140TH ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT
MAY 14, 2016

SIU
Southern Illinois University
CARBONDALE
The University Charter

The origins of Southern Illinois University Carbondale date to “An Act to Establish and Maintain the Southern Illinois Normal University” approved by the Illinois General Assembly on March 9, 1869.

The act defined the new university’s purpose as “to qualify teachers for the common schools of this state by imparting instruction in the art of teaching in all branches of study which pertain to a common school education in the elements of the natural sciences including agricultural chemistry, animal and vegetable physiology, in the fundamental laws of the United States and of the State of Illinois in regard to the rights and duties of citizens and such other studies as the board of education may from time to time prescribe.”

It included provisions for appointment of a Board of Trustees. One of the board’s first orders of business under the act would be to “advertise for proposals from localities desiring to secure the location of said Normal University.” The act required the board to “locate the institution at such point, as shall, all things considered, offer the most advantageous conditions. The land shall be selected south of the Railroad, or within six miles north of said road, passing from St. Louis to Terre Haute known as the Alton and Terre Haute railroad, with a view of obtaining a good supply of water and other conveniences for the use of the institution.”

The act defines how buildings would be constructed, as well as procedures for selecting students. It assigned a budget of $75,000 for construction of buildings and for furnishings.

The University Charter displayed on the stage today was bound by alumna Wendy Hale Davis, a bookbinder, artist and musician in Austin, Texas.

SIU Carbondale Administration

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SIU Arena
Southern Illinois University Carbondale
Saturday, May 14, 2016

9 a.m. | College of Agricultural Sciences
       College of Liberal Arts
       College of Science
       School of Medicine

1:30 p.m. | College of Business
           College of Education and Human Services

5:30 p.m. | College of Applied Sciences and Arts
           College of Engineering
           College of Mass Communication and Media Arts
The ceremonial mace, a decorated staff carried in the commencement procession, is a symbol within a symbol. It denotes the right of the university administration to confer degrees on its graduates. Its place at the head of the SIU procession and carried by the recipient of the Scholar Excellence Award, who serves as the commencement Grand Marshal, conveys respect for the scholarship and dedication of the faculty.

The presence of a mace in ceremonial processions dates to the Middle Ages. The earliest maces were practical items, carried by sergeants-at-arms as part of the royal bodyguards' means of protecting the king and as a symbol of his authority. In time, the mace was adapted to civic use and represented leadership. No longer a weapon, the mace became a work of art, decorated with precious metals and often bearing the seal of the city or university it represented.

Universities began incorporating a mace into their ceremonies as early as the 15th century. In the United States, most universities continue the tradition and incorporate a ceremonial mace into commencement exercises.

At SIU, the mace is very much a product of the university as well as representative of it. Professor Richard Smith, blacksmith and faculty member in the School of Art and Design, was commissioned to create a mace to debut in 2013. He turned to Professor Emeritus Richard Mawdsley, silversmith, to complete the project. He also enlisted the assistance of alumna Erin Dixon, assistant professor Sun Kyoung Kim, graduate student Patrick Quinn, and undergraduate students Timothy Schaeffer and Daniel Widolff – all from the School of Art and Design.

The mace, constructed of Damascus steel and silver, is 42 inches tall and 7¼ inches wide at its widest point. Design elements incorporate architectural references to Old Main – a campus building when SIU was the brand-new Southern Illinois Normal University, a teachers college, in 1874. Though Old Main was destroyed by fire in 1969, it holds a special place in the collective memory of the university.
Dear members of the Class of 2016:

Please accept my sincere congratulations on your accomplishments. This ceremony – our 140th commencement – is a milestone that you will remember throughout your lives.

You joined the SIU family to learn from our talented faculty and staff as well as your peers, to share your knowledge and talents, and to expand your horizons. Your experiences here have transformed your lives and prepared you to make positive contributions to our global society.

Much like your first day on campus, today’s ceremony represents yet another beginning – and the opportunity to make decisions about your next step in life. Regardless of the path you choose, the achievement of earning your degree will lead to exciting new pursuits that will be both challenging and rewarding – just as your SIU experience has been.

You are joining more than 250,000 proud alumni whose many positive experiences here helped shape their future. I hope that you will join them as a goodwill ambassador for your alma mater.

Thank you for your many contributions to SIU. Our faculty and staff join me in wishing you continued success. We look forward to learning of your many accomplishments as SIU alumni.

Sincerely,

Brad Colwell
Interim Chancellor
The bachelor’s gown is a comparatively simple style that falls in straight lines from an elaborate yoke and has pointed sleeves. The master’s gown is similar to the bachelor’s except for its peculiar arrangement of the long sleeves with square ends that hang below the elbow. The doctor’s gown is elaborate, full-cut and flowing, and is distinguished by velvet panels down the front and around the neck, and by three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves.

Historically, the academic hood was literally a garment to protect the wearer from foul weather. Today, it is the identifying symbol of the degree, and the length indicates which degree it represents: 3½ feet for the master’s and 4 feet for the doctoral degree. Hoods are lined with the official color of the college or university conferring the degree. The color of trimming identifies the major field of learning: maize for Agriculture, orange for Applied Sciences and Arts, brown for Architecture, drab for Business, light blue for Education, orange for Engineering, brown for Fine Arts, purple for Law, white for Liberal Arts, blue for Mass Communication and Media Arts, pink for Music, dark blue for Philosophy, peacock blue for Public Administration, salmon for Public Health, gold for Science and citron for Social Work.

The mortarboard is the cap generally worn with academic regalia. A long tassel is fastened to the middle point on the top of the cap. The tassel is usually the color appropriate to the subject. There is no general rule on the position of the tassel on the mortarboard. However, numerous institutions have adopted a practice of requiring candidates for degrees to wear the tassels on the right front side before degrees are conferred, and to shift them to the left side when the degrees are awarded to them.

Southern Illinois University Carbondale has incorporated the custom of the Stole of Gratitude since the 2012 commencement ceremony. This custom offers an opportunity for graduates to pay thanks to anyone who has helped them attend or excel in college. This stole is worn during the commencement ceremony or at another occasion where a presentation is appropriate. After the ceremony, the new graduate presents the Stole of Gratitude to someone who provided extraordinary help or support.

Another symbol used in commencement is the gonfalon. The gonfalon is a flag or banner that hangs from a crosspiece or frame. It originated in the medieval states of Italy as an ensign of state or office. The gonfalon is used in the Southern Illinois University Carbondale ceremony to designate the various colleges and schools of the institution. In the ceremony, the gonfalon for each college is carried by the student marshal for that college or school.

We wish to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of many dedicated staff members who have contributed to this special occasion for our students and their families.

Agricultural Sciences, maize
Applied Sciences and Arts, orange
Business, drab
Education and Human Services, light blue
Engineering, orange
Liberal Arts, white
Mass Communication and Media Arts, blue
Science, gold
Social Work, citron
Master’s, black
Ph.D., gold
J.D., purple

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SIU Alumni Association Congratulations .............................. Inside Back Cover
Donald L. Beggs
Doctorate of Education Leadership
1:30 p.m. commencement speaker

Harrisburg, Illinois, native Donald L. Beggs became SIU Carbondale’s 15th chancellor in August 1996.

Beggs earned B.S. Ed. (1963) and M.S.Ed. (1964) degrees from SIU Carbondale, and a Ph.D. (1966) in educational measurement and statistics from the University of Iowa. His numerous publications and professional presentations have included such topics as assessing cognitive abilities, interpreting standardized test results and educational reform issues. He also has written textbooks and articles in educational measurement and research design.

Prior to assuming the chancellor’s position, he served for 15 years (1981-1996) as dean of what was then known as the College of Education at SIU Carbondale. He has served on many prestigious state or national education committees.

Beggs began his higher education teaching career in 1966 with a one-semester stint as an instructor in the College of Education at the University of Iowa. He returned to SIU Carbondale later that year as an assistant professor in the College of Education, moving up to the rank of professor as well as through the top administrative levels in the college. He also served in leadership positions elsewhere at the university: in 1970-1971 as associate dean of the Graduate School, in 1975-1976 as acting assistant vice president for academic affairs and research, and in 1975-1976 as acting dean of University Programs.

Beggs retired from SIU Carbondale after 32 years and became president of Wichita State University in January 1999, serving in that role until June 2012.

He was selected to serve on the NCAA Executive Committee and the NCAA Division I Board of Directors beginning in 2001. He also chaired the Kansas Board of Regents Council of University Presidents for the 2002-2003 academic year. During his Wichita State tenure, he served in numerous leadership positions. He was on the board of directors for the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce, an ex-officio member of the WSU Foundation National Advisory Council and a member of the South Central Kansas Higher Education Consortium.

Beggs and his wife, Shirley, have been married 53 years. Shirley, who holds two degrees from SIU Carbondale, grew up in Galatia, Illinois. She taught sixth grade at Carbondale’s Thomas School for many years before retiring in 1994. The Beggs have used their time and talent to help young people develop and grow into productive citizens. They have established the Beggs Legacy Scholarship in the College of Education and Human Services as well as the Beggs Symphony Fund at SIU Carbondale, and similar scholarships at Wichita State University. Their children, Pam and Brent, as well as daughter-in-law, Jeri, are also SIU Carbondale alums. The Beggs have four grandchildren and reside in Bloomington, Illinois.
Former astronaut Joan Higginbotham earned her bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering from SIU Carbondale in 1987.

Higginbotham served as a mission specialist aboard the space shuttle Discovery during the 12-day STS-116 mission to the International Space Station in December 2006. She is the first known Saluki and third African-American woman to fly aboard a space shuttle, and she logged more than 308 hours on Discovery. Her primary mission was operating the space station’s remote manipulator system. During the mission, Higginbotham’s and other crewmembers’ work included rewiring the space station’s power system, retracting a solar panel and helping prepare the facility for upcoming missions.

NASA recruited Higginbotham, a Chicago native and the youngest of four children, during her senior year at SIU Carbondale. She spent 20 years with NASA, starting at the Kennedy Space Center as a payload electrical engineer, before moving to the lead position for the orbiter experiments on the space shuttle Columbia. After working on other assignments and participating in 53 space shuttle launches during a nine-year tenure at Kennedy Space Center, Higginbotham was accepted into the astronaut candidate training program in 1996, reporting to Johnson Space Center in Houston.

While with NASA, she earned two master’s degrees from the Florida Institute of Technology: management science in 1992 and space science in 1996. After leaving NASA, Higginbotham served as vice president of business development and worldwide production with Marathon Oil. In 2011, she became director of community relations for Lowe’s Corp., based in North Carolina, where she developed and was involved with ongoing philanthropic strategies to support communities in the United States, Canada and Mexico through annual corporate contributions of more than $32 million.

In December 2015, Higginbotham transitioned to director of supplier diversity, where she identifies and develops the capability of high-potential small and diverse suppliers and matches them with the enterprise’s strategic sourcing and merchandising teams for integration into new sourcing frameworks. She is also active with other community involvement projects.

Higginbotham lives in Charlotte, North Carolina, with her husband, James Mitchell. She is a member of the North Carolina Central University Board of Trustees.

She has received numerous national honors and awards. In 1997, she received the university’s Distinguished Service Award, and she was the 2007 Homecoming parade grand marshal.
F. Lynn McPheeters retired as vice president and chief financial officer of Caterpillar Inc. in February 2005. In a distinguished career at Caterpillar spanning 40 years, McPheeters, who joined the Fortune 500 company in 1964 soon after graduating from SIU Carbondale, held a variety of financial positions in the United States and abroad before being named chief financial officer in 1998.

During his tenure as CFO at Caterpillar, McPheeters helped to build a partnership between SIU and the company. Although long retired, McPheeters continues to be engaged professionally, serving as a board member of several companies, including RLI Inc. (specialized insurance underwriter), Microlution Inc. (manufacturer of nanotechnology for manufacturing machine tools) and Crosslink (formerly Lumimove Inc., a developer of thin-film polymer coatings).

McPheeters was raised on a family farm near Canton, Illinois, at an early age he learned the value of hard work. He was in the first generation of his family to attend college, and he is an advocate for the value of public education. In a 2004 address to the Canton Rotary Club, he expressed concern for the lack of proper funding and support for public education, noting: “Without a vibrant, effective public school system, we are at risk of widening the gap between society’s ‘haves’ and ‘have-nots.’” In a 2013 testimonial for the SIU Foundation website, McPheeters further stated: “SIU Carbondale gave me an opportunity to have a career with a Fortune 500 company that led my family and me on an around-the-world odyssey...Without SIU Carbondale that would not have been an option.”

McPheeters has supported public education in Illinois by serving on fundraising and advisory boards on the community college and university levels, and providing funds for scholarships. At SIU Carbondale he has been a member of the SIU Foundation board since 2002, serving as chair of the audit committee and later as board president. He is an emeritus member of the board.

A 2006 gift of appreciated Caterpillar stock to the SIU College of Business established the F. Lynn and Susan F. McPheeters Charitable Remainder Trust, with the proceeds intended to support the college’s first endowed chair. In addition, McPheeters was one of the first members of the business college’s external advisory board, formed in 1982, and he continues to serve in this capacity. For his professional accomplishments, McPheeters was inducted into the college’s Hall of Fame in 1988. He has also received the SIU Distinguished Alumni Award and the College of Business Alumni Achievement Award. McPheeters is a life member of the SIU Alumni Association.

Lynn McPheeters is an active philanthropist along with his wife, Susan Freeman McPheeters, a native of Centralia, Illinois, and former vocational counselor who attended Eastern Illinois University. In 2006, they were named Outstanding Philanthropists for Central Illinois. The McPheeters’ philanthropy has benefited numerous organizations, including Peoria’s Center for Prevention of Abuse, whose “A Million Ways to Prevent Abuse” campaign received an endowment gift from the couple. In 2007, McPheeters, a former president of the OSF Saint Francis Medical Center’s foundation council, and his wife provided $500,000 to help fund the construction of the hospital’s neonatal intensive care unit. The couple has also served as honorary chairs for the Children’s Hospital of Illinois Foundation’s telethon and were major sponsors of Canton’s Walk to End Alzheimer’s in 2011.
Charlotte West
Distinguished Service Award

Charlotte West is a pioneer in the field of women's collegiate athletics, serving as coach, administrator, sports official, Title IX advocate and mentor to women athletes over a 42-year career at SIU Carbondale.

West, a native of Grand Rapids, Michigan, who was raised in Florida, has been involved with sports since childhood. She was both an All-State volleyball and basketball player. At Florida State University, her alma mater, she majored in mathematics and physical education. She holds a master's degree in physical education and dance from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro and a doctorate in physical education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

West was a key member of the Saluki athletic staff from 1957 until her retirement in 1998. From 1957 to 1975, she coached five women's sports: basketball, golf, softball, volleyball and badminton. In 1969, West led the women's golf team to a first-place national championship and the women's basketball team to a fifth-place finish in the national championship. West's women's basketball teams went 113-51 in 12 seasons.

She served as director of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women from 1960 to 1986. Under her leadership as a coach and later as an administrator, the women's athletics program at SIU Carbondale was transformed from a largely club-based pre-Title IX system to a nationally recognized program with a budget of more than $1 million for 11 varsity sports.

After the merger of men's and women's athletics in 1986, she served as associate athletics director and senior woman administrator for one year, interim director for one year, and returned to the role of associate athletic director and senior woman administrator until her retirement in 1998.

West also served the cause of women athletes on the national front. She was a founding member of the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW), serving as the organization's commissioner of national championships and later as president from 1978 to 1979. The organization, created prior to the passage of Title IX in 1972, was formed to create a mechanism for female athletes to participate in championship events. In her capacity as president of AIAW, she also was a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee.

After the organization merged with the NCAA in 1982, West served on numerous NCAA committees. She chaired the NCAA’s Committee on Financial Aid and Amateurism and was an outspoken member of the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force. West served on Title IX task forces in 1992 and 2013. In recognition of her work on behalf of the NCAA, a room at the NCAA national office in Indianapolis is named after her.

Numerous organizations have honored West's pioneering efforts on behalf of women's athletics. In 1996 she became the first recipient of the Honda Award of Merit for outstanding achievement in women's collegiate athletics. In 2005, West became just the fourth SIU representative to be inducted into the Missouri Valley Conference Hall of Fame, joining Walt Frazier, Jim Hart and Lew Hartzog. In addition to awarding her the Lifetime Achievement Award, the MVC created the Charlotte West Award, which is given annually to one male and one female student-athlete in recognition of their outstanding achievement in academics, athletics, service and leadership.

West was the first woman member of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA), and she was inducted into the NACDA Hall of Fame in 2006. For her work in the promotion of collegiate women's basketball, West was inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in 2014.

SIU Carbondale has honored West's legacy by naming its softball stadium after her. She also is a member of the Saluki Hall of Fame.
Charles N. Wheeler III

Distinguished Service Award

Charles N. Wheeler III is director of the highly regarded Public Affairs Reporting (PAR) program at the University of Illinois at Springfield. Wheeler has actively engaged, recruited and mentored SIU Carbondale journalism graduates throughout his more than two decades leading this prestigious program – which was founded in 1972 by Paul Simon following his failed bid for the Illinois Democratic gubernatorial nomination. There is no better path to a master's degree for a journalism student, and there is no better path to a job in journalism than this program. Dozens of SIU alumni have benefited from this program and from Wheeler's influence in their careers.

He is a veteran news professional who became director of the PAR program at the University of Illinois Springfield following a 24-year career at the Chicago Sun-Times.

Wheeler covered state government and politics for the Sun-Times starting in 1970, when he covered the Sixth Illinois Constitutional Convention. For the last 19 years of his Sun-Times tenure, Wheeler was assigned to the newspaper's Statehouse bureau. During that time he was elected to 16 consecutive one-year terms as president of the Illinois Legislative Correspondents Association, and served for many years on the PAR program and admissions committees.

Since 1984 he has written a monthly column for "Illinois Issues" magazine, which has won five Capitolbeat awards for magazine commentary/analysis. In 2006 the Illinois Associated Press Editors Association inducted him into The Lincoln League of Journalists, which honors men and women who have provided exemplary service to other journalists and to daily newspapers published in Illinois. In 2013 he was chosen as the Journalist of the Year by the journalism department at Eastern Illinois University.

Before joining the Sun-Times in 1969, Wheeler served more than three years as a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer in the Republic of Panama. He is a graduate of St. Mary's University in Winona, Minnesota, where he majored in English. He received a master's degree in journalism from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University.
Distinguished Faculty and Staff

Grand Marshal and Scholar Excellence Award Recipient
Sajal Lahiri, Department of Economics

Faculty Marshal and Early Career Faculty Excellence Award Recipient
Sarah J. Kertz, Department of Psychology

Faculty Marshal and Non-Tenure Track Teaching Excellence Award Recipient
Christina Linda Lyons, Department of English

Faculty Marshal and Tenured and Tenure-Track Teaching Excellence Award Recipient
Bradley Schwartz, School of Medicine

Administrative Professional Staff Excellence Award Recipient
Robert A. Broomfield, College of Applied Sciences and Arts

Civil Service Staff Excellence Award Recipient
Crystal L. Marlow, Graduate School

University Women of Distinction Award Recipient
Mythili Rundblad, Center for Service-Learning and Volunteerism

Student Marshals

Agricultural Sciences ......................................................... Merson Caissie
Applied Sciences and Arts ............................................. Austin Mulcahy
Business ................................................................. Savannah McCord
Education and Human Services .................................. Brooke Smith
Engineering .............................................................. Nigel Cardriche
Liberal Arts ................................................................. Kira Browning
Mass Communication and Media Arts .......................... Aaron Graff
School of Medicine ...................................................... Pramish Mainali
Science ................................................................. Sohaib Hameed
Jared Stern, Undergraduate Student Government president and honorary student marshal, will carry the University Charter and the inspirational message below that was written by the late Charles D. Tenney, SIU professor and Distinguished Service Award recipient. The message contained in this document is displayed on the south wall of Morris Library’s Hall of Presidents and Chancellors, and has a special place in the hearts of our students and alumni. We share it with you today:

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**
**ESTABLISHED 1869**

**TO EXALT BEAUTY**
*In God,*
*In Nature,*
*And in Art,*
Teaching how to love the best
But to keep the human touch:

**TO ADVANCE LEARNING**
*In all lines of truth*
Wherever they may lead,
*Showing how to think*
Rather than what to think,
*Assisting the powers*
*Of the mind*
*In their self-development:*

**TO FORWARD IDEAS AND IDEALS**
*In our democracy,*
*Inspiring respect for others*
*As for ourselves,*
*Ever promoting freedom*
*With responsibility:*

**TO BECOME A CENTER OF ORDER AND LIGHT**
That knowledge may lead
to understanding
and understanding
to wisdom.
**“The Star-Spangled Banner”**

O say can you see,
By the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hailed
At the twilight’s last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars,
Through the perilous fight,
O’er the ramparts we watched,
Were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket’s red glare,
The bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night
That our flag was still there.
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free
And the home of the brave?

*Lyrics by Francis Scott Key, 1814
Music by John Stafford Smith, 1780*

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**“Southern Alma Mater”**

Hail Alma Mater
Southern to thee
Strong thru the years you
stand triumphantly
Beacon to guide us
Over life’s sea
Light that can never fail us
Hail, Hail to thee

*Lyrics and music by Grover Clarke Morgan
Written as a sophomore while attending
SIU Carbondale in 1934.*

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**Candidates for Degrees**

The following lists contain the names of candidates for degrees, the granting of which is contingent upon completion of all requirements for the degree.

* University Honors program member (undergraduate students only)
** Multiple degree candidate
† Posthumous degree
‡ Interdisciplinary degree

University Academic Honors listed to the right of the name are as follows for undergraduate students:

- *cum laude* .............................................................. 3.5–3.749
- *magna cum laude* .................................................. 3.75–3.899
- *summa cum laude* .................................................. 3.9–4.0

The grade point averages above apply firstly to all work taken at Southern Illinois University Carbondale and then, in the case of transfer students, to the total work as an additional, but secondary, qualification.

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**Notes**

- The list of graduates in this program is not intended to be an official certification of the completion of a degree. The diploma of Southern Illinois University Carbondale or an official transcript, signed by the appropriate officials, is the official record of graduation.
- August and December graduates are published in the December commencement program.
**Order of Exercises - Morning Commencement**

Saturday, May 14, 2016 – 9 a.m.
SIU Arena

**Master of Ceremonies**
Steve Falat, Regional Vice President, Mississippi River Radio
Class of 1987
Department of Radio-Television,
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

**Honorary Reader**
Susan Patrick Benson, Associate Professor, Department of Theater

**Academic Processional**
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

**National Anthem**
“The Star-Spangled Banner,” John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key,
arrangement by Walter Damrosch and John Philip Sousa
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

**Greetings and Introduction of Platform Party**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Recognition of Families**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Presentation of Distinguished Service Award**
Charlotte West, 2016 Recipient

**Commencement Address**
Joan E. Higginbotham, College of Engineering, Class of 1987

**Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Doctoral Degrees**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

**Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Masters Degrees**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

**Presentation of Candidates and Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees**
Mickey A. Latour, Dean, College of Agricultural Sciences
Meera Komarraju, Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Laurie Achenbach, Dean, College of Science

**Tassel Turning**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Welcome from the SIU Alumni Association**
Wayne Sirles, College of Agricultural Sciences, Class of 1989

**Alma Mater**
“Southern Alma Mater,” Grover Clarke Morgan, Composer
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

**Recessional**
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

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For safety, please remain in your seat until after the recessional is complete. Guests will not be allowed on the SIU Arena floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

Doctor of Philosophy

Ammar Badran Al-Temimi
Agricultural Sciences
David A. Lightfoot, Ph.D.
"Ultrasonic Applications- Phytochemical Analyses of Some Medicinal Natural Products in Food Plants"

Miriam Kritzer Van Zant
Agricultural Sciences
David A. Lightfoot, Ph.D.
"Analysis and Development of Mirabilis Expansa (Ruiz and Pav.) Standl.; For Potential as a New Root Crop Outside the Andes"

Afroza Hasin
Agricultural Sciences
Sylvia Smith, Ph.D.
"Applying the Theory of Diffusion of Innovations to Understand Electronic Benefit Transfer Technology Adoption at Mid-West Farmers Markets"

Master of Science

Theodore Benjamin Ballard
Bruce Martin Henry
Lauren Christina Kania
Richard Austin Little
Tianzheng Luo
Jennifer Lynn McPherson
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Sean Burke
Christopher L. Ceradsky *
Caleb J. Clausing cum laude
Olivia Coker

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Kira K. Browning summa cum laude
Cameron J. Ellison

Bachelor of Science
Tonya Atherton cum laude
Olivia A. Baumgardner
Grace Patricia-Marie Boudreau
Tyler Vincent Brenneise cum laude
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Olivia R. Edwards
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COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Doctor of Philosophy

Ahmed Al-Asadi
Physics
Saikat Talapatra, Ph.D.
“Synthesis and Characterization of Zinc Oxide Based Nanostructures and Composites for Energy Related Applications”

Prasanthan Rajasingam
Mathematics
Jianhong Xu, Ph.D.
“On the Numerical Solution of Continuous Coupled Algebraic Riccati Equations”

Ria Goswami
Molecular Biology Microbiology and Biochemistry
Edward Gershburg, Ph.D.
“Characterization of Humoral Response to Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV) Infection and Protein Kinases Involved in Viral Replication”

Artur Nishioka Rombenso
Zoology
Jesse T. Trushenski, Ph.D.
“Alternative Lipids in Nutrition of Marine Finfish”

Mustafa Ibrahim Khaleel
Computer Science
Michelle Zhu, Ph.D.
“Energy-Aware Job Scheduling and Consolidation Approaches for Workloads in Cloud”

Xiaoli Wang
Chemistry
Matthew E. McCarrol, Ph.D.
“Development of a New Chiral Monolithic Capillary Column and a Fluorescence Spectroscopic Study of a Selective Off-On PET Sensor for the Detection of Zinc Ions”

Chuangjun Liu
Chemistry
Colleen Scott, Ph.D.
“Modification of Xanthene and Silicon Analogues of Xanthene Fluorophores for Chemical Probes Development”

Rwik Sen
Molecular Biology, Microbiology and Biochemistry
Sukesh R. Bhaumik, Ph.D.
“Regulation of Eukaryotic Transcriptional Elongation and Associated DNA Repair”

Bryan Manyasi Musungu
Plant Biology
Matt Geisler, Ph.D.
Ahmad Fakhoury, Ph.D.
“The Host-Pathogen Interactome and Regulatory Networks of Aspergillus Flavus Pathogenesis of Zea Mays: Resistance in Maize to Aspergillus Ear Rot and to Aflatoxin Accumulation”

Shaoyi Xu
Chemistry
Yong Gao, Ph.D.
“Synthesis of Perfluoroheteroaromatic Polymers for Ion-Conducting Membrane Fuel Cells via Free Radical-Based Reactions and Synthesis of Di-Cationic Ionic Liquids as Efficient SO₂ Absorbents”

Master of Arts

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Joshua Zachary Groth

Master of Science

Osama Farid Abu Sara
Michael Stephen Bosmeny
Swathi Inumpudi
Steven Phillip Aldridge
Daniel John Brazitis
Aditya Jogiipalli
Gopinath Alla
Abhishek Reddy Chaduvu
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Sainath Kanaparthi
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Banun Alsuhaibani
Megan Denay Czerniejewski
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Shashi Kiran Reddy Ankollu
William Angel Francis
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Carlos Andres Arciniegas Guevara
Simao Baptista Guterres Pereira
Nhung Xuan Hong Le
Ranga Ramanuja Vansee Krishna Atmakuri
Tara E. Habibi
Gowtham Kumar Maddineni
Gireesh Bhargav Bokka
Renee Hazen
Pramish Mainali

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Alex T. Dillon
Matthew J. Hardyman

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Jen-Luc Abeln magna cum laude
Bdour Saleh Alfajaj
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Andrew C. Bleich cum laude
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Kelsea Ann Bourland
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Rose M. Knebel
Kelsey E. Koenig summa cum laude
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Jonathan V. Lacey
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Ryan J. Sample
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Reese Louis Schulz cum laude
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SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Doctor of Philosophy

Anushka Dikshit
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Dale B. Hales, Ph.D.
"The Effect of Flaxseed and Its Lignan Component on Estrogen Signaling and Metabolism in Normal and Cancerous Hen Ovaries"

Aniruddha Ghosh
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Gregory M. Rose, Ph.D.
"Electrophysiological Investigation of Hippocampal Synaptic Plasticity in Deaf-1 Knock-Out Mice"

Lan Hai
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Prema Narayan, Ph.D.
"Effect of Constitutively Activated Luteinizing Hormone Receptor on the Mouse Reproductive System"

Cristal M. Hill
Molecular Biology, Microbiology and Biochemistry
Andrzej Bartke, Ph.D.
Sophia Ran, Ph.D.
"The Metabolic Effects of Diet-Induced Obesity and Growth Hormone Treatment in Long-Lived Mice with Altered Insulin and Insulin-Like Growth Factor -1 Signaling"

Sheree Collette Speckman
Molecular, Cellular and Systemic Physiology
Dale B. Hales, Ph.D.
"An Investigation of Potential Mechanisms Underlying Chemosuppressive Effects of Dietary Flaxseed in the Laying Hen Model of Ovarian Cancer"

Master of Science

Jessica Rae Whitaker
ORDER OF EXERCISES - AFTERNOON COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 14, 2016 – 1:30 p.m.
SIU Arena

Master of Ceremonies
Steve Falat, Regional Vice President, Mississippi River Radio
Class of 1987
Department of Radio-Television,
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

Honorary Reader
Susan Patrick Benson, Associate Professor, Department of Theater

Academic Processional
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

National Anthem
“The Star-Spangled Banner,” John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key,
arrangement by Walter Damrosch and John Philip Sousa
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

Greetings and Introduction of Platform Party
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Recognition of Families
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award
F. Lynn McPheeters, 2016 Recipient

Presentation of Honorary Degree
Donald L. Beggs, Doctorate of Education Leadership

Commencement Address
Donald L. Beggs, College of Education and Human Services,
Class of 1963 and 1964

Presentation of Candidates and
Confering of Doctoral Degrees
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

Presentation of Candidates and
Confering of Masters Degrees
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

Presentation of Candidates and
Confering of Baccalaureate Degrees
Jason Greene, Interim Dean, College of Business
Lyle White, Interim Dean, College of Education and Human Services

Tassel Turning
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

Welcome from the SIU Alumni Association
Wayne Sirles, College of Agricultural Sciences, Class of 1989

Alma Mater
“Southern Alma Mater,” Grover Clarke Morgan, Composer
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

Recessional
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

For safety, please remain in your seat until after the recessional is complete.
Guests will not be allowed on the SIU Arena floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Doctor of Philosophy

David Breger
Business Administration
Ed O'Donnell, Ph.D.
“The Hidden Advantage of Disaggregation in
Substantive Analytical Procedures”

David Michael Houghton
Business Administration
Cheryl Burke Jarvis, Ph.D.
“To Have or to Hold: The Role of Psychological Ownership
in the Perceived Value of Owned and Accessed Goods”

Mark Allen Edmonds
Business Administration
Ed O'Donnell, Ph.D.
“The Invisible Fraud: The Impact of
Inattentional Blindness on Auditor Fraud Detection”

Bryan Timothy McLeod
Business Administration
Mavis Adjei, Ph.D.
Jaehoon Lee, Ph.D.
“The Ties That Bind: Social Comparison’s Influence on
Consumer Attitudes and Behavioral Intentions”

David R. Guggenheim
Business Administration
John Pearson, Ph.D.
“The Organizational Effects of Software
as a Service: The Nerds Rise to Power”

Emily Renee Seay
Business Administration
Ed O’Donnell, Ph.D.
“An Audit Committee Member’s Role in Audit Adjustment Disputes:
The Effect of External Auditor Attachment on an Audit Committee
Member’s ASC 360 Adjustment Decisions”

Master of Accountancy

Bixi Li
Johnny L. Myrick
Ashley N. Norton
Amanda Woods

Master of Business Administration

Michaela Bezdickova
Jessica Renea Block
Claire Ann Calaway
Jodie A. Carey
Sheng-Chih Chang
Andrew Desiniotes
Brian Richard Dierks
Amy Michelle Dion
Brian Dreger
Travis Graham Dunbar
Ryan Joseph Fearday
Timothy M. Fischer
Amanda Joy Garcia
Eva Alejandra Garcia Flores
Kristen E. Heiple
Christopher D. Higgerson II
Timothy Holl
Emily Ann Hunsaker
Eric Randal Jung
Sweet Yee Lee
Jun Lin
Yudi Liu
Katherine G. Moore
Max C. Novak
Jared Vincent Olson
Pawel Kazimierz Poziomski

Daniel M. Renner
William Zachary Alan Rich
Ryan Lee Ringenberg
Loretta Sculles
Marlon Lonell Siler
Gregory L. Spratley
Thomas Alan Summers Jr.
Maureen Elise Velez
Scott Vlaming
Marlon E. Watson
Marc Christopher Williams
Bachelor of Science

Mustafa N. Abdullah Jr.  
Mostafa Mohammed Taib Ali  
Chase C. Allen  
Daniel E. Allen  
Thamer Alnegaidan  
Mohammad Nasser Alshehbari  
Ahmad Youisif Alsualim  
Nicholas I. Amerman cum laude  
Areef Femi Anibaba  
Tyler L. Atkinson  
Molly A. Behrens  
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Benjamin A. Brandolino cum laude  
Luke Breiner  
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Curtis Darnell Brown  
Don Allen Bryant III  
Vanessa Logan Burroughs  
Blake D. Bussie  
Kirsten N. Cairal cum laude  
Connor G. Caple  
Juan Carrera  
Kong Kam Choi  
Matthew J. Clancy  
Alta Michelle Dailey  
Amber B. Alexis Daley  
William R. Davidson  
Adam Michael Donaldson cum laude  
Brandi N. Dotson cum laude  
Reid A. Drewes  
Kayla Rae Dubats  
Bradley A. Duclos  
Amber N. Durbin cum laude  
Timothy R. Fleischauer  
Anntoinette M. Follins  
Jessica Rae Ford  
Gabriel Froelich  
John C. Galik magna cum laude  
Sergio Glispe  
Kelsey R. Gonzalez summa cum laude  
John S. Goulding  
Paul Jason Greenhill  
Tina L. Griffiths  
Connor T. Guebert  
Zachary H. Haas  
Melanie Nicole Hall cum laude  
Eleni G. Hampton cum laude  
Britni J. Harper summa cum laude  
Koban A. Havelka magna cum laude  
Alexander Joseph Heathcoat  
Rebecca J. Herman cum laude  
Drew J. Hollis cum laude  
Tonakpon Fuster Houecande  
Chris K. Huffman  
Stephanie Breanne Hunsche cum laude  
Zachary M. Jarecki  
Amy J. Jeffers  
Taylor S. Johnson  
Kyle R. Johnston  
Keri S. Jones  
Kevin Cleo Jones  
Kevin Jovanovic  
Kaid Anthony Koester magna cum laude  
Jared C. Kovarik  
Eric Wendell Liaboe  
Carley Suzanne Lindberg  
Joshua M. Lohmann summa cum laude  
Isaac Lopera  
Patrick Richard Lugowski  
Tre D. Mathis-House  
Briana N. McAdory  
Savannah L. McCord summa cum laude  
Margaret E. Mckenzie  
Shuhua Mei  
Alexandria L. Mikeworth  
Jamelah A. Mitchell  
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Kimani Claude Taylor  
Ashley E. Tobin  
Cody John Traina  
Noppadol Tuksakulvith summa cum laude  
Katherine A. Turner  
Keenan Q. Walsh  
Luyuan Wang cum laude  
Amber Marie Welch  
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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Doctor of Philosophy

Carrie L. Acklin
Rehabilitation
William Crimando, Ph.D.
“The Development, Pilot, and Field Test of the Core HIV/AIDS Knowledge Assessment for Undergraduate and Graduate Students in Counseling-Related Degree Programs”

Ataallh Aodh F. Alataa
Curriculum and Instruction
Christie McIntyre, Ph.D.
“Saudi Preservice Elementary Teachers’ Attitudes toward Teaching Science: Exploration of Cognitive, Affective, and Perceived Control Beliefs”

Mais Imad Al-Deen Mohamad Al-Nasah
Counselor Education
Kimberly K. Asner-Self, Ph.D.
“Bereavement and Factors of Adjustment among Christian, Jewish, and Muslim Bereaved Parents”

Mohammed Abduljabbar M. Alsulami
Curriculum and Instruction
John McIntyre, Ph.D.
‘Arabic Language Student Teacher Perceptions towards the Effectiveness of University Supervisors, Cooperating Teachers, and School Principals during the Teaching Practicum’

Anas Ibrahim H. Altuwajiri
Educational Administration
Judith Green, Ph.D.
“A Comparison between Saudi and American School Principal Preparation Programs”

Lawrence Kofi Ametepee
Curriculum and Instruction
John McIntyre, Ph.D.
“A Case Study: Exploring the Inclusive Education Decisions Teacher Educators Make and Examining How Prepared Preservice Teachers Feel to Teach Diverse Students”

Lisa Peden Blair
Curriculum and Instruction
Peter J. Fadde, Ph.D.
“Implementing Expertise-Based Training Methods to Accelerate the Development of Peer Academic Coaches”

Josette Bradford
Educational Administration
Judith Green, Ph.D.
“African-American Males’ Perspective on Persistence during their Second Year at an HBCU”

Jessica Davis
Educational Administration
Saran Donahoo, Ph.D.
“A Historical Narrative on the Role of Mrs. Esther Brown in the Development of Desegregation Policy in Public Education”

Kelsie Deppen
Rehabilitation
William Crimando, Ph.D.
‘Adolescent Perceptions of Barriers to Receiving Substance Abuse Treatment in Southern Illinois’

Khalilah Toyina Doss
Educational Administration
Saran Donahoo, Ph.D.
“Ready, Set, Go: A Narrative Study on Jamaican Female Track and Field Athletes Who Attended College or University in the U.S.”

Bryan Oweilayefa Gere
Rehabilitation
William Crimando, Ph.D.
“Leader-Member Exchange, Dyadic Demographic Factors and Subordinates’ Turnover Intent in Rehabilitation Agencies”

Renada D. Greer
Educational Administration
Judith A. Green, Ph.D.
“A Critical Reflection: Foster Care Youth Experiences at a Four Year Postsecondary Institution”

Bethany Kies
Health Education
Roberta Ogletree, Ph.D.
“#Socialsupport for Diet and Physical Activity via Web 2.0: A Qualitative Study of College Women”

Tameika Minor
Rehabilitation
William Crimando, Ph.D.
“Retention of Faculty of Color in Rehabilitation Counselor Education as it Relates to Their Perception of the Academic Climate”

Makoto Miyoshi
Counselor Education
Kimberly Asner-Self, Ph.D.
“The Elements of the Clinical Supervision: Exporting Concepts to Japan”
Maia Niguel Moore  
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Kimberly K. Asner-Self, Ph.D.  
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Dorea Glance, Ph.D.  

Dawn Amber Seefeldt  
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Tyler Sage Noragon
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Master of Social Work

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Venus A. Henderson
Samuel S. Higgerson
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Ashunti Monay Jackson
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Crystal L. Liedtke
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Tiera Latrice McCurdy
Liza Bree Moore
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Molly Elizabeth Noyes
Mallory E. Owens
Marilynn Ashley Pisoni
Whitley S. Riley
Brittany N. Ritchie
Kristin K. Rudofski
LaKendra Denise Sanders
KaSandra Cain Sapp
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Preston Ellis Simpson
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Kane A. Wilburn
Jodi Ann Witthaus
Lauren Kay Worthey
Joseph Gustav Wulgaert
Brittany Andrea Young
Bachelor of Science

Janelle A. Abarca
Nicole Marie Aldrichetti
Darrius J. Allen
Jazlyn Kay Alley cum laude
Asia Ganell Andrews
Tolulope O. Apata
Nicole M. Applegate magna cum laude
Caitlin Suzanne Asbury
Than C. Au
Jalynn R. Baker cum laude
La’Nesha Kiyona Baldwin
Kathryn N. Baltzell
Ryan Michael Barnes
Kelsey A. Bate
Melissa Ann Bates
Bailey J. Battaglia summa cum laude
Laera Latoya Benard
Tamra Benge
Sarah B. Bennett magna cum laude
Whitney J. Berman cum laude
Danielle L. Blazek
Clifford John Blighton
Darrin Bolling Jr.
Jerald Scott Bonifield cum laude
Donald Liam Brady
Marilou Briglin
Steven Lynn Broner magna cum laude
Shayna L. Brook
Ashley Brooks
Alaina A. Brown
Erin T. Brown summa cum laude
Stephanie K. Brumleve summa cum laude
Clay Michael Brunner magna cum laude
Chad Brunjtens cum laude
Savanah J. Bullock
Trent Nevelle Bumgardner
Stephanie M. Burgos summa cum laude
Hannah Byers
Emily Joyce Byrne
Sarah Ellen Caldwell
Michael Edward Callahan
Colleen Marie Camarano
Scott A. Campbell
Melissa Danielle Cansler
Scott Carlson
Nathan L. Caron
Tyra Nicole Montague Causey
Alexander Dipalac Cesar
Landon D. Chandler
Amy J. Cihak
Garrett James Clark
Misty Kayllynn Clerk
Christian C. Coccikos
Amanda M. Colantone cum laude
Hannah W. Connell
Denys Antoinette Conway
Mary Catherine Cook summa cum laude
Carissa DiAnn Cunz cum laude
Tanya D’Angelo cum laude
Joe La’Shawn Davenport
Chelsea J. Davis
Jamison C. Davis cum laude
Jerika B. Davis
Staci Ann Davis cum laude
Dylan J. Demma
Leontrez J. Dickerson
John A. Dickson
Becky Laurene Doiron cum laude
Jessica A. Donahoe
Amanda N. Donaldson
Brittney L. Drakeford
Lacey Elizabeth Drury magna cum laude
Leah C. Edgerton summa cum laude
Rebecca J. Elizaga Jr.
Kaitlyn M. Enlow
Kayla F. Erwin summa cum laude
LaRae C. Feaster
Nicholas D. Frey
Lauren Elizabeth Gaborek
Margarita Garcia
Sean Patrick Gloss
Alexandria L. Glueck magna cum laude
Raysean Yohimbe Golden
Lesley N. Graven
Bernadette Grecki
Matthew J. Griffith
Jessica A. Grigsby
Nicole M. Gutierrez cum laude
Janeesha N. Hammond-Bryant
Kevin P. Hardman
Brittany C. Harmon **
Taylor Shenese Harris
Kyle Dean Harvey magna cum laude
Breona S. Hawkins cum laude
Amber Danielle Haywood
Bradley M. Henning cum laude
Carrie L. Hensley cum laude
Beatrice Patricia Hernandez
Yara Paredes Hernandez cum laude
Samantha L. Hilmers
Darry George Holt
Rebecca N. Holt
Steve L. Hoover cum laude
Haley M. Horton magna cum laude
Elena N. Houston cum laude
Devontay Donnell Howard
Jordan Victoria Howell
Abigail Katherine Hull
Samantha Ann Incaprera
Madeline A. Jaques
Austin J. Johnson
Louis Eric Johnson
Dana R. Kaufmann summa cum laude
Jennifer Lynn Keppel
Lori M. Kenniker
Andrea E. Kesler
Michelle Suzanz Kimmel
Shyla G. Kingsbury
Pierra L. Knowles
Mitchell A. Kocher cum laude
Johnathan T. Koski
Brenda Kathleen Krutsinger magna cum laude
Melissa Beth Kucyk cum laude
Chelsea D. Kujawa cum laude
Taylor L. Kunkel
Kyle C. Lamichhane
Bianna D. Lane
Lauren M. Lang
Cara Grace Leach
Deng Mahal Leek
Lauren C. Loefen
Jill A. Logan
Avante Dwight London
Brittany A. Maertzic cum laude
Cynthia Magana
Terilyn Cherrie Mahome
Anthony Carl Maniscalco
Madeline M. Martin summa cum laude
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Alyssa R. Masters
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Jorge Alberto Mendoza
Alexandria Leigh Meyer
Kevin Lincoln Mikulka cum laude
Kevin M. Miller
Taylor Elizabeth Miller
Jacob D. Mitchell cum laude
Robin L. Morgan cum laude
Christina Paulette Morris cum laude
Gabrielle Morris
Kristin L. Myers magna cum laude
Cynthia Neme-Galgoci magna cum laude
Andrew R. Novara magna cum laude
Cameron J. Obermeier
Rigoberto M. Ochoa cum laude
Christy Rochele Ogden
Modupe Margaret Ogunyemi cum laude***
Edith Ortiz-Ruiz
Ashley Brooke Page
Kasey L. Paris magna cum laude
Taylor N. Parker cum laude
Victoria L. Parry cum laude
Rechelle A. Patton
Lauren E. Payne cum laude
Maggiemay N. Pelagio cum laude
Kyleigh R. Pender
María Isabel Perez-Cotto
Stephanie Ann Peterson
Dyana Shamiyah Pierre
Ashley Dominique Plump
Kendall N. Presley
Joseph Ramirez
Chanece L. Richard
Melissa Rico
Dylan T. Rightnowar
Kevin Anthony Riley
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Jocelyn C. Rothschild Frey
Rashad S. Rucker
Eva M. Rzeszutko
Joseph Mike Sanchez
Scotlyn Nicole Schabacker
Kelsie Ann Schauer
Joshua Schiff
Jessica Anne Schutzenhofer cum laude
Sarah C. Scranton magna cum laude
Shavonne Marshay Simmons
Rachel C. Slick magna cum laude***
Alysa D. Smith
Brooke Anne Smith magna cum laude
KD Lynn Smith
Haley Nicole Spolarich cum laude
Katlyn R. Spradlin
Emilie Elizabeth St. Peter
Dajanae H. Staple
Luke C. Stegmann
Blair J. Stephenson cum laude
Ashlie D. Stevens magna cum laude
James A. Stevens

Bryson Keith Stubblefield cum laude
Camelis Syncere
Nicole M. Tabor
Megan L. Taylor magna cum laude
Tanisha Kache Thomas
Georgia Mary-Dell Thompson cum laude
Clayton M. Tinsley
Macyn D. Tonn cum laude
John W. Toohill
Maribeth Trexler
Mikaela B. Trexler magna cum laude
Kassandra Vega
Sarah Elizabeth Vickery
Ryan N. Volpe
Alexandra L. Walsh magna cum laude*
Ashley Marie Walsh *
Sidney Dawn Brothers Waring cum laude
Adam N. Wassel
Ryan Matthew Watkins
Cynthia Louise Webster
Carl Dale Wicklander
Jordan Williams
Catrina Wrena Willis
Nickirah Latonya Willis-Lee
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Shay Leigh Woolard
Tarina Raechel Yates
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Morgahn D. Zedalis
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**Order of Exercises - Evening Commencement**

Saturday, May 14, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.
SIU Arena

**Master of Ceremonies**
Steve Falat, Regional Vice President, Mississippi River Radio
Class of 1987
Department of Radio-Television,
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

**Honorary Reader**
Susan Patrick Benson, Associate Professor, Department of Theater

**Academic Processional**
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

**National Anthem**
“The Star-Spangled Banner,” John Stafford Smith and Francis Scott Key,
arrangement by Walter Damrosch and John Philip Sousa
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

**Greetings and Introduction of Platform Party**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Recognition of Families**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Presentation of Distinguished Service Award**
Charles Wheeler III, 2016 Recipient

**Presentation of Honorary Degree**
Joan E. Higginbotham, Doctorate of Aerospace Science

**Commencement Address**
Joan E. Higginbotham, College of Engineering, Class of 1987

**Presentation of Candidates and Confering of Doctoral Degrees**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

**Presentation of Candidates and Confering of Masters Degrees**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor
Susan M. Ford, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Yueh-Ting Lee, Dean, Graduate School

**Presentation of Candidates and Confering of Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees**
Andy Wang, Dean, College of Applied Sciences and Arts
John J. Warwick, Dean, College of Engineering
Dafna Lemish, Dean, College of Mass Communication and Media Arts

**Tassel Turning**
Brad Colwell, Interim Chancellor

**Welcome from the SIU Alumni Association**
Wayne Sirles, College of Agricultural Sciences, Class of 1989

**Alma Mater**
“Southern Alma Mater,” Grover Clarke Morgan, Composer
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor
Sydney Alexandra Dycus, Graduate Student, School of Music Soloist

**Recessional**
Commencement Band, Chris Morehouse, Conductor

For safety, please remain in your seat until after the recessional is complete.
Guests will not be allowed on the SIU Arena floor during or after the ceremony. Thank you.
COLLEGE OF APPLIED SCIENCES AND ARTS

Master of Architecture

Jacob Charles Bruning
Andy Cunningham
Michael Gene Hall
Cole Hartke
Philip M. Jordan

Mark A. Lazowski
Daniel Harold Lindstrom
Eric M. Okerstrom
Nicholas Andrew Schubach
Bradley D. Schulze

Patrick Szczecina
Marat Mikhailovich Tsablinov
Erica Enright Twomey
Reza Seraji

Bachelor of Science

Victoria Brytnie Adeboyejo
Martes Adewale
Tete Luc Agbodjan Prince
Ana M. Aguilar * magna cum laude
Cole Anthony Allison **
Fatimah Nasser Alsehaini
Ignacio Amesquita
Erik Dag Anderson
Nicholas Arquilla
Kelliann Austin magna cum laude
Lauren N. Baffour
Abdul J. Baloch
Anthony T. Barnes Jr.
John J. Baughman
Matthew A. Baumgartner
Austin Rush Beachler-Johnson
Dana Luise Bee
Jody Faye Beeler
Balana Carniece Bell
Alexander William Beltz
Cory Bergstrom
Bryan Michael Bietsch
Chadrick Black
Matthew B. Booker
Paul A. Bouras cum laude
Cynthia Brackens
Andrew William Brown
Emily C. Brown magna cum laude
Dustin Travis Bruns
Brandon C. Brushwitz magna cum laude
Patrick J. Bucko cum laude
Logan M. Bueker magna cum laude
Jasa L. Bulliner
Rafael F. Bunag II
Kara Kathryn Burgess cum laude
Kyle Robert Burns cum laude**

Zackery D. Burr
Porsha A. Butcher
Evan J. Campbell cum laude
Joel Campos
Alysha D. Cardinal
Sean Michael Carter summa cum laude
Tristan Cathala-Andrews **
Eno Cela
Stacy Ann Celmor
Burton Chaet
James J. Chamberlain summa cum laude
Alex Eliseo Chavez cum laude**
Christie M. Chelma cum laude
Joshua A. Chromek
Storm A. Clarry
Ryan P. Clauson
Christopher R. Clavero
Brooke Christine Cleary cum laude
Matthew Thornton Cline
Katie Lynn Coleman cum laude
Holly M. Conner cum laude
Jacob J. Conroy magna cum laude
Nakiesha Shantee Cooper
Nathaniel Scott Corron magna cum laude
Dollia Violet Cortez
Lacy R. Coultas cum laude
Kortney J. Crawford
Lauren M. Crocker
Haley G. Cronin
Jasmine A. Cruz
Joshua M. Curvey
Michael DaValle
Salvador Davalos
Eric W. Davitz
Tyeshia Coletta Dean
Jakob Kyle DeBerry

Jarett A. Dewitt
Logan M. Duckworth
Michael Paul Duda
Myelisa S. Early
Ashley Nicole Rielle Edmond
Bridget A. Egan
Kyle E. Eliakis cum laude
Michael Evans
Eric Farias-Diaz
Hayden O. Farmer
Cristyn Barbara Farris
James Featherstone
Brock A. Featherston
Gabriel Flores
Adam J. Forgette **
Tylar J. Foster
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Christopher David Gaines
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Andrew J. Gestrine
Jenna Leigh Golden
Erick Gonzalez
Jumond C. Goodwin
Christopher Steven Grace
Arielle M. Green
Tiffany Eilene Greminser
Joseph Robert Grenchik
Brandon Lynn Kelly Gries
Ashley Denise Griggs cum laude
John P. Grischow magna cum laude
Patrick D. Guenther
Paul Gerard Guilbert III
Alejandra Lorena Gutierrez cum laude
Abdurahim K. Haji

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Emily C. Hamilton magna cum laude
Kurt S. Hammond
Josh A. Hansel
Paul Leonard Harast Jr.
Jessica J. Hardwick magna cum laude
Shakala T. Hart
Kaitlyn M. Hartke
Logan Michael Henness
Luke A. Henson magna cum laude*
Trevor Jay Herderhorst
Johnmark C. Herwaldt
Brittany Heyen cum laude
Michael David Higgs
Kendrick R. Hintz
Ryan W. Hoelscher cum laude
Kelly M. Holden magna cum laude
Byron Pearman Howlett IV cum laude**
Andrew L. Jackson
Robert Jaimes
Shiv K. Jariwala cum laude
joslyn a. jenkins **
Sheridan A. Johnson
Andrew R. Johnson IV
David A. Johnson
Erica Ashley Lesean Johnson
Gautier Gian Jones
Jasmine Alicia Jones
Callahan Huffman Jordan
Zachary L. Jordan
Adam J. Jung
Andrew Soo Kang
Mikhail O. Karpenko
Kelsey Diane Kauffman cum laude
Matthew Joe Dillon Keys
Shahed Khan
Andrew J. Kidd
Ashley Dawn King cum laude
Michael Eric Kingston
Troy Kirkpatrick
Calvin P. Kohring
Carrie Lynn Kohs
Christopher L. Kokkelenberg
Robert D. Konzelmann magna cum laude
Ryan G. Kossakowski summa cum laude
Tyler A. Kovac cum laude
Ashley L. Kovalcik magna cum laude
Melissa Krafft magna cum laude
Kevin D. Kron cum laude
Cortney L. Kuehne
Soonkyu Kwon
Cortney E. Lambert
Christy Lamy
Andrew James Landewee
Kyle Roger Lansdowne
Alex Keith Lasher cum laude
Jenna Nicole Laski summa cum laude
Harley J. Lawless
Dexter Michael Lee
Stephen N. Lee
Kevin J. Legault summa cum laude**
Austin Lee Leopold
Wei Lin cum laude
Samuel M. Liscovitz
Courtney M. Lloyd
Sarah A. L. Lohman
Phil J. Loughran
Daniel M. Lowery
Dominic A. Lucchesi cum laude
Nicholas Ray Mack
Kevin J. Majus
Sarah N. Malanowski cum laude
Matthew A. Maloney
Muhammad A. Mansour magna cum laude
Carlos Benjamin Martinez
Reno L. Mason
Adam Scott McCallister **
Mathew M. McCann **
Marisa Marie McComas
Joshua Hubert McFarland
Tyler William McGriff
William T. Meguire
Taylor C. Mcfee
Joseph R. Mckinney cum laude
Zachary Edward McTee **
Wilson L. Meador magna cum laude
Alexander Medrano
Matthew K. Melander cum laude
Leslie Menu
Peter M. Mensching
Juan Antonio Mercado Jr. cum laude
Anna C. Metzger
Michael John Meyer
Marcus Rayshun Millender cum laude
Jaclyn Annette Miller cum laude
Shakeela Arneera Miller
Salman Mirza
Victoria A. Mitchell
Tyler E. Mobley **
Abdul Haseeb Mohamed
Dennis C. Moiceanu
Amber L. Monson
Donelle F. Moore
Tamara Lynn Moser cum laude
Jonathan Ray Moye
Jacob R. Mueller
Omar Mukahhal
Austin Henry Mulcahy summa cum laude
Emmanuel Brian Mullins
Daniel Woodruff Myers summa cum laude
Amanda K. Nash cum laude
Melissa S. Nicklin
Paul O’Connor
Jordan Beth O’Donnell cum laude
Oluibusoye Kolawole Ogunlade
Ashton R. Oller
Nicole A. Olliges
Andrew M. Oplt
Andres Felipe Orozco
Johnny A. Orr
Josue J. Osorio
Lauren K. Ovca summa cum laude*
John William Palkovitz magna cum laude
Maria Elvira Palmerin
Carl Clarence Panfil
Pankil Patel cum laude
Shaun G. Patel cum laude
Jilissa Morgan Payne
Nicholas Murl Payne summa cum laude
Raven Simone Pearson
Haley N. Pence cum laude
Ernesto Perez, Jr.
Joshua M. Perkey
Scott Charles Peterson
Autumn Mae Petrowske
Jacob E. Petty
Trina Nicole Phillips
Austin S. Pierce
Ryan A. Pitt cum laude**
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Casey Revelle *cum laude*
Kinsey Ranai Richmond *magna cum laude**
Patrick J. Riley
Chase Melvin Rogers *cum laude*
Cody L. Rowe
Jacob S. Roy *cum laude*
Joshua James Rudolph *magna cum laude*
Ali Ahmed Salami *cum laude*
Josue Elliot Santiago
Matthew J. Schaff
Mackenzie Renee Schallom
Peter C. Schorsch *summa cum laude**
Elijah J. Schultz *
Eric R. Schultz
William L. Scott **
Eric J. Secrist
Aaron Semmelroth
Ahmad Firdaus Bin Shafie *magna cum laude**
Umair Nadir Shah *cum laude**
Angelique Dominique Shine
Rambus K. Shrestha
Julius Sidabras
Christopher Edward Siderius **
Sweta Sinha
Katlynn Suzanne Slightom *cum laude*
Bradley J. Smaga
Whitfield Smith
Martyna Stankute
Nathan T. Starke *cum laude*
Sarah A. Steagall *cum laude*
Casey Addison Stoneburner
Breeanna L. Strauch
Scott L. Sullivan
Paige Catherine Surico *cum laude*
Andrea D. Sutherlin
Jeremy C. Sutton
Christine L. Swartz
Zachary Thomas Swint *cum laude*
Aimee E. Taylor
Alec Tepp
John C. Thompson
LaQuinta G. Tilbs
Omar Venancio Torres
Lesly Marie Torres Santiago
Kayla M. Toth
Frank Joseph Travaglio
Abraham M. Traverso
Adam R. Tregoning
Matthew James Trettel
Zachary William Turnbull
Lydara Turner
Rebecca Underwood
Alexander Cory Vandelloo *cum laude*
William Vara
Iven J. Vaughan
Juan Arturo Velasco **
Kallie M. Victor *cum laude*
Benjamin Villa III
James Voertman
Brandon Anthony Vuong
Evan F. Wade *magna cum laude*
Kevin Michael Walker
Haylee M. Walsh
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Austin William Weitnauer *cum laude*
Kasey S. Wheatley *magna cum laude*
Gregory Alan Whelan *cum laude*
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Tyler D. Witek **
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Otis D. Woods
Angela R. Worman *cum laude*
John William Wright *magna cum laude*
Kiara Lynn Wyatt
Minkyu Yi
Crystal Labrandon Young
Daniel K. Zeitrix
Heather Ashley Zutten *cum laude**

### Associate in Applied Science

Brein Nicole Boswell
Kyle Robert Burns *cum laude**
Tristan Cathala-Andrews **
Alex Eliseo Chavez *cum laude**
Adam J. Forgette **
Adam D. Hecht *magna cum laude**
Byron Pearman Howlett IV *cum laude**
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Katilyn Elizabeth McIntyre *magna cum laude*
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Tyler E. Mobley **
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Mary A. Samion *cum laude*
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COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Doctor of Philosophy

Behrooz Abbasi
Engineering Science
Yoginder Paul Chugh, Ph.D.
"An Improved Rock Mass Behavior Numerical Model and Its Applications to Longwall Coal Mining"

Luae Abdul Fatah Barakat Al-Tarawneh
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Mohammad R. Sayeh, Ph.D.
"Dynamic Adaptation of Bandwidth Granularity for Multipath Routing in Elastic Optical OFDM-Based Networks"

Chandra Babu Dara
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Spyros Tragoudas, Ph.D.
"Design of High Performance Threshold Logic Gates"

Sudipta Chanda
Engineering Science
Satya Harpalani, Ph.D.
"Preliminary Experimental and Modeling Study of Pressure Dependent Permeability for Indonesian Coalbed Methane Reservoirs"

Michael Abu Conteh
Mechanical Engineering
Emmanuel C. Nsofor, Ph.D.
"Enhancement of High-Speed Flywheel Energy Storage via Carbon-Fiber Composite Reinforcement"

Yueran Gao
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Haibo Wang, Ph.D.
"Techniques for Reliable and Efficient Analog to Digital Conversion"

Master of Engineering

Mihir Naresh Khut
Yao Yao

Master of Science

Turki Mohammed Alsayed
Rajashekar Avuthu
James Birapaka
Gregorio Alfonso Castillo Cepin
Prashanth Kumar Chigullapalli
Akshay Choudhary
Claudio G. Copello
Amir Reza Daei
Sandip Dahal
Anurag Erimileti Ravikumar
Faraz Farbaksh
Sran Kumar Garlapati Vigneshwara
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Ganesh Raj Ghimire
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Manoj Kukkapalli
Prashanth Reddy Kundooru
Tzu-Chun Kuo
Eldy Nlandu Lembe
Nathalia Londono Zuluaga
Navya Tejaswi Madneedi
Ashley Batrice McClinton
Dronacharya Meruguboina
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