WINTER COMMENCEMENT
DECEMBER 16, 2016
President Dean L. Bresciani presiding

PROCessional ................................. Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar
North Dakota State University Brass Ensemble
Dr. Jeremy Brekke, Conductor

Presentation of the Colors ........ NDSU Air Force and Army ROTC Battalion

The National Anthem ................. The Star-Spangled Banner, Francis Scott Key
North Dakota State University Brass Ensemble
Dr. Jeremy Brekke, Conductor
Anna Tescher, Student Soloist

Please remove your caps and remain standing until after the singing of the National Anthem.

Welcome and Remarks .................. President Bresciani

Greetings ................................. Dr. Kevin Melicher
North Dakota University System
State Board of Higher Education

Introduction of Student Speaker .......... Dr. Timothy Alvarez
Vice President for Student Affairs

Student Address .......................... Nathan Kurtti
Graduating Class Representative

Administration of Oath
To Second Lieutenant Candidates ........ Col. Andrew Morganado
Commander 3rd Brigade Army ROTC
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES ........................................... DR. BETH INGRAM Provost

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES .................................................. PRESIDENT BRESCIANI

PRESENTATION OF COLLEGES
Graduate and Interdisciplinary Studies | pg. 5 .................. Dean Maria-Claudia Tomany
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CLOSING REMARKS ................................................... PRESIDENT BRESCIANI

NDSU SCHOOL SONG .......................... THE YELLOW AND THE GREEN, MINARD-PUTNAM
North Dakota State University Brass Ensemble
Dr. Jeremy Brekke, Conductor
Anna Tescher, Student Soloist

RECESSIONAL ................................. THE CROWNING GLORY, ALFRED REED
North Dakota State University Brass Ensemble
Dr. Jeremy Brekke, Conductor

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

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(ARMY ROTC) COMMISSIONEES

Tyler A. Fergel Shakopee, Minnesota
Active Duty

Cody J. Zikmund Aberdeen, South Dakota
North Dakota National Guard

CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

Nathan Kurtti is receiving a Bachelor of Science in English education. The English language and the art of writing have been at the center of his many activities and organizations while he was an NDSU student. Active as a tutor for the NDSU Center for Writers, ACE Tutoring and the Red River Writing Project and a volunteer at the Wellness and Empowerment Center, he has worked closely with students and New Americans to improve their communication skills. He is a member of the Sigma Tau Delta Honor Society for English and English education majors. In addition to his love for writing, he directed his own theater production of “Oliver!” in 2015. Kurtti, who plans to be an English teacher, is from Hazen, North Dakota.

SOLOIST

Anna Tescher originally from Dickinson, North Dakota, studied voice under Robert Jones, professor of music, while pursuing her bachelor’s degree in vocal performance. She was a member of the Madrigal Singers and the NDSU Concert Choir, where she was a featured soloist in Handel’s “Messiah.” She also appeared in NDSU Opera Scenes and NDSU Opera productions of Mozart’s “The Magic Flute,” Gilbert and Sullivan’s “Trial by Jury,” “A Midsummer Night’s Dream” and “HMS Pinafore.” She appeared in “Die Fledermaus” with Summer Performing Arts Opera and the Fargo-Moorhead Opera’s production of “Suor Angelica.” In addition, Tescher participated in the Johanna Meier Opera Theater Institute and the Vancouver International Song Institute programs. She also competed in the National Association for Teachers of Singing auditions, earning first places in her division at the state level and a second place ranking at the national level.
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

**Kory J. Bonnell**  
**Natural Resources Management**  
Crystal, Minnesota  
B.A., Concordia College  
“Gauging the Perceptions of High School Students in Different Demographics on Environmental Education Topics”  
Advisor: Dr. Christina Hargiss

**Paula J. Comeau**  
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“An Interdisciplinary Approach: Connecting Communication, Application, and Education within Natural Resources Management”  
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M.S., Donghua University  
P.H.D., Donghua University  
“First Principle Study on Interfacial Energetic Alignment and Charge Transfer in Quantum Dots Functionalized via Metal-Organic Dye”  
Advisor: Dr. Svetlana Kilina

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M.S., University of Dhaka  
“Evaluation of Phosphate Adsorbed Iron and Nanoiron as Plant Fortifier”  
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“Understanding the Relationships Between Plant Communities, Sediment Chemistry, and Fish Communities of Pristine Shallow Lake Wetlands”  
Advisor: Dr. Marinus Otte

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“Modeling the Petroleum Supply Chain: Multimodal Transportation, Disruptions and Mitigation Strategies”  
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“Habitat Use and Foraging Ecology of Bats in North Dakota”  
Advisor: Dr. Erin Gillam

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“Ammonia Oxidizing Archaea in Engineered Water and Wastewater Systems: Presence, Activity, Relationship to Heavy Metal Inhibition, and Disinfectants”  
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"Unfolding the Mysteries of Forest Pathology through Leaf Spot and Canker Disease of Populus Spp"  
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M.S., Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania  
"Leaf Rust and Stem Rust Resistance in Durum Wheat and Genotype by Sequencing for the Study of Population Genetics in Puccinia Triticina"  
Advisor: Dr. Marcicela Avevedo

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"Hard Red Spring Wheat Quality Evaluation with Various Roller Mill Types and Breading Methods"  
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"The Impact of Reproductive Technologies on Beef Cattle and Management"  
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"Agronomic Practices that Impact Grain Quality Factors of Durum Wheat"  
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"The Impacts of Maternal Nutritional Plane on the Expression of Endogenous Retroviral Gene Elements, Pregnancy Hormones, and Vascularity Factors During the Establishment of Pregnancy and Fetal Development in Beef Cattle"  
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"Optimum Seeding Rates for Diverse HRSW Cultivars"  
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“Environmental Influence on Cold-Climate Grape-vine (Vitis spp.) Fall Acclimation Response and Fruit Ripening”  
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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 a successful student-focused, land-grant, research institution. The university is an energized, vibrant institution that enrolled more than 14,400 students during fall 2016 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 annual research expenditures as reported in the National Science Foundation’s Higher Education Research and Development Survey. NDSU has been 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 reported research expenditures.
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The academic procession 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.

- **Maize**: Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources
- **Brown**: Landscape Architecture and Environmental Design
- **White**: Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
- **Dram**: Business
- **Light blue**: Education
- **Orange**: Engineering
- **Maroon**: Human Development
- **Apricot**: Nursing
- **Olive green**: Pharmacy
- **Golden yellow**: Science and Mathematics
- **White**: University Studies

**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.
GRADUATION HONORS

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 3.5 and less than 3.7 will be graduated Cum Laude, an institutional grade-point average greater than or equal to 3.7 and less than 3.9 will be graduated Magna Cum Laude, and an institutional grade-point average greater than or equal to 3.9 and up to 4.0 will be graduated Summa Cum Laude. All final grades on the NDSU academic record 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.

LAMBDA BETA 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.

LAMBDA PI 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 communication major courses.

MCNAIR SCHOLARS PROGRAM, TRIO Programs: A gold medallion on a red ribbon is worn around the neck. McNair recognizes scholars for contributing outstanding research to their academic field as well as their commitment to pursuing a doctoral degree. Only 29 undergraduate students are selected to participate in this program each year.

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.

ORDER OF OMEGA, national fraternity and sorority life honorary society: A gold stole is worn around the neck. Order of Omega recognizes the top 3 percent of juniors and seniors who have exemplified high standards in the areas of scholarship with a 3.25 grade-point average; and leadership and involvement within their respective organization(s), fraternity or sorority, campus and local community.

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 3.5 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 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 the field who qualify for membership.

PI SIGMA ALPHA, national political science honor society: A cloisonné 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 one-eighth of their class; as non-graduating seniors, members must be in the top one-fifth of their engineering 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 3.5 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 THETA TAU, international honor society of nursing: An orchid and white cord is worn around the neck. To qualify, members must have a 3.0 grade-point average, rank in the upper 35 percent of their nursing class and meet the expectation of academic integrity.

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. Honors program 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
Maj. Gen. James A. Ulio,
D.Sc. in Mil. Sci.

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

1964
Reuben W. Askanase, 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 J. 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. Albrecth, 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.
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Satenig S. St.Marie, LL.D.

1977
Albert Doerr, D.Sc.
Harold Schafer, LL.D.
Larry Alfred Woinode, 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 Pfeifer Lynch, 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

1985
Edwin M. Anderson, D.Sc.
John H. Ladish, D.Sc.

1986
James H. Critchfield, D.Sc.
Richard P. Critchfield, L.H.D.
William A. Schlossman, 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. Spolum, 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
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Dr. R. James Cook, D.Sc.

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2000 December
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Dr. A. Catherine Cater, D.F.A.
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Lebedeff, LL.D.

2001 December
Byron Dorgan, LL.D.

2002 May
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2003 May
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Michael E. Hanson, D.Sc.

2004 December
General Charles F. Wald, LL.D.

2005 May
James Rosenquist, D.F.A.

2006 May
Steve Swiontek, LL.D.

2006 December
Russell F. Freeman, LL.D.

2007 May
Frank Jennings, LL.D.
James Meier, D.Sc.

2007 December
John Dean, D.Agr.
Sheldon Ellig, 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.

2009 May
Robert Challey, LL.D.

2010 May
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2010 December
Barry Batcheller, D.Sc.

2012 December
Gregg Halverson, D.Agr.

2016 May
Dr. Myron D. Johnsrud, D.Agr.

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- HONORIS CAUSA
  D.Agr. Agriculture
  D.F.A. Fine Arts
  D.Hum.Litt. Humane Letters
  D.Mus. Music
  D.Sc. Science
  D.Sc. in Mil. Sci. Military Science
  J.D. Law
  L.H.D. Humanities
  Litt.D. Letters
  LL.D. Law
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