

# **SPRING GRADUATION**

MAY SECOND TWENTY-TWENTY-FIVE



# PROGRAM

#### PRELUDE

### PROCESSIONAL

Pomp and Circumstance, by Edward Elgar

**WELCOME** Jessica Lynn Taylor, Ph.D., Chancellor

**INVOCATION** Rebekah Josberger, Ph.D., M.A. Biblical Studies Program Director

#### CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

*Great Are You Lord,* by Leslie Jordan and David Leonard

*Gratitude*, by Benjamin Hastings, Brandon Lake, and Dante Bowe

Deborah Greenidge

### SCRIPTURE READING

Daniel 6:14-26

Manuela Arango, Graduating B.S. Student

Trenten Jackson, Graduating M.Div. Student

### COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

*Is thy God Able to Deliver thee from the Lions?* Domani Hintze-Pothen, Ph.D., Associate Professor

### PRESENTATION OF GRADUATING CLASSES

#### CONFER UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Karen Fancher, D.Int.St., Vice President of Campus Academics Jessica Lynn Taylor, Ph.D., Chancellor Amy M. Stephens, M.A., Campus Registrar

#### **CONFER GRADUATE & SEMINARY DEGREES**

Karen Fancher, D.Int.St., Vice President of Campus Academics

Rebekah Josberger, Ph.D., M.A. Biblical Studies Program Director

Greg Burch, Ph.D., M.A. Global Development & Justice Program Director

Paul L. Metzger, Ph.D., Professor of Christian Theology & Theology of Culture

Ruben Alvarado, Th.M., Doctor of Ministry Associate Program Director

Jessica Lynn Taylor, Ph.D., Chancellor

Amy M. Stephens, M.A., Campus Registrar

### VIDEO PRESENTATION

#### DEDICATORY PRAYER

Jon Robertson, D.Phil., Professor of Greek & New Testament

#### CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

*The Blessing,* by Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe, and Steven Furtick

Deborah Greenidge

**BENEDICTION** Lisa Newbore, M.A.I.S., Vice President of Campus Relations

### RECESSIONAL

# ACADEMIC REGALIA

The pageantry and dress of the academic procession have been inherited from the medieval universities of the 11th and 12th centuries.

Academic life as we know it today began in the Middle Ages, first in the Church, then in the guilds. The teaching guild was the guild of the Master of Arts, where the Bachelor was the apprentice of the Master and the dress was the outward sign of privilege and responsibility.

Principal features of academic dress are the gown, the cap, and the hood. Both Cambridge and Oxford since the 15th century have made academic dress a matter of university control even to its minor details and have repeatedly published revised regulations. American universities agreed on a definite system in 1895. In 1932 the American Council on Education presented a revised code which, for the most part, governs the style of academic dress today.

**The Gown:** The flowing gown comes from the 12th Century. While it originally may have been worn as protection against the cold of unheated buildings, today it has become symbolic of the democracy of scholarship, for it covers any dress of rank or social standing. It is usually of black material. Bachelors' gowns have pointed sleeves; masters' have long pouch-like sleeves which reputedly were once used to carry books and food. Doctors' gowns are faced with panels of velvet down the front and three bars of velvet across each sleeve.

**The Cap:** When Roman law freed the slave, he won the privilege of wearing a cap. The academic cap is a sign of freedom of scholarship and the responsibility and dignity with which scholarship endows the wearer. While usually shaped like a mortar board, some caps from some universities are made of a round, soft velvet material. The tassel may be black or colored according to the scholarly field of the wearer. Only the doctor's cap may be of velvet.

**The Hood:** The hood is trimmed with one or more chevrons of a secondary color on the ground of the primary color of the college. The color of the facing of the hood denotes the discipline represented by the degree; the color of the lining designates the university or college from which the degree was granted.

Arts, Letters White **Business** Drab Dentistry Lilac Education Light Blue Fine Arts Brown Law Purple Library Science Lemon Medicine Green Music Pink Philosophy Dark Blue Public Administration Peacock Blue Science Golden Speech Silver Gray Social Work Citron Theology Scarlet

The colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

# UNDERGRADUATE

# AWARDS

| Skagen Athlete of the Year Award        |
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| John W. Lawrence Biblical Studies Award |
| Edward W. Goodrick Memorial Award       |
| Holly Miller Missions Award             |
| Senior Business Award                   |
| Science Award, Biology                  |
| Science Award, Exercise Science         |
| Voices Scholar Award                    |
| Annual Faculty Award                    |
| Annual Faculty Award                    |
| Unconditional Service Award             |
| Unconditional Service Award             |
| Student Speaker                         |
| Student Speaker                         |
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| Gabrielle Apfel           | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with High Honors |
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| Manuela Arango            | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with High Honors |
| Alyssa Aubrey             | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Honors      |
| Edwin Balbuena            | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                  |
| Jaren Michael Bowler      | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Honors      |
| Tracy A. Bracken          | Bachelor of Science Bible and Theology with Highest Honors   |
| Gracie Browning           | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science with Honors             |
| Megan Castricum           | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science with Honors             |
| Kassidy Jolene Chamberlin | Bachelor of Science Biology                                  |
| Paul Einero               | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Honors      |
| Tomas Espinoza            | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                  |
| Kolby Glenn               | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science with High Honors        |

| Stanislav Gulyak                 | Bachelor of Science Bible and Theology                          |
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| Lydia Hager                      | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Iliya Henderson                  | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Pedro Hernandez Soto             | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science                            |
| Sydney Dawn Holmes               | Bachelor of Science Biology with High Honors                    |
| Jade Junko Ilaoa                 | Bachelor of Science Biology with High Honors                    |
| Johnny James JaQuan Johnson, Jr. | Bachelor of Science Biology                                     |
| David J. Kauffman                | Bachelor of Science Bible and Theology with Honors              |
| Caleb Kipchirchir Kemboi         | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Honors         |
| Yesenia Kassandra Lawson         | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Chad Le Roux                     | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science                            |
| Tebogo Ntjebe Charles Lebepe     | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Honors         |
| Reya Lee                         | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science                            |
| Joel Anthony Loveall             | Bachelor of Science Bible and Theology with Honors              |
| Kirsten Anne Marshall            | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Honors         |
| Emilina Merafuentes              | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Highest Honors |
| Eugenio Ivan Morales McIntosh    | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Alex Newkirk                     | Bachelor of Science Leadership                                  |
| Ocean Ann O'Campo                | Bachelor of Science Psychology                                  |
| Brennen Brian Olson              | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Aghiles Ould Lamara              | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Nicolas Denilson Perdomo Pinzon  | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with High Honors    |
| Benjamin Daniel Poletti          | Bachelor of Science Bible and Theology                          |
| Isabelle Marie Raasch            | Bachelor of Science Leadership with Honors                      |
| Leana N. Reed                    | Bachelor of Science Leadership                                  |
| Cade P. Renken                   | Bachelor of Science Bible and Theology with High Honors         |
| Samueal Rezene                   | Bachelor of Science Leadership with High Honors                 |
| Stacy Renee Richburg             | Bachelor of Science Bible and Theology with High Honors         |
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| Santiago Rodriguez Sanchez   | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Highest Honors |
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| Juan Agustin Santana         | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science                            |
| Nataly Serrano               | Bachelor of Science Psychology                                  |
| Kasey Shodahl                | Bachelor of Science Exercise Science                            |
| Amarah Sidibe                | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Thomas James Tacha, Jr.      | Bachelor of Science Business Administration                     |
| Ashley Thomas                | Bachelor of Science Psychology with Honors                      |
| Reilly Joseph Unger          | Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Honors         |
| Jancarlos Valdovinos-Alvarez | Bachelor of Science Psychology                                  |
| DeAsia Marquisa Wosachlo     | Bachelor of Science Biology with Honors                         |

# **GRADUATE PROGRAMS**

### AWARDS

| Sarah Foster Ostrand         | John G. Mitchell Award                    |
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| Mary Busby                   | Willard M. Aldrich Biblical Studies Award |
| Trenten Russell Jackson      | Sutcliffe Expository Preaching Award      |
| Clemence Nkulikiyinka        | Donald L. Brake Global Missions Award     |
| Kristianna Puckett-Walakira  | Donald L. Brake Global Missions Award     |
| Jean-Mikael Ngandu Tshibanda | Brian Blenkinsop Award                    |
| Santiago Huertas Guasca      | Spiritual Life Award                      |

#### MASTER OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES

Seraphine Bastin Mary Busby Samuel Leo Fredrickson Deanna Lynn Golden D'Arcy James Hayes Cassandra Nicole Jackson Ethan Machida Matthew McElwee Randilee Rose Sequeira Steven David Thomas Jean-Mikael Ngandu Tshibanda Drew Allen Whithorn

# MASTER OF ARTS IN GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT AND JUSTICE

Santiago Huertas Guasca Patrick Daniel Lakeman Grace Vanessa Martinez Clemence Nkulikiyinka Kristianna Puckett-Walakira Kailani Marie West

# MASTER OF ARTS IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

Karen Eckland

# MASTER OF DIVINITY Noah Daily Marius Septimiu Danciu Vivian R. Dunbar Johnson Trenten Russell Jackson Nicholas M. Moreno

# Jessica Corinne Ojua

Joshua Paul Stager

### DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

# Geneva Marie Leader Arnold

Final Project: Stirring Religious Affections: An Exploration of Heart-Centered Ministry in a Pentecostal Context

# Muniyasamy Muthumayandy

Final Project: A Study of Pastoral and Parental Responses to the Drug-Addicted Christian Youths in Chennai

Jonathan Pirot Final Project: Discipleship Through Serving: Christian Service-Learning Pedagogy

Marchauna J. Rodgers Final Project: Right Relationships: God's Transformative Power to Restore Communities

# Trudi Laree Sang

Final Project: Creating Belonging for Those with Sensory Challenges

# James Ezekiel Sudu

Final Project: Training the Called and Passionate Evangelists in the Christian Reformed Church, Nigeria (CRC-N)

James Tham Final Project: The D.A.O. of Youth Work Among the Seventh-day Adventists in China

# Wash Peter Adamu

Final Project: The Impact of Discipling Muslim Background Believers in their Communities



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