair	Secondary Education
	Jenna Mall	Psychology
	*Danielle Joyce Mann	Paralegal Studies
	Luke Markla	Psychology
	Paulo Marques	Business Administration
	Lizbeth Marquez Sedano	Business Administration
	Lauren Olyvia Martin	Business Administration
μ	Jesus Martinez-Aviles	Communication and Media Practice
	Sydney Faith McCasland	Business Administration
	Justin McCunn	Mathematics
μ	Jenna Ann McDonald	Psychology
	Abby McIntyre	Liberal Arts
	*Taylor Renea McMahan	Elementary Education
	Austin W. McMillin	Business Administration
§	Mackenzie Elizabeth Meister	Criminal Justice, Psychology
	Korey Mendoza	Business Administration
	Marco A. Mendoza	Business Administration, Sport Management
§	Kylie Mercial	Elementary Education
§	Kayli Mernka	Liberal Arts
€	Abby Meyer	Psychology
§	Isabelle Nanci Miller	Biotechnology
μ	Isabella Grace Milosevich	Elementary Education
€	Gloria Angelica Mireles	Psychology
	Jovon Mitchell	Liberal Arts
€	Dominic J Morris	Psychology, Human Services
	*Parfait Muhoza Shimwa	Mathematics
μ	Benjamin James Murphy	Business Administration
μ	Cleao Jo Murray	Business Administration
	Eloge Ndaya Ndiadia	Psychology
§	Zachary Marcus Neese	Accounting, Business Administration
§	Robyn Michelle Nelms	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
€	Philip A Nestler	Graphic Design
	Tyrell Newman	Business Administration
	Mu Ngi	Business Analytics, Biochemistry
	Emily Anh Nguyen	Business Administration
μ	Ian Nichols	Computer Science
	Timothy Nimely	Business Administration
€	Derek Allen Oberhelman	Game Design, Graphic Design
μ	Gabriel Olson	Elementary Education
	Nichole Onstot	Organizational Studies
μ	Elizaveta Ordinteva	Criminal Justice
μ	Armin Oric	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
€	Melanie Isabella Alexandra Pastorino Ortega	Business Administration

€	Jenna Noel Pastour	Psychology
§	Anna Christine Paul	Sport Management
μ	Eh Kee Lah Paw	Psychology
μ	Ehshee Paw	Theology
	Jasmina Paw	Liberal Arts
	Kwe Lay Paw	Psychology, Human Services
	Umi Eden Paw	Business Administration
	Scott James Pengelly	Biology
§	Taylor Pennington	Elementary Education
μ	Vinny Perales	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Jared Cole Perrault	Computer Science
€	Isabel Pershing	Elementary Education
μ	Stephanie Ann Sandvig	Organizational Studies
	James Piper	Studio Arts
	Brian Platt	Human Services
	Fatima Plumb	Business Administration
μ	Ellen Polich	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	*Mario Ramon Price	Psychology
	Trevor Howard Pulse	Business Administration
μ	Kaitlyn Rahfeldt	Business Administration
	Madelyn Rehor	Music Education
€	*Ellie Rengstorf	Kinesiology and Health Promotion, Graphic Design
μ	Alex Reynolds	Mathematics
μ	Megan Diane Riesselman	Sport Management, Accounting
	*Ryan James Rinke	Communication and Media Practice
	Gage Allen Ritz	Sport Management
	Connor Robertson	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	*Jennifer Marie Robinson	Accounting
	Joshua Rocha-Mendias	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	Aaron Michael Rodriguez	Psychology, Theology
	Leilani Rodriguez	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	Melissa Leah Roe	Human Services
μ	Alexandra Regina Roland	Business Administration
§	Gabrielle Regan Roorda	Elementary Education
§	Imanol Saldana	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Pierre Salib	Biology
€	Brian Sanchez Olave	Business Analytics
μ	Chad Allan Sayles	Secondary Education
	Clement Scaccia	Business Administration
	Mikayla Schnurr	Accounting, Business Administration
§	Michelle Schultz	Psychology
	Madison Elaine Schumacker	Business Administration
	Dane Schwartz	Elementary Education, Liberal Arts
	Mickey Fate Seely	Biology
	Aneesah J Shabazz	Elementary Education
	Salum Shabiby	Management Information Systems
€	Katie M. Shepherd	Accounting
μ	Alvin Musinya Shivere	Computer Science

€	Calvin Stuart Jon Sieck	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	Henry Charles Siever	Elementary Education
μ	Oscar Silva	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Ofek Sirkis	Business Administration
	Logan Skipton	Accounting, Business Administration
€	Jordyne Slagle	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Shelby Elizabeth Slaven	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Jacob Smith	Business Administration
μ	Cooper Smith	Criminal Justice
	Kade Somers	Business Administration
€	Thi Linh Da Son	Accounting, Business Administration
€	Caleb Spranger	Secondary Education
€	Cassandra Stewart	History, Theater
	Kaden Stewart	Business Administration
€	Tate Stine-Smith	Psychology
	*Josh Stoll	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
€	*Amber Swinehart	Studio Arts
	Austin Switzer	Paralegal Studies, Business Administration
	*Dumbari Grace Taoh	Human Services
§	Emily Tavegia	Art Education
	Carson Taylor	Business Administration
μ	Isabel Tetmeyer	Biotechnology, Biology
	Davin Miles Thompson	Business Administration
	Mason Lee Thompson	Psychology
€	Elise Raeann Thorson	Paralegal Studies
	*Andrew James Tiller	Business Administration
	Trent Sterling Tipton	Business Administration
	Aisea Kilohwia Toki	Sport Management
	* Antwaneisha Tolson	Organizational Studies
§	Hanna Nicole Townley	Psychology
μ	Kennedy Tunink	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
§	McKenna Sue Ussery	English
	Faines Uwezo Jelson	Business Administration
	Alana Van Ballegooyen	Psychology and Criminal Justice
§	*Lilly Van Rees	Elementary Education
	Jaedyn M Veasley	Criminal Justice
μ	Selima Vejzovic	Criminal Justice
	*Luke Vitiritto	Business Administration
	Zachary Voelz	Sport Management
	Chevelle Keala Wagner-Chun	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Lucas Wakefield	Business Administration
§	Sven Jonas Waldmeier	Psychology
	Zachary Joseph Wallace	Secondary Education
	Kaitlynn V Wamser	Psychology
	Krista Lee Warren	Criminal Justice
μ	James Michael Wartick	Business Administration
€	*Blaine C. Watkins	Political Science
§	Kyle Weber	Human Services, Psychology

§	Aidan Weckman	Business Administration
	Cole Weckman	Business Administration
μ	Jayson Michael Weiland.....	Kinesiology and Health Promotion
	Benjamin Welch	Criminal Justice
€	Ray Ann Renee Wells-Smith	Human Services
	Linnea M. Wolf	Business Administration
μ	Jacob Wolver	Accounting, Business Administration
	Jodin Ezra Ann Wyckoff.....	Psychology
μ	Brynna Kay Yocom	Elementary Education
μ	*Benedikt Zechmeister.....	Business Administration

CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

μ	Alexandra Andersen.....	Biology
	Hira Bhujel	Biology
	Jada Leynice Coleman	Biology
	Emily McGuire.....	Biology
	Alexis Quiana Dorsett.....	Biology
	Beth Ann Doyle Thomas.....	Biology, BA Biology
	Jennifer leong	Biochemistry
	Elizabeth Nylomyne Joe	Biochemistry
€	Macie Sierra Mosher	Biology
§	Jaren Chimere Obia.....	Biochemistry
	Salvador Ramirez-Garcia.....	Biology
§	Elizabeth Runneberg.....	Biology
§	Mia Elizabeth Schumann.....	Biochemistry, Spanish for Careers and Professionals
	Amelia Schwartzkopf	Biology, Biotechnology, BA Biology
	Tayana DaShawn Williams.....	Biology

CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE

μ	Reed Jason Abbas	€	Ava Arlisse Kanne	€	Maiya Shawn Schminkey
§	Jessica Elizabeth Anderson	€	Jenna Kathleen LaDage		Morgan Schulz
€	Jersey Rae Bender	€	Marah Larsen	μ	Rayna Elizabeth Sickels
	Allie Nicole Britten	§	Liberty Christiana Leis		Neomi Amie Sidique
	Esther Nyajal Goanar Chol		Josi Elizabeth Lonneman	§	Josephine Elizabeth Sowers
	Kaisha Christianson		Michael Meacham	§	Aviah Rian Taylor
	(Business Administration)		Emily Marie Miner		(Spanish for Careers & Professionals)
μ	Madalynn Marie Constable	μ	Sidney M Nelson		Micheal D L Thornton
§	Keely Elizabeth Cookson		*Hannah Lindsey Rees	€	Natalia Villegas
	Puspa Dhimal		Lesly Reyes Guzman	€	Melany Elizabeth Vry
€	Camille Dixon		Laurence L. Rivas Jr	€	Neveah Jaylin Wood
	Ellen Hetzel	μ	Cassondra Ruzicka		
	Kevin Hoerster	§	Emma Catherine Schirrmacher		
	Lisa Nicole Jennings		Bridgit Schlafke		

CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE

μ Iman Khaled Adam	μ Gracie Lee Hagle	Mtee Kaw Paw
Travis Anderson	Nicolle Hook	Sarah Lyn Robben
Emily Atkinson	Kendall Rachelle Karnatz	€ Darique M. Rodriguez
Alexis Billington	€ Jenna G. Kidman	Kaylee Ann Smith
Cassandra Gordon	Jennifer M. McMillan	§ Connie Jean Welcher
Madyson Keli Guzman	Janis Lily Elise Morrow	(Political Science)
	Gillian Ann Overturf	

GRADUATION HONORS

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL Latin honors are officially awarded at the completion of all course work and appear on the graduate's diploma. All Latin honors denoted in this Commencement program are based upon the student's grade point average at the time of review and do not signify that any specific honor will be earned. Students must earn at least 45 graded semester hours at Grand View University and be earning their first bachelor's degree to be eligible.

€ **Cum Laude** (3.50–3.69 cumulative GPA)

μ **Magna Cum Laude** (3.70–3.89 cumulative GPA)

§ **Summa Cum Laude** (3.90–4.00 cumulative GPA)

GRADUATE LEVEL Graduating with Distinction honors are officially awarded at the completion of all course work and appear on the graduate's diploma. All Graduating with Distinction denoted in the Commencement program are based upon the student's grade point average at the time of review and do not signify that any specific honor will be earned. Students must earn a cumulative grade point average higher than 3.80 to be eligible.

Φ **Graduating with Distinction** (3.80-4.00 cumulative GPA)

This commencement program does not constitute an official list of confirmed graduates at Grand View University. Participation in the Commencement ceremony does not signify that degrees have been awarded unless all academic requirements have been met.

PROCESSIONAL FLAGS

Flags in the processional represent the countries of students who are graduating today.

United States of America – Lorina Kern – *Thirteen alternating red and white stripes, a blue field with fifty white stars on the upper left corner*

Brazil – Paulo Marques – *Green field with large yellow diamond in the center bearing a blue celestial globe with 27 white pointed stars*

Columbia – Samuel Londoño – *Three horizontal stripes: yellow, blue, and red, with the yellow stripe twice the height of the blue and red stripe*

Ecuador – Melanie Ortega – *Three horizontal stripes: yellow, blue, and red, with the yellow stripe twice the height of the blue and red stripe, with the country's coat of arms featuring a condor*

Israel – Ofek Sirkis – *A white background with a horizontal blue stripe at the top and bottom with a blue Star of David in the center*

Kenya – Alvin Shivere – *Tricolor of black, red, and green with two white edges imposed with a red, white, and black Maasai shield and 2 crossed spears*

Mexico – Emiliano Laguna Cuellar – *Three vertical stripes: green, white, and red, with the country's coat of arms featuring an eagle*

Republic of Moldova – Elizaveta Ordinteva – *Vertical triband of blue, yellow and red, with the country's coat of arms featuring an eagle*

Other flags on display that represent the countries of our current international students and the tribes of our Native American students, plus the Iowa flag:

Australia, Austria, Denmark, France, Germany, India, Italy, Meskwaki Nation, Republic of the Gambia, Rwanda, South Africa, Spain, United Kingdom, Vietnam

HONOR SOCIETY REGALIA

Alpha Chi – Medallion with green and blue ribbon

Alpha Kappa Mu – Royal blue and white cords

Alpha Psi Omega – Blue and amber cords

Alpha Sigma Lambda – Burgundy and gold cords

Honors Program (formerly Logos) – Silver cords

Phi Alpha – Double knotted blue and gold cords

Phi Eta Sigma – Gold and black cords

Psi Chi – Blue and silver cords

Psychology Club Officers – Purple, teal and green cords

Sigma Tau Delta – Red and black cords

Sigma Theta Tau – Purple cords

Tau Upsilon Alpha – Royal blue, white and gold cords

Theta Alpha Kappa – TAK pin and red cords

Viking Leadership Credential – Red, white and black cords

FACULTY ACADEMIC REGALIA

The tradition of academic dress dates back to the beginning of the university system in medieval Europe during the 11th and 12th centuries. Its main features include the gown, the cap and the hood. Originally the gown's main purpose was as a piece of clothing providing protection from cold weather. Over time its primary use became symbolic, signifying the democracy of scholarship. The dark gown covers any dress representative of rank or social standing. The cap has its roots in ancient Roman culture and the traditions of medieval religious dress. It signifies the freedom of scholarship and the dignity and responsibility accorded to a scholar. The cap's tassel is symbolic of the wearer's area of study. The hood, like the gown, was originally a piece of clothing used as protection from the cold. Today its colors and design are symbolic of the college or university where a degree was earned, the level of degree earned, and the scholar's discipline.

Colors associated with

academic disciplines include:

Apricot – Nursing

Gold – Mathematics, Psychology,
Computer Science, Biology,
Chemistry, Physics

Brown – Fine Arts
(Visual and Dramatic)

Light Blue – Education

Citron – Social Work

Purple – Law

Crimson – Communication Arts

Scarlet – Theology

Drab (Light Brown) –
Business Administration

White – History, English,
Sociology, Modern Languages,
Speech, Humanities

Sage Green – Athletic Training

Salmon – Clinical Mental Health
Counseling

Oxford Blue – Philosophy; also
the color for the PhD, regardless
of discipline

CEREMONIAL MACE

Maces became part of academic ceremonies to represent the authority of an academic institution to confer a degree. Grand View's mace is carried by the faculty marshal during academic ceremonies. The mace is dedicated to Dr. Ronald L. Taylor, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Grand View from 1990-2008. It is made possible with a gift from Robert M. Speed and Erna Jensen, retired Grand View faculty.

The symbolism in the mace represents Grand View University. Starting at the bottom, the small ball in the tail piece represents the origin of the university in 1896 and the entry point for all students into university life. The shaft of the mace represents the student body which is surrounded by four flutes representing Academic Life, Student Life, Work Life, and Faith Life. The five elements of the vision of Grand View University in providing a rigorous education, affording this opportunity to all qualified students, preserving the virtues of education, blending the strengths of in-class experience with appropriate technologies, and building community ties are represented by the five rings surrounding the shaft, two near the bottom and three near the top. Developing mind, body and spirit, an enduring theme of the university, is represented by the three rings which tie together the shaft of the mace, representing the student body, and the upper part of the mace, representing the faculty and staff. The large round upper portion of the mace, representing the faculty and staff, holds two metallic medallions bearing the university seal. The finial at the top points to the future, both for the students and the university. Having fulfilled its mission of challenging students, creating a community of learners, offering a supportive environment, and affirming Christian faith and ethics, represented by the ring under the finial, Grand View University confidently sends its students out into the world.

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The Grand View Loyalty Song

Matthew Pries

Kathryn Pohlmann Duffy

1
You shine for all, light to the world. Here our fu - tures are un - furled.

This system contains the first four measures of the song. The music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "You shine for all, light to the world. Here our fu - tures are un - furled."

5
Her - i - tage that is so grand, Like a rock on which we stand.

This system contains measures 5 through 8. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment remains in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Her - i - tage that is so grand, Like a rock on which we stand."

9
Grow - ing spi - rit, bod - y, mind, Called to serve all hu - man - kind, We

This system contains measures 9 through 12. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment remains in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Grow - ing spi - rit, bod - y, mind, Called to serve all hu - man - kind, We"

13
leave e - quipped, em - pow - ered, too. We pledge our hearts to Grand View.

This system contains measures 13 through 16. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the piano accompaniment remains in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "leave e - quipped, em - pow - ered, too. We pledge our hearts to Grand View."