UNC Commencement Mission Statement

University Commencement represents the culmination of a student’s academic achievement. It is a time of celebration and reflection for students, families, friends, faculty and staff. It brings together a diverse community to share the joy of accomplished goals.
Dear UNC Graduates,

Commencement marks a milestone in both your journey of lifelong learning and the life of the University of Northern Colorado. As you reflect on your accomplishments and look forward to new opportunities, know that you are part of more than a century’s tradition on our campus.

In 1890, when civic leaders, educators and citizens from Greeley and across the State of Colorado gathered to celebrate laying the cornerstone of our first building, they spoke of universal education as the foundation for our future. Governor Job A. Cooper told the crowd: “It is the enlightened conscience and educated intelligence of the many that will ultimately crowd back all corruption and anarchy, and harmonize contending factions and dissipate the dangers that threaten our country. Upon this foundation stone laid today will rise an institution to prepare leaders in this great work.”

As graduates, you will leave here today to become the leaders envisioned by our founders. Earning a UNC degree is about more than books and knowledge. It is about nurturing the mind and the heart, seeing potential in the unknown, and preparing to give back to society. If you look at the array of professions — the lives — we prepare students for, many are public service oriented. UNC graduates don’t just make money; they make a difference.

As you continue your journey of lifelong learning, you can be proud to be part of a distinguished group of UNC alumni who are making a difference across the country and around the world.

Best regards,

Kay Norton
Graduate Ceremony
December 12, 2014 • 7:00 p.m. • Bank of Colorado Arena at Butler-Hancock Athletic Center

Procesional

*Pomp and Circumstance* by Sir Edward Elgar
Arranged by Kelly Zuercher

The University Saxophone Quartet
Mark Robert Pipes (leader); Zach R. Childress; Hayden K. Farr; Benjamin Earl Whittier

Posting Colors
UNC Police Department Honor Guard

National Anthem

*The Star Spangled Banner* by Francis Scott Key
Performed by Christopher Rogers, *Master of Music, Music: Vocal Performance*

Student Farewell Address

Judd Brendon Farner, *Master of Arts, Theatre Education: Theatre Educator Intensive*

Welcome and Introductions

Kay Norton, *President of the University*

Charge to the Graduates

Rodger W. Bybee, *Bachelor of Arts 1966, Master of Arts 1969*

Academic Traditions

Robbyn Wacker, *Provost and Senior Vice President*

Presentation of Graduate Dean’s Citations

Linda L. Black, *Dean of the Graduate School and International Admissions*

Authorization

Richard Gast, *Member, Board of Trustees*

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Linda L. Black, *Dean of the Graduate School and International Admissions*

Eugene Sheehan, *Dean, College of Education and Behavioral Sciences*

Donna Bottenberg, *Acting Dean, College of Humanities and Social Sciences*

Karen Turner, *Acting Dean, Kenneth W. Monfort College of Business*

Ellen Gregg, *Dean, College of Natural and Health Sciences*

Leo Welch, *Dean, College of Performing and Visual Arts*

Welcome from the Alumni Association

Brian Jordan, *Vice President, UNC Alumni Association, Bachelor of Science 2002*

Recessional

*Quintet No. 1* by Victor Ewald
The University Saxophone Quartet

Commencement Marshals

David L. Pringle, *Professor of Chemistry*

Kay Alicyn Ferrell, *Professor of Special Education*

Readers

R. Vishwanathan “Vish” Iyer, *Professor of Marketing and Faculty Trustee*

Kaja Lindstrom, *International Admissions Specialist, Graduate School*

Interpreter

Provided by Disability Support Services
Rodger Bybee

Rodger W. Bybee has been chair of the Science Forum and Science Expert Group, and Questionnaire Panel Consultant for PISA since 2006. Until 2007, Dr. Bybee was executive director of the Biological Sciences Curriculum Study (BSCS), a non-profit organization in Colorado Springs, Colorado that develops curriculum materials, provides professional development for the science education community, and conducts research and evaluation on curriculum reform. He was previously the executive director of the National Research Council’s Center for Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Education (CSMEE), in Washington, D.C., participated in the development of the National Science Education Standards, and chaired the content working group of that National Research Council project.

At BSCS, Dr. Bybee was principal investigator for four National Science Foundation (NSF) programs. His work at BSCS also included serving as principal investigator for programs to develop curriculum frameworks for teaching about the history and nature of science and technology for biology education at high schools, community colleges, and four-year colleges.

He has been active in education for more than forty years, having taught science at the elementary, secondary and college levels, including 13 years as professor of education at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota.


Published in education and psychology, Dr. Bybee co-authored Teaching Secondary School Science: Strategies for Developing Scientific Literacy, and his books include Achieving Scientific Literacy: From Purposes to Practices and Learning Science and the Science of Learning.

Dr. Bybee has received awards as a Leader of American Education, Outstanding Educator in America, and Outstanding Science Educator of the Year. Recognized as one of the 100 outstanding alumni in UNC’s history, he also received the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) Distinguished Service to Science Education Award, The American Institute of Biological Sciences (AIBS) first AIBS Education Award, and the NSTA’s highest honor, the Robert H. Carleton Award.
Master’s Degrees

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Applied Statistics and Research Methods
Floren, Michael
Harding, Justin Lee
Laidlaw, Emily Katherine
Resch, Robert Eugene

Clinical Counseling
Mallett, Bradley Lawrence
Mostashiry, Nikkita Tierrah
Purdum, Joshua Perry
Tedford, Kinsey Nicole
Whaley, Julee Gail
Young, Kara Michell

Clinical Counseling: Couples and Family Therapy
Darby, Donna Sue
DeTurk, Benjamin Levi
Joy, Kelly Denise
Schry, Erin Michelle
Simmons, Tiffany Marie Schaner

Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Allen, Katy M.
Brooks, Allison Leigh
Rangel, Breanna May
Ryan, Emilie M.
Shaw, Ashley Ruth
Shearholdt, Cassandra
Tessler, Benjamin Michael
Washburn, Kory Steven

Education: Curriculum Studies
Appelhans, Lauren Torill
Codrey, Michael A.
Gentert, Kaitlyn Elyse
Johnson, Corey M.
Medberry, Jessica Lynn

Education: Elementary Education with Licensure
Allen, Allison Batron
Allshouse, Sarah R.
Bailey, Tara Jo
Basner, Brooke M.
Buckley, Kathleen Marie
Buescher, Lillian Maritza
Camanzo, Christine Ann
Carroll, Laura E.
Collier, Salythina R.
Cunningham, Jessica Lynne
Field, Katherine Frances
Goins, Jessica Leigh
Hickman, Rachel Marie
Hogness, Samantha Ariel
Hudson, Micah Lynn
Hunter, Kathren Laural
Hutto, Eric Calhoun
Jones, Lauren Alyssa
Keesis-Wood, Ashley M.
Keller, Margaret Lee
Koehn, Britney Anne
Kullman, Leah Danielle
Kuo, Annie
Lopez, Nicole Rose
Massirio, Kathryn
Mertz, Meghan
Mizell, Courtney
Neuman, Shan Lou
Pierce, Carissa Jeanette
Repp, Mark E.
Rodriguez, Tracie L.
Rose, Lynn M.
Ryley, Teresa L.
Sahlin, Mary Britt
Scott, Evan Anderson
Scott, Jessica
Shepler, Sara Kathrine
Spence, Patricia A.
St John, Lyndsey Ranae
Strope, Laura M.
Sword, Toni Lynn
Wade, Brittany Ann
Education: Elementary Licensure
Austin, Alicia Rachelle
Yang, Ting-Chun

Education: Linguistically Diverse
Andrews, Jessica Ann
Conry, Samantha Rae
Drabczyk, Jessica L.
Hinzmann, Lesley Jean
Keefer, Emily K.
Labelle, Laura Kay
Mueller, Kathy Noel
Neumann, Devon Elizabeth
Salazar, Anthony
Sano, Nicole Marie
Swanson, Leah Michelle

Education: Educational Leadership
Alhudithi, Ahlam Abdullah
Alqarni, Abeer
Crawford, Jennifer Lynn
Dilka, Krystal Kay
Othman, Alwaleed Ibrahim
Rooks, Meaghan Bess

Education: Educational Psychology
Alsadi, Awatif Saleh
Alsubaie, Mohammed Munahi
Rohrbacher, Anna Caitlin
Romero-Perry, Larissa Andrea

Teaching Applications
Buchtel, Jennifer Rose
Coursin, LuAnne
Francis, Autumn
Hansen, Peder Raymond
Hartman, Meagan Allison
Hehn, Matthew Timothy
James, Fareedah
Kiel, Jessica
Lauman, Francine D.
Loera, Lydia
Lynch, Ryan
Mestas, Melissa Lee
Pelletier, Valerie Lynn
Petliski, Brian
Pillivant, Jennifer Katherine
Pople, Adam
Potts, Laney Catherine
Pritchett, Christine Lee
Quinn, Ellen
Sirio, Stephanie A.
Smith, Jennifer
Sterling, Brooke
Walker, Holly Dare
Young, Adrienne Leigh
Young, Julie

Education: Educational Technology
Alajlan, Mohammed Saleh
Algarni, Mosleh M.
Alqahtani, Nasser Jaber Y.
Bucko, Sarah

Higher Education and Student Affairs Leadership
Cordova, Bernadette Marie
Dillon, John Tyler
Henry, LaTanya Gaspard

School Counseling
Mayer, Katelyn
Tessler, Benjamin Michael
Wagner, Kristin Meredith

Special Education: Deaf And Hard of Hearing
Fraychineaud, Joy Ann

Special Education: Early Childhood Special Education
Alfurayh, Hana Abdulaziz
Carmichael, Catherine Courtney
Gilchrist, Emily E.
Hagen, Camila Ribeiro
Krosnowski, Nicole
Lee, Sondra Catherine
Leedom, Christina Marlene
Mason, Jessica Nicole
McNertney, Melissa K.
Raymonda, Emily R.
Wilkins, Jowana Michelle

Special Education: Generalist
Alajlan, Mohammed Saleh
Alhasiany, Fawwz Uthman
Alnoaim, Jehad Abdullah
Alsayed, Fatemah Ahmed
Alsuwayl, Ayman Mohammed I.

April 1870
Settlers led by Nathan Meeker begin arriving to establish the Union Colony experimental cooperative community, which becomes Greeley.

April 1889
Colorado Governor Job A. Cooper signs Senate Bill 104 to create the State Normal School, which would eventually become UNC.
Brosal, Aubrey Nicole
Call, Stefani M.
Crockett-Hernandez, Melissa Opal
Diller, Jay
Erickson, Benjamin V.
Hill, Chelsea N.
Hay, Laurel Kelsey
Johnson, Blythe Ellen
Knowles, Darren Dale
Lock, Deidre Kathleen
Lodal, Christine Core
Mulligan-Micek, Charleen Kay
Purkett, Elizabeth Ann
Smith, Lisa Marie
Van Korlaar, Larry Jay
Van Oppen, Magdalena Theresia
Walsh, Megan Alicia

Special Education: Gifted and Talented Education
Varvel, Honey Char

Special Education: Intervention Specialist
Fisher, Jillian Marie
Romero, Andrea
Trapp, Laura Adele

Special Education: Visual Impairment
Fosen, Laurie Anne
Jackson, Bryant Alan
McIntyre, Kari Ann
Mitrakos, Tiffany Lea
Packard, Emily

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Communication: Human Communication: Thesis
Carpenter, Elizabeth
Stise, Robert Walter

Criminal Justice
Etterer, Victoria Marie
Flint, Darci Lee
Hoffman, Katherine A.
Lolotai, Waylon Leatiogie
Mendoza, Yolanda
Oates, Jeffrey Jay
Vigil, Crystal D.

English
Hamad, Bebak Aziz
Ryan, Sean W.

Sociology: Sociological Practice
Sanchez, Daniel Jose

MONFORT COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Accounting
Alnafisah, Yasser Abdullah
Yockim, Lori

COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Biological Sciences: Non-Thesis
Hammer, Kenneth Wayne

Biological Sciences: Thesis
Sazhnev, Vera Anatolyevna

Chemistry: Research
Anderson, Molly Jennifer

Earth Sciences
Carr, Shawn

Gerontology
Lorenz, Bettie Jean
Powers, Roxanne Kay

Mathematics: Teaching
Poppie, Amy Renee

Physical Education
Saunders, Kelsey Kathleen

Public Health
Artz, Rachel Leigh
Burwell, Kelly
Jarama, Betsaida
Kosovich, Leeanne
Leipzig, Chloe
Sabol, Karra
Walkama, Cassandra

Rehabilitation Counseling
Boyd, Amie Kathleen
Kingsley, Robin
Warwick, Angela
Speech-Language Pathology
Bethke, Sarah Johanne

Sport and Exercise Science: Exercise Science
Alsakhin, Amani H.
Beebe, Corey Nicholas
Gackle, Matthew Paul

Sport and Exercise Science: Sport Administration
Boarman, Bryce Z.
Cooke, Jacob Andrew
Dingledine, Anthony Jacob
Guenter, Alexis Jean
Kappelmann, Matthew David
Keffel, Christian Johannes
Stafford, Ashley Kristine
Stipes, Dakota
Vizcarra, Rene

Sport and Exercise Science: Sport Pedagogy
Schultz, Jessica Louise

Sports Coaching
Bachkora, Gregory Michael
Stolba, Hannah Lyn

June 1890
Civic leaders, educators, and citizens from around Colorado gather to lay the cornerstone of UNC’s first building, later named Cranford Hall.

October 1890
The Colorado State Normal School opens before its first building is ready, holding classes in locations around Greeley that included a room over a downtown paint store, a back room at the Baptist church and a courtroom.
Specialist's Degrees

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Educational Leadership and Special Education Administration
Megel, Lisa G.

School Psychology
Egloff, Anik Michelle
Doctoral Degrees

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Counseling Psychology
Chenoweth, Jessica Riedel, B.A.
Understanding Dialectical Behavior Therapy through the Voice of Adolescent Clients in a Community Mental Health Center

Levas-Luckman, Diana, B.A., M.A.
Working with Medical and Psychological Illness: A Phenomenological Exploration of Nurses’ Experiences in Treating Eating Disorders

Samaniego Estrada, Karina Belen, B.A.
Being Undocumented in the United States: The Impact on Mexican Immigrants’ Mental Health

Suk-Erb, Wipanee, B.A., M.S.
Resilience and Coping: The Perspectives of Cancer Patients, Family Caregivers, and Medical Volunteers at Khampramong Monastery, Thailand

Counselor Education and Supervision
DeCino, Daniel Andrew, B.A., M.A.
Those Disruptive Moments: The Critical Transformative Experiences of White Male Counselor Educators

Forbes, Lisa Kosena, B.S., M.A.
Clarifying the Definitional Boundaries and Essential Characteristics of Impaired Counseling Students: A Delphi Study

Johns, R. David, B.A., M.A.
Narratives of Competency, Creativity, and Comfort: Religion and Spirituality in Counselor Education

Educational Leadership
Donahue, Erika J., B.S., M.A.Ed.
Teacher Perceptions of the Impact of an Evaluation System on Classroom Instructional Practices

Hillman, Dawn B, B.A., M.E.D.
Using an Early Warning System to Identify Potential High School Dropouts

Watson, Linnea Lynne, B.S., Ed.S
Educational Resiliency in Teen Mothers

1891
The Colorado State Normal School’s first graduating class of 12 students.

June 1911
The Colorado State Normal School becomes the State Teachers College of Colorado.

1912
Funded in part by Senator Simon Guggenheim, Guggenheim Hall was built to house programs in fine arts and art history.
Educational Studies

Copeland, Jim Darrel, B.S., M.E.D.
Implementation Of An Inter-District Curriculum Consortium Among Ten Rural School Districts In Colorado: A Case Study

Hemje, Kyle Evan, B.S., M.E.D.
Student Perspectives of Classroom Assessment

Nagasa, Keno Abdeta, B.A.E.D., M.A.
Perspectives of Elementary Teachers and Ethiopian Immigrant Parents on Parent-Teacher Relations and the Education of Ethiopian Children

Educational Technology

Alyahya, Suzan Mohammed, B.A., M.A.
Minard’s Graph of Napoleon’s March to Moscow: An Eye Tracking Study of Cognitive Processing

Higher Education and Student Affairs Leadership

Braun, Christine Patricia, B.A., M.S.
Portraits of Transformation in Higher Education

Wyscaver, Sarah Jean, B.A., M.A.
Into the Looking-Glass: An Exploration of Undergraduate Students’ Integrating and Illuminating their Local Wisdom and Experiences as Global Citizens

School Psychology

Crowder, Shanda Dawn, B.S.
The Influence of Mileage Club on Females’ Body Image and Self-Esteem

Special Education

Alzayer, Rehab Hassan, B.A., M.A.
Parent-Implemented Pivotal Response Treatment to Promote Social Communication Skills in Children with Autism

Andrade, Supattra Wongvisate, B.A., M.A.
The Transition Program Experience: How Does It Affect Employment for 18-22 Year Olds with Significant Cognitive Disabilities?

COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Chemical Education

Shungu, Alex Wembo Longe, B.S., M.E.D.
“The Impact of College English Language Learners” Primary Language on Chemistry Learning Processes and Performance on Assessments in the General Chemistry Classes

Nursing

De Castro, Robin M., B.S.N., M.S.N., M.S.
Evaluating the Effects of Tobacco Cessation Training on Mental Health Practitioners Squire

Nursing Education

Diaz, Constance Ann, B.S., M.S.
Development and Psychometric Testing of the Nursing Education Advising Assessment for Registered Nurse-to-Bachelors of Science in Nursing Students

Hicks, Nikole Anderson, B.S.N., M.S.N.
Establishing the Validity and Reliability of the Fairness of Items Tool

Phillips, Lynn, B.S., M.S.
Undergraduate Nursing Student Situation Awareness during Simulation

Witt, Catherine L., B.S., M.S.
The Experience of Registered Nurses During Their First Year as Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Students

Sport and Exercise Science: Exercise Science

Pierotti, Chelsea Patrick, B.A., M.A.
An Exploration of Peer Leadership and Group Dynamics in High School Spirit Teams
Undergraduate Ceremony
College of Education and Behavioral Sciences • College of Humanities and Social Sciences • University College
December 13, 2014 • 9:00 a.m. • Bank of Colorado Arena at Butler-Hancock Athletic Center

Processional
Processional Music by Porret
The University Trombone Ensemble
Nathaniel Wickham, Conductor, Professor of Music

Posting Colors
UNC Police Department Honor Guard

National Anthem
The Star Spangled Banner by Francis Scott Key
Kaitlyn Lundeby, Bachelor of Music Education, Music Education: Vocal, Piano, and General Music K-12

Student Farewell Address
Julie A. DeJong, Student Trustee

Welcome and Introductions
Kay Norton, President of the University

Charge to the Graduates
Patricia M. Fornes, Bachelor of Arts 1975

Academic Traditions
Robbyn Wacker, Provost and Senior Vice President

Presentation of Honor Recipients
Robbyn Wacker, Provost and Senior Vice President

Authorization
Paul Washington, Member, Board of Trustees

Presentation of the Graduates
Kay Norton, President of the University

Conferring of Degrees
Kay Norton, President of the University
Eugene Sheehan, Dean, College of Education and Behavioral Sciences
Donna Bottenberg, Acting Dean, College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Thomas Smith, Assistant Vice President for Undergraduate Studies and Dean, University College

Welcome from the Alumni Association
Mark Rangel, UNC Alumni Association, Bachelor of Arts 1989, Master of Arts 1995

Recessional
Fanfare by Andrew Fox
The University Trombone Ensemble
Nathaniel Wickham, Conductor, Professor of Music

Commencement Marshals
David L. Pringle, Professor of Chemistry
Kay Alicyn Ferrell, Professor of Special Education

Readers
R. Vishwanathan “Vish” Iyer, Professor of Marketing and Faculty Trustee
Stephanie Torrez, Assistant Dean for Academic Support in University College

Interpreter
Provided by Disability Support Services
Patricia Fornes

Colonel Patricia Fornes, United States Air Force (USAF), Retired, born at March Air Force Base, Riverside, California, attended grade and high schools in California, Ohio, Wyoming and North Dakota, before enrolling at the University of Northern Colorado, her mother’s alma mater. She graduated from UNC in 1975 (BA, History Education) and was commissioned through Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps, having been the first woman to serve as a cadet commander in the Western Region.

During her 26-year Air Force career, Colonel Fornes achieved several breakthroughs including being the first woman officer to serve on an intercontinental ballistic missile launch crew. She was also the first woman to command a missile operations squadron, the same squadron once commanded by her father, Lieutenant Colonel Glenn L. Fornes, USAF Retired. Her Pentagon assignments included Chief, Secretary of the Air Force’s Legislative Liaison Inquiry Division, directing the Air Force’s Legislative Fellows Program, and executive officer to the Director of Air and Space Operations. Colonel Fornes culminated her career as the Senior Assistant to the Commander of US Strategic Command, responsible for the Commander’s public engagements, congressional hearings and meetings, and the Commander’s strategic planning effort.

Since her Air Force retirement, Colonel Fornes has worked for CACI supporting the Director for National Leadership Command Capability, Department of Defense Chief Information Officer, as liaison to US Strategic Command. She is also on the Board of the Association of Air Force Missileers and is a former board member of the Omaha Chamber Music Society.

Colonel Fornes also earned her Master of Arts in Human Relations and Management from Webster University in 1981 and attended both Air Command and Staff College (1989) and Air War College (1995) in residence, earning special recognition for her War College paper, Modernizing China’s Air Force: Its Strategy, Budget and Capabilities. She and her husband, Colonel Douglas M. Marshall III, USAF Retired, have been married 33 years and now live in Omaha, Nebraska.
Bachelor’s Degrees

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

American Sign Language — English Interpretation
Fisher, Cynthia Dawn
Gann, Kimberly Dawn***
Kelly, Pheona Murdaugh**
Tuttle, Jeremy Ray***

Elementary Education: Liberal Arts
Chritz, Michelle A.***
Emery, Lauren Marie
Magee, Claire Susanne
Noonan, Angela Marie

Interdisciplinary Studies: Early Childhood Education, Early Childhood Licensure
Borgmann, Tara R.**
Brink, Amber Elyse
Brown-Dewaele, Holly Jean***
Bullard, Trisha ***
Fischietto, Ashley M.*
Fisher, Frances M.***
Friedman, Chelsea Diana**
Garcia, Karina
Gearhart, Leslie Jean*
Grove, Alyssa Marie
Lock, Amanda Kay***
Parker, Melissa Marie*
Prewitt, Jenna R.
Retta, Lori Ann**
Seely, Rebekah Marie
Sherman, Stephanie Jeanne
Smith, Elizabeth A.
Smith, Shelby Marie
Valdez, Adriann Mae
Valdez, Maria Guadalupe

Interdisciplinary Studies: Early Childhood Liberal Arts
Matthews, Dwane

Interdisciplinary Studies: Elementary Teaching, Elementary Licensure
Abou Ayache, Rema S.*
Alexis, Mikayla Alyssa
Allen, Molly Jean
Anello, Felicity E.
Backes, Abigail Elizabeth
Barnes, Renee Corliss
Bowker, Breanna J.*
Breedlove, Hope Ann
Britton, Sydney Brooks
Brown, Brittany Lee
Bruni, Michelle Elizabeth
Causby, Danielle
Clark, Ellen A.
Claussel, Cleopatra Ja Bree
Collier, Shontae Denise
Combs, Kori J.
Coote, Jessica Elaine**
Coufal, Stephanie A.
Crown, Whitney Morgan
Cunico, Kathleen Nicole
Curtis, Rachel Elizabeth
Dillaman, Elizabeth Margaret
Dworkin, Jessica Renee***
Eardley, Morgan E.
Eidson, Elisa
Elcock, Donne T.
Essig, Kate Elizabeth
Feder, Jessica R.***
Fiebig, Emily J.
Fiesthumel, Kristen E.***
Fiore, Gina Michelle
Garcia, Joleen *
Gliva, Naomi Lynn***
Gonzalez, Vanessa
Goodrich, Chrystal Denise
Hale, Corey Weston

*Cum Laude  **Magna Cum Laude  ***Summa Cum Laude
§ President’s Leadership Program  ¶Honors Program

July 1914
The State Teachers College of Colorado confers its first graduate degrees.

June 1920
The first Master’s of Arts degrees awarded.
Hamilton, Tara Leigh
Havens, Lorren Christina***
Heintzelman, Shelly J.
Helme, Emily Nicole***
Herndon, Sara Elizabeth
Hickey, Afton J.
Higel, Taylor ***
Hodgson, Lauren Kay
Johnston, Kelley S.
Kaiser, Allison K.***
Keating, Amanda Marilyn
Keen, Robin E.
Kimball, Katie S.**
Lindstrom, Brielle Christine***
McCulley, Erin L.*
Metoyer, Brittany Janelle
Miller, Jenna Lynn
Mills, Taylor Katherine
Monson, Megan J.**
Moya, Michael Anthony
Nelson, Kayla Ann
Pocnick, Sara Danielle
Pomeroy, Brook Lynn**
Ramirez, Cecilia
Ramos, Rodney Jonathan
Ross, Caitlin Elizabeth
Scheroder, Christine Ann**
Schubert, Shannon N.
Schwartz, Chelsie Heather***
Scott, Theresa Ann
Seichter, Brooke E.***
Shepard, April H.
Shinault, Shawna Lynn
Skolnick, Amy M.
Tamayo, Celeste Starlin
Tappan, Erin
Treat, Jennifer J.
Uresti, Angela Marie
Vasco, Alison Elizabeth
Walsh, Kathleen Ann**
Washburn, Alexis Breanne
Weaver, Hope N.
Weil, Hannah E.
Whitaker, Kayla Genesis
Wilcox, Robin Lynn**
Will, Katelyn Elizabeth***
Wolfe, Ashley L.***
Wright, Jena-Lee ***
Zivojinovic, Tori Lynn***

**Interdisciplinary Studies: Liberal Arts**
Augustine, Kaylee Anne
Banuelos, Anahi
Bird, Anna E.
Bland, Lauren Elizabeth
Bryant, Kelsey R.
Dawson, Kevin M.
Fink, Rachel Michelle
Frank, Kristah Ann
Gragg, Ashley N.
Kosky, Maria Kathleen
McNamara, Megan M.
Mooney, Samantha Marie
Pimple, Kyle
Rothrock, Alyssa
Rowe, Kelsey Maureen
Smits, Ronnie Ann
Taylor, Colton T.

**Psychology**
Acherkan, Mariya D.
Adam, Cameron T.
Anderson, Matthew R.
Bailey, Samantha Morgan
Best, Rachel
Buck, Jake A.
Campbell, Tamir
Cruz, Randy Alejandro
Danecki, Benjamin Peter
Fadase, Paul
Faus, Kelly Robert
Fontane, Fraser A.
Gessesse, Bethlehem T.
Gonzalez, Ruben
Hayes, Amanda Cora***‡
Helfer, Natasha Marie
Jones, Kali Danielle**
Mazza, Alyssa Rose
McCue, Molly Jean
McCully, Savannah Teresa ‡
Merrill, Kellie L.
Mitts, Steven
Nelson, Carrie Lynn
Nelson, Melissa
Novaria, Meagan Breann

* Cum Laude  ** Magna Cum Laude  *** Summa Cum Laude
§ President’s Leadership Program  ‡ Honors Program
The college’s first residence halls are completed and named in honor of Normal School Trustee and women’s suffragist leader Frances Belford, national Women’s Club pioneer Sara Platt Decker, and education, social and political leader Sophia Park Gordon.
McElroy, Kerianne Theresa
McGill, Erin Elise
Najera, Desiree R.
Netzel, Benjamin L.
Neufeld, Evan J.
Nilles, Mitchel Warren
Orose, Whitney Victoria
Perry, Katherine Elizabeth
Samuel, Bailey
Torres, Carlos L.

**Economics**
Kapple, Kendall Elizabeth
Ritter, Daniel
Smith, Matthew J.

**English: Liberal Arts**
Bailey, Samantha Morgan
Bedwell, Margaret Marie
Bomgaars, Kayla Marie**
Entingh, Nathan Wayne
Gray, Zachary V.
Hall, Matthew Donald
Hang, Panghna Elizabeth
Powell, Ashley Nicole
Ruiz, Janette Cristina
Schoenherr, Hannah Lynn
Shields, Khalie J.

**English: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure**
Cira, Lindsey E.
Curran, Vanessa Nicole
Erhart, Bobbi L.*
Rickard, Amalia

**Foreign Language: French Liberal Arts**
Ayeboua-Yoyo, Elom Maurice
Betts, Donna J.

**Foreign Language: German Liberal Arts**
Hill, Blake Thomas
Smith, Erin Katherine
Toyama, James

**Geography: Geographic Information Science**
Hurd, Logan Kristofer
Tiscareno, Karen M.

**Geography: Global and Area Studies**
Metcalfe, Sarah E.

**History: Liberal Arts**
Carpenter, Kelsey Malinda***
Chavez, Alfonso J.
Christie, Gabriel Howard
Egland, John B.
Holmes, Casey R.
Jackson, Amber Emily
Jordan, Patrick Michael
Kawamoto, Aaron Michael Nakama
Levalley, Tori
Lindeman, Jonathon L. ‡
Maxfield, Nicole Lee Ann
Rios, David
Steele, Katherine Sara
VanBaale, Whitney Marie
Yinger, Kyle J.

**History: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure**
Berglund, Eric D.
Maxum, Kelsey May
Ryan, Emily A.
Williams, Zachary Michael*
Wilson, Catherine Marie

**International Affairs: Area Studies**
Borawski, Rexford James
Hill, Blake Thomas
Mark, Sarah Marie
Phan, Mercy Nguyen
Tucker, Tasha L.

**International Affairs: International Political Economy**
Salo, Jessica Nicole***

**Journalism: News-Editorial**
Langford, Kathryn Nicole
Vasquez, Alexandria Adair

**Journalism: Public Relations and Advertising Media**
Alexander, Morgan
Bedwell, Margaret Marie
Harris, Janay Nicole
Hill, Taylor A.
Love, Alexis Diane
Mazza, Alyssa Rose
McCrea, Mariah N.
Orozco, Tory Anne
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1925

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Undergraduate Ceremony
Monfort College of Business • College of Natural and Health Sciences • College of Performing and Visual Arts
December 13, 2014 • 12:30 p.m. • Bank of Colorado Arena at Butler-Hancock Athletic Center

Processional
Processional Music by Porret
The University Trombone Ensemble
Nathaniel Wickham, Conductor, Professor of Music

Posting Colors
UNC Police Department Honor Guard

National Anthem
The Star Spangled Banner by Francis Scott Key
Kaitlyn Lundeby, Bachelor of Music Education, Music Education: Vocal, Piano, and General Music K-12

Student Farewell Address
Julie A. DeJong, Student Trustee

Welcome and Introductions
Kay Norton, President of the University

Charge to the Graduates
Patricia M. Fornes, Bachelor of Arts 1975

Academic Traditions
Robbyn Wacker, Provost and Senior Vice President

Presentation of Honor Recipients
Robbyn Wacker, Provost and Senior Vice President

Authorization
Kevin Ahern, Member, Board of Trustees

Presentation of the Graduates
Kay Norton, President of the University

Conferring of Degrees
Kay Norton, President of the University
Karen Turner, Acting Dean, Kenneth W. Monfort College of Business
Ellen Gregg, Dean, College of Natural and Health Sciences
Leo Welch, Dean, College of Performing and Visual Arts

Welcome from the Alumni Association
Mark Rangel, UNC Alumni Association, Bachelor of Arts 1989, Master of Arts 1995

Recessional
Fanfare by Andrew Fox
The University Trombone Ensemble
Nathaniel Wickham, Conductor, Professor of Music

Commencement Marshals
David L. Pringle, Professor of Chemistry
Kay Alicyn Ferrell, Professor of Special Education

Readers
R. Vishwanathan “Vish” Iyer, Professor of Marketing and Faculty Trustee
Stephanie Torrez, Assistant Dean for Academic Support in University College

Interpreter
Provided by Disability Support Services
Construction begins on Gunter Hall.

The State Teachers College of Colorado becomes Colorado State College of Education, at Greeley.

Colorado State College of Education President William Ross acquires the 168-acre Petrikin farm for the college, more than doubling the size of the campus.

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Robinson, Kelley §
Trine, Cameron J.
Wyckoff, Taylor Dean

COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Audiology and Speech - Language Sciences
Bruce, Hayden Hren
Esser, Linda Christine
Gallaher, Jaycee Dayne
Muir, Rebecca Rae

Biological Sciences: Cell and Molecular Biology
Hartman, Brittany ***
Williams, Shelby Desire

Biological Sciences: Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
Bellender, Matthew Allen
Habig, Joshua Oliver
Intavimolsri, Somrak
Kusmik, Kyle Robert
Sero, Elizabeth Anne
White, Cameron Marcis

Biological Sciences: Pre-Health and Biomedical Science
Berggren, Jarod Anders
Boufadize, Mohammed Amine
Caudillo-Vega, Ana Karen
Goc, Kelsie Marie**
Mandujano, Julio Nestor
Murray, Geoffrey Charles
Niccoli, Cody Tyler
Reichert, Kelsey Cooper
Swick, Joshua Eli
Warkentin, Kelsey Renee

Biological Sciences: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure
Fryar, Amber Joy
Mueller, Hannah Carlita*‡
Tanner, Alexandria R.

Chemistry: Chemistry
Hansen, Brittney Raye
Nguyen, Trang Thi
Reynolds, Brian Joseph

Chemistry: Forensic Science
Anderson, Lauren Nicole*
Love, Stephanie E.

Chemistry: Pre-Health
Holm Jr., Jeffrey S.
Kloos, Adam C.

Dietetics
Bernard, Sheri Benson
Bronzi, Amy
Brough, Anne
Ceroni, Melissa Ann
Colburn, Corey Lyn
Cupo, Brooke Maureen
D’Angelo, Jennifer
Dittus, Jennifer
Edstrom, Sarah Lynn
Gaillardetz, Jeannine Marie
Garske, Katie
McDonald, Susan Marie
Millard, Jennifer Lynn
Nath, Christina Embree
Neelands, Jennifer Louise
Novak, Frances Ann
Parlato, Susan M.
Pearse, Carrie Smith
Pizzolatto, Marie Carol
Sankal, Jared Jacob
Schievelbein, Sara Ann
Spires, Theresa Marie
Stumpf, Caitlin Marie
Tolentino, Kathryn Marie
Ulloa, Anita Sophia
Walker, Jaime Liane

Earth Sciences: Environmental
Battin, Dorothy Clare
Carstens, Jake W.
Griggs, Emma Christine
Hernandez, Julie Ann
Nelson, Chelsey Ann

Earth Sciences: Geology
Almutairi, Abdulaziz Ghlib
Forbes-Harlan, Ian D.
Hart, Grady
Earth Sciences: Meteorology
Bazemore, Daniel W.
Air Force ROTC Commissionee
Roberts, Owen A.

Earth Sciences: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure
Hoffman, Jeff B.
Martinez, Joshua Anthony

Human Services
Alaniz, Moriah Mary
Aragon, Kalyssa R.
Beek, Tori Rae
Boehm, Kathryn Marie
Hammond, Alexis B.
Harris, Morgen Rose
Kozlik, Shannah Marie
Luers, Jessica Michelle
Martinez, Tasiah Lanae
Murphy, Jami Ciera
Nelson, Alicia Colleen
Palacios, Iliana Cecilia
Sankey, Kasie Ann
Shaffer, Dana Frances
Valusek, Elizabeth Anne
Wisehart, Michelle Anne

Mathematics: Applied Mathematical Sciences
Becker, Andrew Mitchell
Brinckerhoff, Kristin Jade
Duong, Tin Quang
Gast, Kyle Matthew Richard
Holland, Jacob D’Janabo
Kolb, Joshua J.
Krause, Mackenzie R.
Mowrey, Christopher George
Valovcin, Michael James

Mathematics: Liberal Arts
Khantichotiboriboon, Aritsara
Luengwattanachod, Natchuda
Schwartz, Jeremiah

Mathematics: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure
Baisley, Johnathan Parker
Bateman, Kathryn Lynn
Betts, Donell Lyn
Brunelle, Cody James
Herman, Heidi
Hoy, Rebecca E. §
Nichols, Liberty Mary
Skabrowski, Anna E.

Nursing
Alibolandi, Marzieh
Aspromonte, Janelle Lynn
Bottoms, Shalese Dawn
Cantor, Jonah William
Carter, Tara
Dixon, Kimberly Rae
Finkbeiner, Rachel Mae
Gehring, Janel
Giunta, Jennifer Lynn
Gren, Brianna Dawn
Hamner, Becky Lynn
Higgins, Courtney Lynn
Hopkins, Rebecca Marie
Johnson, Kelley
Kearl, Kathryn Noel
Knapp, Catherine
Levandoski, Jordan Gerard
Libretti, Maria Nadine
MacDonald, Samantha Julianne
McKenzie, Elizabeth Jean
McPherson, Sara Emily
Mercure, Kathleen Jo
Miller-White, Sara
Mocanu, Ion
Mogensen, Andrea Sue
Muncy, Trisha Marie
Oakley, Jennifer M.
Pendleton, Tracy
Rajala, Justin Richard
Robison-Pebley, Christa Marie
Ross, Kimberly A.
Schick, Erica Lynn
Shea, Carissa Anne
Slocum, Erin R.
Solano, Meghan
Soros, Alexandria
Stockburger, Julie Lynn
Thompson, Vanessa Kay

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February 1957
The Colorado State College of Education at Greeley becomes Colorado State College.

1966
Greeley leader Judy Farr brings together supporters of the college to establish the Colorado State College Foundation, which will become the UNC Foundation.

May 1970
Colorado State College becomes the University of Northern Colorado.
Nutrition
Blevins, Katelyn D.
Carter, Josie Lynn
Cowan, Jessica
DeCarlo, Samantha
Forsythe, Veronica Lynn
Fulkerson, Julie Diann
Kalmon, Jennifer Michelle**
Liddiard, Amber Courtney
Mabrey, Penny E.
Ochoa, Christopher Fabian
Reid, Rebekah Ruth

Physics: Astronomy
Higgins, Sean Gerard

Physics: Engineering Physics
Smith, Tyler

Physics: Liberal Arts
Schwartz, Jeremiah **

Physics: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure
Daubert, Zachary I.
Schmidtbauser, Michael James

Recreation and Tourism
Bauman, Benjamin Edward

Recreation, Tourism and Hospitality
Bradley, Sarah
Carson, Ryan
Dehn, Caitlyn R.
Floyd, Mackenzie E.
Huebner, Abigail Rene
Jacobson, Kaitlin Nicole
McHenry, Molly Joan
Myers, Marissa L.
Post, Stacy
Prosek, Allison

Sport and Exercise Science: Exercise Science
Abrahamson, Andrew J.
Aho, James Cecil
Anderle, Joseph E.
Barreras, Joshua Monroe
Batt, Richelle L.***
Cole, Allison Marie
Frazier, Eric J.
French, David A.
Gomez, Sarah Sprague
Gonzales, Emily Nicole
Graham, Nicholas
Hohmann, Joseph William
Huerta, Micaela Marie
Krook, Nicole
Lowell, Zachary Ryan
McGuire, Alexander J.
Nash, Zachary R.
Ochoa, Christopher Fabian
Olson, Nathan Samuel
Robinson, Shanelle D.
Scibelli, Kimberley Anne
Snow, Ryland David
Stewart, Cameron W.
Thomas, Simms Anthony
Walters, Mason Thomas
Wisdom, Tyler Matthew
Wright, Brian M.

Sport and Exercise Science: Physical Education K-12, K-12 Licensure
Brown, Casey Y.
Fernandez, Mariana
Huard, Kenneth Jakeb
Iwasaki, Cody T.
Rickels, Daniel Hale**
Schroeder, Everett B.
Warren, Rodd T.
Winter, Ashley Christine

Sport and Exercise Science: Physical Education Liberal Studies
Moll, Thomas Gibson
Smith, Tyler Austin
Weed, Kevin Thomas

COLLEGE OF PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS

Art and Design: Art
Asuncion, Teddy-Jacob Tamayo
Becker, Kristin Marie
Brus, Cate Marie
Campbell, Meghan
Cranwell, Eric M.
Davis, Jaime Lauren
Hamman, Kendra A.
Huizar, Sarah Patricia

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Roquet, Kaycee Layne
Steiner, Cody J.
Thero, Paden Mathieu
Tobin, Jamie Lee

Art and Design: Art History
Grapes, Natalie

Art and Design: Art K-12
Teaching, K-12 Licensure
Barker, Cameron Reid*
Judd, Ian S.
Parsons, Katrina A.
Silverstein, Michelle Alicia

Art and Design: Visual Communication Design
Armstrong, Halley J.
Bugarin Correa, Arturo ‡§
Foy, Lindsey Christine
Gehle, Kira Ann
Harden, Catherine Elizabeth
Hudgen, Andrew J.
Johnson, Cody S.
Nakamura, Melissa Liane
Seifert, Jeshua *
Starrett, Kyle
Thornton, Brooke E.
Yasumura, Alex Masayuki

Music: Composition
Spurrier, Harry Arthur***

Music: Instrumental Performance
Allerheiligen, Michael
Davis, Justin A.
Schindwolf, Jason Patrick

Music: Jazz Studies Instrumental
Cozzi, Daryl Alfred
Zimny, Jonathan Astor

Music: Liberal Arts
Jensen, Angela Elizabeth
Smith, Erin Katherine

Music Education: Instrumental
Music K-12, K-12 Licensure
Albertson, Robyn Louise
Austin, Valerie J.**
Darpino, Nicholas J.
Emmons, Julia L.***

Hann, Hanna Carry*‡
Rhoads, Deanna K.**
Wiles, Carolee K.

Music Education: Vocal, Piano, and General Music K-12, K-12 Licensure
Carpenter, Kirsten Alise
Hirsh, Bradley A.**
Lundebey, Kaitlyn
Stegetee, Joy Nicole ‡

Musical Theatre
Collett, Jesse W.*
Zicker, Jeffrey Bernard
Zigler, Caitlin LaVon*

Theatre Arts: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure
Collett, Jesse W.*
Parsons, Nathan R.
Perry, Simone Rebecca
Pizarro, Javiera Andrea
Sullivan, Audrey Marie
Zigler, Caitlin LaVon*

Theatre Arts
Aanestad, Samuel Robert
Frantz, Kayla
Fuhrman, Madison R.
Hurd, Logan Kristofer
McLinden, Darian Victor
Mock, Kyle Arthur
Offen, Walter Jacob**
Romero, Estrella Sarah
Vialpando, Veronica Rose

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1997
The UNC football team wins the NCAA Division II national championship.

2011
The UNC basketball team wins the Big Sky conference championship.
Bugarin Correa, Arturo
Art & Design: Visual Communication Design
Honors Thesis: Understanding a Tradition: Analysis of the Charro Suit as a Work
Honors Advisors: Michael A. Coronel, Robert Weis

Hann, Hanna Carry
Music Education: Instrumental Music K-12, K-12 Licensure
Honors Thesis: The Influence of Historical Violin Treatises on Modern Teaching and Performance Practices
Honors Advisor: Robert Ehle

Hayes, Amanda Cora
Psychology
Honors Thesis: Therapy Dogs and the Elderly
Honors Advisor: Karen Traxler

Lindeman, Jonathon L.
Spanish: Liberal Arts
History: Liberal Arts
Honors Thesis: Curriculum Development for Youths Aged 12-17 Participating in Outdoor Natural Rock Climbing Courses During Extended-Stay Camping Programs: A Pedagogical Approach
Honors Advisor: Mark Smith

McCully, Savannah Teresa
Psychology
Honors Advisor: Chayla Haynes Davison

Mueller, Hannah Carlita
Biological Sciences: Secondary Teaching, Secondary Licensure
Honors Thesis: Secondary Science Pre-teachers Understanding of English as a Second Language (ESL) student and accommodations
Honors Advisor: Rob Reinsvold

Steketee, Joy Nicole
Music Education: Vocal, Piano, and General Music K-12, K-12 Licensure
Honors Thesis: Music Curriculum in a Multicultural Community Children’s Center Setting
Honors Advisor: Robert Ehle
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2014
UNC celebrates it’s 125 year anniversary.