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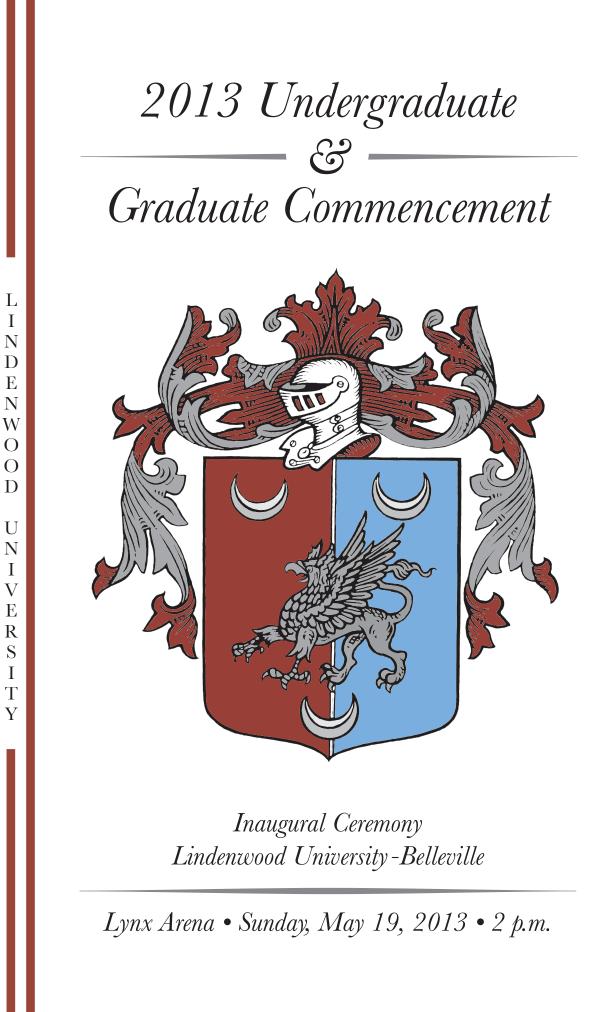
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2013 Undergraduate and Graduate Commencement, Belleville Campus

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The crest displayed on the front of the program is the Sibley family crest that is generally accepted as the oldest and most familiar symbol of our university system. While no image of the crest appears in Lindenwood's records before 1917, a drawing exists in the archives in which the image appears on the chimney of the fireplace in the Cardy Reading Room of Butler Library on the St. Charles campus. While the spelling (Sybly) associated with the crest in Bernard Burke's General Armory differs from the current and more widely-accepted spelling (Sibley) of the name, Lindenwood administrators, historians, and archivists believe the Sibley family mentioned in the General Armory is the same family as that of Major George Sibley.

The family crest evolved from and has become synonymous with the coat of arms, which was used to distinguish one man from another on the battlefield. It is for this reason that the shield and the helmet are the central images. The crest was adopted around the time of the Crusades and was used as a form of communication to convey information to others about a clan or a family. Since so much of the population was illiterate, decorating shields, helmets, armor, etc., with the crest was an important way of disseminating information. Heraldry was particularly significant.

The description of the crest is as follows: a walking griffin on a red and blue shield surrounded by three silver crescents. The colors and icons all have special significance:

Blue	Loyalty and truth
Red	Military fortitude and magnanimity
Silver	Peace and sincerity
Griffin	Vigilance and eagerness in pursuit,
	valor, and death-defying bravery
Crescent moon	One enlightened or honored by his sovereign
Helmet facing left, closed visor	Non-royal lineage

The motto, according to research provided by John Wehmer, Lindenwood Professor Emeritus, means "to be and not to seem." It is taken from the words of Roman historian and politician Sallust who wrote, "Esse quam videra bonus malebat" which, paraphrased, means Sallust wanted to <u>be</u> a good man rather than just merely <u>seem</u> to be one.

Lindenwood University-Belleville Undergraduate & Graduate Commencement

The Ceremony

Welcome to Lindenwood University-Belleville and the inaugural commencement ceremony on the Belleville campus. While this event marks a new tradition for the Lindenwood system and the Illinois campus, it is also filled with symbols and traditions that remind us of the noble purpose of colleges and universities.

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. We are pleased to have Lindenwood University student ambassadors, graduate assistants, and staff members of our university's community serving as marshals for the processional and recessional. They direct the students, faculty, Board members, administrators, and platform party to their designated seating throughout the arena.

Since Mary Easton Sibley was an accomplished musician, it is only fitting that the processional be led into the ceremony with music. In recognition of the Scottish-English roots of Mrs. Sibley, we have elected a bagpiper to usher in the participants.

The bagpiper, followed by the Student Ambassador flag bearers and the graduating students, leads the procession. The faculty follows the students in the processional; members of the Alumni Board, the University Board of Directors, and the Platform Party follow in order. The President, preceded by the Faculty Marshal (faculty member with the longest standing at the campus), is the last to enter the ceremonial area.

Before entering the venue, the students process through parallel rows of faculty members who honor them by "clapping them in" or applauding the soon-to-be graduates as they proceed to the ceremony. In this way, the professors have a formal way of commending the students and expressing pride in their accomplishments.

As the faculty members enter the ceremonial space, the students reciprocate and honor their instructors with applause. This tradition demonstrates the bond that is created between teacher and student on the Lindenwood campus.

During the Commencement ceremony, various individuals address the attendees, and the University awards 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 to recognize significant service and achievement.

Once the honorary degrees have been bestowed, the candidates for degrees are presented to the President by the Chief Administrative Officer of the campus. Each student's name is read by a designated member of the faculty, and the President presents the diploma symbolically to the student. Once all the degrees have been conferred, the bagpiper leads the recessional in reverse order of entry with the newest alumni at the end of the procession.

We hope you enjoy the Commencement ceremony and that you will follow our protocol for the enjoyment of all concerned. We ask that you stay for the entire event out of respect for all of the graduates. During the conferring of degrees, we ask that you refrain from applause until all the graduates have been presented. However, if there are spontaneous demonstrations of joy and pride, please keep them to a minimum so that each individual graduate can be respected and honored.

Finally, we ask that you please stand for the processional 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. While Lindenwood is fully independent today, the University enjoys an historical relationship with the Presbyterian Church and remains true to its founding values.

Lindenwood University was originally called Lindenwood Female College and educated only young women. The first commencement ceremony was held in 1858. In 1969, the institution became coordinate and then coeducational. 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.

Founded in 2003 on the historic site of the former Belleville Township High School, Lindenwood University-Belleville echoes the educational values of its founders while adapting to meet the needs of its growing student body. Upon approval of the Higher Learning Commission and the Illinois Board of Higher Education, Lindenwood University acquired ownership of the Belleville campus through key partnership agreements with the City of Belleville and St. Clair County.

Initially an extension site of the University, LU-Belleville first began offering Master of Arts programs in education and educational administration in an evening program for working professionals. In 2004, the campus's number of degree options more than tripled when it

received approval to offer additional bachelor's and master's degrees through an accelerated evening format called LCIE (Lindenwood College for Individualized Education).

In the fall of 2009, a traditional daytime semester program was started, with enrollment exceeding 500 day students in the fall of 2011. Lindenwood University-Belleville was named a full-service campus by the Higher Learning Commission and the State of Illinois in 2011.

Today, the campus provides its 1,750 students with more than 30 undergraduate and graduate degree options in day and evening formats. The day student population now totals approximately 800 and is expected to increase to more than 2,000 within a decade.

Lindenwood University-Belleville has created a name for itself in both the community and region as a thriving academic and cultural center dedicated to liberal arts education in the highest sense of the term.

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 truth.

Participants

James D. Evans	Lindenwood University President
Jim J. Shoemake	Lindenwood University Chairman, Board of Directors
Jerry M. Bladdick	Lindenwood University-Belleville Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
Keith A. Russell, II	Lindenwood University-Belleville Dean of Academics
Marsha Parker	University Marshal Professor and Director of Theatre
William L. Enyart	United States Congressman House of Representatives
Michael M. Mason	Lindenwood University Professor of Religion
Richard Hoffman	Vocalist for "The Star Spangled Banner"
Wayne Davis	Bagpiper

Recognition

We express our thanks to the Lindenwood University staff, graduate assistants, and student ambassadors for serving as today's ushers and marshals.

The University would also like to thank the members of the Belleville Philharmonic Orchestra for volunteering their time and talent in today's ceremony.

Program

*PROCESSIONAL	Wayne Davis Bagpiper
*INVOCATION	Michael M. Mason Professor of Religion
*"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER" Francis Scott Key	Richard Hoffman Vocalist
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	Jerry M. Bladdick Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer
REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT	James D. Evans President
GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.	Jim J. Shoemake Chairman of Lindenwood Board of Directors
THE ADDRESS	
CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREE	President Evans
PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES	Keith A. Russell, II Dean of Academics
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES	President Evans
MASTER OF ARTS, MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMIN BACHELOR OF ARTS, BACHEL	
Cindy Manjounes, Associate Dea Marsha Parker, Professor and Dia	•
*BENEDICTION	Professor Mason

*RECESSIONAL......Wayne Davis

*Audience please stand

Lindenwood University-Belleville Graduates

Graduate Degrees

Master of Arts

LaTasha LaShell Addison-Ward Ashley Nicole Adrian Catalina Albarracin Angulo Terrance Anthony Alfaro Veteran Honors Libby Ann Allison Angelia Denise Anderson Hill Yalanda Marie Anthony Renee Ellen Baldridge Sally Ann Bambrough Candice Leigh Beck Courtney Michelle Belfor Stephanie Witt Bontemps Lara Marie Bosick Todd A. Brown Veteran Honors Joy Lynn Brueggeman Jason Scott Buatte Kendra Marie Buckley Priscilla Marie Burrell Shardae Butler Tommy Carl Calhoun Lawrence Bernard Canady Kenneth Allen Chadwick Patrick J. Chiarella Rebecca Lynn Choate Kristina Marie Cipolla LaRhonda Shontele Coleman Alicia Michelle Collier Johnathon Alexander Combs Marquette S. Connor Michael W. Cox Renee Nicole Cummins Amosnee T. Davis First Responder Honors Marble Austina Davis Miranda Catalina Dickey Chris Ann Dorries Stephanie Yvonne Doss Aquilla Rashawn Dover

Lachelle Lee Dowell David Lawrence Fairchild Morgan Jean Fehrenbacher Jumah Amara Fennoy Mechelle Anise Fennoy Brandon Douglas Ferguson Tina Marie Finley Michelle Fern Freebairn Tanya Antoinette Gasper Reneeka D. Gause Clyde Dexter Gayden Eileen Ann Gerace Derrick Terrell Givens Veteran Honors Sarah Irene Gordon Jamie Lynette Gray Montriett Marie Harris Patrice A. Harris Justin LaVelle Harrison Ciara Star Henderson Tamara D. Henderson Kalvin J. Hilliard, Jr. Taressa Miranda Howard Jessica E. Hubbs Cassandra Lynn Hutchings Brandon James Jackson Danyelle Shanae Jackson LaTia Nicole Jackson Teresa Ann Johnson Brittany Kay Joiner Steven Augusto Kirkland Daniel Thomas Kloess Tanya Renee Koelker Elizabeth Vollmer Kohler Meaghan Krukemeier Barbara S. Laidlaw Caitlin Nicole Lanter Nina B. Lee Emily Jane Leuty

Cherise Hamilton Locke Lonnie La'Dale Lucas Veteran Honors Amanda Kay Lucash Tsasa Lusala Debra Jean Markarian Jennifer Louise Mayo Shakira Giovanni McCottrell Stacie Ann McKinney-Wallace Kati Maurine Michalas Jenny Lynn Miear Rita Mitchell Kelly Ann Moore Lisa Ann Moore Jennifer Lee Nance Julie Marie Nold Corinne L. O'Dell Neal Thomas O'Donnell Emily Grace Odum Yvette V.Peals Nelson Matthew Perez Jackie Lee Powers Sharla Stephanie Randolph DeNeen Terrae Redd-Readus Sarah Ann Renner Frances Idonia Rice Jerome Eugene Richardson Katie E. Roemer Melanie Patreece Rogers Keely Deanna Sabaini Amanda Kay Schnur Stacy Ann Schoemaker Erika Lauren Schreffler Amy M. Schweizer Veteran Honors Kyle D. Selliers Rebecca Joan Shock Tomika Lynette Shorter Jill Helene Simpkins Lauren Marie Sintzel

Alnando Remond Sisson Angela Lee Smith George Pressley Smith III Kelci Lee-Nicole Smith Leia Katherine Smith Tiffany R. Sonnenberg Brian David Spacher David Richard Tanzyus Tiffany J. Tauchert Lacqweda Q. Taylor Brendan Benn Templin Candace Marie Thomas Jessika Synette Triplett Victoria C.M. Vasileff Debra Ann Walters Cassie Diane Weinhoff Melissa B. Wesley Adrienne Marjory Wiemerslage Christine Kay Willard Tiffany Marie Woods-Jones Brittany Natice Young Nicole C. Young Kari Nicole Zipfel

Master of Business Administration

Andrew Maxwell Altman Amy Lynn Amizich Rachel M. Barrows Sharon Denise Beckner Terrie Jean Boss J.B. Buckingham, Jr. Veteran Honors Christina Renay Byman Blake Loren Chatham Sandy V. Clark-Johnson Christopher Kenta Coleman, Sr. Nicole V. Dames Nathan S. Davis Kristin Elizabeth Dinga Austen Edward Doster Tara Marie Frazier-Maupin Nicholas Joseph Gailius, Sr. D'Auna Monique Gully-Hairston Jean Renae Harris Jessica Lynn Holten Michelle A. Hopkins-Harris

Jason Matthew Howsare Jason Scott Hubert Keyonia Montracia Hughes Katherine Denise Johnson Carla Jean Jordan Allison Justine Kenly Erin R. Kenly Anna Lee Kimball Malcolm Eldridge King Rob J. Kohrmann James O. Kron Richard Alan LeClair Veteran Honors Cassandra Eve Lehr Cheryl Lynn Loehr Tina Marie Markovich First Responder Honors Whitney N. Merz Mary Elizabeth Miller Jacob W. Morris Katie Elizabeth Mulholland Tyler Michael Muren Candace P. Nave Kelly Reneé Neighbors Steffanie Andrea Nolden Travis Keith Oglesby Giovanni Elias Ossa Susan C. Rehrig First Responder Honors Matthew C. Ruth Peyman Sadrerafi Courtney R. Schwartzkopf Melissa Aileen Shreve Sydnie Paige Siltman Amber Lynn Smith Desiree D. St. Clair Allison Marie Stuhlsatz Kara R. Swan Jesus Adrian Torres Ryan Robert Uhe Deborah Brown von Nida Jessica Amanda Ware Lindsey June Waters Charles Edwin Watts Kristin Marie Weiss Stephen Leo Werkmeister Robert E. Wilcox Tenesha Latrice Williams Amy Lyn Woltering

Thomas John Wszolek Craig Joseph Wuebbels

Master of Science

Candice L. Arana Katherine Matvett Atkins Denise M. Balentine Mary Ruth Brown Kimberly Nicole Callen Jasmine Tremia Chamberlain Timothy Terrell Cistrunk Evelyn Coleman Danielle Lea Collins First Responder Honors Gordon Wayne Curd Veteran Honors First Responder Honors Amy J. Evans Romika Somona Ferguson William Dean Frick, Jr. Richard G. Fuess II Cameron Vincent Goss LaTonya Danielle Gray Shari M. Griffin Lena M. Guthrie Victoria S. Hall AleGryan Riquel Harris Debbreca La'Shaye Harris Zandra Harvey Jessica Marie Hauser Karen Denise Haywood Eric Allen Herman Teislanee Howze Catherine Rebecca Hungate Rodney Lee Jones Tyson R. Jones Veteran Honors Philip Gordon Kaelin Rvan Andrew Kilduff Amber R. Kimbrough Andrea D. Kirkland Jeremy Michael Klein Phillip R. Koch Melanie June Kyles Todd A. Lindsay Margaret Jean Lopez Monkia Shantel Mason

Sharron Shontay Matkins Wendy Facklam McFarland Shaunta L. McField Shawn R. McKeon Ericka Danielle Miller Jenny A. Minelli Armathia Leona Nash Kelly Reneé Neighbors Carlos Giovani Ocampo Ralph Michael Owens Veteran Honors First Responder Honors Salmartis Owens Christopher B. Parks Dana Renee Pea John Riley Pegg Shirley Delorse Perry-Wicks Amy Rebecca Reed Erin R. Reed Daniel Restrepo Sanchez Zachary M. Roan Johnny Curtis Roberson Lunetha Evette Robinson Jasmon L. Sanders Corey J. Sanford, Sr. Capronté Lashey Sayles Marshiek Te'nna Sayles Laurel A. Schanot Stacy Renee Seib Janet Marie Shearrer Tiffany Jean Shelton Antonio Shorter David William Spreen Christopher Michael Stanley Veteran Honors First Responder Honors Tonya R. Stephenson Tawanda La'Shan Story Nancy Marie Sutherlin Linda Carol Thorpe DeMarco DeWond Turmon Iesha Lashonda Marie Underwood Antionita Marie Wells Stephen Curtis Wilkerson Melanie LaTrice Williams Ashley L. Wilson Craig Andrew Zurliene

Undergraduate Degrees

Bachelor of Arts

John Joseph Alexander Rachel Elizabeth Arnold Elias Banuelos Carl A. Barnhart, Jr. Dean M. Bastilla Julie Marie Beal Carson Conroy Beebe Danielle Elizabeth Beishir Magna Cum Laude Kendra Elizabeth Billhartz Lydia Hope Elisabeth Blaha Meghan Sue Bolen Kinsey Nicole Bryant Arthur Shea Burton Kourtney Yvonne Chism Megan Rodnasha Clark Ernest L. Clavton Veteran Honors First Responder Honors Caleb Joseph Cook Mallorie Jett Cummings Veteran Honors Ashley Lynn Curless First Responder Honors Andrew Christopher Dahle Jennifer Renee Dunlap Allysia Monique Eanes Scott Andrew Elbe Corey Ray Ellzey Genaro Fernandez Kaci Lynn Fewkes Candice M. Ford Veteran Honors First Responder Honors Erica Shavon Gatlin Brittany Amanda Grey Rachel Sara Grosse Summa Cum Laude Jade Ashleigh Gutierrez Magna Cum Laude Michelle Allysse Hampton Faith Marie Herbert Daniel Joseph Hewitt

Stephanie Rana Hodge Samantha Ann Hutchinson Adam James Jackson Scott Douglas Jackson Sheila Johnson Magna Cum Laude Maria Elena Jones Cum Laude Deborah A. Joseph Summa Cum Laude Kathleen Ann Kaiser Cum Laude Lori Kalberkamp Kinney Magna Cum Laude James A. Krejci Jacquelyn Teresa Laminack Cum Laude Larry Elliott Lanier Ashley Nicole Lautner Lindsey Renee Lickenbrock Cum Laude Meghan Renee Lokey Jennifer L. Lord Cum Laude Brittany Michael Lutz Elena Renee Macia Cum Laude Eduardo A. Magallon Timothy J. Malick Lindsay Nicole Menn Angelina Rodrigues Miranda Luis Angel Morfin Tyrell Lamar Munnerlyn Jennifer Elaine Nester Chanel Genese Newell Nora Ann Nordike Cum Laude Orhun Ozcan William Eric Partenheimer Kory John Pruden Emily J. Pugh Summa Cum Laude Bradley Edward Reibold Lisa M. Reimann Cum Laude Monica Ilene Rettle Ruben Valle Rivas, Jr. Veteran Honors Joshua Roarty Summa Cum Laude

Rodney Allen Roy Kristen Nicole Ryan Brianna Rose Sabatino Manuela Sousa Salazar Cecilia Iveth Sanchez Guillen Sabrina M. Sayles Cum Laude Jonathon Tyler Sehr Magna Cum Laude Allen M. Siedle Danielle Elise Sotnyk Todd Duane Starks Eric Joseph Sterr Cum Laude Jordan Leigh Stuhlsatz Matthew Anthony Sturdivant Lindsay Marie Svoboda Nancy Lynn Thomas Cassandra Tripp Cody James Walker Jennifer Marie Whyte Ashley Dawn Will Cum Laude Veteran Honors First Responder Honors Jacqueline Antoinett Williams William G. Wuller

Bachelor of Science

Tammy Ann Accola-Newell Kristin Marie Ackermann Paul Richard Anderson Veteran Honors Cierra Nichole Barnes Jeffery Mark Barton Summa Cum Laude Monica LeJune Baxton Alexandria Anne Bennett Jene R. Bieri Summa Cum Laude Sarah Marie Biermann Magna Cum Laude Eric Montez Blanchard Jacob David Brandmeyer Michele Juvon Brock Carlos Terrell Brown Monique Montrice Brown

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Marquette Cherye Rockett Karl Anthony Schofield Mindy Lynn Schubert Cum Laude Wakisha Loquette Scott First Responder Honors Cindy Lee Shanks Summa Cum Laude Arthur James Sheridan Summa Cum Laude Veteran Honors Dominick Sherman Tammi Sheree Shipp Danielle L. Sigman Laura Lynn Sims Cum Laude Carmen Patrece Skinner Amber T. Smith Jonanna Dashell Smith Patricia M. Staub Summa Cum Laude Natalie N. Stinnett Kristy Shea Taylor Magna Cum Laude Kyle Patrick Taylor Erica Lynne Tolbert Veteran Honors

Tiara R. Triplett Daniel F. Voegele, Sr. Joseph Michael Wagner Summa Cum Laude First Responder Honors Richard Michael Wagner Summa Cum Laude First Responder Honors Felisha R. Walker Kelly Rose Walker Robert L. Washington Veteran Honors Carl Ryan Weiss Delva Rose White Ryan Alexander White Erica J. Wiley Hollie Lee Williams Summa Cum Laude Stacie Lorraine Williams Danika A. Wilson Courtney N. Woolery First Responder Honors Sarah Ann Yarbrough Matthew P. Zabbo Jennifer R. Zinda Magna Cum Laude

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Academic Dress, Regalia, and Symbols

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, and all academics were once at least in minor ecclesiastical orders. The robes and hoods are stylized versions of these monastic robes. There was a practical aspect of the robes, as well: most in the early days were made of wool to keep individuals warm as they studied and worked in cold and drafty monasteries, churches, and university buildings.

In Europe, each institution has its own variant of garment, but in America, academic costume follows a uniform code drawn up by a special commission in 1895. The code has three main parts: the cap, the gown, and the hood.

The Oxford type cap or what is termed the "mortarboard" seems to have evolved from the square biretta of Renaissance clergy. It is always black and may be of any appropriate material except velvet, which is reserved for doctors. Many faculty members prefer to wear the Cambridge style cap or beret-style hat. The cap is embellished with a tassel which may be black or the color representing the type of degree or major. In most cases, individuals who have earned a doctoral degree wear a short gold tassel. The tassel is generally "turned" from the right side of the cap to the left once the student has received the diploma.

The academic robes are black except for some doctoral robes. The style of the robe indicates the highest degree earned by the wearer. Baccalaureate or Bachelor sleeves are pointed, and the robe is plain. Undergraduate students who have achieved honors will display a cord worn over the shoulder. As with most component parts of graduation dress and regalia, the color of each cord has meaning:

Cum Laude (with praise)	White double cord
Magna Cum Laude (with great praise)	Gold double cord
Summa Cum Laude (with highest praise)	Gold and White triple cord
Veterans and First Responders	Red, White, and Blue triple cord

The Master's robe sleeves are oblong and longer than the undergraduate garments. 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 fuller than the other two gowns.

The hoods indicate the academic area of the degree, the level of the degree, and the school that granted it. The level of the degree is shown by the size of the hood, the width of the velvet trimming, and in the case of the doctorate, the shape. The Master's, Specialist's, and

Doctoral hoods are three and one-half feet, three and three-quarters feet, and four feet long, respectively. The velvet trimming on the hood indicates its source by color and design. Each university and college has a distinct hood. The Lindenwood University-Belleville hood is lined with maroon and white silk, representing the campus colors.

The colors of the flags on the back of the dais are reflected in the colors of the tassels worn by the graduates and indicate the various fields of study. The disciplines mentioned below represent majors offered at Lindenwood University-Belleville.

BROWN	Acting
GOLD	Biology, Counseling, Psychology
NUGGET/DRAB	Accounting, Business Administration, Finance, Health Management, Healthcare Administration, Human Resource Management, Marketing, Sport Management
PURPLE	Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Administration
SAGE GREEN	Physical Education
SKY BLUE	Education, Elementary Education, School Administration, Teaching
WHITE	Advertising-Public Relations-Corporate Communications, Communications, Corporate Communications, English, Interactive Media and Web Design, Mass Communications

One of the foremost representations of an academic institution at ceremonial events is the mace. This highly ornamented staff is carried in processionals usually by the longest serving faculty member and is intended to represent the official authority of the institution.

The mace was, in fact, a true weapon and carried by the monarch's Sergeants-at-Arms to protect the king from direct attack. It resembled a type of club with a staff and knot or club head at one end. The mace as a weapon disappeared about the same time as did heavy armor and was replaced by the civic, academic, or ceremonial artifact.

The academic mace represents the internal authority of the institution over the members of its community and independence from external authority. Most of the colleges and universities in the United States have a mace as a symbol of their intellectual sovereignty. In circumstances where there are a number of constituent colleges, campuses, or faculties, a different and/or smaller mace may be carried during ceremonies such as commencement or investiture of a new president.

Designing or creating a mace for a college or campus is an important undertaking because it should represent at a glance the mission and purpose of the institution. The Lindenwood University-Belleville mace accomplishes this task. The primary staff is crafted from white oak,

the state tree of Illinois, which is known for its strength and endurance. Carved into the base are two rings that represent the individuality of each campus and the combined mission of the Lindenwood system. Atop the staff is a four-sided ceremonial "capital": two sides bear the Sibley Crest and two sides iterate the University's mission statement.

Probably the most historically significant element of the Lindenwood University-Belleville mace is that it has been carved by a local artist who is Native American. Mary Easton Sibley was a well-known advocate for educating all people regardless of race and gender. Her high regard for the indigenous people of Missouri and Illinois makes the selection of this artist especially apropos for the school and the region. It should represent to all members of the Lindenwood community both present and future that our mission is to create educated citizens of a global community.

Lindenwood University-Belleville Full-time Faculty

Barudin, Jeffrey (2012)

Assistant Professor of Music BS, Pennsylvania State University; MM, DMA, University of Michigan

Bladdick, Jerry (2009)

Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer Assistant Professor of Social Science BS, Southeast Missouri State University; MS, EdD, Lindenwood University

Boyles, Andrea (2011)

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice BA, MA, Lincoln University; PhD, Kansas State University

Canan, Bruce (2010)

Assistant Professor of Human Resource Management BS, Bowling Green State University; JD, Capital University

Chavaux-Turnbull, Therese (2010)

Assistant Professor of Counseling BS, University of Missouri Columbia; MEd, University of Missouri-St. Louis; PhD, Saint Louis University

Coleman, Steve (2011)

Assistant Professor of Accounting BS, Saint Louis University; JD, Seton Hall University

Dussold, Christopher (2011)

Assistant Professor of Finance BA, BS, MS, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville; PhD, University of Missouri

Eberhart, Judith K. (2008)

Division Chair of Business & Entrepreneurship Associate Professor of Marketing BS, MBA, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville; DMgmt, Webster University

Finger, Richard (2011)

Assistant Professor of Biology BS, Saint Louis University; MS, Iowa State University; PhD, Saint Louis University

Frazier, Daniel (2011)

Assistant Professor of Business BA, Brown University; MA, Webster University; JD, Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

Gangloff, Amy (2012)

Associate Professor of History BA, Pennsylvania State University; MA, PhD, Stony Brook University

Hart, Bradley P. (2012)

Assistant Professor of Chemistry BS, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville; MS, PhD, University of Missouri-St. Louis; Post-Doctoral, University of Georgia, Arizona State University

Highley, Shannon (2007)

Assistant Professor of Management BA, BS, MBA, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville; MA, Lindenwood University

Ismail, Amani (2012)

Associate Professor of Communications BA, Iowa State University; MS, Ohio University; PhD, University of Iowa

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