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Commencement Program Class of 2006

Friday, December 22, 2:00 p.m. Alex Nemzek Fieldhouse

Our Mission

The mission of Minnesota State University Moorhead is to foster excellence in-teaching and learning. The University strives to provide an educational environment that supports intellectual development, that welcomes diversity, and that develops the skills and talents of women and men so that they have the capacity to live usefully, act responsibly, and be learners all their lives. The academic programs at the University are founded upon a common liberal studies experience and emphasize developing the unique talents of each person. The University provides baccalaureate-level programs in the liberal arts, natural and social sciences, teacher education, business and technology, the fine arts, and professional areas. It provides selected graduate programs in response to regional needs.

The University encourages scholarly and creative endeavors that promote a commitment by faculty and students to their disciplines, to continuing professional development, and to excellence in learning.

The University enhances the quality of life of the region with the professional, cultural, and recreational services offered by its students, faculty, and staff.



Minnesota State University Moorhead is one of seven comprehensive Minnesota state universities established to provide the citizens of Minnesota access to quality educational programs at moderate cost. Minnesota State University Moorhead's primary responsibility is to provide baccalaureate programs to residents of northwest and west central Minnesota. Through tuition reciprocity agreements, the University also provides educational services to residents of several regional states and one Canadian province.

Commencement

PROCESSIONAL	Trumpet Tunes and Voluntaries by Clark, Mouret and Stanley
I ROCESSIONAL	Dr. Thomas J. Strait, Associate Professor of Music, Trumpet
	Mr. Michael Olson, Music Director, First Lutheran Church, Organ
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Court Prince	
STAFF DEARER	Professor of Mathematics
	Professor of Iviathematics
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INTRODUCTION	DR. ROLAND E. BARDEN
	President of Minnesota State University Moorhead
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GREETINGS	Mr. William L. Tschida, Vice Chancellor for Human Resources
	Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
	The Honorable Ruth Grendahl
WELCOME	
	Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees
Musical Selection	"Watch Us As We Go" by Carole Bayer Sager and David Foster
	Ms. Stephanie Dunkirk, (mezzo-soprano) Bachelor of Music, Spring 2006
	Mr. John de Causmeaker, (tenor) Bachelor of Science in Music Education, Spring 2006
	Mr. Michael Olson, accompanist
Commencement Address	Mr. David K. Martin
	B.S. (Health and Physical Education), MSUM Class of 1976
Presentation of Candidates for Diplo	mas and Degrees
	Vice President of Academic Affairs
Conferring of Diplomas and Degrees.	Dr. Roland E. Barden
	President of Minnesota State University Moorhead
	Ms. Jayne M. Washburn
	Registrar
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SE	RVICES
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE; BACHELOR OF SCIE	nce in Nursing;
Bachelor of Social Work	Da. Michael D. Parsons
	Dean of the College of Education and Human Services
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES	7 4
Associate in Arts; Bachelor of Arts; E	SACHELOR OF FINE ARTS;
BACHELOR OF MUSIC; BACHELOR OF SCIENCE	CE Dr. Kathleen Enz Finken
COLLEGE OF SOCIAL AND NATURAL SCIEN	Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities
RACHELOR OF A PERS RACHELOR OF COURSE	EDr. Ronald M. Jeppson
DACHELOR OF ARTS, DACHELOR OF SCIENCE	Dean of the College of Social and Natural Sciences
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY	Dean of the contege of octain and redutal octobers
	DR. DAVID J. CROCKETT
	Dean of the College of Business and Industry
GRADUATE STUDIES	•
MASTER OF SCIENCE; SPECIALIST	Dr. Richard K. Adler
	Director of Graduate Studies
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Recessional	"Fanfare" by Jacques Lemmen
	Mr. Michael Olson, Organ





David K. Martin is President & CEO of the Chamber of Commerce of Fargo Moorhead. The Chamber is the region's largest business and community services organization, with nearly 1900 member private, public and non-profit sector firms that collectively employ more than 69,000 people. The Chamber's mission is unifying and advancing business and community interests in the region.

A native of Pelican Rapids, Minnesota, Martin holds a bachelor's degree from Minnesota State University Moorhead, a master's degree from Colorado State University and a post-master's degree from North Dakota State University. An author of numerous published articles and a frequent speaker at the local, state and national level, Martin has devoted his career to helping people and organizations, companies and communities to succeed – together.

During his career, Martin has been named an Outstanding Young Man in America and included in The Global Directory of Who's Who. He is a graduate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for Organization Management and its Workforce Development Leadership program, and is one of just 450 chamber executives nationally to receive the Certified Chamber Executive designation during the past 40 years.

Martin led Fargo-Moorhead's successful effort to be named one of 10 All-America Cities in 2000, co-led our region's successful effort to retain the North Dakota Air National Guard base here during the 2005 federal Base Realignment and Closure process and has led the Chamber of Commerce of Fargo Moorhead to receive numerous awards, including being named one of the top 12 chambers of commerce in the entire country during this year.

Martin and his wife Donna have one daughter, Megan.

College of Education and Human Services

Dr. Michael D. Parsons, Dean

College Marshal: Mary Schroeder, Associate Professor of Social Work

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Anderson, Chadwick Richard, Glenwood, MN, Exercise Science; Community Health, Magna Cum Laude

Anderson, Emily Kaye, Ulen, MN, Elementary Education

Anderson, Heather Marie, Onamia, MN, Special Education, Summa Cum Laude

Antoine, Michelle Lorraine, Casselton, ND, Health Services Administration, Cum Laude

Ash, Jodi Marie, Grand Forks, ND, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Bakker, Sarah Jane, Walker, MN, Elementary Education, Summa Cum Laude

Bemboom, Christopher Robert, Sauk Rapids, MN, Health Education,

Physical Education; Coaching, Community Health

Bergeron, Bonnie Jean, Burnsville, MN, University Studies

Birdsall, Danae Eileen, Berthold, ND, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude

Bischoff, Kelly Marie, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education

Booth, Nicole Marie, Ramsey, MN, Early Childhood Education

Brunn, Nathan Andrew, St. Cloud, MN, Elementary Education

Chase, Shawndra Lynn, International Falls, MN, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Cloos, Jesse Allen, Big Stone City, SD, Exercise Science; Community Health

Curley, Laura Daneen, Grand Forks, ND, Athletic Training

Dahlin, Laura Joana, Hawley, MN, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude

Danielson, Laurie Beth, Glyndon, MN, Elementary Education

Dilbeck, Jr., Craig Lee, Barnesville, MN, Exercise Science

Duncan, Brooke Marie, Jackson, MN, Community Health

Dykhoff, Holly Marie, Sebeka, MN, Health Education,

Physical Education; Coaching, Community Health

Edman, Mara Pauline, Gwinner, ND, Early Childhood Education

Eiynck, Jennifer Lee, Sauk Rapids, MN, Early Childhood Education

Erlandsen, Pamela R., Moorhead, MN, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Fandrich, Codi Ann, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education

Ferris, Keith Alan, Osakis, MN, Elementary Education

Francis, Tammy Lynn, Mahnomen, MN, Early Childhood Education, Cum Laude

Gatz, Carly Ren, Mandan, ND, Early Childhood Education

Gondrez, John Carl, Foxhome, MN, Exercise Science; Coaching

Grasswick, Andria Elaine, Deer Creek, MN, Early Childhood Education, Magna Cum Laude

Guillemette, Danielle Joan, Argyle, MN, Special Education

Hahne McKay, Rachel Claire, Janesville, MN, Special Education

Halvorson, Lacy Jean, Jamestown, ND, Elementary Education

Hammer, Tiffany Ann, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education

Hanson, Megan Patricia, Crookston, MN, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Hartmann, Amber Lehe, Jamestown, ND, Community Health, Magna Cum Laude

Harvala, Angela Crystal, Moorhead, MN, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude

Hasbargen, Brian Ernest, Wheaton, MN, Elementary Education

Hebert, Nancy Jean, Audubon, MN, Exercise Science

Herman, Jill Marie, Jamestown, ND, Early Childhood Education

Hermanson, Brandi Jo, Kathryn, ND, Community Health; Mass Communications

Howson, Molly Anne, Hatton, ND, Elementary Education, Summa Cum Laude

Iverson, Lindsey Jo, Jamestown, ND, Elementary Education, Summa Cum Laude

Jackson, Kelsi Lynn, Fargo, ND, University Studies

Jeon, SuHyun, Cheongju, South Korea, Exercise Science

Johnson, Kimberli Clarine, Williston, ND, Early Childhood Education

Johnson, Ross Vernon, Battle Lake, MN, Elementary Education

Johnson, Scott Zachary, West Fargo, ND, University Studies

Keierleber, Tamara Debra, Henning, MN, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude

Kern, William Robert, Green River, WY, Special Education, Magna Cum Laude

Kleist, Kari Lynn, Dilworth, MN, Early Childhood Education

Krueger, Desiree Lynn, Fredonia, ND, Health Education; Community Health, Cum Laude

Langen, Rachel Elizabeth, Kennedy, MN, Early Childhood Education

Larsen, Lane Anna, Detroit Lakes, MN, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude

Larson, Jara Davena, Hawley, MN, Special Education; Psychology, Business Administration

Larson, Markay Lee, Detroit Lakes, MN, Early Childhood Education

Larson, Robyn Marie, Inver Grove Heights, MN, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Larson, Wendy Ann, Wahpeton, ND, Elementary Education; Spanish, Summa Cum Laude

LaRue, Nancy Jane, Ashby, MN, Exercise Science; Coaching

Linner, Scott Arthur, Prior Lake, MN, Elementary Education

Luhman, Elizabeth Ann, Moorhead, MN, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Magnuson, Katie Lyn, Pennock, MN, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Marruffo, Christina Marie, Mendota Heights, MN, Special Education, Cum Laude

Meyer, Anne Marie, Crookston, MN, Early Childhood Education, Magna Cum Laude

Mick, Chelsea Ann, Foreston, MN, Community Health

Miller, Jill Anna, Fergus Falls, MN, Early Childhood Education

Mizerek, Jill Lynn, DePere, WI, Health Services Administration

Mohn, Ashley Lynn, Frazee, MN, Early Childhood Education, Summa Cum Laude

Molden, Laura Marie, Milan, MN, Elementary Education

Mollner, John Joseph, Forest Lake, MN, University Studies

Monin, Corina Lian, Brandon, Manitoba, Physical Education; Psychology

Morman, Sarah Lyne, Glen Ullin, ND, Elementary Education

Moses, Megan Marie, Perham, MN, Early Childhood Education, Magna Cum Laude

Neis, Heather Jane, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Neisen, Ashley Joy, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Noce, Amanda Kelly, Moorhead, MN Speech/Language/Hearing Science; Psychology

Odegaard, Erin Lynn, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education; English Writing, Summa Cum Laude

Oelke, Katie Rose, Glyndon, MN, Elementary Education; Communication Studies, Cum Laude

Peterson, Heather Lynn, Fergus Falls, MN, Special Education

Puetz, Lacey Briane, Hankinson, ND, Early Childhood Education, Cum Laude
Richards, Ashley Kay, Glyndon, MN, Special Education
Riedlinger, Ashli Joell, Williston, ND, Early Childhood Education, Magna Cum Laude
Rieniets, Tiffany Nicole, West Fargo, ND, Early Childhood Education, Magna Cum Laude
Robertson-Denzine, Elizabeth Elaine, Minot, ND, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude

Roller, Jennifer Ann, Bismarck, ND, Elementary Education

Rosenow, Tara Louise, Osakis, MN, Elementary Education, Magna Cum Laude

Rudebusch, Rebecca Jean, Lakeville, MN, Health Services Administration, Magna Cum Laude

Rudick, Alexandria Ann, Moorhead, MN, University Studies

Rueckert, Laura Caroline, Litchfield, MN, Special Education

Rusness, Karly Ann, Callaway, MN, Physical Education

Schaefer, Kristi Ann, Sauk Centre, MN, Special Education

Schmidt, Emilie Ann, Miltona, MN, Elementary Education, Summa Cum Laude

Schoenberger, Jenna Lea, Detroit Lakes, MN, Early Childhood Education

Sha, Mary Sara, Moorhead, MN, University Studies, Magna Cum Laude

Sharp, Tanya Renee, Moorhead, MN, Health Services Administration

Short, Niles Aubrey, Fargo, ND, Special Education

Sibley, Stephanie Ruth, Fargo, ND, Early Childhood Education

Sieler, Sommer Dawn, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education

Smith, Elizabeth Sophia, Sheyenne, ND, Early Childhood Education

Stange, Josephine Rose, Brookings, SD, Exercise Science

Steffen, Rachel Dawn, Bemidji, MN, Speech/Language/Hearing Science

Stumphf, Jennifer Marie, Lake Bronson, MN, Elementary Education, Cum Laude

Swartz, Matthew Joseph, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education

Swavee, Shauna, Cottonwood, AZ, Physical Education, Summa Cum Laude

Tenneson, Stacy Marie, Fergus Falls, MN, Special Education

Thomas, Hilary Jo, Fargo, ND, Elementary Education, Summa Cum Laude

Thome, Sarah Jane, Adams, MN, Elementary Education; Coaching, Summa Cum Laude

Trauman, Elizabeth Marie, Fargo, ND, Exercise Science

Tveit, Shauna Renae, Fairview, MT, Exercise Science; Coaching

Vatsaas, Amanda Jean, Olivia, MN, Special Education

Vetsch, Melissa Kay, Swanville, MN, Elementary Education

Walker, Ashlee Elizabeth, Hastings, MN, Special Education

Walter, Melissa Beth, Buffalo Lake, MN, Community Health, Cum Laude

Wentzel, Kari Jo, Baxter, MN, Special Education

White, Nicole Rose, Spicer, MN, Special Education

Wojtalewicz, Michael Paul, St. James, MN, Elementary Education

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Elsperger, Melissa Jane, Devils Lake, ND, Nursing

Griffin, Brenda Lee, Wathena, KS, Nursing

Hoemberg, Sheila Ann, Wadena, MN, Nursing

Matchinsky, Nicole Marie, Alexandria, MN, Nursing

Olson, Jessica Gabrielle, Moorhead, MN, Nursing; Psychology, Summa Cum Laude

Stark, Nicole Renae, Sartell, MN, Nursing

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Anderson, Dawn A'lee, Wheaton, MN, Social Work, Magna Cum Laude

Bengtson, Jessica Olena, Fargo, ND, Social Work

Beutler, Robyn Ann, Arnegard, ND, Social Work

Blumer, Elizabeth Anne, Kindred, ND, Social Work

Borgen, Kellee Diane, Fargo, ND, Social Work

Duchscherer, Heather Dawn, Bismarck, ND, Social Work; Psychology, Summa Cum Laude

Entzminger, Michelle Ann, Gackle, ND, Social Work

Giese, Amanda Marie, Canby, MN, Social Work; Business Administration

Goeden, LaRae Annette, Park Rapids, MN, Social Work, Cum Laude

Hays, Meghan Renee, Fargo, ND, Social Work, Cum Laude

Hill-Thiele, Dawn Marie, Cohasset, MN, Social Work

Hilscher, Tessa Diana, West Fargo, ND, Social Work

Jipson, Rachel Marie, Graceville, MN, Social Work

Jokinen, Leah Marie, Sawyer, MN, Social Work

Kelley, Alison Elise, Fargo, ND, Social Work

*Kleindl, Shanna Lynn, Graceville, MN, Social Work, Magna Cum Laude

Landis, Joshua James, Valley City, ND, Social Work

Liebl, Jessica Lynn, Gary, MN, Social Work; Spanish

Mitchell, Casey Layne, Nevis, MN, Social Work

Ness, Lindsey Marie, Moorhead, MN, Social Work, Summa Cum Laude

O'Keefe, Kelsi Lee, Fargo, ND, Social Work, Cum Laude

Olson, Alesha Marie, Fargo, ND, Social Work

Petersen, Christine Terese, Breckenridge, MN, Social Work

Pitzel, Amanda Rae, Frazee, MN, Social Work, Summa Cum Laude

Salu, Jeanette Olushola, Fargo, ND, Social Work

Stensgard, Stacy Joy, Moorhead, MN, Social Work

Walter, Michelle Dawn, Buffalo Lake, MN, Social Work, Cum Laude

Zika, Anne Marie, International Falls, MN, Social Work, Summa Cum Laude

College of Arts and Humanities

Dr. Kathleen Enz Finken, Dean

College Marshal: Mr. Carl T. Oltvedt, Professor of Art and Design

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

Besser, Cole Lawrence, St. Cloud, MN, Liberal Studies

Brenden, Megan Ann, Brookings, SD, Liberal Studies

Casper, David Howard, Fargo, ND, Liberal Studies

Danmeier, Sarah Elizabeth, Bloomington, MN, Liberal Studies

DeWitte, Emilie Susan, Webster, SD, Liberal Studies

Fjestad, Leah Michelle, Moorhead, MN, Liberal Studies

Fossum, Lynsee Nicole, Grand Forks, ND, Liberal Studies

Frieze, Tessa Marie, Jamestown, ND, Liberal Studies

Mehlhoff, Michelle Lee, Fargo, ND, Liberal Studies

Morin, Jessica Ann, Bloomington, MN, Liberal Studies

Pressley, Sharon Theresa, Fargo, ND, Liberal Studies

Retterath, Andrea Marie, Hazen, ND, Liberal Studies

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Aadland, Nicholas Allen, Veblen, SD, History

Aakre, Crystal Beth, Hawley, MN, Art; Art History, Cum Laude

Adkins, Daniel James, Roseau, MN, History

Aman, Jennifer Mary, Hosmer, SD, Spanish; Anthropology, Summa Cum Laude

Beaudoin, Samuel Stephen, Fargo, ND, History; Mass Communications, English Writing, Cum Laude

Bemboom, Megan Leigh, Sauk Rapids, MN, Communication Studies

*Berg, Roxanne Camille, Erskine, MN, English; Theatre Arts, Summa Cum Laude

Bohmer, Megan Lorraine, West Fargo, ND, Art

Boyum, Kermit Peter, Moorhead, MN, English/Mass Communications

*Brehmer, Kevin Ross, Fargo, ND, English; History

Breker, Esmeralda Cecilia, Wahpeton, ND, Spanish

Costley, Jennifer Jean, Sherwood, OR, English

Cote, Nathan Allen, Dickinson, ND, Art

Crowley, Katherine Judith, Dilworth, MN, Art; Philosophy, Cum Laude

Deobald, John Ryan, Wright, WY, Art, Cum Laude

Easton, Troy Michael, West Fargo, ND, Communication Studies; Mass Communications, Cum Laude

Frederickson, Darci Anne, Grafton, ND, Film Studies

Fulsebakke, Nathan Chad, Bottineau, ND, English

Gilbertson, Cody Jon, Fargo, ND, Art

Graunke, Christopher Robert, Delano, MN, Art

Hagen, Andrea Ellyn, Thief River Falls, MN, English

Jacobs, Rachel Mary, Vancouver, WA, English/Mass Communications

Johnson, Rebecca Marie, Mandan, ND, Spanish; Political Science, Magna Cum Laude

^{*} Denotes Honors Program Graduate

Klemetson, Kayla Jerilyn, Flom, MN, Spanish; Accounting, Business Administration

Larson, Jenna Lea, East Grand Forks, MN, Spanish, Cum Laude

Lipp, Katharine Rosemary, Detroit Lakes, MN, English/Mass Communications

McArdle, Nicholas James, Anoka, MN, Art

Minion, Joy Darlene, Fergus Falls, MN, English/Mass Communications

Moen, Kristy Marie, Fargo, ND, Art

Nelson, Gerald Scott, Moorhead, MN, Art

Olson, Verna May, Hawley, MN, English; Women's Studies

Qualey, Neil Andrew, Fargo, ND, History; Anthropology

Roberson, Miranda Judith Marie, Fargo, ND, English, Magna Cum Laude

Rondestvedt, Bethany Lynn, Lisbon, ND, English/Mass Communications; Music, Cum Laude

Schmidt, Sarah Katherine, Moorhead, MN, Spanish, Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Ketterling, Amanda Wyn, Fargo, ND, Art

Ringdahl, Minda Joy, Harwood, ND, Art; Art History, Magna Cum Laude

*Tessman, Jeffrey Jerome, Detroit Lakes, MN, Art, Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Jones, Holly Marie, McIntosh, MN, Music Industry

Schoenfelder, Sarah A., Bemidji, MN, Music Industry

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Anderson, Kendra Michelle, Andover, MN, Social Studies

Bauer, Lindsey Danelle, Mandan, ND, English Education, Cum Laude

Boelter, Brandon Ross, Freeport, MN, Social Studies

Brickzin, Laura Jean, Pelican Rapids, MN, English Education, Cum Laude

Brunelle, Kate Margaret, Williston, ND, Social Studies, Cum Laude

Chavez, Maria Del Carmen, Pelican Rapids, MN, Spanish Education, Magna Cum Laude

Demke, William James, Minot, ND, Social Studies

Goehner, Rachel Leigh, Huron, SD, University Studies, Cum Laude (Posthumous Graduate)

Gorath, Aaron Clint, Ada, MN, Social Studies

Hockett, Jacqueline Christine, Fargo, ND, Social Studies

Johnson, Kathryn JoAnn, Moorhead, MN, Social Studies, Magna Cum Laude

Kelly, Erin Nicole, Fargo, ND, Art Education, Magna Cum Laude

Killian, Amanda Renee, Gilbert, MN, Social Studies, Cum Laude

Kraft, Joni Esther, Gary, MN, Social Studies, Summa Cum Laude

Krog, Ashley Ann, Fergus Falls, MN, English Education, Magna Cum Laude

Maroney, Wade Cecil, Fargo, ND, Social Studies

Perrault, Joseph Robert, Naytauwaush, MN, Social Studies

-College of Social and Natural Sciences

Dr Ronald M. Jeppson, Dean

College Marshal: Dr. Margaret L. Potter, Professor of Psychology

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Aasby, Brian Erik, Fergus Falls, MN, Biology

Bellon, Jeffrey Michael, Hope, ND, Criminal Justice

Beutler, Robyn Ann, Arnegard, ND, American Studies; Women's Studies

Carlson, Jacky Lyn, Grand Rapids, MN, Criminal Justice, Sociology

Carlson, Julie Marie, Little Falls, MN, Psychology

Christie, Katharine Rosemary, Moorhead, MN, Psychology; Philosophy, Summa Cum Laude

Chromy, Dionne Crystal, Moorhead, MN, Gerontology; Social Welfare, Sociology

Clapp, Andrew Benjamin, Fargo, ND, Biology

Conrad, Kathleen Ann, Dilworth, MN, Criminal Justice

Coston, Jimmie Mac, River Grove, IL, Criminal Justice

Daniels, James Andrew, Tintah, MN, Economics; History, Magna Cum Laude

Dashiell, Marea Terese, Twin Brooks, SD, Sociology

Devorak IV, Joseph Franklin, Fergus Falls, MN, Biology

Deyle, Natasha Lynn, Fargo, ND, Criminal Justice

Erickson, Justin Allen, Two Harbors, MN, Criminal Justice

Ford, Thomas Robert, Devils Lake, ND, Psychology

Freidt, Sabrina Rae, Mandan, ND, Criminal Justice

Garry, Bret Robert, Watertown, SD, Anthropology

Giddings, Matthew Paul, Fargo, ND, Criminal Justice

Gurung, Ananda Bahadur, Kathmandu, Nepal, Economics

*Hanus, Alexa Elizabeth, Wilton, MN, Psychology, Summa Cum Laude

Hartshorn, Kim Marie, Fargo, ND, American Studies; American Indian Studies

Hinnenkamp, Robert Joseph, Fargo, ND, Criminal Justice; Sociology

Hoverson, Shelane Kaye, Fargo, ND, Psychology, Magna Cum Laude

Jensen, Casey G., Jamestown, ND, Criminal Justice

Johanson, Emily Jean, Moorhead, MN, Criminal Justice

*Johnson, Jessica Faith, Minot, ND, Biology, Chemistry; Spanish

Johnson, Nicole Lee, Mantador, ND, Biology

Khanal, Mukesh, Biratnagar, Nepal, Mathematics, Economics, Magna Cum Laude

Krabbenhoft, Adam Ross, Fergus Falls, MN, Criminal Justice

Kramer, Margo Rae, Linton, ND, Biology

Kverno, Micara Suzanne, Cass Lake, MN, Psychology; Women's Studies

Liebersbach, Brent Jacob, Moorhead, MN, Political Science, Summa Cum Laude

Lukkes, Andrew Jason, New Prague, MN, Criminal Justice

Madery, Brandon Dale, Mantorville, MN, Biology; Chemistry, Magna Cum Laude

Majerus, Mark Robert, Villard, MN, Sociology

Marty, Justin Richard, Fargo, ND, Criminal Justice

Mehlhoff, Andrew Kim, Velva, ND, Criminal Justice

^{*} Denotes Honors Program Graduate

Merrill, Carrie Ann, Fargo, ND, Psychology, Cum Laude

Miller, Heidi Lynne, Bowdon, ND, Psychology, Summa Cum Laude

Molitor, Eric Thomas, Cedar, MN, Political Science; Philosophy, Cum Laude

Nelson, Lindsey Marie, Fertile, MN, Biology, Magna Cum Laude

Nordick, Tanya Elizabeth, Barnesville, MN, Criminal Justice

Noska, Lewis James, Browerville, MN, Biology

O'Keefe, Ryan Paul, Fargo, ND, Political Science, Criminal Justice, Summa Cum Laude

Pederson, Michelle Marcie, Detroit Lakes, MN, Criminal Justice, Sociology, Magna Cum Laude

Pershall, Therese Ann Marie, Buffalo Gap, SD, Psychology, Gerontology; Finance

Pourroy, Nicole Ann, Sidney, MT, Anthropology; International Business

Puffer, Emily Fisk, Cedar, MN, Biology

Rasmussen, Adam Patrick, Moorhead, MN, Biology

Reinhart, Quincee C., Durbin, ND, Criminal Justice, Sociology; Women's Studies

Ringdahl, Amanda Kathleen, Forman, ND, Gerontology; Social Welfare, Sociology

Rovang, Samuel Ross, Plymouth, MN, Psychology; Marketing

Rudebusch, Rebecca Jean, Lakeville, MN, Gerontology, Magna Cum Laude

Schlenner, Cody Bruce, Maynard, MN, Criminal Justice; Sociology

Schmitt, Eric Allan, Scandia, MN, Biology

Slosson, Brandi Jo, Hibbing, MN, Criminal Justice

Stange, Josephine Rose, Brookings, SD, Biology; English

Storey, Amanda Jean, Fosston, MN, Psychology; Spanish, Sociology

Taylor, Mackenzie Mae, Coos Bay, OR, Political Science; Women's Studies

Thordal, Ryan Jay, Gary, MN, Biology; Chemistry, Cum Laude

Wagner, Sarah Linn, Fargo, ND, Psychology; Sociology, Philosophy

Wardwell, Bridget Ann, Fargo, ND, Psychology

Zachmann, Carl Jeffrey, Fergus Falls, MN, Anthropology; Art

Zika, Anne Marie, International Falls, MN, Gerontology, Summa Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Altankhuyag, Bat-Erdene, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, International Studies

Bichler, Christian Mark, East Grand Forks, MN, Mathematics, Management; Economics

Daghmoumi, Anas, Tangier, Morocco, International Studies; Political Science

Ecklund, Michelle Erin, Glyndon, MN, Life Science Education, Biology

Grams, Marc David, Litchfield, MN, University Studies

Ishizuka, Hajime, Chiba-Shi Chiba, Japan, International Studies

Lynch, Marcus Daniel, Fargo, ND, University Studies

McFadden, Justin Robert, Cavalier, ND, Life Science Education

Prestegord, Heather Yvonne, Twin Valley, MN, Mathematics Education

Radniecki, Melissa Sue, Coon Rapids, MN, Life Science Education, Earth Science Education; Biology

College of Business and Industry

Dr. David J. Crockett, Dean

College Marshal: Dr. Wade T. Swenson, Professor of Technology

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Ahmad, Farhad, Narayangani, Bangladesh, Management

Ahmed, Sayem, Baria, Bangladesh, Accounting, Finance

Ahrendt, Lucas Martin, Willmar, MN, Computer Information Systems

Anderson, Anna Marie, Comstock, MN, Mass Communications

Anderson, Jamie Marie, Bristol, SD, Mass Communications, Cum Laude

Anderson, Joshua Jerome, Bismarck, ND, Operations Management, Magna Cum Laude

Anderson, Kristin Kay, Moorhead, MN, University Studies

Anderson, Lisa Marie, Pine City, MN, Finance

Balkovatz, Brea Marie, West Fargo, ND, Business Administration

Beck, Rachel Melissa, Hawley, MN, Management

Beckstrom, Kelsey Marie, Gwinner, ND, Mass Communications, Cum Laude

Berglund, Kenneth Leonard, Dawson, MN, Business Administration

Bly, Natalie Ann, Ulen, MN, Management

Bolstad, Brandon James Alex, Fertile, MN, Construction Management

Bouchie, Steven Richard, Moorhead, MN, Operations Management

Brandt, Tyler Guy, Underwood, ND, Management

Brown, Belinda Joy, Elk River, MN, Mass Communications, Cum Laude

Cantin, Jeremy Richard, Buffalo, MN, Accounting

Carlson, Jacky Lyn, Grand Rapids, MN, Accounting

Carver, Timothy Mitchell, Fargo, ND, Marketing

Coubal, Andrew Dean, Clarkfield, MN, Construction Management

Cunningham, Beth Ellyn, Fergus Falls, MN, Business Administration

Delude, Dennis Mikkel, Neche, ND, Accounting, Magna Cum Laude

Devle, Natasha Lynn, Fargo, ND, Management

Diop, Papa Ibrahima, Dakar, Senegal, Finance

Dix, Jeffrey Michael, Aberdeen, SD, Mass Communications; English, Cum Laude

Duberowski, Scott Thomas, Parkers Prairie, MN, Finance; Communication Studies

Dykema, Diana Rae, Alexandria, MN, Business Administration, Management

Erbstoesser, Sara Ann, Arthur, ND, Management

Erhardt, Daniel Floyd, Center, ND, Mass Communications

Fallgatter, Kara Dea, Steele, ND, Mass Communications, Magna Cum Laude

Freeman, Ashlei Lynn, Starbuck, MN, Management

Frolek, Nathan Scott, Lidgerwood, ND, Management; Community Health

Geier, Nathan Roger, Watertown, SD, Marketing, Cum Laude

Green, Nathan Lyle, Breckenridge, MN, Accounting, Finance

Grubb, John Nelson, Burlington, ND, Business Administration

Grunewald, Tyler Brent, Ada, MN, Mass Communications

Guenther, Brett Michael, Lidgerwood, ND, Marketing, Magna Cum Laude

Gunderson, Brian David, Dawson, MN, Marketing

Gunderson, Kristina Lea, Stillwater, MN, Mass Communications

Haburn, Wendy Lynn, West Fargo, ND, Accounting; Finance, Magna Cum Laude

Hajicek, Kenneth Eugene, Fargo, ND, Computer Information Systems

Halseth, Matthew Scott, Glyndon, MN, Marketing

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Mallory, Dawn, Vining, MN, Nursing "Pastors' Perspectives on Parish Nursing" Dr. Barbara Matthees, Advisor

Martinson, Sean Michael, Grand Rapids, MN, Educational Leadership
"Technology Integration in K-12 Schools: How Does a Rural Minnesota School District Effectively
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Such, Tami Lynn, Pelican Rapids, MN, Nursing
"Self Report of Competency in Graduating Baccalaureate Nursing Students in
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Dr. Jane Bergland, Advisor

Thompson, Anna Joy, Fargo, ND, Counseling and Student Affairs "Counselors' Perceptions of Techniques For Overcoming Client Resistance" Dr. Wesley Erwin, Advisor

Watterud, Lori Ann, Moorhead, MN, Music Education
"Research on Vocal Art Song Recital Music: A Recital Program Featuring Works by the Garcia Family,
Wolfang Amadeus Mozart, Edvarg Grieg, Henry Purcell, and William Bolcom"
Dr. Tom Strait, Advisor

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Hills, Carmen Jo, Browns Valley, MN, Educational Leadership "Responsive Classroom" Dr. Dennis Van Berkum, Advisor

Majors and Minors

The Commencement Program lists all majors and minors which have been completed. If a student has completed two majors, the majors are separated by a comma (English, History); if a student has complete a major and a minor, the major and minor are separated by a semi-colon (English; History). If a student he earned a minor via the Tri-College University, the home institution is listed after the minor and placed parentheses, i.e. French (Concordia).

Masters Candidates

Candidates receiving master's degrees are listed in the program. The listing also contains the title of the thesis or project and their faculty advisor. Each candidate that participates in the ceremony will receive master's hood. The color of the velvet edging on the hood represents the academic discipline and the si lining (red and white) represents Minnesota State University Moorhead.

Academic Honors

Students who complete at least 60 credits at MSU Moorhead as candidates for baccalaureate degrees m graduate with the following honors:

CUM LAUDErepresenting a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher MAGNA CUM LAUDErepresenting a cumulative grade point average of 3.60 or higher SUMMA CUM LAUDErepresenting a cumulative grade point average of 3.80 or higher

Such honors are computed from the cumulative grade point average earned in all courses at MSU Moorhea The graduates who have earned these honors will have the achievement listed on their academic transcrip The CUM LAUDE graduates wear white honor cords. The MAGNA CUM LAUDE graduates wear rehonor cords. The SUMMA CUM LAUDE graduates wear red and white honor cords.

Honors Program Graduates

The MSU Moorhead Honors Program exists to award and encourage superior academic performance. Students who have earned a 3.50 grade point average during their freshman year are invited to participate the Honors Program. Those who complete the rigorous Honors Program curricular requirements are listed in the Commencement Program with an asterisk in front of their name and have the achievement listed of their academic transcripts.

Honor Societies

Delta Mu Delta honor society is an academic society for students who major in Business. The requirement for membership in Delta Mu Delta are (1) completion of the junior year, (2) a major in one of the busined disciplines, and (3) a minimum GPA of 3.20. The honor pin is triangular in shape and features a ship wis full sail and the Greek letters for Delta Mu Delta.

Beta Beta National Biology Society is an academic society for students who major in Biology. The requirements for membership in the Omega Mu chapter of Beta Beta Beta are (1) at least three biology courses in the biology major, and (2) a minimum GPA of 3.0 in those courses. The honor pin displays three biology major, and (2) a minimum GPA of 3.0 in those courses.

Greek letters, Beta Beta Beta, and a coiled serpent. The first Beta stands for the Greek word BALANNOS, which means acorn; it represents life in and on the ground. The second Beta stands for the Greek word BOUDETASE, which means little bird; it represents life in the air. The third Beta stands for the Greek word BOAX, which means fish; it represents life in the water. All three words may be summed up in one word BIOS, meaning life. The coiled serpent in the center of the pin is an ancient symbol of wisdom.

Phi Kappa Phi is a national academic honor society founded in 1897. MSUM's Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1982. The requirements for membership to Phi Kappa Phi are (1) top 5% of junior class, or (2) top 10% of graduating seniors, or (3) top 10% of graduate students. The honor pin appears as a gold octagon on a vertical bar. In the center of the octagon is a small globe, also gold, with a horizontal black band with the Greek letters for Phi Kappa Phi.

Pi Kappa Delta is a national honorary forensic organization within the Communication Studies, Film Studies, and Theatre Arts Department and is for intercollegiate debaters, competitive individual speakers, non-classroom audience speakers and instructors who teach courses in oral communication. The requirements for membership to Pi Kappa Delta include a 2.0 minimum GPA. The pin, which is gold, features the letters PKD, the organization's key, and a gavel.

Pi Sigma Alpha is a national honor society for political science majors. The requirements for membership in the Mu Xi chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha are (1) completion of 10 semester credits in political science including one 300-level class, (2) a minimum of 3.0 GPA in political science courses, and (3) a cumulative GPA of 3.0. The honor pin is a small gold pin with the honor society's greek letters on the front and the members name, chapter, and date of induction on the back.

Psi Chi is an honorary society for psychology majors that was founded in 1929. Psi Chi is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and an affiliate of the American Psychological Association and the American Psychology Society. The MSUM Chapter of Psi Chi was established in the Psychology Department in 1984. In addition to the national membership requirements of (1) a 3.0 GPA, (2) class rank in the top 35%, (3) completion of 3 semesters of college, and (4) 9 semester hours of psychology courses, (the MSUM chapter requires a minimum GPA of 3.25 in psychology courses). Members of Psi Chi wear a small gold pin in the shape of the Greek letter Psi over the letter Chi.

Sigma Theta Tau International is an honorary society for nursing majors, and was founded in 1922. MSUM belongs to the Xi Kappa chapter. The founders chose the name from the Greek words Storga, Tharos, and Tima meaning "love," "courage" and "honor". The founder's vision for the society helped bring recognition to nursing as a science. Membership is by invitation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship, and to community leaders who demonstrate exceptional achievement in nursing. The requirements for membership are (1) student rank in the top 35% of their class, and (2) a GPA of at least 3.0.

Pi Kappa Lambda, the national honor society in music, was established in 1918 at Northwestern University in Illinois to provide an organization dedicated to the furtherance of music in education and education in music

in colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher learning which offer music degree programs. Election to the Epsilon lota chapter (established at MSUM in 1982) requires that students be outstanding in scholarship and musicianship, and that candidates in their junior year be in the top 10% of their class, that seniors be in the top 20%, and that graduate students have satisfactorily completed the requirements of their degrees. The insignia pin of Pi Kappa Lambda is a gold Grecian lyre with symbols of music and drama (panpipes and mask with foils) on each side of the three strings of the lyre.

International Students Graduation Sash

In special recognition of graduating international students, a satin sash is worn that depicts their home country's flag and colors.

Academic Attire

The caps and gowns worn at formal academic events in American colleges are the direct descendants of the everyday costumes worn in the universities of Medieval England when each school had its peculiar dress so that an Oxford student could be distinguished from a Cambridge student. Because of the tremendous growth of American colleges, and the confusion that would result if each were to adopt a distinctive costume, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume was organized. The Bureau has established a uniform code that over 700 institutions have adopted.

There are three types of gowns and three types of hoods for bachelors, masters, and doctors. The bachelors' gown has a long pointed sleeve whereas the masters' gown has a long closed sleeve, square at the end. The doctors' gown is characterized by a voluminous bell-shaped sleeve with three velvet bars.

The hoods for all degrees are lined with silk in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree and have an edging or trim of velvet, the color of which indicates the academic discipline or faculty to which the degree pertains. The bachelors' hood is not worn by candidates for the baccalaureate degree but only by those upon whom this degree has been previously conferred. The masters' hood is considerably longer, has a wider velvet edging, and exposes more of the lining. The doctors' hood has wide panels at the side, it has the widest velvet edging, greatest length, and fullest exposure of the lining.

The black mortarboard cap with tassel is worn with each type of gown. Those holding a doctor's degree are privileged to wear a gold tassel. Masters and bachelors wear tassels that are either black or of the color appropriate to the academic discipline in which they are being graduated.

Some of the colors which may be observed at this commencement and which symbolize various faculties are as follows:

Arts and HumanitiesWhite	LawPurple	Public Administration Peacock Blue
Business Administration Light Brown	MusicPink	ScienceGolden Yellow
Education Light Blue	Nursing Apricot	Social WorkCitron
Fine Arts Dark Brown	Philosophy Dark Blue	



As the official symbol of the university's power and authority, this staff is carried in academic processions by the University President or his designee. Lyle Laske, Associate Professor Emeritus of Art at Minnesota State University Moorhead, crafted the staff for the university in memory of his colleague and friend, Dr. Roy Boe, who served as an Associate Professor of Art from 1967 to his death in 1976. The staff is sculpted from Brazilian rosewood, rubbed and polished to a deep luster. Its tips are cast in bronze and gold plated. The top piece on the staff, also in rosewood, is shaped in a universal form which symbolizes the medieval northern world. The staff rests in a base that is a solid, circular piece of rosewood.

The staff was presented to then President Roland Dille in 1978. This year, the staff bearer is Dr. Derald D. Rothmann, Professor of Mathematics.

The Presidential Medallion

The Presidential Medallion serves as a sign of the educational mission of Minnesota State University Moorhead. The President's commitment to the university's purposes is renewed in each solemn academic function, when it is appropriate to wear the medallion and be recharged by its symbols.

The medallion presented to Roland Barden upon his inauguration was designed and cast in bronze by P. Richard Szeitz, a faculty member in the MSUM art and design department from 1966 to 1994.

The seal's Latin inscription translates to "Striving for excellence, stimulating toward the very best." The design incorporates images of the seven liberal arts, representing the disciplines of learning in the modern university. Originally, those disciplines were divided into the trivium (logic, grammar, rhetoric) and the quadrivium (astronomy, arithmetic, geometry and harmony).

Faculty Retiring at end of fall Semester:

Marvin D. Bossart, Associate Professor of Mass Communications James Danielson, Professor of Political Science Larry F. Nordick, Professor of Paralegal



The Dragon

MSU Moorhead's dragon was born in the fire that devastated Old Main, the school's central building, on February 9, 1930. Legend has it that Flora Frick, a prominent physical education professor at the time, came up with the school mascot when she saw the football team running out of a temporary dressing room below the campus heating plant. It was a cool fall morning, and when she saw the frosty exhalations of a serpentine line of stampeding football players, she said: "They look just like dragons!"

MSUM adopted the dragon in the spring of 1930 by a vote of the student body. The original mascot, an oriental-style dragon rising up on its haunches, stood alone as the university's symbol for several years. In the late 1930s, however, it was upstaged by the cartoon-like "Denny the Dragon."

After that, an assortment of dragons, ranging from the funny to the fierce, were used to represent the University. None of them commanded enough presence to eclipse the others—until the current design was created by Haley Johnson. Johnson was a senior art major when she conceived the updated dragon in 1987, MSU Moorhead's centennial year, and her version was adopted as the official symbol.







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