



WILKES UNIVERSITY'S SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL  
**Spring Commencement**  
FOR THE CONFERRING OF GRADUATE DEGREES

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Saturday, May Eighteenth  
Two-thousand and thirteen • 10 a.m.



# Order of Exercises

## PROCESSIONAL

*Entry and March of the Peers from Iolanthe* ..... Arthur Sullivan  
(The audience is requested to rise as the procession begins.)

WELCOME ..... TERESE M. WIGNOT  
*Interim Provost*

INVOCATION ..... CAITLIN CZECH  
*Coordinator, Campus Interfaith*

America The Beautiful ..... Samuel A. Ward  
(The words to America The Beautiful are printed on page 20 of the program.  
The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)

Gaudeamus Igitur ..... Traditional

GREETINGS ..... PATRICK F. LEAHY  
*President*

THOMAS N. RALSTON '80  
*Member, Board of Trustees*

JUSTIN C. MATUS  
*Chair, Faculty Affairs Council*  
*Associate Professor, Business Administration*

EUGENE T. LUCAS  
*Member of the Class of 2013*  
*Doctor of Nursing Practice*

# Order of Exercises

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE  
PAULINE R. MONTGOMERY  
Doctor of Humane Letters

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS.....RONALD A. RITTENMEYER '72

THE CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES.....PATRICK F. LEAHY

ALUMNI INDUCTION ..... THOMAS N. RALSTON '80  
*President, Wilkes University Alumni Association*

Alma Mater.....Eleanor C. Farley  
*Arrangement, Earl D. Orcutt '69*

*(The words to the Alma Mater are printed on page 20 of the program.  
The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)*

BENEDICTION .....CAITLIN CZECH  
*Coordinator, Campus Interfaith*

RECESSIONAL  
*Slow March from Scipio* .....G.F. Handel  
*Arrangement, Eric Leidzen*

## Music Provided By:

*Wilkes University Commencement Band*  
Dr. Philip G. Simon, *Conductor*

*Wilkes University Commencement Choir*  
Dr. Steven Thomas, *Conductor*

## Ceremony Interpreted By:

Dr. Daniel B. Swartz, CI, CT, SC:L  
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# HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS.....PAULINE R. MONTGOMERY  
Native of Hughesville, Pennsylvania and its mayor for 20 years; named an outstanding graduate of the Temple University School of Pharmacy; practicing pharmacist in Hughesville since 1950; former commissioner for the County of Lycoming; first woman President of the Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association; appointed by both Governor Casey and Governor Rendell to the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy; winner of the National Community Pharmacy Association *Distinguished American Award* and the prestigious *Bowl of Hygeia Award* from the American Pharmacists Association for your outstanding record of civic leadership; honored as one of Pennsylvania's Top 50 Business Women; selected to be a member of the Hughesville High School Hall of Fame and with your husband, George, to the Pennsylvania's Voters Hall of Fame for having not missed an election for 50 years-

Because your career is one of distinction and merit, and your pioneering spirit, dedication and ability have lifted you to the height of your profession; because your example has opened doors for women to assume leadership roles in the profession of pharmacy and in government; because you represent what it is to be an exemplary citizen with a resolute commitment to public service; and because you have a vision to see what is possible and how to achieve it, by the power vested in me by the Board of Trustees of Wilkes University, I hereby confer upon you, **Pauline R. Montgomery**, the doctorate of humane letters, *Honoris Causa*, with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

# DOCTOR OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

Rhonda A. Waskiewicz, *Interim Dean*

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|----------------------------|------------------------|
| # Angel Margaret Bestwick  | Blake Lamberti Mackesy |
| Stephen Robert Cheskiewicz | # Nicholas Morell III  |
| # Michael Komorek          | Kimberly Ann Niezgodna |

# DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE CANDIDATES

Bernard W. Graham, *Dean*

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| # Dawn Barberi              | Eugene T. Lucas, Jr.           |
| Kimberly Conroy             | Josh Martin                    |
| Steven Fowler               | # Margaret M. Hall-Miller      |
| # Sandra Sterling Halbruner | # Kristin Marie O'Donnell      |
| # Lynn Richards Heard       | Eula Pines                     |
| * Kori Kindred              | # Karen Elizabeth Robson       |
| # Diane Bachanas Luedtke    | # Stephanie Christine Schaefer |

# DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

Bernard W. Graham, *Dean*

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| Stephanie Rae Baun, <i>Cum Laude</i>                                   | <sup>21</sup> Casey Elizabeth Marks, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>  |
| George Tyler Behlke, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                            | <sup>15</sup> Molly S. McBryan, <i>Cum Laude</i>             |
| <sup>1</sup> Benjamin R. Beidel, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                | Mark Mongillo, <i>Cum Laude</i>                              |
| Cara Marie Belles  | Christopher A. Nemeth, <i>Cum Laude</i>                      |
| Christina Maria D'Ippolitò Bookwalter, <i>Cum Laude</i>                | Cody Null, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                            |
| Shawn Bookwalter   | <i>Spanish, Second Degree</i>                                |
| Alyssa Bortz   | Adam Thomas Olivetti   |
| <sup>1,21</sup> Stanley Paul Bradley, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>           | <sup>21</sup> Alexandra R. Pagano, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>    |
| Christina Marie Breznak, <i>Cum Laude</i>                              | <sup>21</sup> Angela M. Passamonte, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>   |
| Taylor K. Bridges  | Kimberly A. Polovitch, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                |
| Galen Briggs, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                                   | Kala Ruth Rorabaugh, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                  |
| <sup>21</sup> Caitlyn Frances Burnett, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>          | <sup>21</sup> Hannah Kali Roszel, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>     |
| <sup>1</sup> Michelle Marie Choate, <i>Cum Laude</i>                   | Stephen Rozanski   |
| Nicole Croyden, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                                 | Paul William Rumensky, <i>Cum Laude</i>                      |
| <sup>1,15,21</sup> Angela Frances D'Alessandro, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Sophia Ruthanne Rynkiewicz, <i>Cum Laude</i>                 |
| Alicia Marie Davidson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                          | Kimberly M. Sandford, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                 |
| <sup>21</sup> Heather Marie Dewey, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>              | Matthew L. Sankey  |
| Melissa Beth Dickerson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                         | Trent Savercool, <i>Cum Laude</i>                            |
| Amanda Jean Dougherty, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                          | Nadine M. Shickora   |
| Bradley Dennis Dudeck, <i>Cum Laude</i>                                | Douglas William Smith, <i>Cum Laude</i>                      |
| Emily Louise Foreman, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                           | Jennifer E. Stahl, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                    |
| <sup>1</sup> Kathleen Emily Garrett, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>            | Trevor Bryan Strenchock, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>              |
| Stephen Nathan Gruver, <i>Cum Laude</i>                                | * Troy N. Tanner, <i>Cum Laude</i>                           |
| <sup>21</sup> Marissa Ann Harrison, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>             | <sup>1,15</sup> Morgan Andrea Thomas, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Jesse Hoppe, <i>Cum Laude</i>  | <sup>15</sup> Emily Marie Thudium, <i>Cum Laude</i>          |
| Craig Hughes, <i>Cum Laude</i>   | Justin W. Troutman   |
| <sup>1,21</sup> Kelly Marie Jaczynski, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>          | Daniel Troynacki, <i>Cum Laude</i>                           |
| <sup>21</sup> William Peter Johns, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>              | Angeline Marie Urban, <i>Cum Laude</i>                       |
| Michael Edward Kessock, <i>Cum Laude</i>                               | James Joseph Walker, <i>Cum Laude</i>                        |
| Michelle Lynn Knight, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                           | <sup>1,21</sup> Theron Mathew Ward, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>   |
| Margaret Labuz, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>                                 | <sup>1</sup> Nicole Marie Willis, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>     |
| Michael Alan Lanczak, Jr.  | Lauren Kathryn Yurko   |
| Leah Grace Lawrence, <i>Cum Laude</i>                                  | <sup>21</sup> Brenda Rose Zagar, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>      |
| Michael Alexander Maccia, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>                       | Jessica Marie Zubey  |
| <sup>1,21</sup> Vanessa Markle, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>                 | Rachel Zucosky   |

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<sup>15</sup> Phi Lambda Sigma

<sup>21</sup> Rho Chi

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# January 2013 Graduate

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## Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing

- Rachel Beth Altizio
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- Jason C. Carney
- Jaclyn Maria Fowler
- Tyler Michael Grimm
- \* Vito Gulla
- Johanna Marie James
- Vicki C. Mayk
- \* Erin Miele
- Jeff A. Minton
- Danielle E. Poupore
- \* Carrie Reilly
- \* Nathan W. Roggenkamp
- \* Dane T. Rooney
- \* Nathan Alexander Schreiber
- \* Joseph J. Schwartzburt
- \* Michael E. Shoupe
- Joy Smith
- \* Edith Morenike Trenou-Dackey

## Master of Arts in Creative Writing

- Kaitlyn Erin Burrier
- \* Christopher Jason Champion
- Laura L. Duda
- \* Heather Brooke Lowery
- \* Lori A. May
- \* Travis Nicholson
- \* Michael D. O'Brien
- \* Elizabeth C. Roe
- \* Anthony Scott
- \* Michael Joseph Soloway
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- \* Pauline Roselyn Threlkeld

## Master of Business Administration

Jeffrey R. Alves, *Dean*

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- # Keisha Makana Ruth Bahadu
- <sup>6</sup> Kristen Ashley Baumes
- # Shane Caswell
- <sup>6</sup> Christopher Stephen Cizek
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- Deanna Marie Drako
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- Dawn Marie Gillam
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- Robert E. Mazzatta
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# MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## Master of Science in Education Degree

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- Lori Anne Argot
- \* Emily J. Arvonio
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- Jaime L. Baldoni
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- \* Marcy L. Behr
- \* Marissa K. Beidler
- \* Jonathan David Bell
- \* Kimberly Bender
- .13 Deborah Lynne Besten
- \* Elaine Talley Bevan
- \* Kristin Lynn Bielski
- \* Chad E. Black
- # Rebecca Elizabeth Bliss
- \* Holly Boger
- \*.13 Michael P. Bolinsky
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- \* Christie Angelique Boyer
- \* Bridget Elizabeth Boyle
- \* Jamie Lynne Brandstadter
- \* John M. Brittain, Jr.
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- # Keith Ryan Brotzman
- \* Christy Marie Brown
- \* Kristin Nicole Brown
- \* Cindy Janette Bryan
- Andrea Elizabeth Bryant
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- # Jeffrey S. Burner
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- Thomas Cunningham
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- Dayna Leigh Davis
- \* Charles DeAngelo
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- \* Kimberly Ann Deibert
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- \* Wayne Andrew Dull
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- \* Matthew B. Ellis
- \* Robert E. Englert
- \* Barbara Gail Evans
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- \* Brandy Jo Fessler
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- \* Caroline V. B. Fiedler
- \* Tracy J. Flinchbaugh

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Jennifer Lynn Frusciante  
\* Andrea Paula Frydrych  
\* Christine L. Fullmer  
Christina M. Galella  
\* Debra Jean Galley  
\* Gregory Joseph Gallo  
\* Michael R. Garrison  
\* Matthew David Gehly  
\* Allison L. Gerhart  
Margaret Anne Giacalone  
Shawn Patrick Gibbons  
\* Jessica L. Gohn  
\* Robert Goodrich  
\* Katie J. Goodwin  
# Jennifer Ann Goodyear  
\* Amanda Kate Gordon  
\*<sup>13</sup> Kevin D. Goss  
\* Jonathan S. Gray  
# Paul B. Gregorski II  
\*<sup>13</sup> Lisa Kelly Greitzer  
# Melanie Tenille Grissinger  
\* Angela Marie Gruver  
\* Erin Nicole Gruver  
\* Sophie Louise Guzowski  
\* Shelagh Maureen Hagemann  
Christopher James Hall  
\* Erika Theresa Hanes  
# Nicole Leeann Harris  
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\* Megan C. Heller  
\* Jessica L. Henninger  
\* Tracy Lynn Herber  
\* Sharon Hetrick  
\* Robin Allison Hirst  
\* Marta G. Hodge  
# Sean Glenn Hoffman  
\* Wesley T. Holmes  
# Vincent Hoover  
\* Stephen Horensky  
\* Ivan Michael Hrabric  
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\* Karie Huttner  
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\* Edward David Joe  
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\* Kori Renee' Krannebitter  
\* Nolan Rhett Joseph Krauss  
\* Alisha Marie Krcek  
\* Austin James Krotzer  
\* Jenny I. Kuntz  
\* Kristy Leigh Landis  
\* Caitlin Marie Landon  
\* Emily R. Langdorf  
\* Gregory James Larson  
\* Susan Dee Mahute Lawrence  
Jacqueline D. Layaou  
\* Maureen Patricia Leeson  
\* Nicol M. Lemoncelli  
\* Joanne Marie Levering  
\* Linda J. Lewis  
\* Steven Andrew Lied  
# Mikhail Semyon Litvinov  
\* Courtney Noelle Long  
\* Sean N. Lougheed  
\* Christine Lynn  
\* Jaclyn Marie Macal  
\* Karen M. MacDougall  
# Gary MacMahon  
\* Nicole Janel Mangano  
Joni Beth Mansmann  
\* Karen F. Manz  
Colleen E. Marcks  
\* Daniel Christopher Mark  
\* Ashley Maureen Markey  
\* Kelly Ann Marrara  
Ashley A. Marsicano  
\* Dale David Martin  
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# Joelle Massari

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## Master of Science in Education Degree — *Continued*

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- \* Ryan Stephen McHale  
Gerald Larue McLaughlin
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- \* Jill Kristen McWilliams
- \* Thomas E. Michalek
- \* Kenneth James Midgett, Jr.
- \* Julie Miller
- \* Benjamin Joseph Mitchell
- \* Brett Mitchley
- \* Shawn Moore
- \* Jeffrey Russell Mori
- \* Cynthia A. Murdough
- \* Daniel Thomas Natitus
- \* Mary Louise M. Neyhart  
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- \* Lauren Louisa Pannebaker
- \* Joshua Daniel Patti
- \* Nicole Marie Patti
- \* Mark B. Pearsall
- # Andrew Robert Peartree  
Dawn Andrea Peipher
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- # Robert Perrin
- \* Amber Louise Perry
- \* Viki Personett
- \* Diane P. Peters
- \* Brittany Ellen Petrewski
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Nadine Prutzman
- \* Heather Ann Puhalla
- \* Riley Melville Quance
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- \* Theresa A. Register
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- \* Megan Lynn Ritchey  
Christine I. Roe  
Katoora Lynne Rohrer
- \* Kaylie Marie Rooke
- \* Jessica A. Rowland
- \* Adrienne Rupp
- \* Daniel P. Russell
- \* Primo J. Sagliocco
- \* Jennifer B. Sakelarides
- # Lynn R. Salehi
- \* Nina Lucia Salvadore
- # Angela Marie Sariego  
Jamilee Elizabeth Scandle
- \* Megan Schoenauer
- \* Paul Anthony Schott
- \* Christopher William Schultheis
- \* Jamie Lynn Schutte
- \* Janet Selden
- \* Bethann Mattern Shaffer
- \* Amy L. Sharp
- \* Janell MaRee Shelly
- # Sara Barbara Shoop  
Mary Elizabeth Short
- \* Julianne Sidleck
- \* Shanon J. Sitoski
- # Dawn Kathleen Smith  
Sean R. Smith
- \* Marlo Smurda
- \* Jamie Beth Snyder
- \* Melissa Sommer
- \* Travis Lee Speelman
- \* Dori Ann Spencer  
Katie S. Stauffer
- \* Michael Stone
- \* Amanda Marie Stoner
- \* Jennifer Stoshack  
Myra Irene Stoudt
- \* Karen L. Stoupe-Trigg  
Lindsay Ann Susi
- \* Mitchell Franklin Swords
- \* Timothy M. Thomas  
*Special Education, Second Degree*  
David Tirado
- \* Stephanie Lynn Trafecanty
- \* Jessica Trescavage
- \* Jacob John Trojak  
Aaron Robert Trusky
- \* Cheryl Denise Tuttle
- # Jennifer Leigh Updegrove
- \* Korey Donald Brice Von Kuster

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# MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

## Master of Science in Education Degree — *Continued*

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| # Christopher John VonVolkenburg     | * Heather Marie Witmer       |
| Heather A. Wagner                    | # Robert Alan Wolfe          |
| # Tahir Hasan Wali                   | * Joel Robert Wussler        |
| * Daniel Walker                      | * Joseph P. Wyatt            |
| * Lori Darlene Walls                 | * John Christopher Yanniello |
| * Eric James Warner                  | * Nicklaus Thomas Yashinsky  |
| Natasha Weaver                       | * Elise D. Young             |
| * <sup>13</sup> Marc Thomas Weisgold | Natasha A. Young             |
| * Danielle Andrea Weyershaeuser      | Melissa Lee Zacharda         |
| # Katrina Juanita White              | * Christine Marie Zalewski   |
| * Dale J. Williams                   | * Erich Owen Zaun            |
| * Zachary Saylor Williams            | * John Zelenky               |
| * Lacey Lee Winder                   | * Jessica Lynn Zentner       |

## Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Dale A. Bruns, *Dean*

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Christopher S. Antall | # Kaleemullah Baig Mirza |
| # William C. Heard    | Thomas W. Wychock        |
| Jared W. Lukowski     |                          |

## Master of Science in Engineering Management

Dale A. Bruns, *Dean*

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Naif Khalid Alfaeem        | Ahmed R. Salem Mohamed              |
| Meshari Ali A. Alnashwan   | # Sree Sai Rama Ravi Tej Nimmagadda |
| Nawaf Mohammed A. Altamimi | * Ali Rostami Shahrababaki          |
| # Tareq Aqeel Alzahrani    | Mohammed Hashim Saggaf              |
| Yehia S. Alzawaidah        |                                     |

## Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Dale A. Bruns, *Dean*

- |                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Mohammed Saad Alamani      | Michael E. Batyko |
| Ibrahim Mubarak Almardumah | Songpo Li         |

## Master of Science in Nursing

Bernard W. Graham, *Dean*

Catherine Hauze

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| Nicole Boyle                       | <sup>6</sup> John J. Mullisky         |
| Shane Caswell                      | Nicholas A. Parise                    |
| Richard Armando Emiliani           | <sup>6</sup> Anna L. Pugliese         |
| <sup>6</sup> Kelly Evans           | <sup>6</sup> Joseph Paul Winski       |
| <sup>6</sup> Scott Robert Ferrante | Haifeng Zhao                          |

### Master of Science in Education

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| Samantha Susan Armstrong            | Emily DiSabella                     |
| Cecilia Baltusavich                 | Steven Edward Dressel               |
| Stephen Lindsay Banks               | Renee Elizabeth Eaton               |
| Sarah Lynsey Beacker                | Steven Warren Eck                   |
| Matthew A. Behling                  | Michele C. Edens                    |
| Lindsay Bielli                      | Katharine Marie Eisenhart           |
| Rebecca Elizabeth Bliss             | Amanda L. Eisenman                  |
| Kerry Anne Bocko                    | <sup>13</sup> David V. Falbo        |
| Christopher Peter Bodnar            | Timothy Andrew Feeg                 |
| Carrie R. Bortner                   | Rebecca Marie Filson                |
| Anne Elizabeth Bozievich            | Rebecca D. Flud                     |
| Kelly Curry Bracetty                | Katie Frenock                       |
| Jennifer Brandon                    | <sup>13</sup> Kenneth Michael Fritz |
| Julie Maria Breitfelder             | Abhinay Gajula                      |
| Keith Brotzman                      | Jodi Ann Gartland                   |
| Rebecca Buckhoff                    | Rachel Emily Glick                  |
| Jeffrey Scott Burner                | Paula Sue Glover                    |
| Caleb Ronald Lee Calarco            | Rebecca Gluck                       |
| Alisa G. Camp                       | Bradley Godshall                    |
| Ruth Anne Camuse                    | Andrew Good                         |
| Amy Lynn Carrelli                   | Jennifer Ann Goodyear               |
| Alyssa Brooke Carricato             | <sup>13</sup> Katie E. Gould        |
| Erika Lynn Chang                    | Krista Lynn Green                   |
| Lorie Lee Christein                 | Paul B. Gregorski                   |
| Jennifer Lynne Colello              | Melanie Tenille Grissinger          |
| Sally Elizabeth Collins Morris      | Danielle Grumm                      |
| Krista Marie Colville               | Elizabeth Therese Guerrero          |
| Amanda Christine David              | Barbara Ann Harcourt                |
| Jennifer Davis                      | Nicole Harris                       |
| Rachel Dawson                       | Susan E. Hirneisen                  |

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| Ahmad Abdallah Abunabah            | <sup>6</sup> Bernard Joseph Karlowicz |
| <sup>6</sup> Keisha Bahadu         | <sup>6</sup> Stacey S. Liberti        |
| Brendan Thomas Boyle               | <sup>6</sup> Lawrence Michalesko      |
| Nicole Boyle                       | <sup>6</sup> John J. Mullisky         |
| Shane Caswell                      | Nicholas A. Parise                    |
| Richard Armando Emiliani           | <sup>6</sup> Anna L. Pugliese         |
| <sup>6</sup> Kelly Evans           | <sup>6</sup> Joseph Paul Winski       |
| <sup>6</sup> Scott Robert Ferrante | Haifeng Zhao                          |

### Master of Science in Education

Rhonda A. Waskiewicz, *Interim Dean*

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Tanya Marie Adams                   | Katherine L. DeBias                 |
| Gia M. Anagnos                      | Jodi DeYoung                        |
| <sup>13</sup> Adam Joseph Andrechik | Amanda Louise Dennis                |
| Samantha Susan Armstrong            | Emily DiSabella                     |
| Cecilia Baltusavich                 | Steven Edward Dressel               |
| Stephen Lindsay Banks               | Renee Elizabeth Eaton               |
| Sarah Lynsey Beacker                | Steven Warren Eck                   |
| Matthew A. Behling                  | Michele C. Edens                    |
| Lindsay Bielli                      | Katharine Marie Eisenhart           |
| Rebecca Elizabeth Bliss             | Amanda L. Eisenman                  |
| Kerry Anne Bocko                    | <sup>13</sup> David V. Falbo        |
| Christopher Peter Bodnar            | Timothy Andrew Feeg                 |
| Carrie R. Bortner                   | Rebecca Marie Filson                |
| Anne Elizabeth Bozievich            | Rebecca D. Flud                     |
| Kelly Curry Bracetty                | Katie Frenock                       |
| Jennifer Brandon                    | <sup>13</sup> Kenneth Michael Fritz |
| Julie Maria Breitfelder             | Abhinay Gajula                      |
| Keith Brotzman                      | Jodi Ann Gartland                   |
| Rebecca Buckhoff                    | Rachel Emily Glick                  |
| Jeffrey Scott Burner                | Paula Sue Glover                    |
| Caleb Ronald Lee Calarco            | Rebecca Gluck                       |
| Alisa G. Camp                       | Bradley Godshall                    |
| Ruth Anne Camuse                    | Andrew Good                         |
| Amy Lynn Carrelli                   | Jennifer Ann Goodyear               |
| Alyssa Brooke Carricato             | <sup>13</sup> Katie E. Gould        |
| Erika Lynn Chang                    | Krista Lynn Green                   |
| Lorie Lee Christein                 | Paul B. Gregorski                   |
| Jennifer Lynne Colello              | Melanie Tenille Grissinger          |
| Sally Elizabeth Collins Morris      | Danielle Grumm                      |
| Krista Marie Colville               | Elizabeth Therese Guerrero          |
| Amanda Christine David              | Barbara Ann Harcourt                |
| Jennifer Davis                      | Nicole Harris                       |
| Rachel Dawson                       | Susan E. Hirneisen                  |

<sup>6</sup> Delta Mu Delta

<sup>13</sup> Pennsylvania Principal Certification

# 2013 January Graduates

## MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

### Master of Science in Education Degree — *Continued*

Allison L. Hoffman	Emily C. Moyer
Sean Glenn Hoffman	Tara Lindsay Mushko
<sup>13</sup> Andrea Maria Hogentogler	Nancy Gower Nadig
Kristin Ann Hohenshilt	Valena Lucia O'Malley
<sup>13</sup> David C. Holman	Karen Elizabeth Ostrander
Vincent Hoover	<sup>13</sup> John Jefferey Osuch
Carol Joan Hopkins	Siobhan Kalisha Owens
Scott M. Hopkins	Nilvita Patel
Heather Jo Hopple	Andrew Robert Peartree
<sup>13</sup> Jennifer M. Hottenstein	Kelly Marie Pelc
Courtney E. Hughes	Stacey Ruddy Pellegrino
Joshua Richard Irons	Robert Perrin
Jillian Elizabeth Johnson	Abby Lynne Pestcoe
<sup>13</sup> Paula K. Jones	Bonny Yuki Pitkin
Lisa A. Joyce	Rebecca E. Poole
Susan Kachurak	Megan Alyce Predix
Leslie Kerchner	Brian J. Primrose
Allison Kitchel	Bridget N.D. Quick
Courtney Kofeldt	Bernadette Catherine Rabel
<sup>13</sup> Christopher Michael Konieczny	Jennifer Lynn Randall
Amanda C. Kowalski	Justina L. Reph
Sharon Kraft	Faith Riling
Jennifer Jean Krebs	Kevin V. Riotto
Ashley Lynn Kreider	Richard Rockey
Tania Kreider	Kurt Timothy Rohrbaugh
Melissa Ann Lanni	Alexandra Ruthizer
Jacqueline Marie Laurence	Lynn R. Salehi
Nicole Letteer	Kelly Salvaterra
Sarah E. Lispi	Kylene Susan Sanders
Mikhail Semyon Litvinov	<sup>13</sup> Jude T. Sandt
Wendy A. Lukowski	Angela Marie Sariego
Amanda Loreen Lynch	Patricia A. Sauerwine
Elizabeth Lyon	<sup>13</sup> John F. Schalk
Gary MacMahon	Jennifer L. Schanz
Kimberly Mahan	Judith L. Scheetz
<sup>13</sup> Jennifer Ann Majewski	Beau Schleicher
Valerie Lynn Mansberger	Elizabeth A. Schmaltz
Silvia Rose Martinez	Sara Tanya Sepelyak
Joelle Marie Massari	Amanda Marie Shelley
Jason May	Sara Barbara Shoop
Samara McLaughlin	Lindsay Shultz
Jeffrey Merrill	Shawn Michael Small
Eric Messer	Dawn Kathleen Smith
Alisha A. Miller	Justine Shull Smith
Wendy Moncak	Ashley Smoyer
Amy Moore	Sarah Sokso
Maura F. Morgan	Sara Beth Sottolano
Amanda Christine Mousley	Michael D. Squarcia

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## MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

### Master of Science in Education Degree — *Continued*

Krista L. Steffy  
Brion J. Stone  
Justine Marie Stricker  
Kristin Susens  
Eric Taddei  
Sara L. Thomas  
Alisha A. Thompson  
Michael Zachary Tillger  
Ashleah Marie Tomasino  
Jennifer Leigh Updegrove  
Christopher John VonVolkenburg  
Tahir Hasan Wali  
Norma Jean Walker

Crystina Michelle Warner  
Jonathan Bradley Weitzel  
Debora Wellman  
Katrina Juanita White  
Stephanie Jean Widger  
<sup>13</sup> Amy Allyn Wikert  
Vanessa Anne Wildasin  
Stacey M. Williams  
David Williamson  
Eric Wilson  
Bryan Wise  
<sup>13</sup> Robert Alan Wolfe  
Lisa Anne Zelinski

### Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Dale A. Bruns, *Dean*

William C. Heard

Kaleemullah Baig Mirza

### Master of Science in Engineering Management

Dale A. Bruns, *Dean*

Tareq Aqeel Alzahrani  
Abhinay Gajula

Sree Sai Rama Ravi Tej Nimmagadda

### Master of Science in Nursing

Bernard W. Graham, *Dean*

Renee Gloria Eustice

Sheila Erica Keezer

<sup>13</sup> *Pennsylvania Principal Certification*



# Scholarly Societies and Special Designations

- <sup>1</sup> Denotes Membership in Alpha Chi, the National College Honor Scholarship Society.
- <sup>2</sup> Denotes Membership in Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Honorary Society in Sociology.
- <sup>3</sup> Denotes Membership in the Eta Pi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda, the honor society recognizing the academic excellence of adult part-time students.
- <sup>4</sup> Denotes Membership in Beta Beta Beta, the National Honorary Society in Biology.
- <sup>5</sup> Denotes Membership in Chi Alpha Epsilon, the Honorary Society which recognizes students who were admitted to the University through Higher Education Access Opportunity programs.
- <sup>6</sup> Denotes Membership in the Zeta Psi Chapter of Delta Mu Delta, the National Honor Society in Business Administration.
- <sup>7</sup> Denotes Honors in Biology.
- <sup>8</sup> Denotes Honors in English.
- <sup>9</sup> Denotes Honors in Engineering.
- <sup>10</sup> Denotes Membership in Lambda Pi Eta, the National Honorary Society in Communications.
- <sup>11</sup> Denotes Membership in the Phi Phi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, the International Honorary Society in Education.
- <sup>12</sup> Denotes Candidates for Pennsylvania Teacher Certification.
- <sup>13</sup> Denotes Candidates for Pennsylvania Principal Certification.
- <sup>14</sup> Denotes Membership in Phi Alpha Theta, the National Honorary Society in History.
- <sup>15</sup> Denotes Membership in Phi Lambda Sigma, the Pharmacy Leadership Society.
- <sup>16</sup> Denotes Membership in Phi Sigma Tau, the National Honor Society in Philosophy.
- <sup>17</sup> Denotes Membership in Pi Kappa Delta, the National Honorary Forensic Society.
- <sup>18</sup> Denotes Membership in Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society.
- <sup>19</sup> Denotes Membership in Psi Chi, the National Honorary Society in Psychology.
- <sup>20</sup> Denotes Membership in Phi Eta Sigma, the National Honor Society for College Freshmen.
- <sup>21</sup> Denotes Membership in Rho Chi, the National Honor Society in Pharmacy.
- <sup>22</sup> Denotes Membership in Sigma Tau Delta, the National Honorary Society in English.
- <sup>23</sup> Denotes Membership in the Zeta Psi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society for Nursing.
- <sup>24</sup> Denotes Membership in and acknowledgment by Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society.
- <sup>25</sup> Denotes Tom Bigler Scholar.
- <sup>26</sup> Denotes Pre-Medical Scholar.
- <sup>27</sup> Denotes Membership in the National Student Nurses Association.
- <sup>28</sup> Denotes Membership in Sigma Alpha Pi, the National Society of Leadership and Success.
- \* Degree in Absentia
- # January 2013 Graduate

# 2013 Student Awards

## Academic Awards

### Nesbitt School of Pharmacy

Pharmacy Dean's Award.....	Stephen Gruver
The Luzerne County Pharmacists Association Academic Achievement Award .....	Marissa Harrison
APhA Mortar and Pestle Professional Award.....	Emily Thudium
TEVA Pharmaceuticals Outstanding Student Award .....	Theron Ward
Mylan Excellence in Pharmacy Award.....	George Behlke
Recognition Award by Eli Lilly .....	Margaret LaBuz
Facts and Comparisons Award of Excellence in Clinical Communication .....	Kathleen Garrett
Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association Outstanding Pharmacy Student Award .....	Benjamin Beidel
Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database Recognition Award .....	Nadine Shickora
Lackawanna County Pharmacists Association Academic Graduate Award .....	Kelly Jaczynski
Lackawanna County Pharmacists Association Jurisprudence Award .....	Caitlyn Burnett
School of Pharmacy Excellence in Clinical Practice Award.....	Benjamin Beidel
School of Pharmacy Excellence in Pharmaceutical Science Research Award .....	Christina D'Ippolito Bookwalter

### The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership

Academic Achievement Award – MBA.....	Lawrence Michalesko
Dean's Award for Excellence – MBA.....	Jonathan E. Snyder

# Academic Costume

The celebration of Commencement is surrounded by rich traditions. The established community of scholars — the Faculty — convene to recognize officially the newest group of proven scholars — the Graduates — and welcome them in fellowship. Graduates don the attire that for years has symbolized scholarly attainment.

During the Middle Ages those seeking an education traveled to European centers of learning. Centers of learning and universities were closely allied with the clerics of the time, and the scholars donned garb similar to that worn by the clergy. This evolved into the academic uniform, a long black gown, hood, and cap, which proved useful for studying in unheated and drafty buildings. The hood served simultaneously as a head covering, a repository for coins and alms and the forerunner of the modern day book bag. The hood was adorned with the colors of the university and designated the young scholar's school or university affiliation. By their distinctive clothing the students were set apart and distinguished from the citizens of the town; hence the origin of the phrase "town and gown."

American colleges and universities adopted the wearing of the traditional apparel in Colonial times, and a common code for academic apparel was established in the mid-nineteenth century.

The hood is the most distinctive feature of academic regalia. The inside of the hood is lined with the official colors of the institution; today you see Wilkes graduates wearing hoods lined with the blue and gold colors of the University. The velvet trim around the outside of the hood designates the degree or field of study of the graduates. The velvet colors worn by today's graduates signify the following:

- Golden Yellow — Science
- White — Arts, Letters, Humanities
- Drab — Business Administration
- Brown — Fine Arts
- Olive — Pharmacy
- Blue — Education
- Apricot — Nursing

The style of the gown distinguishes graduates by the degree they have earned. Those earning the bachelor's degree wear a simple black gown with elongated pointed sleeves. Holders of the master's degree wear gowns with a longer, closed, square cut sleeve. The doctoral gown is trimmed with velvet stripes on the sleeves and panels of velvet on the front closure of the gown.

Some American universities have adopted doctoral gowns in their distinctive colors. You will notice the slate of Columbia, the red of Cornell, the burgundy of the University of Pennsylvania, the bright blue of the University of Michigan.

To have earned the privilege of wearing academic costume regalia signifies not only the completion of a program of studies, but entrance into the comradery of scholarship.

# **The University Mace and Presidential Chain of Office**

*The mace and the presidential chain of office used in academic celebrations represent traditions dating to the sixteenth century. The mace symbolizes the authority of the university and the chain of office designates the presidential leadership of the academy.*

*The Wilkes University mace and presidential chain of office were gifts of local donors and were first used in 1970 at the inauguration of the second president of Wilkes. They were designed by Ottie Hill Chwalek '61 and executed by Kurt Matzdorf, a nationally recognized gold and silversmith from the State University of New York at New Paltz.*

## **The University Mace**

*The sterling silver mace has a gilt knob at its base and a gilt circle at the top bearing the inscription "Wilkes College 1933." The bowl, rising above the neck of the mace, signifies Wilkes-Barre's role as a melting pot, forming a new and vigorous community of people from many different backgrounds. This theme is reiterated in the inscription of the University's motto "Unity Amidst Diversity" which surrounds the upper part of the bowl. The gilt flame symbolizes the enlightenment gained from higher education, while the piece of anthracite coal set in the center of the flame commemorates the origin of the University in a community known for its coal mining past.*

## **The Presidential Chain of Office**

*The Presidential Chain of Office, created from sterling silver, has alternating bowls and gilt flames, repeating the motif of the mace. On the front of the four-foot chain hangs a gilt seal of Wilkes which is suspended from a cluster of oak leaves with acorns, suggesting the strength and sturdiness of future generations. On the back of the Presidential Chain of Office is a silver portrait of Dr. Eugene S. Farley, the first President of Wilkes. Dr. Farley's portrait is surrounded by gilt oak leaves commemorating his strong leadership of the emerging institution.*

## **ARNAUD C. MARTS SPORTS AND CONFERENCE CENTER**

**FIRST AID** — Medical personnel are available for first aid assistance at the First Aid Station located in the lobby. Should you need assistance please contact an usher or a Public Safety Officer.

**PICTURE TAKING** — Because of space limitations, safety and control, no one, except the professional photographer and members of the press with appropriate credentials, will be allowed access to the stage area for the purpose of taking pictures or video-taping. A photograph will be taken of each graduate as the diploma is presented by the President.

**REST ROOMS** — Rest rooms are accessible from the first and second floor lobbies. Rest rooms are also located on the lower level.

**BEVERAGES** — Water is available at the drinking fountains on the first floor of the building.

**Local police will divert traffic from the front of the Marts Center following the ceremony. Please cooperate with the police officers and follow their directions as they attempt to alleviate traffic congestion.**

*A post-commencement reception will be held in the third floor Dining Room of the Henry Student Center immediately following the ceremony.*

## **AMERICA, THE BEAUTIFUL**

*O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain.  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

*O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years,  
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears.  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.*

*Words by Katherine Lee Bates*

*Music by Samuel A. Ward*

## **ALMA MATER**

*Wilkes, our Alma Mater,  
We pledge our hearts to thee,  
Honor, faith, and courage,  
Truth and loyalty,  
In our work and in our pleasure,  
Guide us as a friend;  
We shall always love thee,  
Loyal to the end.  
Thou shalt lead us onward  
In search of finer things.  
May we find the wisdom  
That thy spirit brings.  
May our deeds of love and service  
Ever swell thy fame —  
Wilkes, we stand to greet thee!  
Glory to thy name.*

*Words and Music by Eleanor C. Farley*



