



2019
COMMENCEMENT
EXERCISES

ORDER OF THE 2019 FALL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Romain College of Business and College of Liberal Arts Ceremony

Saturday, December 7, 2019
10 a.m.

Processional

Evansville Brass Quintet
Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar, Composer

Grand Marshal

C. Christy Baker, *Chair of Social Work; Associate Professor of Social Work*

National Anthem

Lauren A. Pilkington '23

Welcome and Introductions

Ronald S. Rochon, *President*

Reflection

Jack R. Anderson '19

Class of 2019 Recognition

Cathy Carey, *Dean of the Romain College of Business; Professor of Economics*

The Commencement Address

Ernest H. Hall, Jr., *Professor of Management*

Conferral of Degrees

Ronald S. Rochon, *President*
Assisted by Mohammed F. Khayum, *Provost*

Presentation of Graduates

Ronald S. Rochon, *President*
Presented by Curt A. Gilstrap, *Assistant Professor of Business Communication*

Welcome from the USI Alumni Association

Ashley M. Schultz '10, *President of the USI Alumni Association*

Recessional

Evansville Brass Quintet

*A reception will be held in University Center East immediately following the ceremony.
Join us in the celebration on social media by including #USIGrad in your posts.*

ERNEST H. HALL, JR. TO DELIVER COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS



Ernest H. Hall, Jr.

Dr. Ernest H. Hall, Jr., professor of management, is the 2019 recipient of the Distinguished Professor Award. He is being honored for his leadership, service and teaching in the fields of business and management.

Hall began his career at USI in 1992 as the director of the Small Business Institute. In 1998, he became chair of the Management and Marketing Department; director of the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program in 2000, as well as the associate dean for what is now the Romain College of Business, both until 2004. In 2012, he served another five years as director of the Master of Business Administration program.

Words used by peers to describe Hall include integrity, professionalism, strong ethical values, humble, committed leader, highly respected and servant. Students have indicated he cares about them; keeps them engaged in learning; is professional, enthusiastic, friendly, fair and effective while bringing course content to life by relating it to real-life management situations.

As the director of the USI MBA program, he played a key role in laying the foundation for the launch of the highly successful online MBA program.

Over the course of his career, Hall has had 27 articles published in peer-reviewed journals, and his bibliography includes 58 conference proceedings and presentations. He has served in various roles at USI over the course of his career, including departmental promotion and tenure committee chair, chair of the University Promotions Committee, and as a representative of the University for the Foreign Trade Zone Project Team with the Evansville-Vanderburgh Airport Authority. Currently, he serves on the editorial review board for the *Journal of Business Strategies* and is consulting editor for the *Journal of Social Psychology*.

He has been honored with several research fellowships and awards at USI, and in 2008, was awarded best conference paper at the International Conference of American Institutes of Higher Education.

Hall graduated from the University of New Orleans in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in management, and in 1984 he earned a master's degree in business administration from Louisiana State University. In 1988, he completed his doctoral degree in business administration from the University of Mississippi with a focus in strategic management.

The Distinguished Professor Award was established in 1983 and is given in recognition of significant achievement in teaching, scholarship and service. As a recipient, Hall will receive a \$7,000 stipend plus a \$3,000 faculty development grant underwritten by generous donors to the USI Foundation.



ORDER OF THE 2019 FALL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

College of Nursing and Health Professions and Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education Ceremony

Saturday, December 7, 2019

1 p.m.

Processional

Evansville Brass Quintet
Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar, Composer

Grand Marshal

Julie L. McCullough, *Assistant Dean of Health Professions; Chair of Food and Nutrition Program;*
Associate Professor of Nutrition

National Anthem

A'Ron A. Sheridan '20

Welcome and Introductions

Ronald S. Rochon, *President*

Reflection

Kristina M. Dewig '19

Class of 2019 Recognition

Zane W. Mitchell, Jr. *Dean of the Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education;*
Professor of Engineering

The Commencement Address

Sakina M. Hughes, *Assistant Dean of the College of Liberal Arts; Director of Africana Studies Program;*
Associate Professor of History

Conferral of Degrees

Ronald S. Rochon, *President*
Assisted by Mohammed F. Khayum, *Provost*

Presentation of Graduates

Ronald S. Rochon, *President*
Presented by Kent W. Scheller, *Professor of Physics*

Welcome from the USI Alumni Association

Ashley M. Schultz '10, *President of the USI Alumni Association*

Recessional

Evansville Brass Quintet

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SAKINA M. HUGHES TO DELIVER COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS



Sakina M. Hughes

Dr. Sakina M. Hughes, associate professor of history, is the 2019 recipient of the H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award. She is being honored for her tireless work with USI students within University Core Courses (UCC).

Hughes began her career at USI in 2013 after serving as the Dubois-Mandela-Rodney Postdoctoral Fellow: Department of Afroamerican and African Studies at the University of Michigan. Currently at USI, along with being associate professor, she is the assistant dean of the College of Liberal Arts and the director of Africana Studies. She also is a board member for the Vanderburgh County Historical Society, co-chair of the Nelson Mandela Social Justice Commemoration Committee and was the founding president of the USI Faculty Women of Color in the Academy.

While teaching core curriculum courses at USI, Hughes has brought innovative teaching methods and an enthusiastic attitude to the classroom. Specifically, she uses Reacting to the Past (RTTP) games where students assume the role of a historical figure. Each student does research on the person they are representing, which allows them to engage in class discussions, speeches and debates. Hughes has brought several students to present their characters at the Evansville African American Museum, providing students the opportunity to connect classroom learning to the Evansville community.

Another innovative method used in Hughes' classroom is an activity called "activating the past." Students research historical events and reflect on how people reference history in today's politics, popular culture and print media. It allows students to understand how history can be used to engage people or push a political agenda.

Hughes' willingness to experiment with different formats in the classroom has impressed upon students the importance of history and historical reflection.

Over the course of her career, Hughes has published numerous articles, has presented at conferences across the country, and has been awarded research grants, fellowships and awards from USI, University of Michigan, Michigan State University and others. Hughes is affiliated with multiple professional organizations, including the American Historical Association, the American Society for Ethnohistory and American Studies Association.

Hughes earned a bachelor's degree in history from Eastern Michigan University in 2005, and a doctorate in history in 2012 from Michigan State University.

The H. Lee Cooper Core Curriculum Teaching Award was established in 2000 and honors a USI faculty member whose work in UCC has been especially creative and successful in furthering UCC goals. As a recipient, Hughes will receive a \$4,000 stipend and a \$2,000 faculty development grant underwritten by longtime and generous University friends, Ann and H. Lee Cooper III.



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA

Candidates for Degrees

CLASS OF 2019

ROMAIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS CEREMONY

Saturday, December 7, 2019

10 a.m.

MASTER DEGREES

MASTER OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

Kramer Malicia Ahrens, Evansville
Salome Apkhazishvili, Evansville
Miyu Kajihara, Tochigi, Japan
Benjamin David Luttrull, Evansville
Mary E. Reese, Mount Vernon
Megan Ann Williams, Evansville

MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

Haleigh R. Bennett, Newburgh
Kathleen R. Bolander, Lafayette
Sarah Elizabeth Croce, Newburgh
Stacy Beatrice Waters, Evansville

MASTER OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES

Robert Alan Threet, Mount Vernon

MASTER OF ARTS IN SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION, POLICY AND CULTURE

Lorena Alexandra Baquerizo, Newburgh
Abigail Nicole Griggs, Zionsville
Ai Ishikawa, Evansville
Meranda L. Jester, Santa Claus
Andrea Lynn Linberg, Evansville

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Talal Hamoud H. Alanazi, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Ramiz Njim Albadran, Owasso, Oklahoma
Bryan P. Aldridge, Bowling Green, Kentucky
Jacob Todd Archibald, New Albany
Sara Assef, Louisville, Kentucky
Adam William Balbach, Evansville
Chantel Morgan Ballard, Patriot

Rufus Barnett, Merrillville
Nicholas Edward Bebout, Mount Vernon
Brian Bennett, West Lafayette
Angel L. Berger, Osceola
Ashley M. Birmingham, Memphis, Tennessee
Sandipan Biswas, Richmond, Virginia
Allan Dela Vega Boquiren, Chicago, Illinois
Joy Beth Bowles, Henderson, Kentucky
Kimberly Ann Brown, Evansville
Laney Alexandra Brown, Round Rock, Texas
Michal Bruch, Linden Hurst, Illinois
Jarett D. Buck, Evansville
Erica N. Bunner, Crestview Hills, Kentucky
Ryan Joseph Burczyk, Evansville
Akia Marie Byrd, South Holland, Illinois
Timothy James Canner, Macomb, Michigan
Ti-Isia J. Charleston-Trimble, Merrillville
Aamad U. Chaudhry, Indianapolis
Crystal Roshia Chege, Houston, Texas
Steven James Cocchiarella, Bloomington
Keith James Conklin, Evansville
KellyAnne Schlachter Conner, Owensboro,
Kentucky
James Edward Cooper, Elkhart
Elizabeth Marie Datema, Elkhart
Erika R. Denton, Mount Vernon
Amy C. English, Evansville
Case Escher, Tigard, Oregon
Jeffery R. Farrow, South Bend
Michael Finazzo, Evansville
Janice L. Garth, Jeffersonville
Dmitriy Bachynsky Goebel, Mount Vernon
Maria Vladimirovna Grishkova, Moscow, Russia
Sarah E. Groeger, Evansville

Courtney Jo Gullion, Florence
Erica A. Harpenau, Princeton
John T. Hawkins, Indianapolis
Aaron Scott Hills, Newburgh
John P. Hockman, Jr., Denver, Colorado
Kelsie Elizabeth Horn, Santa Claus
Tina M. Hunter, Huntingburg
Dalton T. Isham, Atlanta, Georgia
Jacquelyn Ann Ivankovic, Saint John
Samantha Jo Johannsen, Nokomis, Illinois
Gary Shawn Johnson, Chicago, Illinois
Lauren Elizabeth Kane, Santa Claus
Matthew Kline, Indianapolis
Erik M. Knaebel, Cincinnati, OH
Michelle S. Kring, Highland Park, New Jersey
Jennifer S. Land, Evansville
Jerome E. Lander, Evansville
Joshua J. Lashuay, Midland, Michigan
Daniel Scott Leslie, Old Hickory, Tennessee
Cory Like, Newburgh
Catherine M. Lindley, Dyer
Myndi Sue Love, Bluffton
Mark A. Lush, Evansville
Carmen Marie Lutz, Newburgh
Mark E. Main, Bremen
Molly Maley, Cheyenne, Wyoming
Chaitanya Mamidala, Newburgh
Rodney Dale Mangus, Granger
Mariah Dawn Marcuson, Evansville
Robin Elise Matt, Bossier City, Louisiana
Zachary A. McDermott, Evansville
Erin Elizabeth McNair, Indianapolis
Mary Kathleen McNulty, Evansville
Sean Ryan Melvin, Evansville

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Briget Moen, Saint Petersburg, Florida
 Zachary Moore, Bloomington
 Kane Anthony Myers, New Palestine
 Amber M. Neal-Anderson, Benton, Illinois
 Kendra Dawn Neumann, Wadesville
 Bradley W. Niehaus, Newburgh
 Grant Noakes, Noblesville
 S. Jason Noel, Saint Louis, Missouri
 Andrew William Nunn, Evansville
 Sarah Denise Olson, Burns Harbor
 Amanda Michele Overby, Evansville
 Holly Marie Overton, Newburgh
 Jarod W. Parker, Evansville
 Kelly Peery, Belleville, Illinois
 Keith Michael Penney, Benton, Kentucky
 Samantha Ann Peters, Evansville
 Vanessa R. Pryor, Avon
 Alisa Ann Raymond-Knapp, Newburgh
 Nayeem Reza, Calgary, Alberta
 Samantha Jo Rickard, Evansville
 Kyle Andrew Robbins, Indianapolis
 Ilse M. Sabelhaus, North Vernon
 Richard William Schneider, Evansville

Andrew Michael Schoettle, Indianapolis
 Jessica Schwartz, Los Angeles, California
 Tammy Scott, Poseyville
 John Michael Sheringer, Brownsburg
 Jessica August Shuff, Mount Washington, Kentucky
 Obadiah Smith, III, Anderson
 Calvin Soenjaya, Toronto, Canada
 Katrina Strange, Bruceville
 Sean A. Sullivan, Mount Vernon
 Dana Gabrielle Kroeger Tang, Evansville
 Jenna Marie Taylor, Cincinnati
 Katherine Nicole Taylor, Mcleansboro, Illinois
 Monica D. Taylor, Bloomington
 Lavon R. Tertocha, Columbus
 Huyen Tran T. Thai, Pasadena, California
 Brandon W. Thomas, Cissna Park, Illinois
 Jerrod M. Thomas, Henderson, Kentucky
 Kristin K. Thoren, Libertyville, Illinois
 Tiffany Lynn Tscherne, Romulus, Michigan
 Nadesha Tugwell-Thompson, Kingston, Jamaica
 Krishna Chaitanya Tumuluru, Auburn Hills, Michigan

David A. Turpin, Evansville
 Jeremy Fitzgerald Vaughn, Lafayette
 Asaf Vilchik, Greensboro, North Carolina
 Ryan J. Vogt, Middlebury
 Ashli Lyn Warren, Carmel
 Fatima Warsame, Toronto, Ontario
 Kristina L. Washington, Terre Haute
 Kimberly Lynne Watkins, Carrollton, Texas
 Jason Harbert Watts, Indianapolis
 Elizabeth Ann Weil, Fishers
 Richard B. Weinblatt, Avon
 Carly S. Werner, Evansville
 Courtney L. Wheeler, Canton, Ohio
 Emily B. White, Eldorado, Illinois
 Brett A. Williams, Evansville
 Bailee Nicole Moser Wilson, Jasper
 Mariah I. B. Wilson, Evansville
 Heather June Winkler, Vincennes
 Cecilee Kathryn Wright, Owensville
 Nicholas A. Wujcik, Sterling Heights, Michigan
 Warren T. Zirkelbach, Evansville

POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE

ROMAIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Denise R. Allison, Evansville
 Computer Information Systems

Kerri Amber Hack, Evansville
 Accountancy

Maria Wahl, Evansville
 Accountancy

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

ROMAIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Jacob Reid Anderson, Owensboro, Kentucky
 Finance

Liliana Ayala, Newburgh
 Marketing

Jonathan Michael Faas⁺, Carmel
 Business Administration,
summa cum laude

Molly E. Goodwin, Evansville
 Management, *cum laude*

Cole Thomas Johannes Helms, Newburgh
 Management

Anna Hirsch, Newburgh
 Business Administration

Gabrielle Monique Hurley, Evansville
 Marketing

Valeria Ivanova, Evansville
 Economics and Finance, *magna cum laude*

Sydnee Rachel Lewis, Anderson
 Accounting and Professional Services

Gabriel Joseph Mayer, Evansville
 Business Administration

Eula Kimberly Reyes, Evansville
 Business Administration and Economics
 UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR

Lindsey Renee Sparks, Bloomfield
 Management, *magna cum laude*

Wenqi Tan, Evansville
 Management

Carolyn Huyen To, Des Moines, Iowa
 Marketing

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Brittney N. Adams, Evansville
 Business Administration

Yousef Abdullah Al Youswf, Evansville
 Computer Science

Marie Leeann Auton, Saint Charles, Missouri
 Accounting and Professional Services,
magna cum laude

Dillon Michael Baker, Indianapolis
 Business Administration

David Austin Barron, Newburgh
 Accounting and Professional Services
 and Finance, *cum laude*

Lauren T. Bateman, Boonville
 Business Administration

Taylor Daniel Bittner, Haubstadt
 Accounting and Professional Services

Hayley Marie Borst, Rockport
 Marketing

Robert H. Bourque, III, Pinckneyville, Illinois
 Marketing

Lauren Lea Branch, Boonville
 Finance, *cum laude*

Lauren Lea Branch, Boonville
 Accounting and Professional Services,
cum laude

William Robert Brokus, Bicknell
 Business Administration

Vanessa Rachelle Bye, Oakland City
 Management

Abel Eli Carreon Perez, Evansville
 Computer Information Systems

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Bailey Patrick Chatterton, Avon
Marketing

Shannon Michael Chesterfield, Bloomfield
Computer Science

Katie S. Christy, Princeton
Marketing

Cameron John Cochren, Evansville
Computer Information Systems

James Logan Cockerham, Evansville
Economics and Political Science

Ava Nicole Coleman, Covington
Management

Sean M. Compall, Evansville
Computer Science

Andrew R. Cumbee, Cynthiana
Management

Ashley Marie Curl, Evansville
Computer Science

Kameron Nicole Denning, Mount Vernon
Computer Information Systems,
magna cum laude

Daniel Scott Dills, Henderson, Kentucky
Finance

Jacob Scott Downs, Evansville
Management

Johnathon Trey English, Lyons
Marketing

Haili Rae Estabrook, Huntingburg
Business Administration

Donna D. Ewart, Mooresville
Business Administration

Steven Fields, Rising Sun
Computer Science

Jacob M. Foust, Avon
Accounting and Professional Services

Emma Marie Frazee, Huntingburg
Accounting and Professional Services
and Finance

Elizabeth A. Fromm, Elberfeld
Marketing

Austin Martin Graber, Montgomery
Accounting and Professional Services,
magna cum laude

Elizabeth Abigail Gray, Evansville
Business Administration

Corbin Ross Greathouse, Evansville
Business Administration

Regan Elizabeth Hedinger, Jasper
Accounting and Professional Services and
Finance

Ashley Nicole Henthorn, Otwell
Accounting and Professional Services

Jacob Thomas Hess, Haubstadt
Accounting and Professional Services and
Finance

Jacob E. Hodge, Palestine, Illinois
Marketing

Cory Eldon Jones, Owensboro, Kentucky
Management

Saxon V. Julian, Evansville
Computer Science

Iliia Karelin⁺, Ekaterinburg, Russia
Business Administration

Cole L. Kirchoff, Vincennes
Business Administration

Mollie Sue Knight, Bloomfield
Management, *cum laude*
UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR

Katelyn Nicole Knoll, Newburgh
Economics, *cum laude*

Brooke Leigh Kocher, Effingham, Illinois
Management

Kelsey Inez Lansdown, Morganfield, Kentucky
Management

Taylor Leigh, Dugger
Management

Thomas Dylan Lewis, Morganfield, Kentucky
Marketing

Forrest Earl Manning, Petersburg
Finance

Christopher J. Mata, Newburgh
Computer Science

Casey Alexander Mathisen, Indianapolis
Computer Science

Mattie Taryn McGowan, Eldorado, Illinois
Marketing

Kelsie Sue McWilliams, Jasper
Business Administration

Jeffrey Tanner Miller, Boonville
Business Administration

Gabrielle Diana Moreton, Dahlgren, Illinois
Management

Benjamin Austin Morris, Newburgh
Computer Science, *cum laude*

Aidan L. Muth, St. Meinrad
Business Administration, *magna cum
laude*

Ina Mikchaela Gepte Nora, Newburgh
Accounting and Professional Services,
cum laude

Chad E. O'Bryan, Huntingburg
Computer Science

Luke Christopher Otterbein, Evansville
Computer Information Systems

Rylee Nicole Page, Princeton
Computer Information Systems

Andrew M. Palombit, Evansville
Finance, *magna cum laude*

Christian Paul Peach, Newburgh
Accounting and Professional Services

Demetre Malcolm Phipps, Evansville
Computer Science

Shelby L. Powell, Henderson, Kentucky
Marketing

Tanner Elliott Pruitt, Henderson, Kentucky
Finance

Graham Joseph Purcell, Newburgh
Marketing

Courtney Renee Record, Evansville
Business Administration

Liam Robinson, Evansville
Business Administration

Gavin Michael Schaefer, Ferdinand
Marketing

Nora Elizabeth Schindler, Newburgh
Accounting and Professional Services

Alexis Jayde Schipp, Santa Claus
Accounting and Professional Services and
Finance

Madison Jo Schuler, Evansville
Accounting and Professional Services

Daniel Nikolayev Shevchenko, Newburgh
Marketing

Joshua Kevin Springer, Indianapolis
Management

Erik J. Stuteville, Evansville
Computer Science

Braden Anders Taylor, Haubstadt
Accounting and Professional Services and
Finance

Emily Marie Tedder, Hope
Finance

Matthew Alan Tomlin, Camby
Economics

Luke X. Wahl, Evansville
Computer Science

Kaitlin Renae Whaley, Evansville
Marketing

Joshua Dylan Winger, Thorntown
Finance

Garrett Lane Wojtowicz, Petersburg
Management

Timothy Elliot Yoder, Loogootee
Business Administration,
magna cum laude

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Ariana Emily Abraham, Columbus
Art, *magna cum laude*

Grant Charles Beaman, Martinsville
Spanish Studies and Global Studies

Ashley Marie Bittner, Chandler
Art

Jenna Nicole Bowman, Kokomo
Art

Joshua Ryan Chavez, Chandler
History, *magna cum laude*

Joseph Aaron Conner, Evansville
Psychology

Ashtyn E. Cornett, Pingree Grove, Illinois
Theatre Arts, *magna cum laude*

Mariel Joelle Elliott, Nashville, Illinois
Art, *magna cum laude*

Brooke M. Frederick, Salem, Illinois
Political Science

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Allen J. Harbold, Underwood
Theatre Arts, *cum laude*

Lauren Ariel Harrison, Newburgh
Psychology and French Studies, *cum laude*

Makenzie Blaine Hart, Haubstadt
Public Relations and Advertising,
magna cum laude

Emma Renee Hooper, Evansville
Anthropology, *magna cum laude*
UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR

Jessica Sara LaMar, Evansville
Art

Gwyndolyn Rene Masterson, Evansville
Public Relations and Advertising

Sean Michael McDicken, Royalton, Illinois
Art, *magna cum laude*
UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR

Wade Louis McNabb, Evansville
Art

Zoe Judith Meuth, Evansville
Global Studies and German Studies,
summa cum laude
UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR

Jerrith Draco Morrison, Valparaiso
Art

Emily Rae Ozee, Herold, Illinois
English, *magna cum laude*

Asianna Dantrece Peterson, Merrillville
Political Science

Izzy Sol Ferraro, Evansville
Art and International Studies,
magna cum laude

Isaac Blair Redman, Mount Vernon
English Teaching, *summa cum laude*

Karen Nathalia Sandoval Quintero, Bedford
Spanish Studies

Angelica Hope Stivers, Marysville
Criminal Justice, *cum laude*

Betzaira J. Suarez Ramos, Shelbyville
Radio and Television

Olyvia R. Symon, Evansville
Art

Megan Rose Thorne, Vincennes
Journalism and Art, *cum laude*

Jennifer Lynn Wade, Evansville
Sociology

Cheyenne Nycole Welte, Vincennes
English and Theatre Arts

BACHELOR OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Brett Evan Arnold, West Salem, Illinois
Individualized Studies

Danielle Nicole Arrigo, Evansville
Individualized Studies

Kara Danielle Bobo, Evansville
Individualized Studies

Dalton Cooper, Bedford
Individualized Studies

Lindsey A. Estes, Enfield, Illinois
Individualized Studies

Rebecca A. Hickman, Jasper
Individualized Studies

Henrietta Irene Jenkins, Evansville
Individualized Studies

Tammy Johnson, Evansville
Individualized Studies, *cum laude*

Bret P. Lillich, Newburgh
Individualized Studies

TerriSue Morris, Newburgh
Individualized Studies

Kailye N. Wagler, Loogootee
Individualized Studies

Kaitlyn Ann Wetekamp, Evansville
Individualized Studies

Doran Bakarr Yilla, Houston, Texas
Individualized Studies

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Sydni Clara Abel, Plainfield
Theatre Arts

Joshua L. Adkins, Henderson, Kentucky
Psychology, *summa cum laude*

Brianne Lee Akey, Crown Point
English

Jack Ryan Anderson, Demotte
Criminal Justice and Sociology,
magna cum laude

Madison Mae Aussenbaugh, Batesville
English Teaching, *magna cum laude*

Kala Renee Bean, Jasper
Psychology

Chandra M. Beck, Evansville
Psychology

Jordan S. Bedwell, Newburgh
History

Sarah Anne Bickett, Newburgh
Philosophy

Micalah D. Booher⁺, Pendleton
Radio and Television and
Communication Studies

Shelby M. Boutilier, Greenwood
Communication Studies

Meleah Nichole Brock, Evansville
Art

Austin James Brown, Evansville
Art

Chandler W. Buchanan, Milroy
Psychology

Erica R. Buechlein, Jasper
Psychology

James Carrier Burns, Brownsburg
Communication Studies

Lukas Klein Cameron, Newburgh
Public Relations and Advertising

Jesse Roberto Cano, Evansville
Criminal Justice and Sociology

Jennifer Carapia, Frankfort
Criminal Justice

Kurt Anthony Clement, Evansville
Political Science

Rachel Cluck, Evansville
Criminal Justice

Tiffany Monique Coles, Crestview, Florida
Psychology

Kayley Sue Conway, Princeton
Psychology

Erin Alicia Cooper, Avon
Psychology

Gage J. Courvelle, Newburgh
Public Relations and Advertising

Jordan V. Creech, Evansville
Public Relations and Advertising

Faith Xue Fei Crowley, Kouts
Psychology, *cum laude*

Kayla Marie Darrett, Washington
Psychology

Lisa Lynn Dayvolt, Evansville
Art

Ava Elaine Derk, Newburgh
Art

Sarai Leah Chikodi Dinkens-Agalaba,
Amarillo, Texas
Theatre Arts

Madison Sue Doan, Terre Haute
English Teaching

Jacob Brian Dougan, Chandler
Criminal Justice

Brittany N. Edmonson, Owensboro, Kentucky
History, *summa cum laude*

Emma Kathryn R. Fitzgerald, Owensboro,
Kentucky
Public Relations and Advertising

Lauren Elizabeth Fitzsimmons, Newburgh
Communication Studies

Jason L. Flickinger, Vincennes
Psychology

Mallory Kaye Flynn, Vincennes
Psychology

Tiffany Amber Fortner, Mitchell
Psychology

Cheyenne Taneil Garrison, Fairfield, Illinois
Art

Samuel Dawson Garrison, New Palestine
Theatre Arts

Kristen Brooke Germano, Wadesville
History

Chanté Sehide Gordon, Georgetown, Guyana
Psychology, *cum laude*

Kate Rachel Grudzinski, Newburgh
Political Science

Taylor Nicole Hankins, Oaktown
Psychology

Lijah Jade Harris, Greencastle
Communication Studies

Jay Karnell Harris, Jr., Crown Point
Psychology

Jessica Amber Higgins, Newburgh
Art

Chloe Madeline Hinkle, Fairfield, Illinois
Communication Studies

Miranda Jean Holbrook, Mount Vernon
English

Ashley Morgan Holley, Evansville
Public Relations and Advertising

Kayde Brook Hudson, Owensville
Criminal Justice

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Seth Jaren Hughes, Vincennes Psychology	Katie Patterson, Fishers Psychology and Criminal Justice	Katrina Noelle Strickland, Evansville Art
Amber Dawn Hutcheson, French Lick Psychology, <i>cum laude</i>	Lauren Elizabeth Petersen, Evansville Psychology	Brianna Mae Taylor, Loogootee Psychology
Susannah Caroline Jackson, Evansville Public Relations and Advertising	Lauran Racheal Powell, Evansville Art	Henry Wallace Treadway, Robinson, Illinois Political Science
Kane Michael James, Tell City Criminal Justice	Madelyn Marie Priar, Evansville Anthropology	Abigail Ryann Trent, Avon Theatre Arts, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Jerry G. Jerrell, Linton Psychology	Kristen Marie Raffensperger, Marion Psychology	Sydney J. Tucker, Norris City, Illinois Communication Studies, <i>cum laude</i>
Tiffany Nicole Johnson, Evansville Criminal Justice	Brianna N. Ramacciotti, Evansville Public Relations and Advertising	Sierra Cassidy-Karena Turi, Newburgh Communication Studies
Katelyn Laura Jones, Vincennes Art	Ariel B. Reyes-Wells, Jasper English Teaching	Dara Leeann Turner, Indianapolis Art
Larissa L. Key, Princeton Philosophy	Michael J. Rodriguez, Evansville Criminal Justice	Jada Laurice Turpin, Evansville Criminal Justice
Eric Joseph Klem, Lynden, Washington Anthropology, <i>cum laude</i>	Christian J. Ross-Gonzalez, Williamsburg, Virginia History	Jairus P. Tyree, Scottsburgh Radio and Television
Lainie K. Krumenacker, Long Island, New York Psychology	Ryan Timothy Rowlett, Fort Branch Criminal Justice	Emily Provost Unfried, Evansville Public Relations and Advertising
Jaygan Michael Douglas Lancaster, Newburgh Criminal Justice	Vincent Michael Santarsiero, Alachua, Florida Psychology	India Sierra Vance, Newburgh Psychology
Breanna J. Lane, Evansville Psychology	Kendra Nicole Schipp, Ferdinand Psychology, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Kassandra Lynn Villines, Newburgh Psychology, <i>cum laude</i>
Jaxen Daniel Margason, Greenwood History	Lauren Marie Schmitt, Evansville Art	Mason Ward, Owensboro, Kentucky Art
Andrew Daley Martin, Cynthiana Communication Studies	Jenna Frances Sharp, Brownsburg Art	Jasmine Washington, Evansville Psychology
Colton Elijah Massie, Grayville, Illinois Psychology, <i>cum laude</i>	Hannah Jo Sibrel, Jasper Communication Studies	David Eric Weber, Evansville Psychology
Chandra Lynn Maxheimer, Evansville English Teaching	Randa Reneé Skelton, Evansville Psychology	Harley Veronica Wegloski, Washington English
Bethany Rose Miller, Haubstadt Art	Samantha Rae Smedley, Hammond Psychology	Mark Taylor Whitaker, Greenwood Psychology, <i>cum laude</i>
Evan A. Millsaps, Newburgh Art	Monica Anne Smith [‡] , Owensboro, Kentucky Art	Daytona Ellen Williams, Evansville Psychology
Dorian M. Moore, Chicago, Illinois Criminal Justice	Skye Nykole Smith, Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia Public Relations and Advertising	Danika Hailey Wilson, Boonville Communication Studies
Robert Anthony Moore, Evansville Art	Travis K. Smith, Jasper Communication Studies	Eric James Wilson, Washington Radio and Television
Lee Phillip Mortis, Evansville Art	Madison Nicole Stephens, Evansville Art	Samantha Michelle Wilson, Indianapolis Criminal Justice
Taylor M. Nicholson, Newburgh Art	Angelica Hope Stivers, Marysville Psychology, <i>cum laude</i> UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR	
Aireanna M. Parrish-Saini, Augusta, Georgia Criminal Justice	Kristen Dale Stokes, Columbus Criminal Justice	

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Amber M. Burch, Evansville

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COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS AND POTT COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND EDUCATION CEREMONY

Saturday, December 7, 2019

1 p.m.

MASTER DEGREES

MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Rachel Lynn Brane, La Fontaine
Carrie Fugate Browning, Greenbrier, Tennessee
Linda Sue Fox, Austin
Jessica Rose Lilly, Corydon
Stephanie L. Thomas, LaPorte

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Kaitlin Elizabeth Elder, Newburgh
Elementary Education

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT

Jeffrey Steven Brown, Maceo, Kentucky
Douglas Michael Hazel, Newburgh

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Mary Hoffman, Crown Point
Family Nurse Practitioner
Patricia Jo Lake, Greenfield
Nursing Education

Gayle Ann Smith, Owensboro, Kentucky
Nursing Education

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Gayle Bailey Golike, Evansville

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPORT MANAGEMENT

James Michael Anderson, Owensboro, Kentucky
Kameron O'Neil Harris, Evansville
LaWan Treymon Rollins, Evansville

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Faisal Hassan Alsulaiman, Najran, Saudi Arabia
Health Services
Abigail Jo Atkinson, Sullivan
Health Services
Dorothy T. L. Averitte, Indianapolis
Health Services
Jeremy Patrick Barnes, Bloomington
Respiratory Therapy
Brooklyn Michaela Beckham, Eldorado, Illinois
Health Services
Brooke N. Bennett, Newburgh
Food and Nutrition
LaNae Noel Brewer, Henderson, Kentucky
Health Services
Anja Louise Dreps, Sheboygan, Wisconsin
Respiratory Therapy
Shelbi R. English, Evansville
Health Services
Miranda K. Farley, Newburgh
Health Services
Matthew Blake Ford, Morganfield, Kentucky
Health Services, *summa cum laude*
Meshari Saud Hassan, Evansville
Health Services

Morgan Renee Hauser, Birdseye
Health Services
M. Hunt Dana, Evansville
Health Services, *cum laude*
Kendyl E. Hunter, Evansville
Health Services
Kassidy Lynn Jackson, Evansville
Health Services, *magna cum laude*
Rachelle Lynn Jones, Austin
Health Services, *magna cum laude*
Shanice C. Landrum, East Chicago
Health Services
John T. Lopez, New Palestine
Health Services
Ally Blake Constance Lopp, Newburgh
Health Services, *cum laude*
Hannah N. Martin, Mount Carmel, Illinois
Health Services
Leigh Ann Martin Loney, Henderson, Kentucky
Health Services
Caitlin Ione Mefford, Oolitic
Health Services
John Connor Milligan, Evansville
Health Services

Katie M. Mosier, Corydon
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
Drake M. Muller, Evansville
Health Services
Brock Alan Murphy, Henderson, Kentucky
Health Services, *cum laude*
Jacob M. Murphy, Franklin
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
Kelly R. Naas, Newburgh
Health Services
Erika Leigh O'Rourke, Greencastle
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
Wale Abraham Olagbenro, Brownsburg
Respiratory Therapy
Lindsey J. Olsen, Thorntown
Health Services
Elizabeth A. Pearson, Sullivan
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
Melissa Jo Pharris, Edwardsport
Health Services, *cum laude*
Ashlynd R. Pleus, Columbia City
Health Services
Haley Dawn Redmond, Evansville
Health Services

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Jaime Rhea Riggs, Owensboro, Kentucky
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Melissa D. Roales, Wadesville
Health Services, *cum laude*

Erin Marie Roth, Britt, Iowa
Health Services

Jill Suzanne Royer, Veedersburg
Health Services

Abby L. Scully, Clinton
Health Services

Ashlyn A. Smith, Evansville
Health Services

Isabella Nicole Smith, Converse
Health Services, *magna cum laude*

Jenna Tyme Stahl, Saint Louis, Missouri
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Kyle Robert Thomas, Anderson
Respiratory Therapy

Tyler J. Unfried, Evansville
Health Services

Lisa Kaye Vincent, Evansville
Health Services

Skyler Kaye Wahl, Owensboro, Kentucky
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Madison Rayne Wiley, Greenville
Health Services

Susan Elizabeth Wynn, Seymour
Respiratory Therapy

Lauren Kristen Zaragoza, Palos Hills, Illinois
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH INFORMATICS AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Briana Smith, Princeton

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Kristy Adams, Evansville

Taylor Nicole Anderson, Evansville

Olivia Ella Arnold, Fillmore

Adama Bela Ba, Louisville, Kentucky

Emily Louise Baer, Salem, Illinois
summa cum laude

Joanna Jane Bailey, Evansville

Lindsey Marie Bell, Evansville

Monica R. Brower, Vincennes

Jessica Danielle Brown, Evansville

Paige Alyson Brown, Columbus

Stephanie Renee Brown, Morganfield, Kentucky

Elizabeth Danielle Burton, Lafayette

Marissa Lynn Call, DeMotte

Sara E. Clark, Dubois
cum laude

Kevin Colbert, Evansville

Christina Kay Collins, Terre Haute

Brianna Marie Conery, Granger

Cooper Mahala, Oakland City

Devin R. Danels, Princeton

Osei Kwasi Debrah, Woodbridge, Virginia

Kristina Marie Dewig, Evansville
summa cum laude

Aryel E. DiCharia, Fishers

Mariah C. Eagan, Evansville

Molly Katherine Elpers, Wadesville

Stephen English, Evansville

Kaylie Sophrana Evans, Georgetown

Storm E. Fahse, Evansville

Jeanine Lee Fonda, New Salisbury

Megan Elise Gallatin⁺, Salem, Illinois

Natalie Elaine Gill, Fort Wayne

Trisha Gossett, White Plains, Kentucky

Kayleen Marie Grashoff, Fort Wayne

Katherine Lyndsey Hamilton, Paoli
magna cum laude
UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR

Olivia M. Harned, Boonville

Shelby Kathleen Heins, Monument, Colorado
cum laude

Donna Lynn Hendrickson, Crown Point

Stephanie Hirons, Evansville

Michael Douglas Hoskins, Sturgis, Kentucky

Angela L. Howell, Princeton

Katie M. Hulett, Evansville

Kristin Chontae Jackson, Robards, Kentucky

Kyle Thomas Jackson, Charlestown

Cassidy L. Jacobs, Evansville
cum laude

Julie Lee Kelley, Evansville

Stephanie A. Lee, Piercetown

Melinda Lou Lowe, Charlestown

Kelley Christine McCloud, Mount Vernon

Haley Nichole McMichael, Evansville

Jennifer Leigh Morris, Chandler

Benjamin T. Noffsinger, Boonville

Olivia Rochelle Oschman, Mount Vernon

Heather Rene Presley, Evansville

Alexandria Neal Quinzer, Evansville

Michele Denise Rankin, Greensboro,
North Carolina

Brittney Relleke, Evansville

Kaylee Elizabeth Reynolds, Alma, Illinois
magna cum laude

Sarah R. Riess, Evansville

Maria Ripple, Evansville

Denise Rusler, Indianapolis

Lara Lynn Sampson, Vincennes

Lindsey Nicole Schaeffer, Huntingburg

Mingyue Shao, Evansville

Lydia N. Shepherd, Jasper

Sierra Dawn Sigler, Norris City, Illinois

Michael K. Smith, Clarksville, Arkansas

Demi L. Spalding, Evansville

Autumn Kaye Taylor, Newburgh

Casey Tyson, Rockport

Samantha Jean Whitacre, Evansville

Courtney Nicole Williams, Lanesville

Donna Leanne Williams, Rineyville, Kentucky

Lydia R. Woodruff, Alexandria

Dawn Beth Wright, Williams
magna cum laude

Chelsanna Yager, Oblong, Illinois

Ashton Nichole Young, Lawrenceville, Illinois

POTT COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Alana Louise DeVoy, Indianapolis
Early Childhood Education

Dakota Lynn Henderson, Tell City
Elementary Education, *cum laude*

Sarah McKenzie Norton, Washington
Elementary Education, *magna cum laude*

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Alyssa Ann Andreis, Indianapolis
Exercise Science, *magna cum laude*

Olivia Rae Barnett, Newburgh
Special Education

Lindsey N. Barr⁺, Whitesville, Kentucky
Elementary Education, *cum laude*

Bailey Maria Barrett, Huntingburg
Elementary Education, *cum laude*

Clayton Andrew Boulds, Eldorado, Illinois
Exercise Science, *cum laude*

Jacob Jeffrey Bowles⁺, Mt. Washington, Kentucky
Sport Management

Casey Lee Branham, Pendleton
Biology, *cum laude*

Zachary Leah Byler, Washington
Sport Management

Irvin Alejandro Orellana Canas, Jasper
Biology

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Caroline Rose Canoy ⁺ , Saint Peters, Missouri Exercise Science, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Eric Ryan Hannesson, Indianapolis Sport Management	Gwenyth Nicole Raibley, Mount Vernon Elementary Education, <i>cum laude</i>
Allison Breanne Carder, Flora, Illinois Biology	Alexa S. Harris, Mitchell Sport Management	Tonya Jean Riley, Owensville Exercise Science
Michael Wesley Clark, Mount Vernon Sport Management	Madison Michele Hays, Newburgh Geology	My-Kael Jo-Nathan Bradley Ritchotte, Greenwood Elementary Education
Kurt Anthony Clement, Evansville Biology	Mitchell Reid Healy, Mason, Illinois Industrial Supervision	Alyssa Leigh Robbeloth, Palmyra Mathematics, <i>cum laude</i>
Adriana Janel Corso, Tell City Elementary Education	Grant Michael Hockgeiger, Mount Carmel, Illinois Sport Management	Sarah Marie Ryker, Evansville Geology
Colten Carl Cotner, Mount Carmel, Illinois Elementary Education	Theresa Rae Lynn Holcomb, Owensboro, Kentucky Exercise Science, <i>cum laude</i>	Adam Joel Seaver, Yankeetown Exercise Science
Jacob D. Curtis, Evansville Biochemistry	Emily Michaela Hollingsworth, Princeton Early Childhood Education	Haylee A. Smith ⁺ , Florence, Kentucky Exercise Science
Hannah E. Czarnecki, Medaryville Biology	Rebekah Marie Honious, McCordsville	Lindsey M. Stahl, Brownsburgh Environmental Science
Alexandra Pearl Davidson ⁺ , Salem Elementary Education	Carena Rae Johnson, Evansville Early Childhood Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Taryn Marie Sullivan, Boonville Biology
Eric Michael Deig, Evansville Exercise Science	Emma Jean Johnson, Newburgh Special Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Kiley Dawn Swisher ⁺ , Williamsport Sport Management
Dilean G. Delph, Bloomfield Sport Management	Cameron Alexis Jones, New Salisbury Biology	McKenzi Alyson Taylor, Salem Biology
Claire N. Dilger, Mariah Hill Exercise Science, <i>cum laude</i>	Evan Matthew Julian, Huntingburg Science Teaching	Emily Marie Tedder, Hope Mathematics
Shannon Nicole Donoho, Georgetown Elementary Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Melanie M. Kamanja, Evansville Elementary Education	Hayley Alexandra Torres, Evansville Geology
Joshua M. Dudek, Benton, Illinois Biology	Zach A. Lange, Indianapolis Kinesiology	Megan Eliza Vandeventer, Mitchell Exercise Science, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Katlyn M. Eagan, Bedford Exercise Science, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Morgan Ashley Lankford, Princeton Chemistry	John Matthew Vieth, Evansville Biology, <i>cum laude</i>
Mallory Dawn Edwards, Evansville Elementary Education, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Jaelyn N. Leib, Flora, Illinois Biology	Tori Renee Vitaniemi, Clinton Exercise Science, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Haley Jordan Elpers, Evansville Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education	Molly Morgan Lowe, Evansville Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education	Katelyn M. Wead, Richland Elementary Education
Jessica M. Elward, Fort Wayne Elementary Education	Kayleigh Ann Maier, Evansville Exercise Science	Morgan Jane Wessel, Ferdinand Special Education, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Katherine Louise Ewing, Henderson, Kentucky Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education	Shelby L. May, Bloomington Elementary Education	Jacob Matthew Whaley, Evansville Biology
Lindsay N. Fife, Frankfort Elementary Education and Special Education	Ethan Todd Elleaser, Evansville Biochemistry UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR	Samantha Diane White, Ladoga Special Education
Andrea N. Floyd, Princeton Geology	Jordyn Meyer, Evansville Elementary Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Brandon Woolfolk, Dayton, Ohio Biology
Mykala Ann Gahimer, Evansville Exercise Science	Ervin Montez Miller, Evansville Elementary Education	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING
Carlie Taylor Gee, Carmi, Illinois Exercise Science, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Grace Elizabeth Newport, Noblesville Early Childhood Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Osama S. Almuqbil, Evansville
Israel Na'Shae Gordon, Evansville Elementary Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Megan Kathleen O'Leary, Evansville Environmental Science, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Kashish Arora, Evansville
Melanie T. Gurney, Schererville Exercise Science	Katie L. Okes, Evansville Early Childhood Education	Ryan C. Blake, Santa Claus
Samantha S. Halbrader, Winslow Elementary Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Candace Marie Paulin, Evansville Elementary Education	Colin Judd Fuchs, Evansville <i>cum laude</i>
Ryley M. Hancock ⁺ , Evansville Exercise Science, <i>cum laude</i>	Hannah Jordan Peters, Evansville Elementary Education, <i>cum laude</i>	Laron J. Griffith, Winslow
Mikayla Lee Hanks ⁺ , Effingham, Illinois Elementary Education	Aaron Joseph Pierrard ⁺ , Evansville Exercise Science	Eli James Hill, Normal, Illinois
		Jarred Morgan Holland, Columbus
		Kyle W. Jones, Evansville
		Caleb Andrew Kauk, Evansville <i>magna cum laude</i>
		Corey Michael Dakota Lutz, Patoka
		Christopher S. McDonald, Newburgh

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Aaron L. Mullis, Santa Claus
cum laude

Curtis J. Post, Newburgh

Juan Alberto Reyes, Huntingburg

Nathaniel D. Roberts, Owensboro, Kentucky

Andrew C. Robertson, Evansville

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Aaron L. Mullis, Santa Claus
cum laude

Juan Alberto Reyes, Huntingburg

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Ryan C. Blake, Santa Claus

Colin Judd Fuchs, Evansville
cum laude

Thomas Aaron Fulkerson, Evansville

Laron J. Griffith, Winslow

Kyle W. Jones, Evansville

Caleb Andrew Kauk, Evansville
magna cum laude

Curtis J. Post, Newburgh

Nathaniel D. Roberts, Owensboro, Kentucky

Andrew C. Robertson, Evansville

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Nicholas C. Angermeier, Evansville

James R. Courtright, Mitchell

Raquel Kathleen Denning, Mount Vernon
cum laude

Thomas Aaron Fulkerson, Evansville

Daniel Edward Gibson, Normal, Illinois

Michael A. Hawkins, Shoals

Jarred Morgan Holland, Columbus

Joseph David Marx, Newburgh

Graham Edward Saiko, Newburgh

Nolan Cale Snyder⁺, Clinton, Illinois

Ethan Andrew Wichman, Washington

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Kaylen Marie Blesch, Holland

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Stefanie Danielle Bulla, Mount Vernon

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Alyssa Brianna Cook, Brazil

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Kaley Ann Crabtree, Utica, Kentucky

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Abby Lynn Cramer, Bloomfield

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Kacy Cramer, Vincennes

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Mary Elizabeth Deinlein, Indianapolis

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Anne Elizabeth Donaldson, Evansville

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Marleah Kaitlyn Fossett, Brownsburg

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Kylee Rachele Iverson, Mount Carmel, Illinois
Occupational Therapy Assistant

Rachelle Lynn Jones, Austin

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Jacob Michael Kelly, Saint Croix

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Sydney Claire Maurer, Mount Vernon

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Chunta McWilliams, Evansville

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Madison Mae Millick, Linton

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Katherine May Nagai, Valparaiso

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Lindsey J. Olsen, Thorntown

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Kai Anna Philippi, Newburgh

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Laura Reek, Evansville

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Ashlee Nicole Ricketts, Mount Vernon
Occupational Therapy Assistant

Rachel Michelle Riehle, Plainfield

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Jessica Kay Sherrard, Evansville

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Kylee Rose Stutzman, New Paris

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Grace M. Vaught, Crawfordsville

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Makayla D. Wagler, Odon

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Kaitlyn Ryann Wells, Owensboro, Kentucky

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Cheyenne Wenger, Warsaw

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Bethany J. Wittmer, Montgomery

Occupational Therapy Assistant

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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA: KNOWLEDGE FOR LIFE



President Ronald S. Rochon became the fourth president of the University of Southern Indiana in 2018. USI's presidential seal is embossed with the motto *education by the people, education for the people*. One of Rochon's core messages following his appointment was, "This campus is a community institution. It is, and always will be, the peoples' campus."

From its initial stages of planning in the early 1960s, community leaders have supported the University by providing a solid base for its present success and future growth. For more than 50 years, the University has continued to uphold its mission under the strong leadership of its first three presidents, David L. Rice, H. Ray Hoops, Linda L. M. Bennett and now Rochon.

The University of Southern Indiana was established on September 15, 1965, in the old Centennial School Building, offering classes to 412 students. In 1967 Southern Indiana Higher Education, Inc. raised nearly \$1 million to acquire the land where the campus now sits. The University moved to its present site four miles west of the city limits of Evansville in September 1969. The University graduated its first class of baccalaureate degree students in 1971, and achieved initial North Central Association accreditation in 1974.

USI Today

USI enrolls more than 11,000 undergraduate, dual credit and graduate students in more than 130 areas of study. A public higher education institution located on a beautiful 1,400-acre campus, USI offers programs through the Romain College of Business, College of Liberal Arts, College of Nursing and Health Professions, and the Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education.

The College of Nursing and Health Professions also offers classes at the Stone Family Center for Health Sciences in downtown Evansville. The University offers study-abroad opportunities in many countries and is host to international students from around the globe.

USI is a two-time Carnegie Foundation Community Engaged University and offers continuing education and special programs to more than 20,000 participants annually through Outreach and Engagement. Outreach programs include the administration of Historic New Harmony, USI-Crane Partnership, I-69 Innovation Corridor and Lifelong Learning noncredit programs, among others.

A competitive member of NCAA Division II and the Great Lakes Valley Conference, USI offers 17 varsity intercollegiate men's and women's sports.

Under the leadership of President Rochon, the University continues a tradition of affordable excellence through innovation and engagement, and positions USI as a top choice for high-caliber college students across the state, nationally and internationally.

The University of Southern Indiana's vision is a simple but powerful one: *Shaping the future through learning and innovation*.

Its mission statement is: USI is an engaged learning community advancing education and knowledge, enhancing civic and cultural awareness, and fostering partnerships through comprehensive outreach programs. We prepare individuals to live wisely in a diverse and global community.

USI is engaged in its 2016–2020 five-year strategic plan which includes three overarching goals:

- Excellence in Learning for the Entire USI Community
- Access and Opportunity by Design
- Purposeful and Sustainable Growth

These three goals, along with the campus master plan, frame the University's strategies as it moves forward.

Today, more than 42,000 alumni have been awarded diplomas from the University of Southern Indiana. USI graduates are renowned surgeons, bank executives, artists, leaders in K-12 education, accounting executives, lawyers, nurses, hospital administrators, college professors and elected officials—and they proudly serve as role models in their communities.

COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

Presidential Medallion

During the Middle Ages, medallions signified membership in religious orders and guilds; in the Renaissance, membership in elite orders of knighthood and prominence in government office. Today, colleges and universities strike medallions to commemorate important events and achievements.

Donated by the late Melvin Denner, professor emeritus of biology, and Anne Denner, former instructor in nutrition and biology, and their family, this medallion was fabricated by Honorcraft for the 1995 inauguration of USI President H. Ray Hoops. Dr. Denner served as grand marshal at the University's first inauguration.

The University of Southern Indiana Presidential Medallion signifies the authority bestowed upon the president.

The medallion's obverse carries, at its center, a three-inch reproduction of the University seal and, surrounding the seal, a half-inch rim. On the reverse appear the names and dates of appointment for the University's presidents. The president wears this medallion for all formal academic ceremonies.

Gonfalons

Ceremonial flags called gonfalons originated in the Middle Ages for civil and military processions, often appearing beneath the steel head of a knight's lance.

In Italy, gonfalons designated individual Italian republics; the chief magistrate, or other high official, served as gonfalonier carrying the banner.

At the University of Southern Indiana, gonfalons represent each major academic unit; typically deans or department heads act as gonfaloniers. Here gonfalon colors derive from traditional hues associated with each college's academic disciplines. Our Commencement gonfalons came as a gift from the USI Campus Store.

University Seal

The University seal, originally designed by Nussmeier Engraving and updated in 2018, bears the University's colors—blue, red and white—with gray. The seal's shield shape signifies the importance of higher education in defending citizens against ignorance.

Between the two banners displaying the University's name appears an open book, illuminated by the torch of knowledge. Trees on either side of the flame suggest not only the University's pastoral Southern Indiana setting but also life, growth and continuity.

The open book emphasizes the importance of teaching and learning; *academia populi* and *academia populo* indicate that the University of Southern Indiana is a scholarly academy founded and supported by the motto *education by the people, education for the people*. Finally, the laurel branches to the right and left of the book represent victory: the light of learning overcomes the darkness of ignorance.

University Mace

In the Middle Ages, bodyguards of French and English monarchs carried ceremonial maces. Later, the mace became an important symbol of office in civil processions and academic pageantry. At the University of Southern Indiana, the grand marshal, a distinguished member of the faculty, carries the mace.

A replica of Richard Owen's walking cane serves as the staff for the University Mace. A respected geologist and professor of natural science at Indiana University, Owen was the first president of Purdue University. He was a son of Robert Owen, the Welsh industrialist who established New Harmony, Indiana, as a center for education and enlightened social reform in the early 1800s. The 32-inch tall wooden cane was presented to Richard Owen in 1874. Through the generosity of his descendant, the late Kenneth D. Owen, that cane, lent to USI, served as the grand marshal's staff in all Commencement exercises from 1985 to 1995.

Designed and fabricated by Nicholas Logsdon of Indianapolis, the gold-plated mace bears at the top, above the cane's golden head, an open orb with a replica of the University Seal.

The orb's free-flowing design symbolizes interrelationships among all academic disciplines. Immediately below the cane's orb, three two-inch, golden rings bear the names and appointment dates of the University presidents. The names of Kenneth Dale Owen, Jane Blaffer Owen and James A. Sanders, donors of the mace, appear on a finial near the bottom of the cane replica.

Designed and created by alumnus Kenny Fisher '77, the replica of the cane and its base are made of walnut from the Owen mansion built in New Harmony during the 1830s.

COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

Academic Regalia

The academic garb dates from medieval days when university students wore woolen and fur garments for warmth in damp and drafty buildings. Most of those studying were clerics in holy orders; they wore a cloak to which was attached a hood that could be pulled up to cover their tonsured heads.

Simplified today, the garb serves to remind us that its wearer is a member of an ancient and venerable profession; it also indicates, by its color and design, the wearer's degree and the institution by which the degree was conferred.

In the United States, black has been the traditional color for academic gowns, but some institutions authorize holders of their doctorates to wear colors of the institution. The bachelor's gown is distinguished by its long, open sleeves; the master's by its closed, slitted sleeves; the doctor's by its full sleeves trimmed with bands of velvet, which may be black or a color denoting the field in which the degree was taken.

The mortarboard cap, proper for all degrees, is black. Tassels, usually black, are worn over the left front quarter of the cap. Holders of the doctorate may wear tassels of gold thread.

Academic hoods vary in length according to the degree attained and are lined with the colors of the institution by which the degree was granted. Hooding signifies the induction of the graduate into the fellowship of the academy, a welcoming gesture by those who represent the high standards of scholarship and creative achievement.

Doctoral and master's degree candidates will receive hoods distinctive to their degrees. The honorary doctoral hoods of the University of Southern Indiana are black, lined with blue satin with red satin chevrons. They are edged with white velvet. Retired members of the University faculty can be recognized in today's ceremony by the red, white and blue cords or a replica of the Presidential Medallion with a blue ribbon worn with their regalia.

The Distinguished Professor Award is the highest recognition bestowed upon a faculty member at the University of Southern Indiana. Faculty who have received this award can be recognized in today's ceremony by the blue and red stole embroidered with the University Seal worn with their regalia.

Baccalaureate Scholarship Honors

The baccalaureate degree candidate graduating with either a 4.0 or the highest grade point average graduates *summa cum laude*. Baccalaureate students with a grade point average of 3.80 or higher graduate *magna cum laude*. Those with grade point averages between 3.60 and 3.79 graduate *cum laude*. These achievements are set forth on the individual diplomas. Honor students can be recognized in the Commencement exercises by colored stoles and tassels. Gold indicates *summa cum laude*; red, *magna cum laude*; and blue, *cum laude*.

Because students enrolled in doctoral and master's degree programs are expected to maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0, and most achieve much higher levels, scholarship honors at Commencement are given only to baccalaureate students.

University Honors Scholars

The designation of University Honors Scholar is awarded to students who successfully complete the Honors Program. They can be recognized in the Commencement ceremony by the white honor cords worn with their regalia.

Alumni Association Pins

Graduates in each ceremony are receiving alumni lapel pins with the University logo as a gift from the University of Southern Indiana Alumni Association. The Alumni Association was organized with the first graduating class in 1971.

Photography During Ceremony

A commercial photographer will take a photo of each graduate as the diploma is presented on stage. A second photograph will be taken as the graduate departs from the stage. Proofs will be available 72 hours after the ceremony at www.gradimages.com from which duplicates can be ordered. Family members who wish to take still or video photographs during the ceremony may do so from their seats. Your cooperation ensures the dignity of the Commencement ceremony.

Photographs taken by USI Photography and Multimedia also will be available following the ceremonies in two locations. You can find USI Photography and Multimedia on Facebook, or view a gallery of images and order prints at www.usi.edu/gradphotos.

Commemorative DVD

A commemorative DVD of the ceremony is available for purchase (\$20). To forever save the memory of this special day, order your DVD online at www.usi.edu/commencement/commencement-dvd or call 812-464-1924. This service is produced by USI Information Technology in partnership with the USI Alumni Association.



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