RECEPTION
Following the ceremony, a reception will be held in the east lobby of the FargoDome. Light refreshments will be served.

PHOTOGRAPHS
Professional photographers will be available to photograph each degree candidate before and during each ceremony. Degree candidates will receive information from Lifetouch photography regarding the option to purchase prints. Photos may be viewed and purchased through http://events.lifetouch.com/ndsu.

Guests may not enter the field level. Special photo areas have been set up in the northwest and northeast corners of the concourse level and in the main lobby on the east side of the FargoDome.

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DVD ordering information can be found at www.ndsu.edu/commencement.
SPRING COMMENCEMENT  
MAY 16, 2015

President Dean L. Bresciani presiding

PROCессIONAL .................................. POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE, EDWARD ELGAR  
North Dakota State University Wind Symphony  
Dr. Warren Olfert, Conductor

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS ............... NDSU ARMY ROTC BATTALION AND  
NDSU AIR FORCE DETACHMENT

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM ..................... THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER, FRANCIS SCOTT KEY  
North Dakota State University Wind Symphony  
Dr. Warren Olfert, Conductor  
Nicholas Kasper, Candidate for Bachelor of Science degree  
Please remove your caps and remain standing until after the singing of the National Anthem.

WELCOME AND REMARKS .......................... PRESIDENT BRESCIANI

GREETINGS .................................................. DR. KEVIN MELICHER  
State Board of Higher Education

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER............ DR. TIMOTHY ALVAREZ  
Vice President for Student Affairs

STUDENT ADDRESS .................................. HOUDA ABDELRAHMAN  
Representative of the Graduating Class  
Candidate for Bachelor of Science degree

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH  
TO SECOND LIEUTENANT CANDIDATES ................. MG (RET) KEITH BJERKE  
Former North Dakota Adjutant General
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

DR. BETH INGRAM, Provost

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

PRESIDENT BRESCIANI

PRESENTATION OF COLLEGES

Graduate and Interdisciplinary Studies, Dean David Wittrock
Pharmacy, Nursing, and Allied Sciences, Dean Charles Peterson
Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources, Vice President, Dean and Director Kenneth Grafton
Business, Interim Dean Jane Schuh
Engineering, Dean Gary Smith
Science and Mathematics, Dean Scott Wood
University Studies, Associate Dean Carolyn Schnell
Human Development and Education, Dean Virginia Clark Johnson
Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Dean Kent Sandstrom

CLOSING REMARKS

PRESIDENT BRESCIANI

NDSU SCHOOL SONG

THE YELLOW AND THE GREEN, MINARD-PUTNAM
North Dakota State University Wind Symphony
Dr. Warren Olfert, Conductor
Nicholas Kasper, Candidate for Bachelor of Science degree

RECESSINAL

HOMAGE MARCH, EDVARD GRIEG
North Dakota State University Wind Symphony
Dr. Warren Olfert, Conductor

Please remain seated until the recessional concludes.
CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO SECOND LIEUTENANT

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Alexander Astin Cottage Grove, Minnesota
   Minnesota National Guard
Jason Dvorak West Fargo, North Dakota
   Active Duty
Andrew Gertner Mankato, Minnesota
   North Dakota National Guard
Christopher Gerving Beach, North Dakota
   Active Duty
Daniel Grages Montevideo, Minnesota
   North Dakota Army Reserve
Todd Lowell Jr. Palmer, Arkansas
   Active Duty
Eric Solien Lansing, Kansas
   Active Duty
David Stockdill Mandan, North Dakota
   North Dakota National Guard

DEPARTMENT OF AEROSPACE STUDIES (AIR FORCE ROTC) COMMISSIONEES
Randi Billings Lakeville, Minnesota
   U.S. Air Force Active Duty
Katlyn Boyle Faribault, Minnesota
   U.S. Air Force Active Duty
Samantha Mailhot Buffalo, Minnesota
   U.S. Air Force Reserves
Chantel Meech Fergus Falls, Minnesota
   U.S. Air Force Active Duty
Michael Winther Ortonville, Minnesota
   U.S. Air Force Active Duty

RECOGNITION OF FACULTY EXCELLENCE

WALDRON AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH
Dean Webster
   Chair and Professor of Coatings and Polymeric Materials

ODNEY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING
Adnan Akyüz
   Professor of Climatological Practice and North Dakota State Climatologist

PELTIER AWARD FOR INNOVATION IN TEACHING
Rajani Ganesh-Pillai
   Assistant Professor of Marketing

MENTORING EXCELLENCE AWARD
   Sean Sather-Wagstaff
   Associate Professor of Mathematics and Department Graduate Recruitment Chair

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DISTINGUISHED FACULTY SERVICE AWARD
Kevin Brooks
   Professor of English

SERVICE-LEARNING AWARD
Gary Goreham Professor of Sociology
CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

Houda Abdelrahman, graduated from Fargo South High School. She is receiving a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in zoology. An outstanding student with diverse interests, Abdelrahman’s campus activities ranged from working as an undergraduate research assistant in the Department of Biological Sciences to contributing health and science articles to the Spectrum student newspaper. In her research, she studied insects, focusing on low-oxygen storage for pollinator bees and a sex-determination gene in flies. Her work earned her a summer research internship at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. In addition, she contributed poetry and fiction to the Department of English’s “Northern Eclecta” project, and served as vice president and secretary of the College of Science and Mathematics Student Ambassadors. She was a member of the Pre-Medicine Association and volunteered at Bethany Retirement Living, Sanford Hospital Emergency Center and Fargo Adult Learning Center’s “English as a Second Language” program. Following graduation, she will attend medical school, with plans to become a physician.

COMMENCEMENT SOLOIST

Nicholas Kasper is from Fargo. He is receiving a Bachelor of Science in music, with a minor in business administration. He was active in numerous musical groups during his time as a student, including Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers and BisonArts Singers. He also appeared in two operas at NDSU: “The Magic Flute” and “The Mikado.” He plans to work at Bell State Bank and Trust following graduation.
CANDIDATES FOR
GRADUATE DEGREES

Candidates to be presented by Dean David Wittrock and marshaled by Dr. William Nganje, Dr. Erik Hobbie and Dr. Miriam Mara and student marshal Courage Hudzongo.

DOCTOR OF MUSICAL ARTS

Adam C. Hollingsworth
McIntosh, Minnesota
B.A., University of Minnesota-Morris
M.A., University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
"Folk Song in the Wind Band Music of Haydn Wood: Manin Veen and a New Performing Edition of The Seafarer"
Adviser: Dr. Warren Olfert

Jonathan D. Strommen-Campbell
Hillboro, North Dakota
B.A., Luther College
M.S.M., Luther Seminary
“The Choral Music of Frederick Delius (1862-1934) and Its Influence on the Choral Music of Early Twentieth-Century British Composers”
Adviser: Dr. Jo Ann Miller

Mary E. Walker
Brookings, South Dakota
B.M., University of Northern Colorado
M.M., San Francisco Conservatory of Music
“John Field’s First Piano Concerto”
Adviser: Dr. Michael Weber

Erik A. Zinter
Moorhead, Minnesota
B.A., Concordia College
M.M., University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
“The Tyger and The Lamb: Exploring the Relationship Between Music and Text in Selected Contemporary Choral Settings of Two Poems by William Blake (1757-1827)”
Adviser: Dr. Andrew Froelich

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Natalie M. Aughinbaugh
Fargo, North Dakota
B.S.N., University of North Dakota
“The Fruit and Vegetable Consumption Problem”
Adviser: Dr. Mykell Barnacle

Kayla D. Dascher
Lignite, North Dakota
B.S.N., Minot State University
M.S., Winona State University
“Teamwork During Cardiopulmonary Resuscitations at a Rural Minnesota Hospital”
Adviser: Dr. Mykell Barnacle

Laurel A. Dinmler
Stanley, North Dakota
B.S.N., Minot State University
M.S., University of North Dakota
“Implementation of Fluoride-Varnish as a Quality Improvement Intervention for Primary Care Providers in a Rural Pediatric Population”
Adviser: Dr. Dean Gross

Jenna M. Gross
Blackduck, Minnesota
B.A., Bemidji State University
B.S., University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh
“Implementation Provider Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatments into Bemidji Dialysis”
Adviser: Dr. Tina Lundeen

Emily J. Kalina
Grand Forks, North Dakota
B.S., North Dakota State University
“Standardized Postpartum Depression Screening and Treatment”
Adviser: Dr. Norma Kiser-Larson

Dianne Kappelman Beyer
Fargo, North Dakota
B.S.N., La Roche College
“Addressing Student Depression on Campus: Barriers and Assets”
Adviser: Dr. Molly Secor-Turner

Christa M. Kleinjan
Fargo, North Dakota
B.S.N., Northwestern College
B.A., Northwestern College
“Concussion Assessment and Management in Young Athletes: A Provider Education Module”
Adviser: Dr. Dean Gross

Christine M. Olson
 Thief River Falls, Minnesota
B.S.N., University of North Dakota
M.S., University of Mary
“Emergency Care Education for Advanced Practice Providers in Rural Critical Access Hospitals”
Adviser: Dr. Mykell Barnacle

Allison E. Peltier
Carrington, North Dakota
B.S., Minnesota State University Moorhead
Adviser: Dr. Loretta Heuer

Vanessa A. Skolness
Glyndon, Minnesota
B.A., University of Jamestown
“Success Through Transition: A Transition Planning Checklist for Diabetes Care Transition”
Adviser: Dr. Molly Secor-Turner

Taryn N. Treumer
Kensal, North Dakota
B.S., Jamestown College
“Adult ADHD Self-Report Scale: Implementation in a Primary Care Setting”
Adviser: Dr. Dean Gross

James T. Upton
Fargo, North Dakota
B.S.N., Minnesota State University Moorhead
“Medication Therapy at Discharge and Medical Follow-up: Outcomes Following Surgical Coronary Revascularization in American Indians”
Adviser: Dr. Loretta Heuer

Molly C. Vaishnav
North Oaks, Minnesota
B.A., Bemidji State University
B.S., University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh
“Breast Cancer Screening in Native American Women at an Urban Minnesota Community Clinic”
Adviser: Dr. Tina Lundeen
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Daniel Aceituna Software Engineering Fargo, North Dakota B.S., North Dakota State University M.S., North Dakota State University “Addressing Off-No, Minal Behaviors in Requirements for Embedded Systems.” Adviser: Dr. Hyunsook Do

Mazhar Ali Electrical and Computer Engineering Abbottabad, Pakistan B.A., University of Peshawar M.G.S., COMSATS Institute of Information Technology M.S., Royal Institute of Technology “Towards Secure Closed Storage Services” Adviser: Dr. Samee Khan

Muhammad Ali Electrical and Computer Engineering Abbottabad, Pakistan B.S., N.W.P. University of Engineering and Technology M.S., N.W.P. University of Engineering and Technology “Power System Stability Enhancement Through Data Center Ancillary Services” Adviser: Dr. Samir Khan

Rakesh Awale Soil Science Lalitpur, Nepal B.S., Tribhuvan University M.S., Arkansas State University “Nitrogen (N) Dynamics in Soils from the Red River Valley of North: Effects of Crop Types, Soil Moisture, Fertilizer N-Rates, and N-Sources” Adviser: Dr. Anitava Chatterjee


Anusha R. Balangoda Environmental and Conservation Science Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania B.A., University of Ruhuna “Impact of Aeration on Nitrogen and Phosphorus at Eutrophic Lake” Adviser: Dr. Shafiqur Rahman

Min Chen Software Engineering Shenzhen, China B.A., College of St. Benedict M.S., North Dakota State University “Fuzzy Logic and Evolutionary Algorithms Applied in Data Mining” Adviser: Dr. Simone A. Ludwig

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Sintayehu Daba Plant Sciences Fargo, North Dakota B.S., Hanan University M.S., Hanan University “Genetic Diversity and Genome-wide Association Mapping of Agronomic, Disease Resistance, and Quality Traits in barley Accessions from Ethiopia, ICARDA, and the USA” Adviser: Dr. Richard D. Horsley

Elena De La Pena Cereal Science Burgos, Spain B.S., University of Burgos M.S., University of Burgos “Manufacturing Optimization of Non-Traditional Pasta Products” Adviser: Dr. Frank Manthey

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Gerardo Gracia Gonzalez Cereal Science Fargo, North Dakota B.S., Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon M.S., Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon “Metabolite Profiling of Hard Red Spring Wheat (Triticum aestivum) Inoculated with Fusarium Graminearum Utilizing UHPLC-QTOF, M.S.” Adviser: Dr. Senay Simsek
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M.S., Addis Ababa University
“Buckling Instability in Nanoscale Polymer Films”
Adviser: Dr. Andrew Croll

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“Visual Detection of Cancer Biomarkers with Aptamer Functionalized-Gold Nanoparticles”
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“Cloning and Characterization of the Iron-Micromechanical a North Dakota Experimental Glass Fibres Reinforcements”
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“The Nature of Monodispersity in Single-Wall Carbon Nanotube-Silicon Heterojunction Solar Cells”
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“Micromechanical a North Dakota Experimental Analyses of Bio-Based Thermoset Resins with Flax a North Dakota Glass Fibres Reinforcements”
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“Optimized Evaluation of Bone Tissue Material Properties by Inverse Finite Element Analysis and Femur Fracture Testing”
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“Utilizing Recommender Systems as an Analysis Tool to Measure Network Dynamics”
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“Best Practices for Communicating Critical Messages from a Registrar’s Office to Traditional-Aged College Students”
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“Life in the Slow Lane: An Autoethnography of Identity Development Following Disability in Young Adulthood”
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“Synthesis, Photophysics, and Nonlinear Absorption of Platinum(II) and Iridium (III) Complexes”
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“Unraveling the Genetic Architecture of Agronomic Traits and Developing a Genome Wide Indel Panel in Common Bean (Phaseolus vulgaris)”
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“Older Adults Fighting Obesity with Bariatric Surgery: Benefits, Side Effects and Outcomes”
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“Doctoral Classrooms: A Community of Scholars or a Community of Resistance?”
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“Arabinoxylans Hydrolyzates as Prebiotics and Immunomodulators”
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“Relationships among Retention, Satisfaction, and Academic Performance”
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“A Look at Female Identity Binding Within the Technology Workplace: Down the Rabbit Hole, Alice’s Story, and Playing Croquet With the Red Queen”
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“Innovation Hour: A Qualitative Case Study of a School-wide Advisory”
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“The Nexus Between the Local Needs and Aspirations of Ugandans and the Global Education Goals: Case Study”
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“A Qualitative Research Study to Explore the Lived Experiences of Females Who Are Homeless and Living in Shelters”
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“A Statistical Analysis of Games in the National Football League”
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“Impact of Climate Variability on Streamflow and Water Quality in the North Central United States”
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“A Data Mining Approach to Radiation Hybrid Mapping”
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Fargo, North Dakota
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“Ecology of Cryptosporidium Parasites in Wild Small Mammal Populations”
Advisers: Dr. John McEvoy and Dr. Mark Clark

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Fargo, North Dakota
B.Tech, Laxminarayan Institute of Technology
“Synthesis, Characterization and Applications of Electroactive Polymeric Nanostructures for Organic Coatings”
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“Social Support as a Social Comfort and Social Encouragement: The Moderating Effect of Task Engagement”
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“Tracking CSR: How the Petroleum Industry Communicates Their CSR. Over Time”
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“Microwave Torrefaction of Natural Fibers for Incorporation into Engineering Thermoplastic Biocomposites”
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“Investigating Biodegradability of Dissolved Organic Nitrogen in Oligotrophic and Eutrophic Systems”
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Kisumu, Kenya
B.S., Southwest Minnesota State University
“Understanding the Role of Vasoactive Intestinal Peptide in Immune Cells Homeostasis and Biology”
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Fargo, North Dakota
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“A Big Deal: Examining Routine Activity Variables in Relation to Sexual Victimization on the College Campus”
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“Characterization of Lignocellulosic Biomass for Storage and Preprocessing Energy”
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Fargo, North Dakota
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“Polycomb Protein EZH2 Suppresses Apoptosis by Silencing the Proapoptotic miR-31”
Advisers: Dr. Bin Guo

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Fargo, North Dakota
B.Eng., Anhui Science and Technology University
M.Ag., Nanjing Agricultural University
“Molecular and Genetic Characterization of Fusarium Head Blight Resistance in Durum Wheat”
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Roundup, Montana
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M.S., Harvard University
“Understanding the Social Effects from Implemented Water Interventions in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Qualitative Study in Kiti, Kenya”
Adviser: Dr. Elizabeth Blodgett Salafia
DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Kristin K. Allmaras New Rockford, North Dakota
Scott A. Alverson Fargo, North Dakota
Nathan A. Beckman Stanley, North Dakota
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Daniel J. Broderick Washburn, North Dakota
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Kailey E. Christianson Fargo, North Dakota
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Breanna K. Curtis Devils Lake, North Dakota
Jake R. Decker Dickinson, North Dakota
Ashley R. Doeden Hillsboro, North Dakota
Kailee A. Donner Clara City, North Dakota
Nicole M. Dyrdahl Fosston, Minnesota
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Allison R. German Bismarck, North Dakota
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Andrew D. Holm Bismarck, North Dakota
Betsy J. Hutchinson Detroit Lakes, Minnesota
Matthew T. Ironroad Fargo, North Dakota
Eric R. Jacobson Fargo, North Dakota
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Jeremy R. Johnson Mayville, North Dakota
Paul D. Johnson Rochester, Minnesota
Ryan D. Johnson Zimmerman, Minnesota
Karim M. Josephson Annadale, Minnesota
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Madeleine A. Keilenberg Woodbury, Minnesota
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Jessica F. Kopp Napoleon, North Dakota
Andrew J. Kunya Eau Claire, Wisconsin
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Shelby R. Monson Bismarck, North Dakota
Kayla N. Nelson Caselton, North Dakota
Jenna L. Pakala Wheatland, North Dakota
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Ryan Platz Blaine, Minnesota
Abby M. Richardson Plymouth, Minnesota
Whitney M. Richman Tower City, North Dakota
Jordan L. Rist Bemidji, Minnesota
Tyler K. Rogers Hatton, North Dakota
Heather M. Ryan Kimball, Minnesota
Jeremiah J. Saunders Pine Island, Minnesota
Jordan M. Schlicht Fargo, North Dakota
Jessica L. Schnabel Fargo, North Dakota
Sara A. Schroeder Carrington, North Dakota
Molly A. Slaby Jamestown, North Dakota
Danielle A. Steckler Fargo, North Dakota
Svetlana G. Stukalova Jamestown, North Dakota
Jessica R. Theisen Bemidji, Minnesota
Trent A. Thompson Ramsey, Minnesota
Amanda J. Timmerman Bloomington, Minnesota
Martha E. Toede Tomahawk, Wisconsin
Carly L. Trowbridge West Fargo, North Dakota
Shalene M. Troyer West Fargo, North Dakota
Kayla J. Vieu Delano, Minnesota
Alex S. Wald Dickinson, North Dakota
Katllyn J. Weigel Napoleon, North Dakota
Jacob R. Westman Buffalo, Minnesota
Kelsey B. Wolfe Minot, North Dakota
Kon K. Wong Silver Spring, Maryland
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Candidates to be presented by Dean Charles Peterson and marshaled by Dr. Donald Miller and student marshal Jane Loueng.
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The academic processional that officially preludes the Commencement ceremonies on college and university campuses is one of the oldest and most colorful customs that link 21st century education with its early origins.

To signal the achievements of their students, American institutions of higher learning conduct a formal ceremony to award the appropriate degrees earned at the conclusion of prescribed study. The action of taking the degree — baccalaureate, master’s or doctorate, as well as the designation of the day itself — is Commencement. Various explanations of the term Commencement are possible. The most likely is that centuries ago the bachelor, originally an apprentice, began an apprenticeship upon that day; and with the degree of M.A. and Ph.D., the masters and doctors commenced their work upon the day their degrees were conferred. So today, students, having finished their preliminary education, set out upon the career for which they have prepared.

ACADEMIC APPAREL
As cited in Academic Heraldry in America (Sheard, 1962), the academic regalia worn at Commencement is of medieval origin. The scholars of Bologna, Salamanca, Paris, Oxford, Cambridge, Louvain and Heidelberg dressed in a manner to distinguish themselves from the merchants and other townspeople. Since the 11th century, when the rise of universities began, “learned clerks” robed themselves in gowns, caps and hoods, thus marking a difference between “town and gown.”

By this apparel they were recognized as belonging to the teaching guild, which was the Guild of the Master of Arts. In this organization, the bachelor was the apprentice of the master. This relationship was the forerunner of today’s academic structure.

Today, customs vary in different parts of the world. Generally in Europe, professors wear the type of garment customary in the university where they are lecturing. In the United States, professors continue to wear the gown and hood of the university from which they received their highest degree. The gown, in origin, may have been simply a type of overcoat to protect the teacher from the cold in unheated buildings; the cut or style seems to be derived from ecclesiastical attire. It has usually been black; however, in recent years some institutions have adopted a school color for their gowns. The gowns of bachelors and masters are usually without trimmings of any sort, whereas those of doctors are faced down the front with velvet and adorned with three velvet bars on the sleeves.

The cap or “mortarboard” may have come from the squarish cap worn by the masons of the Middle Ages, or perhaps was suggested by the shape of the books that occupied so much of the scholar’s time. Attached to a button atop the “mortarboard” is a tassel. The tassel is
worn on the left side by individuals receiving or have received a degree. For photography purposes, a candidate’s tassel may be worn on the right side of the mortarboard.

The hood, a triangular fold of cloth worn over the back of the gown, is faced with colors which denote the field of study represented by the wearer’s degree; the colors of the lining are those of the college or university that granted the degree. The length of the hood is correspondingly longer with each higher degree.

The wide velvet borders extending down the front of the doctoral gown, the velvet bars on the sleeves and the borders of most hoods, are colored according to the scholarly field of the wearer. The most usual of these doctoral hood colors are the following:

- blue violet: Architecture
- white: Arts, Letters and Humanities
- copper: Economics
- light blue: Education
- orange: Engineering
- brown: Fine Arts
- crimson: Communication
- purple: Law
- lemon: Library Science
- pink: Music
- dark blue: Philosophy
- sage green: Physical Education
- salmon pink: Public Health
- gold: Science
- scarlet: Theology

While the arrangement of colors is pleasing to the eye and add beauty and impressiveness to ceremonial processions, there is historic significance attached to their selection. The white for arts and letters comes from the white fur of the Oxford and Cambridge B.A. hoods. The red for theology, as used by cardinals for centuries, follows the traditional color of the church. The purple for law comes from the royal purple of the king’s courts. The green for medicine, from the stripe in the army surgeon’s uniform, and earlier from the color of medicinal herbs.

The degrees in philosophy are shown by blue, the color of truth and wisdom. Science by gold-yellow, which signifies wealth contributed by scientific discoveries. Pink was taken from the pink brocade prescribed for the Oxford doctors of music. Olive, a shade of green, was selected for pharmacy, which is closely allied to medicine; while russet brown, the color of dress worn by old English foresters, indicates forestry.

Graduate candidates wear a hood colored according to the scholarly field of the wearer.

**UNIVERSITY MACE**

The mace has an ancient history of use as a symbol of authority. Originally used by knights or a royal bodyguard to protect a king in processions, the mace evolved to assume more ceremonial functions by the 14th century. As a symbol of order and authority, the NDSU mace is now carried by the Stage Marshal, the presiding officer of the Faculty Senate, before the president and other platform party dignitaries in Commencement processions.
WITH HONOR: Graduation with honor applies only to the baccalaureate degree. Graduate courses will not be included in the computation. Candidates who entered NDSU as freshmen and who have earned an institutional grade-point average greater than or equal to 3.50 and less than 3.70 will be graduated Cum Laude, an institutional grade-point average greater than or equal to 3.70 and less than 3.90 will be graduated Magna Cum Laude, and an institutional grade-point average greater than or equal to 3.90 and up to 4.0 will be graduated Summa Cum Laude. Candidates with transfer credits must meet the institutional grade-point average qualifications with the above criteria for all credits earned at NDSU, as well as a cumulative grade-point average for all credits earned including those from transfer work. All grades and all attempts of repeated courses will be included in grade-point average calculations for graduating with honor. The honor medallion is a gold medallion on a yellow ribbon and is worn around the neck. The medallion features the NDSU seal.

Other academic honors include the following:

BETA GAMMA SIGMA, international business honor society: A blue and gold cord is worn around the neck. Students, by class, who qualify are: juniors, top 7 percent; seniors, top 10 percent; and MBA students, top 20 percent.

BLUE KEY, national honor society: A blue and gold medallion with a blue ribbon is worn around the neck. Blue Key recognizes students for remarkable leadership and outstanding service to the university and the community. Academic achievement of members must be within the top 35 percent of their class.

GAMMA SIGMA DELTA, international agriculture honor society: A forest green and light tan honor cord is worn around the neck. Membership is conferred upon selected students who have demonstrated superior teaching, research or service to agriculture while maintaining a 3.5 grade-point average.

Members represent agricultural excellence at the undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate levels.

GOLDEN KEY, international honor society: A gold medallion on a blue and gold ribbon is worn around the neck. Golden Key recognizes juniors and seniors from all disciplines who are in the top 15 percent of their class.

LAMBDABETA HONOR SOCIETY, national respiratory care honor society: A forest green and black ribbon pin is worn on the gown. Members must have completed at least 50 percent of their course work and rank academically in the top 25 percent of the respiratory care class.

LAMBDAPI ETA, national communication honorary society: A gold cord is worn around the neck. To qualify, members must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 with a 3.25 in their human or mass communication major courses.

MORTAR BOARD, national honor society: A gold medallion is worn around the neck. Mortar Board recognizes college seniors for distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership and service. Members also must meet at least a 3.0 grade-point average.

NATIONAL RESIDENCE HALL Honorary: A navy blue honor cord is worn around the neck. To qualify, members must demonstrate leadership and academic qualities within the top 1 percent of the residence hall population.

PHI ALPHA THETA, national history honor society: A pale blue and red cord is worn around the neck. Members represent excellence in historical research at all levels: undergraduate, graduate and post-graduate.

PHI ETA SIGMA, national honor society: A black and gold cord worn around the neck. To qualify, students must have a 3.50 institutional grade-point average at the close of any full-time semester during their first year.
PHI KAPPA PHI, honorary scholastic society: A gold stole is worn around the neck. Members are chosen from among those students in the top 10 percent of their class.

PHI UPSILON OMICRON (PHI U), honorary human development and education society: Double cords of entwined purple, white and yellow are worn around the neck. Academic achievement must be within the top 35 percent of majors in all political science courses.

PI SIGMA ALPHA, national political science honor society: A cloissoné medallion on a red ribbon, is worn around the neck. To qualify, students must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 and have a 3.0 grade-point average in all political science courses.

PI TAU SIGMA, international mechanical engineering honor society: A white stole with the Pi Tau Sigma coat of arms is worn around the neck. To qualify, juniors in the mechanical engineering program must be in the top 25 percent of their class; as non-graduating seniors, members must be in the top 35 percent of their class.

PSI CHI, national psychology honor society: A silver stole is worn around the neck. To qualify, members must have a 3.0 cumulative grade-point average, a 3.50 major grade-point average and rank in the upper 35 percent of their class.

RHO CHI SOCIETY, national pharmacy honor society: A purple and white honor cord is worn around the neck. To qualify, members must have completed their second year of the professional program. Membership is offered to the top 20 percent of the class.

SIGMA TAU DELTA, international English honor society: A red stole is worn around the neck. Undergraduate members must rank in the top 35 percent of their class. Graduate members must have at least a 3.3 grade-point average.

TAU BETA PI, national engineering honor society: A white satin collar with the Bent embroidered in gold is worn around the neck. To qualify as juniors, members must be in the top one-eighth of their engineering class; as seniors, members must be in the top one-fifth of their engineering class.

TAU SIGMA DELTA, national architecture honor society: A white stole with gold embroidery is worn around the neck. To qualify, juniors or seniors must have a 3.0 grade-point average and be in the upper 20 percent of their class.

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM, a gold medallion on a green ribbon is worn around the neck. Honor Society graduates have completed, in addition to their primary majors, a four-year curriculum of interdisciplinary honors courses and have produced and publicly presented a senior honors thesis.

UPSILON PI EPSILON, national computer science honor society: Medallion with burgundy ribbon is worn around the neck. To qualify, undergraduate students must be upperclass status in the top 35 percent of their class and have a minimum grade-point average of 3.3, with at least a 3.5 grade-point average in 24 or more credits of computer science courses. Graduate students must have at least 18 upper-division computer science credits with a minimum grade-point average of 3.5.

VETERAN HONOR SOCIETY: a red, white and blue braided cord is worn around the neck, adorned with a medallion representing the student’s branch of service. To qualify, the student must have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average and represent the North Dakota State University veteran community in a positive way.
HONORARY DOCTORATES

1939
Dean H. L. Bolley, D.Agr.

1940
Arni Helgeson, D.Agr.
George Will, D.Sc.
Philip S. Rose, D.Agr.
M. L. Wilson, D.Agr.
Henry H. Kildee, D.Agr.

1943

1946
Dr. L. Van Es, D.Agr.

1948
O. A. Stevens, D.Sc.

1949
Jack Pyle, LL.D.
Dr. F. L. Hovde, LL.D.

1950
J. L. Coulter, D.Sc.
Alex Lind, LL.D.

1951
Clyde H. Bailey, D.Sc.

1952
D. Milton Ladd, LL.D.

1953
Dr. H. L. Walster, D.Sc.

1954
Dean R. M. Dolve, D.Sc.

1955
Dean W. F. Sudro, D.Sc.
Newell P. Beckwith, D.Sc.

1956
Roy Johnson, D.Sc.

1957
John Haw, D.Sc.

1958
Dr. Melvin Brodshaug, Litt.D.
Duke de Vallombrosa, LL.D.

1959
Donald Fletcher, D.Sc.
James B. Konen, D.Sc.

1960
T. E. Stoa, D.Sc.
Robert B. Parrott, LL.D.

1961
E. J. Haslerud, D.Sc

1962
Charles E. Kellogg, D.Sc.
H. H. Flor, D.Sc.
George E. Abbott, D.Sc.
Edward A. Steinhaus, D.Sc.

1963
Dr. Irvanae Applegate, D.Sc.
Dr. Hilton M. Briggs, D.Sc.
Dr. Patrick H. Costello, D.Sc.
Dr. James Scott Long, D.Sc.

1964
Reuben W. Askaniae, LL.D.
W. B. Baker, LL.D.
Ernest J. George, D.Sc.
Clarence F. Kelly, D.Sc.

1965
Dr. Marlin George Cline, D.Sc.
H. Christine Finlayson, D.Sc.
Justice Samuel Freedman, LL.D.
Lois Phillips Hudson, Litt.D.
Alvin A. Johnson, D.Agr.
Dr. Lyle W. Phillips, D.Sc.
Clarice Gullickson Taylor, D.Sc.
Lawrence Welk, D.Mus.

1966
Harold B. Bachman, D.Mus.
Dr. Leon O. Jacobson, D.Sc.
Robert Pearson, D.Sc.
Glenn J. Talbott, D.Agr.
Vernon O. Trygstad, D.Sc.

Special Convocation
Dec. 15, 1966
General Harold K. Johnson, L.H.D.

1967
Patrick E. Haggerty, D.Sc.
Dr. E. F. Knipling, D.Sc.
Dr. Casper I. Nelson, D.Sc.
Dr. O. Meredith Wilson, L.H.D.

1968
C. N. Nelson, D.Sc.
Charles R. Walgreen, Jr., D.Sc.

During Inaugural
April 11, 1969
Dr. Clifford M. Hardin, D.Sc.

1969
Clifford H. Willson, D.Sc.

1970
Gilmore T. Schjeldahl, D.Sc.
Senator Milton R. Young, D.Sc.

1971
Lawrence B. Hall, D.Sc.
George A. Rogler, D.Sc.

1972
Dr. H. R. Albrecht, D.Sc.
Clyfford Still, D.F.A.

1973
William L. Guy, LL.D.
Dr. G. Wilson Hunter, D.Sc.

1974
Miss Mercedes Bates, D.Sc.
Dr. Reinhard Wolff, D.Sc.

1975
Miss Peggy Lee, D.Mus.
Irwin R. Rector, D.Sc.

1976
Paul M. Gallagher, LL.D.
Thomas S. Kleppe, LL.D.
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1977
Albert Doerr, D.Sc.
Harold Schafer, LL.D.
Larry Alfred Woiwode, Litt.D.

1978
Mark Andrews, LL.D.
Dr. David Schindler, D.Sc.

1979
Roland F. Harding, D.Sc.

1980
Quentin N. Burdick, LL.D.
Dr. Beverly Fiefe Lynché, Litt.D.
1981
M. Truman Fossum, D.Sc.
Louis L’Amour, Litt.D.
John L. McCormick, Jr., LL.D.
1982
Katherine K. Burgum, D.Sc.
Dr. Robert W. Coon, D.Sc.
1983
1984
Brynhild Haugland, LL.D.
1985
Edwin M. Anderson, D.Sc.
John H. Ladish, D.Sc.
1986
James H. Critchfield, D.Sc.
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William A. Schlosman, LL.D.
1987
Robert M. Hendrickson, LL.D.
1988
Dr. Marvin E. Jensen, D.Sc.
Glen J. Schoessow, D.Sc.
1989
Howard M. Olson, D.Sc.
1990
Warren B. Diederich, D.Sc.
Fred B. Scheel, LL.D.
William J. Grosz, D.Sc.
David M. Gipp, LL.D.
C. Warner Litten, LL.D.
Donald J. Kenna, D.Sc.
Harold J. Klosterman, D.Sc.
Anne Stegner, LL.D.
Glenn S. Smith, D.Sc.
Stanley W. Bale, D.Sc.
1991
Lloyd Thompson, D.Sc.
1992
Aldrich C. Bloomquist, D.Sc.
Harvey K. Nelson, D.Sc.
Art Bunker, LL.D.
1993
Dr. Robert O. Brandenburg, D.Sc.
William C. Marcil, Litt.D.
George A. Sinner, L.H.D.
1994
Jean Mason Guy, L.H.D.
Peter Schickele, D.F.A.
1995
Dr. Jack F. Carter, D.Sc.
Robert N. Spulum, LL.D.
1996
Dr. Philip E. Austin, LL.D.
1998, May
Lendal H. Kotschevar, LL.D.
Ronald D. Offutt, LL.D.
1998, December
Dr. James M. Sugihara, D.Sc.
1999, May
Alf H. Clausen, D.Mus.
Dr. R. James Cook, D.Sc.
1999, December
Robert C. Dawson, LL.D.
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David W. Bernauer, D.Sc.
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2000, December
Ervin E. Kaiser, LL.D.
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2001, December
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Fred G. Paviola, D.Sc.
2003, May
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Michael E. Hanson, D.Sc.
2004, December
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2005, May
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2006, May
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2006, December
Russell F. Freeman, LL.D.
2007, May
Frank Jennings, LL.D.
James Meier, D.Sc.
2007, December
John Dean, D.Agr.
Sheldon Elig LL.D.
Harold Newman, LL.D.
2008, May
Myron Bright, LL.D.
Dr. Calvin Fercho, D.Sc.
2008, December
Maj. Gen. Darrol G. Schroeder, LL.D.
Maj. Gen. Terry L. Scherling, LL.D.
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2010, May
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2012, December
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D.Hum.Litt. Humane Letters
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TO THE 2015 GRADUATE

Congratulations on earning your degree. Today, along with your classmates, you have become alumni. One era has passed and another is about to begin.

We are proud that you will continue to carry the reputation of North Dakota State University through your activities and accomplishments. You exemplify the results of a good education—a critical mind, a discerning spirit, higher values, a sense of commitment and the privilege of service.

In addition, by virtue of your graduation, you are a member of the NDSU Alumni Association. The Association provides you a continued NDSU connection with information, services, events, and a Career Center link. Additional services from the Alumni Association include an online directory of NDSU graduates, event information, game-watch locations, a football ticket exchange blog and more. Please take a look. We invite you to stay connected with NDSU through social media as well. NDSU has an active Facebook page at facebook.com/ndsu.fargo, as well as a Twitter feed @ndsu. Our LinkedIn group is NDSUAlumni.

The NDSU Alumni Association works closely with the NDSU Career Center to provide alumni services such as CAREERlink, an alumni job board, invitations to attend career fairs and access to online resources continue for all graduates. Alumni within five years of graduation also have access to one-on-one resume critiques, cover letter reviews, interview preparation and job search strategies. All of the Alumni Association and Career Center services can be found at www.ndsualumni.com.

As alumni, you can assist the university in many ways. You can recruit highly qualified students, or proudly represent NDSU through personal and occupational achievements. Many graduates opt to give back financially through the Development Foundation and others work as volunteers to coordinate special events conducted across the United States and around the globe.

To you, your family, friends and those who helped you arrive here today, we extend our best wishes. You are joining a great community of more than 80,000 NDSU alumni working together to make a difference around the world. Welcome to the Alumni Association.

Scott Handy, BS ’80
Chair, Alumni Association
North Dakota had been a state a little less than a year when Governor John Miller signed a bill on March 8, 1890, designating a square mile of land adjoining Fargo as the site of the new campus and demonstration farm under the name, North Dakota Agricultural College.

A commitment to the federal government was honored by establishing a college of agriculture and mechanic arts under the Morrill Act of 1862. The course of studies was to be a harmonious blend of technical and academic subjects.

Known as a people’s college, NDSU was part of a bold new experiment to provide access to a college education for the common person. That was how it started.

NDSU is a national model of the successful student-focused, land-grant, research institution, and is ranked by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education among the top 108 private and public universities in the United States.

NDSU is an energized, vibrant institution that enrolled more than 14,700 students during fall 2014 in its undergraduate and graduate programs. Approximately 95 percent of NDSU students are in face-to-face, traditional classroom-based courses, a figure that leads the state by a large margin.

NDSU excels in areas of innovative and technology-driven research, with more than $150 million in research expenditures reported in fiscal year 2013. NDSU is listed in the Top 100 research universities in the United States for research and development in agricultural sciences, chemistry, physical sciences, psychology and social sciences, based on research expenditures reported to the National Science Foundation.
Oh, say can you see by the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thru the perilous fight,
O’er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets’ red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Ho, a cheer for green and yellow
Up with yellow and the green,
They’re the shades that deck our prairies
Far and wide with glorious sheen,
Fields of waving green in springtime
Golden yellow in the fall —
How the great high-arching heaven
Looks and laughs upon it all.

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