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1887.

On the evening of Friday, June 17, public exercises of graduation were held in the Opera House. These consisted chiefly of essays by the Graduating Class, interspersed with singing by the School and music by an orchestra, and followed by presentation of diplomas and addresses by distinguished gentlemen present.

PROGRAMME.

Music.
Prayer.
Song—Happy peasants—Class.
Vocal exercises (with Class)—Miss Agnes R. McMaster.
Essay: The teacher an artist—Miss M. Elizabeth Muller.
Essay: School-room graces—Miss Kittie C. Bollinger.
Music.
Exercise in singing (with children)—Miss Minnie A. Marks.
Essay: Woman's work—Miss Frances R. Butler.
Essay: The backwoods' school—Miss M. Margaret Selby.
Music.
Reading: "Victoria's tears"—Miss Louise D. Senn.
Essay: "Then and now"—Miss Charlotte R. Burckmyer.
Song—Who will to the greenwood hie?
Presentation of Peabody Medals to Graded School Pupils.
Music.
Reading of annual Roll of Honor and annual attendance roll of Graded Schools—By John P. Thomas, Jr., Esq.
Report of Committee on Oral Examinations—Col. Jno. P. Thomas, Chairman.
Music.
Essay: "The Teacher's Ideal" and Valedictory—Miss Sarah Ida Knight.
Address to Class—Rev. N. M. Woods.
Presentation of Diplomas—By Gov. John Peter Richardson.
Benediction.

1887

The First Commencement

Graduate Commencement

December 12, 2013

7 p.m.

Winthrop Coliseum

"In celebration of our 128th academic year"

A Message from the President



Dear Graduate,

Congratulations on completing the requirements for a Winthrop University graduate degree! I commend you on this outstanding achievement.

You may have heard me lift up Albert Einstein's quote, which I paraphrase this way, "To be a person of success, you must first be a person of value." I believe each of you here today exemplifies this expression. You have mastered the challenges of academic rigor, professional excellence, and career development. You have balanced the responsibilities of career, family and civic involvement while meeting the rigorous academic standards of your respective college. You have forged relationships with mentors in the classroom and in the community, and you have made friends for life.

While you may not have realized it at the time, through all of those experiences, you have gained the integrity that comes with giving your best to achieve your dream. That integrity will serve you well as you re-enter the workforce, rise in your chosen career, or undertake a new direction in your life. 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 value of life-long learning, your vigorous curiosity, your passion for achievement, and your sense of responsibility for self and for others. My hope is that you honed those attributes as you worked and studied here, and that 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 career. 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 Winthrop's bright 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 Winthrop experience join me in wishing you the very best. We congratulate you for your determination and accomplishment.

Winthrop Ever Stand.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jayne Marie Comstock". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jayne Marie Comstock, 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. Jennie Rose Wilson*

Presentation of Colors, *City of Rock Hill Fire Department Honor Guard*

Spirit of Celebration*

Dr. Gary Stone, *Chief Faculty Marshal*

Welcome from the University and Introductions

Dr. Jayne Marie Comstock, *President*

Academic Degrees

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees

Dr. Debra Boyd, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Conferring of Degrees

Dr. Comstock

Hooding of Graduates and Presentation of Diplomas

College of Business Administration

Dr. Roger Weikle and Ms. Peggy Hager

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Dr. Jennie Rakestraw and Dr. Marshall Jones

College of Visual and Performing Arts

Dr. David Wohl and Dr. Alice Burmeister

College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Karen Kedrowski and Dr. Sarah Stallings

Dr. Jack DeRochi, *Dean, Graduate School*

Ms. Kathy Bigham, *Chair, Board of Trustees*

Charge to the Graduates

Dr. Comstock

Alma Mater*

Audience, *Led by Ms. Wilson*

Final Procession*

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

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 processions. 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. Irene Boland, Dr. Kelly Costner, Dr. Steve Dannelly, Mr. Gerry Derksen, Mr. Mark Hamilton, Dr. Linda Pickett, Dr. Tom Polaski, Dr. Joe Prus, Dr. Will Thacker, Dr. Brad Witzel

Student Marshals

Ms. Sarah Helms (Chief), Ms. Leah Brown (Assistant Chief), Mr. J. W. Barrera, Ms. Rachel Burns, Mr. Carson Daniel Cope, Ms. Brandi Marie Geurkink, Ms. Jessica Johnson, Ms. Holly Lindler, Ms. Nancy Looney, Mr. Andrew McIver, Ms. Katelyn Nash, Ms. Kaitlyn O'Brien, Ms. Virginia Emili Price, Ms. Rachel Riddle, Ms. Courtney Rivers, Ms. Caroline Roark, Ms. Emily Rounds, Ms. Abigail Roush, Ms. Katelyn Siggelkow

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

Readers

Dr. Cara Peters, Ms. Annie-Laurie Wheat

Sign Language Interpreter

Ms. Emily Walker

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

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, one-room 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 another important milestone by 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

“In 1899, Winthrop President David Bancroft Johnson appointed a faculty committee to suggest a motto for the school. ‘Veritas cum Libertate,’ or ‘Truth with Liberty,’ was chosen by the faculty.”

Webb, Ross A. *Winthrop University The Torch is Passed*. Mansfield, OH.: Book Masters Inc., 2002.

Seal/Presidential Medallion



In 1899, Winthrop President David Bancroft Johnson appointed a faculty committee to suggest a motto for the school. “Veritas cum Libertate,” or “Truth with Liberty,” was chosen by the faculty. The committee then began designing a seal incorporating the new 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 Presidential medallion 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 she speaks for the whole body of the institution. Winthrop’s medallion is made of bronze and boasts the seal on the front and a portrait of founder and first president, David Bancroft Johnson, on the back.



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 maroon 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 maroon, 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 captures the University’s distinctive traits in yellow or white gold and is presented in an oval shape. The 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, the University’s motto is inscribed: “Veritas cum Libertate” or “Truth with Liberty.” 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 standardized 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

Honors

Students wearing gold cords at tonight’s ceremony are graduating with highest academic achievement.

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Business Administration

Roger D. Weikle, 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 options 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 the Master of Business Administration degree in a general program or with a concentration in accounting, international business, finance, human resource management, marketing, or strategic leadership.

Master of Business Administration

Ghirass Gihaz Abualshamat
B.S. King Abdulaziz University

‡Dalal Hamad Aljasir
B.A. Qassim University

‡Bassam Salem Alrefaie
B.S. King Abdulaziz University

‡Abdullah Suleman Altwaijri
B.S. King Saud University

‡Ali Hussain Alyami
B.S.B.A. University of South Carolina

Dana Lynne Berger
B.S. Johnson & Wales University

Eric T. Beringer
B.S. University of South Carolina

Charlotte Lee Brown
B.S. Winthrop University

Cherie Nga Chojnacki
B.S.B.A. Appalachian State University

Margaret Ellen Clark
B.S. Winthrop University

Jessica Brown Corder
B.A. Winthrop University

Ebonie Michelle Dodd
B.S. Winthrop University

Amanda Hess Dotter
B.S. Winthrop University

Abdullah Abdulmajeed Gari
B.S.B.A. Idaho State University

‡Jason James Grasman
B.S. Ferris State University

Nicholas J. Gregware
B.B.A. James Madison University

Kevin Edidiong Inyangetor
B.B.A. Francis Marion University

‡John Sandifer Johnson
B.S. Clemson University

‡Tycie Lawanda Jones
B.S. Winthrop University

‡Jiang Li
B.S. Winthrop University

Ray Edward Marshall
B.A. Winthrop University

Timothy Kaleb McDaniel
B.S. University of South Carolina

‡Deonna Nicole McNeill
B.S. Winthrop University

Wade Aaron Nisley
B.S. University of South Carolina

‡Najwan Samih Olian
B.S. Jordan University of Science and Technology

‡Brian Russell Oltman
B.B.A. Western Michigan University

William Tyler Osborne
B.S.B.A. University of South Carolina

John Vincent Pettrone, Jr.
B.S. State University of New York at Binghamton

‡Irvin Henry Philpot, IV
B.A. Furman University

Since being built in 1894, Tillman Hall has housed offices, classrooms, a swimming pool, museum, art gallery, the library, and a gymnasium over the years.



Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Business Administration

Master of Business Administration

Kimberly Michelle Sowell
B.A. Winthrop University

‡Robert “BoBo” Thompson
B.S. Winthrop University

Carla Renee Timmons
B.S. North Carolina A & T State University

Patrick Joseph Walsh
B.S. Winthrop University

Trevor Ramsey Whitmire
B.S. College of Charleston

‡Lamont Anthony Young, Sr.
B.S. Pennsylvania State University

Yingqiao Chen
B.S. Winthrop University

‡Duong Dai Doan
B.S.B.A. University of South Carolina

Xiaoyue Fang
B.S. Winthrop University

Jonathan David Foltz
B.S. Winthrop University

‡Erica S. Gordon
B.B.A. Jones International University

‡Lacy Katherine Grimm
B.S.B.A. University of South Carolina

Jarvis Hale Histed IV
B.S. St. Louis University

Deidra Roshaun Jones
B.S. College of Charleston

Leonnie-Odette Matanda Kangaji
B.S. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

‡Jarrett Donald Nagel
B.S. Winthrop University

Manalee Kamal Patel
M.B.A. Gujarat University
B.C. Gujarat University

Xin Qi
B.S. Winthrop University

Melanie Sims
B.S.B.A. University of South Carolina

‡Nicholas Burke Stoltmann
B.S. University of South Carolina

‡Amanda Marie Struchen
B.S. Winthrop University

Kristen Lynn Wilkinson
B.S. Winthrop University

Yuting Yu
B.S. Winthrop University

Master of Business Administration-Accounting

Fred Mokpokpor Acheampong
B.S. North Carolina Wesleyan College



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

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

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.

Master of Science

‡Jennola Christine Aiken
B.S. University of South Carolina

Tammara Bloom Ceaser
B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Kandace Nicole Gurley
M.A.T. University of South Carolina
B.S. University of South Carolina

Whitney Bryant Chick
B.A. Columbia College

Walter Jermaine Hall
B.A. Johnson C. Smith University

Master of Education

Habibunnisa Begum
M.S. Kakatiya University
B.S. Osmania University
B.Ed. Osmania University

‡Amanda Bratton Childers
B.A. Clemson University

Tia-Kristina Harden
M.S. State University of New York College at Buffalo
B.S. State University of New York College at Buffalo

April Britt Dailey
B.S. Francis Marion University

Laura Parker Deaton
B.A. Converse College

Tonette Nichole Hill
M.A. Webster University
M.L.I.S. University of South Carolina
B.S. South Carolina State University

Rhonda Bell Blair
Ed.S. University of South Carolina
M.Ed. University of South Carolina
B.A. University of South Carolina

Stephanie Rose DiTommaso
B.S. Wingate University

Tracey Chestnut Campbell
M.Ed. Lesley University
B.A. Converse College

Melissa Blackwell Dixon
M.Ed. Southern Wesleyan University
B.S. Winthrop University

Amber Sheree' Jackson
B.S. Winthrop University

Marlene Capps
M.Ed. University of South Carolina
B.S. Francis Marion University

Melissa D. Gentry
B.A. Limestone University

Stephanie Lynne Johnson
M.Ed. Francis Marion University
B.A. Clemson University

Nanette Watson Carmichael
M.Ed. Francis Marion University
B.A. Columbia College

Shanae' Angelece Greene
B.A. Winthrop University

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Master of Education (continued)

Sandra Renee' Lawson-Napier
*M.Ed. Francis Marion University
B.S. Francis Marion University*

Joseph Richard Lema
B.S. Bob Jones University

‡Megan Frazer Linebarrier
B.A. Ohio Northern University

‡Katie Marie Millen
B.S. Winthrop University

Sandy Corry Mintz
*B.A. University of North Carolina
Charlotte*

‡Matthew Nesbitt
B.S. Elizabethtown College

April Marie Olaskiewicz
B.S. Granite State College

Ellen Elizabeth Turner Owen
*M.Ed. Lesley University
B.A. Limestone University*

Farah Woodberry Owens
*M.Ed. Francis Marion University
M.C.D. University of South
Carolina
B.A. South Carolina State
University*

Caitlin Mikala Peay
B.S. Winthrop University

Randy Phillips
*M.Ed. Converse College
B.A.Ed. University of South
Carolina Upstate*

John Howard Robinson
B.A. Rowan University

Laura C. Rowell
*M.Ed. Cambridge College
B.S. Francis Marion University*

Melissa Ann Rowland
B.A. Western Governors University

Sheresa R. Sawyer
*M.Ed. Francis Marion University
B.A. Coker College*

◆Ashley Hundley Scott
B.S. East Carolina University

Julie Ann Simon
B.A. Hope College

Diane Gail Smith
B.A. Reed College

Rachel Kristine Stevenson
*B.A. Winston-Salem State
University*

Sarah Marie Switaj
B.S.Ed. University of Dayton

Kimberly Stone Threadgill
*M.Ed. Southern Wesleyan
University
B.A. Limestone University*

Song Vang
B.A. Winthrop University

Kristen Anne Wawer
B.A. Kalamazoo College

Stephanie Marie Weatherford
B.S. Francis Marion University

Master of Arts In Teaching

Lisa M. Citro
B.A. Rutgers University

Susan Walker Davis
*B.S. University of North Carolina
Wilmington*

Sharon Eleise Jenkins
B.S. Winthrop University

Lindsay Sherria Johnson
B.S. Winthrop University

Shannon Nicole Kissinger
*M.S. Winthrop University
B.S. Winthrop University*

Daniel Steven Lewis
B.A. Winthrop University

Elizabeth Louise Partin
B.S. College of Charleston

Isaac Post Pitts III
B.A. Newberry College

Thomas H. Quinlan
B.S. University of South Carolina

‡Frederick Eugene Simpson, Jr.
B.S. Winthrop University

‡Margaret Lauren Smith
B.A. University of South Carolina

Courtney Rashenna Thompson
B.S. Winthrop University

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Visual and Performing Arts

David Wohl, 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, theatre (musical theatre, performance, design/technology), 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); and Bachelor of Music Education (instrumental and performance). 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.

Master of Arts

Abby Lauren Coleman
B.S. Wingate University

Brittany Danielle Moore
B.F.A. University of South Carolina

Kevin Michael Morrissey
B.A. Winthrop University

Maegan Rose Sherratt
B.A. Winthrop University

Emily Joyce Turner
B.F.A. East Carolina University

Katherine Ann Williams
B.F.A. Winthrop University

Master of Fine Arts

Leah Mulligan Cabinum
B.F.A. University of Georgia

Margaret Ellen Crowley
B.F.A. Appalachian State University

Manal Hassan Esmail
B.F.A. University of South Carolina



The Little Chapel served as Winthrop's first classroom when David Bancroft Johnson founded the school in 1886.

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Visual and Performing Arts

Master of Music Education

‡Herbert Jermaine Johnson
B.M.E. Winthrop University



Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Arts and Sciences

Karen M. Kedrowski, 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, general communication disorders, history, 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, mathematics, and science communication; 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, history, and Spanish; Master of Social Work; Master of Science in biology, human nutrition, and school psychology; and Specialist degree in school psychology.

Master of Social Work

‡Michelle Lynn Oden
B.A. Columbia College

‡Elaria A. Ayoub
B.S. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Charles Ford Reese, III
B.S. Clemson University

Carol Aline Bell
B.S.Ed. University of South Carolina Upstate

Sallie Geer Roberts
B.S. Winthrop University

Master of Liberal Arts

Courtney Renee Glenn
B.A. Winthrop University

Leslie Jane Burch
B.S. Winthrop University

‡Brittany Theresa Robinson
B.A. University of South Carolina

Danielle Toms-Wayman
B.S. Winthrop University

Nicole Corrine Hoekstra
B.S. Queens University Charlotte

‡Leslie Gray Shepherd
B.S. Appalachian State University

Daniel Lawrence Stanton
B.S. Winthrop University

Master of Science

Jennola Christine Aiken
M.S. Winthrop University
B.S. University of South Carolina

‡Jaclyn Ruth Laps
B.S. University of North Florida

Serenity Dawn Stokes Cox
B.S. Queens University Charlotte

‡Boshra Moad Alghatany
B.S. King Abdulaziz University

‡Blair Ashley Lash
B.S. Western Michigan University

‡Kimberly Rae Syracuse
B.S. University of North Carolina Wilmington

Shekinah Johnice Miller
B.A. College of Charleston

‡Mariam Miranda Nasrollahi
B.S. Clemson University

‡Albatul Saeed Almousa
B.S. King Saud University

‡Melinda Meagan Perry
B.S. Coastal Carolina University

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Arts and Sciences

Master of Arts

Merritt Leigh Droste
B.A. Longwood University

‡George Bull Simpson
B.A. University of South Carolina

‡Crystal Marie Taylor
B.A. Winthrop University



‡ This symbol designates August 2013 graduates.

◆ This symbol designates May 2013 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.

Alumni Services

Ms. Nancy Donnelly '77



As President of the Winthrop Alumni Association, it is my honor to be among the first to congratulate you as a new Winthrop graduate. I know you take great pride in what you have accomplished today – a Winthrop University degree.

You have completed a very important goal in your life. While you have earned a degree, I hope you don't consider this the end of your learning. May you return to the fountain of knowledge often during the coming years.

As you leave Winthrop, remember that you will be viewed as representatives of this university in your profession and in your community. Your dedication, your compassion and your concern are a true measure of the lessons you have learned here. You will carry the mission of this university into the world, and I am confident that you will do honor to yourselves and to this fine institution.

I welcome you now into the ranks of the Alumni Association. Ours is an organization that is supportive and diverse. We encourage your active involvement and ideas as we plan for future generations.

We offer you our friendship and continued support. I strongly encourage you to stay in touch with us about the large and small events in your lives. And we, too, will stay in touch with you to let you know how succeeding students achieve distinction within the Winthrop experience. Again, congratulations for a job well done.

Sincerely,



Nancy Donnelly '77
President, Winthrop University Alumni Association



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For more information about the Alumni Association, call 803/323-2145 or go to the webpage: www.winthropalumni.com.

Career Services for Alumni

The Center for Career and Civic Engagement offers continuing support to alumni. Making career decisions is a life-long 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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General Information

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 7 p.m., and the ceremony will end at approximately 8 p.m.

Elevator

The elevator 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/graduateschool/commencement. The ceremony will be available to view online next week from a link at www.winthrop.edu.

People with Disabilities

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 pagers during the ceremony.

Photographs and Videos

Individual graduate photographs are coordinated by Grad Images, 1-800-261-2576, www.gradimages.com. The company will contact graduates 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 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.

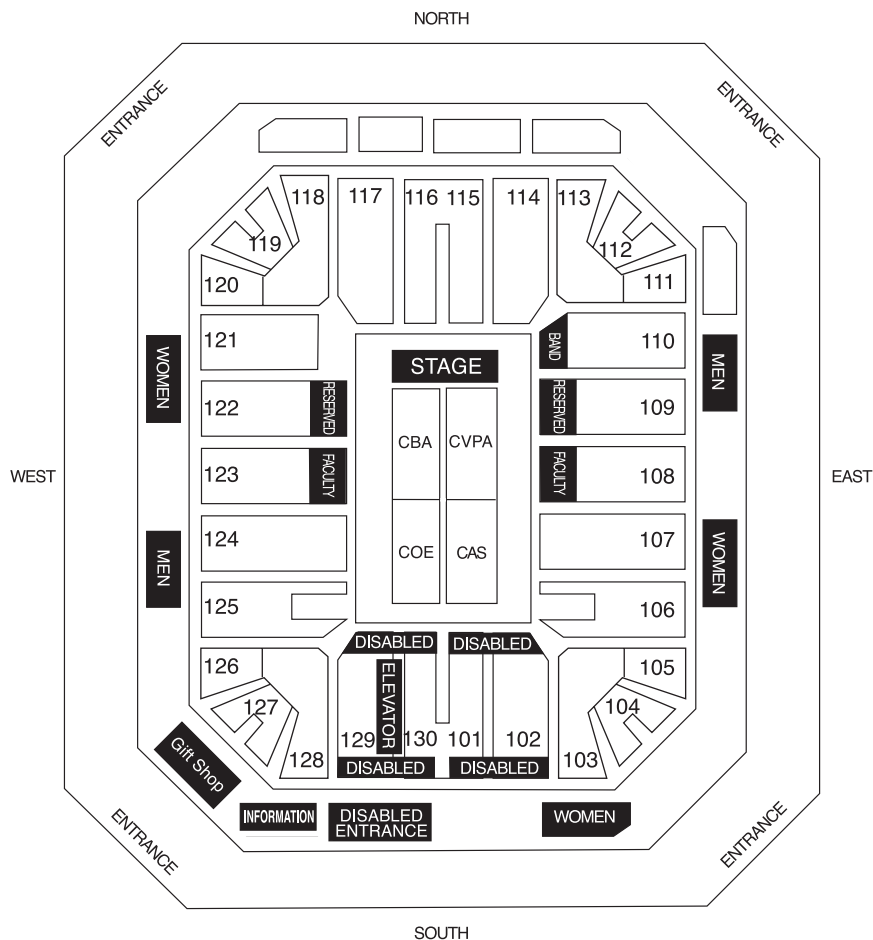
Smoking Policy

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 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 on above map is dependent upon the number of graduates in attendance and the distribution across the four colleges. Exact seating is not known until the evening of the ceremony.

Winthrop University Alma Mater

Words: Donna Durst '83 & Lisa Breland '87 Music: Donna Durst



1. The cha - pel holds our - his - to - ry, each
2. The friends we've made, the - mem - o - ries will



new - day Till - man rings, - your - halls are rich - with
last - a life - time long, - we - soar to reach - the



mem - o - ries to which we'll al - ways - cling. A
goals we've set as Ea - gles bold and - strong. May



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be, - Al - ma Ma - ter may - your name - be - grand,



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