

# **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
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
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

Santiago Rodriguez Sanchez	Bachelor of Science Business Administration with Highest Honors
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
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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