



WINTHROP  
UNIVERSITY  
COMMENCEMENT

# *Commencement*

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May 2, 2019  
7 p.m.  
Winthrop Coliseum

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*"In celebration of our 133rd academic year"*

# A Message from the President

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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

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## Pre-Commencement Concert

### Procession\*

March Triomphale, *Hector Berlioz*

Pomp and Circumstance, *Edward Elgar*

Winthrop University Commencement Band, Dr. Douglas Presley, *Conductor*

### National Anthem\*

Audience, *Led by Mr. Tyler Young Lewis*

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

### Spirit of Celebration\*

Dr. Shelley Hamill, *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 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 Jeffrey Bellantoni and Dr. Wanda Ebright, *College of Visual and Performing Arts*

Dean Adrienne McCormick and Dr. Greg Oakes, *College of Arts and Sciences*

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## 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. Lewis*

### 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. Shelley Hamill (Chief), Dr. Tom Polaski (Assistant Chief), Dr. Cliff Calloway, Mr. Shaun Cassidy, Dr. Kelly Costner, Dr. Chlotia Garrison, Dr. Hemant Patwardhan, Dr. Linda Pickett, Ms. Anna Sartin, Dr. Ginger Williams, Dr. Brad Witzel

#### Student Marshals

Allee Campbell (Chief), Chastity Jones (Assistant Chief), Haleigh Altman, Scarlett Black, Kaitlyn Clingenpeel, Jordan DeLoach, Madison DeMott, Aubrey Hamrick, Zackary Allen Heustess, Stacey Keller, Olivia Mayer, Gabrielle McGee, Michaela D. McLaughlin, Rachel McLaughlin, Emma Morris, Victoria Newman, Lindsey Ott, Savanna Pittman, Elizabeth Perkins, Lauren Quesada, Raeli Reed, Kyla Smith, Ellen Sullivan, Savanna C. Young, Marigrace Yuskaitis

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

#### Readers

Dr. Lisa Johnson, Dr. Peter Judge

#### Sign Language Interpreter

Ms. Emily Walker

# Winthrop University

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## 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.



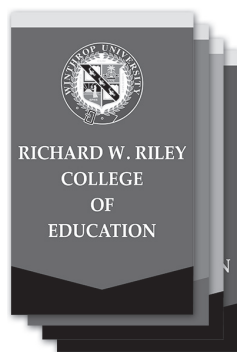
## Coat of Arms

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

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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

## LaRoche Graduate Faculty Award



**Laura Gardner**

Dr. Laura Gardner, a professor of fine arts and program coordinator of art education in the College of Visual and Performing Arts, is the 2019 Jane LaRoche Graduate Faculty Award recipient.

This award, established in 2008 by Board of Trustees member Jane LaRoche '69 '70, recognizes outstanding teaching at the graduate level and significant contributions to graduate education at Winthrop.

Dr. Gardner began her career teaching art to young children in the Hudson Valley. A letterpress printer and book artist, she has worked as an illustrator and specialty painter in New York and the Carolinas.

She joined Winthrop in 1995 as an adjunct professor. She started work as an assistant professor in 2001 and was promoted to associate professor in 2011 and professor in 2016.

At Winthrop, Dr. Gardner directed until 2012 two graduate programs at Winthrop: the Master of Arts in arts administration and the Master of Arts in art education.

She has received numerous grants and awards in the areas of pedagogy, service learning, arts education, book arts, and letterpress printing, including a 2018 award from the South Carolina Art Education Association for her mentoring.

In 2015-16 Dr. Gardner and a colleague were awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar for College Teachers Grant to lead a group in studying how humans manage information overload and make sense of the world before the digital age.

Dr. Gardner spent spring 2017 on sabbatical, printing, assisting in a letterpress foundry, and making books in Arizona, Georgia and North Carolina. She also studies how to integrate educational technology into academics for art educators.

Dr. Gardner earned her Ph.D. in interdisciplinary studies and reflective practice in art education from the Union Institute and University, Cincinnati, Ohio. Her master's degree is from Bank Street College of Education/Parsons School of Design in New York.





# Graduate Candidates for Degrees

## 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.

### ***Master of Business Administration***

Davis Scott Bryan  
*B.A. Newberry College*

Anne Christelle Clemence Courcelle  
*M.B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Mikhaela Kiarra Tany'e Kelson  
*B.A. University of South Carolina Upstate*

Ouneheuane Keovoravong  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Brandon Michael Newton  
*B.A. University of South Carolina*

Kayla Sharece Rice  
*B.A. Francis Marion University*

Matthew Charles Siegmund  
*B.S. High Point University*

Tia Michelle Spence  
*B.S. Oakwood University*

### ***Master of Business Administration-Accounting***

Angie Marie Boland  
*B.A. University of California, Irvine*

Matthew Bourguignon  
*B.S. Elon University*

Faiyaz Chinwalla  
*B.S. University of South Carolina*

Jasmine Michelle David  
*B.S. University of South Carolina Upstate*

Shahd H. Hijjawi  
*B.S. An-Najah National University, Nablus*

Yangganxuan Li  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Linda Michelle O'Connor  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Sierra Shermece Robinson  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Carly Elizabeth Wolk  
*B.S. University of Maryland*

# 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, learning technologies, educational leadership, middle level education, literacy, special education, and teacher leadership; and a specialist in education leadership are offered at the graduate level.

### ***Master of Science***

Sha'Quille Deanja'Ray Allen  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Zachary Abraham Apt  
*B.A. Rutgers University*

Jamie Lynn Beyer  
*B.A. Capital University*

Clem Edward Britt  
*B.S. Presbyterian College*

Anders John Broman  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Bjorn James Broman  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Chelcei Ann Cashion  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Emily Joyce Erickson  
*B.S. University of Montana Western*

Anthony Lamar Ervin, Jr.  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Haleigh Madison Gray  
*B.S. University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa*

Sarah Elizabeth Murphy  
*B.S. Wilmington College*

Andre Smith  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Jade Gabrielle Witmer  
*B.S. The University of North  
Carolina at Charlotte*

Colin Matthew Wrba  
*B.S. State University of New York  
at Oswego*

### ***Master of Education***

Shannon Berger  
*B.S. Appalachian State University*

Alexandria Jacol Bodrick  
*B.S. The University of North  
Carolina at Charlotte*

Stacy Bolden  
*B.A. Georgia Southern University*

Shannon Elizabeth Bragg Plemmons  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Brittany McGuffin Brazil  
*M.Ed. Columbia College  
B.S. Winthrop University*

Terrilyn Belle Brown  
*B.S. State University of New York,  
College at Buffalo*

Sarah Ann Bundy  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Cassady Marie Caudle  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Alexandra Lynn D'Amico  
*B.A. Clemson University*

Kelly Lynn Dalrymple  
*B.A. St Mary's College of Maryland*



# Graduate Candidates for Degrees

## Richard W. Riley College of Education

### *Master of Education* (continued)

Tiye Asante' DuBard  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Saige Marie Dunlop  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Kelly Marie Edens  
*B.A. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee*

Chastity Corbett Goodwin  
*M.A.T. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*  
*B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

Melinda Kluttz Gray  
*B.S. Appalachian State University*

Lindsay Mae Gregory  
*B.S. Anderson University*

Melissa Marie Grupp  
*B.A. University of Detroit Mercy*

Angela Hathaway  
*B.S. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*  
*B.A. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

Heather Amanda Howe  
*B.A. Coastal Carolina University*

MacKenzie Loisselle Huffman  
*B.S. Appalachian State University*

Lindsay Elizabeth Hulker  
*M.A.T. University of Pittsburgh*  
*B.S. University of Pittsburgh*

Breanna Danielle Johnson  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Britanica Nyshetah Johnson  
*B.A. Newberry College*

Candice Alisha Johnson  
*B.A. Queens University of Charlotte*

Diamond Jaye Jones  
*B.S. North Carolina State University*

Ashya Ann Kennedy  
*B.S. Missouri State University*

Caylee Danyell King  
*B.A. Columbia College*

Peter Ralph Knickerbocker  
*B.A. Purdue University West Lafayette*

Jasmine Patrice Knight  
*B.A. University of South Carolina Beaufort*

Corrine Lamb Lancaster  
*M.Ed. Winthrop University*  
*B.A. West Chester University*

Kara Ann Lauro  
*B.A. University of South Carolina Beaufort*

Amber Nicole Lawson  
*B.S. Western Carolina University*

Lindsay Marie Ledbetter  
*B.A. University of South Carolina*

Mary Ann Little  
*M.S. Gardner-Webb University*  
*B.S. Appalachian State University*

Rachel Michelle Lyon  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Allison Whaley McLaurin  
*B.A. Clemson University*

Caitlin Marie Miller  
*B.A. Queens University of Charlotte*

Kelsey Michelle Monteith  
*B.A. Clemson University*

Holley Christine Mosher  
*B.A. Bowling Green State University*

Kristen Leah Motte  
*B.A. Clemson University*

Mary Amanda Nickens  
*B.A. Duke University*

Victoria Berry Pearce  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Jennifer Cecilia Pitzer  
*B.A. Shepherd University*

Robin Lynn Portlock  
*M.Ed. Winthrop University*  
*B.S. Le Moyne College*

Taylor Nicole Richardson  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

JoDarius Damonta Seibles  
*B.S. Lander University*

Christian Brooke Smith  
*B.S. Presbyterian College*

Amber Montau South  
*B.S. Bowling Green State University*

Tara Stevie Stangler  
*B.S. Clemson University*

Alyson Marie Stiles  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Pamela Suzanne Wade  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Angela Hettmansberger Waldrop  
*M.Ed. Winthrop University*  
*B.S. Eastern Illinois University*

Lauren Zaring Williams  
*B.A. Clemson University*

# Graduate Candidates for Degrees

## Richard W. Riley College of Education

### *Master of Education (continued)*

Malik Tyquan Williams  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Teresa Kay Williams  
*B.A. Cedarville University*

Darrmetacia Anteria Winston  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Leah Patricia Young  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Andrew Charles Davis  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Kelsey Morgan Haizlip  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Andrew Jacob Haudricourt  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Zchimon Rondella Herndon  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Sarah Graceanne Kear  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Christina Angela Knight  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Nina Marie Lowenbach  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Stephanie Marie Manelli  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Jennifer Mineck Margeson  
*B.A. James Madison University*

Rebekah Taylor McGuirt  
*B.F.A. Winthrop University*

Allison Victoria Riffe  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Summer Lily Saleeby  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Jamie Maria Shinn  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Macy Lynn Simpson  
*B.S. Limestone University*

Verneisha Jessa'Blessing Smith  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Tyler Matthew Waddle  
*B.S. University of South Carolina*

Stacey Marie Walden  
*B.F.A. Winthrop University*

### *Master of Arts In Teaching*

Nannette Lynn Cross Austin  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Hayley Louise Berrill  
*B.F.A. Savannah College Art  
Design*

John Paul Bittner  
*M.A. University of Georgia  
B.A. University of South Carolina  
Upstate*

Felicia Lashon Chisholm  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Jacqueline Cron  
*B.S. West Chester University*



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

# Graduate Candidates for Degrees

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## College of Visual and Performing Arts

Jeffrey 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.

### *Master of Arts*

Kevin Michael Morrissey  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Margaret Mary O'Neill- Hull  
*B.F.A. Indiana University of  
Pennsylvania*

### *Master of Fine Arts*

Rebecca Ann Lipps  
*B.A. Xavier University*

### *Master of Music*

Zachary Dylan McLean  
*B.A. North Greenville University*





# Graduate Candidates for Degrees

## College of Arts and Sciences

Adrienne McCormick, 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.

### ***Master of Social Work***

Zachary Samuel Adams  
*B.C.M. Lee University*

Charity Hope Alexander  
*B.S.W. Fayetteville State University*

Tymesha Shantel Alexander  
*B.S.W. Winthrop University*

Araceli Amezcua Reyes  
*B.S.W. Winthrop University*

Maris Rachel Baylor  
*B.A. Moody Bible Institute*

Abigail Williams Bragg  
*B.S.W. Winthrop University*

Megan Elaine Brigham  
*B.S.W. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

Aliyah Samone Brown  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

Linda Grace Brown  
*B.A. Pfeiffer University*

Danielle Lee Broyles  
*B.S.W. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

Christian Nicole Cannon  
*B.S. University of South Carolina Upstate*

Krista M. Capobianco  
*B.S. State University of New York, Empire State College*

JD Deloney, III  
*M.B.A. Olivet Nazarene University*  
*B.A. Bethel University*

Jazmine Deshan Diamond  
*B.S.W. Columbia College*

Kathryn Alisa Ethers  
*B.S.W. Winthrop University*

Chesney Anne Fain  
*B.S.W. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

Ann Kathryn Fields  
*B.P.S. Lynn University*

LaTonia Frazier  
*B.A. University of South Carolina*

Rachel Elizabeth Golden  
*B.S. The University of North Carolina at Charlotte*

Shauntae Rena Griffin  
*B.S.W. North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University*

Lindsey Marie Hesketh  
*B.A. Furman University*

Harley Taylor Hubbard  
*B.S. Presbyterian College*

Mariah Caroline Johnson  
*B.S. College of Charleston*

Mary Katherine Johnson  
*B.S.W. Winthrop University*

Sharon Ann Jones  
*B.S.W. Winthrop University*

# Graduate Candidates for Degrees

## College of Arts and Sciences

### ***Master of Social Work***

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Jhane' Nicole Kirkland  
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*B.S.W. Georgia State University*

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*B.A. North Carolina State University*

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B.A. University of South Carolina Aiken*

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Carolina at Charlotte  
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Teresa Marie Ramalho  
*B.S. Indiana University of Pennsylvania*

Julia Elizabeth Roman  
*B.S. Clemson University*

Madison Moore Rowan  
*B.S. Florida Southern College*

Zachary L. Scott  
*B.S. Limestone University*

Mary Maxwell Smith  
*B.S. Presbyterian College*

Benjamin Levi Swartz  
*B.S. Winthrop University*

Jessica Robin Terpening  
*B.A. University of South Carolina*

Ashley Noelle Watson  
*B.S. College of Charleston*

Courtney Noel Watson  
*B.S. Charleston Southern University*

Michael Sterling Wauson  
*B.S. University of South Carolina*

Krista Leighanne Yockel  
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*B.A. The Citadel*

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*at Oswego*

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Jeanne Muraco Hurney  
*B.A. University of Cincinnati*

Ryan Colin MacNeill  
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Peyton Mckenzie Young  
*B.A. Winthrop University*

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*Upstate*

Brittany Caldwell Blackmon  
*B.A. Clemson University*

Matthew Ross Cooper  
*B.A. University of South Carolina*

Jennifer Jordan Dodds  
*B.A. North Carolina State*  
*University*

Leonardo Andres Garcia  
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Emily Elizabeth Gromowski  
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Gildrette Cedeño Jones  
*B.A. University of Puerto Rico*

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Chelsea Cook Munger  
*B.A. Duke University*

Kristen Elizabeth Thomas  
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Brett William Tietz  
*B.A. University of Wisconsin - Madison*

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*B.S. Appalachian State University*

# Alumni Association

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## 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, with the first name "David" being the most prominent.

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](http://www.winthrop.edu/alumni).

# Career Services for Alumni

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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

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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 7 p.m., and the ceremony will end at approximately 8:30 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](http://www.winthrop.edu/commencement). The ceremony will be available to view online next week from a link at [www.winthrop.edu](http://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](http://www.events.lifetouch.com/winthrop). Questions can be addressed to [specialevents@lifetouch.com](mailto: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

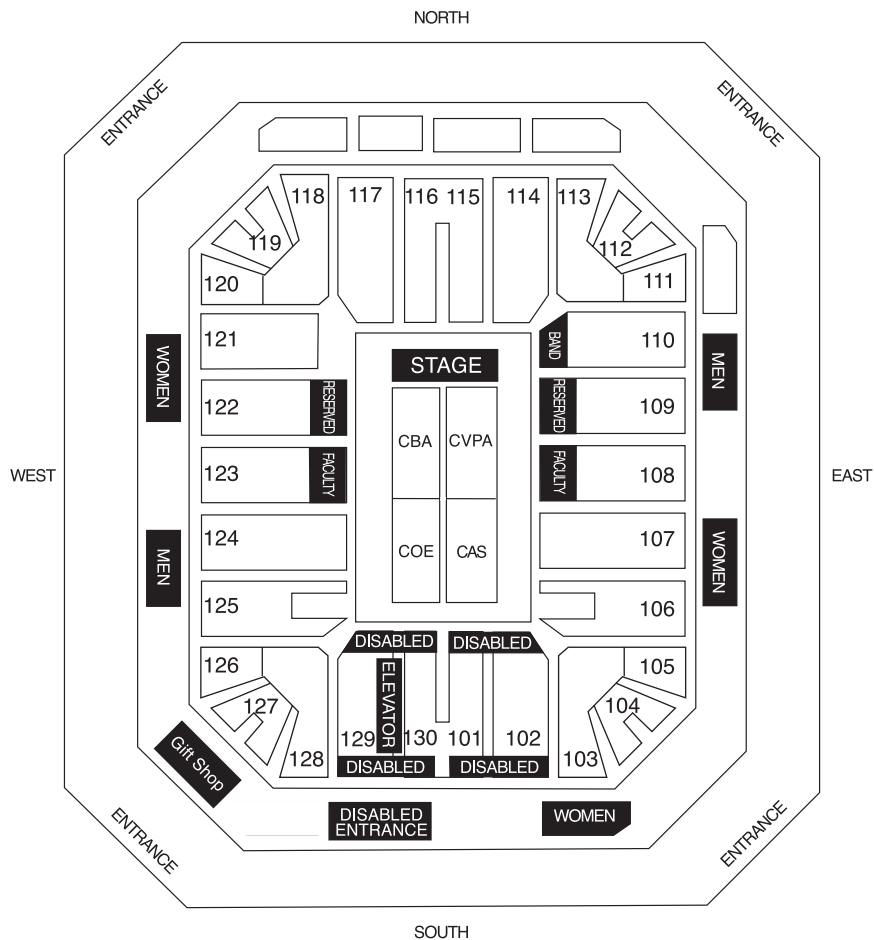
The Winthrop Coliseum is a smoke-free facility.

## 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 Spangler '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

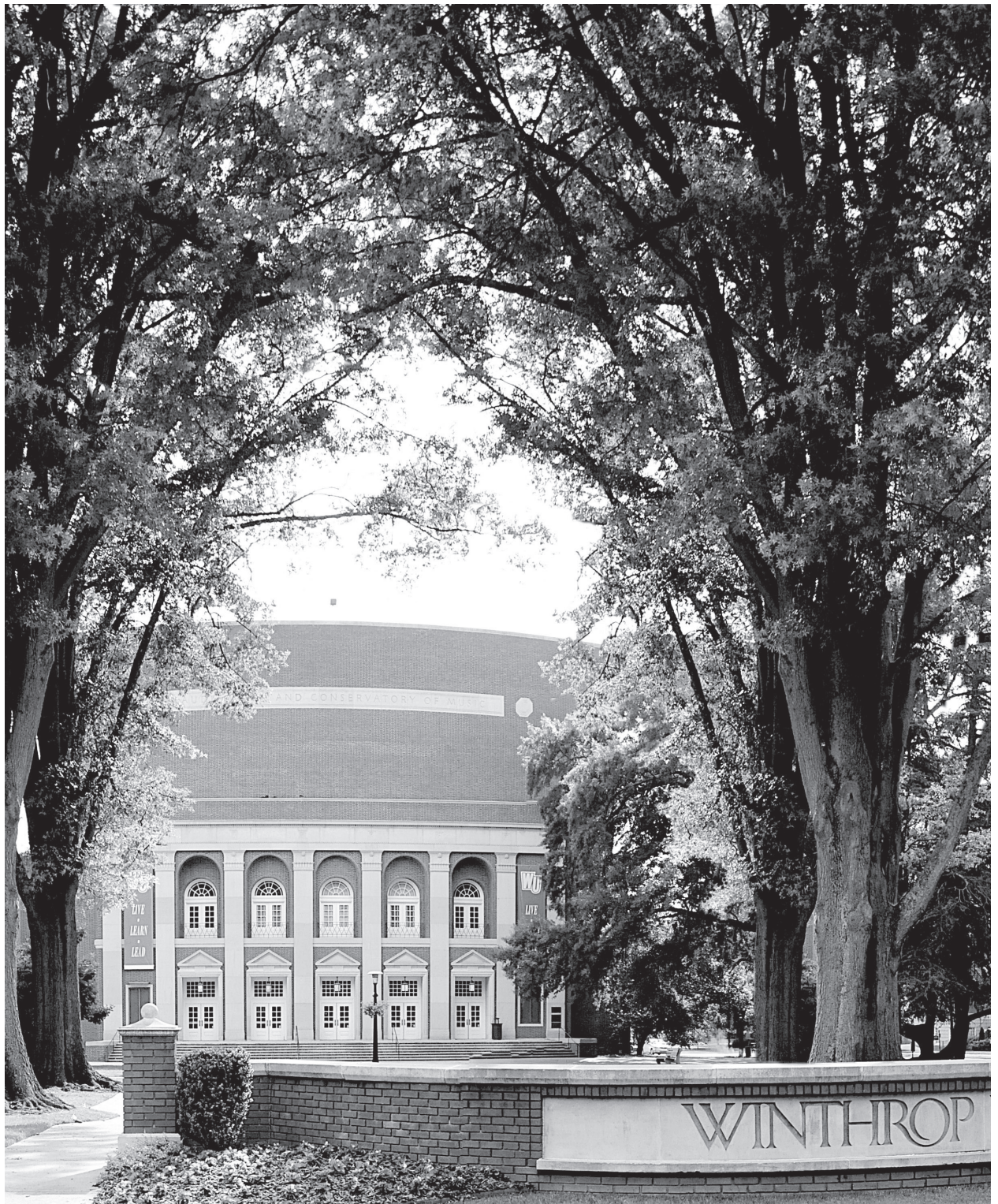


claim, - Al - ma Ma - ter may - your name - be - grand,  
be, - Al - ma Ma - ter may - your name - be - grand,



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





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.





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