



# *Fall Commencement*

Dec. 16, 2023 • Jack Stephens Center

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

# UA Little Rock Spirit

an Alma Mater

Voice

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score is divided into five systems, each starting with a measure number (6, 11, 17, 23) indicating the beginning of a line of music. The lyrics are: 'We lift our hearts and minds to seek our worlds beyond. With the spir - it of U A Litt - le Rock, we make our hu - man bond. With con - fi - dence and trust the Tro - jan stu - dent knows with the spir - it of U A Litt - le Rock, our hu - man wis - dom grows. Our chal - lenge is the stars, our aim is clear and true. With U A Litt - le Rock spir it, we pledge our hearts a new.' The score ends with a double bar line.

We lift our hearts and minds to seek our worlds beyond. With the

6 spir - it of U A Litt - le Rock, we make our hu - man bond. With con - fi - dence and

11 trust the Tro - jan stu - dent knows with the spir - it of U A Litt - le Rock, our hu - man wis - dom

17 grows. Our chal - lenge is the stars, our aim is clear and true. With U A Litt - le Rock

23 spir it, we pledge our hearts a new.

Commissioned by the UA Little Rock Alumni Association

Music by Dr. Robert Boury, Professor of Music

Words by Dr. John Gray, Professor and former Dean of the College of Professional Studies

# **The Order of Exercises**

## **Jack Stephens Center • Dec. 16, 2023**

Chancellor Christina S. Drale, Presiding

### **Academic Processional**

UA Little Rock Wind Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Nickolas Doshier

Faculty Processional..... *Under the Flag of Glory* by Jun'ichi Naito

Student Processional..... *Fanfare and Processional (Pomp and Circumstance)*  
arranged by James Ployhar

Dais Party Processional..... *Processional March* by David Gorham

### **The National Anthem**

*Star Spangled Banner* arranged by Andy Clark

UA Little Rock Concert Choir under the direction of Dr. Lorissa Mason

UA Little Rock Wind Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Nickolas Doshier

### **Featured Music**

UA Little Rock Concert Choir under the direction of Dr. Lorissa Mason

Leann Jones, keyboard

"Wanting Memories" by Ysaye M. Barnwell

Omar Delgado and Ethan Nooner, percussion

### **Greetings**

Mr. Kevin Crass, *University of Arkansas Board of Trustees*

Dr. Dean Kumpuris, *UA Little Rock Board of Visitors Chair*

Dr. Robert "Bob" Lytle, *Winner of the 2023 Ted and Virginia Bailey Foundation*  
*Faculty Excellence Award in Teaching*

### **Presenting of Degree Candidates**

Dr. Ann Bain, *Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost*

### **Conferring of Degrees**

Dr. Christina S. Drale, *Chancellor*

### **Presenting of Diplomas**

Dr. Ann Bain, *Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost*

### **UA Little Rock Alma Mater**

"UA Little Rock Spirit"

Music by Dr. Robert Boury, arranged by Dr. Nickolas Doshier

### **Academic Recessional**

UA Little Rock Wind Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Nickolas Doshier

*Fanfare and Recessional (Pomp and Circumstance)* arranged by James Ployhar

### **Sign Language Interpretation:**

Jami Hollingsworth and Chrystal Honorable

### **Student Introductions:**

Dr. Erin Finzer and Dr. David Montague

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## Faculty Marshals

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**Grand Marshal**  
Joanne Matson

**College of Business, Health,  
and Human Services**  
Suzanne Coble  
Jacqueline Burse

**College of Humanities, Arts,  
Social Sciences, and Education**  
Jeremy Ecke  
April Chatham-Carpenter

**George W. Donaghey  
College of Science, Technology,  
Engineering, and Mathematics**  
Raffaella Lesch  
Jahaz Shine

**Head Marshal**  
Stephen Grace

**Graduate School**  
Karen Kuralt  
Heidi Skurat Harris

**William H. Bowen  
School of Law**  
Michael Flannery

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## Student Marshals

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**College of Business, Health,  
and Human Services**  
George P. Ward  
Shirley Hernandez

**College of Humanities, Arts,  
Social Sciences, and Education**  
Candance Davis  
Chardonnay Holmes

**George W. Donaghey  
College of Science, Technology,  
Engineering, and Mathematics**  
Cameron Davidson  
Patrick Robinson

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## Retiring Faculty

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**Thomas G. Barrett**  
*School of Education*

**John Faucett**  
*Department of Psychology*

**Chris Ray**  
*Construction Management and Civil  
and Construction Engineering*

**Sonya Premeaux**  
*College of Business, Health, and Human Services*

**Howard Turney**  
*School of Social Work*

**Andy Terry**  
*School of Business*

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### We HEART Our Faculty Awards

The Student Government Association (SGA) awards the Faculty Appreciation Awards to show appreciation for faculty members who have positively influenced the lives of students.

**2023 SGA Faculty Appreciation Award Winners:**  
**College of Business, Health, and Human Services**  
**Dr. Cynthia Johnson**, *Advanced Instructor of Accounting*

**College of Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences,  
and Education**  
**Dr. April Chatham-Carpenter**, *Chair and Professor  
of Applied Communication*

**Donaghey College of Science, Technology,  
Engineering, and Mathematics**  
**Dr. Mark Baillie**, *Assistant Professor of Chemistry*

### The Graduate Student Association (GSA) Awards

The I HEART Graduate Faculty Awards celebrate graduate faculty who have assisted and supported graduate students throughout their graduate program.

**2023 I HEART Graduate Faculty Award Winners:**  
**College of Business, Health, and Human Services**  
**Dr. Tara Martin**, *Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice  
and Criminology*

**College of Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences,  
and Education**  
**Dr. Daryl Tate**, *Assistant Professor of Education*

**Donaghey College of Science, Technology, Engineering,  
and Mathematics**  
**Dr. Mariofanna Milanova**, *Professor of Computer Science*

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## The Donaghey Scholars Program

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Since its beginning in 1984, the Donaghey Scholars Program has matured into a distinctive and distinguished honors program. The program has approximately 100 students on campus and fosters intimacy and a genuine sense of community. The comprehensive and highly structured curriculum features interdisciplinary team-taught, seminar-format courses that replace the university's general education core. These courses emphasize primary texts, critical thinking, active debate, and writing. Scholars study abroad during their time in the program, gaining experience in their field of study or fluency in a second language. Graduating scholars are prepared as "generalists" ready to contribute to their fields and to society.

The program's faculty come from across campus and are distinguished for their scholarly and creative productivity and the spirit they bring to the Scholars classroom. Donaghey Scholars represent a diverse mix of backgrounds, abilities, and interests, and include nontraditional and international students. Upon graduation, many enter directly into successful careers and many others continue to thrive at graduate and professional schools such as Harvard, Yale, Oxford, Vanderbilt, Stanford, UA Little Rock, and other prestigious universities. We are proud of this year's Donaghey Scholars graduates and all Scholars for their commitment to intellectual achievement and personal growth.

Today, these students are distinguished by wearing maroon robes and black stoles with maroon stripes.

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## Donaghey Scholar Graduates and Majors

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**Suzanne Kane**

*Major: World Languages*

*Concentration: French*

*Associate Degree: American Sign Language Studies*

**Savannah Storey**

*Major: Political Science*

*Concentration: Law: Political Science*

*Minor: Legal Studies*

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## UA Little Rock Office of Military Student Success

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Members of the military have a tradition of carrying a special coin symbolizing identity with the member's unit, recognizing excellence, and promoting esprit de corps. Known as challenge coins, they are a part of military tradition and are recognized by members of the armed forces in every branch of service as a symbol of identity. Today, each military student graduating will receive the Trojan Troops Challenge Coin recognizing their achievement and identifying them as a Trojan. Our UA Little Rock active military and veteran students are distinguished by wearing red, white, and blue honor cords today, so please join us in thanking these students for their service.



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# Honor Organizations

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*Honor organizations are among the many ways that UA Little Rock recognizes academic excellence and achievement.*

**Alpha Delta Nu  
Nursing Honor Society**  
(wearing apricot honor cords)

**Alpha Epsilon Delta  
Pre-medical & Pre-dental**  
(wearing purple and gold honor cords)

**Alpha Epsilon Lambda  
Graduate and Professional**  
(wearing burgundy and silver honor cords)

**Alpha Phi Sigma  
Criminal Justice**  
(wearing blue and gold cords, a gold stole, or a medal on a blue and gold ribbon)

**Alpha Sigma Lambda  
Non-traditional**  
(wearing burgundy and gold honor cords)

**American Chemical Society  
Chemistry**  
(wearing royal blue and gold honor cords)

**Beta Alpha Psi  
Accounting, Finance, Business  
Analytics, and Digital Technology  
students**  
(wearing red and black honor cords)

**Beta Gamma Sigma  
Business Administration**  
(wearing blue and gold honor cords, stole, and medallion)

**Donaghey Scholars**  
(wearing maroon robes and black and maroon stoles)

**Golden Key National Honor Society  
All Academic Disciplines**  
(wearing blue and gold honor cords)

**Iota Mu  
Political Science Honor Society**  
(wearing white and red medallion)

**Kappa Delta Pi  
Education**  
(wearing purple and green honor cords)

**Kappa Tau Alpha  
Journalism**  
(wearing gold and blue honor cords)

**Lambda Pi Eta  
Applied Communication**  
(wearing red and white honor cords; officers wearing gold cords)

**McNair Scholars**  
(wearing royal blue stole)

**NASA Arkansas Space Grant  
Scholars**  
(wearing black stole with the NASA blue earth logo)

**National Society of  
Collegiate Scholars**  
(wearing burgundy and gold cords)

**Phi Alpha  
Social Work Honor Society**  
(wearing blue and gold honor cords with blue and white stoles)

**Phi Alpha Theta  
History**  
(wearing red and blue honor cords)

**Pi Delta Phi  
French Honor Society**  
(wearing blue, white and red cords)

**Phi Kappa Phi  
All Academic Disciplines**  
(wearing blue and white medallion)

**Phi Sigma Tau  
Philosophy**  
(wearing white and purple honor cords)

**Pi Alpha Alpha  
Public Administration**  
(wearing the blue and gold medallion)

**Pi Mu Epsilon  
Mathematical Sciences  
Honor Society**  
(wearing purple, lilac, and gold cords)

**Pre-Law Society**  
(wearing royal purple honor cords)

**Psi Chi  
Psychology**  
(wearing blue and gray honor cords, medallion, and stole)

**Sigma Delta Pi  
Spanish Honor Society**  
(wearing scarlet and gold honor cords and stole)

**Sigma Gamma Epsilon  
Earth Sciences Honor Society**  
(wearing gold, blue, and silver honor cords)

**Sigma Lambda Chi  
Construction**  
(wearing green and gold honor cords and grey honor stole with gold lettering)

**Sigma Iota Rho  
International Studies Honor Society**  
(wearing blue and white stole and gold honor cords)

**Sigma Tau Delta  
English Honor Society**  
(wearing red and black honor cords and red stole)

**St. Vincent Scholars  
Nursing**  
(wearing red stole)

**Tau Alpha Pi  
Engineering**  
(wearing gold and green honor cords)

**Tau Beta Beta  
Engineering Honor Society**  
(wearing gold honor cords)

**Willard & Pat Walker Nursing Scholars  
Nursing**  
(wearing purple stole)

**William G. Cooper, Jr.  
English Honors Program**  
(wearing blue and white honor cords)

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## Alumni Association Message to Graduates

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From all of us at the UA Little Rock Alumni Association, congratulations on this momentous achievement! You have proven your capabilities in your particular field of study, and now, the sky is the limit. I hope you have enjoyed your time at UA Little Rock, and as you walk across the stage today, my wish is for this to be a stepping stone into your next journey with the university – as a member of our Alumni Association.

As this year's Alumni Association president, our board and the amazing staff at the Bailey Center are dedicated to the success and recognition of our graduates, which now includes you! Membership provides you with an opportunity to stay connected and network with other professionals who also have the heart of a Trojan. You are now joining an elite group of UA Little Rock graduates who are some of the strongest, most thoughtful, and ambitious people you will ever meet. There are very few businesses in the Little Rock Metro that do not employ a UA Little Rock graduate, and we take great pride in sharing seeing the many accomplishments of our fellow alumni.

Additionally, you can help make a difference in a future UA Little Rock graduate's life by providing your time, talent and/or treasure to raise scholarship funds for those who need extra help in achieving the milestone you are celebrating today. Some of you might be recipients of our scholarships and know first-hand how important these funds can be to a student.

I am a fierce advocate and supporter of our faculty, staff, students, and graduates. To have a metropolitan university in our capital city that provides high-quality education is an invaluable asset. I encourage you to always be a brand ambassador for UA Little Rock, and I hope to meet you in-person at our next alumni event. Once again, congratulations, and GO TROJANS!



— Heide Harrell, MA, APR  
2023 Alumni Board President

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## Edward Lynn Whitbeck Memorial Award Ahad Nadeem

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The Whitbeck Memorial Award is presented to an outstanding graduating senior with demonstrated excellence in scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and character. Ahad Nadeem, the 2023 recipient, has demonstrated outstanding citizenship through various research and activities aimed at bettering the lives of others. From working to combat child hunger to educating people about opioids, Nadeem has worked to address problems in the community.

Nadeem's concern about student success led him to offer free math tutoring to elementary students. At UA Little Rock, he served as president of the Campus Garden Alliance and was vice president of the Student Government Association. He worked with the student senate on campus safety and other initiatives. Nadeem also promoted campus engagement and served as a class representative for the Donaghey Scholars Student Committee. Passionate about science education, he served as a Genetics learning assistant in the classroom. He presented research on food insecurity and on the genetic programming of fat tissue. The aspiring physician was also a health and wellness writer for the university's student newspaper. His community service also included volunteering at the UAMS Cancer Center, the UAMS NICU, and a center that supports grieving children.



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## Undergraduate Honors

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To graduate Summa Cum Laude, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.90.

To graduate Magna Cum Laude, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.70.

To graduate Cum Laude, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50.

To graduate with an associate degree with Honors, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.70 and not have completed more than 83 credit hours.

**NOTICE:** The list of candidates for Fall 2023 graduation was prepared before final grades were reported and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. Final action to ensure an accurate listing of names of all persons qualified for degrees cannot be

taken before this program was published. This listing of a name in this program should not be construed as an indication that the person will in fact receive a degree at this commencement. Conversely, the absence of a name from the program list does not necessarily mean that the person will not be awarded a degree. This program included all those who applied to graduate in Fall 2023 prior to November 1, 2023 and all students who were conferred degrees in Summer 2023. Final honors for Fall 2023 applicants will be calculated after final grades are posted during graduation checkout. Summer 2023 graduates have a confirmed and final honors designation that is notated on their diploma and transcript. Fall 2023 graduation applicants have an honors designation that is calculated with all graded courses taken through Summer 2023.

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## Commencement

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### An Ending and a Beginning Steeped in Tradition

UA Little Rock's commencement exercise, a ceremony filled with pomp, color, and music, is steeped in traditions, some of which date back to the Middle Ages. Now, as then, commencement is the opportunity for a university to demonstrate that it has fulfilled its basic missions: educating people to become leaders in professions and society, and awarding the degrees that represent their work and achievements as scholars. Commencement means "beginning," but it comes at the end of a student's academic experience, marking the beginning of a graduate's life as the holder of a degree.

**Chancellor's Medallion** – During UA Little Rock's graduation, a silver chain and medallion bearing the UA Little Rock official seal and the name and dates of service of each past Chancellor are worn by Chancellor Christina S. Drale, who represents the entire university.

**The Mace** – One of the lesser known artifacts connected with commencement is the mace, which today is a ceremonial device, borne with great dignity into commencement halls, signifying that those who follow are persons of authority and achievement. The mace, carried by the Grand Marshal, was designed and hand-crafted in purple heart, mulberry, and bronze by artist Jack R. Slentz while he was a graduate teaching assistant in sculpture in the UA Little Rock Department of Art, working under the supervision of Michael Warrick.

**Banners** – Banners and standards have long marked significant assemblies—armies, churches, and powerful families. During UA Little Rock's commencement, you will see a maroon, silver and white banner carried into the hall at the head of each college group.

**Marshals** – The leader of the academic procession is the Grand Marshal who carries the mace in the port arms position as they enter the hall. At UA Little Rock, the Grand Marshal is the president of the UA Little Rock Assembly – the university faculty's governing body for academic issues. Today's Grand Marshal is Joanne Matson. You will also see faculty and student marshals who have been selected to lead groups of candidates for graduation to their seating in the hall.

**Music** – The sequence of the musical program today with featured music, processions, and recessions is traditional.

**The Dais Party** – The last retinue to enter the commencement hall will be seated on the dais, where much of the ceremony will be conducted. The dais party includes the Chancellor, Provost, Vice Chancellors, Deans, other university officials and guests, and representatives of the UA Little Rock Board of Visitors, University of Arkansas System, and UA Board of Trustees.

**Academic Regalia** – The tradition of distinctive academic attire originated in Europe in the 12th century. A black scholar's gown and black square hat, known as the mortarboard, are almost universally used in the U. S. for holders of the bachelor's degree. Some universities authorize robes of different colors for holders of doctoral degrees, who have three velvet stripes on the sleeves of their robes and wear colorful hoods that extend down their backs. Those with master's degrees wear robes with closed sleeves and arms extended through slits in the body of the gown. Master's hoods are slightly shorter than those worn by doctoral degree holders. Candidates for undergraduate degrees (associate and baccalaureate) wear maroon tassels. Candidates for graduate degrees wear black tassels, while doctoral candidates, as well as those who hold doctoral degrees, wear gold or silver tassels.

**UA Little Rock Variations** – UA Little Rock has made few changes in commencement since 1928, when the school, then known as Little Rock Junior College, awarded degrees to its first 12 graduates. The color of the caps and gowns was initially black, then a bright magenta-maroon shade, and then back to black.



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# Fall 2023 Candidates for Graduation

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## Doctoral Candidates

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### College of Business, Health, and Human Services

#### Doctor of Philosophy

Steven McCain

### College of Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Education

#### Doctor of Education

Arrayon La Keith Farlough-Rollins\*  
Michele Renee Haynes  
Kimberly Winn Kirby  
Bryan Winfred Massey Sr.  
Debra L. Randolph

Tracie Denice Rushing  
Peter James Selden  
Rickey Dornell Thompson  
Merve Topak Jamsran

### Donaghey College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

#### Doctor of Philosophy

Ghusoon Jalil Ibrahim Al Bazzar  
Oscar Maurice Banks  
Marvin M. Bonney\*  
Kevin Michael Chappell  
Iris Samone Denmark\*

Mavis Forson  
Bi Foua  
Muhammad Haras  
Amanda Jaliha  
Adita Karkera  
Kanishka Manna  
Basim Hasan Mezaal Mohammed  
Afsana Rahman Mou  
Junior Mbuyamba Muka  
Peter Karl Szwedo  
Peng-Hung Tsai  
Michael Ugbade  
Lloyd Van Warren\*  
Rebekah Kathryn White  
Divya Yadav

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## William H. Bowen School of Law

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Colin Crawford, Dean

### Juris Doctor

Randall Millard Bentley, III  
Katelynn Caple  
Andrew David Cole  
Hayes Cox  
Jennifer Maria Haynes  
Conner Darrell Kelsey  
Joshua Lee King

Erich Harrison Lah  
**Doris Ann Magsayo, Cum Laude**  
John T. McGinnes  
Samantha Hulak Rosenblatt Preblich  
William David Streeter  
Virginia Beatriz Vanegas Hernandez  
Michael Wesley Washington  
Jennifer Elise White

### Master of Studies in Law

Kianna F. Metcalf  
Felicia Alexis Svetkovich

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### Law Honor designations:

*Cum Laude denotes a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.30*

*Magna Cum Laude denotes a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50*

*Summa Cum Laude denotes a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.70*

*Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Summa Cum Laude are conferred based on the final cumulative grade point average of each student. Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Summa Cum Laude designated above are tentative.*

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## Graduate School

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Brian Berry, Vice Provost of Research and Dean

### College of Business, Health, and Human Services

#### Master of Arts

Jennifer Finley Admire  
Ashley Nicole Brown  
Crystal Certain  
Kim Childress  
Tori L. Clemons\*  
Christy G. Crawford  
Darrell L. Davis  
Amy E. Dennis  
Shantae Renee Ford  
Gabriel D. Foreman  
Heather Grigsby  
Tara Nicole Hamilton  
Nathalie Jacobs  
LaTisha Lendora Le'Flore  
Heather Leach\*  
Ashley D. Mateos  
Angala Denese Moss  
Natasha Nicole Oliver  
ChristiAnna Victoria Page  
Shikita Price\*  
Merlyn Ninoska Rios Romero  
Viola Nicole Schaeffer  
Ikevy D. Mesheya Smith  
Derrick Adam Wells\*  
Brenzale Quachelle Wooten

#### Master of Business Administration

Mohanned Ahmed  
Jacob Baylor Anderson  
Chase Cain\*  
Pritika Chakraverty  
Victoria Lynne Hoggard\*  
James Hope  
Alexis Jacobus\*  
Breese Arden Jones  
Aniruddha Koppar  
Miles DeGrey McDonnell  
Jill McIlroy  
Maria Rians\*  
William Carter Scott  
Mahesh Thombre  
Kathy-Linh Hoang Tran  
Caroline Clare Webre

#### Master of Education

Tesha Ann Nelson  
Jeremy Randolph  
Jennifer Roark

#### Master of Science

Qudirat Akanji  
David O. Hen  
Divine Nkwachukwu Iloh  
Faith Iyere  
Brittney L. Jackson\*  
Dariel Johnson\*  
Nikita Lynn Johnson  
Aniruddha Koppar  
Oluwakemi Temitope Olayinka  
Tiamber Ross  
Gregory Sandercox  
Dylan Sherrill

#### Master of Social Work

Alexandria Takayla Sims\*

#### Graduate Certificate

Joel Thomas Anderson\*  
Latoya L. Baker  
Patrick Bell  
Vasiliki Maria Falaina  
Davonte Fredrick Hokes\*  
Faith Iyere  
Aniruddha Koppar  
Paul T. Lairson II  
Stephen Malec  
Oluwakemi Temitope Olayinka  
Akeyia M. Riley  
Tiamber Ross  
Amber Ryan  
Mahesh Thombre

### College of Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Education

#### Master of Arts

Laura Suzanne Austin\*  
Mikaela Nicole Bailey  
Kevin Beckwith  
Michelle Crain  
Tonya Lynnette Didarov  
Revis Lay Edmonds Jr.  
Alyia Goudeau  
Jerry Dale Griffin  
Emily Housdan  
Steven J. Hughes  
Coyunna Jones  
Mechelle A. Jones  
Lydia Julian  
Nicole Shari McGehee  
Kristen Danielle Miller  
Keely Ari-Rowan Todd\*  
Jordan Nicole Saxion\*  
Paula R. Smith

Kellie R. Solomon  
Heather Anne Tolliver  
Emma White  
Isaac Douglas Wolter  
Riley Dawn Young

#### Master of Education

Tierney Yvonne Armour  
Mariam Soulmani  
Lacey Jean Foster\*  
Sana Golemgeske  
Kreylon Gulley  
Victor Manuel Hernandez Jr.  
Shaylonda Valeria Jackson  
Javonna Lynn Johnson\*  
Courtney Kidd  
Greer King\*  
Brooke Elizabeth Lewis\*  
Rhianna D. Mooney  
Elexis L. Oliver  
Asma Omar  
Crystal M. Perry  
Courtney Pippenger  
Yvonne Roach  
Erika Anne Sherer\*  
Brandon Stargell  
Tina Marie Stringer\*  
Ryan Stroud  
Bridgette Michelle Williams\*  
Kablist Henderson

#### Master of Public Administration

Khalanna Cotton  
Rebekah Ann Duke  
Anastasia Louise Harris Edwards

#### Graduate Certificate

Laura Suzanne Austin  
Otis Banks  
Allen Brim  
Rosalind Michele Curd  
Jacob Stephen Foster  
Lacey Jean Foster\*  
Deasia Hagan  
Gwendolyn Joy Hamilton  
Erin Elizabeth Hernandez  
Shaylonda Valeria Jackson  
Courtney Kidd  
Brooke Elizabeth Lewis  
Michelle Mcneary  
Rhina Odom\*  
Savanna Price  
Megan B. Roach  
Tiffany J. Scruggs\*

Erika Anne Sherer\*  
Lauren E. Smithey  
Tina Marie Stringer\*  
Patrick Taylor\*  
Phillip VanDenBerg\*  
Riley Dawn Young

## **Donaghey College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics**

### **Master of Arts**

Iris Samone Denmark\*  
Kenechukwu Kwemtor Ibeanu  
Gary Randell Morris

### **Master of Science**

Tanvir Ahmad  
Qudes Ali Al-Anbaky  
Shazia Aman  
Niharika Byrapaneni  
Venkata Ramya Bandla  
Mujeebat Bashiru\*  
Christopher Sheamel Bennett  
Tessa Dianne Blankenship  
Brian S. Butler\*  
Paul Brad Cameron\*  
Shaykera Charlton  
Seth B. Cook  
Andrew Paul Cornell  
Arthi Supriya Reddy Erika Reddy  
Ty Andrew Ebsen\*

Oluwaseun Stella Falade\*  
Mavis Forson  
Jamie D. Freeman  
Sai Gunturu\*  
Mayor Inna Gurung\*  
Tina Hesabizadeh  
Sharafat Hossain  
Fan Huang  
Sydney Jones  
Sai Pavan Kakarla  
Venkata Ravi Chandra Karnati  
Sai Aravind Kasu  
Chinmay Raghava Korrapati  
Mani deepika Kurapati  
Paul T. Larison II  
Michael Magreola  
Eric Deane Marks X  
Alaa Marwan Abu Taha  
Spencer Massengale  
Amber Nicole McDonald  
Shanavaz Mohammad  
Faraz Mohammed  
Onais Khan Mohammed\*  
Tejasvi Nadikudi  
Nalluri Naga Sanjeev Kumar  
Sayli Vilas Naik  
Diem T. Nguyen\*  
Srinivas Obiliseti  
Tejaswi Sai Peddireddy  
Liliane Poirot\*  
Anjuman Ara Rashid  
Momin Shaik

Pavithra Sridhar\*  
Mujahed Hussain Syed  
Yaser Mehdi Syed  
Peter Karl Szwedo\*  
Robinson Tamilselvan  
Phuc D. Tran  
Pranay Swamy Vanamala  
Swetha Akash Vejendra  
Sudheera Vankayalapati  
Paola Anahi Vazquez  
Sravani Vejendra  
Arthur Leo Webb  
Rebekah Kathryn White

### **Graduate Certificate**

Samantha Aitkens  
Joseph Asante Jr.  
Amber Michelle Billingsley  
Phillip A. Blake  
Shaykera Charlton  
Ronald Crane  
Brianne Shay Green  
Joshua Hammons\*  
James H. Houston  
Fan Huang  
Paul T. Larison II  
Hendrika Catharina Maclean\*  
Stephen Pederson  
Jeremy Reynolds  
Esra Turkmenoglu  
Kristi Turner  
Dawn Marie Wolford

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## **College of Business, Health, and Human Services**

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Thomas Clifton, Interim Dean

### **Bachelor of Arts**

Cortlen Arterberry  
Jennifer Nicole Badgett  
Levi Makinley Boyd  
**Callie E. Brokesoulder, Magna  
Cum Laude**

Trinity K. Caver  
Samantha E. Coffman  
Brandon Seth Cross  
Anna G. Darr  
**Hailey Davis, Summa Cum Laude**

Mindy Jean Edger\*  
Ariana Celeste Garcia  
Logan Glover  
John Mason Gresham\*  
Phyllis D. Harrington  
Charnice Marie Harris  
Kayley Ann Henderson  
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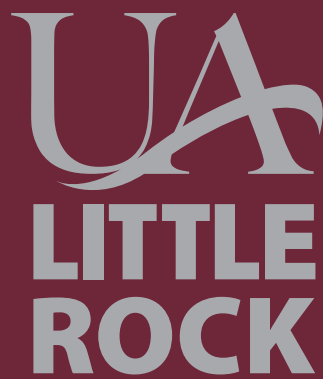


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