



Spring Commencement

□ ————— CELEBRATING 172 YEARS ————— □
OF CHRIST-CENTERED EDUCATION

MAY 5, 2023
BURKE-TARR STADIUM | JEFFERSON CITY, TN

God of Beauty, Truth and Goodness (University Hymn)

God of Beauty, Truth and Goodness, Lord of wisdom yet unknown.
Grant us strength to match the vision as we come before your throne.

Sing a joyful alleluia, praising God in all you do,
And remember as you witness, God is singing over you!

Stand for truth and cry for justice, share with those who don't belong,
And remember as you serve them, sing for those who have no song.

Sing a joyful alleluia, praising God in all you do,
And remember as you witness, God is singing over you!

Run with faith and live with honor, bearing witness in His call.
As disciples, build the future, until Christ is Lord of all.

Sing a joyful alleluia, praising God in all you do,
And remember as you witness, God is singing over you!

Make a joyful celebration. God in Christ has conquered death!
If you really are a witness, sing until you have no breath.

Sing a joyful alleluia, praising God in all you do,
And remember as you witness, God is singing over you!

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Alma Mater

Carson-Newman, how I love you,
Alma Mater hail;
Orange and Blue wave high above you
Through the calm and gale.

Sons and Daughters sing your praises
And your name adore,
While each heart your spirit raises;
Carson-Newman evermore.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Dr. Charles A. Fowler
Carson-Newman University President

A native of Corinth, Mississippi, Dr. Fowler was elected as Carson-Newman's 23rd president on June 7, 2019. He is a graduate of Union University, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and Mississippi State University.

Dr. Fowler previously served as senior pastor of Germantown Baptist Church in Germantown, Tennessee. Prior to serving in the pastorate, he was at Union University where his roles included serving as professor of Christian ministries and education, as well as senior vice president for University Relations.

UNDERGRADUATE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Friday, May 5, 2023 | 9 a.m.

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Psalm 16:7-11 Hugh J. Moser III
Grandfather of Samantha Kate Hickey
Tennessee Valley Resources
Member, Board of Regents

♦ NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 1:13-20.....Shawn M. O'Hare
Father of Samuel E. O'Hare
Dean, School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Professor of English

♦ INVOCATION F. Clark Denton
Class of 1992
Father of Emma G. Denton
Financial Services Executive, Denton Financial Group
Member, Board of Regents
Former member, Board of Trustees

ROBERT REEDY BRYAN SOCIETY..... Charles A. Fowler

Jeremy J. Buckner
Provost

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERDerek R. Driskill
Class of 2023
President, Student Government Association
Niswonger Scholar
Recipient, 2023 Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award

UNDERGRADUATE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Charles A. Fowler

U.S. ARMY OATH OF OFFICE.....Lieutenant Colonel Frances R. Young
Class of 2007
Chair and Professor of Military Science

Second Lieutenant Kimberly Vazquez, *Military Police*
Second Lieutenant Stephen Paul Levald Jensen, *Nurse Corps*
Second Lieutenant William Austin Jordan, *Adjutant General*
Second Lieutenant Hannah Maria Lipp, *Infantry*

PRESENTATION OF AWARDSJeremy J. Buckner
President’s Academic Award
W.D. Hudgins Leadership Award

PRESENTATION OF THE GRADUATES..... Jeremy J. Buckner

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREESCharles A. Fowler

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS Charles A. Fowler

Lieutenant Colonel Frances R. Young

Jessica W. Swiney
University Registrar

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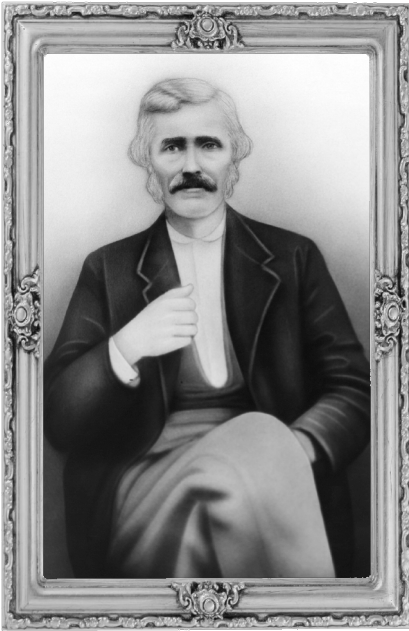
♦ ALMA MATERattr. John L. Campbell
Led by Mark E. Hussung

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Director, Lakeway Area, Fellowship of Christian Athletes

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THE ROBERT REEDY BRYAN SOCIETY AWARD



Established in 2022, the R.R. Bryan Society honors retired faculty, staff and others whose dedicated, selfless service to Carson-Newman University is exceptional, inspirational and meritorious.

Named for Robert Reedy Bryan, who in 1849 joined four other men under an oak tree to discuss the need for a Baptist college in East Tennessee. Their collective vision forever etched them into Carson-Newman lore as “The Oak Tree Five.” Bryan served as primary professor of what began as Mossy Creek Missionary Baptist Seminary at one point teaching the entire curriculum. He also served as the second and sixth president, filling the role after the sudden death of one leader and again after the devastation of the Civil War.

It is with great pleasure the University welcomes this second class of inductees into the R.R. Bryan Society, each exemplifying the same love, devotion, dedication and service to Carson-Newman as President Bryan.

2022 ROBERT REEDY BRYAN FELLOWS

VICKIE BUTLER

MARK HEINRICH

MARY PHIPPS

FRANK PINKERTON

JOE BILL SLOAN

T. MAXFIELD BAHNER



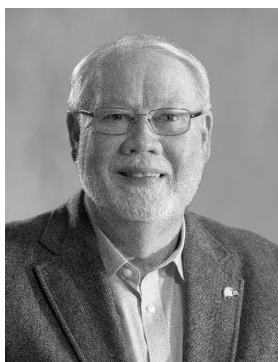
Before Max Bahner graduated from Carson-Newman in 1954, he grew up at the University. His path crossed with Carson-Newman thanks to his dad – Dr. Carl Tabb Bahner, who taught on campus. It was his commitment to Christian higher education, shared by Max’s mother, Catharine, that laid a Christ-centered foundation for Max and provided the backdrop Max needed to pursue God’s calling on his own life. Throughout his successful and distinguished career of law practice, Max never forgot where his journey started. That was why Max didn’t hesitate to accept the call to serve on C-N’s Board of Trustees. For more than 40 years, he has helped shepherd the University with knowledge and wisdom. Whether as the son of a faculty member, alumnus, donor, Trustee or now Trustee Emeritus, Max’s service to Carson-Newman has been meritorious and impactful.

JAMES L. BAUMGARDNER (POSTHUMOUS)



For five decades, Carson-Newman history students witnessed Dr. Jim Baumgardner’s impressive ability to dive deep into world governments and world wars without having to rely on a textbook. The professor took instruction seriously. He came to class prepared – and he expected the same of his students. A 1959 C-N graduate, the Bristol native joined C-N’s faculty in 1964 and taught devotedly until his passing in 2015. His heart for teaching was only matched by his calling to also serve as a bivocational pastor to congregations in the region. This overlap of “teacher” and “preacher” served Jim well, evidenced by earning The Distinguished Faculty Award, the “R.R. Turner Spirit of Carson-Newman Award” and Tennessee Baptist Convention’s “Bivocational Pastor of the Year.” The multi-faceted investment of his life into Carson-Newman was and remains an inspiration to all who knew him.

T. EDWARD CARTER



Eddie Carter knew if not for the opportunity to play basketball for Carson-Newman, college might not have been in his future. The Oliver Springs native loved the game of basketball – and he was good at it. The 1979 alumnus continues to hold Carson-Newman’s single-game record for rebounds. He ultimately returned to his alma mater as women’s head basketball coach, where he combined his love of the game and his heart for serving Christ. Along with serving as basketball coach, he also coached Eagles track and field/cross country in the 1980s, as well as teaching such courses as driver’s education and fencing in the classroom. Later in his tenure, he was the University’s NCAA compliance officer and assistant director for internal operations. By the time he retired in 2021, he had served 20 years in coaching and 20 years in administration.

GLADYS S. CLAY



Gladys Clay became Carson-Newman's first full-time black faculty member in the early 90s when she was named director of the Tutoring Lab. With ties to C-N dating to childhood, Gladys became "Mom" to many student-athletes over the years, supporting them personally and academically in her role running the Tutoring Lab. She knew the power of an education and worked to instill the same appreciation in her students. Her work with student-athletes, especially football and basketball players, led her to becoming a fixture on the sidelines and in the stands, even being asked to stand with players on Senior Night. Gladys' time at Carson-Newman impacted countless students, both on and off the field, blazing a trail that continues to inspire students of color to dream big dreams and pursue them tenaciously. Her service paved the way for those following in her footsteps that still impact our beloved University today.

D. ANN JONES



Ann Jones first came to Carson-Newman as a student in the 1950s to pursue a degree in music. She left years later as the longest tenured faculty member after serving 52 years. Her passion for music led her to earn a graduate degree before returning to Carson-Newman in 1965, where she taught vocal students alongside her husband, A Cappella Choir director Charles Jones. The duo traveled together on A Cappella Choir tours, connecting with alumni and recruiting potential students. Ann's leadership led to an astounding 49 consecutive Chapter of Excellence Award wins for Alpha Gamma, C-N's Delta Omicron International Music Fraternity chapter – more than any other in the nation. Her leadership within the music fraternity elevated Carson-Newman's profile in music circles. She credits her five decades of teaching to one thing – the students. Her investment in them shaped generations and her legacy is reflected in them.

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Director of Institutional Compliance and Title IX Coordinator

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERHong I. Tjoa, M.D.
Chair, Board of Trustees

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UNDERGRADUATE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

★ — Cum Laude 3.50 – 3.74 GPA ★★ — Magna Cum Laude 3.75 – 3.94 GPA

★★★ — Summa Cum Laude 3.95 – 4.00 GPA

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Christopher Michael Best , <i>Talbott, TN</i> ★★	Christian Ministries
Drew Harrison Fraley , <i>Lebanon, TN</i>	Christian Ministries
Abbigail Edith Earley , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i>	Liberal Arts
Madison Grace Ann Gerber , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Liberal Arts
Faith McKayla Hernandez , <i>Strawberry Plains, TN</i>	Liberal Arts
Madison Fayth Hinkle , <i>Midway, TN</i>	Liberal Arts
Connor P. Kerwin , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Liberal Arts
Bethany Star Vogt , <i>Talbott, TN</i>	Liberal Arts

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Taylor Ann Adams , <i>Covington, GA</i>	General Studies
Siphosethu Boya , <i>Cape Town, South Africa</i>	General Studies
Seth Andrew Gamble , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★	General Studies
Kenley Faith Grooms , <i>Clinton, TN</i>	General Studies
Dominick O. Hensley , <i>Greeneville, TN</i>	General Studies
Kimberly Hernandez Mercado , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	General Studies
Jacie Rene Holdway , <i>Newport, TN</i>	General Studies
Olivia Kate Manfull , <i>Unicoi, TN</i> ★★★	General Studies
David M. Stinnett , <i>Newport, TN</i>	General Studies
Zachary Wayne Taylor , <i>Church Hill, TN</i>	General Studies

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Matthew James Davis , <i>Speedwell, TN</i> ★	Art-Drawing and Painting
Alaina G. Dubravetz , <i>Baneberry, TN</i> ★★	Art-Drawing and Painting and Philosophy
Dathan Michael Hickman , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★★	Art-Drawing and Painting
Lannie Marie St. Philip , <i>Sevierville, TN</i> ★★	Art-Drawing and Painting
Ciara Mae Barnes , <i>Seymour, TN</i> ★	Art-Graphic Design
Brea Burton , <i>Loudon, TN</i>	Art-Graphic Design
Isaiah E. Rhodes , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i>	Art-Graphic Design
Brigette Anne Huffaker , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★	Art-Teacher Licensure
Shawn E. West , <i>New Market, TN</i>	Photography
Kayleigh Elizabeth Barbee , <i>New Market, TN</i> ★★	Biology-General and English-Literature
Kylie D. Hall , <i>Newport, TN</i>	Biology-General
Kayla Louise Harden , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i> ★★★	Biology-General
Dominick O. Hensley , <i>Greeneville, TN</i>	Biology-General
Kari M. Pierce , <i>Strawberry Plains, TN</i> ★	Biology-General
Taylor Marie Steakley , <i>Sevierville, TN</i>	Biology-General
Matthew Jacob Stout , <i>Seymour, TN</i>	Biology-General
Morgan A. Webb , <i>Church Hill, TN</i>	Biology-General
Layne Atkins , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★★	Biology-Health Professions
Devanshi M. Barot , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Biology-Health Professions
Garrett Lane Bartlett , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★★	Biology-Health Professions
Katherine A. Early , <i>Kodak, TN</i>	Biology-Health Professions
Kara Lynn Eldin , <i>Jamestown, TN</i>	Biology-Health Professions and Psychology
Trey Michael Hall , <i>Maggie Valley, NC</i> ★★	Biology-Health Professions
Carrington P Harrelson , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Biology-Health Professions
Elliot L. Hooks , <i>Sevierville, TN</i> ★★★	Biology-Health Professions
Aaron C. Johns , <i>Sevierville, TN</i>	Biology-Health Professions

Ana Alexis Moreno-Allen , <i>Sevierville, TN</i> ★★ ★	Biology-Health Professions
Caroline Elizabeth-Riley Moses , <i>Scott Depot, WV</i> ★★ ★	Biology-Health Professions
Lina A. Ramos , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★ ★	Biology-Health Professions
Hannah Marie Treadway , <i>Andersonville, TN</i>	Biology-Health Professions
Nicholas Wayne Welch , <i>White Pine, TN</i> ★	Biology-Health Professions
Joseph Dillon West , <i>Newport, TN</i>	Biology-Health Professions
Jenna Louise Fuesting , <i>Mt. Juliet, TN</i> ★ ★	Biology-Teacher Education
Emily E. Corum , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i>	Chemistry
Taylor Nicole French , <i>New Market, TN</i>	Chemistry and Biology
Rebecca Lynn May , <i>White Pine, TN</i> ★	Chemistry
Jordan Cameron Fillers , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Communication Studies
Karolina O. Houser , <i>Seymour, TN</i> ★	Communication Studies
Kenard Jarvis Laribo , <i>Franklin, TN</i>	Communication Studies
Jacquiline Ndabahekeye , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★	Communication Studies
Mia Rayen Toribio , <i>Tomball, TX</i> ★ ★	Communication Studies
Haleigh Raye Winstead , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Communication Studies
Shelby Ann Flenniken , <i>Seymour, TN</i>	Film and Digital Studies
Lillian C. Deal , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★ ★	Theatre
Autumn Laurel Hayes , <i>Talbott, TN</i> ★	English-Creative Writing
Mahala L. Anweiler , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★ ★	English-Literature
Derek R. Driskill , <i>Newport, TN</i> ★★ ★	English-Literature
Hannah M. Halliburton , <i>Kingsport, TN</i> ★ ★	English-Literature
Turner L. Bell , <i>Powell, TN</i>	History
Abigail Grace Carmack , <i>Rogersville, TN</i> ★	History
Alexandria Lynn Lewis , <i>Sevier County, TN</i>	History
Allen N. McNeese , <i>Newport, TN</i>	History
Natalia Amano , <i>Sao Paulo, Brazil</i>	Political Science

Bella Grace Lowrance , <i>Paris, TN</i> ★★	Political Science
Ethan Donohue Marshall , <i>Auburn, GA</i>	Political Science
Conner D. Miller , <i>Glenmary, TN</i> ★★★	Political Science and Philosophy
William Austin Smith , <i>Jacksboro, TN</i>	Political Science
Kirstin Elise Womack , <i>Murfreesboro, TN</i>	Political Science and Psychology
Carolanne G. Hulsey , <i>Richland, MS</i> ★★	English as a Second Language
Dylan T. Collins , <i>Bean Station, TN</i>	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Alexis R. Cottingham , <i>Talbot, TN</i> ★★	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Emma Grace Denton , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★★	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Victoria Ortiz Velasquez , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Rebecca L. Peden , <i>Boiling Springs, SC</i> ★★	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Jordan Elizabeth Ring , <i>Englewood, TN</i> ★★	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Portia Kahlan Janowski UpChurch , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★★	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Karli M. Yarid , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education
Mikayla Renee Rice , <i>Black Mountain, NC</i>	Liberal Studies with Elementary Education and Spanish Corollary
Robin P. James , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★★	Liberal Studies with with Middle Grades Education
Addison Albert Nash , <i>Pooler, GA</i>	Liberal Studies with Non Licensure
Abigail Marie Owens , <i>Ocala, FL</i> ★★★	Mathematics and Philosophy
Summer Anne Osborne , <i>Clearwater, FL</i> ★★	Mathematics
Linda Ungerboeck , <i>Vienna, Austria</i> ★★	Mathematics
Alexandra MacKenzie Adams , <i>Kingsport, TN</i> ★★	Psychology
Heidi Brielle Adams , <i>Atkins, VA</i> ★★★	Psychology
Arinn Rose Arnold , <i>Dandridge, TN</i>	Psychology
Marlee Grace Baker , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★★★	Psychology
Abigail Kate Belcher , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★★	Psychology
Anya Kristina Best , <i>Maryville, TN</i> ★★★	Psychology

Alexandria Rae Binder , <i>Morris, IL</i> ★★	Psychology and Human Services
Olivia G. Blakely , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★★	Psychology and Sociology
Isaac Corban Bleckley , <i>Blountville, TN</i>	Psychology
Pero Juriel Brittz , <i>Kingsport, TN</i> ★	Psychology
Camila Antonella Camelino-Mella , <i>Hollywood, FL</i> ★★	Psychology
Hannah Elizabeth Headley , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i> ★★	Psychology
Jamie Elaine Hoffner , <i>New Market, TN</i>	Psychology
Timothy Cortez Johnson Jr. , <i>Oak Ridge, TN</i>	Psychology
Katherine Elizabeth Koumiss , <i>Gallatin, TN</i> ★★	Psychology
Abigail Deanna Lee , <i>Strawberry Plains, TN</i>	Psychology
Hannah G. Long , <i>Grainger, TN</i>	Psychology
Grace Elizabeth Marshall , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Psychology
Queen Mary Elizabeth McPhillips , <i>Powell, TN</i>	Psychology
Clayton Patrick Mitchell , <i>Washburn, TN</i> ★★	Psychology
Lagina Danielle Moore , <i>Washburn, TN</i>	Psychology
Faith Nicole Nelms , <i>Saint Petersburg, FL</i>	Psychology
Aaron J. Norwood , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Psychology
Rachel M. Peden , <i>Boiling Springs, SC</i> ★★	Psychology
Sheloni Natae Rios , <i>Sevierville, TN</i>	Psychology
Jaylon Ramon Smith , <i>Memphis, TN</i>	Psychology
Shaelyn Macenzie Smith , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Psychology
Chloe Lillian Sparkes-Fudge , <i>Asheville, NC</i>	Psychology
Shannon J. Wohlford , <i>Bristol, VA</i> ★★	Psychology
Jaqueline Quintero Jimenez , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★★	Psychology-Teacher Education
Emileah L. Buffalo , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Human Services
Wynsdae Malei Chandler , <i>Maynardville, TN</i>	Human Services
Hannah Nicole Collett , <i>Sevierville, TN</i>	Human Services

Rachel Nichole Day , <i>Sevierville, TN</i> ★★	Human Services
Madison G. Levi , <i>Murfreesboro, TN</i> ★★	Human Services
Hannah LePaige Little , <i>Richlands, VA</i> ★★	Human Services
Grace A. Thornton , <i>Greenville, SC</i>	Human Services
2LT Kimberly Vazquez , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★	Human Services
Brittany Danielle Byers , <i>White Pine, TN</i> ★★	Sociology
Aynsleigh Blake Martin , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Sociology
Haley Carolene Ramsey , <i>Kodak, TN</i>	Sociology
Alexis Danielle Bender , <i>Cumming, GA</i> ★★	Sociology-Criminology
Kara Denise Coleman , <i>Dandridge, TN</i> ★	Sociology-Criminology
AudreyAna Rosa Ragland , <i>Charlottesville, VA</i>	Sociology-Criminology
Kelly Marie Chilcote , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i> ★★ ★	Sociology-Cross Cultural
Morgan M. Bailey , <i>Mt. Juliet, TN</i> ★★ ★	Religion
2LT Stephen Paul Levald Jensen , <i>Newport Beach, CA</i>	Religion and Political Science
Sean Caleb Norris , <i>Talbott, TN</i> ★★ ★	Religion-Biblical Language
Brent Daniel Boutelle , <i>Jamestown, TN</i> ★	Religion-Ministry Studies
Jagger A. Brantley , <i>White House, TN</i>	Religion-Ministry Studies
Kirby G. Logan III , <i>Andersonville, TN</i> ★	Religion-Ministry Studies
Gage D. Rustin , <i>Greeneville, TN</i>	Religion-Ministry to Children
Madison Michelle Burnette , <i>Mt. Juliet, TN</i> ★★ ★	Religion-Spirituality and the Arts
Ronaldo Alvarez Martinez , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i>	Spanish
Jessica M. Fischer , <i>Loudon, TN</i>	Music
Marley Cate Harriman , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★	Music
Haley Cheyenne Hooks , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Music
Grant A. Kirkland , <i>Mascot, TN</i>	Music
Dalton James Kretschmar , <i>Seymour, TN</i>	Music
David Jared Sims , <i>Sevierville, TN</i> ★★	Music with Spanish Corollary

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Jerry Wayne Miller III , <i>Corryton, TN</i> ★	Church Music
Rebekah Renee Nester , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★★	Church Music
Lauren J. Potter , <i>Kingsport, TN</i> ★	Church Music
Michael R. Bloomer , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Music Education-Instrumental
Jared Alexander Lawson , <i>Corryton, TN</i>	Music Education-Instrumental
Paul S. Brooks , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Music Education-Vocal
Matthew Glenn George , <i>Booneville, MS</i>	Music Education-Vocal
Samuel E. O'Hare , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i> ★	Music Education-Instrumental, Music Performance
Alejandro Cortes ZavalaV , <i>Lenoir City, TN</i>	Music Education-Instrumental
Jedidiah R. Ratliff , <i>Kingsport, TN</i>	Music-Outside Field

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Dave E. Burchett , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Interdisciplinary Studies
Amy Bewley Jones , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Interdisciplinary Studies
Emma Firestone McNelly , <i>Delano, TN</i>	Interdisciplinary Studies
Silver Tasees Vang , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Interdisciplinary Studies
Nathan Thomas Harrison , <i>Greeneville, TN</i>	Professional Studies
Joshua Eric Hodge , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Professional Studies
Marley Cate Harriman , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★	Accounting
Destiny Shea Hodge , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Accounting
Ethan M. Romines , <i>Strawberry Plains, TN</i> ★	Accounting
Justin Tyler Shilaikis , <i>Seymour, TN</i> ★	Accounting
Alyssa Paige Welch , <i>New Market, TN</i>	Accounting
Jackson Myers Bostick , <i>Lenoir City, TN</i> ★	Business Administration

Charles Darius Clark , <i>Murfreesboro, TN</i>	Business Administration
Andrew William Emerson Craig , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Business Administration
Amos P. Davenport , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i> ★★	Business Administration and Sport Management
Samantha Kate Hickey , <i>Jefferson County, TN</i>	Business Administration
Hannah Elizabeth Hurley , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i> ★	Business Administration
Jacob Michael Lambert , <i>Round Rock, TX</i>	Business Administration
Addison K. Lowe , <i>Sweetwater, TN</i>	Business Administration
Camden Jake McElhaney , <i>Sevierville, TN</i> ★★	Business Administration
Levi Eugene Myers , <i>Greeneville, TN</i> ★	Business Administration
Jeremy Caine Nicely , <i>Corryton, TN</i>	Business Administration
Chrisman Rand , <i>Charleston, SC</i> ★	Business Administration
Taylor Renee Rohr , <i>Fort Collins, CO</i>	Business Administration
Olivia Morgan Opal Russell , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Business Administration
Casey Grace Wyrick , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Business Administration
Amber Nicole Bailey , <i>Dandridge, TN</i>	Business Administration-Management
Asa A. Blake , <i>Cleveland, TN</i>	Business Administration-Management
Anita Chornei , <i>Kyiv, Ukraine</i>	Business Administration-Management
Dylan C. Dodson , <i>Huntersville, NC</i>	Business Administration-Management
Claude Maxwell Fulcher , <i>Hickory, NC</i>	Business Administration-Management
Katie Leighann Holston , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Business Administration-Management
Anna Marie Klein , <i>Monterey, CA</i> ★★	Business Administration-Management
Bella Grace Lowrance , <i>Paris, TN</i> ★★	Business Administration-Management
Jonathan W. Miller , <i>Signal Mountain, TN</i>	Business Administration-Management
Christal Miranda Macario , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Business Administration-Management
Xavier T. Reed , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i> ★★	Business Administration-Management
Cameron Lee Tabler , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Business Administration-Management
William Harrison Travis , <i>Soddy Daisy, TN</i>	Business Administration-Management

Kannon Darren Vanderburg, *Hendersonville, TN*

Zachary Witt Boze, *Gallatin, TN* ★

Lily Rochelle Calhoun, *Warrensville, NC* ★★ ★

Manon Compagner, *Balkburg, Netherlands*

Benjamin Isaac Cully, *Rockwall, TX*

Adam Wesley Harris, *Madisonville, TN*

Evan M. Hodge, *Kodak, TN* ★

Laura C. Osborne, *New Market, TN* ★

Luke McPhail Simpson, *Knoxville, TN* ★

William Carter Crain, *Dover, TN*

Eleanor Mary Haughton, *Stamford, England*

Henry W. Jackson, *Waxhaw, NC*

Marc Robert Janse, *Zeewolde, Flevoland*

Alexander B. Reid, *Franklin, TN* ★★

Harli Blake Smith, *Jamestown, TN*

Ids Waterbolk, *Bennekom, Gelderland*

Justin Beecher Mize, *Knoxville, TN* ★★ ★

Emery A. Peterson, *Etowah, TN* ★

Peter Michael Souleyrette, *Oak Ridge, TN* ★★

Nehemie Wa Kabeya, *Kinshasa, Congo*

Hunter Michael Miller, *Brooklyn, MI*

Ethan Scott Rimmer, *Knoxville, TN*

Benjamin Oliver Blair, *Danville, VA*

Andrew Frazier Coulter, *Maryville, TN* ★★

Charles Edward Evans, *Newport, TN* ★

Jonah Jeremiah Bassett, *Abingdon, VA*

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Business Administration-Management

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Business Administration-Sport Management

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Finance/Economics

Finance/Economics

Finance/Economics

Sport Management

Sport Management

Sport Management

Biochemistry

Biochemistry

Biochemistry

Chemistry-Professional Track

Chemistry-Professional Track

Jaye H. Harris , <i>Athens, TN</i> ★★	Biology
Kimberly A. Alston , <i>Madisonville, TN</i>	Child and Family Studies
Brittany C. Cruz , <i>New Tazewell, TN</i>	Child and Family Studies
Tatyanna Daja Fletcher , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Child and Family Studies
Natasha Ann Forrest , <i>Jersey, Channel Islands</i>	Child and Family Studies
Amanda Joy Huggins , <i>Erwin, TN</i> ★	Child and Family Studies
Lauren Elizabeth James , <i>Seymour, TN</i>	Child and Family Studies
Gena E. Lewis , <i>Maryville, TN</i>	Child and Family Studies
Hannah M. Lewis , <i>Louisville, TN</i>	Child and Family Studies
Jasmine Ann Russell , <i>Vonore, TN</i> ★★	Child and Family Studies
Claire E. Shirley , <i>Murfreesboro, TN</i>	Child and Family Studies
Naomi V. Rinck , <i>Sevierville, TN</i>	Family and Consumer Sciences-Education
Haley Ann Schultz , <i>Powell, TN</i>	Family and Consumer Sciences-Education
Malia Jade Benson , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Fashion Merchandising and Design
Brooke A. Huffaker Longden , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Fashion Merchandising and Design
Danielle Francine D'Alesio , <i>McDonough, GA</i>	Food, Nutrition, & Dietetics
Laurel Elizabeth Davis , <i>Mount Holly, NC</i> ★★	Food, Nutrition, & Dietetics
Tabitha Johnson , <i>New Tazewell, TN</i>	Food, Nutrition, & Dietetics
Mackenzie Reece Robinette , <i>Jonesborough, TN</i> ★★	Food, Nutrition, & Dietetics
Katherine B. Rogers , <i>Caryville, TN</i> ★★	Food, Nutrition, & Dietetics
Mary Elizabeth Vandergriff , <i>Soddy Daisy, TN</i> ★	Food, Nutrition, & Dietetics
Baylie Lynn Bragg , <i>Soddy Daisy, TN</i>	Interior Design
Edee Elaine Bunch , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i> ★★	Interior Design
Sienna N. Money , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Interior Design
Miguel A. Chavez , <i>Talbott, TN</i>	Computer Science
Jake Alexander Parsons , <i>Farragut, TN</i>	Computer Science
Tyler Laken Brooks , <i>Maryville, TN</i>	Exercise Science
Addie W. Henry , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i> ★★	Exercise Science

Magali A. Moscoso , <i>Sevierville, TN</i> ★★	Exercise Science
Courtavious Terell Garrett , <i>Greenwood, FL</i>	Exercise Science-Coaching and Fitness
Ana Carla dos Santos Resende , <i>Minas Gerais, Brazil</i>	Exercise Science-Coaching and Fitness
Jack Adam Rose , <i>Collierville, TN</i>	Exercise Science-Coaching and Fitness
Morgan M. Bailey , <i>Mt. Juliet, TN</i> ★★★	Exercise Science-Medical
Hayden Elise Barton , <i>Hixson, TN</i> ★★★	Exercise Science-Medical
Anna Katherine Broyles , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★★	Exercise Science-Medical
Phillip C. Eldridge , <i>Morristown, TN</i> ★	Exercise Science-Medical
Michael J. Harrah , <i>Elizabethton, TN</i>	Exercise Science-Medical
2LT William Austin Jordan , <i>Clarksville, TN</i> ★★	Exercise Science-Medical
Rachel Leanne Kay , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i> ★★	Exercise Science-Medical
Susan B. Nelson , <i>Crossville, TN</i> ★★★	Exercise Science-Medical
Courtney Frances Rhea , <i>Kingsport, TN</i> ★	Exercise Science-Medical
Blaine Allen Robinson , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Exercise Science-Medical
Dalton C. Wright , <i>Corryton, TN</i>	Exercise Science-Medical
Grace Hannah Rathe , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★	Physical Education with Licensure
Parker A. Acuff , <i>Bean Station, TN</i>	Physical Education-Non Licensure
Wesley Emilio Blandon , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Physical Education-Non Licensure
Andrew Trent Bradshaw , <i>China Grove, NC</i> ★	Physical Education-Non Licensure
Kenneth Tommy Griffin , <i>Strawberry Plains, TN</i> ★	Physical Education-Non Licensure
Harrison Jackson Harbin , <i>Gastonia, NC</i>	Physics
Piper M. Halcrow , <i>Oak Ridge, TN</i> ★★	Physics and Communication Studies
Cameron James Pykiet , <i>Lynchburg, TN</i> ★	Physics and Mathematics
Nicklas G. Owens , <i>New Market, AL</i> ★	Physics Pre-Engineering
Alexis D. Brooks , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Human Exceptionalities
Allyson Kayla Britton , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i> ★	Special Education
Tate C. Gardenhire , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i> ★★	Special Education
Karli Jo Goff , <i>Kingsport, TN</i> ★	Special Education

Dulce E. Pascual-Diaz, *Jefferson County, TN*

Special Education

Emma Callie Seals, *Morristown, TN* ★

Special Education

Julia Helen Wheeler, *Murfreesboro, TN* ★

Special Education

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Lauren E. Allen, *Jefferson City, TN*

Nursing

Seth R. Arrowood, *Newport, TN*

Nursing

Logan Jon Atchinson, *Livermore, CA*

Nursing

Aniston Claire Biel, *Phoenix, AZ*

Nursing

Madison Brooke Bowman, *Morristown, TN*

Nursing

Gracie L. Case, *Morristown, TN*

Nursing

Karree Beth Cole, *Robbinsville, NC*

Nursing

Ally Elise Collins, *Rutledge, TN*

Nursing

Mackenzie Marie Conn, *Estill Springs, TN*

Nursing

Lyndsey R. Cornett, *Harriman, TN* ★★

Nursing

Macy Elizabeth Kealanuihelemaukapono Daniels, *Bristol, TN* ★

Nursing

Emaleigh Kay Evaline, *Columbus, OH*

Nursing

Mary Elaine Forbes, *Johnson City, TN* ★★

Nursing

Madison Ariana Fritts, *Oliver Springs, TN* ★

Nursing

Camryn L. Glasmeier, *Cincinnati, OH*

Nursing

Arleth Esmeralda Guerrero, *Morristown, TN*

Nursing

Bryce J. Hanley, *Greenback, TN*

Nursing

Lexxi Shayne Harrison, *Greeneville, TN* ★

Nursing

Caroline Grace Hazelwood, *White Pine, TN* ★★★

Nursing

Jacob O. Hearn, *Whitesburg, TN*

Nursing

Lauren McKaye Hensley, *Knoxville, TN* ★

Nursing

Abigail Marie Hildenbrand, *Parker, CO*

Nursing

Keaton M. Hubbs , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★★	Nursing
Lindsay S. Janik , <i>Talbott, TN</i>	Nursing
Emily Daryl Johnson , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★	Nursing
2LT Hannah Maria Lipp , <i>Livermore, CA</i> ★	Nursing
Renlena L. Loila , <i>Monrovia, Liberia</i>	Nursing
Lindsey Nicole Long , <i>Kodak, TN</i>	Nursing
Morgan Reese Mary , <i>Maryville, TN</i>	Nursing
Georgia E. Messer , <i>Strawberry Plains, TN</i>	Nursing
Leah A. Mitchell , <i>Corryton, TN</i> ★	Nursing
Delinda Cassie Moore , <i>San Antonio, TX</i>	Nursing
Ginger Lee Myers , <i>Newport, TN</i>	Nursing
Alexis Nichole Nibbe , <i>Strawberry Plains, TN</i> ★	Nursing
Kenzie Madison Palmer , <i>Flagstaff, AZ</i> ★★	Nursing
Autumn Denise Provins , <i>LaFollette, TN</i>	Nursing
Stephanie Ramos , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Nursing
MaKenna K. Rayho , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Nursing
Alyssa J. Rose , <i>Jenkins, KY</i> ★	Nursing
Melody Sera , <i>Apopka FL</i> ★	Nursing
Kendall G. Shinlever , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i> ★	Nursing
Jenna Leigh Pearl Starkey , <i>Jefferson City, TN</i>	Nursing
Gabriel Richard Stevens , <i>Sewanee, TN</i>	Nursing
Katelyn Rebecca Toussaint , <i>Knoxville, TN</i> ★	Nursing
Tabatha Nicole Tucker , <i>Rutledge, TN</i>	Nursing
Hannah F. Turley , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Nursing
Brooke M. Wakefield , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Nursing
Braelyn Grace Wykle , <i>Greeneville, TN</i> ★	Nursing

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★★ — Magna Cum Laude	3.75 – 3.94 GPA
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Certification of graduation must come from the University Registrar.

HONORS CLASS OF 2023, SENIOR THESES

Anya Best	The Grieving Reactions of Emerging Adults Regarding Expected and Unexpected Death Major: Psychology <i>Advisor: Dr. April Dye</i>
Lily Calhoun	Recruiting Influencers: How MLM Consultants Utilize Social Media Major: Business Administration with an Emphasis in Marketing and Management <i>Advisor: Dr. Hester Beecher</i>
Laurel Davis	Piloting a Mobile Food Pantry Dignity Model Major: Food and Nutrition with Dietetics Emphasis <i>Advisor: Dr. Matt Bryant-Cheney</i>

Lillian Deal	Lacey, Edward, and Ed Major: Theater <i>Advisor: Professor Kyle Biery</i>
Alaina Dubravetz	The Place I Belong: Art of Appalachia Major: Art <i>Advisor: Professor Heather Hartman Folks</i>
Charles Evans	Development of an SPME-UV/VIS Extraction and Quantification Method for Antibiotics in Aqueous Media Major: Biochemistry and Biology <i>Advisor: Dr. Christine Dalton</i>
Piper Halcrow	Determining if there is a Relationship Between Taking an English, Writing, or Speech Class in Engineers' Undergraduate Studies and an Engineers' Oral, Written, Social, or Professional Communication Skills and Their Productivity and Efficiency in a Workplace Major: Applied Physics and Communication Studies <i>Advisors: Dr. Samuel Emmons and Professor Sheila Hartsock</i>
Kayla Harden	The Experiences and Effects of Advanced Practice Providers Perceiving Patient Bias: An Interpretive Phenomenological Analysis Major: Biology <i>Advisor: Dr. Matthew Wilkerson</i>
Conner Miller	Spinoza and Problems of Collective Action Major: Philosophy and Political Science <i>Advisor: Dr. Brian Austin</i>
Abigail Owens	Emphasizing a Relational Trinity to Possibly Ameliorate the Quandaries of Omnipotence Major: Philosophy and Mathematics <i>Advisor: Dr. Brian Austin</i>

GRADUATE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Santiago Arturo Aguilar , <i>Bogota, Columbia</i>	Business Administration
Aaron Jacob Bauer , <i>Stapleton, AL</i>	Business Administration
Lori Ellen Bolden , <i>Dandridge, TN</i>	Business Administration
Joseph Alexander Boyd , <i>Nottingham, England</i>	Business Administration
Quinten Carels , <i>Brugge, West-Vlaanderen</i>	Business Administration
Cory James Carlson , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Business Administration
Elly Brooke Carlson , <i>Colorado Springs, CO</i>	Business Administration
William Clifford Cole II , <i>Lima, OH</i>	Business Administration
Dylan Cornette , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Business Administration
Maeve Cummins , <i>Waringstown, Northern Ireland</i>	Business Administration
Darrin Lloyd De Meza , <i>Amsterdam, the Netherlands</i>	Business Administration
Jordan Isaac Carter Griffin , <i>Ellerslie, GA</i>	Business Administration
Tyler Hoover , <i>Cleveland, OH</i>	Business Administration
Trayzel Amine Jureidini-Wyche , <i>Douglasville, GA</i>	Business Administration
Sara Grace King , <i>Cumming, GA</i>	Business Administration
Jerry Lewis Jr. , <i>Tampa, FL</i>	Business Administration
Kadarius Pj Lotharp , <i>Indian Trail, NC</i>	Business Administration
Kristen Ann Lyons , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Business Administration
William Gabriel Martin , <i>Corryton, TN</i>	Business Administration
Devon Lanier Moore , <i>Baxley, GA</i>	Business Administration
Carson Pack , <i>Andersonville, TN</i>	Business Administration
Christina Joyce Peshoff , <i>Lenoir City, TN</i>	Business Administration
Elena M. Propst , <i>Maiden, NC</i>	Business Administration
John Clement Pushparaj , <i>Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu, India</i>	Business Administration

Jannik Schulte, *Dormagen, Germany*

Business Administration

Allison Sliger, *Decatur, TN*

Business Administration

Tim Lucas Vercelli, *Munster, Germany*

Business Administration

Zachary Taylor Young, *Crossville, TN*

Business Administration

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

Caleb W. Goins, *Bristol, VA*

Curriculum and Instruction

Sierra Flores Potts, *Knoxville, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Taha Mahdi Altalaq, *Saudi Arabia*

English as a Second Language

Esther Njeri Mbugua, *Ruiru, Kenya*

English as a Second Language

Stella Moraa, *Nairobi, Kenya*

English as a Second Language

Nathalie Schumacher, *Koblenz, Germany*

English as a Second Language

MASTER OF EDUCATION

Hanna Matthews Adams, *Ooltewah, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Heather Ann Bean, *Cookeville, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Amanda Rose Bogle, *Burns, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Savannah Rose Brundage, *Hendersonville, NC*

Curriculum and Instruction

Sarmanta Mirinda Chase, *Clarksville, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Lisa Adams Eason, *Cleveland, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Sarah Elizabeth Gore, *Blaine, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Austin Thomas Keaton Gramann, *Jefferson City, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Nathaniel Lincoln Greer, *Knoxville, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Jessica Lin Griz, *Knoxville, TN*

Curriculum and Instruction

Alessia Gupton , <i>Maryville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Rachel Amanda Henderson , <i>Murfreesboro, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Shelley Marie Jeffers , <i>Sunbright, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Leah D. Jones , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Zachary Kassner , <i>Oak Ridge, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Alissa Kenney , <i>Greeneville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Brendan L. Krob , <i>Justice, IL</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Joseph Laravie , <i>Kettering, OH</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Christina Ashley Long , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Larrie Ann Maples , <i>Murfreesboro, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Logan Bryce McCarter , <i>Sevierville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Abigail Mae McFarlane , <i>McKinney, TX</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Hannah Paige McGee , <i>Spring Hill, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Kaylee Amanda McSpadden , <i>Chickamauga, GA</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Allyson Tamea Moore , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Logan Marie Morrison , <i>Lenoir City, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Rachel Anne Naylor , <i>Mooresville, NC</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Taylor Chesney North , <i>Jacksboro, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Jennifer Burns Quarles , <i>Jasper, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Brandon Arthur Roberts , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Freida Joy Sage , <i>Smyrna, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Hannah K. Sergeant , <i>Powell, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Dakota P. Stanley , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Nicholas Ellis Stephan , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Grace Joy Stipelcovich , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Amy Elizabeth Manfull Tapp , <i>Elizabethton, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction

Lexy M. Taylor , <i>Sarasota, FL</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Baylor M. Tolleson , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Matthew John Tremblay II , <i>Queensbury, NY</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Brandon Matthew Tuggle , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Brittany Nichole Turner , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Susan Wynn Etter Waisner , <i>New Market, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Sarah Grace White , <i>Johnson City, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Christen L. Williams , <i>Elizabethton, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Meredith Carol Wormsley , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Tylar Marie Zettle , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Curriculum and Instruction
Tanzi Brionna Farrow , <i>New Market, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Emily Owsley Giles , <i>Chattanooga, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Seth Thomas Jones , <i>Lebanon, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Chelsey J. Koogler , <i>Morristown, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Elizabeth Raye Lee , <i>Smyrna, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Stacy Marie McMichael , <i>Speedwell, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Ashli Brooke Messer , <i>Blountville, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Caleb Christopher Norwood , <i>Delano, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Delissa Roby , <i>Erin, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Katherine Shelley Solorzano , <i>Nashville, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Mark Alan Stirbens , <i>Murfreesboro, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Nolan Gregory Triplett , <i>Etowah, TN</i>	Educational Leadership
Julie Anne Wistock , <i>Collierville, TN</i>	Educational Leadership

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Sherry Lee Ahlstrom , <i>Sweetwater, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Kimberly Ann Allen , <i>New Bern, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Cameron Elise Andrews , <i>Port Charlotte, FL</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Katrina L. Aples , <i>Kingsport, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Brittney Taylor Bailey , <i>Maynardville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Cheryl Ann Bennett , <i>Traverse City, MI</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Tanzza Marie Bowman , <i>Shelby, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Lindsey Lee Braden , <i>Pulaski, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Megan Genevea Bradley , <i>Colfax, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Amanda Lynn Brandner , <i>Seymour, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Kateland May Camp , <i>Charleston, SC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Kathryn Leigh Campbell , <i>Beaufort, SC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Rebecca Orr Carver , <i>Robbinsville, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Michelle Gabbriel Caylor , <i>Maryville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Hamilton Antoinette Cobb , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Alisha Chestnut Davenport , <i>Clayton, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Victoria Elizabeth Delaney , <i>Owasso, OK</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Carley Anne Franklin , <i>Kernersville, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Ashley Michelle Fuller , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Georgia Naomi Garrison , <i>Greensboro, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Sheona Ruthanne Gozmao , <i>Hermitage, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Brittany Nicole Griffin , <i>Matthews, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Christie Leigh Haase , <i>Ruidoso, NM</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Krissie Lynn Hampton , <i>Holly Springs, MS</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Brandy Elizabeth Hand , <i>Colorado Springs, CO</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner

Caroline Marie Hobbs , <i>Navarre, FL</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Bailey Miles Holder , <i>Sevierville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Keith McKinnon Holley , <i>Hendersonville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Tracy Scott Jenkins , <i>Rocky Mount, VA</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Monikah Taylor Kelly , <i>Durham, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Lindsey Evans Lewallen , <i>Knoxville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Trevor Shane Lippincott , <i>Salem, NH</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Brittney Sierra Mason , <i>St. Louis, MO</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Nitin Mahajan , <i>Fishers, IN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Lindsay H. Mason , <i>Sylva, NC</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
Kelly Lyon Motter , <i>Friendsville, TN</i>	Family Nurse Practitioner
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Cap and Gown

Faculty and students at commencement participate in a long-standing tradition of wearing academic regalia at graduation. Dating back to the 12th and 13th centuries, the clothing of the scholar was the dress of the cleric. Universities today are generally regarded as formal institutions of learning that have their origins in Medieval Christian tradition. Today, these garments reflect the educational achievement of the wearer as well as the colors of their discipline and school of study.

Observers will note the differences in sleeves and embellishment of the gowns. The baccalaureate gown itself worn by graduating seniors tends to be simple in design. Atop the square mortar board, the undergraduates wear a tassel to their right which is moved upon the completion of the ceremony. Though the gown and cap are modest, baccalaureate candidates may also wear honor cords, stoles, and medals representative of academic or other significant achievement during their undergraduate career.

Gowns for students graduating with master's and doctoral degrees tend to have more ornate construction. Instead of a square mortar board, graduate tams (caps) can be a variety of designs made of the same material as the gown or velvet. The accompanying tassel is worn to the left (the wearer already possessing a bachelor's degree) and in some cases stationary. Additionally, the master's and doctoral gowns differ from the baccalaureate gown with the inclusion of a hood. However, the doctoral hood differs from the master's hood in size being the larger of the two. The doctoral gowns have cuffed sleeves adorned with three velvet chevrons and additional velvet trim down either side the gown's opening. The color of the chevrons and trim reflect the discipline color (see chart below), and the inside of the hood contains the colors of the degree-granting institution. As recipients of the highest honors, doctoral faculty members refrain from wearing additional cords or medals (except the Presidential Medal or the Distinguished Faculty Award medal.)

Colors

Traditionally, the color for all gowns is black. However, degree-granting institutions may select unique colors for the gown and trim.

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business and Accountancy	Drab
Education	Light Blue
Fine Arts	Brown
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	Citron
Theology	Scarlet

Ceremonial Banners and Mace

Ceremonial Mace

Leading the procession of faculty and students, the recipient of Carson-Newman University's Distinguished Faculty Award carries the ceremonial mace. Historically, the mace was a blunt weapon of war made of wood or metal. The ceremonial mace is a symbol of authority and independence of the institution to convene as in a convocation or commencement ceremony. Additionally, it signifies the authority the institution bears to bestow upon the candidates for graduation the various degrees awarded.

Gonfalons

The banners carried and stationed on the stage bear witness to our unique mission as an institution of Christian higher education and represent the division among our various disciplines. School deans carry the school banners that represent the associated schools that govern the various degree programs leading to associate, baccalaureate, master's, or doctoral degrees.

Atop the three larger gonfalons sits a brass cross. The cross symbolizes the Lordship of Jesus Christ, who ushered in His kingdom through His death on the cross and subsequent resurrection. In Christ we find perfect expression and fulfillment of Truth, Beauty, and Goodness which is our school motto. In the background of each banner, you see the rolling mountains of Appalachia, our region in which we serve, and the year of our beginning, 1851.

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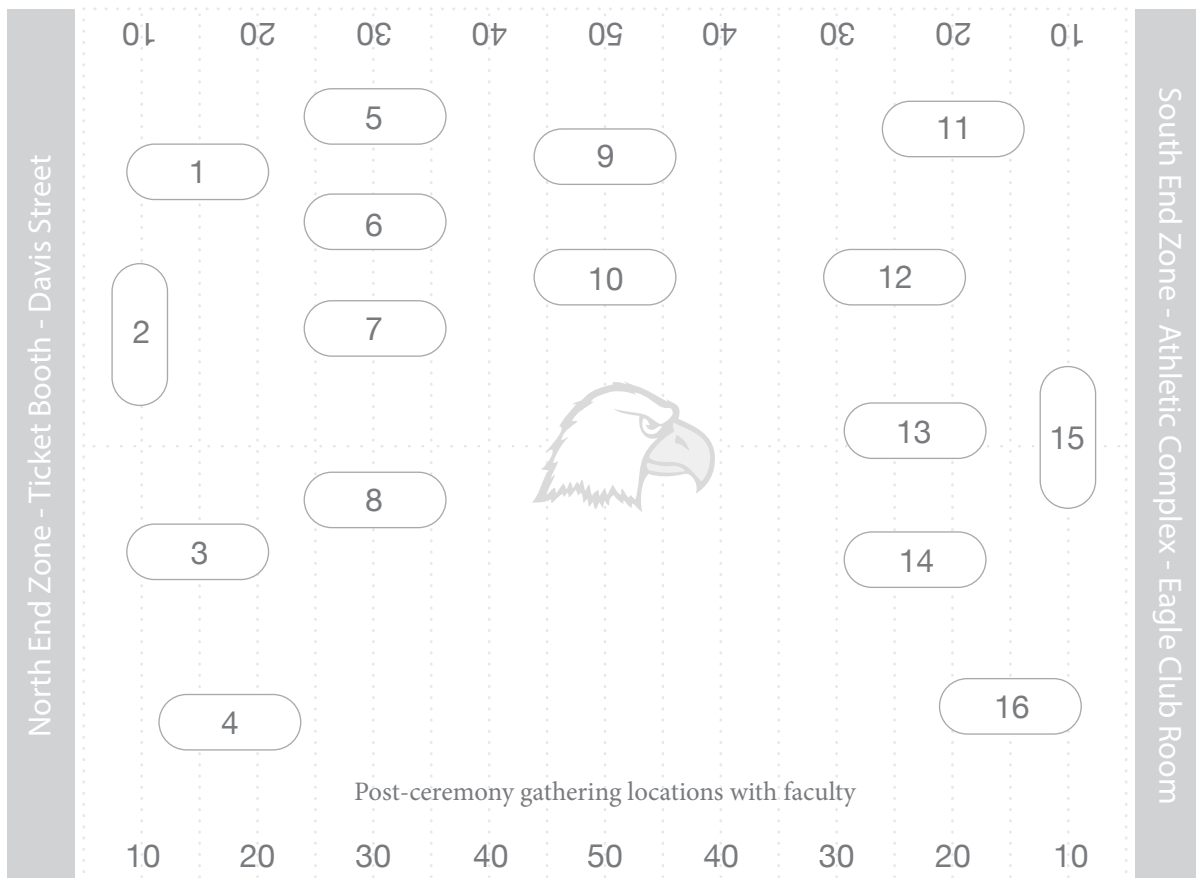
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