Commencement Schedule

Saturday, May 6, 2017

6
Kansas State University Polytechnic Campus
Student Life Center, Salina, 10 a.m.

Friday, May 12, 2017

9
Graduate School
Bramlage Coliseum, 1 p.m.

28
College of Veterinary Medicine
McCain Auditorium, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 13, 2017

31
College of Arts and Sciences
Bramlage Coliseum, 8:30 a.m.

39
College of Architecture, Planning & Design
McCain Auditorium, 10 a.m.

41
College of Education
Bramlage Coliseum, 11 a.m.

45
College of Business Administration
Bramlage Coliseum, 12:30 p.m.

51
College of Agriculture
Bramlage Coliseum, 2:30 p.m.

57
College of Human Ecology
Bramlage Coliseum, 4:30 p.m.

62
College of Engineering
Bramlage Coliseum, 6:30 p.m.
Dear Graduates,

On behalf of Kansas State University, we extend our sincerest congratulations and best wishes on your graduation. Your degree represents work and commitment on your part and on the part of those who have helped you along your way. Whether it is your family, friends, faculty, staff or fellow students, know that all are proud of your accomplishments.

Commencement marks a milestone in your life and sets you on a journey toward a productive and fulfilling career. We hope you use the knowledge and preparation you received at K-State to move forward and make a difference throughout your life, whether in the career field, in the community or in other worthy pursuits.

As you embark and progress in your career and life, know that Kansas State University will always encourage you along the way. You are now part of our network of around 200,000 proud alumni worldwide. We urge you to remain connected to the university through the K-State Alumni Association, which is providing you and fellow graduates with a year’s free membership.

Please find opportunities to return to campus, whether to continue your education, share your experiences and expertise with future K-Staters, take in an athletic or cultural event, or just to catch up on your alma mater.

Congratulations and best wishes for the future,
Alma Mater
by H.W. Jones, class of 1888

I know a spot that I love full well
’Tis not in forest nor yet in dell,
Ever it holds me with magic spell,
I think of thee, Alma Mater.

K-S-U, we’ll carry thy banner high,
K-S-U, long, long may thy colors fly,
Loyal to thee, thy children will swell the cry.
Hail, hail, hail, Alma Mater.
Kansas State University is on its way to becoming one of the nation’s Top 50 public research universities by 2025. The visionary K-State 2025 plan, launched in 2010, serves as a guide for our decision-making and priority-setting in all facets of the university, including academics, facility needs, research, engagement and athletics. For more information and to track our progress, go to k-state.edu/2025.

Founded in 1863 as the country’s first operational land-grant university, Kansas State University has campuses in Manhattan, Salina — now known as Kansas State University Polytechnic Campus — and Olathe, as well as K-State Global Campus, which serves distance education students. K-State Research and Extension also has a presence throughout Kansas.

The mission of Kansas State University is to foster excellent teaching, research and service that develop a highly skilled and educated citizenry necessary to advancing the well-being of Kansas, the nation and the international community. The university embraces diversity and inclusion, encourages engagement and is committed to the discovery of knowledge, the education of undergraduate and graduate students, and improvement in the quality of life and standard of living of those we serve.

Forbes magazine, Princeton Review and U.S. News & World Report have recognized Kansas State University as one of the best in America.

Nearly 24,000 students from all 50 states and more than 100 countries attend Kansas State University. Students can choose from more than 250 majors and options in nine colleges: Agriculture; Architecture, Planning & Design; Arts and Sciences; Business Administration; Education; Engineering; Human Ecology; Technology and Aviation; and Veterinary Medicine. The Graduate School offers more than 110 academic programs.

With nearly 200,000 alumni, K-State is ranked among the top five alumni associations in the nation for the percentage of graduates who are members. Philanthropic giving to the university, coordinated by the Kansas State University Foundation, has exceeded $100 million for the fifth year in a row.

Called the "Silicon Valley for biodefense” for its leadership in food safety and security and agrodefense, Kansas State University is home to four Feed the Future labs, an initiative by the U.S. Agency for International Development to increase food production in nations with limited resources. The university also is home to the Biosecurity Research Institute, which supports comprehensive “farm-to-fork” infectious disease research programs that address threats to plant, animal and human health. Construction is underway adjacent to the Manhattan campus of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's National Bio and Agro-defense Facility, which will be the nation's premier animal disease research facility.

Total research efforts at Kansas State University have led to more than 200 patents to date. The university has more than 90 research centers, including the 8,600-acre Konza Prairie Biological Station and the Johnson Cancer Research Center. Our distinguished faculty members are tackling such issues as climate change, cybersecurity, sustainable energy, urban revitalization and more — often involving undergraduate students in their work.

Kansas State University, by the numbers

1 — Where Money magazine ranks K-State on its list of best colleges in Kansas.
2 — Years in a row K-State is rated the best value in Kansas by SmartAsset.
3 — Years in a row K-State receives the HEED Award for diversity and inclusion.
6 — Years in a row K-State’s National Strategic Selling Institute named one of nation’s top sales programs.
8 — Years in a row K-State’s Crops Team is national champion.
9 — Times in the last 12 years K-State’s Black Student Union named best in the Big 12.
9 — Academic colleges, offering a variety of academic disciplines.
200+ — Fellowships held by faculty and patents developed at the university.
$230+ million — Financial aid distributed annually, including scholarships, student wages and veterans’ benefits.
250+ — Academic majors and options.
About our ceremonies

The university mace
The Kansas State University mace made its debut in September 2009 at the inauguration of Kirk H. Schulz, Ph.D., as the university’s 13th president. A mace is a decorative symbol of office and typically carried at the front of academic processions. The university’s mace is carried in the processional at the Graduate School ceremony and is displayed at each college’s ceremony. Designed by Tom Boley, a 1970 university graduate, the mace is made from a purple wood called purpleheart and a light-colored maple.

Academic dress
The history of academic dress dates to medieval European universities of the 12th century. Universities in the United States have standardized academic dress so its features are common and uniform throughout the country.

The gown — At Kansas State University, gowns are black and typically made of synthetic material or worsted wool. The pattern varies with the degree held — open sleeves for the bachelor’s degree; long, closed sleeves with slits for the hands for the master’s degree; and round, bell sleeves for the doctoral degree.

The hood — Students receiving graduate degrees wear hoods. The master’s hood is shorter than the doctoral hood and lacks the panels of the doctoral hood. Hoods are lined with the colors of the university; the university’s lining is purple with two inverted chevrons. The binding or edging of the hood is the color pertaining to the subject of the degree.

The caps — All bachelor’s and master’s degree candidates wear a black mortarboard. Doctoral students may wear a mortarboard or a soft velvet tam with either six or eight sides. The tams can be dark blue or black for Doctor of Philosophy candidates, and light blue for Doctor of Education candidates. Doctor of Veterinary Medicine candidates wear a black mortarboard. Tassel color for all degree candidates depends on the degree and/or degree field.

Trimming colors on hoods
Brown
Master of Fine Arts
Master of Landscape Architecture
Dark blue
Doctor of Philosophy
Golden yellow
Associate degrees
Bachelor of Science
Master of Science
Gray
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
Lavender
Master of Architecture
Light blue
Doctor of Education
Maize
Master of Agribusiness
Navy blue
Master of Interior Architecture & Product Design
Orange
Master of Software Engineering
Master of Engineering Management
Peacock blue
Master of Public Administration
Master of Regional & Community Planning
Pink
Master of Music
Salmon
Master of Public Health
Tan/drab brown
Master of Accountancy
Master of Business Administration
White
Master of Arts
Yellow
Master of Science

Tassel colors on candidates’ caps
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Bachelor of Fine Arts
Master of Fine Arts
Master of Landscape Architecture
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Doctor of Philosophy
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Master of Science
Gray
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
Lavender
Master of Architecture
Light blue
Bachelor's degrees in Education
Maize
Bachelor's degrees in Agriculture
Master of Agribusiness
Maroon
Bachelor's degrees in Human Ecology
Navy blue
Master of Interior Architecture & Product Design
Orange
Bachelor's degrees in Engineering
Master of Software Engineering
Master of Engineering Management
Peacock blue
Master of Regional & Community Planning
Master of Public Administration
Pink
Bachelor of Applied Education
Bachelor of Music Education
Master of Music
Salmon
Master of Public Health
Tan/drab brown
Bachelor's degrees in Business Administration
Master of Business Administration
Master of Accountancy
White
Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Arts in Music
Master of Arts

Graduation honors
Bachelor’s degree candidates who are earning graduation honors from Kansas State University wear a purple-and-white honor cord on the left shoulder of their commencement gown. Honors are awarded based on their Kansas State University grade point average. Eligible students also must have completed a minimum of 60 hours in residence, with at least 50 hours in graded courses.

K-State graduation honors:
Summa cum laude — For students with a 3.95 or above GPA.
Magna cum laude — For students with a 3.85-3.949 GPA.
Cum laude — For students with a 3.75-3.849 GPA.

Note: Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree candidates receive these honors based on courses completed in the professional program. Honors indicated in this program are determined on a minimum of 45 hours in residence completed prior to the term of graduation, with at least 36 credit hours in graded courses.

Commencement program key
(C) Cum laude
(Mc) Magna cum laude
(Scl) Summa cum laude
(D) Dual degree
(H) Honors program
(S) Secondary major
(F16) Fall 2016 graduate
(SU17) Summer 2017 candidate
(F17) Fall 2017 candidate
(P) Posthumous degree
* Double, multiple majors
Announcer:  
James Westling, Rocking M Media, Salina

Procesional:*  
Nick Ramirez, President, Student Governing Association

National Anthem:*  
Eric Cole, Guest Musician

Welcome:  
Verna M. Fitzsimmons, Ph.D., CEO and Dean

Student Address:  
Nick Ramirez, President, Student Governing Association

Introduction of Commencement Speaker:  
Verna M. Fitzsimmons, Ph.D., CEO and Dean

Commencement Address:  
Stephen Lieber, Founder, Helicopters Inc.

Presentation of Degree Candidates:  
Terri Gaeddert, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of Academic Operations

Presentation of Diplomas:  
Verna M. Fitzsimmons, Ph.D., CEO and Dean

Assisted by:  
Kurt Barnhart, Ph.D., Associate Dean for Research and Engagement

Reader:  
Alysia Starkey, Ph.D., Professor and Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies

Alumni Association Greetings:  
Brad Sidener, Senior Vice President and COO, K-State Alumni Association

Conferral of Degrees:  
Verna M. Fitzsimmons, Ph.D., CEO and Dean

Recessional:  
Eric Cole, Guest Musician

Student Marshal:  
Nick Ramirez, President, Student Governing Association

“The audience will please rise.”
Stephen Lieber

After graduating from Kansas State University’s College of Business Administration in 1971, Stephen Lieber founded his own company in 1978, Helicopters Inc., which today produces $48 million in revenue. Helicopters Inc. leases choppers to radio and television news departments across the country, operating as a single source that provides pilots, all electronic equipment and maintenance on the aircraft. Helicopters Inc. serves every major television market and network, including NBC for the “Today” show, providing an entire package that even includes on-air talent. The company has a fleet of 82 aircraft, most of which are Bell helicopters, and four fixed-wing corporate jets that it makes available for corporate clients.

From its base in St. Louis the company’s staff outfits its helicopters with broadcast equipment, refurbishes the cabins and repaints the helicopters, complete with station call letters. Those improvements are on top of meeting stringent federal aviation requirements on replacing parts and rebuilding engines.

Lieber is an active supporter of Kansas State Polytechnic and serves as co-chair with his wife, Shirley, for the Polytechnic campus in the university’s Innovation and Inspiration Campaign. His generous donations to the campus, including a helicopter and helicopter transmission, continue to advance the campus’s curriculum. His son, Christopher, is a current student at Kansas State Polytechnic in technology management.

Degree Candidates

School of Integrated Studies

Professional Master of Technology
Katherine A.M. Boutz, Salina
Ray P. Chase, Two Rivers, Wisconsin
Ramon Ortega Rubio, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico
Jodi R. Pappada, Salina
Karlee Lynn York, Salina

Aeronautical Technology/Airport Management
Bachelor of Science
Ian Thomas Bonsall, Goodland (SU17)
Jacob Michael Carlson, Manhattan
John David Offutt, Lacey, Washington
Elliot Rogers, Lawrence
Ryan Eugene Thomas, Atchison

Aeronautical Technology/Avionics Systems and Management
Bachelor of Science
Sandra Lee Anderson, Clarinda, Iowa
Mark Randall Dewitt, Wichita
Shaun William Hargadine, Asaria

Aeronautical Technology/Aviation Maintenance
Bachelor of Science
Royce Whitnack, Antelope, California (SU17)

Aeronautical Technology/Aviation Maintenance Management
Bachelor of Science
Sandra Lee Anderson, Clarinda, Iowa
Clyde Russell Bolyard, Boonville, Missouri
Hyunsu Kim, Goyang, South Korea (SU12)
Alan Wayne McElroy, Tallaposta, Georgia (SU12)

Aeronautical Technology/Avionics Systems and Management
Bachelor of Science
Ricardo Ruben Martinez, Albuquerque, New Mexico (SU17)
William Stewart Morgan, Huntville, Texas
Mihn Pham, Westwood (SU17)
Preston Renfro, Dallas, Texas (SU17)
Matthew Max Tener, Wichita (SU17)

Engineering Technology/Computer Systems
Bachelor of Science
Damon Ryan Anguiano, Salina (SU17)
Jacob Anthony Dehoff, Salina
Ryan Michael Fabac, Leawood (SU17)
Logan Lee Gideon, Galena (SU17)
Hibiki Himiya, Tokyo, Japan (SU17)
Bradley Anthony Komarek, Salina (SU17)
Tate Joplin Neill, Virgil
Justin Tylor Noggle, Salina
Jason Eric Nowak Jr., Salina (SU17)

Engineering Technology/Digital Media
Bachelor of Science
Jesse Lake Allen, Derby
Benjam Richard Crabtree, Shawnee
Engineering Technology/Electronic and Computer Engineering Technology

**Bachelor of Science**
Sierra Davis-Yianakopulos, Salina
Benjamin Paul Kyle, Wichita
Eric William Perkins, Wichita
William Brock Son, Brookville (Scl) (D)

**Engineering Technology/Mechanical**

**Bachelor of Science**
Tyler John Glissman, Bennington
Tyler J. Montgomery, Manhattan
Brett Andrew House, Parsons

**Engineering Technology/Unmanned Aircraft Systems**

**Bachelor of Science**
Samuel Armstrong Ervin, Paxico

**Technology Management**

**Bachelor of Science**
Nicole Michelle Bishop, Salina
Micah Oliver Crane, Chapman (SU17)
Darin Engle, Clearwater
Lauran Evenson, Wichita
Keith David Hill, St. Joseph, Missouri
Bradley Anthony Komarek, Salina (Cl) (D)
Nicholas J. MacAronas, Coffeyville
Bartholomew Ray McFee, Oberlin (SU17)
Daniel J. Sanders, Assaria (SU17)
Weston Robert Schilowsky, Phillipsburg
Roger Lee Smith, El Dorado
Carl John Springer, Eudora
Nathan Micheal Terpstra, Wichita
Verneysha L. Walker, Wichita

**Engineering Technology/Web Development**

**Associate of Technology**
Ryan Michael Fabac, Leawood (Cl) (D)
Bradley Anthony Komarek, Salina (Cl) (D)

**College of Arts and Sciences**

**Social Work**

**Bachelor of Science**
Kaitlyn Sue Boyer, Salina (Cl)
Lisa A. Burt, Abilene
Jasmin Mirasol Herrera, Salina
Jade Antoinette Johnson, Salina
Miranda Lynn Kay, Salina
Sarah Lynne Longey Hassell, Larned
Yesenia Michelle Perales, Salina
Maddison Sheleen Pilgrim, Salina
Taylor Lynn Reinsch, Salina
Macy Marie Schneweis, Salina
Amanda Louise Shirack, Solomon
Trillian Cody Svoboda, Salina
Carol Sue Thorstad, Fairbanks, Alaska

**College of Human Ecology**

**Personal Financial Planning**

**Bachelor of Science**
Jarah Elizabeth Cooper, Salina

**Certificate Candidates**

**Aviation Electronics Technology**
Mark Randall Dewitt, Wichita

**Applied Business**

**Associate of Science**
Bradley Anthony Komarek, Salina (Cl) (D)

**Engineering Technology/Computer Systems**

**Associate of Technology**
Logan Lee Gideon, Galena (SU17)
Bradley Anthony Komarek, Salina (Cl) (D)
William Brock Son, Brookville (Scl) (D)
Graduate School

Introduction:
Gerard Kluitenberg, Ph.D., Professor, Agronomy

Processional:
Rachael Gros, Senior, Music Education

National Anthem:
Matthew Cyphert, Master’s Candidate, Music

Welcome and Introductions:
April C. Mason, Ph.D., Provost and Senior Vice President

Greetings from the Board of Regents:
Dave Murfin, Regent

Introduction of Commencement Speaker:
Richard B. Myers, MBA, President

Presentation of Honorary Degree:
Richard B. Myers, MBA, President

Commencement Address:
Geraldine “Geri” Richmond, Ph.D., Presidential Chair in Science and Professor, Chemistry, University of Oregon

Alumni Association Greetings:
Amy Button Renz, President and CEO, K-State Alumni Association

Graduate Student Council Greetings:
Derek Lawson, President, Graduate Student Council

Presentation of Graduate Faculty:
Carol Shanklin, Ph.D., Dean

Conferral of Degrees:
Carol Shanklin, Ph.D., Dean

Recessional:
Rachael Gros, Senior, Music Education

Marshals:
Brett DePaola, Ph.D., Professor, Physics
Steven Eckels, Ph.D., Professor, Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering
Gerard Kluitenberg, Ph.D., Professor, Agronomy
Royce Ann Collins, Ph.D., Professor, Educational Leadership
Juneehe Kwon, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Hospitality Management

Reader:
Vincent Carlisle, Ph.D.
Appointed to the Kansas Board of Regents in 2015 by Gov. Sam Brownback, Dave Murfin is the CEO of Murfin Inc., whose interests include Murfin Drilling Co. Inc. and Murphy Tractor and Equipment Co., one of the largest John Deere construction dealerships in North America. Murfin grew up in Wichita and is a graduate of Wichita East High School. He earned his bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering and business administration from the University of Kansas, and currently serves as a member of the University of Kansas School of Business board of advisors and on the University of Kansas Endowment board of trustees.

Known for his civic engagement, Murfin serves on several boards, including the Greater Wichita Economic Development Coalition, the Kansas Chamber of Commerce and the National Petroleum Council. He is a former president of the Kansas Independent Oil & Gas Association and past chairman of the National Stripper Well Association.

In 2016, Murfin was awarded the Jim Edwards Leadership Kansas Alumnus of the Year Award. Murfin and his wife, Janet, have three children and five grandchildren. In his free time, he enjoys flying and spending time with his family.

The presidential chair in science and professor of chemistry at the University of Oregon, Geraldine “Geri” Richmond, Ph.D., got her academic start at Kansas State University, earning a Bachelor of Science in chemistry. She earned a doctorate in physical chemistry from the University of California, Berkeley.

Richmond’s research using laser spectroscopy and computational methods focuses on understanding environmentally and technologically important processes that occur at water, semiconductor and mineral surfaces. The studies have relevance to current issues in energy production, environmental remediation and atmospheric chemistry. More than 200 publications have resulted from the studies conducted in her laboratory with undergraduate, graduate students and postdoctoral associates. Her teaching activities in the classroom and beyond focus on science literacy, science policy, and building a strong and diverse science and engineering workforce in the U.S. and globally. Throughout her career, Richmond has been actively involved in efforts to increase the number and success of women in science and engineering.

Her scientific accomplishments have brought Richmond many honors, including the National Medal of Science from President Obama, the American Chemical Society’s Olin-Garvan Medal and Joel H. Hildebrand Award, and the American Physical Society’s Davisson-Germer Prize. Awards for her education, outreach and science capacity building efforts include the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring, and the American Chemical Society’s Award for Encouraging Women in the Chemical Sciences and Charles L. Parsons Award.

Richmond is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. She is fellow of the American Chemical Society, the American Physical Society, the Association for the Advancement of Science and the Association for Women in Science.

Serving in leadership roles on many international, national and state governing and advisory boards, Richmond recently finished her term as president of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the largest general scientific professional organization in the world, and currently serves as chair of the academy. She is a member of the National Science Board as an appointee of President Obama. She serves, through appointment by Secretary of State John Kerry, as U.S. science envoy to the Lower Mekong River countries of Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Burma and Thailand. Richmond is the founding and current director of COACh, a grassroots organization formed in 1998 that has helped in the career advancement of thousands of scientists and engineers in the U.S., Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Alvin and RosaLee Sarachek Predoctoral Honors Fellowship and Travel Awards in Molecular Biology

Kirsten Grond
Doctoral Student, Biology
Fellowship Award Recipient

Nicole Green
Doctoral Student, Biochemistry
Travel Award Recipient

Ananda Bandara
Doctoral Student, Plant Pathology
Travel Award Recipient
Degree Candidates

Adult, Occupational and Continuing Education

Doctor of Education
David Paul Gunn
Major Professor: Royce Ann Collins, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Exploratory Multi-Case Study of Graduate Education Transfer of Learning

Biochemistry

Doctor of Philosophy
Tam Nguyen Thu Tran
Major Professor: Timothy Durrett, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Structural Features and Functional Residues Important for the Activity of EaDAcT, an Unusual Membrane Bound O-Acyltransferase

Doctor of Philosophy
Cristie LeAnne Edwards
Major Professor: W. Franklin Spikes, Ed.D.
Dissertation: Examining Patterns of Student Participation in Online Discussion Boards

Agronomy

Doctor of Philosophy
Abhishes Lamsal
Major Professor: Stephen Welch, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Crop Model Parameter Estimation and Sensitivity Analysis for Large-Scale Data Using Supercomputers

Animal Science

Doctor of Philosophy
Kelsey Phelps
Major Professor: John Gonzalez, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Effects of Alternative Feeding Strategies for Feedlot Cattle on Meat Quality and Use of Front-Face Fluorescent Spectroscopy to Predict Beef Steak Tenderness

Chemistry

Doctor of Philosophy
Damith Randika E.W. Patabadige
Major Professor: Christopher Calberton, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Developing Multilayer Microfluidic Platforms and Advancing Laser Induced Fluorescent Detection and Electrochemical Detection to Analyze Intracellular Protein Kinases, Reactive Nitrogen and Oxygen Species in Single Cells

Doctor of Philosophy
Madumali Kalubowilage
Major Professor: Stefan Bossmann, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Liquid Biopsies of Solid Tumors: Non-Small-Cell Lung and Pancreatic Cancer

Doctor of Philosophy
Sadish Karunaweera
Major Professor: Paul Smith, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Theory and Simulation of Molecular Interactions in Biological Systems

Doctor of Philosophy
Hongfu Luo
Major Professor: Viktor Chikan, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Understanding and Controlling Defects in Quantum Confined Semiconductor Systems

Doctor of Philosophy
Mohomed Nawavi Mohamed Naleem
Major Professor: Paul Smith, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Molecular Dynamics Simulations of Aqueous Ion Solutions

Doctor of Philosophy
Asanka Sajini Yapa
Major Professor: Stefan Bossmann, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Nanospoens for Advanced Drug Delivery

Biology

Doctor of Philosophy
Elizabeth Rose Everman
Major Professor: Theodore Morgan, Ph.D.
Dissertation: The Evolution and Genetic Control of Stress Tolerance in a Complex World

Doctor of Philosophy
Jesus Enrique Gomez
Major Professor: Anthony Joern, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Role of Spatial and Temporal Vegetation Heterogeneity From Fire-Grazing Interactions to the Assembly of Tallgrass Prairie Spider Communities

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Major Professor: Stefan Bossmann, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Nanospoens for Advanced Drug Delivery
Man Zhang
Major Professor: Day Hua, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Design, Synthesis and Evaluation of Bioactive Molecules; Chiral Polyazepylpyrrolidones Supported Cu/Au Nanoclusters Catalyzed Cyclization of 5-Substituted-Nona-1,8-Dien-5-Ol

Civil Engineering

Doctor of Philosophy
Habiburrahman Ahmadi
Major Professor: Hayder Rasheed, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Lateral Torsional Buckling of Anisotropic Laminated Composite Beams Subjected to Various Loading and Boundary Conditions

Rund Ahmad Al-Masri
Major Professor: Hayder Rasheed, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Analytical and Finite Element Buckling Solutions of Anisotropic Laminated Composite Columns/Plates Under Axial Compression with Various Boundary Conditions

Naga Narendra Babu Bodapati
Major Professor: Robert Peterman, Ph.D.
Dissertation: A Comprehensive Study of Prestressing Steel and Concrete Variables Affecting Transfer Length in Pretensioned Concrete Crossbeams

Computer Science

Doctor of Philosophy
Pavel Janovsky
Major Professor: Scott DeLoach, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Large-Scale Coalition Formation: Application in Power Distribution Systems

Joshua Levi Weese
Major Professor: William Hsu, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Computational Thinking in K-12 and Higher Education

Curriculum and Instruction

Doctor of Philosophy
Daniel Brecht-Haddad
Major Professor: Frederick Burrack, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Discovery, Video Self Confrontation and Intervention as a Means to Improve Quality and Motivation of Instrumental Practice

Gloria Faith Creed-Dikeogu
Major Professor: Debbie Mercier, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Exemplary Online Information Literacy Courses at Selected Four-Year Colleges and Universities

Cristina Ann Fanning
Major Professor: Thomas Vontz, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Beliefs in the Crossroads: Teachers’ Personal Epistemology and Effective Practice for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Students

Andrew Dean Feyes
Major Professor: Frederick Burrack, Ph.D.
Dissertation: The Score Study Procedures of Three Collegiate Wind Band Conductors

Brett A. Janssen
Co-Major Professors: Frederick Burrack, Ph.D., and Phillip Payne, Ph.D.
Dissertation: A Preliminary Comparative Study of Rhythm SystemsEmployed Within the First-Year College Aural Skills Class

Chance Lee
Major Professor: Thomas Vontz, Ph.D.
Dissertation: The Global Nextdoor: A Case Study of University Study Away

Stephanie Ann McCutcheon
Co-Major Professors: Kakuli Bhattacharya, Ph.D., and Thomas Vontz, Ph.D.

Cheryl Dianne Myers
Major Professor: Thomas Vontz, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Law Professors’ Existental Online Lifeworlds: An Hermeneutic Phenomenological Study

Sara Elizabeth Schwerdingser
Major Professor: Sherri Martinie, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Elementary Preservice Teachers and Elementary Teachers Knowledge of Mathematical Modeling

Economics

Doctor of Philosophy
Ana Claudia Sant’Anna
Co-Major Professors: Jason Bergtold, Ph.D., and Tian Xia, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Ethanol and Sugarcane Expansion in the Brazilian Cerrado: Farm, Industry and Market Analyses

Educational Leadership

Doctor of Education
Joel Daniel Applegate
Major Professor: Jeffrey Zacharakis, Ed.D.
Dissertation: Analysis of the Moral Judgment of Superintendents in Kansas and Nebraska

Sarah D. Diamond
Major Professor: W. Franklin Spikes, Ed.D.
Dissertation: An Exploratory Study of the Motivation and Retention of Adult High-Functioning Volunteers in Community-Based Nonprofit Organizations

Holly B. Fisher
Co-Major Professors: W. Franklin Spikes, Ed.D., and David Thompson, Ed.D.
Dissertation: Exploring Programmatic Issues Which Effect Continuing Legal Education Practice in Kansas

Teara Flagg Lander
Major Professor: Kakuli Bhattacharya, Ph.D.
Dissertation: She Just Did: A Narrative Case Study of Black Women Student Leaders at a Predominately White Institution

Electrical Engineering

Doctor of Philosophy
Mohammad Nazif Faqiry
Major Professor: Sanjoy Das, Ph.D.
Dissertation: Efficient Double Auction Mechanisms in the Energy Grid With Connected and Islanded Microgrids

Akanksha Singh
Major Professor: Behrooz Mirafzal, Ph.D.
Dissertation: A Boost Current Source Inverter Based Generator-Converter Topology for Direct Drive Wind Turbines

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**Commencement Address:**
Kenneth R. Harkin, D.V.M., Professor, Clinical Sciences

**Presentation of Degree Candidates:**
Tammy Beckham, D.V.M., Ph.D., Dean
Bonnie Rush, D.V.M., Executive Associate Dean
Peggy Schmidt, D.V.M., Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Student Affairs

**Hooding of Candidates:**
Frank Blecha, Ph.D., Associate Dean for Research
Ronnie Elmore, D.V.M., Associate Dean for Admissions and Diversity
Derek Mosier, D.V.M., Ph.D., Professor and Interim Department Head, Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology
Hans Coetzee, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Anatomy and Physiology
Beth Davis, D.V.M., Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Clinical Sciences

**Presentation of Diplomas:**
Richard B. Myers, MBA, President
April C. Mason, Ph.D., Provost and Senior Vice President

**Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Oath:**
Ken Burton, D.V.M., Program Director, National Agricultural Biosecurity Center

**Alumni Association Greetings:**
Brad Sidener, Senior Vice President and COO, K-State Alumni Association

**Student Address:**
Christian Eckert, D.V.M., President, Class of 2017

**Alma Mater**

**Recessional:**
Stephen Kucera, Bachelor’s Candidate, Applied Music and Accounting

**Marshals:**
Warren Beard, D.V.M., Professor, Equine Surgery
David Hodgson, D.V.M., Professor, Anesthesiology

*The audience will please rise.

**Veterinarians Oath**

Being admitted to the profession of veterinary medicine, I solemnly swear to use my scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit of society through the protection of animal health and welfare, the prevention and relief of animal suffering, the conservation of animal resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of medical knowledge.

I will practice my profession conscientiously, with dignity, and in keeping with the principles of veterinary medical ethics.

I accept as a lifelong obligation the continual improvement of my professional knowledge and competence.
Kenneth R. Harkin, D.V.M., professor of clinical sciences, teaches fourth-year veterinary students in their clinical rotations through the internal medicine service at the College of Veterinary Medicine’s Veterinary Health Center. He gives didactic lectures to third-year veterinary students in gastroenterology, hepatology, neurology and clinical hematology. He also leads weekly case discussions for pre-clinical veterinary students.

Harkin’s teaching has earned several honors, including the Norden-Pfizer Zoetis Animal Health Distinguished Veterinary Teacher Award in 2013, Novartis Teaching Excellence Award in 2012, Pfizer Award for Teaching Excellence in 2008 and the Carl J. Norden Distinguished Teacher Award in 2001.

A 1989 Doctor of Veterinary Medicine graduate of Iowa State University, Harkin completed a residency in small animal internal medicine at Michigan State University and is board certified by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine. He served three years in private referral practice before joining the College of Veterinary Medicine in 1997 as a clinical instructor. He was promoted to associate professor in 1998 and to professor in 2010. His research interests have been focused in the areas of infection and immunology, primarily canine leptospirosis, perianal fistula and canine dysautonomia.

Along with his teaching responsibilities, Harkin serves as faculty advisor for the student chapter of the American Animal Hospital Association, the feline club and the cycling club.

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**Speaker**

Kenneth R. Harkin, D.V.M.

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**Degree Candidates**

Jordan Elizabeth Abernathy, Fayetteville, Arkansas
Anna Kerstin Amend, Valparaiso, Florida
Madeline Grace Anderson, Overland Park
Sydney Marie Barloon, Costa Mesa, California
Shannon Playfair Beins, Wichita
Samantha Kathleen Belsan, Phoenix, Arizona
Carie L. Bikson, Overland Park
Katharine Renee Boyle, Pineole, California
Molly Marie Brobst, Hixawthu
Corbyn Rose Broeckelman, Beloit
Kimberly Blake Carr, Yucaipa, California
Charlene Carrera Silva, Brownsville, Texas
Allison Lee Carter, Seattle, Washington
Grace Chen, Hacienda Heights, California
Lauren Elizabeth Christensen, Redlands, California
Leslie Osborn Collet, Kailua, Hawaii
Hilary Lynn Coulombe, Cortland, Illinois
Michael Cover, Lincoln, Nebraska
Cyndi Jolene Davidson, Coronado, California
Johanna Diaz, Garden City
Elizabeth Ann Donahoe, Ardsley, Pennsylvania
Christian Wade Eckert, Sterling
Jennifer Lynne Fallon, East Bridgewater, Massachusetts
Carly Corinne Fielding, West Kingston, Rhode Island
Brett Andrew Fisher, Marysville
Meaghan Garay Fleischli, Mendlo Park, California
Kaitlin Michelle Foley, Shawnee
Megan Elizabeth Guyan, Healdsburg, California
Cory S. Haigh, Wichita
Erica Lexus Hamman, Topexa
Kaitlin Amelia Haukos, Lubbock, Texas
Valerie Head, West Jordan, Utah
Brandi Marie Heckel, Littleton, Colorado
Renee Jo Hibma, St. Jacob, Illinois
Matthew Browning Hull, Elkhorn, Nebraska
Savannah Lizette Coudert Isely, Bird City
Krysta Elizabeth Antonia Janas, Atlanta, Georgia
Erin Elizabeth Jobman, Gothenburg, Nebraska
Melissa Diane Juby, Wichita
Nathaniel Kapaldo, Springfield, Virginia
Shari Marie Kennedy, Tyro
Ellen Eun-Me Kim, Denver, Colorado
Alissa Ann Kirchoff, Wichita
Brooke Michelle Klaus, Salina
Jennifer Lynn Kristek, Argyle, Texas
Jennifer Michelle Kuzminsky, Littleton, Colorado
Katherine Susan LeSage, Prairie Village
Megan Elizabeth Levin, Manchester, Maryland
Jing Li, Zhanjiakou, China
Stephanie Elaine Liao, Pleasanton, California
Bo Liu, Xuanhua, China
Malaina Patrice Lough, Springfield, Massachusetts
Gabriela Maria Malakates, Miami Beach, Florida
Hillary LeeAnn Martin, Lenexa
Nikki Christianne McComb, Framingham, Massachusetts
Jacey Nicole McDaniel, Sterling
Lorna Ivy McPeek, Wellington
Landon Wayne McQuilliams, Wichita
Megan Stacy Michaelis, Paradise, California
Laura Doyle Nelson, San Carlos, California
Jacob Edward Nightingale, Halstead
Sarah Elizabeth Nissley, Honey Brook, Pennsylvania
Vien Chi O, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
Rebecca Ariel Ober, Chicago, Illinois
Matthew Evan Olcha, Southlake, Texas
Christina Renee Pacholec, Gurnee, Illinois
Michael R. Porta, Westwood, New Jersey
Jessica Gabriela Prado, Olathe
Clare Elisabeth Reynolds, Tyler, Texas
Loren Renee Riccioni, Frenchnestown, New Jersey
Kaleigh Caroline Robinson, Escalon, California
Melissa Lynne Rosen, Bellmore, New York
Elyse Marie Rottinghaus, Wimogo
Katherine Maria Ryan, Pflugerville, Texas
Madeline Claire Sanders, Lowell
Amy Janelle Schad, Valley Center
Erin Lynne Schmidt, Haven
Erika Ruth Schmitt, Cannon Falls, Minnesota
Sarah Marie Schock, Wakott, North Dakota
Emily Joan Seidel, Columbia, Maryland
Bobbi Ann Shanks, Columbus
Yaoqin Shen, Hefei, China
Kelly Kristen Simons, Livonia, Michigan
Laura Michelle Skoglund, Olathe
Andrea Marissa Slaughter, Redding, California
Amber Michelle Smith, Shawnee
Andrea Lauren Smith, Agoura Hills, California
Kelsey Leigh Sparrow, Overland Park
Jessica Anne Stangl, Kingsfisher, Oklahoma
Marcella C. Steele, Southlake, Texas
Sarah Marie Steen, Chino Hills, California
Quynn Patrice Steichen, Brandon, South Dakota
Kathleen Alexa Stewart, Napa, California
Virginia Bess Still, Atlanta, Georgia
Amie Leigh Stuke, Valley Center
Benjamin E. Suchsland, Agra
Robert Ryan Tanner, Derby
Jamie Lynn Thompson, Oak Ridge, New Jersey
Nancy Ann Toerner, The Woodlands, Texas
Ellen Marie Unruh, Rantoul
Brandilyn Mary Wagoner, Latham, New York
Jasmin Betsy Walters, Maidenhead, England
Kayla Ann Walti, Rancho Santa Margarita, California
Anamarie Elizabeth Weber, Claflin
Katelyn Mary Whitsel, Overland Park
Cameron Griffith Willoughby, Virden, Illinois
Joanna Barbara Wilson, Wamego
Allie Marie Wingert, Wichita
Melissa Rose Zukle, La Mirada, California
College of Arts and Sciences

Processional:
Frederick Burrack, Ph.D., Professor, Music Education; Director, Graduate Studies in Music; and Director, Office of Assessment

National Anthem:*
Madison Leigh Moore, Bachelor's Candidate, Applied Music

Welcome and Introductions:
Amit Chakrabarti, Ph.D., Dean

Commencement Address:
Anne K. Phillips, Ph.D., Professor and Associate Department Head, English

Conferral of Degrees:
Richard B. Myers, MBA, President

Presentation of Diplomas:
Amit Chakrabarti, Ph.D., Dean
Kimathi Choma, D.V.M., Assistant Dean

Readers:
Louise Benjamin, Ph.D., Associate Dean
Alison Wheatley, Ph.D., Assistant Dean

Alumni Association Greetings:
Amy Button Renz, President and CEO, K-State Alumni Association

Charge to the Class:
Amit Chakrabarti, Ph.D., Dean

Alma Mater:*
Madison Leigh Moore, Bachelor's Candidate, Applied Music

Recessional:
Frederick Burrack, Ph.D., Professor, Music Education; Director, Graduate Studies in Music; and Director, Office of Assessment

Marshals:
Kent Kerby, Ph.D., Teaching Professor, Biology; and Associate Director, Undergraduate Studies and Advising, Biology
Michael A. Krysko, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Department Chair, History
Charles W. Martin, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Geography

*The audience will please rise.
Anne Phillips, Ph.D.

Anne K. Phillips, Ph.D., professor of English and associate head of the English department at Kansas State University, specializes in children's literature. She teaches several courses, including Literature for Children, Literature for Adolescents, Illustration in Children's Literature and Film Adaptations of Children's Classics.


A K-State faculty member since 1993, Phillips received the university's Commerce Bank Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award in 1997. The members of the College of Education's honor society, Kappa Delta Pi, selected her as the 2004 recipient of the chapter’s Teacher of the Year Award. In 2010, she received K-State's Presidential Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Advising. Phillips received the College of Arts and Sciences' inaugural Ronald N. Gaches Lifetime Teaching Award for outstanding undergraduate instruction in December 2016.

Phillips received her Bachelor of Arts in English and theater with high distinction and her Master of Arts in English from the University of Nevada, Reno. She earned her doctorate in English from the University of Connecticut.

## Degree Candidates

### Bachelor of Fine Arts

- **Anthony R. Acosta, San Antonio, Texas**
- **Jordan Arlene Fox, Overland Park**
- **Michael Joseph Garcia, St. Marys**
- **Anna Marie Grauer, Maryville**
- **Carly Kathleen Haight, Olathe**
- **Tanner Dylan Hall, Olathe**

### Bachelor of Arts

- **Kathy Elizabeth Barron, Olathe**
- **Asia Ollie Upton, Kansas City**

### Bachelor of Science

- **Sara Marie Soph, Ottawa**

### Art

**Bachelor of Arts**

- **Rachel Christine Land, Anchorage, Alaska**
- **Diahonia Lindsey Olson, Arwood**

### American Ethnic Studies

- **Lea Lyn Heryford, Berryton**
- **Audrey Lynn Hockersmith, Olathe**
- **Emily Elizabeth Hogan, Marysville**
- **Anna N. Hutchison, Topeka**
- **Hannah Victoria Jennings, Onaga**
- **Kari Laurence Keahey, Dodge City**
- **Tarina Whitney MacDonell, Kenora, Ontario, Canada**
- **Lauren Elizabeth Martin, Lenexa**
- **Griffin Patrick McCabe, Overland Park**
- **Madalyn Rena McNally, Shawnee**
- **Patricia Joyce Brann Melton, Manhattan**
- **Valerie Anne Meyer, Seneca**
- **Jeffrey Miller, Manhattan**
- **Kristen Veronica Ortleb, Andover**
- **Rebecca Phouangphet, Olathe**
- **Armando Francisco Rodriguez Jr., Garden City**
- **Autumn Marie Short, McPherson**
- **Shelby Jo Stoneking, Eudora**
- **James Aaron Tucker, Kansas City**
- **Kyle Andrew Van Vogelpoel, White City**
- **Zachery Aaron Vandorn, McPherson**
- **Victoria Lauren Vonta, Wamego**
- **Clayton Jay Walter, Manhattan**
- **Matthew Adam Waters, Langdon**
- **Spencer Lee Wichman, Manhattan**
- **Timothy Christian Wolfe, Michigan City, Indiana**
- **Ryan Neil Woods, Lenexa**
- **Sarah Ann Wylan, Leawood**
- **Yusheng Zhou, Shanghai, China**

### Biochemistry

- **Brogan Cole Barry, Topeka**
- **Gareth H. Bayne, Wichita**
- **Matthew Brettmann, Overland Park**
- **José Jesus Covarrubias, Liberal**
- **Dakota William Denton, Derby**
- **Muriel Eaton, Leawood**
- **Garrison Daniel Olds, Manhattan**
- **Natalie Katherine Ost, Overland Park**
- **Gage Andrew Richard Stevens, Topeka**

### Biology

- **Alonso Benjamin Acevedo, Dodge City**
- **Sharaya Lynn Bearman, Topeka**
- **Maxwell Craig Braasch, Prairie Village**
- **David Michael Brown, Valley Falls**
- **Britton MacKenzie Brownrigg, Garnett**
Fisheries and Wildlife Biology

**Bachelor of Science**
Shannon Elaine Bird Dickson, Topeka
Alexandra Rose Hamm, Topeka
Trent M. Henry, Netawaka
Destiney Dawn Hett, Canton
Jamie Hurst Ladner, Topeka
Justin Patrick Leon, Kearney, Missouri
Trygve Hauge Loewe, Barrumi Verk, Norway
Shelby Kathryn Martin, Naperville, Illinois
Jerusha Mercedes Matthews, Leavenworth
Andrew James Mullaney, Overland Park
Christopher Toll Rezin, Olathe
Sarah Elizabeth Remfry, Tecumseh
Monica Renee Shaffer, Wamego
Chelsea E. Sink, Topeka
Lindsey Danielle Swartz, Junction City
Samantha Lynn White, Silver Lake

Microbiology

**Bachelor of Science**
Wyatt Joseph Brichall, Concordia
Konner Robert Cool, Manhattan
Victoria Grace Cox, Topeka
Kelsey Jo Crow, Delta
Hannah Marie Glasgow, Wichita
Seyed Erfan Mir Hejazi, Tehran, Iran
Maggie Hill, Olathe
Luke Daniel Kicklighter, Hutchinson
Rebecca Anne Malanchuk, Muelene
Blake Austin Martin, Kansas City
Chelsea Rae Moore, Overbrook
Sean Patrick Morris, De Soto
Natalie Katherine Ost, Overland Park
Sarah Pendell, Muskegan, Michigan
Jessen Cristen Richard, Onaga
Adam Joseph Schieferecke, Bennington
Omar Tanus Barranco, Grove City, Missouri
Noah Benjamin Trapp, Ellsworth
Laura Anne VanLerberg, Olathe
Katie Ann Watson, Goddard
Shuyu Zhang,jiangsu, China

Chemistry

**Bachelor of Science**
Marquix Alexander Shuiichi Adamson, Salina
Momen Mohammed Al-Momen, Dammam, Saudi Arabia
Joshua Michael Austin, Dodge City
Lacey Marie Beck, Olathe
Aaron Richard Day, Shawnee
Hannah Marie Devore, Overland Park

Nathan Lee Haverkamp, Topeka
Caleb James Lang, Solomon
Nicole Marie McKinnon, Topeka
Brenna Renee Mcmasters, Olathe
Alex Anderson Meier, Hesston
Sarah Keatley Price, Littleton, Colorado
Dalila Cecilia Sanchez, Liberal
Melanie Annette Sowards, Pleasanton

Clinical Laboratory Science

**Bachelor of Science**
Andrea Louise Stallbaumer, Seneca

Communication Studies

**Bachelor of Arts**
Hamad Jabir Al-Lakhin, Ar Rayyan, Qatar
Emily Coral Harstine, Soldav
Spencer Heilman, Olathe
Sarina Ellen Irwin, Manhattan
Maria Panaite, Pitesti, Romania
Katie Lynn VanDever, Augusta
Paige Elizabeth Wiley, Overland Park

Bachelor of Science
Tyler Anderson, Hutchinson
Naomi Loren Bower, Salina
Courtney Elizabeth Carlton, Hutchinson
Claire Elizabeth Daniels, Augusta
Kayla Kennedy Dickers, Manhattan
Noelle Christine Dory, Garden City
Abigail Marie Fiser, Overland Park
Madeline Rose Frankel, Lenexa
Kevin Thomas Furdke, Overland Park
Lauren Kathleen Goans, Jetmore
Deidra Guthrie, Lee’s Summit, Missouri
Stephanie Jean Hecker, Topeka
Sarah Elizabeth Hoffman, Wichita
Tara Renee Ewing Jackson, Manhattan
Brian A. Junge, Overland Park
Jordan Paul Korb, Meriden
Taylor Nicole Madel, Topeka
Grant Connor McLaughlin, Olathe
Mason Nohea Moriarty, Lincoln, Nebraska
Amanda Rita Reichenberger, Mount Hope
Jordon Rebecca Reinhardt, Overland Park
Isaiah Alexander Ross, Lawrence
Kyle Alexander Sims, Overland Park
Brett Allen Sitts, McPherson
Samantha Ruth Siuda, Lake Zurich, Illinois
Camlyn Candice Smith, Paola
Jeffrey Brandon Stevens Sr., Overland Park
Emily Carol Swan, Roswell, Georgia
Kaysi Renae Wilson, Burlington
Bachelor of Arts

Economics

Grant Aaron Cheezig, Edina, Minnesota
Sierra Nicole Lekie, Lenexa (S)
Xueke Ma, Manhattan
Cairlyn Michelle Webb, Colorado Springs, Colorado (S/E)

Bachelor of Science

Brett Neal Bachelor, Lenexa
Juan Pedro Cardoni Rios, Asunción, Paraguay (S)
Yafdaya Ichel Coleman-Esquilin, Junction City
Lance James Conklin, Argonia
Justin James Damiani, Plymouth, Minnesota (S)
Joseph Dasenbrook, Cimarron
Victoria Lynn DeWeese, Overland Park
Jared Miles Erpelding, El Dorado
Frank Thomas Evans, Shawnee
Michael Robert Fox, Cary, North Carolina
Tia’ Rochelle Gamble, Vichy, France
Devon Alan Gibbs, McAllen, Texas (M/S)
Ethan Lowell Devere Harper, Wichita
Cheng Hong, Wuhan, China (M/S)

Bachelor of Arts

JaKobi J. Webber, Overland Park
Yuan Wang, Beloeil, Canada
Andrew John Unruh, Louisburg (M/S)
Shawna Nicole Smith, Overland Park
Spencer Bruce Taylor, Overland Park
Shawna Nicole Smith, Olathe (S)
Connor Joseph Kijowski, Overland Park

Bachelor of Science

Sabrina L. Flowers, Junction City
Gabrielle Marie Hull, Olathe
Riley Alexander Katz, Hays
Haley Mckay Kortler, Edmond, Oklahoma (D)
Jenna Leigh Roberts, Bethel
Tara Sue Terwilliger, Valley Center (S)

Bachelor of Arts

Economics

Tyler Weston Eaves, Manhattan (M)
Joshua David Edgar, Wichita
Elida Escarcega, Liberal (S)
Jacob Michael Fiene, Overland Park
Cole Thomas Fox, Olathe
Bailey Kendal Gipson, Shawnee
Mallory Elizabeth Harrell, Tonganoxie
Aram Christopher Kokuzian, Naperville, Illinois (M)

Bachelor of Science

Tammie Louise Brown, South Bend, Indiana
Zachary Clonts, Reston, Virginia
David Jacob Gabriel, Topeka
Blaine Robert Joonas, Linn
Nicholas Taylor McCabe, Olathe
Keegan Alan Messer, Manhattan
Ryan David Miller, Ingalls
Mitchel James Schiff, Andale
Nicholas Craig Valledor, Chester, New Hampshire
Daphne Joleen Weber, Lincoln, Nebraska

Bachelor of Arts

Nicholas James May, Prairie Village
Samantha Melby, Sedalia, Missouri
Jack Warren Lawrence Moore, Ozarkie
William Elliot Woody Naeger, Topeka (S)
Timothy Joseph O’Connor, Louisburg
Zaira Nohely Ruiz, Liberal (M/S)

Bachelor of Science

Nicholas Craig Valledor, Chester, New Hampshire
Daphne Joleen Weber, Lincoln, Nebraska

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Alexa Nicole Faber, Overland Park

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Zev Aeschliman Allen, Soldier (S)
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Hunter Cole Ashley, Overland Park (M/S)
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Sonia Gaskin, Bridgetown, Barbados
Levi Kurt Gerson, Leawood

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Jamie Marie Hughes, Manhattan  
Zane Dalton Keller, Hutchinson  
Phoebe Anne Lochr, Wichita  
Schuyler Douglas Mayberry, Manhattan  
Joseph Justin McNish, Maryville  
Carolyn Frances Mense, Grinnell  
Landon Wyatt Moore, Shawnee  
Billy T. Nguyen, Salina  
Madeline Elizabeth Oder, Wichita  
Chelsea Ann Peuser, Bucyrus  
Allison Kathleen Sanders, Leawood  
Adam David Schondelmaier, Emporia  
Courtney Sturgeon, Salina  
Ariana Elizabeth Thompson, Overland Park  
Stephanie Anne Williamson, Alsip, Illinois  
Sarah Danielle Wolfe, Cornning  

Mass Communications

Bachelor of Arts  
Kevin Gregory Bartram, Overland Park  
Brooke Louise Bivy, Wichita  
Kelsey Katherine Blakney, St. Joseph, Missouri  
Halle Michelle Blanchon, Overland Park  
Jamie Nicole Brond, Liberal  
Catherine Elizabeth Caffera, Perinton, New York  
Lauren Elizabeth Copher, Andover  
Edgar Daniel Cordero, Overland Park  
Dallas Allen Coronado, Wichita  
Sydney Jo Dauer, Salina  
Mikayla Kathryn Gentine, Topeka  
Natalie Carmen Gonzales, Shawnee  
Kaitlyn Elizabeth Heier, Eudora  
Alexandrea Caroline Hennes, Lenexa  
Katelyn Suzanne Howland, Topeka  
Elena Joseph, Wichita  
Justice Amber Kalin, Carthage, New York  
Sarah Elise Knowles, Overland Park  
Gretchen Joan Koenen, Danville, California  
Kerrie B. Leinmiller-Renick, Lawrence  
Mitchell John May, Fallsom, California  
Morgan Kacie Mobley, Overland Park  
Jessica Nicole Nesbit, Cassell, Texas  
Emily Marie Porter, Winfield  
Eliza Nyree Scott, Bonner Springs  
Kylie Michelle Sikora, Overland Park  
Miranda Marie Snyder, Shawnee  
Marija Stambolic, Belgrade, Serbia  
Allison Christine Thomas, Plano, Texas  
Jason Paul Tild, Jolaa  
Rachel Diane Tucker, Chanute  
Kayla Jo Tully, Junction City  
Hannah Nicole Ward, Overland Park  
Clarissa Louise Weers, Bellevue, Nebraska  

Bachelor of Science  
Jackson Spencer Andre, Webster Groves, Missouri  
Logan Eileen Bledsoe, Silver Lake  
Kaley Jaymes Bohlen, Hutchinson  
Amber Jasmin Bolton, Long Beach, California  
Trent Michael Brown, Salina  
Gabrielle Elizabeth Burman, Lawrence  
Kayley Jane Cassidy, Le’s Summit, Missouri  
Rachael Ann Castellini, Bridgeton, New Jersey  
Krystin Rashelle Castle, Kansas City  
Tray Tlee Chaffee, Topeka  
Juan Camilo Cisneros-Sanchez, Cali, Colombia  
Aaron Dale Crottinger, Cimarron  
Katherine Ann Curtis, Overland Park  
Ashlen Paige Cyr, Leawood  
Paul Brian Edwards, Dallas, Texas  
Samuel Wayne Zimmerman Edwards, Olathe  
Emily Rose Eilert, Wichita  
Matthew M. Ellington, Ottawa  
Gary Charles Hadachek, Belleville  
Brian Nicole Hall, Marion  
Meghan Elizabeth Haun, Shawnee  
Brian A. Hawkins, Manhattan  
Garret Lawrence Heath, Topeka  
Allison Ann Holyfield, Liberty, Missouri  
Julia Ann Hood, Raymore, Missouri  
Keebi Brian Hostetler, Kiowa  
Brittney Jo Houck, Americus  
Natalie Ann Hunt, Topeka  
Cody Landry Isern, Ellisville  
Emily Colleen Jackson, Parkville, Missouri  
Jon Spencer Lofquist, Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Kaitlyn Dianna Marolf, Lenexa  
Cameron Lea McLaughlin, Colby  
Jace Neil Mills, Winfield  
Emily Dawn Norberg, Lincoln  
Taylor Jane Oldham, Dodge City  
Elissa Ann Olivas, Westwood  
Avery Curtis Olsen, Winfield  
Zachary Paul O’Shea, Brookville  
Emily Anne Peters, Wichita  
Zachary Richard Phillips, Seneca  
Scott Edward Popp, Kansas City, Missouri  
Ryan Robert Porter, Naperville, Illinois  
Ashley Nicole Provenccher, Overland Park  
Hailey Rae Purdy, Wichita  
Katie Lyn Remy, Los Angeles  
Morgan Elise Roenigk, Shawnee  
James Terrence Schmidt Jr., Houston, Texas  
Conner Mills Schrock, Kansas City, Missouri  
Sara Marie Sophie, Ottawa  
Margaret Anne Stanton, Overland Park  
Abigail L. Thomas, Tonganoxie  
Hannah Ky-Yu, Wichita  
Anna Jane Winkeler, Gardner  
Erie Marie Woods, Wichita  
Eric M. Young, Tampa, Florida  

Mathematics

Bachelor of Science  
Mitchell Leonard Baumgartner, Bern  
Gabrielle Alice Bowers, Ottawa  
Denise Josefa Dominguez, Booker, Texas  
Carissa Magee Hammock, Cleveland, Texas  
Sarah-Margaret Heffernon, Stilwell  
Xuanran Ji, Shiyuan, China  
Caden Arden Lapatd, Olathe  
YiXiao Liu, Shanghai, China  
Steven Patrick Murray, Olathe  
Anna Katarzyna Puczuska, Cooperburg, Pennsylvania  
Spencer Patrick Salmans, Salina  
Robert Fitzgerald Stewart, Wichita  
Yue Wu, Shandong, China  

Modern Languages

Bachelor of Arts  
Dustin Oliver Abnos, Kansas City, Missouri  
Lydia Noel Brandage, Atchison  
Blanca Yadira Bueno, Kansas City  
August Henry Burg, Olathe  
Catherine Elizabeth Caffera, Perinton, New York  
Christine Marie Cox, St. Louis  
Brooke Suzanne Crites, Overland Park  
Alejandra Gonzalez, Whittier, California  
Kaitlyn Elizabeth Heier, Eudora  
Amy Leann Hein, Shawnee  
Mary K. Hellmer, Shawnee  
Kathryn Nicole Hoit, Kansas City  
Allison Rebecca Ivers, McPherson  
Teresa Lynn Kearns, Linn  
Katie Lynn Keck Meyer, Stilwell  
Lameese Ahmed Madi, Shawnee  
Eren Renee Maher, Olathe  
Chelsea Rae Moore, Topeka  
Kayla Poore, Overland Park  
Jacob William Riedel, Castle Rock, Colorado  
Anna Marie Taylor, Overland Park  
Trevor Joel Thomas, Overland Park  
Frantina Maria Williams, Platte City, Missouri  

Music, Theatre, and Dance

Applied Music

Bachelor of Music  
Grace Ellen Baughur, Overland Park  
Taylor Dawn Crawford, Hutchinson  
Robert Maxwell Dunlap, Lakin  
John Patrick Hanson, Leavenworth  
Amanda Krieg, Shawnee
Philosophy

Bachelor of Arts
Caesar Frederico Chavez, Denver, Colorado
Aram Christopher Kokuzian, Npaterville, Illinois (M&L)

Bachelor of Science
Chelsie Crook, Clay Center (SU17)
Lucas Allan Goddard, Penokee
Eileen Ruth Johnson, Overland Park
Matthew Alan Lester, Sperry, Oklahoma
Gunnar Matthew Murray, Olathe

Physical Sciences

Bachelor of Science
Ryan John Krajicek, Salina
Andrew James Powers, Overland Park
Chloe Emma Skidmore, Newton

Politics Science

Bachelor of Arts
Hamad Jabir Al-Lakhen, Ar Rayyan, Qatar
Emma Jane Barnett, Hutchinson
Catherine Elizabeth Caffera, Perinton, New York (SU17)
Chad Josiah Cook, Spring Hill
MacKenzie Rose Dahl, Fallon, Nevada (SU17)
Joshua David Edgar, Wichita
Mohri Carolyn Exline, Salina
Vanessa Hae Kyong Fronce, Wichita (SU17)
Marleena Ann Gridley, Newton
Simone Amelie Haines, Centennial, Colorado
Adam Bradley Hilbert, Wichita
Chase Logan Kirby, Clearwater
Sierra Nicole Lekie, Lenexa (SU17)
Madison Elizabeth May, Prairie Village
Kyle Stephen McCullough, Olathe
Madeline Sloan Musil, Overland Park
William Elliot Woody Naeger, Topeka (SU17)

Music

Bachelor of Arts
Daniel Aaron Dissmore, Manhattan
Ana Margarita Fornoza, Wichita
Matthew Michael Honas, Wichita (SU17)
Samantha Kay Shamburg, Wichita
Mary Marcella Wahlmeier, Burlington (SU17)

Bachelor of Music Education
Marissa V. Archuleta, Belen, New Mexico
Ronald McCarthy Atkinson Jr., Junction City
Brett Thomas Butler, Lenexa
Kasey Alexandra Dunlap, De Soto
Talia Ann Falcon, Dodge City
Joseph Fiorentino Fedrizzi, Dearborn, Missouri
Carolyn Paige Kaufman, Wichita
Kyle Ronald Leffer, Wichita (SU17)
Tyler Joseph Meek, Gardner
Connor Jeffrey Penton, Topeka
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Abby Allyn Thompson, Cimarron
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Connor Jeffrey Penton, Topeka
Zachary A. Seekman, Wichita
Abby Allyn Thompson, Cimarron
Brayden Haze Whitaker, Dodge City

Theatre

Bachelor of Arts
Mara Sydney Arzghenoff, Avon, Ohio (SU17)
Tyler Bradshaw McComb, Buda, Texas (SU17)

Bachelor of Science
Rachel Alexis Arbuckle, Andover (SU17)
Gabrielle Allee Browne, Colby (SU17)
Christopher James Daniels, Overland Park
Mason Gates, Manhattan
Elijah Cameron Grover, Ottawa
Alexis JoLynn Michael Lehman, Manhattan
Bradley Joseph Lies, Mineola
Grace Ellen Pierson, Chapman
Kelli Renae Young, Topeka

Jenima Nesthart, Independence, Missouri
Heidee Kristine Prosser, Greensburg (SU17)
Eleny Dawn Pauline Randolph, Overland Park (SU17)
Jacob William Riedel, Castle Rock, Colorado
Cesar Arturo Robles Jr.. North Shore, California
Janelle Irene Sparkman, Topeka
Kaitlin Nicole Stanley, Overland Park (SU17)
Madison Rilee Tucker, Shawnee

Bachelor of Science
Ramar Abanisebe, Manhattan
Hamad Jabir Al-Lakhen, Ar Rayyan, Qatar
Madison Allen, Olathe
John William Cobb, Shawnee
Ellen Rose Crocombe, Wichita (SU17)
Chloe Elizabeth Davis, Wichita
Frank Thomas Evans, Shawnee
Lucas Allan Goddard, Penokee
Emily Kathryn Hottinger, Montclair, Virginia
Gabrielle Marie Hull, Olathe
Zachary Max Lowry, Stockton
Spencer Jon Majka, Parma, Ohio
Justin Francis Miller, Spring Lake, New Jersey (SU17)
Aaron Arlen Seaman, Hugoton
Adam Chrisman Seaman, Hugoton
Robert Lewis Sharp, Wichita
Brett Allen Sitts, McPherson (SU17)
Thomas Ryan Smith, Manhattan
Tara Sue Terwilliger, Valley Center (SU17)
Mitchell Benjamin Umidon, St. Paul, Minnesota
Jacob Taylor Valdez, Wichita
Jessica Alice Van Ranken, Lindberg
Kaitlyn Nicole Willis, Abilene (SU17)
Sierra Marie Witherspoon, Overland Park (SU17)

Psychology

Bachelor of Arts
Megan Nicole Brashears, De Soto
Kiera Lynne Cantrell, Shawnee
Amy L. Edie, Russell, New York
Sydney Elizabeth Edmisten, Prairie Village
Krystle Rose Escobar, Topeka
Kaitlin Paige Flores, Cimarron
Mary K. Hellmer, Shawnee
Tyler Denton Hite, Shawnee
Scott Austin LaMunyon, Towanda
Navanté Kentrell Peacock, Hayville (SU17)
Lizvette Sanchez-Cortez, Topeka
Sharice Monique Sanders, Payappul, Washington
Meagan Patricia Shanahan, Lee’s Summit, Missouri
Elizabeth Meagan Sisco, Mulvane
Amanda Faith Stultz, Andover (SU17)
Cidney Hope Washington, Wichita
Bachelor of Science

Bailey Lynn Aiken, Louisburg
Samantha Nikole Aleman, Gardner
Anders M. Blomquist, Eagle, Colorado
Ashley Lynn Bowman, Woodville, Ohio
Logan Chance Breault, Benton
Matthew Brettmann, Overland Park *(SU17)*
Nicholas Christopher Bright, Wichita
Aaron Eugene Broeckelman, Mankato
Chelsea Denise Buckner-Lyons, Kansas City
Rachael Ann Castellini, Bridgetton, New Jersey *(SU17)*
Stacy Lee Childs, Keller, Texas *(SU17)*
Charday Latrice Crawford, Springfield, Illinois *(SU17)*
Aubrey Kathleen Dauber, Garden City
Briana Marie Dietz, Smith Center
Maggie Marie Dinneen-Maxey, Salina *(Mcl)*
Sara Elizabeth Doss, Bradenton, Florida *(SU17)*
Amy L. Edic, Russell, New York
Sydney Elizabeth Edmisten, Prairie Village
Christina Marie Engelken, Shawnee
Hannah Elizabeth Erdman, Wichita
Beau Daniel Hick, Liberal
Tyler Christopher Gehman, Wichita
Colleen Rose Geller, Schaumburg, Illinois
Tanner Chase Goss, Olathe
Amanda Alise Grant, Lenexa
Madelin Greer, Lenexa
Kara Elizabeth Guy, Fountain Hills, Arizona
Morgan Marie Hammes, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Travis James Hight, Orange, California
Spencer Mark Ingermanson, Salina *(SU17)*
Deondra Lee Johnson, Junction City *(SU17)*
Kourtney Rachelle Kincaid, Assaria
Johanna Kathryn King, Wathena
Jenna Lee Krieh, Sharon Springs
Alyssa Anne Lombardi, Frankfurt, Illinois
Leanna Ellen McClintock, Shawnee
Parker Ross McCoy, Burdett
Alyssa Sarah Mikesell, Manhattan
Catherine Anne Miller, Thomasville, Georgia
Haley Dawe Mills, Shawnee
Naomi Edna Mwebaza, Kampala, Uganda
Rachel Danielle Norberg, Lindsborg
Mary Jane O’Connor, Wichita
Erin Redfern Osborne, Wichita
Baylee Alexis Porter, Arlington Heights, Illinois
Austin John Preis, Overland Park
Hope Ryan Rietcheck, Damascus, Maryland *(SU17)*
Jordan Andrew Schultz, Wichita
Lauren Michelle Sherwood, Lathrop, Missouri
Sydney Nicole Shields, Wellington
Marisa Grace Snyder, Kansas City, Missouri
Megan Dawn Steele, Colorado Springs, Colorado *(SU17)*
Alexander W. Tady, Kansas City
Heather Marie Tedrow, Great Bend *(SU17)*
Shannon Elizabeth Thomlinson, Kansas City
Andrew Jacob Tucker, Wichita

Dyshka Gloria Turner, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Ebony Janee Williams, Lenexa
Sierra Marie Witherspoon, Overland Park *(SU17)*
Mark Woolard, Wichita *(SU17)*

Social Sciences

Bachelor of Arts

Samantha Marie Chlebicki, Lakewood, Illinois
Alexa Peyton Welch Field, Biloxi, Mississippi *(SU17)*
Zhengyi Jian, Kunming, China

Bachelor of Science

Taylor James Anderson, Salina
Debbie Louise Azbell, Manhattan *(SU17)*
Christian Ryan Baker, Topeka *(SU17)*
David John Beckley, Topeka
Carl J. Bohrer, Kansas City
Raymond C. Boller, Junction City
Daniel Byers Boulton, Havensville
Ajarne Dequan Brager, Magnolia, Texas *(SU17)*
Paul Bridges, Manhattan *(SU17)*
Bryson Lee Bromley, Olathe
Patrick Gregory Calzonetti, Garden City
Nancy Campbell, Georgetown, Texas *(SU17)*
Marcia Louise Carlson, Neosho, Missouri
Frank Richard Davis, Junction City
Jonathan Aseo Davis, Juneau, Alaska
Abigail Kathleen Dillon, Hope *(SU17)*
John Wesley Dobson, Overland Park
Jenna Kay Duran, Olathe
Racya Friscilla Doyle, Denver, Colorado *(SU17)*
Jodie Lynn Ebert, Paxico
Miranda Morgan Elliott, Leawood *(SU17)*
Anna Cecilia Elwood, Criders, Virginia
Jasmine Nadine Fabre, Port Richey, Florida
Elliot Edward Faerber, Mission Hills
Lucas Fischer, Olathe *(SU17)*
Tanner James Foster, Topeka
Hannah Beth Funk, Manhattan
Peyton Clark Garrison, Overland Park
Col Shon Gering, Enterprise
Shaquille R. Gonzalez, Richmond Hill, Georgia
Maris Rae Griffith, Scott City
Mackenzie Joleen Hallstrom, Paola
Brett William Henning, Atchison
Lizbeth Hernandez, Costa Mesa, California
Nekole Shynae Hines, Olathe *(SU17)*
Andrea Rae Johnson, Marion
Tyler Blake Johnston, Stockton
Terry Raymond Jones, Topeka
Ryan Michael Jurgensmeier, Topeka *(SU17)*
Courtney Paige Karst, Wichita
Melissa Jean Kincaid, Bealeton, Virginia *(SU17)*
Brogan James Loibl, Wichita
Franklin Martinez, Karnes City, Texas *(SU17)*

Terrence R. McKinney, Akron, Ohio *(SU17)*
Timothy Austin McMullin, Manhattan
Amber Lynn Meceywor, Concordia
Stephanie Ann Meyers, Overland Park
Jesse McGovern Miller, Overland Park *(SU17)*
Colin Joseph Murphy, Basehor
Mark Nelson, Manhattan
Sean Austin-Thomas Newlan, Prairie View
Brendon Michael Nunamaker, Topeka
Shawn Patrick O’Brate, Lenexa
Chelsey Lea Olson, Manhattan *(SU17)*
Thomas Carl Randolph II, Manhattan
Carlee Nicole Ray, Lawood
Andrea Lynne Rincker, Wichita *(SU17)*
Keegan James Reese, Overland Park
Hunter Severn, St. Joseph, Missouri *(SU17)*
Jed Brendan Shepherd, Wichita
Megan Marilyn Sheridan, Lenexa
Makenzie Kelly Skiers, Stillwell
Jennifer L. Stearns, Manhattan
Megan Dawn Steele, Colorado Springs, Colorado *(SU17)*
Jacob Thomas Tanking, Holton *(SU17)*
Mary Grace Lopez Vergara, Tacoma, Washington
Michael Christopher Wangerin, Topeka
Tearney Natasha Waterman, New South Wales, Australia
Renee Anne Wegworth, Bellevue, Nebraska
Barbara J. Wells, Manhattan *(SU17)*
Von Allen Wilzic, Winter Garden, Florida *(SU17)*
Mark Woolard, Wichita *(SU17)*
Hannah Rae Wurtz, Topeka *(SU17)*

Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work

Sociology

Bachelor of Arts

Sahil Arora, Irvine, California
Katherine Marie Boling, El Paso, Texas
Kiera Lynae Brown, Wichita *(SU17)*
Brooke Suzanne Crites, Overland Park
Shambria Shanae Davis, Kansas City
Teresa Lynn Kearn, Linn
Sabrina Marie Kleffner, Olathe
Karen Abigail Palacios, Manhattan

Bachelor of Science

Courtney Justine Alex, Window Rock, Arizona
Devonta Bagley, Fort Worth, Texas
Shelby Nicole Buchanan, Kearney, Missouri
Ricky J. Carlson, Neosho, Missouri
Maria Teresa Chavez, Great Bend
Paige Elizabeth Coleman, New Orleans, Louisiana *(SU17)*
Caleb James Cott, Clay Center
Ramsey Paige Cubie, Manhattan
Katrina Kay Curry, Madera, California *(Cl)
Alexandria Marie Dunlap, Pomona, California *(Cl)
Ashley Danae Ellenz, Beloit *(SU17)
Christina Marie Engelken, Shawnee`
Rebekah J. Esau, Olathe *(SU17)
Kylee Ariane Filley, Hays
Tanner Neil Finney, Beloit
John J. Fitzpatrick, Garden City
Jerrad Thomas Gillen, Chapman
Brendan Dean Graff, Overland Park
Madelin Greer, Lenexa`
Brady Dean Grunder, Durant, Iowa
Kyle James Hallinan, Lansing
Shaniece Nachele Handy, Kansas City
Andrew Jens Harvey, Baldwin City
Ramsey Glenn Heer, Lenexa
Nathan Wade Jeffrey, Milford
Akela Inatta Jones, Bridgetown, Barbados
Nicholas Jones, Kansas City, Missouri
Jayd Taylor Kirby, Blooming Grove, Texas
Daniel Krause, Germantown, Wisconsin
Carson M. Lang, Colorado Springs, Colorado *(SU17)
Cameron Stewart Langston, Oskaloosa
Branden Tyler Leupold, Huarashta *(Cl)
Tyler S. Lowe, Eureka
Hannah Marie Matchell, Colby
Davis Benjamin Millard, Shawnee
Ryan James Murphy, Basehor
Sean Michael Murphy, Olathe
Skyler Renea Nootz, Olathe
Aulelio Tava Olomua, Mesa, Arizona
Daphne Nicole Park, El Dorado
Kelsie Owen Pitsenbarger, Leavenworth *(Cl)
Evon Nicole Reed, Prairie Village
Travis B. Reed, Gardner
Elbert Alexander Rosales, Compton, California
Jordan Andrew Schultz, Wichita`
Craig Steven Settles Jr., Glendale, California
Lauren Michelle Sherwood, Latrobe, Missouri`
Donovan Nymaturan Michael Starks, Crosby, Texas
Dyshka Gloria Turner, Tulsa, Oklahoma`
Kirsten Leigh White, Centerton, Arizona

Georgia Mayme Schafer, Albuquerque, New Mexico *(Cl)
Daphne Joleen Weber, Lincoln, Nebraska`

Social Work
Bachelor of Arts
Lauren Nicole Culter, Edwardsville
Kayla J.aNae Green, Wichita
Matthew J. Jepsen, Manhattan *(Mcl)
Erin Renee Maher, Olathe *(Cl)`
Hannah Melinda O’Neil, Overland Park
Meredith Jane Short, Wichita *(SU17)
Jordan Colleen Stuckey, Overland Park
Madison Paige Waltrip, Overland Park

Bachelor of Science
Keonna Tashay Adair, Wichita
Mackenzie Kay Anderson, Westwood
Madison Nicole Bangs, Lenexa *(SU17)
Kaitlyn Sue Boyer, Salina *(Cl)
Re Joyce Michele Bryant, Manhattan
Lisa A. Burt, Abilene
Laura Gwendolyn Clement, Kansas City *(SU17)
Alex D. Gruber, Great Bend *(SU17)
Courtney Janae Hazen, Derby
Jasmin Mirasol Herrera, Salina
Alexandra Paige Hilliard, Lawrence
Evelyn Jauregui-Brady, Anaheim, California
Dorian Abrielle Jester, Olathe
Jade Antoinette Johnson, Salina
Miranda Lynn Kay, Salina
Hannah Marie Keller, Paula
Ann-Marie Kennedy, Garlands, Jamaica *(Mcl) *(SU17)
Kris ten A. La for, Colorado Springs, Colorado
Breann Calyn Lehn, Harlan, Iowa *(Mcl)
Courtney Lynn Leis, Bur rton
Sarah Lynne Longey Hassell, Larned
Miranda Zoe Mack, McKinney, Texas *(Mcl)
Ariel Shaniece Maupins, Manhattan
Willa Denise Raymond-McGarity, Junction City
Tessa Nicole O’Brian, Overland Park
Toni Denae Owens, Kansas City
Kayla Marie Patton, El Dorado *(SU17)
Jenn a Marie Pelter, Topeka
Yesenia Michelle Peralta, Salina
Maddison Sbelen Pilgrim, Salina
Taylor Lynn Reinsch, Salina
Mari ssa Kay Scheele, Bennington *(Mcl)
Hope Elizabeth Schlossman, Topeka *(Mcl)
Marah Noel Schneider, Americas
Macy Marie Schneweis, Salina
 Amanda Louise Shirack, Solomon
Haley Nicole Siess, Meriden
Courtney Michelle Stuckey, Wichita
Kathryn M. Sullivan, Olathe
Trillian Cody Svoboda, Salina

Zanetta Jean Thomas, Stanford, Kentucky *(SU17)
Carol Sue Thorstad, Fairbanks, Alaska
Ellie Renee Watt, Clearwater
Sara Jean Weckhorst, Doylestown, Pennsylvania
Kelsi Amber Wenger, Topeka
Haylee Marie Wiggins, Merrimack
Patricia Ann Ahern Wilcox, Salina *(SU17)
Shannon Nicole Wilson, Wichita
Jacqueline Nicole Zaitz, Lawrence

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Gabrielle Alice Bowers, Ottawa`
Jennifer Lynn Delzete, Dodge City *(Cl)
Dewey Joseph Molenda, Gardner
Shawna Nicole Smith, Wichita *(Mcl)`

Anthropology
Bachelor of Arts
Julia Grace Chestnut, Overland Park
Eric Anthony Gudenkauf, Havensville
Holly Elizabeth Nelson, Omaha, Nebraska
Navanté Kentroll Peacock, Haysville *(Cl)`
Cassidy Marie Shields, Oberlin *(Cl)

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Devin Thomas Brown, Hutchinson
Amanda Marjorie Donnoe, Manhattan
Tuesday Marsh Frasier, Hastings, Nebraska

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Alexandra Paige Hilliard, Lawrence
Evelyn Jauregui-Brady, Anaheim, California
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Ariel Shaniece Maupins, Manhattan
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Amanda Marjorie Donnoe, Manhattan
Tuesday Marsh Frasier, Hastings, Nebraska
Prelude:  
Student Brass Quintet

Processional:  
Student Brass Quintet

National Anthem:  
Julia Guerra, Master of Architecture Graduate

Welcome and Introductions:  
Timothy de Noble, M. Arch., Dean

Commencement Address:  
Sue E. Yoakum, Attorney and Owner, Yoakum Law LLC

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award:  
Timothy de Noble, M. Arch., Dean

Honorees:  
Susan "Sue" K. Peterson, Ph.D., Director of Government Relations and Assistant to the President, Kansas State University  
Mark Hutton, Founder, Hutton Construction Corp.  
Lisa Shubert, Assistant to the Dean

Alumni Association Greeting:  
Brad Sidener, Senior Vice President and COO, K-State Alumni Association

Roll Call and Awards:  
Timothy de Noble, M. Arch., Dean  
Lynn Ewanow, M. Land. Arch., Associate Dean  
R. Todd Gabbard, M. Arch., Associate Professor, Director of Graduate Programs and Associate Department Head, Architecture  
Neal Hubbell, M. Arch., Associate Professor and Director of Graduate Studies, Interior Architecture & Product Design  
Brent Chamberlin, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Landscape Architecture and Regional & Community Planning  
Greg Newmark, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Landscape Architecture and Regional & Community Planning

Presentation of Graduate Degree Recipients:**  
Matthew Knox, M. Arch., Professor and Department Head, Architecture  
Amie Keener, B. Interior Arch., Interim Program Director, Interior Architecture & Product Design  
Stephanie Rolley, M.C.P., Professor and Department Head, Landscape Architecture and Regional & Community Planning

Student Remarks:  
Brianna Grimm, Master of Architecture Graduate  
Caleb Amundson, Master of Interior Architecture & Product Design Graduate  
Katelyn Rose, Master of Landscape Architecture Graduate  
Christopher Kutz, Master of Regional & Community Planning Graduate

Alma Mater:*  
Student Brass Quintet

Recessional:  
Student Brass Quintet

Grand Marshals:  
LaBarbara James Wigfall, M.C.R.P., Associate Professor, Landscape Architecture and Regional & Community Planning  
Sebnem Yanc Demirkan, M. Naval Arch., Professor of Practice, Interior Architecture & Product Design

*The audience will please rise.  
**Names of the college’s graduate degree recipients are listed with the Graduate School.
**Speaker**

**Attorney and licensed architect Sue E. Yoakum, owner of Yoakum Law LLC and counsel to Donovan Hatem LLP, has more than 25 years of domestic and international experience in design and construction. Before pursuing her legal career, Yoakum earned her Bachelor of Architecture from Kansas State University and practiced architecture for a decade with a focus on sport projects. Her legal practice advises design professionals by providing contract reviews, risk management evaluations, defense and claims monitoring services, and other related legal services associated with practicing architecture and engineering.**

A frequent speaker on issues relating to professional liability risks, Yoakum’s seminars focus on domestic and international risk management, building information modeling, sustainable design, integrated project delivery, and design-build procurement. She is the author of several articles relating to the defense of design professionals. Yoakum is a liaison to its documents committee. She contributed to the book “Megaprojects: Challenges and Recommended Practices,” published in August 2010 by the American Council of Engineering Companies, and she has authored a chapter in American Institute of Architects’ 15th edition of “The Architect’s Handbook of Professional Practice.”

**Awards**

**Distinguished Service Award**

**Susan "Sue" K. Peterson, Ph.D.**

In her role, Peterson has direct responsibility for all the university’s liaison activities with the Kansas Legislature, Kansas executive branch agencies and the Kansas congressional delegation. As director of governmental relations, Peterson works with the campus to establish K-State’s state and federal legislative requests and priorities in consultation with the president. In addition, she serves as chair of the university’s Committee on Governmental Issues.

A founding member of the Kansas Board of Regents Council on Governmental Relations, Peterson also helped found the Big 12 Council of Governmental Relations Officers and was a host to the first Big 12 Governmental Relations Retreat on the K-State campus in fall 2006. A member of the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities’ Council on Governmental Affairs, she has served three terms on its executive committee and two terms as secretary.

In 2012, Peterson was awarded the Marvin D. "Swede" Johnson Achievement Award from the American Association of Community Colleges, American Association of State Colleges and Universities, Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities, and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. The award recognizes her contributions to the advancement, quality and effectiveness of state relations on behalf of a state higher education institution and system.

Along with her administrative duties, Peterson has been an instructor for the K-State political science department since 1992. She also is a vice chair of the board of directors of the Kansas State University Institute for Commercialization.

**Mark Hutton**

Hutton Construction has received several accolades for being a great place to work, including as a multiyear finalist in the Wichita Business Journal’s "Best Places to Work." In 2010, the company was honored as Company of the Year and Hutton was named Man of the Year by Kansas State University’s College of Engineering. That same year, the company received a Best in Business Award from the Wichita Business Journal. In 2013, he was inducted into the College of Engineering’s Hall of Fame and its prestigious Seaton Society.

A 1977 graduate of K-State with a bachelor’s degree in construction science and management, Hutton worked as a finish carpenter and superintendent for a homebuilder while in school. With a passion for giving back, Hutton has served in several additional capacities at his church for more than 30 years. Hutton’s state service includes serving two terms as secretary at his church for more than 30 years. Hutton founded Hutton Construction Corp. and along with his son, Ben, the company has 250 employees.

**Lisa Shubert**

As assistant to the dean of the College of Architecture, Planning & Design, Lisa Shubert has been instrumental in providing key administrative organization with the college’s Seaton Hall/Regnier Hall renovation and expansion project. A native Kansan from Emporia, has a bachelor’s degree in finance from K-State. In the multiyear process of obtaining funding for and building, the expansion and renovation project, Shubert has taken on ever-increasing roles in promoting the college’s efforts and serving as the end-user client representative in all aspects of construction and procurement, gaining the complete confidence of all parties involved in the project.

The high quality of the project reflects not only the fine design and construction, but also Shubert’s diligence and attention to detail.

A member of the American Institute of Architects, Yoakum is a liaison to its documents committee. She contributed to the book “Megaprojects: Challenges and Recommended Practices,” published in August 2010 by the American Council of Engineering Companies, and she has authored a chapter in American Institute of Architects’ 15th edition of “The Architect’s Handbook of Professional Practice.”

**In April 1992, Mark Hutton founded Hutton Construction Corp. and along with his son, Ben, has grown the company’s annual business volume to more than $180 million. Specializing in commercial and industrial construction in the Midwest, the company has 250 employees.**

**Lisa Shubert**

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Oath of Education

I hereby pledge my dedication to the profession of teaching. I accept the obligations and the challenges of guiding students to knowledge, always showing them care and concern. I will encourage respect for all people, and will cultivate the disciplined, yet free minds necessary for a democratic way of life.

I promise to champion policies which promote quality in teaching and learning. I will provide everyone engaged in education the opportunity to achieve their own level of excellence. I will strive to become a knowledgeable, ethical, caring decision-maker and emulate these qualities which I pledge to foster. I recognize that at times my endeavors may prove discouraging. Nonetheless, I remain faithful to the belief that my actions in the pursuit of these goals make me worthy of my profession, and make my profession worthy of a free people.
From 2009-2011, Thurston served as a program officer for the National Science Foundation, using her knowledge about gender, disabilities and evaluation issues in STEM — science, technology, engineering and mathematics — education. Thurston has had leadership positions in professional organizations, such as the American Evaluation Association and the American Council on Rural Special Education, and serves on several editorial boards. She has received many awards, including the Michael C. Holen Excellence in Research and Creative Activities Award, a community leadership award from K-State's Staley School of Leadership Studies, Researcher of the Year from the Kansas Council for Exceptional Children and the Director's Award for Excellence by the National Science Foundation.

A pioneer, Thurston was instrumental in developing the first collegewide new faculty mentoring program at K-State in 1999 and in 2000 she founded the Office of Educational Innovation and Evaluation, which grew to a multimillion dollar enterprise within the college. She initiated the Prairie Journal of Educational Research, a student-led journal that publishes research by students in the college. In 2014, she provided leadership in developing one of the few graduate certificate programs in social justice education in the nation.

Focusing on topics as diverse as special education services in rural areas, inclusive evaluation practices and gender-based pedagogy, she has published three books and 50 professional papers and made more than 200 academic presentations at conferences on five continents, including speeches at the White House and the United Nations. A textbook she co-authored is in its eighth edition and has been translated into Chinese. In her years at K-State, Thurston has been awarded more than $15 million in external funding.

Her hobbies are reading mysteries — about 200 a year; bird-watching — more than 700 species on six continents; and admiring her grandchildren. When someone asks Thurston what she does, she says, "I am a teacher."

Burenheide's philosophy of education is what the Census Bureau refers to as the "second best". He puts this into action by working with the We the People program as co-director for the state of Kansas. Additionally, he has spent the last two years teaching a current issues class at Rock Creek High School, putting his philosophy in action and providing his students with practical and real examples of how to be a premier teacher.

"On the first day of class each semester, I show my students a picture of my own six children," Burenheide said. "In doing so, I tell the students two things. One, you have to show me that I could trust you in teaching my own children; each has a unique learning style and challenges in school. I want to make sure my students are prepared to teach each of them. The other reason why I show them my children is that my students become my kids. Each semester, my children gain 12 to 20 siblings. If you are one of my students, you are one of my kids... My students become part of a larger family that we strive to maintain and keep as my kids go out and take on the vocation of teaching."

Burenheide received his bachelor's degree in education from Ottawa University, his master's degree in liberal studies from Fort Hays State University and his doctorate in curriculum and instruction from Kansas State University. He spent five years teaching at USD 315 in Colby and five years at USD 498 Valley Heights in Blue Rapids.

A noted former school administrator, respected legislator and successful small business owner, Hawk has enhanced his innate leadership skills through education and professional development. A graduate of Kansas State University, Hawk earned a bachelor's degree in math education, master's degree in counseling and doctoral degree in educational administration. He spent 33 years at Manhattan-Ogden USD 383, beginning his career as a junior high math teacher and counselor, then serving as curriculum director, assistant superintendent for personnel and finance, and finally as superintendent for the 2000-2001 school year.

Like the Yunks, Hawk displayed tireless service to students and families throughout his professional career in education, which became a springboard for his transition to public service at the state level. Hawk served three terms in the Kansas House as the representative for the 67th District, during which time he was a member of several prominent legislative committees. In 2012, he was elected to the Kansas Senate for the 22nd District, which includes Clay and Riley counties and part of Geary County.

While the organizations in which he has served over five decades are too many to list, Hawk is known for championing causes at the state and local levels for education, agriculture, business, youth organizations, retirees, transportation, faith and more.

Hawk is married to Diane DeNoon, a retired K-State College of Education elementary education instructor. They have four adult children and four grandchildren.

Bradley Burenheide, Ph.D., associate professor of curriculum and instruction, was named the 2017 recipient of the Commerce Bank and W.T. Kemper Foundation Award for Outstanding Teaching.

Burenheide joined the College of Education in 2006 and is the coordinator for secondary social studies education. He teaches several courses at the graduate and undergraduate levels. His research focuses on creative and innovative pedagogy, improving the teaching of history, and instructional gaming.

Burenheide's philosophy of education is what the Commerce Bank and W.T. Kemper Foundation Award for Outstanding Teaching advocates. By combining sound pedagogical strategies with an approach that stresses caring and doing what is best for each student with a rigorous approach to content, Burenheide trains teachers who represent the ideal of teaching.
Kathryn A. Holen Excellence in Advising Award

Michelle Martinez, academic advisor, is this year’s recipient of the Kathryn A. Holen Excellence in Advising Award. She is a native of Liberal, and received her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from Emporia State University. She moved to Manhattan to join the College of Education and its Center for Student and Professional Services in 2005. Since that time, she has been a steady influence for the center, providing support and training for the advisors, staff and recruitment coordinator. She advises elementary and secondary education students and student-athletes, coordinates the orientation class, and serves as the liaison for Kansas community colleges.

An enthusiastic supporter of the teaching profession, she was involved with the creation of the college's "Why Teach" campaign and during the past year, she worked with others in the college to re-establish the physical education and health program as well as the elementary education program offered through K-State Global Campus.

Martinez values the personal relationships established with her advisees and helping them develop competencies in every area of their lives. As a former transfer student and student-athlete, she is comfortable working with students from diverse backgrounds because she recognizes the unique challenges faced by these student populations.

Degree Candidates

Elementary Education

Bachelor of Science

Paxton Alexandre Akin, Olathe
Darian Lynna Allen, Lebanon
Rachel Alexis Arbuckle, Andover
Alana Morgan Avery, Lenexa
Kelsi Nicole Baird, Salina
Katie Rose Bartolac, Lenexa
Amanda Carolyn Bell, Overland Park
Samantha JoAnn Bendrick, Overland Park
Natasha Rose Biel, Overland Park
Alyssa Danielle Bisagno, Augusta
Regina Michele Bledsoe, Shawnee
Sidnee Maria Bowers, Manhattan
Cierra Joy Casimir, Olathe
Leah Elizabeth Chaska, Wichita
Ashley Elizabeth Collins, Wellington
Katherine Maurne Cross, Bonner Springs
Erin Marie Davis, Leawood
Kristen Elizabeth Dobere, Wichita
Leeza Marie Enfield, White City
Shiann Kileigh Farris, St. George
Eli Taylor Fox, Hays
Dakota Johnson Foster, Basehor
Andrea Marie Fournier, Olathe
Rachel Jane Frank, Westmoreland
Lynden Marie Frisch, Wichita
Natalie Helen Frische, Overland Park
Dallas Johnelle Froome, Salina
Bailey Kay Geiman, Stilwell
Julia Anne George, Aurora, Colorado
Jenna Breann Golay, Wichita
Victoria Faye Hamilton, Topeka
Kolby Lane Harris, Hepler
Rachel Marie Hiatt, Olathe
Haley Nicole Hlad, Salina
Katelyn Mae Hogsett, Lawrence
Kathryn Nicole Hoiit, Kansas City
Alyssa Lee Hollinger, Wichita
Nina Elizabeth Hollingsworth, Elkhart
Alexis Seymone Hullahby, Kansas City
Jill Nicole Hummel, Hope
Rachael Ann Hunt, Wamego
Steven Robert Hunt, Junction City
Brooke Nichole Janssen, Solomon
Danica Lynn Johnson, Strong City
Madison Hope Johnson, Manhattan
Courtney Ann June, Basehor
Catherine Ellen Karst, Overland Park
Nicole Marie Kirk, Liberal
Loni Ann Kite, Fort Riley
Alexis Anne Klein, Garden Plain
Kaleigh Renee Klim, Andover
Jezarae Breann Knitter, Morganville
Hannah Elizabeth Koch, Baileyville
Robyn Kay Leroux, Cheney
Emilie Anne Liebe, Manhattan
Darissa Michelle Maley, Garnett
Caitlin Ann-Cole McGraw, Olathe
Elly Noel Miller, Kinsington
Emma Ann Miller, Manhattan
Mikaela Suzanne Mitchell, Lee's Summit, Missouri
Shelby Lynn Morgan, Council Grove
Stephanie Ann Morrison, Great Bend
Logan Maxwell Nichols, Shawnee
Alyssa Janelle Noble, Overland Park
Jennifer Lynn Obee, Junction City
Hannah Elizabeth Pauls, Oakley
Olga V. Pavlova, Milford
Marissa Kirin Perez, Junction City
Mary Katherine Peterson, Olathe
Brittany Danielle Pfaff, Randolph
Morgan Renee Powell, Platteville, Colorado
Courtney Nicole Priddy, Silver Lake
Eric Raduzycrki, Lee's Summit, Missouri
Megan Marie Reece, Benton
Christina Elaine Roe, Wichita
Kaylyn Michele Rumford, Ottawa
Molly Kay Schoendaller, Junction City
Holly Olivia Schoonover, Andover
Rylee Colleen Shea, Shawnee
Emily Brown Sorra, Locust Grove, Georgia
Cassidy Rae Strauffer, Topeka
Lacy Kay-Snow Stockton, La Cygne
Emily Pochop Stolfus, St. Joseph, Missouri
Megan Rae Streit, Seneca
Kelli Christine Sweeney, Kansas City
McKenzie Elizabeth Swiger, Manhattan
Kelly Lynn Toll, Manhattan
Emily Michelle Veach, Wichita
Samantha Lynn Vogt, Leawood
Sarah Lynn Watkins, Derby
Alexander Beckford Watson, Wellville
Rachel Eileen Welch, Garden City
Katherine Jo Wernes, Olathe
Kayla Marie Yost, Clearwater

Secondary Education

Bachelor of Science

Seth Eldon Alexander, Garden City
Megan Leigh Anderson, Lenexa
Mitchell Leonard Baumgartner, Bern
Michael Dane Begley, Liberal
Jacob Bryant Bjoestad, Haytville
Adam Bliesner, Chapman
Brandon Branscomb, Topeka
Travis Wayne Britz, Harrisonville
Blanca Yadira Bueno, Kansas City
Erica Paige Carr, Liberty, Missouri
Meredith Kelly Clark, Barnard

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Tyler A. Clubine, *Iola* *(SU17)*
Brooke Audrey Cooper, *Bonner Springs* *(Mcl)*
Kaitlyn Rae Curtiss, *Green*
Chi Un Dougherty, *Kangjin, South Korea*
Jeffrey A. Dusin, *Phillipshurg*
Jacob Alan Easterberg, *Topeka*
Chloe N. Enfield, *Greensburg*
Daniel Mark English, *Harveyville*
Savanna Marie Floyd, *Manhattan*
Timothy Declan Fogarty, *Overland Park*
Brian James Hagstrom, *Overland Park*
Karissa Magee Hammock, *Cleveland, Texas* *(Mcl)*
Sarah-Margaret Heffernon, *Stilwell* *(CJ)*
Brooke Elizabeth Hemmert, *Oakley*
Tyler Chase Heying, *Olathe*
Dane Kirby Janner, *Overland Park*
Hailee Nicole Jenkins, *Moore, Oklahoma*
Anne Marie Jirak, *Marion* *(SU17)*
Anna Christine Gredell Jones, *Overland Park* *(SU17)*
Mary Chesley Kilgore, *Wichita* *(CJ)*
Jubilee Rose Kinney, *Sweeney, Texas*
Katherine Nicole Kraly, *Kansas City*
Samantha Lauren Kruse, *Olathe*
Caden Arden Laptad, *Olathe* *(SU17)*
Jordan Christian Little, *Greensburg*
Kaitlyn Sarah Lowry, *Chapman*
Blake Morgan Madsen, *Manhattan*
Diana Martinez-Abarca
Blake Lowell Mayer, *Alta Vista*
Nicole Marie McKinnon, *Topeka* *(CJ)*
Shannon Renee Miller, *Abilene*
Sarah Brielle Nider, *Manhattan*
Colleen Rae O’Connor, *McPherson*
Dylan Brendan Owings, *Overland Park*
Daniel James Patterson, *Merriam* *(SU17)* *(H)*
Madeline Grace Plankers, *Olathe* *(SU17)*
Emily Elizabeth Queen, *Wichita* *(CJ)* *(SU17)*
Adam Joseph Schmitz, *Westmoreland*
Anna Elizabeth Schneeberger, *Fort Collins, Colorado* *(SU17)*
Mallory Kay Schneeberger, *Holcomb* *(CJ)*
Rachel Katharine Schrag, *Kingman* *(CJ)*
Lucia Jeana Scott, *Wichita* *(CJ)* *(H)*
Ryan James Scott, *Topeka*
Kaitlin Rachel Smith, *Olathe*
Ashley Nichole Strasser, *Lenexa* *(SU17)*
Margaret Paige Thomas, *Leawood*
Morgan Elizabeth Tull, *Olathe*
Allison M. Walker, *Onaga*
Brooke Waters, *Salina* *(CJ)*
Samantha Lynn White, *Silver Lake*
 Mellissa Marie Wiltztrout, *Herington*
Callie Ann Marie Windholz, *Salina*
Rachel Lillian Wrobel, *Overland Park*
Samuel James Young, *Lenexa*
Processional:*  
Virginia Houser, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Music

National Anthem:*  
Taylor Fry, Bachelor’s Candidate, Marketing

Welcome and Introductions:  
Kevin Gwinner, Ph.D., Dean

Commencement Remarks:  
Randy Sims, Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary, Cerner Corp.

Presentation of Awards:  
Ralph E. Reitz Outstanding Teaching Award
Myung Kyo “M.K.” Kim, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Management

Kansas State Bank Outstanding Advising Award
Myranda Kimble, MBA, Professional Development Advisor

Developing Scholar Research Award
Sabuhi Sardarli, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Finance

Outstanding Senior in Business
Andrea Labiste Teme, Bachelor’s Candidate, Management

Alumni Association Greetings:  
Amy Button Renz, President and CEO, K-State Alumni Association

Student Remarks:  
Caitlynn Webb, Bachelor’s Candidate, Accounting

Presentation of Degrees:  
Kevin Gwinner, Ph.D., Dean
Stacy Kovar, Ph.D., Associate Dean, Academic Administration
David Lehman, MBA, Instructor, Marketing
Bente Janda, MBA, Assistant Dean for Student Services

Assisted by:  
Richard B. Myers, MBA, President
April C. Mason, Ph.D., Provost and Senior Vice President

Recessional:*  
Virginia Houser, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Music

*The audience will please rise.
As senior vice president, chief legal officer and secretary of Cerner Corp., Randy Sims is responsible for all legal affairs at the company, including general corporate, Securities and Exchange Commission compliance, transactions and litigation. Sims also oversees client and non-client contracting, human resources support and intellectual property, including patents and trademarks. His legal affairs responsibilities cover Cerner's global subsidiaries, including operations in Europe, the Middle East, Latin America and Asia Pacific.

Sims joined Cerner in March 1997 after three years at Farmland Industries Inc., where he last served as associate general counsel. At Farmland, then a Fortune 200 agribusiness conglomerate, Sims was responsible for the legal staffing and management of all company transactions, including financing, acquisitions, mergers, joint ventures and alliances.

Before joining Farmland, Sims provided general legal representation to the Marley Co., including services related to acquisitions and divestitures, real estate, products liability, antitrust and litigation management. Marley was a diversified manufacturer of industrial and residential products and provider of professional services to the water supply and environmental markets. Sims joined Marley as an attorney in 1986, and he left as assistant general counsel in 1993. Sims began his legal career as an associate at the Kansas City-based law firm of Morrison & Hecker, now known as Stinson Leonard Street.

Sims earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Kansas State University, a Juris Doctor from the University of Kansas School of Law, and an executive fellows master's degree in business administration from Rockhurst University. He serves on the board of directors of Alpha Lambda Educational Foundation, First Hand Foundation and Starlight Theatre, and on the dean's Business Advisory Council of the College of Business Administration and the Department of Economics Advisory Council at K-State. He was a member of the advisory board for the management department at K-State from 2001-2007. Sims is a member of various local and national bar associations.

Myranda Kimble, MBA
K-State, she has developed strong relationships with her students. She is passionate about professional development and the difference it can make in the lives and careers of students. Kimble challenges and encourages every student she works with to do their best and start building professional skills now.

A K-State alumna, Kimble just earned her MBA and has a Bachelor of Science in management.

Sabuhi Sardarli, assistant professor of finance, is the 2017 recipient of the Developing Scholar Research Award. Sardarli researches empirical corporate finance, defined contribution retirement plans and mutual funds. He also studies the effects of corporate tax avoidance and its relationship with institutional investments and index funds.

His published works include several studies documenting conflict of interest in wealth management, including retirement plans, mutual funds and separately managed accounts. In the last two years, Sardarli has published four papers in high-quality journals and has presented seven papers at academic finance conferences. One of his publications was recently recognized with 2016 Outstanding Article Award by the publishing journal. He currently has several research papers under review at top business journals.

The faculty co-advisor for the Student Finance Association, Sardarli is member of the College of Business Administration’s Research Committee and the K-State Office of Undergraduate Research & Creative Inquiry’s advisory council.

Before joining K-State in August 2013, Sardarli earned a doctorate in finance from the University of Florida. He has an MBA from the University of Missouri and Bachelor of Business Administration from Pittsburg State University.
Degree Candidates

Accounting

Brody G. Ackley, Hutchinson
Brett Thomas Bachman, St. Joseph, Missouri
Levi Samuel Baker, Lawrence
Lucas Antonio Casenove, Goddard
Michael Patrick Chalfant, Olathe
Aaron Nicholas Chapman, Wichita
Juan Carlos Contreras, Liberal
Keaper Baylee Czarniecki, Wichita
Katie Loraine Damashek, Burlington
John Paul Derksen, Lee’s Summit, Missouri
Joseph Michael Scott Descartes, Arkansas City
Michael Austin Emley, Overland Park
Kira Jean Finn, Maize
Reid Palmer Frye, Mission Hills
Leslie Ann Geist, Bel Air
Brittany Nicole Gleason, Kansas City
Wesley Alan Goforth, East Peoria, Illinois
Nicholas David Greco, Overland Park
Zoey Marie Gubitoso, Hays
Kori Ann Harbin, Anthony
Jill Heimerman, Garden Plain
Zenan Huang, Shenzhen, China
Meg Mary Huelskamp, Andover
Shari Lynn Humbard, Junction City
Andrew Charles Hurtig, Wichita
Camilla Janae Jones, Norton
Sadie Ann Jones, Hutchinson
Katie Lynn Keck Meyer, Stilwell
Mabry Alexander Keel, Kansas City, Missouri
Page Henry Kendall, Wichita
Ashley Dawn Knoll, Deerfield
Shelon A. Knox, St. Louis, Missouri
Stephen Michael Kucera, Kansas City
Taylor Ann Mahrng, Overland Park
Sydney R. Martinez, Peculiar, Missouri
Grant Adam McGinn, Olathe
Maureen Allison McCafferty, Wichita
Hannah Rose Michael, Overland Park
Logan Matthew Miner, St. George
Kelly Marie O’Keefe, Olathe
Sharon A. Peterson, Rosemount, Minnesota
Samuel Jacob Power, Lenexa
Joseph Albert Radetic, Overland Park
Justin Kendall Reilly, Salina
Angela Elizabeth Ritter, Dresden
Andrew Jeremy Robben, Oakley
Martina Nicole Scates, Manhattan
Allison Lee Schuerer, Leavenworth
Benjamin David Seiler, Andale
Grace Nicole Sewell, Overland Park
Zachary Scott Shogren, Winfield
Shelby Deanne Showalter, Derby
Kaila B. Sneath, Hutchinson
Abigail Steiner, McPherson
Jordyn Nicole Stephens, Manhattan
Jillian Bethany Taylor, Hays
Rashae Latrice Taylor, Kansas City, Missouri
Emilie Thill, Great Bend
Theresa Marie Toler, St. Marys
Kristy Nicole Urich, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Kimberly Vaughn, Shawnee
Mohamed Ali Wahba, Overland Park
Derek Edward Ward, Ellsworth
Caitlyn Richelle Webb, Colorado Springs, Colorado
Shaquan Shanon White, Junction City
Anne Christine Willman, Prairie Village
Ashley Taylor Wilmouth, Wichita
Dylan Lee Wissman, Albert
Matthew Joseph Zemanick, Wichita

Entrepreneurship

Marcus Alan Baysinger, Wichita
David Elliott Blank, Lenexa
Ted Andrew Boersma, Cimarron
Wellington Shane Coleman III, New Orleans, Louisiana
Charles Adam Fuchs, Wichita
Hunter Ryan Harrison, Great Bend
Cateline Jane Renee Isely, Bird City
Kevin Robert Jantsch, Mission Hills
Paige Marie Kriley, Stockton
Ian Gregory Lofoton, Olathe
Timothy William Marting, Lees Summit, Missouri
Richelle Rose Paulson, Woodson
Matthew Jon Penner, Olathe
Jakeb M. Radmacher, Topeka
Chase Jacob Sabeth, St. Joseph, Missouri
Andrew Patrick Scott, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Kelsey Elizabeth Shepherd, Topeka
Taylor Scott Siegman, Leavenworth
Lily Marie Staab, Overland Park
Max Mammel Stewart, Hutchinson
Brionna Shawn’t Taylor, Santa Clarita, California
Sarah Jo Townsley, St. Louis, Missouri
Kelsey Nicole Zweygardt, Tescott

Finance

Micaela Arriola Arza, Asunción, Paraguay
Melissa Jo Asper, Gadsden Springs
Chandler Elliott Ayer, Derby
Dakota Lane Bartell, Wamego
Logelio Rivas Benitez Florentin, Asunción, Paraguay
Jonathan Rodney Buultjens, Manhattan
Jacob William Caldwell, Lawrence
Hunter Bradley Chandler, Almena
Logan V. Clark, Alta Vista
Kevin Alston Cole, Vermillion, Ohio
Lance James Conklin, Argonia
Roger Ryan Coppole, Overland Park
Colborn Levi Couchman, Scott City
Riley Alan Craig, Edgerton
Garrett Lee Crome, Maryville
Han Dong, Zhengzhou, China
Lindsey Anne Erskine, Junction City
Luke Jacob Fields, Shawnee
Douglas Scott Fleet, Overland Park
Hannah Nicole Ford, Basehor
Briana Marie Fowler, Wakefield
Ming Gao, Chongqing, China
Tanner Lee Garver, Basehor
Kelly Nicole Gay, Manhattan
Asher Johnson Gilliland, Topeka
Kristin Navestad Gundersen, Arendal, Norway
Ryan Mitchell Haefke, Olathe
Brock Robert Hanf, Atchison
Brooke Lynne Harrup, Kansas City
Jacob Andrew Heindel, Lenexa
Jacob Andrew Herman, Overland Park
Kyle Charles Hillman, Overland Park
Gregory Alexander Hilton, Frederick, Maryland
Jack Briscoe Dean Howell, Syracuse
Khalid Chaudhry, Parachute, Colorado
Leawood
Andrew Jewell, Salina
Grant Jacob Kalberer, Overland Park
Ryan Andrew King, Fort Knox, Kentucky
Nicole Kristin Knox, Abilene
Larissa A. Liggert, Texcoco
Wen Liu, Tianjin, China
Travis Gerald Lueger, St. Marys
Justin Ryan Magott, Allen, Texas
Anna Irene Marken, Leavenworth
Kyle Joseph Marra, Overland Park
Alexander William May, Prairie Village
Bernardo James May, Kansas City
Matthew George Millar, Leavenworth
Owen Jacob Miller, Overland Park
James Michael Mindrup, Manhattan
Mitchell Allen Mize, Olathe
Matthew Benjamin Myers, Abilene
Management

Babatunde O Alabi, Ifo, Ondo, Nigeria (SU17)
Whitney Maria Amaro, Pratt (SU17)
Dalyly Robert Anderson, Sedgwick
Zachary Scott Beach, Manhattan (SU17)
Bonny Jae Boultinghouse, Great Bend (Cl) (SU17)
Osten Spencer Brown, Wichita
Shai Lee Buelow, Manhattan
Katie Elizabeth Carlsen, Prairie Village (SU17)
Yiyan Chen, Beijing, China
Stacy Lee Childs, Keller, Texas
Madison Paige Cunningham, Tonganoxie
Chase Craig Currier, Overland Park
Dakota Paige Dawson, Wichita
Zachary Taylor Doshier, Andover (SU17)
Yulin Duan, Xi-,be, China
Michael Charles Dula, Bucyrus
Denise Adriana Durham, Manhattan
Jesse Sisco Erzr, Medipolis, Iowa
Lindsey Anne Fangman, Lawrence
Caleb Sheridan Fenn, “Bournon, Colorado
Efen Josue Frayre, Garden City
Tia‘ Rochelle Gamble, DeSoto, Texas
Cecilia Mae George, Lincoln, Nebraska
John Giesy, Osage City (SU17)
Alan Dean Gilbert, Manhattan
Gabriel Anthony Gutierrez, Victoria
Nicholas Colletti Hammer, Lenexa (SU17)
Katie Lynn Hampton, Olathe (SU17)
Chen Han, Xian, China
Austin Colten Harkrader, Tonganoxie
Michelle Jean Harper, Topeka (SU17)
Monique Ta’nisha Harris, Landover, Maryland (SU17)
Kaneal Antonio Harrison, St. Elizabeth, Jamaica (SU17)
Brian Richard Heinz, San Diego, California
Natalie Renee Hendricks, Overland Park (SU17)
Jaqueline Herrera, Liberal
Sheng Huang, Zhengzhou, China (SU17)
Tyler Ray Johnston, Parsons
Morgan Diane Jones, Valley Center
Nicole Danielle Jones, Council Grove (SU17)
Palma Juhasa, Debrecen, Hungary (SU17)
Kristi Marie Katlin, Leawood (SU17)
John M. Kay, Overland Park
Natalie Lynn Kestle, Damascus, Oregon
Matthew Zea Kundert, Mason City, Iowa
Andrea Karina Labiste Teme, Encarnacion, Paraguay (SU17)
Qing Lei, Beijjng, China (SU17)
Brityn Kae Like, Leawood
Ashley Nicole Linaweaver, Leavenworth
Alexander M. Maryman, Wichita
Leticia Martinez, Kansas City
Hannah Marie Matchell, Colby
Emma Lauren McCullough, Olathe (SU17)
Heather Marie McDougall, Arcadia, Colorado
Megan Elaine Meadows, Blue Springs, Missouri
Luis Alberto Mejia, Junction City
Christian Mills, Dodge City
Erica Lanoux Modzelewski, Jacksonville, Florida
Reid August Najvar, Spring, Texas
Brett Christopher Neely, Lenexa
Tate William Nystrom, Aurora, Colorado
John David Palmer, Olathe (SU17)
Evangelos Gregory Papadelis, Wichita
Paul Riley Pierce, DeKalb, Missouri
Kayla Poore, Overland Park (SU17)
Santiago Farid Racca Rachid, Ascencion, Paraguay (SU17)
Jaron Jeffery Randle, St. Louis, Missouri
Tyler John Remy, Goddard
Elizabeth Louise Reynolds, Lancaster, California (SU17)
Nicolas Daniel Richardson, Wichita
Gregory Richard Rieber, Orange, California
Dee J. Roblyer, Cimarron
Connor Andrew Rockrohr, Lenexa
Jordon Travis Routh, Alma (SU17)
Keith James Schnug, Elk City (SU17)
Todd Paul Seiler, Andale
Nathaniel L. Shafer, Topeka
Susan M. Shuman, Manhattan (SU17)
Ross Philip Siebe, Wakefield
Waynique LaShawn Sims, Killeen, Texas
Brandi Lynne Sites, Lenexa (SU17)
Joshua Michael-Scott Snow, Rockford, Illinois (SU17)
Wynnette Sommerfeld, Newton (SU17)
Ryan John Stark, Solomon
Chad Nicklaus Swanson, Overland Park
James Allen Wardlow, Overland Park
Cody Ray Watson, Forsyth, Missouri
Mollee Weber, Franklin
Bryant Patrick West, Wichita
Tamara Lachene Williams, Austin, Texas
Casie Lee Winchell, Agra
Alexa Danielle Woodson, New Prague, Minnesota (SU17)
Yucheng Xu, Changshu, China
Trale Blake Yost, Minneda
Hannah Ahava Young, Burlington
Yan Zhang, Beijing, China

General Business

Gene Michael Clayton, St. George
Carlie Marie Darby, Wichita (F16)
Adam Michael Fechter, Meriden
Isaac Robert Honer, Shawnee
Kyle Christopher House, Salina
Bryan Timothy Klope, Buckeye, Arizona
Cassidy Rose LaMair, Temecula, California
Derrick James Leggett, Kansas City, Missouri (SU17)
Ryan Allen McElroy, Ulysses
Marisol Ochoa Miller, Oceanside, California (SU17)
Matthew Ryan Schmitz, Hays, Kansas
Dustin Lee Schroller, Salina
Katherine Alyse Staab, Leawood (M)
Sandra P. Stewart, Dunwoody, Georgia
Jeffery Charles Yenzer, Raymore, Missouri

Management Information Systems

Mohammad Abdulaziz Aleidan, Manhattan (SU17)
Omar Abdullah I Almedaihesh, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Samuel Scott Broadbent, Inverness, Illinois
Alexander Thomas Cook, Bucyrus
Derek Andrew Cox, Topeka
Santosh Kumar Dandi, Merriam
Jared Alexander Dinkel, Garden City
Brooke Renee Gershon, Overland Park
Wyatt Benjamin Gettler, Garnett
Tyler Alan Harris, Chapman (SU17)
Michael Allen Jackman, Kansas City
Dustin Marcelo Lara, Sabata
Paige Morgan Lauer, Wichita
Paul T. Law, Overland Park (SU17)
Jordan Rayshawn Markley-Kubias, Ottawa
Christopher Patton McGee, Leawood
Anurag Muthyam, Hyderabad, India
Phuong Viet Nguyen, Hanoi, Vietnam
Morgan Christine Pehman, Kansas City, Missouri
Wyatt Martin Peters, Pomona
Nadeem Shaik, Vijayawada, India
Matthew Stephen Tracy, Wichita
Marshall Dean Welthington, Wamego (MCl)
Cooper William Wiedeman, Leawood
Jeremy Adam Youk, Wichita

Marketing

Abigail Leanne Agnew, Hayville
Holly Marie Audiss, Wichita
Ethan Joseph Bach, Kansas City
Andrew Craig Bayless, Kechi
Brooke Ellen Becker, Hutchinson (2018)
Blake Michael Benton, Wichita
Justin David Beyer, Overland Park
Morgan Elizabeth Blake, Olathe
Jessica Lynn Boedeker, Overland Park
Adam Kendall Buehler, Russell
Jason Luis Carreene, Garden City
Sarah Morgan Cauffield, Overland Park
Ashley Michelle Chastain, Shawnee
Nicholas Patrick Christian, Mulvane (2017)
Kayla Danielle Clapp, Caney
Matthew Dillon Comfort, Minneopolis
Bret David Cook, Overland Park
Kody James Cook, Manhattan
Millie Kate Copper, Hays
Xiaoda Cui, Laoing, China
Brooks William DeBord, Manhattan
Godahena Kankanamge Hansala Kohal Da Silva, Manhattan
Lily Rose Dollarhide, Newton (MCl) (H)
Michelle Suzanne Dorsey, Olathe (MCl)
Alexis Arleen Dryden, Richmond
Annissa Margaret Duran, Manhattan
Jonathan Jordan Evans, Olathe (2017)
Ciara Tatsum Factor, Yukon, Oklahoma (2017)
Jordon Thomas Feltes, Valley Center
David Austin Fisher, Lenexa (2017)
Lynda Elizabeth Fowler, Emporia
Hayden Michael Frazier, Overland Park
Taylor Ann Fry, Great Bend (MCl)
Matthew Green, Lenexa
Nichole Breanne Hall, Derby
Matthew Peter Hanson, Olathe
Daniel Christopher Harris, Ogden
Amy Leann Hein, Shawnee (2014)
Libby Lea Herwig, Olathe
Kathryn Christine Hess, Overland Park
Shelby Lee Heydon, Topeka
Levi Elton Hirsh, Kansas (2017)
Luke Michael Houglund, Olathe
Fangyuan Huang, Tianjin, China
Anna Meghan Hughes, Shawnee
Chunxue Jin, Dandong, China (2017)
Kristin Meredith Johnson, Plano, Texas
Zachary Laurence Johnston, Olathe
Ryan Michael Kabel, Manhattan
Kyle Patrick Kain, Shawnee
Alexa Jordan Kasirz, Wichita
Zachary David Kasmiskie, Overland Park
Austin H. Katsorelos, Leawood
Jumanna Imad Khamsi, Manhattan
Kalli Marie King, Overland Park (2017)
Gavin Thomas Kirk, Lawrence
Connor Steven Knabe, Leawood
Emily Michael Knobbe, Webster Groves, Missouri
Joshua Michael Larson, Shawnee (2017)
Nicholas Arnold Leiker, Kansas City, Missouri
Amanda Cecill Limseth, Oslo, Norway
Cameron Scott Lober, Topeka
Lydia Leigh Lombeyer, Pellet, Texas
Ryan Allen Lorimor, Moundridge
Amanda Marie Marchesini, Loudoville, New York
Matthew James Martin, Overland Park
Megan Ann Martin, Olathe (2017)
Rebecca Meganck, Louisville
Chase Andrew Miller, McPherson (2017)
Trevor Wallace Moy, Lenexa
Sean Worth Murray, Leawood
Sterling C. Muse, Manhattan
Tyler Dean Nattier, Wichita
Anna Nawaz, Manhattan
Harrison Charles Nelson, Mission Hills
Xin Nie, Chongqing, China (2017)
Riley Marie Nizziti, Overland Park (2017)
Rowdie Joe Pate, Elkbar
Sydney Patterson, McKinney, Texas
Richard Ernest Pearson, Prairie Village
Michael Dean Penny, Lawrence
Matthew F. Peters, Shawnee
Alexander S. Piggott, Overland Park
Timothy James Porter, Lenexa
Weston James Prockish, Topeka
Ethan Michael Rice, Shawnee (2017)
James W. Riehl, Overland Park
Logan Connor Roberts, Overland Park
Georgina Rubio, Grand Island, Nebraska (2017)
Nicholas John Rysavy, Overland Park (2017)
Alexander Harrison Schell, Overland Park
Cody Daniel Schlitzer, Stilwell (MCl)
Luke David Schwertfeger, Wichita
Alex Jayden Seely, Wichita
Chenhao Shan, Arcadia, California (2017)
Korbin McClain Sharp, Leawood
Stephen Douglas Shelton, Lenexa
Yumeng Shi, Chengde, China
Scott Michael Slapper, Prairie Village (2017)
Sarah Michelle Spradling, Leawood
Emily Elizabeth Stanley, Prairie Village
Jessica Rae Steben, Buzzy
Kevin Franklin Stief, Overland Park
Austin Joseph Stom, Olathe
Taylor Austin Swanson-Lhuillier, Elsmore
Henry Dakota Sydow, Salina
Sarah Elizabeth Trout, Leawood (2017)
Maria Nicole Vannicola, Lenexa (2017)
Steven Daniel Wegner, Ankeny, Iowa
Sommer Lynn Wiebrecht, Shawnee
Chase Dean Wilson, Holton
Dongliang Wu, Hangzhou, China (2017)
Yuiru Wu, Manhattan (2017)
Molly Madelyn Young, Denver, Colorado (2017)
Linlin Zeng, Beijing, China
Zachary Lain Zerger, Olathe
Zaicheng Zhu, Jingshu, China

Certificate in International Business

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Tia’ Rochelle Gamble, DeSoto, Texas
Leslie Ann Geist, Bel Aire
Kristin Navestad Gunderson, Ariendal, Norway
Lydia Leigh Lombeyer, Pellet, Texas
Anna Irene Marken, Leawood
Georgina Rubio, Grand Island, Nebraska (2017)
Caitlyn Richelle Webb, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Certificate in Integrated Investment Management

Dakota Lane Bartell, Wamego (SU17)
Rogelio Rivas Benitez Florentin, Asuncion, Paraguay (SU17)
Jacob William Caldwell, Lawrence
Lance James Conklin, Argonia
Luke Jacob Fields, Shawnee
Jack Briscoe Dean Howell, Syracuse
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Bernardo James May, Kansas City
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Mitchell Allen Mize, Olathe
Jiri Pillar, Czech Republic
Matthew C. Zuiiss, Longview, Texas

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Ethan Joseph Bach, Kansas City
Dakota Lane Bartell, Wamego (SU17)
Brooke Ellen Becker, Hutchinson (F16)
Morgan Elizabeth Blake, Olathe
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Matthew Green, Lenexa
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Connor Steven Knabe, Leawood
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Sydney Patterson, McKinney, Texas
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Alexander Harrison Schell, Overland Park
Cody Daniel Schlitzer, Stilwell
Alex Jayden Seely, Wichita
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College of Agriculture

**Procesional:**
Stephen Kucera, Bachelor's Candidate, Applied Music and Accounting

**National Anthem:**
Allison Schulz, Bachelor's Candidate, Animal Sciences and Industry

**Reflections:**
Karly Frederick, Bachelor's Candidate, Agribusiness

**Introductions:**
Don Boggs, Ph.D., Associate Dean

**Recognition of Faculty Award Recipients:**
Don Boggs, Ph.D., Associate Dean

**Recognition of Honors Graduates:**
Shannon Washburn, Ph.D., Assistant Dean

**Commencement Address:**
Daryl Buchholz, Ph.D., Associate Director, Extension and Applied Research

**Student Address:**
Carrie Carlson, Bachelor's Candidate, Food Science and Industry

**Conferral of Degrees:**
John Floros, Ph.D., Dean

**Presentation of Degree Candidates:**
Allen Featherstone, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Agricultural Economics
Jason Ellis, Ph.D., Professor and Interim Department Head, Communications and Agricultural Education
Joe Harner, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Biological and Agricultural Engineering
Gary Pierzynski, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Agronomy
Candice Shoemaker, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Horticulture and Natural Resources
Ken Odde, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Animal Sciences and Industry
Karen Schmidt, Ph.D., Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry
Gordon Smith, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Grain Science and Industry

**Presentation of Diplomas:**
John Floros, Ph.D., Dean

**Assisted by:**
Sandy Klein, M.S., Assistant Dean
Shannon Washburn, Ph.D., Assistant Dean
Zelia Wiley, Ph.D., Assistant Dean

**Recessional:**
Stephen Kucera, Bachelor's Candidate, Applied Music and Accounting
## Daryl Buchholz, Ph.D.

As an extension soil fertility specialist at the University of Missouri, Buchholz put his practical outlook to good use. He developed and implemented programs in soil fertility, fertilizer use efficiency, soil testing, environmental and water quality, no-till cropping management and site-specific crop management to assist growers, dealers and the public understand principles of nutrient management and using those principles for agricultural improvement.

Buchholz returned to K-State in 1992 as a professor of agronomy and assistant director of agriculture and natural resources for K-State Research and Extension. He accepted the associate director position 12 years later.

His leadership skills have been recognized on multiple levels. He served as the regional chair of the North Central Cooperative Extension Association and two terms on the Extension Committee on Organization and Policy, including assignments on the Budget and Legislative, Personnel, and Executive committees. In 2013, he chaired the Extension Committee on Organization and Policy, which represents 75 extension systems. As chair, he was instrumental in planning the May 2014 national centennial celebration of the Smith Lever Act, the federal law that established the Cooperative Extension Service.

Buchholz was elected a fellow of the American Society of Agronomy and received the Ruby Distinguished Service Award from Epsilon Sigma Phi, recognition for his outstanding contributions to the profession.

Since 2004, Buchholz has served as associate director for extension and applied research. He provides overall leadership for the day-to-day operations of approximately 240 K-State Research and Extension agents, 110 faculty and more than 400 support staff, and a budget exceeding $60 million. Buchholz is retiring this month to spend more time with his family.

## Awards

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<td>Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry</td>
<td>Pennsylvania State University 2016 Animal Science Distinguished Alumnus</td>
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Speaker

Daryl Buchholz, a native of South Dakota, was involved with a wide range of 4-H projects as a youth. He then graduated from South Dakota State University with a degree in agronomy, becoming the first college graduate in his family.

He received his doctorate in 1980 from Kansas State University. As a graduate student, he realized that the outcomes of agricultural research went far beyond laboratories and papers. He was interested in the practical application and how it could help agriculture.
Gary Pierzynski, Ph.D.
University Distinguished Professor and Department Head, Agronomy
Gamma Sigma Delta Distinguished Faculty Award
President-Elect of the American Society for Agronomy

Jesse Poland, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Agronomy
National Association of Plant Breeders Early Career Scientist Award

Vara Prasad, Ph.D.
University Distinguished Professor, Agronomy
2016 University Distinguished Professor
2016 Iman Research Award
American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellow

Ron Pope, Ph.D.
Instructor, Animal Sciences and Industry
College of Agriculture Faculty of Semester, Spring 2016

Randy Phebus, Ph.D.
Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry
Bob Krause and Marty Vanier Research Fellow

DeAnn Presley, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, Agronomy
Gamma Sigma Delta Outstanding Teacher Award

Aleksan Shanoyan, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics
Western Agricultural Economics Association
Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching

Young-Cheng Shi, Ph.D.
Professor, Grain Sciences and Industry
Phil Williams Applied Research Award
AACC International Fellow

Candice Shoemaker, Ph.D.
Professor and Department Head, Horticulture and Natural Resources
American Horticultural Therapy Association 2016 Alice Burlingame Humanitarian Service Award

Gordon Smith, Ph.D.
Professor and Department Head, Grain Sciences and Industry
2017 IFT Fellow

Xuizi “Susan” Sun, Ph.D.
University Distinguished Professor, Grain Sciences and Industry
Fellow Induction of American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers

Degree Candidates

Agricultural Economics

Emily Anne Davis, Louisburg
Wesley Boyd Davis, Harveyville
Clayton Douglas Esslinger, Norton
Avery James Farrant, Meriden
Karlo Bliss Frederick, Alden
Jacob Jantzen Friesen, Overbrook (C)
Weston Eugene Gibbreth Sr., Garnett
Dylan Benjamin Goeckel, Hays
Gabriel Paul Goetzman, Overland Park
Blake William Goodin, Princeton, Missouri
Alexander Paul Grommet, Wichita (C)
Grace Elizabeth Hammer, Wallace (C)
Paul Michael Hartwich, Onaga
Joseph Ernest Haug, Seneca
Payton Alan Hays, Parsons
Zachary Alan Heiman, Chapman
Yanxi Jin, Nanjing, China
Michelle Mae Keyes, Springfield, Nebraska
Kyle Joseph Krug, Kansas City, Missouri

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Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness
Blaine David Alexander, Trenton, Texas
Samantha Lea Banahan, Steele City, Nebraska
Craig Austin Beachner, Parsons
Kaylynne Jean Bonneau, Downs
Nichole Rae Borgelt, Ashland (C)
Nicholas R. Boyer, Lenexa
Hunter Patrick Brown, Montezuma
Molly Joy Browning, Dover
Kent Marcus Bruna, Hays
Cole Matthew Burnside, Hays
Emily Ann Carlisle, Arenzville, Illinois (C)
Jordan Rae Carlson, Clay Center
Cole Garrett Claassen, Whitewater

Cole Charles Leis, Garden Plain
Justin Lucas Linn, Abilene
Shaobo Liu, Qingdao, China
Henry John David Masaux, Olathe
Matthew Lee McClaren, Fowlerville (M)
Megan McDonald, Parkville
Scott Olberding, Seneca
Shaina Diane Ott, St. Joseph
Colton Tate Pevehouse, Gardner
Yuchen Qin, Changchun, China
Sarah Catherine Rahjes, Phillipsburg
Colton Jackson Row, Overland Park
Megan Briana Schuster, Richmond
Cody James Seiler, Inman
Scott Mitchell Spiker, Wichita
Nelson Villoria, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics
University of Nebraska Early Career Award
Southern Association of Agricultural Economists Foundation Emerging Scholar Award

Steve Welch, Ph.D.
Professor, Agronomy
Higuchi-KU Endowment Research Achievement Award

Elizabeth Yeager, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics
American Agribusiness Association Outstanding Young Scholar, Agricultural Finance and Management Section

Evan Titgemeyer, Ph.D.
Professor, Animal Sciences and Industry
2016 American Society of Animal Science Fellow
Award: Research Category

Peter Tomlinson, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Agronomy
Gamma Sigma Delta Early Career Award

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Scott Mitchell Spiker, Wichita
Agricultural Communications

**Bachelor of Science in Agriculture**
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Nolan Kenneth Allison, Eureka
Blake Michael Baird, Silver Lake
Justus Bartonek, Olmitz
Linda Louella Bilberry, Garden City
Conner Brianna Duff, Overland Park
Ethan Graham Fowler, McPherson
Tanner James Gasper, Tipton
Tyler Joseph Gosch, Garden City
Bret McClain Gum, Johnson
Tanner Ned Black Hodgson, Little River
Tucker Beswick Hoover, Winfield
Abigail Rose Horn, McCoy, Colorado
Lucas Adam Karlin, Shawnee
Amy Michelle Kruse, McHenry, Illinois
Zachary James Lee, Burlington
Samuel Robert McKinney, Wsekan
Luke Alan Minnix, Scott City
Joseph Edward Neville, St. Marks
Dylan Austin O’Dell, Bucyrus
Bryan Christopher Ottow, Washington
Brandon Stephen Pechance, Bismarck
Hunter Andrew Peoples, Ottawa
Wyatt Dean Pracht, Westphalia
Kenan Paul Reech, McDonald
Brandon Lee Reid, Ablene
Luke Sankey, Andale
Sunny Anne Schroeder, Cincinnati, Ohio
Emilee Catherine Smith, Union, Nebraska
Christina Ruberson Stander, Tifton, Georgia
Leighton Brant Wasinger, Scott City
Chance Levi Weathers, Geuda Springs
Jackson Henry Wingert, Ottawa
Katherine Erika Wiseman, Olathe

Chad Michael Hunley, Columbus
Hannah Marie Johlman, Sheridan, Wyoming
Kalene Marie Lozick, San Diego, California
Daniel Ray Martin, Hugo, Oklahoma
Leigh Ann Maurath, Oakley
Jamie LouAnn Morrissey, Omaha, Nebraska
Braidyn Danielle Rucker, Newton
Amanda Marie Sales, Valley Falls
Auryn Lynn Schmitz, Astell
Ashley Nicole Tercero, San Martin, California
Dandi Rene’ Thomas, Elkhart
Anissa Marie Zagonel, Girard

Agricultural Education

**Bachelor of Science in Agriculture**
Macy Marissa Anderson, Buhler
Beth Nicole Augustine, Ellis
Colton Lewis Branch, Winfield
Tyler Kent Cates, Salina
Carley Patricia Conley, Delia
Cain Christian Fouard, Brookville
Cody James Holiday, Soldier
William Blake Johnson, Whitewater
MaKayla CheyAnne LaRue, Chanute
Makayla Rae Leslie, Tonganoxie
Megan Elizabeth Meives, Moran
Amber Rae Mook, Iola
Tint Adam Peine, Parker
Melissa Rae Poet, Flagler, Colorado
Ellen A. Revell, Wheaton
Jacob Andrew Rutledge, Keene
Courtney Lee Schamberger, Hoxie
Alicia Danielle Torr, Greencastle, Indiana
Wyatt Emmett Wentz, Norton

Agricultural Technology Management

**Bachelor of Science in Agriculture**
Jacob Wallace Berglund, Louisburg
Gabriel Michael Bergmann, Concordia
Colby Berry, Minneapolis
Kyle John Blakeslee, Ellsworth
Grant Avery Claassen, Whitewater
Jared Thomas Culpoh, Sterling
Kirk Andrew Engelland, Sterling
Logan Matthew Hay, Wellington
Mark Leonard Leiszler, Clifton
Weiwen Li, Manhattan
Ross Albert Niehues, Seneca
Tyler James Peterson, Salina
Ryan Jacob Schulteis, Sylvan Grove
Blaise Alan Staver, Darby, Pennsylvania

Agronomy

**Bachelor of Science in Agriculture**
Daniel Robert Adee, Silver Lake
Allison Aubert, St. Marys
Cody Lambert Brown, Kearney, Nebraska
Scott Eugene Cain, Sterling
Wade Thomas Capoun, Paxico
Crystal Jean Dau, Sheridan, Illinois
William Gary Davis, Belgrade, Maine
Jacob J. Dreiling, Minnola
Taylor Chloe Fischer, Dodge City
Hayden R Guetterman, Bucyrus
Kedrick Scott Hart, Wichita
Derek Joseph Henry, Wetmore
Jeffery Lewis Kirk, Lawrence
Jaret James Klunder, Perryville, Missouri
Mychal Ryan Koltermann, Onaga
Keldon Van Landgraf, Garden City
Yanru Liu, Jinan, China
Trenton L. Moore, Galesburg
Colton Ray Regier, Buhler
Luke Joseph Schmelzel, Seneca
Drew Robert Steinlage, Seneca
Nathan Forrest Stewart, Valley Center
Derek Stiens, Conception Junction, Missouri
Brook Allen Welch, Goddard
Zachary Chance Wilson, Larned

Horticulture and Natural Resources

**Horticulture**
Kiersten Elizabeth Kay Branscum, Winfield
Matthew Arlen Briggs, Tonganoxie
Justin Jeffrey Cecchini, Overland Park
Brandon Lee Dillon, Junction City
Kristina Elizabeth Gehrer, Wichita
Cassandra Beth Homan, Winfield
Kevin P. Horigan, Franklin
Benjamin C. Ira, Manhattan
Andrea Jae Johnson, Olathe
Kaleb R. Lawrence, Gypsum
Caleb Andrew McCarty, Manhattan
Nathan Dean Meier, Olathe
Faith Ann Orth, Bushton
Nicholas Michael Reedy, Lake Quivira
Joseph Jacob Rufenacht, Ness City
James William Seiter, Olathe
Nathaniel Paul Snethen, Ottawa
Brennan Matthew Stotts, Pratt
Justin Taddiken, Salina
Laura Lynn Thurlow, Wakefield
Conner Joseph White, Wichita

Communications and Agricultural Education

Agricultural Communications and Journalism

**Bachelor of Science in Agriculture**
Kaidyn Corin Alanis, Los Banos, California
Samantha Marie Capoun, Alma
Charlsie Joann Craig, Sandia
Kenzie Marie Curran, Farlington
Mikhayla Ruth DeMott, Abbott, Texas
Shakya Arias Everett, Evanston, Illinois
Brooke Taylor Haas, Downs, Illinois

College of Agriculture, Degree Candidates
Park Management and Conservation  
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture  
Dayton Lee Allen, Keene  
Jeffrey Allen Austin, Junction City  
Bethany Marie Cherry, Olathe  
Adrian Jose Cruz, Dodge City  
Russell Mark Lee Hicks, Wichita (M)  
Kristina Renae Keen, Shawnee  
John Vincent Kelly, Topeka  
Derek Kent Kravnicka, Ellis  
Ella Marie Magerle, Lawrence (M)  
Tuesday Elaine Meredith, Leavenworth  
Colton Odette, Concordia  
Kyle John Picht, Osakalosa  
Gary Kade Pulliam, Anthony  
Matt Alexander Schneider, Garden City  
Trevor Schulte, Baileysville (M)  
Amelia Rose Staver, Darby, Pennsylvania  

Wildlife and Outdoor Enterprise Management  
Bachelor of Science in Wildlife and Outdoor Enterprise Management  
Jeffrey Allen Austin, Junction City (M)  
Brady Russell Burks, Watthena  
Patrick Kirby Davis, Hamilton  
Cody Wayne Faulkender, Olathe  
Evan Mitchell Gawanda, McPherson  
Tyler Glen Gentry, Valley Center (M)  
Tyler William Goscha, Logan  
Hagen Scott Hanzlick, Hoxington  
Jared Francis Heiman, Summerfield (M)  
Tyler James Hutchison, Lenexa  
Shane Matthew King, Salina  
Coleman Franz Kingsley, Newton  
Chadrick Dean Lind, Wichita  
Brady Patrick Marstall, Emporia  
Dylan Forest McKnight, Valley Falls  
Avery Scott McNelly, Douglas  
Robert Alan Moritz, Manhattan  
Noah Henri Parsons, Wichita  
Joseph Lynn Prud’homme III, Kennedale, Texas  
Zackary Clay Sammons, Logan  
Drake Lee Sparks, Gardner  
Drake Normand Standef, Sedgwick  
Keagan James Strange, Colby  
Mark Tole, Colby (M)  
Dan Michael Charles Vanschoelandt, Laming  

Animal Sciences and Industry  
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture  
Samantha Leigh Adams, Gladstone, Missouri  
Henley Joy Adkins, Moorpark, California  
Lindsey Marie Anetsberger, Liberty, Missouri  
Jason Michael Banning, Hutchinson (M)  
Sebastian Banuelos De La Rosa, Pasadena, California  
Pierce Jameson Bennett, Houston, Ohio  
Allison Grace Berry, Lawrence  
Louis Barthel Betzen, Colwich  
Sydney Breanne Bigger, Media, Illinois (M)  
Haley Bandstra Bonebrake, Shawnee  
Chase Taylor Boots, Great Bend  
Chase John Bornemann, Sugar Grove, Illinois  
Coleen Elizabeth Bost, Overland Park  
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Matthew Gregory Boyer, Prairie Village  
Dean Vincent Bruna, Hanover  
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Haley Jeannette DeLong, Emporia (M)  
Austin Eugene Deppe, Maquoketa, Iowa  
Dustin Raymond Deters, Seneca  
Nathaniel Lee Doss, Washington  
Mallory Suzanne Ellis, Shawnee (M)  
Laura Grace Erbe, Altoona (M)  
Cheyenne Danielle Evans, Blue Rapids  
Lena Marie Fernkopf, Circleville (M)  
Bradan Michael Field, Courtland  
Paige Ann Fischer, Hays  
Kathleen Rebecca Flanagan, Lake Dallas, Texas  
Madalyn Joon Fleming, Torrance, California  
Matthew S. Flerlage, St. Marys  
Viola Marie Folsom, Tonganoxie  
Katelyn Marie Franco, Los Angeles, California  
Lauren Pauline Geis, Durham  
Charles Zachary Godde, Galesburg, Michigan  
Morgan Nichole Goe, O’Fallon, Missouri  
Jason Michael Gregory, Kansas City, Missouri  
Andrea Nicole Gripe, Pratt  
Sara Ashley Gruver, Stevensville, Michigan  
Matthew William Hadden, Taylorsville, Illinois  
Cassidy Noelle Hamman, Newark, Illinois  
Casey Rae Harper, Hutchinson  
Shailly Brook Harsbarger, Oxford  
Elizabeth Marie Heimerman, Conway Springs  
Adam Daniel Hickel, Claffin  
Kendra Dawn Holthaus, Atelitl  
Amanda Marie Howell, Farmington, New Mexico  
Eduardo Jose Ibarra, Lewis  
Emily Ann Ingram, Andover  
Jacobo Jacquez, Liberal  
Paul Janzen, Newton  
Jacob Aaron Bradley Jantz, Newton  
Dylan Kristopher Johnson, Valley Center  
James Robert Johnson, Niantic, Illinois  
Lane Alan Johnson, Eureka  
Marissa Ann Johnson, Lindborg  
Ashley A. Joseph, Franklin (M)  
Morgan Kautzer, Hutchinson  
Clayton James Keeler, Pretty Prairie  
Jackson Wayne Kelley, Olathe (M)  
Christina Nicole Klein, Louisville, Kentucky  
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Natalie Marie Ledgerwood, Wichita  
Jing Li, Zhangjiakou, China  
Samuel Coffman Liggert IV, Mount Solon, Virginia (M)  
Joseph Raymond Limbach, Eugene, Missouri (M)  
Bo Liu, Xuanhua, China  
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Jenna Lyn Lueth, Olathe  
Caden Tanner Lynch, Lawrence  
Sierra Lynn Misa Mackey, Laguna Hills, California  
Caleb Marcus Marshall, Sunbury, Ohio  
Shelly Kathryn Martin, Naperville, Illinois  
Christina Marie Martinelli, Oxford, Connecticut  
Cole William McCabe, Prairie Village  
Brandi Anna McCoy, Sabetha (M)  
Patricia Coe McEwen, Wichita  
Kayla Ann McGurk, Fort Belvoir, Virginia  
Matthew Todd Melvin, London Hills, Illinois  
Stephen Michael Mercer, Olathe (M)  
Chiara Michelotti, Visano, Italy  
Kaylea Nicole Nemecik, Overland Park  
Katharine Ingrid Newman, Evanston, Illinois  
Abby Elizabeth Stahlbaumer, Seneca (M)  
Kelsey R. O’Rourke, Prairie Village  
Sarah Anne Ostrom, Naperville, Illinois  
Tasha Lynn Ostrowski, St. Joseph, Missouri  
Montana Dawn Percell, Marion  
Brooke Carolyn Perry, Emporia  
Shynia Rianne Peterman, Lyons (M)  
Nathan Edward Pitts, Buhler  
Tyler Pohlenza, Valley Center  
Breanna Marie Lynn Potter, Belle Plaine (M)  
Sarah Keatley Price, Littleton, Colorado  
Laura L. Prill, Wichita (M)  
Rebekah Kathleen Raetzel, Olathe (M)  
Angela Ramirez, Wichita  
Calla Ammarie Reilly, Dawson, Illinois  
Suanna Lynn Reimer, Moundridge  
Braden Matthew Richter, Green  
Jacob C. Robertson, Auburn, Nebraska  
Taylor Joseph Rock, Strasburg, Colorado  
Jamie Nicole Rohlf, Bennett, Iowa
**Food Science and Industry**

### Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Industry

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Jessica Marie Baker, Overland Park  
Morgan Renee Baker, Louisville, Kentucky  
Katherine Helen Brackebusch, Marshall, Wisconsin  
Ronald Joe Bragg, Manhattan  
Carrie Elizabeth Carlson, Lincolnville  
Thomas Ray Cobb, Rockledge, Florida  
Cynthia Marie Coleman, Columbus, Ohio  
Landon Michael Cook, Hope  
Kelvin Duy Dam, Rosemead, California  
Ellissa Christine Heim, Hoxie  
Lilliam Marie Hyde, Topeka  
Sunian Jiao, Xiangyang, China  
Sarah Lyndsey Jones, Riverton  
Mayla Fabiana Kritski Baez, Asunción, Paraguay  
Blake Anthony Lemley, Postoria, Ohio  
Macy Loring, Gardner  
Alex William Maggard, Olathe  
McKenzie Sue Martel, Shawnee  
Willie Travis Mason, Wheaton, Missouri  
Caylan Kyle McIntosh, Omaha, Nebraska  
Bria Liana Morton, Christiansted, Virgin Islands  
Elizabeth Ngoc Nguyen, Rockford, Illinois  
Anteelah Nicole Phebus, Manhattan  
Sophia Elizabeth Pitney, Abilene  
Shelby Marie Lynn Rose, Louisburg  
Danielle Elizabeth Reedy, Louisburg  
Kaylee Ann Sarver, Lyons  
Alexandra Kristen Serzyski, Lenexa  
Macy Christena Sherwin, Lenexa  
Gretchen Elise Stone, Garden City  
Linja Tang, Shenzhen, China  
Jacob Dean Wilson, Merriam

### Milling Science and Management

### Bachelor of Science in Milling Science and Management

Noah Michel Bourcier, Midlothian, Texas  
Tanner James Elliott, Nicollet, Minnesota  
Ramsey Edward Hundley, Effingham  
Tucker John Ivan Kennedy, Stilwell  
Margaret Morgan Molina, Lantwood  
Benjamin Edward Reilly, Tonganoxie  
Tyler Jacob Schissel, Olathe  
Conner Clayton Seitz, Arkansas City  
Brett Eugene Stegeman, Stilwell  
Derek Timothy Thibault, Osborne

**Grain Science and Industry**

### Bakery Science and Management

### Bachelor of Science in Bakery Science and Management

Gideon Abel Butler-Smith, Overland Park  
Erick Richard Denton Neilson, Overland Park  
Emily Joan Payne, Cimarron  
Sophia Elizabeth Pitney, Abilene  
Lisa Christine Pluff, Shawnee  
Gaganpreet Singh, Mobali, India  
Marissa Kaylyn Stubbs, Wichita  
Jonathan Thomas Wolfe, Pittsburg

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College of Agriculture, Degree Candidates
College of Human Ecology

Processional:*
Rachael Gros, Senior, Music Education

Welcome:
Karen Pence, M.S., Assistant Dean

National Anthem*

Recognition of Faculty Awards:
John Buckwalter, Ph.D., Dean

Dawley-Scholer Award for Excellence in Student Development:
Sara Rosenkraz, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health

Commerce Bank and W.T. Kemper Foundation Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award:
Bryan Orthel, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Apparel, Textiles, and Interior Design

Faculty Extension Excellence Award:
Sandra Procter, Ph.D., Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist, Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health

Faculty Research Excellence Award:
Tim Musch, Ph.D., Professor, Kinesiology
Katie Heinrich, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Kinesiology

Myers-Alford Teaching Award:
Kim Hiller Connell, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Apparel, Textiles, and Interior Design

Big 12 Faculty Fellowship Award:
Stuart Heckman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Family Studies and Human Services

K-State Mentoring Fellowship:
Kristin Malek, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Hospitality Management

Presidential Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching:
Stephanie Kurti, Doctoral Graduate, Human Ecology

K-State Excellence in Engagement Award:
Marlene VerBrugge, M.S., Research Assistant Professor, Family Studies and Human Services

Recognition of Student Speaker:
John Buckwalter, Ph.D., Dean

Student Address:
Courtney Claxton, Bachelor’s Candidate, Communications Sciences and Disorders

Recognition of Student Honors:
Shawna Jordan, Ph.D., Assistant Dean and Research Assistant Professor, Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health

Commencement Address:
Patrick Pesci, M.S., Professor Emeritus, Hospitality Management

Alumni Association Greetings:
Amy Button Renz, President and CEO, K-State Alumni Association

Conferral of Bachelor’s Degrees:
John Buckwalter, Ph.D., Dean

Presentation of Degree Candidates:
Barbara Anderson, M.Arch., Professor and Department Head, Apparel, Textiles, and Interior Design
Dorothy Durband, Ph.D., Professor and Director, School of Family Studies and Human Services
Mark Haub, Professor and Department Head, Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health
Kevin Roberts, Associate Professor and Interim Department Head, Hospitality Management
Karen Pence, M.S., Assistant Dean
Craig Harms, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Kinesiology

Presentation of Diplomas:
John Buckwalter, Ph.D., Dean

Assisted by:
April C. Mason, Ph.D., Provost and Senior Vice President
Karen Pence, M.S., Assistant Dean

Charge to the Class:
John Buckwalter, Ph.D., Dean

Alma Mater*

Recessional:
Rachael Gros, Senior, Music Education

*The audience will please rise.
management program’s professional development of students.

Pesci served as chair of the College of Human Ecology’s Reinstatement Committee, as faculty advisor to the Hospitality Management Society and as capstone internship coordinator for the hospitality management program.

Before becoming hotel and restaurant management program director, Pesci was a unit director and instructor with K-State Housing and Dining Services. He also served as a human resource development coordinator with Housing and Dining Services and was a member of the Faculty Senate and Parking Appeals Committee. In addition, he was chapter advisor to the Kansas Beta chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

Pesci was able to translate his wide and varied interests into civic involvement as a food service consultant for the U.S. Navy, alumni advisory board member for the food service management program at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, committee member for Home Care and Hospice’s Flint Hills Festival of Wines, and facilities coordinator for the Episcopal Student Center’s Canterbury House.

The betterment and professional development of students were priorities of Pesci’s and he was recognized with the College of Human Ecology Dawley-Scholer Award for Faculty Excellence in Student Development and Division of Student Life’s Putting Students First Award.

Pesci received a Bachelor of Science in food and nutrition from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and a Master of Science in institutional management from K-State.

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### Degree Candidates

#### Apparel, Textiles, and Interior Design

**Bachelor of Science in Apparel and Textiles**
Reem Ibrahim Alawi, Manhattan (SU17)
Margaret Mahoney Bourk, Lawrence
Jaliyah Dreinise Brown, Hinesville, Georgia (SU17)
Xiao Bo, Jiaxing, China (SU17)
Kylee Dawn Darger, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin
Quinn Cathryn Deters, Topeka (SU17)
Kelsey Rae Dighans, Baldwin City
Maria Zarina Pelayo Domingo, Manhattan (SU17)
Hattie Michelle Doolittle, Kansas City
Hannah Janae Ediger, Ithaca (SU17)
Molly Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, St. Joseph, Missouri
Nicole Breann Ford, Wichita (SU17)
Amber Katherine Harvey, Lawrence
Sonja Kumar Khosla, Overland Park
Emily Marie LeBlanc, Lawrence
Doyun Lydia Lee, Daegu, South Korea
Madison Marie McKown, Sioux Falls, South Dakota (SU17)
Anna Marguerite Nolte, Wichita
Kristin Elizabeth Nycklemoe, Olathe
Molly Renee O’Mara, Overland Park (SU17)
Kelsey Marie O’Neil, Southlake, Texas
Bethany Jane Pence, Overland Park (SU17)
Baylee Jean Ragsdill, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Melanie Jane Riordan, Normal, Illinois (SU17)
Emily Rae Sanders, Wichita
Aaron Albert Simon, Olathe (SU17)

**Schyler Victoria Slaven, Overland Park (SU17)**
**Margaret Rose Stuart, Shawnee (SU17)**
**Emily Ann Summers, Parkville, Missouri**
**McKenzie Marie Tignor, Topeka (SU17)**
**Fabiana Beatriz Zalazar Vega, Asunción, Paraguay**
**Jenna Elizabeth Vetrone, Southlake, Texas**
**Brooke Renee Wallace, New Cambria**
**Brittany Ann Westbrook, Goddard (SU17)**

**Bachelor of Science in Interior Design**
Salome Rose Benedick, Manhattan (SU17)
Shelli Brannan, Basebar
Melina Erin Cope, Olathe (SU17)
Alexandria Nicole Flory, Lawrence
Margaret Cynthia Haneberg, Olathe
Merry Cecilia Hormung, Kit Carson, Colorado (SU17)
Makenzie Ione Hutley, St. Marys
Kyeongha Jeong, Seoul, South Korea
Kelsie Madison Joyce, Mesa, Arizona
Sarah Wiesner Kelly, Wichita
Lauren Elizabeth Osborn, Wichita (SU17)
Cecilia Marie Pedroza, Chicago Ridge, Illinois
Kayla Mishell Presswood, Lawrence (SU17)
Laura Catherine Roth, Overland Park
Jessica Christine Russell, Topeka (SU17)
Kaitlyn Nicole Simon, Wichita (SU17)
Hannah Nicole Sojka, Lenexa
Kelsey Elizabeth Spriigs, Purcellville, Virginia
Darbie Netise Winrick, Shoreview, Minnesota

**Family Studies and Human Services**

**Bachelor of Science in Family Studies and Human Services**

(Communication Sciences and Disorders)
Rikki Lynn Alderson, Warmsge
Laurel Elisabeth Anderson, Wichita
Emily Margaret Arterburn, Wichita
Elizabeth Rose Bittiker, Mission
Courtney Michelle Brackey, Topeka
Courtney Renee Claxton, Olathe
Chanel Ashley Coyne, Jola (SU17)
Meagan Katherine Crooks, Spring Hill (SU17)
Cassandra Elizabeth Dizon, Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin (SU17)
Lindsey Ann Finger, Palos Park, Illinois (SU17)
Megan Frances Gansel, Hill City
Megan Rose Griffith, Wichita (SU17)
Sarah Lynn Haverkamp, Lenexa
Allison Rebecca Ivers, McPherson (SU17)
Sarah Elizabeth Lewis, Stillwell
Elizabeth Loren Penton, Topeka (SU17)
Yesenia Perez, Liberal
Madelyn Anne Petree, Kansas City, Missouri
Jessica Anne Smith, Manhattan (SU17)
Alexandra Nicole Soliday, Olathe (SU17)
Jessica Elaine Sutton, Topeka (SU17)
Casey Elaine Weaver, Bartlingame (SU17)
Lauren Welch, Arkansas City (SU17)
(Early Childhood Education)
Whitney Michelle Croll, New Strawn
Madeline Melody Healy, Prowa, Wisconsin
Addie Marie Mayberry, Chapman
Ashley Nichole Nuzum, Garden City
Ashlyn Marie Wiens, Inman

(Family Studies and Human Services)
Jacob Thomas Anderson, Overland Park
Tittiana Maria Ayala, Junction City
Allison Louise Bamford, Overland Park (SU17)
Kaili Nicole Barbour, Overland Park
Dimas Omar Benitez, Garden City
Karin Subhash Bhakta, Salina (SU17)

Page Elaine Black, St. Joseph, Missouri
Karlee Rann Bobbitt, Prairie Village (SU17)
Gabriella Hope Boeger, Overland Park (SU17)
Brooke Sierra Boyington, Phillipsburg (SU17)
Taylor Dee/Ann Breckenridge, Shawnee
Katherine Alynne Burton, Shawnee
Morgan Justine Burton, Baldwin City (SU17)
Kathryn Leigh Cannata, Goddard
Nicolette Paige Caselman, Salina
Danielle Georgia Chadbourne, Overland Park
Jordan Camille Clipson, Paris, Texas
Shannon Elizabeth Conover, Wichita (SU17)
Kayla Rose Cooney, Lenexa (SU17)
Kathryn Wheeler Crimm, Overland Park (SU17)
Andrea Kathleen Davidson, Overland Park
Allison J. Davis-Webb, Chapman
Katherine Marie Dirks, Overland Park
Alicia Marie Edgerly, Olathe
Cassie Marie Enright, Wellsville (SU17)
Carle Lee Ervin, Edmond, Oklahoma
Laura Colleen Farkas, Bel Aire
Morgan Elizabeth Feight, Clyde
Shawn Floyd Finch, Seattle, Washington (SU17)
Brooke Nicole Goer, Wamego
McKinsey Renea Gonzales, Garden City
Taylor Michelle Good, Manhattan
Victoria Lane Govea, Burlington
Jordyn Alexa Green, Olathe
Paige Michelle Gutersen, Eaton, Colorado
Jillian Claire Haake, Olathe (SU17)
Jessica Nicole Harris, St. Louis, Missouri
Savannah Alaina Hays, Topeka (SU17)
JoLynn Joyce Hennerberg, Hallsberg
Karla Marie Henry, Seneca
Jenny Jean Herrera, Dodge City (SU17)
Maggie Jane Heumann, Lenexa
Ashley Marie Hirsch, Hiawatha
Megan Elizabeth Hiser, Overland Park
Shanaya Dee Hoehe, Scott City (SU17)
Emma Ruth Honts, Andover
Benton Michael Hrabe, Kensington (SU17)
Nicholas Fredarick Huggard, Overland Park
Taylor Renae Inglis, Manhattan (SU17)
Wesley Deshaun Iwundi, Houston, Texas
Boyce Renee Jackson, Kansas City
Jennifer Marie Jackson, Clay Center
BreAnn Nicole Jaeger, Minneapolis (SU17)
Caroline Elise Kain, Shawnee
Madeline Ann Kaster, Overland Park
Alyssa Gabriela Kelly, Overland Park
Kayla Ann Koenig, Leawood
Haley Mckay Kottler, Edmond, Oklahoma (SU17)
Kodi Marie Koup, Emporia (SU17)
Kelsey Lynn Kuckelman, Scott City (SU17)
Kristen Noel Kufahl, Wheaton (SU17)
Ashton Kimberly Lane, Leawood (SU17)
Elana Nicole Latimer, Overland Park
Elizabeth L. Leonard, Shawnee (SU17)
Garrett Michael Lesher, Leawood
Jasmine Lenez’ Lewis, Overland Park (SU17)
Lynzee Kate Mace, Smith Center
Regan Nicole May, Phillipsburg
Jordan Alexander Mayle, Moline, Minnesota
Kari Renae McLean, Derby (SU17)
Eileen Melinda Mick, Ottawa
Anna Christine Milby, Lenexa
Elizabeth Jo Lynn Mills, Elkhart
Annie Rose Mindrup, Hays
Kimberly Ann Morrison, Keller, Texas
Sydney Lee Mulanax, Abilene (SU17)
Kathy Kim Nguyen, Shawnee (SU17)
Alayna Camille Noe, Wewaime
Lauren Julia Oehmke, Palmer
Kayla Leigh Ohlde, Linn
Alexa Nicole Olyphant, Wichita
Daphne Nicole Park, El Dorado (SU17)
Mackenzie Janae Payne, Burlington
Monica Nicole Prado, San Antonio, Texas
Sarah E. Pride, Lansing (SU17)
Madisen Nicole Reeves, Emporia
Moira Helen Reilly, Overland Park
Audrey Reynolds, Paola (SU17)
Shelby Janelle Richardson, Kansas City
Monica Lynn Riedesel, Belton, Missouri (SU17)
Hannah Kathleen Rigg, Topeka (SU17)
Jessica Ann Roush, Leavenworth
Jordann Rose Sagraves, Winterville, North Carolina
Brooke Danielle Sassin, San Antonio, Texas
Amanda Michele Scheideman, Wamego
Nicholas Scheidt, Manhattan
Caroline Fay Schuckman, Wichita
Summer Nicole Senn, Manhattan
Kayla Nicole Shieles, Manhattan
Shay Shelby Simmons, University Park, Illinois
Andrew Michael Thomas Snodgrass, Olathe (SU17)
Karlin Lynn Sol, Manhattan
Kelley Jane Sol, Manhattan
Lindsey Nicole Sparlin, Arkansas City (SU17)
Jennifer Katherine Stanton-Jones, District of Columbia

Bachelor of Science in Personal Financial Planning
Lindsay Ann Adams, Clay Center (SU17)
Lauren Jessica Conrow, St. George
Jarah Elizabeth Cooper, Olathe
Nicola Lippert Cyr, Naperville, Illinois (SU17)
Chad Douglas Fiser, Manhattan
Bayli Alexandra Gasper, Salina
Joseph Thomas Greco, Overland Park
Joshua David Harper, Topeka
Stephen Andrew Phillips, Merriam
Matthew Christopher Schluter, Louisburg (SU17)
Bret Daniel Shoemaker, Riley
Emily Lou Stec, Atchison

Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health

Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training
Michelle Elizabeth Bowman, Kearney, Nebraska (SU17)
Alicia Marie DeSanto, Olathe
Megan Marie Domann, Nortoville
Quay Andrew Hervey, Belle Plaine
Jordan Ross Johnson, Lenexa
Isaac Johnson Kitsmiller, Grand Island, Nebraska
Brent Paul Koolhof, Holcomb
Hannah Rose Lindsey, Stockton
James Amos Manning, Wamego
Elizabeth Ann McKinney, Englewood
Carina Jean Metzgar, Mound City, Missouri
Katelyn Mary Musil, Blue Rapids
Jack Andrew Nation, Overland Park
Caroline Elizabeth Orndorff, Wiesbaden, Germany
Katherine Elizabeth Proctor, Manhattan
Cooper Alan Sax, Olathe
Jennifer Margit Stawski, Junction City
Amanda Ann Todavich, Lake Zurich, Illinois (SU17)
Jordan Levi Walter, Beloit (SU17)
Bachelor of Science in Dietetics
Bretta Linnae Alstrom, Cheney
Sophia Elizabeth Bachman, Overland Park (S)
Lindyn M. Bell, Louisville, Kentucky
Isabelle Mariah Bouchard, Columbia, Missouri
Sabrina Ann Cullison, Virginia Beach, Virginia
Melissa Curtis, Lansing, Michigan (S)
Anna P. Dillon, Little River (S)
Mary Frances Donnelly, Leawood (S)(T) (S17)
Taylor Lynn Drake, Derby (T)
Robin Rae Durain, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (S)
Ashlyn Elaine Evans, Lawrence
Rachel Louise Goltl, McCook, Nebraska (S)
Danielle Renee Grogan, Clearwater
Malerie Laine Heinz, Dodge City (S17)
Daina M. Holmes, Lawrence (O)
Tara Lynn Hovis, Overland Park
Kristine Brigitte Marie James, Fort Worth, Texas (M)
Rachel Elizabeth Juennemann, Colby (S)(T)
Elli Lane Kingsley, Sedgwick
Twila Joy Linville, Bement, Illinois
Tami Lynn McKay, Apex, North Carolina
Lisa Anne Njrorge, Lawrence (S17)
Summer Haylee Ort, Colleyville, Texas (C)
Shannon Renee Parks, St. Petersburg, Florida
Cindy S. Patierno, Brigantine, New Jersey (M)(T) (S17)
Tzipora Anne Perl, Toronto, Canada (S)
Jessica Provost, Prairie Village
Anna Maria Raymond, Morgantown, West Virginia
Ryndee Marie Root, Grand Rapids, Michigan
Bailey C. Sanderson, Wamego (M)(O)
Kiersten Danielle Savage, Lenexa, Virginia
Jennifer A. Schaffer, Troutdale, Oregon (S17)
Angela Marie Schirhka, Elgin, Illinois (S)
Erin Marie Shaw, Syracuse, New York
Katherine Lisa Strong, Wichita (M)
Tracie Syed, Temecula, California (S17)
Gabrielle Paige Vandergriff, Prairie Village (M)(O) (S)
Laura Kathleen Wendte, Lee’s Summit, Missouri (C)
Leanne Michelle Witek, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Maura Julianne Woolsey, Topeka (C)

Kaitlin Renee Gulley, Marion, Illinois (S)(T)
Rachel Elizabeth Juennemann, Colby (S)(T)
Hanna Lauren Kaempe, Wichita
Courtney Morgan Klema, Lenexa
Hannah Brooks Leasor, Louisville, Kentucky (K)(S)
Shelli Renee Lederer, Valley Falls
Madeline Anne Loper, Downers Grove, Illinois (S)(T)
John Michael Malabanan, Manhattan (S)(T)
Logan Darrell-Lee Marconette, Olathe
Olivia Macy Paden, Dearborn, Missouri (S)
Cody Jacob Riley, Overland Park (S)
Alissa Catharine Rinner, Lenexa
Megan Rhea Robertson, Tribune (S)
Samantha Brooks Rosado, Olathe (S)(T)
Dani Grace Schwarz, Marysville (S)
Rena Marie Soller, Shawnee
Kelly Mae Thomson, Riley (S)(O)
Gabrielle Paige Vandergriff, Prairie Village (M)(O) (D)
Whitney Sue Wealmand, Ephraim, Pennsylvania (S)(T)

(Nutrition and Kinesiology)
Emma Kristy Bassette, Nortonville (M)(O) (D)
Danielle Nicole Burleson, Olathe (D)
Mary Frances Donnelly, Leawood (O) (S)(T) (D)
Austin Wayne Holmes, Lebo (O)
Autumn N. Juhl, Wichita (O)
Melanie Amanda McCarty, Rose Hill (D) (O)
Dillon Robert Parker, Wichita (S)
Haley Brooke Pitko, Eureka (D)
Hunter Anne Dakotah Postier, Leavenworth (S) (D)
Bailey C. Sanderson, Wamego (M)(O) (D)
Andrea Lynn Steuber, Manhattan (S)(T) (D) (S)
Madison Leigh Tuxhorn, Inman (O)

(Nutritional Sciences)
Abby Michelle Anderson, Belleville (O)
Joy Elizabeth Fesen, Hutchinson (M)
Austin Mark Gilroy, Overland Park (C)
Riley Susan Mickelsen, Topeka (M)
Caleb Alan Niehaus, Holton
Jacob Wesley Priddle, Manhattan
Sarah Ann Rhodes, Gardner
Kelly Mac Thomson, Riley (O) (O)

(Public Health Nutrition)
Anna P. Dillon, Little River (S)
Zhe Zhang, Qingdao, China

Human Ecology
Stephanie Ann Brands, Ottawa (S)(T)
Cassie Rae Bullock, Wichita (S)(T)
Sarah Elizabeth Christensen, Tecumseh (D)
Taylor Dawn Clark, Sedgwick (S)(T)
Kimberly Crawford, Paola
Lindsay Jane Davis, Neshoba (S)(O)
Nicole May Dearing, Bangor, Maine (S)(T)
Kara Kaitlyn Dold, Overland Park
Lauren Marie Hauser, Gardner (S)(T)
Alexander Scott Heger, Manhattan
Dylan Rae Jordan, Andover (S)(T) (S)
Mary-Katherine Elaine Kearney, Sanger, Texas (C)
Abigail Elizabeth Krstulic, Overland Park (C)
Heling Li, Xiangtan, China
Kaitlin Louise Martin, Mead
Jordan Nicole Matthews, Glenside, Pennsylvania
Calder Patrick McAffee, Winchester (S)(T)
Bridget Leacy McBratney, Leawood (S)(T)
Alex Cameron Morehead, Overland Park
Heather Nicole Nutt, Wichita (S)(T)
Christian Andre Onuorah, London, England
Caroline Rose Parsons, Wichita
William A. Peterson, Augusta (S)(T)
John Henry Prince, Manhattan
Abigail Dawn Richards, Valley Center
Mandy Jo Simons, Girard (S)(T)
Junyung Tan, Yulin, China (S)(T)
Sarah Marie Thomas, Shawnee
Cole Richard Woodworth, Manhattan
Ashley Wright, Manhattan

Bachelor of Science in Hotel and Restaurant Management
Menghi Chen, Wuhan, China (S)(T)
Kelly Marie Dickinson, Leawood
Maddy Jean Irvine, Andover
Drew Elston Jacobson, Wamego
Victor Marcelo Garcia Saldivar, Kansas City, Missouri
Alyssa Michelle WotrZ, Newton (S)(T)

Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology
(Bachelor of Science in Human Ecology)
Brooke Anne Aguirre, Fillmore, California
Makenzie Kathryn Bexten, Leawood (S)(T)
Morgan Katherine Britton, Overland Park
Emily Castellini, Bridgeton, New Jersey (S)
Alex Jordan Chase, Derby
Sarah Michelle Disstefano, Overland Park
Thomas David Dodge, Leawood
Kelsey Nicole Eagleman, Lenexa
Annie Elizabeth Eller, Topeka
Emily Grace Feldkamp, Lenexa
Brandace Allyn Goetz, Park (S)(S)

(Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management)
Jessica Amber Ayres, Wichita (S)
Katie Jo Baker, Wamego (S)
Heather Frances Baldwin, Wichita
Xiaowei Bing, Beijing, China (S)(T)

Hospitality Management
Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management
Breanna J. Lewis, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Kelsey Grace Ludwig, Shawnee
Madison Lyn Rea, Lansing (S)(T)
Samantha M. Tien, Prairie View
(Family and Consumer Sciences Education)

Mackenzie Bickford, Betteine, North Dakota
Jordan Rae Carlson, Clay Center
Lauren D. Cox, Wichita
Shawn Floyd Finch, Seattle, Washington (SU17)
Haley Lynn Johnson, Auburn (MCI) (SU17)
Jorji Jo Johnson, Juniata, Nebraska
Katelyn Lani Marie Lohmann, Manhattan (SU17)
Claire Lorree Meyer, Bern
Erica Ranae Parret, Wichita

Kinesiology

Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology

Samantha Paige Alexander, Highlands Ranch, Colorado
Gustavo Tamayo Arana, Marysville (SU17)
Iva Bago, Vukovar, Croatia (SU17)
Nathan Drew Bailey, Olathe (SU17)
Emma Kristy Bassette, Nortonville (SU17)
Madeline Grace Batchelder, Colorado Springs, Colorado
McKial Bliss, Halstead
Travis Scott Bryan, LeRoy
Danielle Nicole Burleson, Olathe (SU17)
Kelsie Marie Carpenter, Leawood (SU17)
Jordaan Case, Salina
Nicole Anne Catloth, Olathe
Marisa Nicole Cayler, Topeka
Joseph Dean Chamberlain, Shawnee
Dylan Thomas Cooley, Great Bend
Samuel Thomas Cooney, Arkston
Kasey Lynn Cruthers, Upper Township, New Jersey (SU17)
Jordan Kristofer Curtis, Wamego
Taryn Blayne Daniels, Andover
Jayden Michael De La Rosa, Garden City
Alison Jean DeNegro, San Diego, California
Hayla Demel, Clifflin
Mary Frances Donnelly, Leawood (SU17) (SU17)
Matthew Lawrence Engelken, St. Benedict
Madison Nicole Epp, Bonner Springs (SU17) (SU17)
Morgan Elizabeth Fisch, Shawnee
Shannon Marie Foley, Stilwell (SU17)
Ethan Thanfe Fort, Hays
Morgan Rae Furstenberg, Wichita
Megan Sharon Goebel, Leavenworth
Seth Andrew Gonzalez, Erie (SU17)
Kyle Dean Goracke, Hope
Samantha Kay Greig, Leawood
Taylor Jacob Guhr, Whitewater (SU17)
Victoria Suzanne Happel, Salina
Taylor Elizabeth Hatfield, Mulvane
Andrew Christopher Hawkins, Goddard
LaShe Marie Hedstrom, Belleville
Eric Patrick Heffern, Iola (SU17)
Brian Richard Heinz, San Diego, California (SU17)
Sierra Brooke Henricks, Olathe (SU17)
Austin Wayne Holmes, Lebo (SU17)
Tyler Dwayne Hopkins, Lee’s Summit, Missouri
Aaron Michael Howard, Wichita
Samantha Marie Rethman Huber, Overland Park (SU17)
Tyler Caldwell Jennings, Wichita
Gavin Jorns, Overland Park
Autumn N. Juhl, Wichita (SU17)
Timera Dawn Kakish, Las Vegas, Nevada
Kade David Kanelakos, Arkansas City
Kathryn Marie Kazmierczak, Mokena, Illinois
Logan R. Krizek, Olathe
Jack Michael Leslie, Kansas City, Missouri
Christian Thomas Leyh, Salina
Jared Seth Lovin, St. George
Trevor Benjamin Lowe, Kirwin
Elizabeth Jane Manley, Marysville
Melanie Amanda McCarty, Rose Hill (SU17)
Emily Brooke McEntire, Lawrence
Emily Marie McNally, Corning
Dylan Matthew Messer, Udal
Jordan Taylor Minto, Maize
Mariah Jean Musseter, Wamego (SU17)
Connor Lott Nace, Minneapolis
Robert George Nagely, Sabatha (SU17)
Ricardo Nava, Liberal
Brady Shay Nicholson, Wichita (SU17)
Christopher Edward Orme, Derby
Blake Carl Overmiller, Hastings, Nebraska
Dillon Robert Parker, Wichita (SU17)
Kylie Veronica Penning, Washington
Olivia Nicole Pierce, Wichita (SU17)
Haley Brooke Pitko, Eureka (SU17)
Hunter Kade Post, Beloit
Hunter Anne Dakotah Postier, Leavenworth (SU17) (SU17)
Dominique Lashay Proctor, Tulsa, Oklahoma (SU17)
Joseph G. Pyle, Olathe (SU17)
Devin Quinn, Bucyrus
Kyle Robert Ragusin, Overland Park
Heather Rose Ruder, Hays
Collier Hodges Sanders III, Concord, Georgia
Bailey C. Sanderson, Wamego (SU17)
Blake Andrew Saville, Manhattan
Charles William Schneider IV, Mustang, Oklahoma
Benjamin Tyrone Selby, Colorado Springs, Colorado
Jessica Dee Sheble, Olathe
Katlyn Christine Smith, Andale (SU17)
Andrea Lynn Steuber, Manhattan (SU17) (SU17)
Andrew Jasa Stevens, Ashburn, Virginia
Sydney Kay Stoffregen, Wichita (SU17)
Blaine Steven Tharman, Paxico
Mallory Renea Thompson, Lawrence (SU17) (SU17)
Anthony Mark Thompson, Allen, Texas
Amy Sue Tippin, Hillsboro (SU17)
Chase Allen Turner, Salina (SU17)
Rowan Theresa Turner, Gardner (SU17)
Madison Leigh Tuxhorn, Inman (SU17)
David Mark Warnky, Wichita (SU17)
Madison Ashley Werth, Great Bend
Kindred Parris Wesemann, Pleasant Hill, Missouri
Joseph Luke Wheeler, Prairie Village
Alexis Marie Zavala, Wellington
Casey Lynn Ziegenhirt, Council Grove
Brittany Jenkins Ziegler, Bowie, Maryland
**Processional:**
Student Brass Quintet

**Welcome:**
Craig Wanklyn, M.S., Assistant Dean

**National Anthem:**
Jacob Bullock, Bachelor’s Candidate, Architectural Engineering

**Recognition of Honor Graduates:**
Darren Dawson, Ph.D., Dean

**Student Address:**
Gabrielle Lobo, Bachelor’s Candidate, Industrial Engineering

**Commencement Address:**
Charles "Chuck" Grier, President and CEO, UCI

**Alumni Association Greetings:**
Amy Button Renz, President and CEO, K-State Alumni Association

**Presentation of Degree Candidates:**
Ray Buyle, M.S., Associate Professor and Interim Department Head, Architectural Engineering and Construction Science and Management
Joseph P. Harner, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Biological and Agricultural Engineering
James H. Edgar, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Chemical Engineering
Robert W. Stokes, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Civil Engineering
Scott A. DeLoach, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Computer Science
Don M. Gruenbacher, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Department Head, Electrical and Computer Engineering
Bradley A. Kramer, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering
William Dunn, Ph.D., Professor and Department Head, Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering

**Presentation of Diplomas:**
Darren Dawson, Ph.D., Dean

**Assisted by:**
Gary A. Clark, Ph.D., Senior Associate Dean
Ronald G. Maghirang, Ph.D., Associate Dean
Bette Grauer, Ph.D., Assistant Dean
Craig Wanklyn, M.S., Assistant Dean
Andy Fund, M.S., Assistant Dean

**Conferral of Degrees:**
Darren Dawson, Ph.D., Dean

**Recital of College of Engineering Pledge:**
Bette Grauer, Ph.D., Assistant Dean

**Alma Mater:**
Jacob Bullock, Bachelor’s Candidate, Architectural Engineering

**Recessional:**
Student Brass Quintet

**Grand Marshals:**
Andy Fund, M.S., Assistant Dean
Ronaldo G. Maghirang, Ph.D., Associate Dean

*The audience will please rise.

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**Pledge**

As a graduate of the College of Engineering, I pledge:

To give the utmost of performance;
To participate in none but honest enterprise;
To live and work according to the laws of humanity, and the highest standards of professional conduct;
To place service before profit, the honor and standing of the profession before personal advantage, and the public welfare above all other consideration.

In humility and with need for Divine Guidance, I make this pledge.

**College of Engineering Pledge**

*Based on the Engineer’s Creed, National Society of Professional Engineers*
Speaker

The president and CEO of UCI, formerly known as Utility Contractors Inc., since 1991, Charles “Chuck” Grier began his career as a field engineer, working his way to project manager with a separate company before taking a position as general manager at Utility Contractors of Oklahoma.

A graduate of Kansas State University with a bachelor’s degree in construction science, Grier also graduated as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and spent eight years as a reserve combat engineer officer.

The past president of state chapters of the Associated General Contractors of America in Kansas and Oklahoma, Grier has served on several committees in the organization and is a lifetime national director. He is the co-author of the paper “Construction Kata: Adapting Toyota Kata to a Lean Construction Project Production System,” which was published in 2013. Highly involved in the Wichita community for many years, Grier has served as president of the executive board of the Quivira Council of the Boy Scouts of America and as a member of several other boards, including the Wichita Chamber of Commerce, Heartspring, Goodwill Industries and other chapters of local business-affiliated organizations. Grier currently serves as a director on a local/regional bank board.

Degree Candidates

Architectural Engineering

Bachelor of Science
Mathew Isaac Alford, Eureka
Nora Menahi Alqahtani, Manhattan
Jacob Cecil Bullock, Atchison
Taylor Nathanial Clark, Overland Park
Bradley Joseph Conrow, Lee’s Summit, Missouri
Jeremy Ensa, Garden City (G)
Jonathan Faringthon, McKinney, Texas
Joel William Findley, Bel Aire (Mcl)
Dallas Hope Gardner, Wichita
Colten Wayne Johnson, Marion
Caroline Rose Kabus, Topeka
Di Kang, Chengdu, China
Hunter Joseph Koch, McLouth
Changmin Liao, Jingzhou, China
Carlos Arturo Morales Miranda, Olathe
Kyle Wesley Pfannenstiel, Topeka
Thomas Timothy Pusty, Prospect, Kentucky
Mason Alexander Quintanar, Manhattan
Wei Ren, Xinsiang, China
Matthew Ryan Rensner, Wichita (Mcl)
Nicole Tan Sabourin, Salina
Michael Adam Swanson, Salina
Allison Lynn Troyer, Hillsboro
Christopher Paul Wearing, Salina
Kent David Wells, Clearwater
Kailynn Rae Weyrauch, Lee’s Summit, Missouri
Robee Ybanez Sandoval, Tagaytay City, Philippines
Connor James Yost, Salina

Construction Science and Management

Bachelor of Science
John Armour, Manhattan
Dustin Nicholas Arnold, Olathe
Ernie Ryan Barrett, Manhattan
Bradley Dalton Rice, Wamego
Brock Andrew Borovetz, Parsons
Thomas Cole Conway, Osborne
Jackson B. Eds, Overland Park
Andrew William Egest, Shawnee (M)
Darin Carlton Feist, Lenexa
Matthew Addison Foster, Derby
Robert Werner Gorton, Manhattan
Zachary H. Hickman, Gardner
Mathew Steven Horton, McLouth
Dylan Lefroy Hugunin, Overland Park
Steven K. James, Olathe
Drew Carston Lampaecht, Silver Lake (G)
Justin Gregory Lozenski, Leawood
Sean Bradley Mallory, Wichita
Alejandra Martinez, Dodge City
Cole Mitchell Matzke, Onaga
Sean Adam Mitchell, Mission
Alyxandra Diann Newman, Lee’s Summit, Missouri
Nathan Lee Pendergraft, Overland Park
Brady Martin Poppelreiter, Great Bend
Demetre Dante Praderio, Leawood
Brandon Michael Reid, Denver, Colorado
Dalton Lawrence Schmidt, Wichita
Zachary Lee Sheffield, Olathe
Tyler Garrett Shields, Oberlin
Jared Thomas Simpson, Wichita (Mcl)
Kyle P. Smith, Topeka
Brandon James Stewart, Manhattan

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Bachelor of Science

Samuel Cole Tagtmeyer, Overland Park
Ryn Turk, Olathe

Biological Systems Engineering

Bachelor of Science
Anna Marie Brokesh, Manhattan
Virginia Ann Brown, Lamie (G)
Ryan Allen Clark, McPherson
Craig Scott Griswold, Unionville, Missouri
Mikayla Elizabeth Kortan, Olathe
Adam Patrick Lappe, Kearney, Missouri
Kyle Andrew Lickteig, Lenexa
Robert Curry McWilliams, Lenawee (SU17)
Tyler Rex Montgomery, Almena
Jonathan Dean Pasowicz, Overland Park
Aaron Jared Perez, Lakin (SU17)
Matthew David Price, Olathe
Megan Lee Richards, Stroud (SU17)
Austin Anthony Schmitz, Atchison (SU17)
Kendra Kelly Schuette, Olathe
Ryan Scott Strasser, Garden City (SU17)
Alexander H. Vo, Wichita
Lucas Andrew Weller, Rayville, Missouri (SU17)
Kaila Darchelle Wilson, Kansas City

Chemical Engineering

Bachelor of Science
Mohammed Taher A. Albader, Jubail, Saudi Arabia (SU17) (SU17)
Abdullah Khalil Aldoukhi, Jubail, Saudi Arabia
Momen Mohammed Al-Momen, Damman, Saudi Arabia
Mohammed Fayez S. Almutairy, Jubail, Saudi Arabia (SU17)
Sultan Saleh A. Alrushaid, Al Khobar, Saudi Arabia (SU17)

College of Engineering, Speaker, Degree Candidates
Matthew Levi Emerson, Moundridge
Lauren Claire Erickson, Overbrook
Gregory Thomas Fry, Olathe
Rodolfo Gonzalez Matousek, Asunción, Paraguay
Neil William Haas, Shawnee
Weston Cooter Heidzig, Rogersville, Missouri
Morgan Taylor Holmes, Overland Park
Brent Allen Juennen, Oberlin
Cash Michael Kramer, Cheney
Alexandra Renee Lee, Lincoln, Nebraska
William Benjamin Lewis, Stilwell
Bin Li, Binzhou, China
Adam Lo, Shawnee
Brett Hill Lykins, Overland Park
Mary Colleen Madden, Prairie Village
Mark Anthony Mathis, Hays (SU17)
Evan Ryan McMillan, Wichita
Paul K. Migwi, Nairobi
Kevin Allen Moluf, Valley Falls
Nathan Patrick Olson, Overland Park
Jack Andrew Olsson, Lincoln, Nebraska (SU17)
John Philip Palma, Houston, Texas
Colin Dean Parker, Leavenworth
Randall C. Purdue, Abilene
Gage Andrew Scheer, Cheney
Matthew Strub, Kansas City
Andrew Alan Talkin, Topeka
Tyler Glenn Warren, Silver Lake
Ashton Brianne Wherry, Olathe

Computer Engineering

Bachelor of Science

Tanner Lee Armstrong, Topeka
Brendan Michael Bonavia, Topeka
Muhammad Ibrahim Butt, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Nolan Patrick Casimir, Newton
Dustin Earl Chew, Plainville
Dalton Jay Graber, Berryton (SU17)
Alex Scott Hamilton, Topeka (SU17)
Ethan Koch, Baileyville (SU17)
Joshua Thomas Langford, Littleton, Colorado
Harrison Kevin Manase, Antananarivo, Madagascar
Blake Steven Martin, Lenexa (SU17)
Grant Allen Meyerhoff, Wichita (SU17)
Dishan Anupama Nahitiya, Manhattan
Matthew Wayne Sanner, Gardner
Blake Charles Smathers, Olathe
Luke John Walsh, St. Marys
Li Wang, Dalian, China (SU17)

Electrical Engineering

Bachelor of Science

Khaled Abdullah Alfaialakawi, Kuwait City, Kuwait
Murtada Adel Alsaf, Al Qatif, Saudi Arabia
Broden Alan Bowell, Salina (SU17)
Justin Brickey, Manhattan (SU17)
Dustin Earl Chew, Plainville
Daniel H. Clausing, Lawrence (SU17)
Whitney Rae Cox, Olathe
Levi Mathias Eck, Andale (SU17)
Lawryn Edmonds, Valley Falls
Michael Joseph Hotujac, Overland Park (SU17)
Brandon Edward James, Lenexa
Peter Lenoir Jensen, Hesston
Andrew Dale Johnson, Wichita
Nasser Mulas Juma, Manhattan (SU17)
Ethan Koch, Baileyville (SU17)
James Douglas Lightner, Olathe
Eleazar Lopez, Dodge City
Myra Lynn McNeney, Merriam
Karan Mehra, Overland Park (SU17)
Jacob Joseph Miles, Overland Park
Matthew Ryan Moran, Lenexa
Kevin Than Nguyen, Wichita
Elkana Kibomaa Nambegbera, Topeka (SU17)
Michae1 Rhett Pepper, Holcomb
Meng Rao, Nanjing, China
John Westroppe Shaver, Olathe
Kelsi Rae Sheelley, Effingham
Abdallateef Akolade Shodunke, Sobo, Nigeria
Jacob Aaron Slous, Wichita
Jacob L. Sowers, Cummings
Dylan Thomas Stidham, Lawrence
Earl Richard Watkins, Manhattan
Tanner Christian Wiens, Hutchinson (SU17)
Thomas A. Woodward, Highlands Ranch, Colorado
Tyler Michael Wright, Hutchinson
Tianlu Wu, Wuxi, China
Hang Zhang, Luoyang, China
Hangyu Zhang, Chengdu, China (SU17)

Computer Science

Bachelor of Science

Daniel Josh Bamba, Junction City
Joshua G. Benard, Leavenworth
Connor Milton Berg, De Soto
Logan Ty Brecheisen, Hesston
Landon Sidney Breckenridge, Wichita
Allan Jay Morales Cabanatuan, Kapolei, Hawaii
Kevin Scott Carr, Overland Park
Zachary Alan Cleary, Manhattan
Shawn T. Contant, Independence
Jordan Timothy DeLoach, Manhattan (SU17)
Austin Christopher Elliott, Leawood
Xin Fang, Yangzhou, China
Austin Paul Fangman, St. Joseph, Missouri (SU17)
Dylan Andrew George, Andover
Hunter Brandon Goddard, Parsons
Jonathan Michael Gooden, Kingman (SU17)
Alexander Cameron Devereux Henley, Lawrence

Civil Engineering

Bachelor of Science

Sulaiman Tareq Al Baber, Kuwait City, Kuwait (SU17)
Matthew Tod Anthony, Lakin (SU17)
Brent David Baca, Gallup, New Mexico (SU17)
Megan Kathleen Ball, Overland Park (SU17)
Lauren Katherine Braun, Manhattan (SU17)
Tongshan Dong, Lawrence (SU17)

Ji jia Bai, Guangzhou, China
Brett Rufus Bandy, Manhattan (SU17)
James A. Bennett, Topeka (SU17)
Hasan Mahfouz A. Binmahfooz, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Lincoln Michael Blizard, Andover (SU17)
Levi K. Bond, Conway Springs (SU17)
Allison Nicole Clark, Kearney, Missouri
Diane Nicole Collard, Olathe (SU17)
Elena Kathrin Davidson, Wichita (SU17)
Natalie Lynne Davis, South Hutchinson (SU17)
Micah Harrison Dehning, Cheney (SU17)
Rachel DeMyers, Wichita
Kevin Charles Dippold, Overland Park (SU17)
Brian Everhart, Olathe (SU17)
Martha Elaine Floy, Owatonna, Minnesota (SU17)
Luke Alexander Garrison, Auburn
Nolan Mason Groff, Clinton, Missouri
Ziang Guo, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia (SU17)
Murtada Adel Alsaif, Lakin
Luke John Waliser, St. Marys (SU17)
Dishan Anupama Nahitiya, Wichita (SU17)
Grant Allen Meyerhoff, Leavenworth (SU17)
Blake Steven Martin, Wichita (SU17)
Harrison Kevin Manase, Antananarivo, Madagascar (SU17)
Blake Steven Martin, Lenexa (SU17)
Grant Allen Meyerhoff, Wichita (SU17)
Dishan Anupama Nahitiya, Manhattan (SU17)
Matthew Wayne Sanner, Gardner (SU17)
Blake Charles Smathers, Olathe (SU17)
Luke John Walsh, St. Marys (SU17)
Li Wang, Dalian, China (SU17)
Information Systems

Bachelor of Science
Steven Michael Blits, Lobo
Miriam Angell Feldhausen, Manhattan (Cl)
Jacob Michael Thomas Moulin, Bonner Springs
Robert Fitzgerald Stewart, Wichita
Jeremy Ryan Taylor, Lutesys
Zachary Dag Siefert, Kansas City
Robert Edward Winchester, Overland Park
Hayden Robert Woods, Wichita

Industrial Engineering

Bachelor of Science
Bader Tayseer Alfeeli, Ramaithiya, Kuwait
Abdulrahman KH A M E Alsuamaei, Al-Saad
Emily Mae Bailey, Riley (SU17) (Mcl)
Caleb McDowell Bartel, Shawnee
Brandon James Bell, Chanute
Isaac Trevor Braun, Overland Park
Nathan Waldner Cole, Manhattan
Allyson Elizabeth Day, Olathe
Larissa Marie Detmer, Kansas City
Daniel William Dowell, Liberal
Mary Rose Annette Eakes, St. Marys
Garrett Lee Foster, Hutchinson
Emily Walden Frye, Mission Hills
Ryan Michael Garrett, Olathe
Delilah Mave Griebel, Stockton
Rachel Elizabeth Hayes, Wichita
Aaron Jacob Holsworth, Overland Park (SU17)
Arezzo Hosseinzadeh-Seisain, Kansas City (SU17)
Shawn Lawrence Jackson, Manhattan (SU17)
Zachary Adam Kuntz, Hays
Gabrielle Catherine Lobo, Overland Park
Zachary Benjamin May, Oberlin (SU17)
Blake Redden Myers, Grand Prairie, Texas
Sarah Elizabeth Newell, Stilwell
Ian Miles Ostenberg, Bennington
Lucas Leroy Poulton, Liberal
Jillian Claire Prather, Ottawa
Andrew James Pruett, Valley Falls
Keaton Alan Romine, Overbrook
Jacob Daniel Rzewnicki, Overland Park
Marisa Ann Soto, Kansas City
Tucker Exum Strykowski, Leawood (SU17)
Reid Augustus Sutherland, Park, Colorado
Alonso Talamantes, Hutchinson
Jordan Michael West, Wichita (SU17)

Mechanical Engineering

Bachelor of Science
Dustin Oliver Abnos, Kansas City, Missouri
Abdullah Mohammed Alghobari, Najran, Saudi Arabia
Bjad Nael Almutairi, Abqaiq, Saudi Arabia
Abdulrahman Yaser Al-Obaid, Kuwait City, Kuwait (SU17)
Omar Ayedh S Alsaleh, Dammam, Saudi Arabia
Mohammed Ahmad Alsheqiti, Demoninah, Saudi Arabia
Matt Thomas Athon, Silver Lake
Dylan Lloyd Babcock, McPherson (Cl)
Joshua Caleb Bell, Morland
Timothy Ryan Bernard, Overland Park
Tyler Douglas Brown, Chesterfield, Missouri
Leroy James Burke, Olathe
Clark Andrew Busenitz, Whitewater
Brett Lee Champlin, Cedar Vale
Connor Franklin Clements, Overland Park
Grant D. Collison, Shawnee
Ryan Cooper, Olathe
Justin Currense, Topeka
Kyle Lewis Davis, Overland Park
Jun Dong, Shanghai, China
Jacob Paul Dreiling, Wichita (SU17)
Lee Evans, Lenexa
Zachary James Ferguson, Paula
Grant Patrick Ferland, Kansas City, Missouri (SU17)
Daniel Gregory Franken, Shawnee (SU17)
Cameron Robert Gabler, Wichita
Benjamin Joseph Garten, Overland Park (SU17)
Nathan Scott Gladfelder, Topeka (SU17)
Larry Thomas Gliniecki, Junction City
Ulas Green, St. Louis, Missouri
Matthew Justin Hare, Savannah
Patrick Mason Harwell, Olathe
Dominique Miguel Hoover, Hutchinson
Gregory James Hopper, Gardner (SU17)
Philip Michalakis Hort, Olathe
Nicole Elizabeth Johnson, Blue Springs, Missouri
Samuel Robert Kaifes, Lee's Summit, Missouri
May Lloyd Langston, Olathe
Shiqi Li, Handan, China
Liangliang Liu, Wenzhou, China
Daniel Douglas Lorenzen, Olathe (SU17)
Glenn Christian Luke, Overland Park
Yitao Luo, Wuhu, China
Dacota Ashley Maris, Butler, Missouri
Aaron David Mason, McPherson (SU17)
Joshua Tyler Mathes, Bartlett
Jared S. McLaughlin, Abilene
Lindsey Nicole Merrill, Topeka
Trenton A. Midyett, Bonner Springs
Cody Albert Nieman, Hanover (SU17)
Julia Grace Nyiro, Parker, Colorado
Shaun Joseph O'Brien, Tengangnie
Adam David Osheim, Olathe
Vashishth Janakbhai Patel, Surat, India (SU17)
Ryan Andrew Pauly, Conway Springs
Benjamin Alexander Peterson, Lenexa
Kyle Eric Polson, Nortonville
Brian Christopher Price, Lenexa
Sean Patrick Quinn, Lake Elmo, Minnesota
Sage Marie Ratliff, Phillipsburg
Jared Michael Reese, McPherson
Michael Wesley Reimer, Ashland
Cody Matthew Rethman, Seneca
G.A. Riley, Silver Lake
Cameron Todd Rohleder, Hays
Thomas Cole Sauber, Wichita
Daniel Joseph Scharplaz, Minneapolis
Emma Anne Schinstock, Manhattan
Eric Schlaikjer, Shawnee
Graham Schlaikjer, Shawnee
Benjamin Howard Schmanke, Topeka
Robert Lee Seymour, Manhattan
Jingbo Shi, Beijing, China
Matthew Stalder Shobe, Wichita (SU17)
Caleb Shunatona, Wichita
Aaron Smith, Adrian, Missouri
Allison Elizabeth Sommer, Kearney, Missouri
Grant Michael Stevens, Olathe
Mason Taylor Stewart, Wamego
Calder Chase TenEyck, Wichita
Tyler Scott Allen Thiel, Hutchinson (SU17)
Logan Dean Thomas, Derby
Martin John Thompson, Kansas City, Missouri
Keegan Douglas Tilton, Gaithersburg, Maryland
Nicholas William Ut, Arkansas City
Adam Van Bergeijk, Heisston (SU17)
Jacob Randall Vang, Wichita
Andrew Tyler Walsten, McFarland
Daniel Patrick Wheeler, Overland Park
John Randall Willnaeur, Stilwell
Brett Stephen Wilson, Lawrence
Leidong Xu, Zibo, China
Joshua Joseph Yonkin, Wichita (SU17)
Lu Zhang, Handan, China
University Distinguished Professors

The title of University Distinguished Professor is the highest honor Kansas State University can bestow on its faculty. This lifetime title recognizes faculty making outstanding contributions to teaching, research and service to their professions and communities. University Distinguished Professors are appointed following a universitywide competition conducted by the provost and senior vice president. Each recipient receives a commemorative medallion upon appointment.

The honorees

2016
P.V. Vara Prasad, Ph.D., Agronomy
Bharat Ratna, Ph.D., Physics

2015
Wayne Goins, Ph.D., Music
Douglas S. McGregor, Ph.D., Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering

2014
Yolanda Broyles-González, Ph.D., American Ethnic Studies
Gary Pierzynski, Ph.D., Agronomy
Sandra Stith, Ph.D., Family Studies and Human Services
Bhadiraju Subramanyam, Ph.D., Grain Science and Industry

2013
James H. Edgar, Ph.D., Chemical Engineering
Stephen Higgs, Ph.D., Biosecurity Research Institute
Ryszard Jankowiak, Ph.D., Chemistry
Nancy Monteiro-Riviere, Ph.D., Anatomy and Physiology
Philip Nel, Ph.D., English
Jürgen A. Richt, D.V.M., Ph.D., Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology
Jim Riviere, Ph.D., Anatomy and Physiology
Mike Tokach, Ph.D., Animal Sciences and Industry

2012
Christer Aakeröy, Ph.D., Chemistry
Itzik Ben-Itzhak, Ph.D., Physics
Susan Brown, Ph.D., Biology
Ruth Welf, Ph.D., Biology

2011
Michael Dryden, D.V.M., Ph.D., Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology
Brett Esry, Ph.D., Physics
John Hatchfield, Ph.D., Computing and Information Sciences
John Leslie, Ph.D., Plant Pathology
XiuZhi "Susan" Sun, Ph.D., Grain Science and Industry

2010
Elizabeth Dodd, Ph.D., English
Anthony Joern, Ph.D., Biology

2009
Walter K. Dodds, Ph.D., Biology
Charles W. Rice, Ph.D., Agronomy

2008
Edgar Chambers IV, Ph.D., Human Nutrition
Philene Wangemann, Ph.D., Anatomy and Physiology
T.G. Nagaraja, Ph.D., Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology

2007
Dale Herspring, Ph.D., Political Science
Duy Hua, Ph.D., Chemistry
Subbaratnam Muthukrishnan, Ph.D., Biochemistry

2006
John M. Blair, Ph.D., Biology
Daniel C. Marcus, Ph.D., Anatomy and Physiology
Richard A. Marston, Ph.D., Geography

2005
Michael R. Kanost, Ph.D., Biochemistry
Harald E.L. Prins, Ph.D., Anthropology
James Shanteau, Ph.D., Psychological Sciences

2004
James R. Coffman, Ph.D., Clinical Sciences (honorary)
David C. Hartnett, Ph.D., Biology
Yoshiro Iida, Ph.D., Art
Hongxing Jiang, Ph.D., Physics
Joseph V. Ortiz, Ph.D., Chemistry
Sonny Ramaswamy, Ph.D., Entomology
Ted Schroeder, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

2003
M.M. Chengappa, Ph.D., Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology
Robert D. Linder, Ph.D., History
David A. Schmidt, Ph.D., Computing and Information Sciences

2002
Alan Knapp, Ph.D., Biology
S. Lillian Kremer, Ph.D., English
Thomas E. Roche, Ph.D., Biochemistry
Barbara Valenz, Ph.D., Plant Pathology

2001
Frank Blecha, Ph.D., Anatomy and Physiology
David Littrell, Ph.D., Music
Talat Rahman, Ph.D., Physics
Larry Takemoto, Ph.D., Biology
Dean Zollman, Ph.D., Physics

2000
Rob Denell, Ph.D., Biology
Christopher M. Sorensen, Ph.D., Physics

1999
E. Wayne Nafziger, Ph.D., Economics
Brian S. Spooner, Ph.D., Biology

1998
Gary W. Conrad, Ph.D., Biology
Timothy R. Donoghue, Ph.D., Physics (honorary)
Jan E. Leach, Ph.D., Plant Pathology

1997
C. Lewis Cocke, Ph.D., Physics
Bikram S. Gill, Ph.D., Plant Pathology
Peter M.A. Sherwood, S.D., Ph.D., Chemistry

1994
John J. Lardero, Ph.D., Pathology and Microbiology
James L. Marsden, Ph.D., Regents Distinguished Professor of Animal Sciences

1993
Neville "Bill" Reay, Ph.D., Physics

1990
Chii-Dong Lin, Ph.D., Physics
Michael W. Suleiman, Ph.D., Political Science

1989
William Fateley, Ph.D., Chemistry
Norman J. Fedder, Ph.D., Theatre
Terry Johnson, Ph.D., Biology

1988
Cornelia B. Flora, Ph.D., Sociology
Jonathan Holdan, Ph.D., English
Kenneth W. Jones, Ph.D., History
Kenneth Klubunbe, Ph.D., Chemistry
Patrick Richard, Ph.D., Cortelyou-Rust Distinguished Professor of Physics
Sadahiro Saeke, Ph.D., Mathematics

1987
L.T. Fan, Ph.D., Chemical Engineering
David Leith, Ph.D., Regents Distinguished Professor of Pathology
Donald Setser, Ph.D., Chemistry

1986
Duane Acker, Ph.D., Animal Sciences and Industry
Horst Leipold, Ph.D., Pathology

1985
Richard Consigli, Ph.D., Biology

1984
Kenneth Hoyt, Ph.D., Education

1974
Ernest E. Shult, Ph.D., Regents Distinguished Professor of Mathematics

1964
Dudley Williams, Ph.D., Regents Distinguished Professor of Physics
Coffman Chair for University Distinguished Teaching Scholars

The Coffman Chair for University Distinguished Teaching Scholars was created in 1995 to underscore Kansas State University’s commitment to excellence in undergraduate teaching and learning. A faculty member acknowledged as a leading teaching scholar is appointed to the chair by the university’s provost and senior vice president for one academic year. All who hold the chair retain the title of University Distinguished Teaching Scholar throughout their careers. During the year in residence, the scholar’s time and resources are spent advancing the interests of undergraduate teaching and learning at the university.

The honorees

2017-2018
Todd Easton, Ph.D., Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering

2016-2017
Patricia Ackerman, Ph.D., Arts, Sciences and Business

2015-2016
Donald Saucier, Ph.D., Psychological Sciences

2014-2015
Mick Charney, Ph.D., Architecture

2013-2014
John Fliter Jr., Ph.D., Political Science

2012-2013
N. Sanjay Rebello, Ph.D., Physics

2011-2012
Michael Wesch, Ph.D., Anthropology

2010-2011
Kimberly Williams, Ph.D., Horticulture

2009-2010
Doug Benson, Ph.D., Modern Languages

2008-2009
Greg Eiselein, Ph.D., English

2007-2008
Christopher M. Sorensen, Ph.D., Physics

2006-2007
Roger McHaney, Ph.D., Management

2005-2006
Michael Boland, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

2004-2005
Harald E.L. Prins, Ph.D., Anthropology

2003-2004
Andrew Barkley, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

2002-2003
Jana Fallin, Ph.D., Music

2001-2002
Medhat M. Morcos, Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering

2000-2001
Stephen Thien, Ph.D., Agronomy

1999-2000
Larry Williams, Ph.D., Biology

1998-1999
Bryan Schurle, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

1997-1998
Ann Stalheim-Smith, Ph.D., Biology

1996-1997
Dean Zollman, Ph.D., Physics

1995-1996
Cliff Meloan, Ph.D., Chemistry

1994-1995
Michael Wesch, Ph.D., Anthropology

1993-1994
Kimberly Williams, Ph.D., Horticulture

1992-1993
Doug Benson, Ph.D., Modern Languages

1991-1992
Greg Eiselein, Ph.D., English

1990-1991
Christopher M. Sorensen, Ph.D., Physics

1989-1990
Roger McHaney, Ph.D., Management

1988-1989
Michael Boland, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

1987-1988
Harald E.L. Prins, Ph.D., Anthropology

1986-1987
Andrew Barkley, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

1985-1986
Jana Fallin, Ph.D., Music

1984-1985
Medhat M. Morcos, Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering

1983-1984
Stephen Thien, Ph.D., Agronomy

1982-1983
Larry Williams, Ph.D., Biology

1981-1982
Bryan Schurle, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

1980-1981
Ann Stalheim-Smith, Ph.D., Biology

1979-1980
Dean Zollman, Ph.D., Physics

1978-1979
Cliff Meloan, Ph.D., Chemistry

1977-1978
Michael Wesch, Ph.D., Anthropology

1976-1977
Kimberly Williams, Ph.D., Horticulture

1975-1976
Doug Benson, Ph.D., Modern Languages

1974-1975
Greg Eiselein, Ph.D., English

1973-1974
Christopher M. Sorensen, Ph.D., Physics

1972-1973
Roger McHaney, Ph.D., Management

1971-1972
Michael Boland, Ph.D., Agricultural Economics

1970-1971
Harald E.L. Prins, Ph.D., Anthropology
University administration
Richard B. Myers, MBA, President
April C. Mason, Ph.D., Provost and Senior Vice President
Cindy A. Bontrager, MBA, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Pat J. Bosco, Ph.D., Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students
Peter K. Dorhout, Ph.D., Vice President for Research
Jeffery B. Morris, M.S., Vice President for Communications and Marketing, and Acting Vice President for Human Capital Services

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