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LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Monday, May 18, 2015 • 7 p.m.

Gateway Center • Collinsville, Illinois

The crest displayed on the front of the program and on the graduates' tassel 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:

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

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 be a good man rather than just merely seem to be one.

Lindenwood University-Belleville Undergraduate & Graduate Commencement

The Ceremony

Welcome to the 2015 Lindenwood University-Belleville commencement ceremony. While this event marks the third year for this tradition at Lindenwood Belleville, 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 graduate assistants and staff members 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 room.

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 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 Provost. 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' 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 an enrollment that has grown from 100 day students at its inception to 1,200 today. Lindenwood University-Belleville was named a full-service campus by the Higher Learning Commission and the State of Illinois in 2011, and in 2014, the campus opened the first extension center of its own in Collinsville, Illinois.

Currently, the Belleville campus provides its 2,200 students with 37 undergraduate and graduate degree options in day and evening formats.

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

- Jerry M. Bladdick.....Lindenwood University-Belleville
President
- James D. Evans.....Lindenwood University System
President
- Jim J. Shoemake.....Lindenwood University
Chairman, Board of Directors
- Jann Weitzel.....Lindenwood University
Provost
- Marsha Parker.....University Marshal
Professor and Director of Theatre
- Stephen R. Wigginton.....United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois
- Judith Forstmann Brown.....Lindenwood University Alumna
Alumni Association President
- Johan Sundberg.....Lindenwood University-Belleville Student
Lindenwood Student Government Association
- Kenneth Kubicek.....Lindenwood University-Belleville
Associate Professor of Counseling

Recognition

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

Program

*PROCESSIONAL.....	Wayne Davis <i>Bagpiper</i>
*INVOCATION.....	Kenneth Kubicek <i>Associate Professor of Counseling</i>
*"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"..... <i>Francis Scott Key</i>	Albert Williams <i>SSgt, USAF (Retired) Vocalist</i>
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS.....	Jerry M. Bladdick <i>President, Belleville Campus</i>
REMARKS FROM THE SYSTEM PRESIDENT.....	James D. Evans <i>President, Lindenwood University System</i>
GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.....	Jim J. Shoemake <i>Chairman of Lindenwood Board of Directors</i>
THE ADDRESS.....	Stephen R. Wigginton <i>United States Attorney Southern District of Illinois</i>
CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREE.....	President Bladdick
GREETINGS FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.....	Judith Forstmann Brown <i>President of the Alumni Association</i>
LSGA STUDENT PRESENTATION.....	Johan Sundberg
PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES.....	Jann Weitzel <i>Provost</i>
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES.....	President Bladdick
MASTER OF ARTS, MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, MASTER OF SCIENCE, BACHELOR OF ARTS, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE	
Cindy Manjounes, <i>Associate Dean of Academics</i> Marsha Parker, <i>Professor and Director of Theatre</i> Paige Mettler-Cherry, <i>Associate Professor of Biology</i>	
*BENEDICTION.....	Professor Kubicek
*RECESSIONAL.....	Wayne Davis

**Audience please stand*

Lindenwood University-Belleville Graduates

Graduate Degrees

Master of Arts

Brandi Nicole Aldridge Williams
Carolyn E. Bair
Taryn Aja Jeanine Bell
Melissa S. Biebel
Michelle Lynn Bischoff
Carla Ann Bridges
Michele Juvon Brock
Candace Bridge Brown
Chamira Myesha Brown
Chaz Steven Brown
Erica Renne' Burns
Andrew Ross Canan
Kathryn Therese Cathell
Callie Nikea Coleman-Gidron
Amanda Marie Cox
Ashley A. Crannage
Katrina Yvette Criggler
David Saverio Dalfonso
Jessica Marie Dansberry
Mildred A. Doran
LaShawn Renea Easley
Aubrey L. Ellinger
Louisa R. Fisher
Rhonda Gathing-Jones
Terry L. Glenn
John Joseph Grubisich
Amanda Leigh Guinn
Candice May Gullord
Adrienne Rae Haase
Mistie Ann Haase
Daniel David Hamilton
Sarah Nicole Harms
Capria Haynes
Kaitlyn Marie Hemmer
Jacob Andrew Henry
Tracy A. Hermanson
Nicole Edwards Hill
Rachelle Lynne Hinchey
Daniel Douglas Hutchison
Michele M. Johnson

Diane Marie Jones
Amy Brenna Jordan
Akossiwa Tatiane Joranson
Rachel Elizabeth Kent
Kristen Lynn Kinnear
Pamela Adamick Knobloch
Christina Lynn Koenig
Kassandra Nicole Korte
Ashley Nicole Lautner-Weinman
Garrick Wayne Liefer
Josephine Annette Lofton
Kenya Marie Logan
Veteran Honors
Harvey Terrence Love
Kerry Lynn Maguire
Jennifer Ann Mammen
Kelly Rose Martini
Destiny Ciera McCain
Johnathan Milton Mehrtens
Ashley Mae Meints
Steven John Michelfelder
Ericka Danielle Miller
Kelly Ann Moore
Priscilla C. Okeke
Katrina Lyn Olden
Gregory J. Orlando
Amber Marie Osborne
Eliza Mae Pautz
Shirley D. Perry-Wicks
Nicole Selice Price
Richard William Rebmann
Frances Idonia Rice
Cydny Lea Richardson
Rosa Marie Richardson
John D. Rickert
Melanie Patreece Rogers
Danielle Marie Ross
Natalee A. Rujawitz
Brittany Danielle Russell
LaShonda Jeanette Sanders

Marquita J. Sanders
Vashti Sanders
Michelle L. Schmidtke
Trinada Shields
Cheryl Marie Sickinger
Karon Elizabeth Sneed-Williams
Ruby Streate
Beverly Jean Temple
Marcus Laron Thomas
Jonathan Michael Tidball
Hannah Laine Tolan
LaDonna Tunstall
Mayra Marlen Velasco
Marilyn Adele Voss
Brad L. Wahlig
Michale Yolande Ward
Kelly McCarey Washburn

Master of Business Administration

Cale Coulter Ahle
Michael Stanley-Earl Allen, Jr.
Stephanie Ann Babka
Elias Banuelos
Tanya Michelle Bisso
Chaya Renee Blackmon Cason
Dustin J. Brueggemann
Samantha Marie Clowdus
Amanda Marie Comte
Nicholas Edward Condon
Marissa Danielle Cook
Elliot Christopher Corwin
Paul Michael Ebbeler
Maggie K. Fiedler
Matthew Paul Fiedler
Twanna Lahrae Flowers
Lance Darnell Hayes

Michelle Nicole Higgins
 Holly Elisabeth Holod
 Jarrod Lawrence Anthony Jones, Sr.
 Khamaree Desmond Karim
 Shane A. Kurrus
 Ronya M. Lockett
 Mark F. Luth
Veteran Honors
 Carly Denise Marcum
 Tracha LaSchelle McGhee
 Darron Lamont Millender
 Jenifer Patricia Morris
 Daniel M. Newgent
 Aaron Joseph Obernuefemann
 Todd Allan Pruett, II
 Marlo T. Rakers
 Wakisha Loquette Scott
 Eric D. Sharon
 Arthur James Sheridan
 Natalie Noel Stinnett
 Martese O Brien Temple, Jr.
 Emily Suzanne Totel
 Sheyla Ware
 Whitney Kate Wiley
 Stacie Lorraine Williams
 Kyle Michael Wilson
 Gerrit Francis Yank
 Brett Paul Zarontonello

Master of Science

Tammy Ann Accola-Newell
 Monica Eugenia Allen
 Ryan Michael Anderson
 Travis Eugene Barker, Jr.
Veteran Honors
 Michael James Bower
 Gary E. Brooks, Jr.
 Cheryl Denise Canady
 Tranecia S. Carman
 Will Carter
 Tawana S. Chairs-Brown
 Timothy Terrell Cistrunk
 Adam J. Connor
First Responder Honors
 Ronnie O. Cortez
 Victoria Yvetta Cotton
 Julie Ann Crawford
 Bruce Dunn

Darren D. Dunning
 Denise R. Embery
Veteran Honors
 Mehreen Fatima
 Melody Nicole Ferrell
 Nicole Lynn Gerstenecker
 Brittany A. Grey
 Nikki Marie Griffin
 Courtney Allison Harris
 Wesley L. Hickson
Veteran Honors
 Daniel Lee Hill
First Responder Honors
 Virginia Yvonne Howell
 Jeremy Todd Hunter
 Adam James Jackson
 Theodore Harvey Jamison
 Howard Hue Johnson
 Demetric L. Johnson, I
 Bria Shane' Jones
 Philip Gordon Kaelin
 Brian David Koberna
 Alexander G. Koch
 Richard Alan LeClair
 Lina Mariana Lopez
 Charlon Monique Loving
 Michael Alan Manus
 Dylan Robert Mazzo
 Kenneth Dominique Austin
 McClendon
 Lynette A. Morris
 Krystal Kezia Muddamalle
 William Harry Netzhhammer, III
 Sarah Hart Niedzwiecki
 Orhun Ozcan
 Derek Steven Parker
First Responder Honors
 Joseph Daniel Phelps
 Scot Armistice Pirtle
First Responder Honors
 Jaunell Devon Pugh
 Malik Muslim Rashid
 Kelton J. Reed
 Daniel Restrepo Sanchez
 Cameron John Rettig
First Responder Honors
 Shima Rostami
 Rachel Michaela Schmittling
 Colleen Elaine Scott

Matthew Robert Scott
 Kaya Essivi Senaya
 Molly Kathleen Session
 Fred H. Simmons
 Kimberly Latrice Spears
 Brennan Davis Stover
 Susan F. Stubblefield
 Darion Dennis Terry
 Karima T. Tucker
 Daniel F. Voegele, Sr.
First Responder Honors.
 Nathaniel M. Wheatley, Jr.
 Stephen Michael Williams
Veteran Honors
 Kwintessa Shawntoca Wilson
 Derek L. Wise
First Responder Honors
 Jennifer Lynn Wisely
Veteran Honors
 Shelby Lynn Woelfel
 Valerie Elizabeth Young
Veteran Honors

Undergraduate Degrees

Bachelor of Arts

Jesus Cornelio Ahumada
 Fory Blain Albert
 Megan Alderson
 Connor Scott Allen
 Whitley U'Essie Ashley Arnold
 Roberto Barbery
 Mark Andrew Bauer
 Phillip M. Berndsen
 Chance D. Berry
 Samantha Ashley Bierman
Cum Laude
 Ethan Johnathan Bohnert
Cum Laude
 Taylor D. Bolin
 Brenna Michelle Borawski
 Clayton Scott Boren
 Stephen J. Bowles
 Sarah Nicole Ann Brewer
Summa Cum Laude
University Honors

Bernadette Michelle Brown
Brittanie Carolyn Brown
Jessica Danielle Brown
Jamie Lee Bullock
Brian D. Byrd
Tyler Lee Cannon
Hans Albert Carpenter
 Cum Laude
Joel Feliciano Carrera
Quanesha Unique Clark
Trinetta S. Clark Johnson
Mauricio Cohen Nadal
Aaron Everett Connor
Alyse Nicole Conrad
Derek Xavier Cox
Alexander Blake Dawson
Gregory Jacob Degener
Laura Anne Doherty
 Cum Laude
Chad Andrew Duckworth
Joseph Michael Murphy Dunn
Christina Ford
Carli Jo Francis
Austin Jerome Frazier
 Cum Laude
Tonya Marie Frye
Valencia LaRonda Gee
Jessica Lyn Gore
Norman B. Graves, IV
Brandy Traveia Green Crawford
Remonn Dealno Guthrie
 Summa Cum Laude
 Veteran Honors
Jordyn Mariah Guzman
Jason M. Hark
 Veteran Honors
Ryne Khristopher Harris
Jonathan M. Heimann
Trevor Ray Helsley
Christina Romaneek Hilstock
Sydney Brooke Housley
Chelsi Lynn Hummert
 Summa Cum Laude
Travis Michael Joseph Jenkins
Samantha Renee Johnson
Rebekah Pauline Kash
 Cum Laude
Zachary Chase King
 Veteran Honors
Chantaivia T. Knight

Lyndsay Ann Koesterer
 Cum Laude
Shelby Barbara Kohrmann
Amanda Anne Kostelac
Cory Lee Kovach
Caleb Austin Kraljev
Armin Kukic
Michael K. Kunzelman
 Cum Laude
Kelly L. Kurant
Paige Elizabeth Laird
Kyle R. Lamb
Tenelle Andene Lapsey
Bridget Emily Larsh
 Summa Cum Laude
Joseph C. Len
Brett Matthew Lewis
Zachary James Lochhead
Kelli Lynne Marlin
Tiffani Lynn Marshall
Mariana Eloisa Martinez
Trey Robert Meier
Desiree Aleece Merz
Collin Thomas Mingo
Kristian Everette Moon
Adam Taylor Niedzwiecki
Luke Anthony Outman
Ted Vandon Parker, Jr.
David Michael Parkinson
Brendan Joseph Pick
Andrew Joseph Pokrzywinski
Sierra Jordain Redmon
Patrick Kevin Reilly
Tim Reintgen
 Cum Laude
Steven Sebastian Riley
Deion Robinson
Justin Edward Robinson
Jacob Austin Roth
Justin Oliver Roth
 Cum Laude
Meghan Elizabeth Rumley
Sheylon Asjanae Ryce
Juan Pablo Santamaria
Elizabeth Kastel Schomber
Sean Kenneth Schwarz
Mirek Lionel Arthur Sharp
Tenia Gabrielle Singleton
Morgan Nicole Smith

Katelyn Marie Snow
Shannon Elisabeth Spaulding
Thomas V. Spillan
 Cum Laude
Nicholas Adam Stason
Glynn Charis Stewart
 Cum Laude
Johan Bjorn Sundberg
Javaughn Aron Tabbs
Mattia A. Thomas
Megan Eileen Tolliver
Kayla Renee Tripod
Carmin L. Trujillo
Amanda Nicole Twardoski
 Magna Cum Laude
Lindsay J. Upschulte
 Cum Laude
 University Honors
Andre Charles Uptgrow
James Robert Vanderjack
 Magna Cum Laude
Michelle Lynn Votrain
 Summa Cum Laude
Gvozden Vukojevic
Kristine Jeanine Wallace
John Lawson Warren
Kaleb Scott Warren
Amanda Morgan Waters
Erin Nicole Westbrook
Jared Lee White
Misty Nichale White
Joseph Christopher Wiktorek
Andrew Steven Williams
Shiquetta Lynn Williams
Jacob Ryan Winterbauer
 First Responder Honors
Nafeesa Faye Witherspoon
Ann Marie Wojtowicz
Natasha Rose Wright
 Summa Cum Laude
 University Honors

Bachelor of Science

Ryan Christopher Ackermann

Angela Faith Atkinson

Jessica Ann Backs

Cum Laude

Matt James Ballard

Sandra Barnes

Richard Lee Bisso, Jr.

Cum Laude

Tabitha Yvonne Bodewitz

Cum Laude

Lauren Noel Boemecke

Candice Nikel Borders

John Anthony Brittingham

Summa Cum Laude

First Responder Honors

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Adrienne Regina Buchanan-

Gilmore

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Veteran Honors

Jesse R. Carmack

Krystal Marion Carpa

Sharnell Larese Clark

JoAnn Polollera Clayborne

Rocio Monée Cobin

Cory Brandon Comte

Chohnice Paulynn Daniels

Karen Sue Dauphin

Summa Cum Laude

William Dimitroff, III

Summa Cum Laude

LaTanya E. Dortch

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Carlene Yvette Fenton

Tanya Marie Ferguson

Cum Laude

Sarah Jayne Fletcher

Michael D. Floore, I

First Responder Honors

Monica Charmain Franklin

Gwen D. Galloway

Susan Renee Garrison

Leah Nicole Gehrs

Brian A. Gimpel

Shanelle L. Gines

Cum Laude

Ashley D. Griffin

Matthew S. Hancock

Summa Cum Laude

Alexandria Vontrel Hardin

Jeffrey Scott Hartsoe

First Responder Honors

Rebecca Lynn Hassard

Summa Cum Laude

LaTonya Louise Henry

Bradley L. Hershberger

Summa Cum Laude

Matthew E. Hodges

Paulette A. Hopkins

Timmy Lee Howard, II

Joe Ramos Ibatuemoli, Jr.

Ronald O. Ike, Sr.

Cum Laude

Veteran Honors

Jermiya I. Jackson

Cum Laude

Genevieve Jean Jones

William Grant Kaus

Cum Laude

Kelly Ann Kayich

Idaria Ulissia Kerr

Cum Laude

Nicole Renee Khoury

Briana Rachelle Knackstedt

Joyce Annette Lee

Cary Cartez Lewis, V

Jennifer Christine Linck

Summa Cum Laude

Cierra M. Luckett

Scott Robert Mackenzie

Kathy E. Mason

Summa Cum Laude

Dawn M. Mavers

Summa Cum Laude

Keeghan Danielle May

Courtney Lynn McMorris

Summa Cum Laude

Owen Grant Metzler

Cum Laude

Chelsea Breann Meyer

Jacqueline Marie Mitchell

Veteran Honors

Michael J. Mojzis

Quoc Anh Nguyen

Detra Renee' Nichols

Ana Raquel Nicholson

Christopher J. Odle

Aubrey L. Parker

Summa Cum Laude

Angela Thai Parks

Cum Laude

Lynette Marshia Parnell

Kendall Scott Perry

Tiara Ni'Kole Perry

Carole Ann Presson

Magna Cum Laude

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Summa Cum Laude

Karen L. Price

Summa Cum Laude

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Cindy Marie Rains

Antoinette Reed

Matthew T. Reichert

Stephanie Marie Reichling

Summa Cum Laude

Shalisha L. Robinson

James Donald Rogers

Paxton Royal Rogers

Cum Laude

Joseph Alejandro Romero

Travia D. Rose

Cum Laude

First Responder Honors

Corey Michael Scher

Gary Cullin Sellers

Cum Laude

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Heather Lynn Shaw

Summa Cum Laude

Kelly Lynette Ebbler Shields

Laura Lynn Sims

Carolyn Denise Smith

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Veteran Honors

Star Veronica Spates

Courtney Jannine Speed

Magna Cum Laude

Heather M. Stone

Eric Michael Stott

Cum Laude

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Monica Marie Swinney-Reaka

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Joshua Robert William Tarr
Carrie Micah Taylor
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Joanna Marie Theismann
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Eric S. Thimsen
Vicki L. Tipton
 Summa Cum Laude
Tiara R. Triplett
Kayli Allison Van Houtin
 Cum Laude
Laura Elaine Voorhees
Jamie Nicole Wagner
 Cum Laude
Katie Elizabeth Wallace
 Magna Cum Laude
Robert Thomas Wallace
 Summa Cum Laude
 First Responder Honors
Alexis Elizabeth Watkins
Carl Ryan Weiss
Robyn Ann Whitaker
Delva Rose White
 Veteran Honors
Tinia Mone Wicker
Stephanie Lynn Wicks
Peggy A. Work
 Magna Cum Laude
Raiesha Desiree Young
 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:

<i>Cum Laude (with praise)</i>	<i>White double cord</i>
<i>Magna Cum Laude (with great praise)</i>	<i>Gold double cord</i>
<i>Summa Cum Laude (with highest praise)</i>	<i>Gold and White triple cord</i>
<i>University Honors</i>	<i>Purple single cord</i>
<i>Active Duty, Veterans, and First Responders</i>	<i>Red, White, and Blue cord</i>

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 located near 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.

<i>BROWN</i>	<i>Acting</i>
<i>GOLD</i>	<i>Biology, Counseling, Psychology, Gerontology</i>
<i>NUGGET/DRAB</i>	<i>Accounting, Administration, Business Administration, Finance, Health Management, Healthcare Administration, Human Resource Management, Information Technology, Marketing, Sport Management</i>
<i>PURPLE</i>	<i>Criminal Justice, Criminal Justice Administration</i>
<i>SAGE GREEN</i>	<i>Physical Education</i>
<i>SKY BLUE</i>	<i>Athletic Training, Education, Educational Studies, Elementary Education, Exercise Science, School Administration</i>
<i>WHITE</i>	<i>Advertising and Public Relations: Corporate Communications, Communications, English, Interactive Media and Web Design, Mass Communications</i>

One of the foremost representations of an academic institution at ceremonial events is the mace. This highly ornamented staff is carried in processions 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.

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