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LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY



GRADUATE  
*Commencement*

ST. CHARLES FAMILY ARENA • MAY 15, 2015





# LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT

Welcome to Lindenwood University and to one of the most important ceremonial occasions of the academic year. Lindenwood's Commencement ceremony is filled with symbolism and tradition that remind us of the noble purpose of colleges and universities. The academic dress worn by the students, faculty, boards, and platform party is described later in this program. Students wearing blue gowns and black and white medallions are members of Linden Scroll, an honorary society comprised of students who excel academically and have a dedication to serving the University and the community. Students wearing blue gowns and gold medallions are members of Lindenwood Student Ambassadors, a select group of students dedicated to the positive promotion of Lindenwood University. Their duty as marshals is to direct the processional and seating of students, faculty, board members, and administrators.

Academic customs originated within the medieval Church, and the order of procession follows ecclesiastical custom with the most honored members of the procession at the end. The pipe and drums corps, followed by the Linden Scroll flag bearers and the graduating students, leads the procession. The faculty follows the students in the processional, and members of the Alumni Board, the University Board of Directors, and the platform party follow them. The President, preceded by the

University Marshal, is the last person to enter the Commencement area. The mace carried in the academic procession by the University Marshal symbolizes the authority of the President. A staff of linden wood, surmounted by a silver cup, is used. The mace originally belonged to President John Roemer, who served Lindenwood from 1914 to 1940. It is used only on occasions when the faculty and President march in formal procession. The mace, flanked by the United States flag and the Lindenwood University flag, is proudly displayed at the foot of the platform.

For centuries, colleges and universities have awarded honorary degrees to worthy recipients for institutional and societal contributions. These degrees, awarded *honoris causa* ("for honorary cause"), represent Lindenwood University's most time-honored way of recognizing significant service and achievement.

At university graduations, there are typically three types of Latin honors bestowed. In order of increasing level of honor, they are as follows: *Cum Laude*, "with praise"; *Magna Cum Laude*, "with great praise"; and *Summa Cum Laude*, "with highest praise." Three additional forms of recognition offered at Lindenwood are University Honors, recognition of students who graduate with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.3 and complete at least eight courses with an Honors distinction; Community Service Honors,

recognition of students who complete 500 hours of qualified community service; and Veteran Honors.

During Lindenwood's Commencement ceremony, the candidates for degrees are presented to the President by the executive administrative officers. Each student's name is read by a dean, and the President presents the diploma to that student and congratulates the new graduate. Once all the degrees have been conferred, the pipe and drum corps leads the recessional in reverse order of entry with the newest alumnae and alumni at the end of the procession.

We hope that you enjoy our Commencement ceremony and that you will respect our protocol for the enjoyment of all concerned. Please remain in your seats during the ceremony. During the conferring of degrees, please refrain from prolonged cheering until all of the graduates have been presented. Please stand for the processional, national anthem, and invocation, as well as for the benediction and recessional.





# LINDENWOOD HISTORY

Lindenwood was founded in 1827 by Mary Easton Sibley (1800-1878) and George C. Sibley (1782-1863), making it the second oldest institution of higher learning west of the Mississippi River, and the institution was incorporated by the Missouri Legislature in 1853. The Sibleys deeded the Lindenwood property to the St. Louis Presbytery on February 24, 1853, the start of a formal affiliation that lasted over a century with the Presbyterian Church.

While Lindenwood is fully independent today, the University enjoys a historical relationship with the Presbyterian Church and remains true to its founding values. The first commencement ceremony was held in 1858, and Lindenwood became coeducational in 1969. Evening programs were established in 1972, and graduate studies were instituted in 1975. Lindenwood became a university in 1997, a regional university in 2003, and a doctoral institution in 2007.

The University has experienced dynamic growth over the past two decades. Not only did Lindenwood College evolve into a university, but it also grew from a student population of 800 residential students to more than 4,000 today with a total student enrollment of more than 16,000 annually and a St. Charles campus of more than 500 acres. Lindenwood is one of the few colleges and universities in the country that remains debt-free.

# LINDENWOOD MISSION STATEMENT

Lindenwood University offers values-centered programs leading to the development of the whole person – an educated, responsible citizen of a global community.

Lindenwood is committed to

- providing an integrative liberal arts curriculum;
- offering professional and pre-professional degree programs;
- focusing on the talents, interests, and future of the student;
- supporting academic freedom and the unrestricted search for truth;
- affording cultural enrichment to the surrounding community;
- promoting ethical lifestyles;
- developing adaptive thinking and problem-solving skills;
- furthering lifelong learning.

Lindenwood is an independent, public-serving liberal arts university that has a historical relationship with the Presbyterian Church and is firmly rooted in Judeo-Christian values. These values include belief in an ordered, purposeful universe, the dignity of work, the worth and integrity of the individual, the obligations and privileges of citizenship, and the primacy of the truth.



# PARTICIPANTS

**JAMES D. EVANS**  
Lindenwood University  
President

**JIM J. SHOEMAKE**  
Lindenwood University  
Chairman, Board of Directors

**JANN WEITZEL**  
Lindenwood University  
Provost and Vice President for  
Academic Affairs

**RAO AYYAGARI**  
Lindenwood University Marshal  
Professor of Biology

**SEAN O'DONNELL**  
Vice President and General Manager  
Charter Communications

**TIMOTHY BUTLER**  
Lindenwood University Chaplain  
Religion Department

**VOICES ONLY**  
Vocal Selection



# RECOGNITION

The Class of 2015  
Family and Friends

We express our thanks to the members of the Linden Scroll and Lindenwood Student Ambassadors for serving as today's ushers and marshals.



# PROGRAM



## PRELUDE

Lindenwood University Symphonic Orchestra, Wm. Shane Williams, Director, Assistant Professor of Music

## \*PROCESSIONAL

The Lindenwood Pipe and Drum Corps  
University Marshal | Rao Ayyagari, Professor of Biology

## GREETINGS

Jann Weitzel, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

## \*INVOCATION

Timothy Butler, Lindenwood University Chaplain

## \*STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Voices Only, Directed by Professor Pamela Grooms



## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS



James D. Evans, President

## GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jim J. Shoemake, Chairman, Lindenwood University Board of Directors

## VOCAL SELECTION

“Oh Lindenwood”

Voices Only

Marsha Parker, Pamela Grooms, Joe Alsobrook, Shane Williams

## THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

“Living a Life of Learning”

Sean O’Donnell, Vice President and General Manager, Charter Communications

## CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE

President Evans

Presentation of Sean O’Donnell | Chairman Shoemake

## SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Representatives of Lindenwood

\*Audience please stand



# PROGRAM

## PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

## CONFERRING OF DEGREES

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*RECESSIONAL

Provost Weitzel

President Evans

Doctor of Education, Specialist in Education, Master of Accountancy, Master of Arts,  
Master of Business Administration, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Public Administration, Master of Science

Dean Cynthia Bice | School of Education

Dean Carla Mueller | School of Human Services

Dean Cynthia Schroeder | School of Sport, Recreation, and Exercise Science

Dean Peggy Ellis | School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

Dean Roger Ellis | School of Business and Entrepreneurship

Dean Joe Alsobrook | School of Fine and Performing Arts

Dean Ricardo Delgado | School of Sciences

Reverend Butler

The Lindenwood Pipe and Drum Corps

\*Audience please stand



# LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

## GRADUATE DEGREES

### DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

AMANDA NOEL ALDRIDGE

ERIC L. ALLEN

WALTER J. BELCHER

TIMOTHY SHANE BENSON

CHRISTINA S. BROWN

ANGELO RASHELL BUCHANAN

LISA CARLON

JOHN WESLEY COLLINS

KATHERINE GRACE CRAFT

DEMARIUS J. HOWARD

SETH ALLEN HUDDLESTON

TIFFANY LYNN JARVIS

JON THOMAS JOHNSON

MERLYN WYNN JOHNSON

DAVID JOHN MCCAULEY

ADIS NUKIC

DEBORAH L. PEARSON

JOSHUA CHRISTOPHER PHILLIPS

JUSTIN MICHAEL REYNOLDS

ROBERTA S. ROACHE

TERRY J. RUSSELL

Veteran Honors

EUGENE ROSSELLE SIMPSON

RICHARD MILES SULLIVAN

ASHLEY LOUISE TYREE-HAMBY

JEREMY A. WAY

TERRY W. WINTON

MELISSA LEE WYERS

### SPECIALIST IN EDUCATION

MICHAEL ROY BLACKSHEAR

STACY LYNN BROWN BLAKLEY

KATHRYN ANNE BULLOCK

SARA MICHELLE CALDERON

LORI J. CHANDLER

SUBRINIA ANTIONETTE CHAPPELLE

SHARON MARIE COLLIER

CRYSTAL NICOLE COMBS

BROCK MEIER DOVER

KEVIN JOHN EDSON

DOUGLAS EDWARD ERWIN

MATTHEW F. GLAZER

MARY ELVIN GRAY

SHAWNA D. GRUBEN

GINA RAE HARTMAN

SHANTANA S. HERD

KIMBERLY THOMPSON HORRELL

LINDA JEAN HUNING

NATALIE ANN IKENBERRY

JEWEL IRONS JENKINS

DANA RACHELLE JONES

TSIMOLLO FLORENCE JONES

ROBERT WILLIAM KERN

TANYA MARIE KIRKPATRICK

KARISTA M. KOEHLER

CIANA MONET LEGRONE

SARA DEEANN LIGHT

ERIK LOGAN

DENNIS MAURICE LOVE

EMILY ANN LOVERCHECK

JANE K. MARCHI

BERNITA L. MATORY

JOHNNIE E. MCCREARY

JOHN L. MCCLELLAN

MEGHAN ANN MCNULTY

JEREMY KEITH MOORE

SAMANTHA NICOLE MRAZ

BENICIA TOMASA NANEZ

MANDISA AKILAH NEAL

WENDY Y. OWENS

ALYSSA ANN PHILLIPS

OWEN EARL POWELL

TINA LYNN RAMSEY

DAVID GERALD REINKE

TARA ASHLEY ROBERTS  
WESLEY DWAYNE RUSH  
SUSAN LYNN SANCHEZ  
STEPHANIE MARIE SANKER  
KRIS A. SCHULZE  
ADAM W. SMITH  
AMBER DIONNE SPENCER  
ALLISON KRISTINA STUHLER  
LINDSAY NICOLE SUTHERLIN  
PAMELA ERIN SWOFFORD  
MEGHAN ELIZABETH ELLEN TICHENOR  
TARA RENEA TRAVERS  
JEFFREY DON WALKER  
JERONA JEAN WASHINGTON  
STEPHANIE MARIE WERNER  
LEAH MARIE WERRY  
KELLY L. WEST  
GERALDINE JOINTER WILLIAMS  
RONDA NICOLE WILLIAMS  
ANGELA KAY WINSHIP  
ANGELA MARIE WOGEN  
KIMBERLY JEANINE WOODEN

## **MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY**

SHIJING CAO  
NATHAN GARY CHRISTEN  
YING DING  
DAVID SCOTT ELIAS

PATRICE A JOHNSON  
GREGORY EMMETT MACAULAY  
BRENDAN JEFFREY NOONAN  
MICHAEL ANTHONY NORD  
KYLE RICHARD OVERBY

## **MASTER OF ARTS**

DING AI  
LUCAS VAN ALBERTS  
HEATHER NICOLE ALLEN  
COURTNEY RAE AMEN  
JOSEPH FRANKLIN APPLEBAUM  
EILEEN PATRICIA APPLGATE  
KATRINA ELAINE ARCHAMBAULT  
KELVIN AUSTIN  
CHRISTIAN JOHN AVERILL  
DELPHIA L. BAKER  
SAMANTHA JEAN BAKER  
JESSICA NICOLE BALLARD  
LISA ANN BANKS  
TARA D. BARGER  
LINDSEY BARNOWSKI  
TRISH ESTHER BARTHOLOMEW  
ERICA NICOLE BARTON  
TRACIE MICHELLE BAUER  
MICHAEL C. BECK  
HEATHER N. BELL  
BRIAN DOUGLAS BENBEN

DARIAN LARON BENFORD  
HALLIE ELYSE BERGEN  
ANDREW CHARLES BETHMANN  
DAVID PATRICK BISHLINE  
LINDSAY MICHELLE BISTO  
CARLETTA SPRATT BLACKMON  
MEGHAN SUZANNE BLATTEL  
JULIE MICHELLE BOATNER  
TOLGA BOLEN  
MITCHELL BONDS  
CANDICE R. BOYD  
BROOK DANIELLE BOYER  
TRACY LANE BRANSTETTER  
MATHEW RYAN BRAYFIELD  
SHARON ANN BREEDEN  
KAREN E. BROCKLAND  
ERIN JAMESON BROWN  
KELLIE RENEE BROWN  
THOMAS WILLIAM BRUCE  
TIFFANY NICHOLE BUCHANAN  
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KADESH BARNEA BURNETT  
ANTHONY RONALD BUSH  
COREY ANGELO BUTLER  
STACI RENEE CAFFEY  
AMGELA MARIA CALLADO  
JERRY CANNON



AZALIA L. CARTER  
 ANGELA ROSE CHALL  
 JOSEPH PATRICK CHAMPION  
 NATALIE TALBERT CHARDONNET  
 PETER CHERRY  
 SIU NGA CHING  
 JESSICA MARIE CLARK-CAMPBELL  
 CORI CORRALL CLOYD  
 LAURA LEIGH COCHRAN  
 KARMAN SOPHIE MARIE COCHRANE  
 VALENTINA COLLAZOS QUINTANA  
 EMILY REBEKAH COPPERSMITH  
 CHRISTIAN MICHAEL COSBY  
 BRYNNE ELIZABETH CRAMER  
 KELSEY LEE CRAWFORD  
 MARY F. CROCKETT-SMITH  
 SCHYLON LAKAY CRUMP  
 KATHRYN SPOMER CRUMRINE  
 JEANETTE LOUISE CRUZ  
 LAUREN ASHLEY CUMMING  
 ADAM JOHN CURRAN  
 AMANDA SUE CURTIS  
 REBECCA LYNN DANNEGGER  
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 AMANDA CIERRA DEBERRY  
 LAURIE ANNE DEROUSSE

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 MELISSA NICOLE DILLON  
 BRANDON MATHEW DODGE  
 CORTNEY LYNN DOLLENS  
 JULIA MARIE DOOLEY  
 ERIN MARIE DOUGLAS  
 JULIA DAWN DREHER  
 DIANE RUTH DREYER  
 MICHELLE LYNN DURMEIER  
 NETTIE LOUISE EASLEY  
 GARNITA ANN ECHOLS  
 DERIC LEE EDWARDS  
 JEREMY PHILIP EDWARDS  
 DENVER CHARLES ELLIS  
 KELLY JOELLE ELLISON  
 KRISTA CHARLENE ELMORE  
 SARAH NORMA ESTES  
 JENNIFER EZELL-HAYES  
 MICHAEL RYAN FALL  
 ALICIA MARIE FELDMANN  
 NICOLE L. FELDMANN  
 ANTHONY REX FERNANDO  
 ALEX CHARLES FERRARIO  
 BRITTANY DANIELLE FISCHER  
 JULIE ANN FISCHER  
 MARY TESON FISHER  
 MONIQUE LASHEA FORD  
 DAVID BRADLEY FOSTER

CRAIG ALEXANDER FOUST  
 LISA MARIE FOWLER  
 JAZMYN MONEE FRAGER  
 CHARLES PHILIP FREDERICKSON  
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 REBECCA LYNNE FRESE  
 REBECCA NICOLE FRESE  
 NANCY ELIZABETH FUCHS  
 CAROLYN DENISE GALLOWAY  
 MARLA R. GALLOWAY  
 PATRICE S. GARDNER  
 MICHELE LYNN GASTREICH  
 SUSAN KAYE GILLEN  
 MELANIE ERIKA GILLILAND  
 ASHLEY NICOLE GILMORE  
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 CLIFTON T. GOINS  
 DAVID GOMEZ CARRASCO  
 DANIEL WOOD GOODRICH  
 ASHLEY LAINE GOUDY  
 LAUREL JEAN GOVERNAL  
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 TINA KATHLEEN GRAHAM  
 FATINA MARIA GREEN  
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 AMY MICHELLE GROOMS



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ASHLEY DIANE HALKER  
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CANDICE DENISE HARDIN  
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RODNEY MICHAEL HOLTMEYER  
WHITNEY SUZANNE HOLTMEYER  
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MICHELLE LEE HOUSE  
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ALLISON MARIE IMHOLZ  
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MEGAN ALISON JAMES  
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TIFFANY L. JONES  
KIMBERLY HELEN JORDON  
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PAMELA LYNN KEMP  
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KRISTEN ROCHELLE KLOEPPPEL  
KRISTINA RENEE KLUMP  
Veteran Honors  
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SHEILA KOSS  
Veteran Honors  
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RELANDA LEDBETTER  
MELISSA CHRISTINE LEE  
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 JONATHAN E. MCCOMB  
 KENDRA RUTHARNE MCCORMICK  
 JILL CHRISTINE MCCOY  
 ASHLEY R. MCGHAW  
 LINDSEY HAYES MCGRATH  
 LANESHA Y. MCPHERSON  
 JENNIFER PATRICIA MCSHEEHY  
 IDRISMA MAKEBA MEEKS  
 JENNY LYNN MEERS  
 MELISSA ANNE MENDOLIA  
 AMANDA MARIE MEYER  
 JESSICA ANN MEYER  
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 JOHN J. MICHALKA  
 MEGHAN EILEEN MILLER  
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ANDREA DANIELLE MITCHELL  
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 ANGELA M. MONAHAN  
 KESHAN RENE MOORE  
 JONATHON BLAKE MORGAN  
 HEATHER L. MORRIS  
 EMILY KATHLEEN MULLEN  
 ELYSE NATHANSON  
 TAQUITA A. NEWSOM  
 ANNE F. NEY  
 MARCUS ISAAH NICKENS  
 KIMBERLY ANN NIX  
 CANDRICE LORETTA NOE  
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 TONIA SUE NUNN  
 CHRISTA LEIGH O' HEARNE  
 DEIRDRE JANAE OLIVER  
 LAUREN ORF  
 GABRIELLE LOUISE ORTMAN  
 BRIAN PATRICK O'SHAUGHNESSY  
 MIRIAM KARINA OTOYA  
 CHRISTIAN SAMUEL OVERSTREET  
 JACOB RAY OWEN  
 SARAH ANN PAIR  
 DEVON CHARISSE PALMER  
 KEITH C. PARDECK  
 LINDSAY MEGAN PARDECK  
 DENISHA DENAY PATRICK

TONY L. PATTERSON  
 LORINE PATTIN  
 ROBERTA P. PENNOCK  
 REBECCA JEAN PETTIT  
 DENISE MICHELLE PETZALL  
 MARLA LORAIN PHILLIPS  
 BRENDA LOUISE PHIPPS  
 MICHELLE RENEE PITTMAN  
 PAMELA DENICE PITTMAN  
 DANIELLE RAE POLK  
 ALLYSON NICOLE POPE  
 DANA MICHELLE PORTER  
 JENNIFER JO PORTER  
 JENNIFER M. POWERS  
 ELIZABETH HELEN PRASSE  
 CHASITY MONEE' PRINCE  
 SEAN RYAN PRUITT  
 NINETTE S. QUERIMIT  
 BRANDI ELIZABETH RACKERS  
 HECTOR J. RAMIREZ  
 KELLI ANNE RAO  
 EVELYN RENEE REECE  
 SHAWN STACEY REED-HOLLIMAN  
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 TOYZELLA NANCHELLE SMITH  
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 TARRA SHANEE STANFORD  
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 LAURA MARIE STRICKLAND  
 ANGELA MARIE SUMMERS  
 HEATHER MAYBERRY SUMMERS  
 DIANNA LEIGH SUMNER  
 LAURA JAYNE SWEARNGIN  
 DEITRE JANELLE TERRELL  
 CORRINE ROCHELLE THOMSEN

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 KAREN M. TODD  
 BRIDGET ANN TRAVIS  
 JOE TRIGG  
 JIM OLYN TRIPLETT, JR.  
 OLA TOGBE KWAME TOURE TURNER  
 YASHMINA HEREKO UEJIMA  
 CANDISE DIANE UHLES  
 KATHERINE ELIZABETH ULDALL-WELCH  
 MARISSA CHRISTINE UNWIN  
 TIMOTHY J. VANCE  
 FAITH E. VARNER  
 SONYA MARIE VENERABLE  
 EVAN GEISS VEREMAKIS  
 SAMANTHA NOELLE VIVIANO-BIND  
 SHIRLEY FAYE VOGEL  
 TRACEY NICHOLE WAECKERLE  
 TRICIA ELENA WALKER  
 COURTNEY TRUE WALKER  
 NICOLE MARIE WALLINGSFORD  
 KYLE WAMPLER  
 BRUNETTE WATSON  
 CAROL LYNNE WEBER  
 SARAH ELIZABETH WEBER  
 STEPHANIE THERESA WELLS  
 ERIN JO WESSELSCHMIDT  
 DAWNA C. STURDIVANT WHARTON  
 KRISTIN B. WHEATLEY





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CATHERINE ELIZABETH WHITT  
AMANDA ERIN WILLIAMS  
DONALD ANTOINE WILLIAMS  
SANDRA G. WILLIAMS  
DONNA CARNELIA WILLIAMS-JONES  
VALERIE E. WILSON  
CYNTHIA L. WISE  
SCOTT ANTHONY WOLZ  
LANDON DUANE WOOD  
MICHAEL AARON YATES  
ELIZABETH RAE YOUNG  
STEPHANIE LYNN ZES  
LINDSEY MARIE ZINSELMEIER

## **MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

KUBANYCH ABDYVASIEV  
WESLEY TYSON ABEMATHA  
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The caps, gowns, and hoods worn by the faculty and students at this graduation are today's formal dress of the worldwide academic community. While now worn only on festive occasions such as commencement, such dress was originally the normal garb of academics as they went about their daily business. Originating in Europe more than a thousand years ago, like universities and colleges themselves, academic dress first developed within the church, as all academics were once at least in minor orders. The robes and hoods are stylized versions of these monastic robes. In Europe, each institution seems to have its own variant of costume, but in the United States, academic costume follows a uniform code drawn up by a special commission in 1895. The code has three main parts, dealing with caps, gowns, and hoods.

The Oxford type cap or mortarboard seems to have evolved from the square biretta of Renaissance clergy. It is always black and may be of any appropriate material except that velvet is reserved for doctors. Many faculty members wear the Cambridge style cap. The tassel worn with the cap has three variations. It may be black for any degree or it may be the color of the academic area in which the degree was granted. Doctors and governing officials of institutions wear

tassels made of gold metallic thread. The tassel is fastened to the middle of the top of the cap and lies as it will thereon. The academic robes are all black, except for certain doctoral robes. The style of robe indicates the highest degree earned by the wearer. Bachelor's sleeves are pointed, and the robe is plain. Undergraduate students who have achieved honors display a cord. Students who graduate with University Honors wear a purple double cord; students who graduate with Community Service Honors wear a cardinal red and silver grey double cord; students who graduate with Veteran Honors wear a red, white, and blue double cord; students who graduate Cum Laude (with praise) wear a white double cord; students who graduate Magna Cum Laude (with great praise) wear a gold double cord; and students who graduate Summa Cum Laude (with highest praise or distinction) wear a gold and white triple cord. Master's robe sleeves are oblong and longer. The doctoral robe features velvet bands in the front, and the robe sleeve also has velvet bands and is gathered at the wrist. The doctoral robe itself is cut much more fully than the other two gowns.

The hoods indicate the academic area of degree, the level of the degree, and the school that granted it. The level of the degree is shown by

the size and shape of the hood and the width of the velvet trimming. The master's, the specialist's and the doctor's hoods are three and one-half feet, three and three-quarters feet, and four feet long, respectively. The velvet trimming, in the same respective order, is three, four, and five inches wide. The outer band of the hood indicates, by color, the degree; the bright, silken interior of the hood, by its colors and design, indicates its source. Each university and college has a distinct hood. The Lindenwood University-St. Charles hood is lined with white and yellow silk, representing the University's original colors.

The colors of the mortarboard tassels worn by today's degree recipients, as well as the hoods worn by faculty and graduate students, indicate the major fields of study.

# ACADEMIC DRESS

APRICOT

BROWN

CITRON

COPPER

CRIMSON

DARK BLUE

GOLD

NUGGET OR DRAB

PEACOCK

PINK

PURPLE

SAGE GREEN

SCARLET

SKY BLUE

WHITE

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Social Work

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Anthropology, Biological Sciences, Biology, Chemistry, Counseling, Environmental Biology, Fire and Paramedic Science,  
Gerontology, International Relations, International Studies, Psychology, Sociology

Accountancy, Accounting, Administration, Business Administration, Entrepreneurial Studies, Finance, General Business,  
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Management, Marketing, Mortuary Management, Music Business, Nonprofit Administration, Personal Financial Planning,  
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