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Commencement



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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

May 5, 2016
7 p.m.
Winthrop Coliseum

"In celebration of our 130th 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

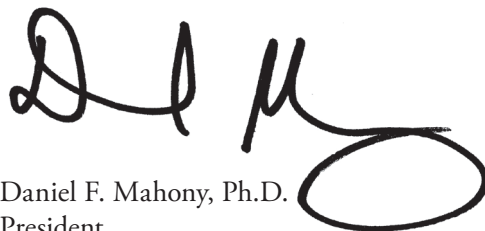
as a leader in your community and your profession as a result of your experiences at this university.

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. Hannah Elyssa Timms*

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. Daniel Mahony, *President*

Presentation of Award

President Mahony

LaRoche Graduate Faculty Award

Academic Degrees

Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Degrees

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

Hooding of Candidates and Presentation of Diplomas

Dean Roger Weikle and Ms. Peggy Hager, *College of Business Administration*

Dean Jennie Rakestraw and Dr. Marshall Jones, *Richard W. Riley College of Education*

Dean David Wohl and Dr. Andrew Vorder Bruegge, *College of Visual and Performing Arts*

Dean Karen Kedrowski and Dr. Greg Oakes, *College of Arts and Sciences*

Welcome from Winthrop University Alumni Association

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

Charge to the Graduates

President Mahony

Alma Mater*

Audience, *Led by* Mr. Zachary Lee Hugo

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 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. Cliff Calloway,
Dr. Kelly Costner, Dr. Steve Dannelly, Mr. Gerry Derksen, Dr. Chlotia Garrison, Mr. Mark Hamilton,
Dr. Linda Pickett, Dr. Tom Polaski, Dr. Ginger Williams, Dr. Brad Witzel

Student Marshals

Ms. Jessica Brugh (Chief Marshal), Ms. Lily Carter (Assistant Chief Marshal), Ms. Rachel Broadway,
Ms. Victoria Burdette, Mr. Luis Valle Burguete, Mr. Alex Corder, Ms. Madeline Diaz,
Ms. Sarah Gullledge, Ms. Hannah Hopfensperger, Ms. Kristen Ashley Johnson, Ms. Genia Kennedy,
Ms. Paige Kisker, Mr. Timothy McFall, Ms. Jessica McFarland, Ms. Kristen Melton, Ms. Haley Nash,
Mr. Austin Parker, Mr. Davis Plasko, Ms. Hannah Doris Roof, Ms. Shaily Shah, Ms. Candace Silva,
Ms. Emily Ruth Sparrow, Ms. Caroline Paige Sudduth, Mr. Michael Szeman

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

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 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.



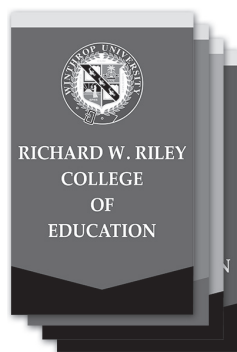
Coat of Arms

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 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

Awards

LaRoche Graduate Faculty Award



Melissa Carsten

Dr. Melissa Carsten, an associate professor of management, is the 2016 recipient of the Jane LaRoche Graduate Faculty Award. This award, established in 2008, recognizes outstanding teaching at the graduate level and significant contributions to graduate education at Winthrop.

Dr. Carsten joined the Winthrop faculty in 2008 as an assistant professor of management. She was granted tenure and promoted to associate professor in 2013. Her colleague noted that her stellar teaching evaluations consistently place her in the top third of all college faculty. Because of her exceptional teaching, she also earned the College of Business Administration's 2015 Wells Fargo Outstanding Teaching Award.

Her colleagues have praised her dedication, knowledge and enthusiasm to enhancing the M.B.A. curriculum through course innovations and service learning activities, involvement in college and university committees, and individual mentoring of graduate students in the College of Business Administration.

Dr. Carsten also has developed an outstanding portfolio of intellectual contribution. In a five-year period, she has had seven articles accepted for publication in relevant and reputable refereed journals, published two books on leaderships and followership, contributed seven chapters to scholarly books and has presented more than 20 papers at national conferences. In addition, she contributes her time and talents as an editorial review board member for *The Leadership Quarterly* and *Group and Organization Management* publications.

Dr. Carsten received her Ph.D. in organizational psychology in 2006 from Claremont Graduate University, an M.S. in industrial-organizational psychology in 2002 from San Francisco State University and a bachelor's degree in psychology with honors in 2000 from the University of California, Santa Barbara.



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 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.

Master of Business Administration

Sara Abutovic
B.S. Winthrop University

Jessica Leigh Barton
B.S.B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Zachary Hunter Blackwell
B.A. Clemson University

Autumn Celeste Brooks
B.S. Clemson University

Alison Hughes Cobb
B.S. Clemson University

Donald Michael Cobb
B.S. Clemson University

Andressa Accioly Garcia
B.A. Winthrop University

Chelsea Iman Gilmore
B.A. Winthrop University

James W. Haley
B.S. West Virginia University

Victoria Jean Herron
B.S. University of South Carolina

Liam Joseph Kyle
B.S. Coker College

Gary J. Lanham
B.S. Winthrop University

Ashley Andrea Lee
B.S. Winthrop University

Ryan James Martucci
B.S.B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Adam Christopher Park
B.A. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Chasta Louise Parker
*Ph.D. University of South Carolina
B.S. Salisbury University*

Steve Rivard
*B.A. Winthrop University
B.S. Winthrop University*

Samantha Kamini Singh
B.S.T. New York City College of Technology

Shannon Rose Smith
B.S. College of Charleston

Samantha Nicole Stech
B.S. Winthrop University

Amy Veronica Stevens
B.S. Winthrop University

Melissa Susan Sudol
B.S. Clemson University

Thibaut Taquet
B.S. Winthrop University

Trevor Lucas Vernon
B.S.B.A. Western Carolina University

Kathryn Jane Waycaster
B.A. University of South Carolina

Amy Daniele Williams
B.A. University of Pittsburgh

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

College of Business Administration

Master of Business Administration-Accounting

Lora Elizabeth Caldwell
B.S. Winthrop University

Meagan Sieta DenOuden
B.S. Winthrop University

Feng He
B.S. Winthrop University

Yang Jiao
B.S. Winthrop University

Thandiwe Mhonda
B.S. Winthrop University

Richard Peter Michael Rae
B.S. Winthrop University

Jessica Lale' Robinson
B.S. Converse College

Shiyi Shao
B.S. Winthrop University

Xinxin Shi
B.S. Winthrop University

Jie Sun
B.S. Winthrop University

Yingfan Zhang
B.S. Winthrop University



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

Andrew Michael Montgomery
B.S.Ed. University of Kansas

Stacey A. O'Neill
B.S. West Chester University

Casey Elizabeth Reeves
B.S. Winthrop University

Alysia Micah Stewart
B.A. Belmont Abbey College

Nicole Huachen Swank
B.A. University of Arkansas

Andy Robert Worthington
B.S. Wingate University

Afnan Ahmed Alzahrani
B.Ed. Al Baba University

Andrew Joseph Anderson
B.S. Iowa State University

Eric Matthew Bailey
*M.Ed. Queens University
A.B. Elon University*

Elizabeth Rae Barker
B.A. Winthrop University

Courtney Antonnette Barnett
B.S. College of Charleston

Sally Southwell Berger
B.S. Clemson University

Mary Elizabeth Bondi
*B.A. The University of North
Carolina at Charlotte*

Brian Peter Bongiovanni
*B.A. The University of North
Carolina at Charlotte*

Shawanna Lavesa Brock
B.A. The City College of New York

Jennifer Leigh Buker
B.S. Winthrop University

Elizabeth Parkes Burnette
B.A. University of South Carolina

Clare Marguerite Burtis
B.S. Longwood University

Ernesta Cecilia Chavez
B.A. Winthrop University

Christine Patton Crosby
*Ph.D. Trinity College of the Bible
M.A. Trinity College of the Bible
M.A.T. Winthrop University
B.S. Winthrop University*

Christina Hammond Dempsey
*M.Ed. Winthrop University
B.S. Winthrop University*

Deven Michael Dickerson
*B.S.Ed. State University of New
York at Fredonia*

Joel Leon Edde
*B.A. University of North Carolina
Wilmington*

Master of Education

Erin Elizabeth Alessi
*M.Ed. The University of North
Carolina at Charlotte
B.A. State University of New York
College at Cortland*

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Master of Education (continued)

Erica Lauren Fleming
B.A. Emmanuel College

Tonya Ann Warren Ganzert
*B.A. University of North Carolina
Asheville*

Nicole Foster Gaskins
B.A. The Florida State University

Meagen Marie Gillhamer
B.A. University of South Carolina

Jennifer Julia Goonan
B.A. Florida Atlantic University

Brittany Patrice Greene
*B.S. University of South Carolina
Upstate*

Charnell Shanora Hemphill
*M.Ed. Columbia College
B.S. Lander University*

Erin Elizabeth Holland
B.A. Converse College

Charlene Jeni Horgan
B.A. Rowan University

Linda Kathleen Icard
*M.Ed. Winthrop University
B.S. Wingate University*

Julie Rae Jackson
B.A. Queens University

Sophia Yvette Jackson
B.A. Johnson C. Smith University

Jeremy Latoine James
*B.A. South Carolina State
University*

Suze Michaelle Joseph
B.S. The Florida State University

Anna M. Katt
B.S.Ed. Shippensburg University

Margaret Anne Kincaid
*B.A. The University of North
Carolina at Chapel Hill*

Kierra Monique Landrum
B.A. Winthrop University

Erika Blair Ray Larsen
B.A. Coastal Carolina University

Samantha Tuluri Mazzone
B.S. Queens University

Tiffanie Tramaine McCombs
B.S. Appalachian State University

Connie Elisabeth Mills
B.S. Lander University

Ian Anthony Murray
B.A. Queens University

Sara Elizabeth Newton
B.A. University of South Carolina

Samantha Mizzell Niemeyer
B.A. Winthrop University

Michael Lenardo Owens
*B.S. North Carolina A & T State
University*

Nemal Kirtikumar Patel
B.A. Wake Forest University

Randy Edward Patterson
B.A. Johnson C. Smith University

Veronica Angelina Perez
B.S. Westwood College

Alexandria Grace Price
*M.A.T. The University of North
Carolina at Charlotte
B.S. Appalachian State University*

Hannah Leigh Rogers
B.S. Clemson University

Allison Lea Roof
B.A. Coastal Carolina University

Ellison Bates Sharpe
B.S. Clemson University

Meagan Love Shealy
B.S. Winthrop University

Chantelle C. Shorter
*M.Ed. Wilmington College
B.A. Rutgers University*

Ashley McGinnis Smith
*B.A. The University of North
Carolina at Charlotte*

Casey Thomas Sorrell
B.S. Erskine College

Kathryn Ann Sprenger
*B.S. State University of New York
College at Cortland*

Ar'Reshi Shawntel Stinson
*M.Ed. Columbia College
B.A. Columbia College*

John Brett Summey
B.A. Belmont Abbey College

Faith Lorrina Thompson
B.A. Claflin University

Rina Grace Tucker
B.A. Winthrop University

Alisha LaSha Tyler
B.A. University of South Carolina

Gina G. Viruso-Kitts
B.S. Empire State College

Briana Kristine Waddell
B.S. Eastern Michigan University

Ashley Micaiah Walden
*B.A. University of West Georgia
B.S. University of West Georgia*

Jeffrey Karey Whatley
B.S. Lander University

Sarah Kathryn Wicker
B.A. Clemson University

Sarah Grace Williams
B.A. Columbia College

Sharon Nichole Wilson
*B.S.Ed. Bowling Green State
University*

Graduate Candidates for Degrees

Richard W. Riley College of Education

Master of Arts In Teaching

Katrina Sage Balsavage
B.F.A. Winthrop University

Andrew Richard Becker
*B.A. Thomas A. Edison State
College*

Troy Demontrell Brace
B.S. Winthrop University

Rebecca Dickinson Bridges
B.A. University of South Carolina

Caleb Allen Brown
B.A. Winthrop University

Tonya Michelle Brown
*M.M. University of North
Carolina Greensboro
B.M. Furman University*

Callie Marie Burdette
B.A. Winthrop University

Lauren Ashley Caponigro
B.A. Winthrop University

Nicole Wise Davenport
B.F.A. Winthrop University

Shannon Quiminer Martin
B.S. Winthrop University

Taylor Tajah McGee
B.S. Winthrop University

Courtney Marie McGrath
B.A. Winthrop University

De'Shara Gadsen Mitchell
B.S. University of South Carolina

Regina Lashann Mitchell
B.S. Winthrop University

Hannah McCain Morrison
B.A. Furman University

Evan Marie O'Neal
B.A. Winthrop University

Michelle Lynn Perez
B.A. College of Charleston

John Allen Rhodes
B.F.A. Winthrop University

Laura Elizabeth Sessions
B.A. Columbia College

Sean Michael Shamble
B.S. Winthrop University

Lindsey Susan Singleton
B.A. Furman University

Laurie Katherine Steen
B.S. College of Charleston

Justice Mercy Tobias
B.A. Winthrop University

Nora Elizabeth Webb
B.A. Winthrop University

Hayley Vaughn Whisonant
B.S. Winthrop University

Robert Edward Yount III
B.A. Anderson University

Andrew James Zeilstra
B.S. Clemson University



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

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, 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.

Master of Arts

Diana Maley Berti
B.A. Furman University

Megan Elizabeth Fleagle
B.M. Keene State College
B.S. Keene State College

Master of Fine Arts

Vivianne Lee Carey
B.F.A. Converse College

Myra Lee Ann Harrison
B.A. Queens University

Thomas Ian Seay
*B.S. Edinboro University of
Pennsylvania*

Master of Music

Zachary Lee Hugo
B.M. Winthrop University

Oluwatobi K. Otekayi
B.M. Winthrop University

Hannah Elyssa Timms
B.A. Erskine College



A bust of founding President David Bancroft Johnson is found in front of the Little Chapel, Winthrop's first classroom.

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, 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.

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Alumni Association

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David D. McDonald". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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

For more information about the Alumni Association, call 803/323-2145 or visit 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 6:55 p.m., and the ceremony will end at approximately 7:30 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.

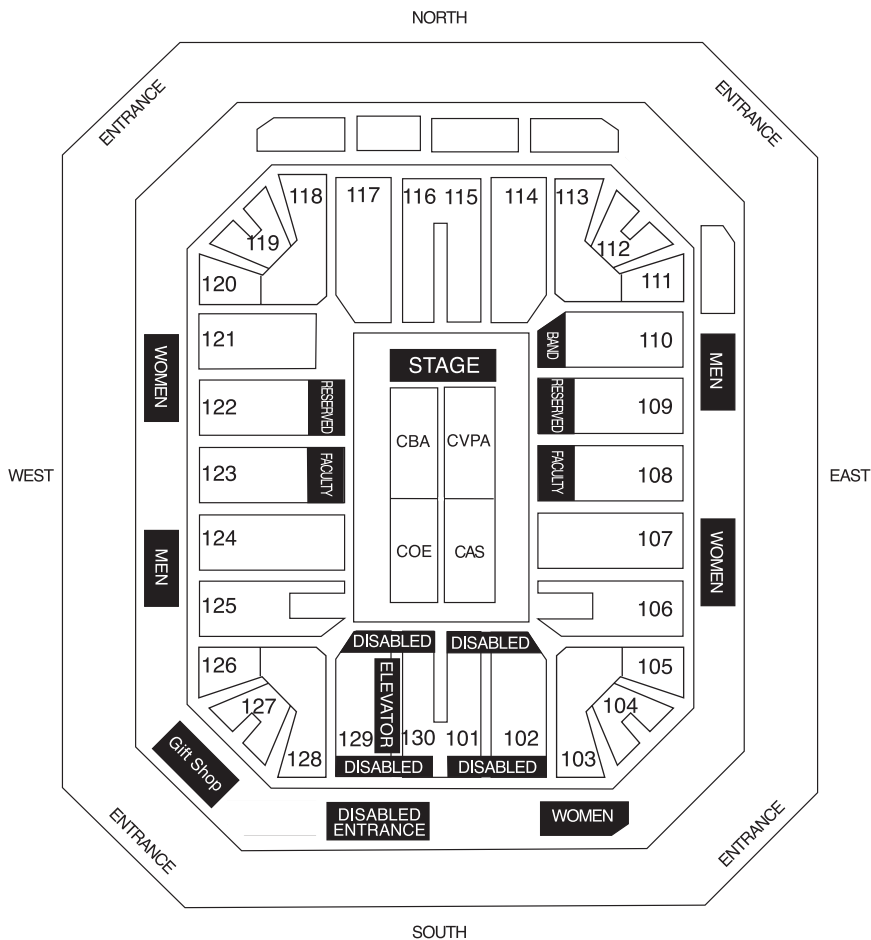
Smoking Policy

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 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 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



part of each one here re - mains as a part of you we
oth - ers see our loy - al - ty, ev - er hon - ored you will



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



Win - throp ev - er — stand.
Win - throp ev - er — stand.

The background of the entire page is a repeating pattern of graduation caps (mortarboards) with tassels, rendered in a dark blue color. The caps are arranged in a staggered grid.

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