

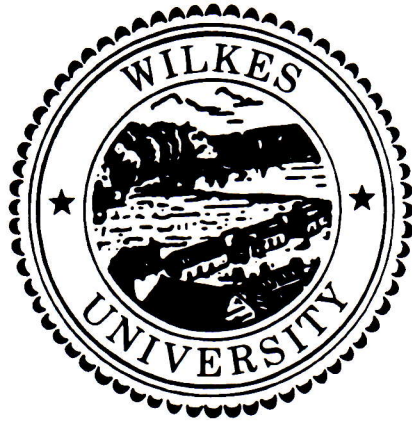


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For the Conferring of Degrees

*Saturday, May Sixteenth
Two-Thousand and Nine
1 p.m.*



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Order of Exercises

FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL

Academic Processional Clifton Williams

(The audience is requested to rise as the procession begins.)

WELCOME C. REYNOLD VERRET
Provost

INVOCATION REVEREND JAMES P. McFADDEN, MS
Member of the Class of 2009

America The Beautiful *Words by Katherine Lee Bates*
Music by Samuel A. Ward
Arrangement, Bill Moffit

(The words to America The Beautiful are printed on page 36 of the program.
The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)

God of Our Fathers G. W. Warren, D. C. Roberts
Arrangement, Claude T. Smith

GREETINGS JOSEPH E. GILMOUR
President

JAY S. SIDHU '73
Chairman, Board of Trustees

ARTHUR H. KIBBE
Chair, Faculty Affairs Council
Chair, Pharmaceutical Sciences

DAVID M. SBORZ, BA
President of the Class of 2009

Order of Exercises

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE

JOHN BROOKS SLAUGHTER
Doctor of Humane Letters

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS JOHN BROOKS SLAUGHTER

THE CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES JOSEPH E. GILMOUR

ALUMNI INDUCTION ROSEMARY LAFRATTE '93 '97
Wilkes University Alumni Association

Alma Mater..... Eleanor C. Farley
Arrangement, Earl Orcutt

*(The words to the Alma Mater are printed on page 36 of the program.
The audience is requested to stand and join in the singing.)*

BENEDICTION THERESA A. MONACO
Coordinator, Campus Interfaith

RECESSIONAL

Slow March from Scipio *Handel/Leidzen*

Music Provided By:

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

Wilkes University Chorus
Dr. Steven Thomas, *Conductor*

Ceremony Interpreted By:

Dr. Daniel B. Swartz, CI/CT
360 Translations International, Inc.

HONORARY DEGREE

DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS JOHN BROOKS SLAUGHTER

A renowned engineer, educator, scholar and citizen, you have been an ambassador of science and technology, dedicating much of your life in distinguished service to helping others find and live up to their full potential. Your tireless and selfless advocacy has served to highlight the goodness in all young people so that their knowledge and talent, when inspired by their hopes and dreams, can be transformed into deeds and action that strengthen community, preserve and grow knowledge and affirm the dignity of all individuals. With a vision to see what is possible and how to achieve it, you have created institutions that are more inclusive, provide a greater range of opportunities and are better equipped for our future. You are a renaissance thinker whose vision, patience and perseverance have enabled you to cut to the heart of complex problems to find elegant and workable solutions in the most challenging of circumstances.

Born in Topeka, Kansas, you earned the Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering from Kansas State University in 1956 and went on to work as an electrical engineer for General Dynamics, the U.S. Navy Electronics Laboratory and the Applied Physics Laboratory at the University of Washington. Your reputation as a researcher took you to the National Science Foundation, as assistant director for oceanographic and atmospheric sciences in 1977. Appointed as Provost at Washington State University in 1979, you subsequently returned to the National Science Foundation, appointed by President Carter, to be the Foundation's director – the preminent science post in our nation. From 1982 through 1988 you served as Chancellor and President of the University of Maryland, and in 1988, you were appointed President of Occidental College in Los Angeles, a post you held until 1999. Following your service as the Irving R. Melbo Professor of Leadership in Education at the University of Southern California, you became President of the National Action Council for Minorities in Education (NACME) in 2000. In your current role as President and CEO of NACME, you are raising millions of dollars and creating awareness and opportunities that will send more Black, Hispanic and Native American students to engineering school.

Holding honorary degrees from 28 institutions, you were the winner of the Martin Luther King, Jr., National Award in 1997 and UCLA's Medal of Excellence in 1989. You were also honored with the first U.S. Black Engineer of the Year award in 1987 and the prestigious Arthur M. Bueche Award from the National Academy of Engineering in 2004.

With great admiration and appreciation for the life you lead and the strong and sensitive leadership you provide to every organization you head, we celebrate today your wisdom, your compassion and your unwavering and distinctive service. By the power vested in me by the Board of Trustees of Wilkes University, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I hereby confer upon you, John Brooks Slaughter, the doctorate of humane letters, Honoris Causa, with all the rights and privileges thereto appertaining.

AWARDS

THE MABLE SCOTT WANDELL AND
STERLING LEROY WANDELL AWARDS JOHANNA R. SCHECHTER '09
KYLE L. SHARP '09
CHRISTINE L. ZAVASKAS '09

These awards are presented to the man and woman who have attained the highest academic average for the four years at Wilkes University.

C. REYNOLD VERRET
Provost

ALUMNI AWARD FOR
LEADERSHIP DAVID M. SBORZ '09

This award is given by the Wilkes University Alumni Association to the member of the graduating class considered to have made the strongest contributions to student life and the student activities program of the University.

Presentation by ROSEMARY LAFRATTE '93 '97
Wilkes University Alumni Association

ARMED FORCES RESERVE OFFICER APPOINTMENT
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE JARED C. DEWIRE '09

Presentation by MARK A. KASTER
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

- Daniel Adams, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Mathew McKinley Armstrong, *Cum Laude*
 Kara-Ann Marie Avila, *Magna Cum Laude*
^{1,21} Amanda K. Bashista, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Nichole Lee Braddock
^{1,15} Eryn Marie Briggs, *Cum Laude*
 Kristina Jean Burke, *Cum Laude*
^{1,21} Alisha M. Cain, *Summa Cum Laude*
 English, Second Degree
 Alyssa Lee Carsia, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Jennifer Ann Cerra, *Cum Laude*
 Andreas B. Chandra, *Cum Laude*
 Heather Renee Chapman, *Magna Cum Laude*
^{1,15,21} Darlene Marie Chaykosky, *Summa Cum Laude*
²¹ Joshua James Clark, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Brandon Charles Conforti, *Cum Laude*
 Matthew Stephen Crouse, *Cum Laude*
 Kyle Matthew Devlin
¹⁵ Christine Durdach, *Cum Laude*
 Nicholas Lee Fisher, *Cum Laude*
 Caitlin Elizabeth Flaherty, *Cum Laude*
 Matthew C. Foreman, *Cum Laude*
 Ashley M. Frantz
 Richard Frantz
¹ Monica Marie Gehret, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Mark Green, *Cum Laude*
²¹ Harleen Guraya, *Summa Cum Laude*
^{1,21} Nicole Marie Hahn, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Laura L. Hanna, *Cum Laude*
¹ Rachel Tarin Heisey, *Cum Laude*
- Laura Jaczynski, *Cum Laude*
^{1,15} Lindsey Marie Klish, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Kyle Robert Lenio, *Cum Laude*
 Beth Ann Mahonski, *Cum Laude*
 Tasha L. McNeillie, *Cum Laude*
 Tracy Lea Mertz, *Cum Laude*
 Mark Mowery
 Adam G. Napolitano, *Magna Cum Laude*
²¹ Stephani Lynn O'Hara, *Magna Cum Laude*
^{1,21} Kyle Olszewski, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Kinjal Patel, *Cum Laude*
 Payal Patel, *Cum Laude*
¹ Michelle Lorraine Pribula, *Magna Cum Laude*
²¹ Shelley Lynn Procopio, *Summa Cum Laude*
^{1,21} Heather Ann Renninger, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Bryan A. Riley
²¹ Claudia Cassett Rondon, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Jennifer Lynne Russell, *Cum Laude*
 Jenna Sampson, *Cum Laude*
 Joseph Sauppee, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Ann E. Searfoss, *Cum Laude*
 Tricia Stefanick, *Magna Cum Laude*
 Steven Uhas
^{15,21} Lindsey Marie Uhrin, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Rebecca Vaneekhoven, *Cum Laude*
^{15,21} Todd P. Weibel, *Summa Cum Laude*
 Adrienne E. Camp Williams, *Cum Laude*
 Nicholas M. Witucki, *Cum Laude*
 Jill M. Zapotoski, *Cum Laude*
 Yong Zhang, *Cum Laude*

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing Degree

- * Thomas Borthwick
- * Wendy A. Cunningham
- * William Howe
- * Matthew J. Koch
- * Dawn M. Leas
- * Holly Mitchell
- Chad P. Mullen
- * Luke Michael Munski
- * James F. Warner

Master of Arts in Creative Writing Degree

- * Shirley Boatman
- * Viannah E. Duncan
- * Angela L. Eckhart
- * Lori Myers
- * Robert Rogers
- * Beverly Major Schwartz
- Laura Baudo Sillerman
- Michael J. Workstel

Master of Business Administration Degree

- *⁶ Kristi Michelle Barsby
- * Joseph J. Bobbin
- ⁶ Stanley R. Bognatz
- ⁶ Peter C. Castelline
- * Nicole Chmarney
- * Shannon J. Curtin
- Amber M. Davidson
- Everett J. Davis
- * Janice A. DiPietro
- Tiffany Blare Ann Duda
- ⁶ Scott David Evans
- ⁶ Mark Joseph Falanga
- ⁶ Meera Sharma Harbola
- + Ramya Hegde
- +⁶ Kenneth W. Hensel
- ⁶ Karen Marie Kaleta
- * Melissa Kane
- Troy C. Kuzmitsky
- * Glenn J. Lawless
- + Regan A. Litz
- *⁶ Kirby Ann Lutz
- Jill Ellen Nunemacher
- ⁶ Patricia M. Potomis
- ⁶ Danielle M. Sabol
- *⁶ Kimberly Sarna
- +⁶ Joshua R. Savitski
- *⁶ Andrew Peter Sekula
- + Matthew A. Smith
- ⁶ Alexander David Sperrazza
- Jenna L. Strzelecki
- Andrew G. Tuck, *Posthumous*
- *⁶ Neil A. Unternahrer
- Patricia A. Vergnetti
- Greg M. Werner

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education Degree

- Ahmed Mousa Alahmari
* January Albee
+ Catherine Anne Albright
Hawazen Saeed Salem Alharbi
Majed Mushabab Ali
* Shandra Lee Allar
Sheena L. Allyn
Mohammed Ahmed Alshaikhi
+ Cindy R. Ambrosiani
*¹³ Toni L. Amick
* Allison L. Anderson
Nancy P. Andrus
* Kerrie L. Angley
Cathy Ann Angradi
Todd Patrick Ankiewicz
* Christina L. Apgar
Debra M. Argot
Kristie L. Argot
* Emily K. Artz
Melody L. Asbury
* Jennifer Atkins
* Julia Marie Barcalow
+ Ann Marie C. Barhight
¹³ Bette Susan Barnard
+ Megan L. Barrett
Megan M. Barry
* Tracy A. Baumgardner
* Jodi Savage Beach
* Carrie L. Beleno
* Joseph W. Bernat
* Matthew Martin Bernd
* Adam E. Berrigan
Eileen Biel
*¹³ Michele Bittner
* Jennifer S. Blasko
Andrew A. Bloom
* Michael J. Botti, Jr.
* Jeannine Marie Bowen
Christopher John Boyer
* Jamie L. Brendle
* Laura Brody
Michelle L. Brownback
+ Niki A. Brownlee
* Troy David Campbell
+ Amy J. Carle
Carol Loccarini Carmichael
²² Angela Pacini Carpenter
* Tara Leann Castellar
* Renee Frances Casterline
* Kelly A. Cave
* Alison M. Cesare
* Julie Mae Chamberlin
Elizabeth A. Chernyl
¹³ Elmer S. Clark III
Andrew M. Cole
* Christopher A. Cole
Diane Mary Colgan
* Christine J. Collaro
Andrew S. Colvin
*¹³ Donald Richard Cook
* Stephanie Copeland Namlick
Laura E. Cowburn
¹³ Daria Lee Reed Custer
*¹³ Matthew J. Cwalina
* Lori Ann Dalton
* Christian Davis
Kelly Marie Davis
*¹³ Sally L. DeFinnis
* Aimee M. Diehl
* Matthew Christopher DiEnna
*¹³ Frank Joseph DiLeo
* Michael Dillon
* Rebecca L. Dillon
* Greg M. Dolhon
Jeanine L. Dormer
*¹³ Joel David Dries
* Tracy Jean Dunn
* Meghan R. Dunton
* Alistair R. Durie
* Jess E. Dykes
Marilyn Gaines Eaton
*¹³ Andrea L. Edmonds
Patricia Eichorn
+ Lisa Emmett
Carol Ann Engelman
* Suzann Engle
Richard F. Fantauzzi
Alexandra E. Fedorko
Michael C. Fedorko
Abby Findon
Teresa Fitzsimmons
Heather Christine Flaherty
LaRue Diane Forwood
* Lauren Avery Frazier
* Jessica L. Fronina

¹³ Pennsylvania Principal Certification

²² Sigma Tau Delta

* Degree in Absentia

+ January 2009 Graduate

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education Degree — *Continued*

- * Michelle Ann Gabor
- + Chad P. Gaiser
Patricia Buglio Galloway
- * Bronson Cole Ganse
- * Michelle L. Garman
- * Kelly M. Gatto
Brandon S. Gerber
Gregory C. Giemza
- * Laura Giranda
- * Jeremy B. Goff
- * Delia R. Gongloff
- + Darcy B. Goshorn
- * Kimberly A. Graham
- * Tasha Lynn Graybill
- * Anthony Greitzer
- + Jennifer L. Gresser
- * Katie C. Gromacki
- + Melissa L. Grubbs
- * Joslyn A. Grube
- * Kimberly B. Grube
- * Erica D. Hager
- * Matthew Harrison
Erin Elizabeth Hawkins
- +¹³ Robert S. Hayman
- * Amy L. Haynes
- * Jennifer K. Heckler
Arilys Hernandez
Sarah Hirschman
- * Janell MaRee Hoffecker
Nicholas A. Holmes
Christopher R. Holub
Scott M. Horlacher
- * Christine M. Horwhat
- * Matthew J. Huber
- *¹³ Peter J. Hughes
- *¹³ Kathleen M. Jacobs
- * Melinda C. Jacobson
- * Sarah E. Jayne
- * Karissa M. Jones
- * Melanie Kansagra
- * Amanda B. Keifer
- * Elissa L. Kelleher
- * Kevin D. Kerstetter
- * Robert T. Kier
Lori Ann Killino
- + Jonathon Kilpatrick
- * Emily Jean Kleintop
- * Kevin P. Kloss
- * Jeffrey Scott Kochubka
Mary Ellen Konetski
- ¹³ Shawn W. Kopp
Janette Marie Korenkiewicz
- * Joanna Renata Kowalski
- * Victoria S. Krout
- + Michele Lyn Kulikowski
- * Brian Kurtz
Natalie A. Kvacky
Annette J. Lalka
Elizabeth A. Lambert
- * Andrea R. Lamer
Mary L. Landis
- ¹³ Lisa A. Langsdorf
Steve Lappano
- * Cynthia A. Larosa
Tara C. LeClair
- * Kimberly Louise Leibel
- ¹³ Colleen A. Lenett
- * Natalie A. Leyrer
- * Jennifer Lauren Lipton
Marvin L. London
Suzette M. B. Lutz
- * Aliceia Yvonne Lyons
Mark Anthony Maglioli
Heather Wright Mahon
- * Kimberly A. Mahoney
- * Matthew R. Maisano
- + Jessica L. Mallon
- * Thomas A. Mann
- ¹³ Kathleen Hughes Manzella
- * Elizabeth M. Mariano
- + Joanne C. Marshaleck
Ashlee Marie Marville
- * Holly Ann Masko
- * Shana L. Mattis
Michelle Elise Mazzucca
Brandon A. McCabe
- * Brandy M. McClellan
- * Sara E. McClure
- *¹³ Jonathan A. McElhaney
James Patrick McFadden
- *¹³ Sean Patrick McGinty
- * Dianna Marie McKittrick
Donna J. McMyne
- * Jared Jason Meehan
- * Shawn D. Mentzer
- * Amy Marie Migliore

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MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education Degree — *Continued*

- * Amy Lynne Miller
- * David Miller
- * Jasmine Lindsay Miller
- * Kelly J. Miller
- * Heather L. Mindick
- Michele Abraham Mishko
- Keri A. Mittura
- * Charles J. Montagna
- + Britton Mundy
- ¹³ Jennifer Yvonne Murphy
- * Tara M. Muthard
- * Amy J. Neugebauer
- Caroline Newcomb
- Francine C. Newcomb
- * Christa L. Newton
- * Joseph M. Nice
- + Joseph J. O'Donnell
- * Kristin Marie O'Donnell
- * Ann Marie Olenick
- * Dean T. Owens
- Jodi A. Parent
- * Crystal E. Patton
- * Dianne C. Pawlowski
- + Bethany L. Pepe
- * Maureen Peterman
- Courtney Ann Peters
- * Janiel Marie Pfaff
- ¹³ Chad S. Phillips
- Edward G. Piekara
- * Jennifer C. Pierson
- ^{*,13} Edward J. Pietroski, Jr.
- * Eugene Thomas Porcoro
- ¹³ Sheldon B. Poremba
- * John S. Putt
- * Jennifer E. Rau
- ^{*,13} Laurance J. Reagan
- * Diane Marie Reese
- * Allecia K. Rickard
- + Jennifer L. Robinson
- * William J. Rogan
- Tamara Ann Rogowski
- * Kathryn E. Rohrbach
- Kayla Maria Romig
- * Michelle A. Ross
- ^{*,13} Melissa A. Rothenberger
- * Patrick A. Sasse
- * Carla A. Sauer
- * Thomas E. Saurer, Jr.
- * Katherine Grace Schiefer
- Keith J. Schifano
- ^{*,13} Rachel Louise Schrampf
- * Shelby Schultz
- Kyle Taylor Schutt
- * Sarah Lynn Scoble
- * Jeffrey Earl Seip
- Heidi J. Seiwel
- James Shaffer
- * Annette Shreve
- * Patricia A. Sload
- * Dana D. Smetana
- Corey L. Smith
- + Maria D. Sock
- Matthew J. Somishka
- * Lori M. Spohn
- ¹³ Terri Marie Sproul
- * Stacy E. Stabryla
- ^{*,13} Felice Stern
- + Dawn H. Stetler
- * Trisha A. Stracka
- * Katie L. Strohecker
- * Nicole M. Susko
- * Sara Marie Swaditch
- David S. Tirpak
- ¹³ Jeanine M. Tiscio
- * Maury Leigh Tomaino
- ^{*,13} Stephen P. Toth
- * Debra M. Towson
- * Jamie Trescavage
- * Michael Trescavage
- Lauren Ashley Trinisewski
- Linda E. Troia
- + Stacy J. Ulrich
- ^{*,13} Amy Valentukonis
- * Eileen Murphy Vandegrift
- John A. Vass
- * Christopher D. Vecchio
- * Joanne L. Volante
- Jeffrey Aaron Waide
- * Leslie Anne Walters
- * Susan Ann Warakomski
- * Benjamin A. Warren
- * Lisa Wasser
- Nancy Anne Weeks
- Kathryn Ann Weidner
- Christi L. Weitzel
- Tami Lyn Wenger

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education Degree — *Continued*

- * Abbie R. Wildman
- * Jessica Lynn Will
- * Jeffrey M. Williams
- Megan A. Williams-Less
- *,¹³ Kimberly A. Wilson
- * Laurie Lynn Wilson
- * Daniel Wismer
- * Deborah Marie Wood
- * Anthony John Wright
- + Roslyn Yackobowitz
- * Tammy L. Yarger
- Ned A. Yelovich
- *,¹³ Michael David Zackon
- Rebecca A. Zambetti
- + Yiping Zeng
- Gexin Zhang
- Xi Zhao

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

- * Madhukar Anugu
- + Pavani Beeravolu
- + Joshitha Prasad Chintala
- + Santhosh Kumar Reddy Devireddy
- * Abilash Kondalwadi
- Vineet Vilas Kulkarni
- + Naveen Krishna Narayana
- V S Ram Prasad Somavarapu
- + Sudeepthi Vakalapudi

Master of Science in Engineering Operations and Strategy

- + Ali Mohammad Aljasir
- + Stephen J. Bytof
- Edward A. Generose
- Brandon J. Kotsko
- Jason A. Menago
- Philip J. Mitchell, Jr.
- Ikram Muhammad
- Andrew Michael Ryan
- Nathan Scott Thomas

Master of Science in Mathematics

- Steven Robert Gapinski
- + Regina M. Tarselli

Master of Science in Nursing

- ²³ Keri Lynn Frank

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Communication Studies

- ¹⁰ Lauren Elizabeth Biernacki, *Cum Laude*
+ Gina R. Bove
¹⁰ Alessandra Maria Carito
Anthony Carvale
¹⁰ Amanda Cawley, *Magna Cum Laude*
Heather Chulick
^{10,22} Angela C. Croop, *Cum Laude*
^{10,22} Kathleen Dalton
¹⁰ Yohanna De Los Santos
Angelo P. DiLeo
^{1,5,10} Jamie L. Gwynn, *Summa Cum Laude*
¹⁰ Candice Halliday, *Magna Cum Laude*
+ Carlton D. Holmes
¹⁰ Allison Anne Kulik
- ¹⁰ Alissa M. Lindner, *Cum Laude*
Valerie J. Martinez
Political Science, Second Major
* Katie A. Marzzacco, *Cum Laude*
+ David C. Mates
+ Timothy R. Seigfried
^{1,10,25} Christa Elena Sgobba, *Summa Cum Laude*
¹⁰ Alyssa Shilinski
¹⁰ Shauna Strellish, *Summa Cum Laude*
^{10,25} Lindsey White, *Summa Cum Laude*
^{6,10} Alison Woody
Business Administration, Second Degree
^{1,10} Christine Lynn Zavaskas, *Summa Cum Laude*

Criminology

- Khadija A. Bates
^{2,19} Ashley M. Campanicki, *Magna Cum Laude*
Psychology, Second Major
Emily Rose Dalton, *Cum Laude*
James DeJohn
John Edward Edler IV
* Matthew K. Flynn
⁺² Michele D. Garrison, *Magna Cum Laude*
Alexandria Elizabeth Holland
Psychology, Second Major
Sean R. Hoppock
- Andrew J. Jackloski
² Alicia Mattioli, *Magna Cum Laude*
Psychology, Second Major
Jessica Bernadette Otway
Sociology, Second Major
Brittany Stasik
Neil Usefara
Vashty Vazquez
Jason Thomas Walters, *Cum Laude*
Melissa Yankovich
Travis N. Yeager

English

- ²² Melissa Elizabeth Bugdal, *Magna Cum Laude*
^{1,21} Alisha M. Cain, *Summa Cum Laude*
Pharmacy, Second Degree
^{12,22} Elizabeth Ann Clark, *Cum Laude*
²² Michael Elias
²² Virginia Autumn Hults
- Wesley Kinter, *Summa Cum Laude*
¹² Jeffrey M. Krynick
^{1,22} Stefanie Marie McHugh, *Summa Cum Laude*
Corrine Medvec
^{1,11,12,22} Felixa Wingen, *Summa Cum Laude*
^{*1,11,12,22} Lisa Anne Zelinski

¹ Alpha Chi

² Alpha Kappa Delta

⁵ Chi Alpha Epsilon

⁶ Delta Mu Delta

¹⁰ Lambda Pi Eta

¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi

¹² Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

¹⁹ Psi Chi

²¹ Rho Chi

²² Sigma Tau Delta

²⁵ Tom Bigler Scholar

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BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences — *Continued*

History

- | | |
|---|---|
| ¹⁴ Zachary Edward Brady
James Warren Cain | ¹² Jonathon Milius
Christopher John Noll
Luke Adler Reidenauer |
| + ^{12,14} Leslie A. Day, <i>Cum Laude</i> | + Ryan D. Resanovich
Carl M. Santana |
| ^{12,14} Andrew Robert Drake, <i>Cum Laude</i>
Steve Felter | Terry M. Schiavone II
Jordon M. Schreffler |
| + ¹⁴ Scott Matthew Filipski
Matthew David Gold | + Carrie A. Stolarick |
| ^{12,14} Amanda Hlavaty, <i>Cum Laude</i>
+ Katherine Mary Kearney | + ^{12,14} Jonathan R. Stroup |

Integrative Media

- | | |
|---|---|
| Jessica M. Gannon
Chelsey A. Gosse
<i>Communication Studies, Second Major</i> | Peter James Mulvey
Rob Noone
Kyle Riedinger |
| + Christopher T. Hager
¹⁰ Alyssa Koncelik
<i>Communication Studies, Second Major</i> | |

International Studies

- ¹⁸ Meredith Rogers, *Cum Laude*

Musical Theater

- | | |
|---|---|
| Christine M. Borchick, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Ashley Marie Firestine, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Greta Kleckner, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Jennifer Lee Smeraldo, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
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Political Science

- | | |
|--|---|
| ^{1,18} Sheldon John Paprota, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | ^{12,18} Gennaro Zangardi, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| ^{2,5,18} David M. Sborz, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
<i>Criminology, Second Major</i> | |

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences — *Continued*

Psychology

- * Tracy Ambrose
- +^{1,19} Kimberly Ann Artmont
- Artin Chaklader
- Courtney Marie Connor
- + Christine Palumbo Conrad
- + James A. Crenshaw
- Nikeshia Dave
- + Wayland Alan Davis
- + Caitlin J. Dukas
- Austin Ifeanyi Emenyonu
- Patricia Ann Fenton
- Deidre Rae Filchak
- Allison Grohol
- ¹⁹ Corey G. Hahn
- Joshua Adam Hamilton
- Grayson Margaret Izard
- * Devin J. King
- + Virginia A. Kohnevich
- Eric Kranson
- ^{1,19} Jenna Kuckla, *Cum Laude*
- + Jonathan M. Lastovica
- Amanda L. Michaud
- ¹⁹ Erica Lyn Moore, *Cum Laude*
- Emmanuel Omoniyi
- + Erin M. Parry
- ^{1,14,19} Kelly Anne Patchell, *Summa Cum Laude*
- + Mona Ashok Patel
- Gayle M. Patterson, *Cum Laude*
- Christina M. Pimble
- * Nicole Maria Popek
- * Adam Rifkin
- ¹⁹ Lindsey Adrienne Sabol, *Cum Laude*
- ¹⁹ Johanna R. Schechter, *Summa Cum Laude*
- Lindsey Spak
- ¹⁹ Allison A. Stets
- *⁵ Jamie L. Trichilo, *Cum Laude*
- ¹⁹ Sarah Elizabeth Wilde, *Summa Cum Laude*
- ⁵ Stefanie Wills
- ¹⁹ Jessica L. Woolfolk, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Melissa Yavorchak

Sociology

- Tanya M. Feiertag
- Bernard F. Kosek, Jr.
- + Asya Juma Saleh
- + Sara Jean Scott

Spanish

- ^{1,11,12,19} Jessica Marie Berkey, *Summa Cum Laude*
- ¹² Lili Dibai
- + Ryan D. Haas
- Environmental Engineering, Second Degree*
- Katie Ann Kresge, *Magna Cum Laude*
- International Studies, Second Major*
- +^{11,12} Kristen M. Potsko, *Summa Cum Laude*

Theater

- Patrick Nardone
- Daniel J. Pascoe, *Magna Cum Laude*

¹ Alpha Chi

⁵ Chi Alpha Epsilon
¹⁹ Psi Chi

¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi
* Degree in Absentia

¹² Pennsylvania Teacher Certification
+ January 2009 Graduate

¹⁴ Phi Alpha Theta

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

School of Education

Elementary Education

- | | |
|---|--|
| ^{11,12} Natalie Apellaniz, <i>Cum Laude</i> | ^{1,11,12} Amanda Lyn Kunkel, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| ^{11,12} Jaime Baldoni, <i>Cum Laude</i> | ^{11,12} Stephanie Langner, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| ^{11,12,22} Samantha Marie Blum, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | ⁺ ¹² Jaclyn M. Lombargo |
| ^{11,12} Katherine DeBias, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | ^{11,12} Devon McKay, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| ^{11,12} Christina Galella, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | ⁺ ¹² Tracy B. Pavlico, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| ⁺ ¹² Ryan Patrick Gallagher, <i>Cum Laude</i> | ⁺ ^{11,12} Jennifer M. Sampson |
| ^{1,11,12,14} Lauren Marie Goff, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | ^{11,12} Chantelle Wood, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| ^{11,12} Shelley Ann Hydock, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | ^{11,12} Mallory Marie Zoeller, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| ^{11,12} Alexandra Ingram, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | |

¹ Alpha Chi ¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi ¹² Pennsylvania Teacher Certification
¹⁴ Phi Alpha Theta ²² Sigma Tau Delta ⁺ January 2009 Graduate

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering

Biochemistry

+ Amanda M. Derr

* Naseem Mian, *Magna Cum Laude*

Kyle Ungvarsky, *Cum Laude*

Michelle Zaleski

Biology

Thomas J. Barry

Jeffrey A. Bauman

^{1,4,7,24} Archana Bhatt, *Magna Cum Laude*

Randy W. Bookwalter

^{4,24} Megan Marie Bucher, *Cum Laude*

^{1,4} K-C-Ann M. Creque, *Summa Cum Laude*

^{4,11,12} Mario Steven DellaFortuna, *Cum Laude*

+ Peter A. Dombroski

Charles Gravener

Michael D. Griesemer

George Haleem

⁴ Melissa Lyn Jones, *Magna Cum Laude*

+ James C. Juice

^{4,7,24} Andrew John Julian, *Cum Laude*

+ Mary R. Kluchinski

Kaitlyn Nicole Kormanik

* Allison Malloy

⁴ Jake Mancuso

^{4,7,24} Nicholas Robert Metrus, *Magna Cum Laude*

Geoffrey T. Miller

⁴ Farrah Munir, *Magna Cum Laude*

Matthew A. Nighbert

Jared Matthew Nothstein, *Magna Cum Laude*

Christopher A. Olsen

^{4,24} Christopher Papayannakos, *Cum Laude*

Joann Amanda Phillips

⁴ Stefane Lyn Reigel

* Matthew E. Reschauer

+ Kristina M. Ruane

Ashley L. Ryan

^{4,7,24} Tanmay Shah, *Magna Cum Laude*

^{4,7,24} Amit Sharma, *Magna Cum Laude*

^{1,4,7,24} Kyle L. Sharp, *Summa Cum Laude*

Jillian Ann Stark

Palak Sutaria

Francisco Velez V

^{+,4} Ashley C. White

⁴ Diana C. Wright, *Cum Laude*

Chemistry

* Thomas A. Dougal

¹² Amanda Karaffa

Computer Science

Joel Eckelmann

Shivaas Gulati

Kyle-Rhys W. Hatcher, *Cum Laude*

+ Shlomo Y. Hecht

Thomas A. Larrabee, *Cum Laude*

+ Kunal S. Shah

Jody Snyder

Jason William Wagner, *Cum Laude*

Mathematics, Second Degree

Earth and Environmental Sciences

* Jarrod J. Antolik

Kristen L. Curry

Kieran O. Inglis

Joshua J. Jaworski

* Joseph Anthony Mazza

¹² Jason B. Prushinski

Drexel S. Siok

Adam C. Zwolinski

¹ Alpha Chi

⁴ Beta Beta Beta

²² Sigma Tau Delta

⁷ Honors in Biology

²⁴ Sigma Xi

¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi

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BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering — *Continued*

Electrical Engineering

- Ahmad Aldrees, *Cum Laude*
+ Nicholas A. Fino
Peter George
⁹ Joseph Seaman, *Magna Cum Laude*
Steven E. Skoranski
Kevin Swendsen
^{1,9} Jerry W. Zanolini, *Magna Cum Laude*

Environmental Engineering

- + Bryce J. Edwards
William Garro III
+ Ryan D. Haas
Spanish, Second Degree
⁹ John Luff
Jean Yves Ngabonziza
Audra Safter-Myers, *Cum Laude*

Mathematics

- + Danielle Barbuti
Computer Science, Second Major
⁶ Matthew Bickert, *Magna Cum Laude*
Accounting, Second Degree
¹² Erica Elizabeth Burgess
Corey Del-Vecchio, *Magna Cum Laude*
Simon Andrew Elmir, *Cum Laude*
¹² Sara E. Heckman
^{5,11,12} Yekaterina Scherbinina
Jason William Wagner, *Cum Laude*
Computer Science, Second Degree

Mechanical Engineering

- + Patrick J. Anderer
Matthew S. Archey
⁹ Paul Benulis, *Magna Cum Laude*
Brian T. Chapman
Philip Cimilluca
Nathan Thomas Daniels, *Cum Laude*
Jared C. DeWire
David Joseph Dussinger
+ Robert R. Falls
Justin W. Friedel, *Cum Laude*
Benjamin Eric Gerhart
Geoffrey Yorke Hoffmann
Matthew Jones
Robert M. Kaiser
David Kehler
Gregory Koneschusky
Brian A. Lang
+ Nicholas J. Manning
Jamie Francis Montville
Mary Opalka
Eric Skoglund
Michael Allen Snyder, *Cum Laude*
Kyle F. Steets
Matthew J. Wagner
Peter William Wassel

Medical Technology

- ¹ Stephanie Marie Wesstrom, *Summa Cum Laude*

¹ Alpha Chi

⁵ Chi Alpha Epsilon

⁶ Delta Mu Delta

¹² Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

⁹ Honors in Engineering

+ January 2009 Graduate

¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership

Accounting

- Leslie Ann Bartorillo, *Cum Laude*
- ⁶ Matthew Bickert, *Magna Cum Laude*
Mathematics, Second Degree
- Karen Blendick
- ⁶ John Edward DeFeo
- + Katherine M. Dezinski
- + Randy Donato
- ¹ Andrew Joseph Durako, *Magna Cum Laude*
- * Judith Ann Ford
- + Michelle L. Hazleton
- Jonathan D. Hummel
- Elizabeth Grace Lewis, *Cum Laude*
- ⁶ Edward Miller
- ⁶ James Riley Moeller, *Cum Laude*
- ⁶ Megan M. Murphy, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Michelle M. Pace
- * Robyn Patricia Snyder, *Cum Laude*
- Christine Elizebeth Stanishefski
- Corey Luther Tucker
- + Christine Elaine Turner
- Tory Veneziaie
- James Peter Walko, Jr.
- + Stephanie J. Weaver

Business Administration

- ⁶ Tracy Elizabeth Bailey, *Cum Laude*
- + Thomas J. Baloga
- + Dustin F. Bloss
- Johnathan S. Botch
- Patrick Donald Salvatore Paul Carlson
- ⁶ Daniel Cheek, *Cum Laude*
- ⁶ Lauren Cirilli, *Cum Laude*
- Ashley Marie Davison, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Kevin David Drakes
- ⁶ Nicholas D. Ebert, *Cum Laude*
- Sarah Elizabeth Elliott
- ⁶ Jillian Anna Englesbe, *Magna Cum Laude*
- Tiffany A. Fayash
- Michael J. Freund
- Joshua Ross George
- + Adam Edward Gillette
- Joseph Attilio Graziano
- Devin M. Hewitt
- + Lindsey E. Higgins
- + John David Highhouse
- + Victoria J. Jamrogowicz
- Krishnaa T. Kaashyap
- Nicole Marie Kosloski
- ⁶ Bruce Krell, *Magna Cum Laude*
- +⁶ Marcus N. Magyar
- Eric Masters, *Cum Laude*
- + Kelly Marie Mertz
- Sean K. Moyer
- Patrick Niedert
- ⁶ Ryan Knight Pepper, *Cum Laude*
- Gregory J. Pstrak, Jr
- + Lauren A. Rachkowski
- + Kyle A. Regner
- Lindsay M. Rogan
- Cassandra A. Scarantino
- + Erica M. Siegel
- +⁶ Sarah Weber, *Cum Laude*
- Eric S. Wetzal
- ^{6,10} Alison Woody
- Communication Studies, Second Degree*
- Joy Marie Wydra
- Allison Leigh Yakubowski

Entrepreneurship

Kerry Ann Battersby

+ Felipe S. Queiroz

¹ Alpha Chi

⁶ Delta Mu Delta

¹⁰ Lambda Pi Eta

* Degree in Absentia

+ January 2009 Graduate

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The Nesbitt College of Pharmacy and Nursing

Nursing

- ²⁷ Cathy Ann Abano
²⁷ Amy Lyn Allen
Lacey Jaye Andresen
Carolyn Joy Bartczak
^{23,27} Sarah Boyd
Erin Kristine Brown
²⁷ Jennifer M. Bullock
²⁷ Holly Belle Burleson
²³ Ashley Marie Carter
²⁷ Meredith Leigh Conrad
Sarah Jean Coyle
Brandy Daly, *Magna Cum Laude*
Melissa DiGioia
^{23,27} Amanda Rene Drum, *Cum Laude*
Bryan Earle
Janine Ely
^{23,27} Ashley M Falcone, *Cum Laude*
²³ Kerry A. Finnerty
Trudylee Fisher
Garrett Gearhart
^{23,27} Jessica Lynn Gentile
²³ Evonne Groody
²³ Tabitha Hapeman, *Cum Laude*
^{23,27} Melissa E. Heisel, *Magna Cum Laude*
²³ Kathryn Hilaire, *Magna Cum Laude*
^{*,23,27} Erin Hornberger
- Sarah Elizabeth Hostrander
Amber Kaminski
²³ Cybill Eileen Kelchner
^{1,23,27} Brianne Renee Kline, *Summa Cum Laude*
²⁷ Andrea Elizabeth Kocher
^{23,27} Alicia N. Kravetz, *Magna Cum Laude*
^{*} Jennifer Ann Krzysik
^{23,27} Veronica Nadine Marzonie, *Cum Laude*
²⁷ Ashleigh Mayew
^{1,23,27} Michelle Nenish, *Magna Cum Laude*
²⁷ Valerie Nunes
²³ Krista L. Overstrom
²³ Joshua Pauling
²³ Sarah Christine Rodriguez, *Cum Laude*
Vanessa L. Russick
²³ Nitasa Sahu, *Cum Laude*
^{23,27} Gloria Jean Sanfilippo, *Cum Laude*
²⁷ Janet Elizabeth Saukulyak
Dhara Sheth
²⁷ Lia Sinatore
²⁷ Kimberly M. Skawski
Ashley Ann Skorupa
²⁷ Katie L. Wilson, *Summa Cum Laude*
Angela Kim Wynder
Chelsie Yauch

¹ Alpha Chi

²³ Sigma Theta Tau

²⁷ National Student Nurses Association

^{*} Degree in Absentia

2009 January Graduates

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY CANDIDATES

Casey E. McNulty

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Business Administration Degree

Charyse C. Bosavage	⁶ Shane R. Lindaman
Christopher D. Callaio	⁶ James R. Lisman
Janet M. Connolly	Regan A. Litz
Barry W. Duffy	⁶ Joshua R. Savitski
Michael Robert Faneck	Matthew A. Smith
Ramya Hegde	Stephanie L. Smith
⁶ Kenneth W. Hensel	⁶ William J. Steiner

Master of Science in Education Degree

Susan F. Abert	Gregory S. Bitner
Marcella L. Acinapura	Denise Black
Meghan E. Ackley	¹³ Sherri J. Blackwell
Catherine Anne Albright	Jennifer M. Boran
Cindy R. Ambrosiani	Niki A. Brownlee
Sharon A. Ambrozia	Rebekah M. Bupp
Danielle B. Argot	Suzanne Lynn Burychka
John Vincent Armenio	Amy J. Carle
¹³ Kathryn O. Armstrong	Michael P. Carpenito
Charles R. Bachert	Nancy A. Chafin
Ann Marie C. Barhight	Timothy A. Chorones
Megan L. Barrett	Erin C. Cook
Brian M. Bartko	Colleen C. Corrigan
Jenna M. Barton	Qinghui Cui
¹³ Joseph M. Bauer	Tonya L. Cumberland
Kyle C. Beller	Danielle B. Curzi
Sharon C. Bender	Leslie A. Daidone
Tiffany E. Bender	Jennifer M. Daniels
Andrea J. Bensusan	Elizabeth Marie Dincher-Wertz
Jess Eagle Bewley	William P. Dobrolsky

⁶ Delta Mu Delta

¹³ Pennsylvania Principal Certification

2009 January Graduates

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education Degree— *Continued*

- Paul E. Dorney
Karen Lee Drybred
Ashley L. Eisenhower
Laura E. Emerle
Lisa Emmett
Neil C. Engle
Christopher A. Etter
Michele L. Fenstermacher
Joelle Finegan
¹³ Daniel J. Fox
Nicholas J. Fox
Amanda McDevitt Francis
Crystal D. Gaffney
Chad P. Gaiser
Heidi G. Gathany
Stephen C. Geneva
Scott W. Gerould
Susan Gesford
Darcy B. Goshorn
Brittany A. Greene
Jennifer L. Gresser
Danielle E. Griffin
Melissa L. Grubbs
Kathryn C. Ham
Danielle L. Hancock
Christina R. Happel
Andrea Harvath
¹³ Robert S. Hayman
Lee J. Henne
Joseph K. Herman
Amy J. Hickman
Jennifer L. Himmelreich
Robin L. Hudak
Linda Hulslander
Doreen R. Ifkovits
Jill Incalcaterra
Beth A. Jordan
Thomas A. Kameroski
¹³ Susan L. Kappenstein
Janelle M. Keim
Katharine L. Kelly
Jonathon Kilpatrick
Gail M. Klohe
Bevin A. King
Deborah A. Kistulentz
Heather G. Kleinle
Janell M. Kovaleski
Michele Lyn Kulikowski
Brett D. Kunkle
Donna M. Laskosky
Christa J. Lauchle
Jeremy M. Lauver
Amy L. Lazaro
Michael W. Lechniak
Deborah L. Lecker
Jennifer M. Leedy
J. Keith Lehman
¹³ Paul Leonzi
Martin G. Lewis
Jennifer L. Limani
Jennie L. Loeper
Robert P. Lulis
Rosalie Machiesky
John G. MacKay
Judy Lynn Malinowski
Jessica L. Mallon
Marc R. Manley
Jo Ann Marinacci
Joanne C. Marshaleck
¹³ Philip J. Matilla
¹³ Jose M. Medina
Deborah A. Merino-Gruenloh
Sarah F. Metallo
Diane L. Meyer
Kristen M. Miele-Beatty
Mary Beth Miko
Lisa Marie Mikus
Amy C. Miller
Tobie A. Miller
Cleo Millheim
Tracey Elizabeth Mitchell
Nicol C. Moyer
Stefan Tep Muller
Britton Mundy
Tashia L. Neely
Kelly A. Nieroda
Randall T. Nunemacher
Joseph M. O'Brien
Joseph J. O'Donnell
Jeffery D. Ohl

2009 January Graduates

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Education Degree— *Continued*

- Alison L. Patchcoski
Jon A. Pavuk
Joshua Robert Peacher
Joshua J. Pennington
Bethany L. Pepe
Melissa J. Phillips
¹³ Robert Stephen Presley
Haley E. Ravel
Melissa A. Reifsnnyder
Kevin D. Rentschler
Ellen M. Resnek
Matthew R. Riley
Jennifer L. Robinson
Leonard A. Romanski
Diane L. Romig
Dawn M. Roos
Kristi L. Rossi
Michelle E. Rydbom
Amanda D. Salus
Frances Murach Scaramastro
Linda M. Schiller
¹³ David Steven Schmaldienst
Christina M. Scott
John T. Sechler
Brenda L. Serensits
Tracy L. Sevin
¹³ Jennifer M. Shaffer
¹³ John P. Shaffer
Jessica A. Shafnisky
Robert M. Shannon
¹³ Daniel A. Sharp
Erin M. Shaw
Joseph G. Shay
Rachel N. Shiffer
Jessica Ann Shirk
Jamie M. Shover
Emily J. Silfies
John J. Sipper
Jamie G. Smith
Lee M. Smith
Maria D. Sock
Azure D. Spigelmyer
Dawn H. Stetler
Vicki S. Stever
Kristina M. Svencer
¹³ Alison Z. Thompson
Megan L. Thompson
DuAnne M. Thrush
Tara L. Turtell
Stacy J. Ulrich
¹³ Michele C. Van Hise
Christine Marie Vander Valk
David J. Walsh
Michelle R. Wanner
Melissa M. Watkins
¹³ Jenny Leslie Weaver
Daniel Robert Weidman
Kurt L. Wertman
Heather L. Westbrook
Robert Alan Wolfe
Wendy Ann Wunderlich
Nan Xu
Roslyn Yackobowitz
Alan Yendrzejewski
Melissa R. Zaring
Yiping Zeng
Kimberly Ann Ziegler
Katie L. Zielinski

2009 January Graduates

MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Science in Electrical Engineering

Vidya Sagar Reddy Atmakur
Pavani Beeravolu
Karthik Chandrasekaran
Joshitha Prasad Chintala
Santhosh Kumar Reddy Devireddy

Naveen Kumar Gattu
Laxmi Narayan Karthik Karamchedu
Naveen Krishna Narayana
Sudeepthi Vakalapudi

Master of Science in Engineering Operations and Strategy

Ali Mohammad Aljasir

Stephen J. Bytof

Master of Science in Mathematics

Regina M. Tarselli

Master of Science in Nursing

²³ Michele A. Chase

²³ Tracy A. Glaser

2009 January Graduates

BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Communication Studies

Gina R. Bove
Carlton D. Holmes

David C. Mates
Timothy R. Seigfried

Criminology

² Michele D. Garrison, *Magna Cum Laude*

Andrew T. Liva

History

^{12,14} Leslie A. Day, *Cum Laude*
¹⁴ Scott Matthew Filipski
Katherine Mary Kearney

Ryan D. Resanovich
Carrie A. Stolarick
^{12,14} Jonathan R. Stroup

Integrative Media

Christopher T. Hager

Psychology

¹⁹ Kimberly Ann Artmont
Christine Palumbo Conrad
James A. Crenshaw
Wayland Alan Davis
Caitlin J. Dukas

Virginia A. Kohnevich
Jonathan M. Lastovica
Thomas C. Modugno
Erin M. Parry
Mona Ashok Patel

Sociology

Asya Juma Saleh

Sara Jean Scott

Spanish

Ryan D. Haas
Environmental Engineering, Second Degree

Sarah Lucia Plavchak
^{11,12} Kristen M. Potsko, *Summa Cum Laude*

² Alpha Kappa Delta

¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi

¹² Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

¹⁴ Phi Alpha Theta

¹⁹ Psi Chi

2009 January Graduates BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

School of Education

Elementary Education

¹² Ryan Patrick Gallagher, *Cum Laude*
^{11,12} Jacqueline Klahold, *Summa Cum Laude*
¹² Jaclyn M. Lombargo

¹² Tracy B. Pavlico, *Cum Laude*
^{11,12} Jennifer M. Sampson

The College of Science and Engineering

Biochemistry

Amanda M. Derr

Biology

⁴ Catherine M. Dickinson, *Summa Cum Laude*
Peter A. Dombroski
James C. Juice
Mary R. Kluchinski

Kristina M. Ruane
⁴ Ashley C. White
⁴ Samantha E. Zak, *Cum Laude*

Computer Science

Shlomo Y. Hecht

Kunal S. Shah

Earth and Environmental Sciences

Kassandra M. Smith

Electrical Engineering

Nicholas A. Fino

Brandon L. Wigley

Environmental Engineering

⁹ James D. Crossmon, *Cum Laude*
Bryce J. Edwards

Ryan D. Haas
Spanish, Second Degree
Brandon E. Kelly

⁴ Beta Beta Beta

⁹ Honors in Engineering

¹¹ Kappa Delta Pi

¹² Pennsylvania Teacher Certification

2009 January Graduates BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES

The College of Science and Engineering

Mathematics

Danielle Barbuti
Computer Science, Second Major

Mechanical Engineering

Patrick J. Anderer
Robert R. Falls

Nicholas J. Manning

The Jay S. Sidhu School of Business and Leadership

Accounting

Katherine M. Dezinski
Randy Donato
Michelle L. Hazleton

Todd Joseph Szymaszek
Christine Elaine Turner
Stephanie J. Weaver

Business Administration

Thomas J. Baloga
Dustin F. Bloss
Kayla Eileen Everett
Adam Edward Gillette
Lindsey E. Higgins
John David Highhouse
Victoria J. Jamrogowicz

⁶ Marcus N. Magyar
Kelly Marie Mertz
Lauren A. Rachkowski
Kyle A. Regner
Erica M. Siegel
Tara M. Sokola
⁶ Sarah Weber, *Cum Laude*

Entrepreneurship

Felipe S. Queiroz

The Nesbitt College of Pharmacy and Nursing

Nursing

Jeriann T. Sokach

⁶ Delta Mu Delta

Scholarly Societies and Special Designations

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

2009 Student Awards

Academic Awards

Behavioral and Social Sciences

Pi Sigma Alpha.....	Sheldon J. Paprota
Moravec Award for the Outstanding Graduate in Sociology.....	Marki F. Feichter Ashley Campanicki
Outstanding Graduate in Psychology.....	Kelly A. Patchell

Biology and Health Sciences

Rosenthal Memorial Award.....	Christopher J. Papayannakos
Outstanding Research Award.....	Amit Sharma
Outstanding Senior Scholar in Biology.....	Kyle L. Sharp

Business Administration and Accounting

Academic Achievement Award — MBA Program.....	Barry W. Duffy Meera S. Harbola
Academic Achievement Award in Business Administration.....	Bruce D. Krell
Dean's Award for Excellence in Business Administration.....	Jillian A. Englesbe
Academic Achievement Award in Accounting.....	Matthew S. Bickert
PICPA Award for Excellence in Accounting.....	Matthew S. Bickert
Jay Sidhu Leadership Award.....	Johnathan S. Botch

Chemistry

ACS Section Award.....	Amanda R. Karaffa
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Communication Studies

Communication Studies Award.....	Shauna C. Strellich
Tom Bigler Scholars Award.....	Christa E. Sgobba Lindsey M. White

Cooperative Education

Outstanding Senior Intern.....	Jamie Gwynn
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Education

Outstanding Elementary Teacher Education Student.....	Amanda L. Kunkel
Outstanding Secondary Teacher Education Student.....	Felixa J. Wingen
Outstanding Special Education Teacher Certification Student.....	Mallory M. Zoeller
Marla Hosie Memorial Award.....	Allison J. Weidman

Engineering and Physics

Outstanding Achievement in Electrical Engineering.....	Jerry W. Zanolini
Outstanding Achievement in Mechanical Engineering.....	Paul G. Benulis
Outstanding Electrical Engineering — Graduate Student.....	Karthik Chandrasekaran
Outstanding Engineering Operations Management — Graduate Student.....	Andrew M. Ryan

Environmental Engineering and Earth Sciences

Outstanding Achievement in Environmental Engineering.....	John W. Luff
Outstanding Achievement in Earth and Environmental Science.....	Drexel S. Siok
Outstanding Environmental Leadership and Service Award.....	John W. Luff

Humanities

Annette Evans Humanities Award.....	Felixa J. Wingen
Frank J. J. Davies Award.....	Wesley Kinter Stefanie M. McHugh Felixa J. Wingen
Phi Alpha Theta Book Award.....	Andrew R. Drake
Outstanding Graduate in Spanish.....	Jessica M. Berkey

2009 Student Awards (continued)

Extracurricular/Leadership Awards

Athletic Department

The Correen Santoro Memorial Award.....	Kimberly Baldino Kathleen Dalton Stacey Malia Kaitlyn McGurk Alison Weidman
Female Scholar Athlete of the Year.....	Alison McDonald
Male Scholar Athlete of the Year	Andrew Garofoli
Female Athlete of the Year	Victoria Bybel
Male Athlete of the Year.....	Frank Heffernan

Center for Continued Learning

Adult Learner of the Year.....	Michele D. Garrison
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Communication Studies

Outstanding Leadership and Service Award.....	Candice Halliday
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Community Service

Helping Hands Service Award	Valerie Martinez Steve Felter
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Cooperative Education

Outstanding Senior Intern.....	Jamie Gwynn
Keith Topfer Memorial Award.....	Jason Wagner

Education

Teacher Education Service Award	Theresa Castelli
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Engineering and Physics

American Society of Mechanical Engineers Award	Eric Skoglund
I.E.E.E. J. J. Ebers Memorial Award	Steven Skoranski

Interfaith

Interfaith Leadership Award	Lili Dibai
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Nursing

Leadership Award.....	Veronica Marzonie
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Residence Life

Leadership Award.....	Troy Tanner
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Visual and Performing Arts

VPA Award for Service.....	Daniel Pascoe
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Student Affairs

Intercollegiate Leadership Wilkes-Barre.....	Taryn Hallowell Daniel Hess Yelena Karpeshov Thomas Markley Katherine Munchel Brian Williams
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2009 Student Awards (continued)

- E-Mentors Johnathan Botch
 Melissa Bugdal
 Kathleen Dalton
 Jared DeWire
 Jillian Englesbe
 Amanda Karaffa
 Colleen Labor
 Alissa Lindner
 Valerie Martinez
 Nitasa Sahu
 Kimberly Skawski
 Michael Snyder
 David Sborz
 Allison Stets
 Kyle Ungvarsky
 Lindsey White
- Emerging Leaders Award Gregory Castelli
 Angela Nicolosi
 Jill Kalariya
 Brian Switay
 Daniel Matz
- Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges
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| Johnathan Botch | Stephanie Langner |
| Alisha Cain | Alissa Lindner |
| Amanda Cawley | Valerie Martinez |
| Lauren Cirilli | Alison McDonald |
| Meghan Cope | Anna McFadden |
| Kyle Cortright | Nicholas Metrus |
| Kathleen Dalton | Kelly Patchell |
| Amanda Derr | Ryan Pepper |
| Katherine Dezinski | David Sborz |
| Lili DiBai | Amit Sharma |
| Kristin Elia | Michael Simko |
| Jillian Englesbe | Shauna Strellish |
| Deidre Filchak | Kyle Ungvarsky |
| Elefteria Galiatsatos | Jason Wagner |
| Jamie Gwynn | Kristin Wilt |
| Justin Huff | Christine Zavaskas |
| Amanda Karaffa | Mallory Zoeller |
| Alyssa Koncelik | Lauren Zubey |
| Amanda Kunkel | |
- Leadership Certification Program Steve Felter
 Amy Fusco
 Stephen Gruver
 Michelle Kosloski
 Whitney Patrusevich
 Melanie Thomas

2009 Student Awards (continued)

Student Government

Faculty Choice Award.....	Dr. Matthew Zukoski (Posthumous)
Staff Choice Award	Ms. Margy Sromovski
Two Years of Service	Jeffrey Bauman
	Johnathan Botch
	Kathleen Dalton
	Brian Diehl
	John Edler
	Tanya Feiertag
	Elefteria Galiatsatos
	Sherri Homanko
	Andrew Julian
	Farrah Munir
	Carl Santana
	David Sborz
	Lauren Zubey
Programming Board Presidential Incentive Award	Erin Sweet
Programming Board Programmer of the Year	Amanda Kunkel

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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
- Pink — Music
- Brown — Fine Arts
- Olive — Pharmacy

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.

WACHOVIA ARENA AT CASEY PLAZA

FIRST AID — Emergency personnel are available for first aid assistance and emergencies on the concourse across from the entrance to Section 112.

PHOTOGRAPHS — University backdrops are available on the concourse across from Sections 106 and 114 for personal photograph options.

BEVERAGES — Beverages are available for purchase through the Wachovia Arena Vendors.

RECESSIONAL — Weather permitting graduates will recess into the West gate parking lot. If inclement weather, graduates will disperse into the concourse.

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

