

Commencement

December 16, 2017 11 a.m. Winthrop Coliseum

"In celebration of our 132nd academic year"

A Message from the President



Dear Graduate:

Congratulations on earning a Winthrop University degree! I commend you on this outstanding achievement.

You have mastered the challenges of academic rigor, civic engagement, global awareness, personal responsibility, and career development. You have met the demanding standards of your respective academic program. You have forged relationships with mentors in the classroom and in the community, and you have, undoubtedly, made friends for life. And I hope you have had a little fun along the way.

Through all of those experiences, you also have gained the confidence that comes with giving your best to achieve your dreams. That confidence will serve you well as you rise in your chosen career, pursue advanced studies, enter or re-enter the workforce, or simply explore a new direction for your life. I strongly believe you will stand

out as a leader in your community and your profession as a result of your experiences at this university.

Think of Winthrop as you set your future goals. Hold fast to your intellectual curiosity, your passion for achievement, and your sense of responsibility for self and for others. You honed those attributes as you worked and studied here; and, over time, you will continue to value this important association with your Alma Mater.

We are proud to call you one of our own and hope that you continue to rely on us throughout your life. We also hope you realize the ample opportunities to connect with your fellow alumni and to give back to Winthrop. Make the most of them. We need you as we plan for the university's future.

I am proud to celebrate this day of achievement with you. All who have had the good fortune to be a part of your experience here join me in wishing you the very best. We congratulate you for your determination and accomplishments.

With warm regards,

Daniel F. Mahony, Ph.D. President

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Order of Exercise

Pre-Commencement Concert

Procession*

March Triomphale, *Hector Berlioz* Pomp and Circumstance, *Edward Elgar* Winthrop University Commencement Band, Dr. Lorrie Crochet, *Conductor*

National Anthem*

Audience, Led by Ms. Megan C. Calkins Presentation of Colors, City of Rock Hill Fire Department Honor Guard

Spirit of Celebration*

Dr. Linda Pickett, Faculty Marshal

Welcome from the University and Introductions

Dr. Daniel Mahony, President

Presentation of Awards

President Mahony President's Award for Academic Excellence Kinard Award for Excellence in Teaching

Commencement Address

Dr. John Bird, 2017 Distinguished Professor

Academic Degrees and Special Recognition

Presentation of Graduate Candidates and Conferring of Degrees Dr. Debra Boyd, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Hooding of Graduate Candidates and Presentation of Diplomas Dean Jack DeRochi, Graduate School Dean P.N. Saksena and Dr. Keith Benson, College of Business Administration Dean Jennie Rakestraw and Dr. Marshall Jones, Richard W. Riley College of Education Dean Jeff Bellantoni and Dr. Andrew Vorder Bruegge, College of Visual and Performing Arts Interim Dean Takita Sumter and Dr. Greg Oakes, College of Arts and Sciences

Presentation of Undergraduate Candidates and Conferring of Degrees Dr. Boyd Dean Saksena, College of Business Administration Dean Rakestraw, Richard W. Riley College of Education Dean Bellantoni, College of Visual and Performing Arts Interim Dean Sumter, College of Arts and Sciences

Welcome from Winthrop University Alumni Association

Dr. David McDonald '01

Charge to the Graduates

President Mahony

Alma Mater*

Audience, Led by Ms. Calkins

Final Procession*

March for the Prince of Wales, *Joseph Haydn* Winthrop University Commencement Band

*Audience is requested to stand and remain at their places.

The university commencement ceremony is a significant celebration recognizing years of study. As a reflection of the nature of the ceremony, please refrain from loud expressions of pleasure for individual graduates. Such expressions detract from the recognition due the next graduate in line. Photographs may be taken during the ceremony, but photographers are asked to remain in their seats to ensure that aisles and stairways are clear. The audience is requested to stand and remain at their places during both processionals. As a courtesy to those around you and to our graduating students, please turn off all cellular devices during the ceremony.

University Marshals Dr. Gary Stone (Chief), Dr. Shelley Hamill (Assistant Chief), Dr. Cliff Calloway, Dr. Kelly Costner, Dr. Steve Dannelly, Dr. Chlotia Garrison, Dr. Linda Pickett, Dr. Tom Polaski, Ms. Anna Sartin, Dr. Ginger Williams, Dr. Brad Witzel

Student Marshals

John Eaves (Chief), John Brotemarkle (Assistant Chief), Katelyn Arledge, Mia Champion, Hunter Forrester, Jayma L. Goodwin, Drew Griffin, Morganne Guinther, Caroline Hammond, Casson Helms, Abby Hieber, Katherine Karban, Chelsei James, Lauren Jones, Thelonious Khaler, Toni Lubbers, Sabrina Mateo-Lo, Caylie McGlade, Marissa T. McNeace, Ashley Milton, Karlison Moore, Darien Nguyen, Keleigh Romine, Miquela Santoro, Rhyna Simmers, Sydney A. Strother, Macy Trainer, Cheyenne Walsh, Martha Grace Whitman

Student Marshals are invited to serve at Winthrop Commencement and Convocation ceremonies based on their outstanding academic performance.

Readers Dr. Peter Judge, Dr. Kristen Wunderlich

Sign Language Interpreter Ms. Emily Walker

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Speaker and Awards

Speaker



John Bird

Dr. John Bird was named the 2017 Distinguished Professor at the Commencement exercises in May. This is the highest honor the Winthrop community can bestow upon a faculty member.

He joined the Winthrop faculty in 1993 as an associate professor of English and was promoted to professor in 2005. Known around the campus as an evangelist for high quality teaching, Dr. Bird is the recipient of several teaching awards, including Winthrop's James Pinckney Kinard and Lee Wicker Kinard Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2005. Other notable Winthrop awards include serving as the Margaret M. Bryant Professor of English since 2014 and as a Thompson Scholar in 2009-10 for research.

As the director of the Teaching and Learning Center, Dr. Bird offers advice to other faculty members on how to approach the classroom, a job he has fulfilled in his own career with courage, creativity, and a genuine commitment to students. Throughout his teaching career at high schools, other colleges, and at Winthrop, he has not run from difficult classroom situations.

Nationally recognized as a Mark Twain scholar, Dr. Bird publishes prolifically, has edited a journal, and served as president and vice president of the Mark Twain Society. Most

importantly, he discovered in Twain's papers some notes about a bedtime story for his daughters. The discovery, which is the only known Twain bedtime story in existence, recently was featured in the *New York Times*.

Dr. Bird also has played a prominent role in decisions affecting academics and faculty life. He provided steady leadership for the past four years as chair of the Faculty Conference. His interaction with Board of Trustee members has been effective, as he represented faculty opinions and concerns accurately and with sensitivity and integrity.

Kinard Award



Dr. Cheryl Fortner-Wood is the 2017 recipient of the James Pinckney Kinard and Lee Wicker Kinard Award for Excellence in Teaching. This award was established in honor of former Winthrop President James Pinckney Kinard and his wife, Lee Wicker Kinard, in 1984 by their family. It is given annually to a faculty member who has demonstrated a dedication to teaching and is highly regarded on campus by students and faculty.

Fortner-Wood joined the Winthrop faculty in 1998 after earning a bachelor's degree in psychology from the College of Charleston, a master's degree in psychology from Western Carolina University and a Ph.D. in child development and family studies from Purdue University. She was promoted to associate professor in 2004 and then to full professor in 2016.

Fortner-Wood's students say she is rigorous in her expectations but is also very supportive in enhancing and aiding student intellectual and personal development. In addition to her teaching duties of graduate and undergraduate courses in psychology, she has directed the university's McNair Scholars program since 2009. The job has earned her the nickname "Mama McNair" due to the level of dedication and care she has extended to participants, who are first generation college students or are low-income and/or come

from underrepresented backgrounds. The program has been very successful in promoting outstanding undergraduate research and in preparing the McNair Scholars for graduate school. Winthrop learned this fall that the program's federal grant has been renewed for the third time for the next five years.

Fortner-Wood has fulfilled many roles as a committee member in her department, in the College of Arts and Sciences and on the university level. She represented the faculty on the Board of Trustees from 2007-09 in her role as chair of the Faculty Conference. She won the College of Arts and Sciences Outstanding Advisor Award in 2005.

Fortner-Wood's specialty areas include infant-parent attachment, attachment in adoption, and childcare quality. She has served as an expert witness on attachment in adoption cases and is a partner with the S.C. Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Impact Project.

President's Award for Academic Excellence

This award is the highest academic award Winthrop University presents to a student. It is awarded to the student with the highest grade point average in the graduating class.

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Winthrop University



History

Winthrop University has been an educational leader in South Carolina for more than 125 years. In 1886, David Bancroft Johnson, a dedicated and gifted superintendent of schools, successfully petitioned Boston philanthropist Robert C. Winthrop and the Peabody Fund for seed money to form a school whose mission would be the education of women as teachers. As the "Winthrop Training School," Johnson's fledgling institution opened its doors to 21 students in Columbia, S.C., using a borrowed, oneroom building. Because of its important role, Winthrop soon received state assistance and moved to its permanent Rock Hill home in 1895.

Over time, Winthrop became one of the premier women's colleges in the region and expanded its mission to become a comprehensive institution offering degrees in a growing variety of disciplines. Responding to students' increasing pursuit of higher education, the college reached other important milestones by integrating in 1964 and becoming coeducational in 1974. Winthrop assumed university designation in 1992 and has achieved national recognition in pursuit of its goal to be one of the finest comprehensive universities in the country.

Veritas cum Libertate

Motto

Winthrop's motto, "Veritas cum Libertate," or "Truth with Liberty," was chosen by a faculty committee at the request of Winthrop President David Bancroft Johnson in 1899.



Seal and Chain of Office

The committee formed by President Johnson to suggest a school motto also designed the university seal. The illustration includes the motto as well as portions of the State of South Carolina seal. One image is dominated by a tall Palmetto tree, which represents the battle fought on June 28, 1776, between defenders of the unfinished fort on Sullivan's Island, South Carolina, and the British Fleet. Banded together on the Palmetto with the motto "Quis separabit?" ("Who Will Separate [Us]?"), are 12 spears that represent the first 12 states of the Union. The other image of the seal depicts a woman walking along a shore littered with weapons. The woman, symbolizing Hope, grasps a branch of laurel as the sun rises behind her. Below her image is the word "SPES," or "Hope." On May 14, 1900, the faculty voted unanimously to accept the design still in use as the Winthrop seal.

The Chain of Office is symbolic of the authority vested in the office of president by the governing body of the university. Only the university president may wear it, and while wearing it, speaks for the whole body of the institution. Winthrop's Chain of Office is made of bronze and features the university seal.

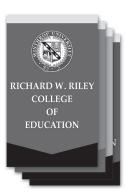


Coat of Arms

The Winthrop University Coat of Arms, adopted in 1980, incorporates a shield and helm, and the University motto, "Veritas cum Libertate," which originally appeared on Winthrop's seal. A diagonal blue line through the shield represents the blue uniforms that were worn at Winthrop until the 1950s. The garnet and gold represent traditional school colors.

The Mace

The first maces were weapon-like staffs used in ancient Rome to honor heroes and nobility. Maces were later used in the courts of England as symbols of authority. Today, maces are associated with the American judicial and legislative systems, as well as with colleges and universities. The Winthrop mace was designed, produced and engraved by Alfred Ward, art and design professor emeritus. It is made of silver with detailing of 22K gold overlay. The stem is crafted from an African hardwood.



Gonfalon

The gonfalon, a flag that hangs from a crosspiece or frame, originated in the medieval republics of Italy as an ensign of state or office. Gonfalons have been adopted in many universities around the world as college or institutional insignias.

The four gonfalons displayed represent the four academic colleges of Winthrop University: the College of Business Administration, the Richard W. Riley College of Education, the College of Visual and Performing Arts, and the College of Arts and Sciences. The garnet, navy and gold are the university's colors. Purple, green and blue complement the school's colors.



Ring

The official Winthrop University ring symbolizes pride and commitment and is a lasting memento of the wearer's Winthrop experience. The ring's design includes the crest portion of the university's seal and is framed at the top by the institution's name and its founding year at the bottom. Inside the ring, Winthrop's motto, "Veritas cum Libertate," is inscribed. It is customary for the ring to be turned with the crest facing outward at the conclusion of the Commencement ceremony.

Academic Regalia

The academic regalia worn in college and university ceremonies today have their origins in the Middle Ages. Monks and students wore them to keep warm in the medieval castles and halls in which they studied. From these practical beginnings, the traditional caps, gowns, and hoods have come to symbolize scholarly achievement.

Winthrop is authorized to grant the first two of the following three generally recognized degrees—the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral. The bachelor's degree, the baccalaureate, takes its name directly from the medieval practice of "bachelors" wearing a garland of bayberries. Their gowns have a long pleated front, which may be worn either open or closed.

The master's degree was equivalent to a license to teach and sometimes was followed by the phrase "Licentia Docendi." The gowns for master's degree candidates are similar to those of the bachelor's, but a hood is added, bearing the colors of the institution conferring the degree. The doctor's degree was originally a title of respect and recognition of great learning. Today, the doctorate indicates advanced study and independent research in a specialized field of learning. The gowns feature a broad, velvet panel down the front and three velvet bars on the full, round sleeves.

Members of the governing body of a college or university are entitled to wear doctoral gowns under the rules of protocol. Winthrop's Board of Trustees and chief marshal wear robes designed specifically for the university.

Mortarboards or caps worn with baccalaureate and master's gowns generally have black tassels. The tassel of the doctoral cap is usually made of gold bullion. The caps and gowns worn today by Winthrop students are environmentally friendly. The fabric is made from renewable, managed forests and the zippers from 100% recycled polymer.

Hoods

Hood colors were assigned to academic disciplines and standarized for the first time in the United States in the late 19th century. The colors chosen had traditional meanings and were determined by discipline. Green was selected for medicine because it is the color of healing herbs. Red was the traditional color of the church and was assigned to theology. Golden yellow signifies the wealth of knowledge which research has produced and therefore was given to science. Revisions were made to the code several times in the 20th century by the American Council on Education.

All hoods specify the type of discipline studied and the awarding institution. The following list explains hoods worn by graduate degree candidates at Winthrop University.

College of Business Administration

Master of Science (M.S.) - Drab

Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) - Drab

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) - Light Blue Master of Education (M.Ed.) - Light Blue Master of Science (M.S.) - Light Blue

College of Visual and Performing Arts

Master of Arts (M.A.) - White Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) - Brown Master of Music (M.M.) - Pink Master of Music Education (M.M.E.) - Pink

College of Arts and Sciences

Master of Arts (M.A.) - White Master of Liberal Arts (M.L.A.) - White Master of Science (M.S.) - Gold Master of Social Work (M.S.W.) - Citron Specialist in School Psychology (S.S.P.) - Gold

Key to Symbols

Latin Honors

* In today's program, this symbol designates graduates who have achieved one of the following levels of academic performance. These students can be identified by their gold cord. The Latin phrases, once used at medieval universities, are still used to honor graduates today:

Summa Cum Laude	Cum Laude
<i>"with greatest praise," is awarded for cumulative averages from 3.9 to 4.0.</i>	<i>"with praise," is awarded for cumulative averages from 3.5 to 3.74.</i>
Magna Cum Laude	Honors Recognition
<i>"with great praise," is awarded for cumulative averages from 3.75 to 3.89.</i>	is awarded for a final average of 3.75 and a minimum of 48 quality hours at Winthrop University.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the unavailability of grades for the final semester during the time the Commencement program is printed, Latin Honors designations in this program are based on cumulative grade point average earned through the previous academic term (this cumulative GPA includes any undergraduate coursework completed at other colleges). Final academic Latin Honor designations are determined after grades for the final semester are posted. Official Latin Honors designations are announced the day of commencement, noted on the student's diploma, and printed on the transcript.

Honors Program

Honors Program Degree

is awarded for the completion of a service learning project and 23 hours of honors courses including an honors thesis and honors symposia with a cumulative average of at least a 3.30. These students can be identified by their garnet cord.

Honors Program Degree with International Experience

is awarded for the completion of a service learning project, 23 hours of honors courses including an honors thesis and honors symposia with a cumulative average of at least a 3.30 and an extended experience outside the United States in a learning environment. These students can be identified by their garnet cord.

Other cords and pins worn by graduates indicate their membership in academic honor societies.

+ This symbol in today's program designates graduates of the Honors Program.

‡ This symbol designates August 2017 graduates.

Every effort has been made to list correctly the candidates for degrees. Please note, however, that the listings are prepared for program purposes and do not constitute official records.

College of Business Administration

P.N. Saksena, Dean

The College of Business Administration's mission is to prepare students in a learning-oriented environment, through effective teaching, scholarship and service, with the professional and leadership skills necessary for positions in the global marketplace, while fostering life-long learning and service to the external community.

The college was created in 1968 and awards the following undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Science in business administration with concentrations in accounting, computer information systems, economics, entrepreneurship, finance, financial planning, general business, health care management, human resource management, international business, management, marketing, and sustainable business; Bachelor of Science in computer science; Bachelor of Arts in economics and Bachelor of Science in digital information design. The College of Business Administration offers two Master of Business Administration degrees. The first is a general program with a concentration in international business, finance, human resource management, marketing, or strategic leadership. The second is a M.B.A. Accounting degree.

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Jennie F. Rakestraw, Dean

The Richard W. Riley College of Education is dedicated to the highest ideals of teaching, scholarship and service for the purpose of preparing professionals who are committed to the betterment of society through a lifelong quest for excellence in leadership, stewardship, collaboration and innovation. Through the Jim and Sue Rex Institute for Educational Renewal and Partnerships, the College of Education maintains a strong school Partnership Network to support P-12 school renewal and a clinical approach to educator preparation.

Winthrop was founded in 1886 as a teacher preparatory school. The College of Education began in 1968 and was renamed the Richard W. Riley College of Education in 2000. The college offers the following undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Science in athletic training, early childhood education, elementary education, exercise science, family and consumer sciences, middle level education, physical education, special education, and sport management. A Master of Arts in Teaching; Master of Science in sport and fitness administration; Master of Education in counseling and development, curriculum and instruction, educational leadership, middle level education, literacy, and special education are offered at the graduate level.

College of Visual and Performing Arts

Jeff Bellantoni, Dean

The College of Visual and Performing Arts provides high quality arts instruction in a rich artistic environment that inspires students to achieve their academic and artistic goals. The college also provides the broader Winthrop community with a vast array of outstanding performances and art exhibitions annually.

The college was created in 1988 and awards the following undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Arts in art, art education, art history, dance, dance education, music, theatre (performance, design/technology, musical theatre), and theatre education; Bachelor of Fine Arts in art (ceramics, general studio, jewelry/ metals, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture), visual communication design (graphic design and illustration), and interior design; Bachelor of Music (performance, composition), and Bachelor of Music Education (instrumental and choral). A Master of Arts in art education and arts administration; Master of Fine Arts in art and design; Master of Music (conducting and performance); and Master of Music Education degrees are offered at the graduate level.

College of Arts and Sciences

Takita Sumter, Interim Dean

The College of Arts and Sciences provides educational opportunities for students to gain knowledge, insights, and skills in order to grow more sensitive to the significance of the human heritage, to participate and contribute knowledgeably and effectively as citizens, and to lead rewarding, productive, and enriched lives in the contemporary world. Providing the liberal arts foundation for all Winthrop University students, the College of Arts and Sciences offers a broad spectrum of general education courses so students may be afforded the central core of knowledge enjoyed by well-educated citizens.

The college was created in 1967 and awards the following undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Arts in English, environmental studies, history, individualized studies, mass communication, mathematics, modern languages, philosophy and religion, political science, psychology, and sociology; Bachelor of Science in biology, chemistry, environmental sciences, human nutrition, integrated marketing communication and mathematics; and Bachelor of Social Work degree. The College of Arts and Sciences also awards the following graduate degrees: Master of Liberal Arts; Master of Arts in English and history; Master of Social Work; Master of Science in biology, human nutrition, and school psychology; and Specialist degree in school psychology.

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Business Administration

Master of Business Administration

Mohammad Moqhem Almoqhem B.A. King Saud University

Kayla Diane Brown B.S. Winthrop University

‡Chaojie Chen B.S. Guangxi University of Finance and Economics

‡Jie Chen
B.S. Guangxi Normal University

‡Lin Chen B.A. Southwest University of Science and Technology

‡Yuan Cheng B.S. Wuhan University of Technology

‡John Prentiss Collins B.A. The University of Tennessee Knoxville

Casey Nicole Finnell B.S. Winthrop University

‡Xiang Fu B.S. Southwest University of Science and Technology

‡Xiang He B.S. Beijing Information, Science ♂ Technology University

Lydia M. James B.S. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

‡Anna Leigh Jenkins B.S. Winthrop University

‡Hua Jiang
B.S. Guangxi University

Melissa Renee Jones B.A. Central Michigan University

Garrett Clark Keogh B.A. University of South Carolina

Dennis Afrifah Kontor-Kwateng B.S. Winthrop University

‡Yuanyuan Lao B.A. Mianyang Normal University

‡Hongxuan Li
B.S. Tian Jin Normal University

‡Junda Li B.E. Guangxi University

‡Yun Long B.A. South Central University for Nationalities

‡Feng Lu B.S. Harbin Institute of Technology

‡Kang Lyu
B.S. Dezhou University

‡Claire Marie Mooney-Melvin M.S. Southern Illinois University Carbondale B.A. St. Louis University

‡Li Qin B.A. Guangxi University

‡Xiaojie Qin B.A. Guangxi University

Christian Blane Sease B.S. Winthrop University

‡Hannah Shae Spruill
B.S.W. Winthrop University

‡Xiaoli Su B.S. Guangxi University

‡Songkai Sun B.S. Winthrop University ‡Jiani Tang
B.A. United International College

‡Changqing Wang B.S. Zhongnan University of Economics and Law

Richard Keith Webster B.S. Virginia Military Institute

Brittni Nia-Joyce Woodland B.S. Winthrop University

Zhiwei Wu B.A. Guangxi Normal University

Bin Xu B.S. Guilin University of Electronic Technology

Feng Xu B.S. Tianjin University of Finance and Economics

Lan Xue B.S. North China Electric Power University

Miosha Alise York B.S. Winthrop University

Linglin Zhang B.S. The Central University For Nationalities

Tao Zhang B.A. Guangxi University

Yiming Zhang B.S. Shantou University

Zhengyi Zhao B.A. Anyang Normal University

Huihua Zhong B.S. Changsha University of Science and Technology

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Business Administration

Master of Business Administration-Accounting

> Evan Ray Andert B.S. Clemson University

Amber Marie Conley B.S. College of Charleston

Swavae Demetri Davis B.S. South Carolina State University

Trevon Rashaun Faulkner B.S. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte ‡Krystal Marquita Gonzales B.S. Winthrop University

Sale' Mone' Holmes B.S. Winthrop University

‡Renee Danielle Johnson B.S. Winthrop University

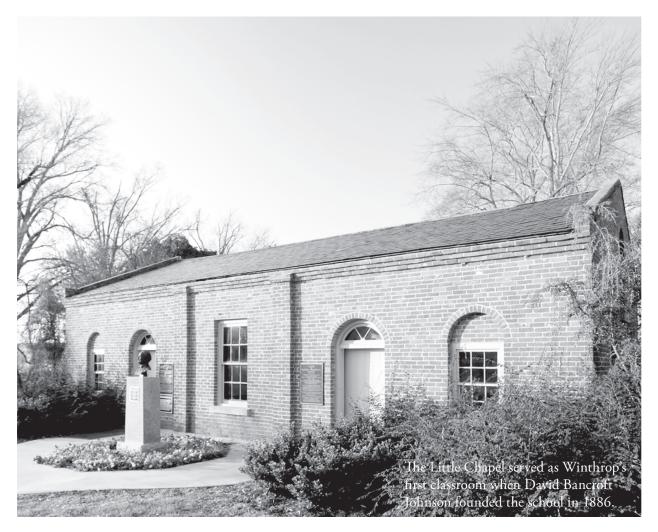
‡David Earl Jones
B.B.A. Francis Marion University

Yasmin Marie Kirkwood B.S. Winthrop University Ashley Noelle Richard B.B.A. Southwestern Oklahoma State University

Zhongling Shen B.S. Winthrop University

Fan Yang B.S. Winthrop University

‡Qinqin Zhu B.S. Beijing Jiaotong University



Graduate Candidates for Degrees

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Master of Science

Carlotta Nicole Kloppenburg B.A. Point Loma Nazarene University

Quintin Blake Tucker B.S. Winthrop University

Tyler Matthew Wozniak B.A. Winthrop University

Master of Education

‡Norah Abdulaziz Alomary
B.Ed. Al Baha University

‡Eman Abdullah Alshehri B.Ed. King Khalid University

\$Brianna Monique Barnette
B.S. Winthrop University

Elizabeth Ashley Bryant M.L.I.S. University of South Carolina B.A. Erskine College

Zahil Dalel Caraballo-Hernandez B.A. University of Massachussetts, Amherst

Bridget Kewanda Elmore M.Ed. South Carolina State University B.A. University of South Carolina

‡Maya Renee Evans B.A. Furman University

Kristin Reann Hardwick B.S. Winthrop University

Katherine McCaskill Hough M.A.T. University of South Carolina B.A. Clemson University Brittnay Ann Johnson B.S. Winthrop University

Jessica Lynne Kelly B.A. Clemson University

Rhine Dante Kirkland M.Ed. Winthrop University B.A. Winthrop University

Jennifer Rose Knowlton B.S. Fayetteville State University

Cardio Anthony Mack B.M.E. Winthrop University

Trina L. McFadden B.S. University of South Carolina

Laura Marie Misiunas M.Ed. Winthrop University B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Lakeisha Shonta Morris B.A. Belmont Abbey College Brianna Christine Murray B.A. Winthrop University

‡Bonnie Summey Orr
B.A. Belmont Abbey College

‡Shartaysia LaTrey Rogers B.A. Winthrop University

Rebecca Carol Shackleford M.S. Walden University B.S. Winthrop University

Darryall Omar White M.Ed. Clemson University B.A. Clemson University

Master of Arts in Teaching

Thien Tat Vo B.S. University of Nebraska, Lincoln



Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Visual and Performing Arts Master of Arts Keara Brigid Maria Reburn

Victoria Rader Carter B.A. Coastal Carolina University

Harry Estes Culpepper B.F.A. Shenandoah University

Pamela Wansley Gambrell B.M.E. Winthrop University

Kimberly Nicole Howard Noble B.A. University of North Carolina at Asheville

B.A. College of Charleston

Philip Steven Thomas B.A. Montclair State University

Sarina Nicole Wolfgang B.M.E. Winthrop University

Master of Fine Arts

‡Kimberly Anne Fabio B.F.A. Syracuse University

Samantha Valdez B.A. Stetson University

Master of Music

Alex Roshard Bromell B.M.E. Winthrop University



Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Arts and Sciences

Master of Social Work

Caressa Damalis Fernandez B.A. University of Connecticut

Master of Liberal Arts

Alan Whyttman Avant B.M. Winthrop University

Brandon Christopher Lounsbury B.A. Winthrop University

Brittany Elizabeth Pearce B.A. Union University

Master of Science

‡Ruth Tochi Azubuike B.S. University of Nigeria

Allison Kayla Barbera B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Heather Michelle Biage *B.S. Winthrop University*

Taryn Pine Burke B.A. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

‡Cristina Rose Desemone B.S. University at Albany, SUNY

‡Caroline Marie Driscoll B.S. University of South Carolina

Bryan Benson England III B.S. College of Charleston

Rhonda Michelle Hearn *B.S. Lander University*

Rachel Elizabeth Holland B.S. Winthrop University

Tara Marie Grace Lavelle B.A. Elon University

Lauren Cobb Littmann B.S. North Carolina State University

Toni J. Mamajek B.S. Northern Illinois University

Stephanie Ann Matson B.S. Appalachian State University

Edward J. McAleer B.S. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

‡Grace Louise Olson B.S. Eckerd College

Ivey Nicole Owens B.S. North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University

Alina Victoria Pittman B.S. University of Central Florida

Herbert Nelson Schoonover B.S. Wofford College

Jessica Maria Shealor B.S. Winthrop University

Elizabeth Black Smith B.S. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill ‡Lauren Diane Wright B.A. University of Florida

Master of Arts

Christopher Wrenn Eller B.S. East Carolina University

Adrienne Miranda Houston *B.A. Winthrop University*

Alyssa Lynne Jones B.A. Clemson University

Ryan David Loyst B.A. University of South Carolina

‡Paul Augustus Nigro M. Div. Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary B.A. Clemson University

Holly Jade Wade B.A. Winthrop University

Robert Lewis Wilson B.A. Limestone University

Alexander Keith Windham B.A. Winthrop University



Undergraduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Business Administration

Bachelor of Science

Naseem Alpha-Him Adkinson-Jobe *Walterboro*

Carlissa Marie Alston *Ladson*

Pietro Bottari *Greenville*

Cristina Nicole Cass Santa Clarita, Calif.

Tywain Markel Chaplin *Greenville*

Mason Alan Cole *Charleston*

‡Dantavious Lewis Coleman *Cayce*

Cameron Richard Corcoran Lake Wylie

Aaron Christopher Daines *Fort Mill*

Kyle Wayne DeBruyn *Holland, Mich.*

Damon Rashad Dean Moncks Corner

Nigel Maalik Dendy *Mauldin*

Joshua Reynolds East Sandy Cross, Ga.

Shane Louis Easterling Goose Creek

‡Hector Hugo Fernandez San Pedro Sula, Honduras

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José Manuel Mencía Arita San Pedro Sula, Honduras

Abigail Greene Miles Hilton Head Island

Martavya Ahnlai Mitchell Summerville

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‡Jennie Ai Nhi Nguyen North Charleston

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College of Business Administration

Bachelor of Science (continued)

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Bachelor of Arts

Tiana Rochelle Latrice McGee *Columbia*

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Undergraduate Candidates for Degrees

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Bachelor of Science

Alexia LaTrese Abraham Manning

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*Bethany Linn Hartline *Taylors*

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Katherine Elizabeth McManus *Columbia*

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Undergraduate Candidates for Degrees

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Bachelor of Science (continued)

Shakem T. O'Neal *Florence*

Alexis Elizabeth Pattinson *Fort Mill*

Rachel Amanda Powell *Huntingtown, Md.*

Jalen Diquon Pratt *Saluda*

Tyler Houston Ray *Abbeville*

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Elexis Nakeeya Ross Lugoff

Morgan Laura Ruff Spartanburg Destiny Ashanti Scott *Columbia*

‡Robert Nicholas Shahan *Oakland, Md.*

Briana Kelley Shakir-Lesesne Mount Pleasant

Elizabeth Caroline Skaggs *Rock Hill*

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College of Visual and Performing Arts

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Daniel Byron Indian Land

Andrew John Edwards *Greenville*

Renée Baker Holliday *Waxhaw, N.C.*

Dylan Jennings Nichols *Charleston*

Bachelor of Music

Elizabeth Burgos *Charlotte*, *N.C.*

Aaron Conner Keith Cheraw Bachelor of Music Education

*MarionChristopher Lamar Middleton *Rowesville*

Bachelor of Arts

Taylor Melinda Baker *Rock Hill*

Jenna Louise Cain Lawrenceville, Ga.

DeVon Jemarcus Ford *Florence*

Anfernee DeShawn Hodges Belton

Ashley Nicole Minton Rock Hill Morgan Taylor Nawrath *Orlando, Fla.*

Taylor Elizabeth Ouzts *Columbia*

Catherine Elizabeth Powell *Goose Creek*

*Thomas Michael Robinson *Clover*

Brianna Ashley Stillinger Columbia

*Carley Adair Tomlinson *Travelers Rest*

Shayna Nicole Wickens Sumter

College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Social Work

Yulemni Aguilar *Rock Hill*

Anna Elizabeth Covington *Fort Mill*

*Sharon Yvette Cruz-Munguia *Greenville*

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Ebony Darcel McCall *Charlotte, N.C.*

Brittany Nicole Reese Columbia

Taylor Elaine Sampson *Rock Hill*

Keyonté Shanice Scott *Cheraw*

Priscilla Washington Moncks Corner

Taylor Wilkes Young *Gainesville, Ga.*

Bachelor of Science

A. Rene' Allison Charlotte, N.C.

‡Adaeze Vivian Aninweze *Enugu, Nigeria*

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Undergraduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Science (continued)

> Anna Fair DuPree Mount Pleasant

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Tiffani Alexis Gaillard-Holmes Charleston

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‡Elizabeth-Cierra Parson Greene *Charleston*

*Anne Frances Haefner *Rock Hill*

Rachel Elizabeth Hamilton *Easley*

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Alisha Nicole Jefferies *Clover*

*+Olivia Annisette Livingston *Columbia*

Audrey Chizoba Maduike *Suwanee, Ga.*

Reeves Elizabeth McMillan *Summerville*

Breona Jonae McNeil Johns Island

Keri Taylor McQueen *Columbia*

*Mackenzie Lela Mitchell *Fort Mill*

Chasity Rae Moore *Pageland*

Olivia Marie Newton Mount Pleasant Shaquilla Rashida Paige *Charleston*

Na'Kia Jamise Patton *Rock Hill*

*Carolina Trinh Pham *Lake Wylie*

Timothy Denzel Pierce *Hopkins*

*‡Julia Anna Poppell *Beaufort*

Danielle Shanice Primes *Florence*

*John Tyler Robbins *Easley*

*+Deshaira Niqueole Sampson Goose Creek

Ayana Abdallah Shahid *York*

Andrew Richard Skow *York*

Kimberly Dawn Tipton *Rock Hill*

McKinnzey Alex Ware *Greenville*

Bachelor of Arts

Hakeem Dyrell Anderson Andrews

*Landon Camille Bailey *Fort Mill*

*+Richard Charles Baisley III *Aiken*

Lewis Whitney Barrineau, Jr. *Andrews*

‡Sarah Renee Baxley *Charleston*

‡Torin Eugene Bell Blythewood

Junerous Zhane Bowens *Ravenel*

*Rachel Naomi Broadway Austin, Texas

Aerial Bree Brunson Sumter Lucas Dillon Bryant *Walhalla*

‡Alisha M. Bulkley Lake Wylie

Madison Rae Busch *Liberty*

Joseph Ralph Campo Fort Mill

Angelina Beth Capozzola Westhampton Beach, N.Y.

Elyssa Malia Lomboy Celso *Columbia*

Maria Gabrielle Clarken North Charleston

Sydney Sabrin Cloud Rock Hill

Kaitlin Cherie Cobb Ninety Six

*+Stephanie Rose Copeland *St. Matthews*

Augusta Lee Couch Rock Hill

December Nicole Cuccaro *Miami, Fla.*

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Undergraduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Arts (continued)

Michael James Ennis *Aiken*

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Corey Shirley, Jr. *Myrtle Beach*

‡Tarah Jenell Simmons Anderson

*‡Rachel Elizabeth Smiley *Florence*

*Jálen Denelle Smith *Columbia*

Jina Rachelle Smith *Cheraw*

Sydney Lane Smith Simpsonville

Jenna Michelle Smoak Moncks Corner

*+Emily Ruth Sparrow *Clover*

Christina Michelle Stokes *Charlotte, N.C.*

*Bridget Leigh Tallent *York*

Craig Julius Taylor *Columbia*

Chelsia Nicole Telfair *Eastover*

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Honor Societies













Phi Kappa Phi

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine, Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, largest and most selective all-discipline honor society. In order to be a member, juniors must have completed at least 72 credit hours and rank scholastically in the top 7.5 percent and seniors must rank in the top 10 percent. Since its founding, more than 1,000,000 scholars have been inducted into Phi Kappa Phi's 285 chapters in the United States, Puerto Rico and the Philippines.

Beta Gamma Sigma

Beta Gamma Sigma is the highest recognition a business student anywhere in the world can receive in an undergraduate or master's program at a school accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business. To be eligible for membership, a student must rank in the upper 7 percent of the junior class or upper 10 percent of the senior class. Founded in 1907 at the University of Wisconsin, there are more than 495,000 initiates from 389 chapters.

Kappa Delta Pi

Kappa Delta Pi is an international honor society in education, which is dedicated to scholarship and excellence in the field. Founded in 1911 at the University of Illinois, Kappa Delta Pi has more than 60,000 members in 550 chapters throughout the world. In order to become a member, a student must be in final-term sophomore standing with a grade point ratio of 3.25 and at least 12 semester hours in education courses.

Omicron Delta Kappa

The Omicron Delta Kappa society is the national leadership honor society for college students, faculty, staff, administrators and alumni that recognizes and encourages superior scholarship, leadership and exemplary character. Founded December 3, 1914, at Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia, by 15 student and faculty leaders, Omicron Delta Kappa has more than 218,000 members.

Alpha Lambda Delta

Alpha Lambda Delta is a national society that honors academic excellence during a student's first year at college. Founded in 1924 at the University of Illinois, Alpha Lambda Delta has more than 230 chapters across the United States and has initiated more than 650,000 students. Students must have been registered for a full course of study leading to a bachelor's degree and must have received a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher during their first semester of college.

Book and Key

Membership in the Book and Key Society is open to seniors majoring in a liberal arts discipline. The Winthrop chapter was founded in 1936 and has admission criteria similar to those of the Phi Beta Society, including a grade point ratio at least 3.5 and satisfactory course work in mathematics and foreign language.

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Education

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Lauren Alisha Anders Keri Taylor McQueen Paige Nicole Meinke Cina Leigh Noel Kacy Lynn Tyner **Book and Key** *Scholarship*

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The fountain in front of Tillman Hall has served as a popular Winthrop symbol since it was constructed in 1912.

Dr. David D. McDonald '01



As President of the Winthrop Alumni Association, it is my honor to be among the first to congratulate you as both a Winthrop graduate and a new member of our Alumni Association. I know that you take great pride in the accomplishment you have earned today—a Winthrop University degree.

I know that you have worked hard to achieve this incredible goal and with the degree you have earned, you will go far. Use the knowledge, skills, and experiences at Winthrop to have an impact on your lifelong learning opportunities. Continue to dedicate yourself to acquiring knowledge and opportunity.

As you leave Winthrop as a student, your role changes as you become a representative of our university in your professional life, in the communities you serve, and in all that you achieve. Your dedication, achievement, and concern for our world are excellent measures of the knowledge you have obtained during your time here. Please dedicate yourself to continuing the mission of our university into the world and continue to bring honor and distinction to yourselves and to our beloved Winthrop University.

I am thrilled to welcome you as a new member of our Alumni Association. Ours is an organization that is diverse, supportive, and interested in the success of all alumni. I encourage you to be an active member, support Winthrop, and help continue the Winthrop experience for others.

As you transition to a new part of your life, I encourage you to continue to share your Winthrop experience through all of the events your life will bring, encourage others to support Winthrop, and continue to enjoy success. Continue to be a proud Eagle bold and strong!

Sincerely,

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Dr. David D. McDonald '01 President, Winthrop University Alumni Association

For more information about the Alumni Association, call 803/323-2145 or visit *www.winthrop.edu/alumni*.

Career Services for Alumni

The Center for Career and Civic Engagement offers continuing support to alumni. Making career decisions is a lifelong process. The staff offers professional assistance with the entire job search process including resume preparation, interviewing skills, networking techniques and coaching. Alumni considering a career change, or interested in post graduate experience, should contact Career and Civic Engagement for assistance.

Career and Civic Engagement and the Alumni Association invite you to join the Alumni Professional Network, which is a group of alumni who have graciously volunteered to share their expertise and insight about their careers with students and alumni. Involvement in the Alumni Professional Network can include providing career advice to individual students, participating on career panels, referring students to other contacts in your industry, and/or providing an opportunity for student employment.

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Animals

Pets, with the exception of service animals as defined by ADA as a guide dog, signal dog, or other animal trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability, are not allowed in the Coliseum.

Ceremony Time

The academic procession into the arena begins at 10:50 a.m., and the ceremony will end at approximately 12:30 p.m.

Elevator

It is located at section 130 of the upper concourse and in the lobby of the lower concourse. The elevator is reserved for guests with disabilities on Commencement day.

Emergency Evacuation

Please identify the nearest exit. In an emergency, you will be instructed on exiting to ensure an orderly evacuation.

First Aid

EMS personnel are located in the lower lobby of the arena.

Online Program and Ceremony Viewing

A PDF version of this program may be found at *www.winthrop.edu/commencement*. The ceremony will be available to view online next week from a link at *www.winthrop.edu*.

People with Disabilities

The elevator is located at section 130 of the upper concourse and in the lobby of the lower concourse. Accessible seating is available on the upper concourse and on the floor of the arena. Seating for wheelchair users is also located around the upper concourse. A sign language interpreter will be on stage for the deaf and hard-of-hearing. Guests needing assistive listening devices may pick them up at the Coliseum immediately prior to the ceremony. Devices should be returned at the end of the ceremony.

Phones

Please be considerate of others and turn off cell phones and other electronic devices during the ceremony.

Photographs and Videos

Individual graduate photographs are coordinated by Lifetouch Special Events Photography, *www.events.lifetouch.com/winthrop.* Questions can be addressed to specialevents@lifetouch.com or by calling 1-800-505-9496. The company will contact students after graduation regarding the sale of the photos. Guests may take their own photos and videos of the ceremony but must not block the aisles or the view of other guests. Only authorized photographers/ videographers will be permitted on the arena floor during the ceremony.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located on the upper concourse at the following sections. Men: 109 and 124 Women: 101, 106 and 121

Safety Regulations

In compliance with safety regulations, procession routes and aisles must be kept clear at all times. Please do not place strollers, camera tripods, electronic chargers, umbrellas or any other personal items in the aisles as they pose an evacuation egress hazard. Guests are asked to cooperate with university marshals and campus police officers in keeping these designated areas open.

Seating

Seating is on a first come, first serve basis. Reserving seats is not allowed.

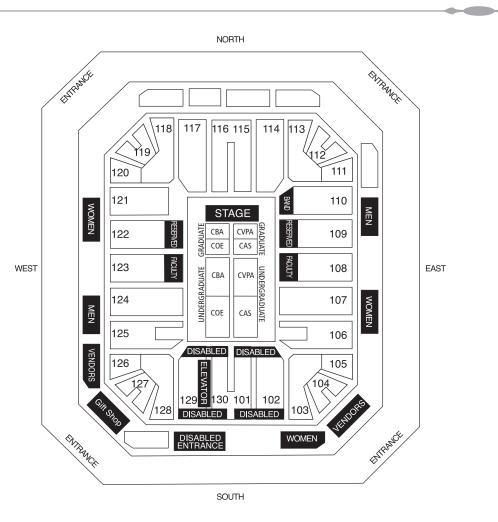
Smoking Policy

The Winthrop Coliseum is a smoke-free facility.

Water Fountains

Water fountains are located on the upper concourse at Sections 104, 111, 119 and 126.

Coliseum Floor Plan



Graduate and Undergraduate Arena Seating

CBA

College of Business Administration

COE

Richard W. Riley College of Education

CVPA

College of Visual and Performing Arts

CAS

College of Arts and Sciences

Student seating is dependent upon the number of graduates in attendance and the distribution across the four colleges. Exact seating is not known until the morning of the ceremony.

Winthrop University Alma Mater

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