



NORTH  
DAKOTA  
STATE  
UNIVERSITY

COMMENCEMENT  
SPRING 2026

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# NDSU NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPRING COMMENCEMENT  
MAY 16, 2026

Interim President Rick Berg presiding

**PROCESSIONAL** .....POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE, EDWARD ELGAR  
North Dakota State University Brass Ensemble  
Associate Professor 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  
Associate Professor Jeremy Brekke, Conductor  
*10 a.m. Emma Erickson*  
*2 p.m. Olivia Desing*

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

**WELCOME AND REMARKS** ..... INTERIM PRESIDENT BERG

**INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER** ..... DEAN ALAN KALLMEYER  
College of Engineering  
*10 a.m. ceremony*

DEAN TERESA CONNER  
College of Health and Human Sciences  
*2 p.m. ceremony*

**STUDENT ADDRESS** ..... PAIGE SANDERS  
Graduating Class Representative  
*10 a.m. ceremony*

AKUA OSEI-BONSU  
Graduating Class Representative  
*2 p.m. ceremony*

**PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES** ..... PROVOST SHARI VEIL

**CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DOCTORATE . . . . . INTERIM PRESIDENT BERG**

Richard Offerdahl

*Honorary Doctorate of Engineering*

*10 a.m. ceremony*

Former Governor Jack Dalrymple

*Honorary Doctorate of Agriculture*

Betsy Dalrymple

*Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters*

*2 p.m. ceremony*

**CONFERRAL OF DEGREES . . . . . INTERIM PRESIDENT BERG**

**PRESENTATION OF COLLEGES**

**10 A.M.**

Graduate and Interdisciplinary Studies . . . . . Dean YT Lee

Arts and Sciences . . . . . Dean Kimberly Wallin

Engineering . . . . . Dean Alan Kallmeyer

**2 P.M.**

Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources . . . . . Associate Dean Carrie Hammer

Business . . . . . Dean Kathryn Birkeland

Health and Human Sciences . . . . . Dean Teresa Conner

**CLOSING REMARKS . . . . . INTERIM PRESIDENT BERG**

**NDSU SCHOOL SONG . . . . . THE YELLOW AND THE GREEN, MINARD-PUTNAM**

*10 a.m. Kaitlin Bitzegaio*

*2 p.m. Ellie Knudsvig*

**RECESSIONAL . . . . . THE CROWNING GLORY, ALFRED REED**

North Dakota State University Brass Ensemble

Associate Professor Jeremy Brekke, Conductor

*Please remain seated until the recessional concludes.*



## RICHARD OFFERDAHL

### *Honorary Doctorate of Engineering*

Richard Offerdahl is a 1965 NDSU electrical engineering alum. A native of Ada, Minnesota, Offerdahl started and sold businesses and invested in numerous startups and real estate throughout his life. His career included working at Control Data, and as the founder, president and CEO of Zycad. He served on the board of DIGI International, Advanced Respiratory and Sierra Sciences. He currently serves on the Board of Directors at RxFunction.

Always an engineer, Offerdahl's success in business ventures has now turned to philanthropy and supporting his alma mater. In October 2023, Offerdahl and his wife, Linda, established the Offerdahl Faculty Fellowship in the department of microbiological sciences. Barney Geddes, assistant professor in the department, is the fellowship holder.

In 2024, the Offerdahls made a historic \$25 million gift to what is now known as the Richard Offerdahl '65 Engineering Complex, the largest private donation ever made in support of an academic building at NDSU. Now in its final stages of construction, the complex represents a transformative investment in the future of engineering education and research. Purposefully designed to put engineering on display, the facility brings together state-of-the-art labs, collaborative learning environments and flexible research spaces that support hands-on discovery, interdisciplinary teamwork and industry engagement. Starting this fall, the complex will serve as a dynamic hub for students, faculty and partners, elevating the student experience, strengthening research capacity and continuing NDSU's legacy as a leader in engineering.

Richard and Linda Offerdahl have four grown children: Scott, Nicole, Kirk and Katelyn.



**JACK DALRYMPLE**  
*Honorary Doctorate of Agriculture*

**BETSY DALRYMPLE**  
*Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters*

Former North Dakota governor and first lady Jack and Betsy Dalrymple have become well known throughout North Dakota for their public service over the years. Jack has carried out a diverse life in agriculture, government leadership, business and public service. He was born October 16, 1948, and graduated with Honors from Yale University in 1970.

In December 1971, he married Betsy, who is from Detroit, Michigan, and they moved to the family farm near Casselton. After his father died unexpectedly in November, Jack immediately took over management of the Dalrymple Farms at age 23 and has continued in that role until today. In 1983 Jack was named one of four Outstanding Young Farmers in the USA by the US Jaycees.

In 1984, Jack ran for a House seat in the North Dakota Legislature vacated by Governor George Sinner. He served eight terms in the House and became the chairman of the full House Appropriations Committee. He was also chairman of the Budget Section from 1995-2000.

In 2000, he was asked to join John Hoeven on the Republican ticket for governor/lieutenant governor. He served as lieutenant governor from 2000 until 2010 when Governor Hoeven ran successfully for the U.S. Senate. Jack succeeded to the office of governor in 2010 and was elected to a four-year term in 2012. During his terms as lieutenant governor and governor, North Dakota became the fastest growing state in the U.S. At the same time income and property taxes were lowered.

Betsy has become well known as an advocate for public education, volunteerism and public service. She earned a bachelor's degree in developmental psychology with an elementary teaching degree and immediately went to work for the Fargo Public Schools, teaching kindergarten at Roosevelt Elementary and first and second grade at Madison Elementary.

As a volunteer, Betsy served on the Central Cass School Board for nine years, as well as numerous other boards including the FM Area Foundation, the ND Board for Public Education and ND Protection and Advocacy. She also served as chair of ND Cares, a coalition to support North Dakota veterans and military families. She is especially known for her work helping the residents of Minot, North Dakota, in their recovery from the 2011 flood.

As First Lady of North Dakota from 2010-2016, Betsy led the expansion of the Imagination Library project, a child reading promotion program that includes free books for children. Under her leadership, the program grew from 10 to over 60 affiliate communities. She also visited nearly 200 schools promoting reading with her t-shirt, "RED-Read Every Day." Betsy spearheaded the North Dakota legislation to include civic education in school curriculum. She also wrote a book on the history of the North Dakota Governors' Residence titled, "Building a House, Making a Home."

Among the many awards she has received are the Casselton Community Service Award, the YWCA of Minot Woman of Distinction Award, the ND Education Association Ready Child Award of Merit and the Seven Seals Award for her support of the North Dakota National Guard and Reserve.

Jack and Betsy Dalrymple have four married daughters and seven grandchildren.

# CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

## **Paige Sanders** 10 A.M. CEREMONY

Paige Sanders is graduating with a bachelor's in environmental engineering. Throughout her time at NDSU, Sanders has served as the president of Engineers Without Borders, a non-profit service-based student organization that partners with communities, both locally and internationally to design and implement infrastructure projects. She has also served as a CCEE representative for the Engineering Ambassadors, participated in the Engineering Leadership Learning Community her freshman year and has been involved in musical ensembles, including the NDSU Wind Symphony and University Symphony Orchestra, where she plays double bass. Sanders, who is from Foxboro, Wisconsin, is the daughter of Jon and Jessica Sanders.

## **Akua Osei-Bonsu** 2 P.M. CEREMONY

Akua Osei-Bonsu, who will be graduating with a master's degree in public health, has been actively involved on campus through the Student Public Health Association, serving as vice president and contributing to the planning and coordination of student-led public health events and professional development activities. She has also volunteered as a mentor in NDSU's Transition and Access Program, where she provided academic and social support to students with developmental disabilities, and was involved in public health education and policy discussions, including presenting on the history of North Dakota public health at the North Dakota Public Health Association Legislative Reception and participating in meetings related to a youth tobacco prevention ordinance initiative with Fargo Cass Public Health. Osei-Bonsu, who is from Nsutam, Ghana, is the daughter of Alexander and Theresa Osei-Bonsu.

# SOLOISTS

## **Emma Erickson** 10 A.M. CEREMONY

Emma is earning her bachelor's degree in vocal music education. She is from the small town of Fertile, Minnesota. Emma has sung in the NDSU Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers and BisonArts Singers. Erickson has been featured as a soloist in NDSU's production of Handel's "Messiah". Emma recently finished her student teaching experience at Fargo South High School and McKinley Elementary School. Emma looks forward to encouraging the next generation of students to experience the arts!

## **Kaitlin Bitzegaio** 10 A.M. CEREMONY

Kaitlin is earning her Bachelor of Science in music with an emphasis in voice. As a recipient of the Bill Euren Fellowship, she has been a member of the NDSU Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers and BisonArts Singers throughout her time at NDSU. She has also enjoyed serving as concert choir's vice president this year. Kaitlin has performed with NDSU Opera as Edith in their 2025 production of "The Pirates of Penzance" and as a soloist in the Challey School of Music's last three productions of "Messiah". From West Fargo, North Dakota, she is the daughter of Mathew and Bridgette Bitzegaio. She would like to thank her parents, her voice teacher Dr. Burns and her fiancé Gabe for their support over the past four years. After graduation, Kaitlin plans to pursue a career in music therapy.

## **Olivia Design** 2 P.M. CEREMONY

Olivia is earning her bachelor's degree in music. She is a member of the NDSU Concert Choir and served on the board of officers for two years. Desing is also a member of Madrigal Singers and BisonArts. She was a soloist for NDSU's productions of "Messiah" and has performed with NDSU Opera, Theatre NDSU and FM Opera. Originally from Barnesville, Minnesota, Olivia is the daughter of Travis and April Desing. Her future plans are to attend graduate school to pursue a master's degree in vocal performance.

## **Ellie Knudsvig** 2 P.M. CEREMONY

Ellie is earning her bachelor's degree in vocal music education. She is a member of the NDSU Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers and BisonArts Singers. Knudsvig was a soloist in the Challey School of Music's productions of "Messiah" as well as the most recent Lady in the Madrigal Dinners. She was president of concert choir during the 2024-25 school year. She represented NDSU music students as the student speaker at the Challey Hall Dedication Ceremony last fall, and she was featured in the Foundation's HERD magazine this spring. Knudsvig was an active member of Blue Key Honor Society, and this past fall, she served as the co-chair for the homecoming show. From Buxton, North Dakota, Knudsvig is the daughter of David and Erica Knudsvig. She is immensely grateful for the opportunities and experiences she's had during her time at NDSU, and she can't wait to see what her future holds.

# COLLEGE OF GRADUATE AND INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

**Hafiz Muhammad Umer Aslam** *Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

“Bio-Based Materials for Phosphate Removal from Water And Development of Waste Derived SRF”

Advisor: Achintya Bezbaruah

**Tawakalt A. Ayodele** *Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

“Microbial Protein Production Using Lignocellulosic Biomass and the Nitrogen-Fixing *K. Oxytoca M5a1*”

Advisor: Ademola Hammed

**George Boateng-Sarfo** *Genomics, Phenomics and Bioinformatics*

“An Interplay Between RNA Modifications, Splicing and 3'-End Processing: Uncovering Layers of Transcriptomic Complexity”

Advisor: Sarah Signor

**Christiana Bitrus** *Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

“Development of a Biochar-Based Immobilization Matrix for Hyper-Ammonia-Producing Bacteria”

Advisor: Ademola Hammed

**Hanmant Gaikwad** *Materials and Nanotechnology*

“Mechanobiological Investigation of Bone Regeneration and Cancer Metastasis through Multiscale Computational and Experimental Approaches”

Advisor: Dinesh Katti

**Alicia E. Harstad** *Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

“Economic and Social Influences on Herbicide Resistance Management in North Dakota”

Advisor: David Ripplinger

**Md-Tariqul Islam** *Cellular and Molecular Biology*

“Immune Interactions and In-Vivo Models for Torque Teno Sus Virus 1 (Ttsuv1) Infection”

Advisor: Sheela Ramamoorthy

**Pooja Kumari** *Genomics, Phenomics and Bioinformatics*

“Genetic Analysis of Yield Traits and Phenomics Assisted Modelling of Bacterial Leaf Streak in Hard R”

Advisor: Andrew Green

**Sekhar Mariappan Ajitha Kumari** *Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

“Evolving Aggression: Iges, Inbreeding and the Dynamics of Social Behavior in House Crickets”

Advisor: Ned Dochtermann

**Vikneshwari Natarajan** *Cellular and Molecular Biology*

“Investigating Pericyte Biology in Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma”

Advisor: Jiha Kim

**Charles I. Nixon** *Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

“Testing the Effects of Digital Terrain Visualization on Topographic Feature Extraction”

Advisor: Peter Oduor

**Leo-Stanley Ndunagum** *Materials and Nanotechnology*

“Study of Adhesion Tests with Applications to PDMS/Glass and PDMS/Ice Interfaces”

Advisor: Andrew Croll

**Jacob Tesch** *Cellular and Molecular Biology*

“KISS1R Signaling in Airway Smooth Muscle: Intracellular Calcium Regulation and Contractility During Inflammation”

Advisor: Sathish Venkatachalem

**Abodunrin T. Tijani** *Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

“Development of Hydrophobic and Biodegradable Polyvinyl Alcohol-Based Films For Livestock Application”

Advisor: Ademola Hammed

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

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**Josephine Pickar**

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**Bridger J. Scraper**

*Environmental and Conservation Sciences*

# COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD SYSTEMS, AND NATURAL RESOURCES

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

### **Sefunmi Alaofin** *Plant Pathology*

“Genetic Architecture and Molecular Mechanisms of Virulence and Host Susceptibility in Spot Form Net Blotch (*Pyrenophora Teres F. Maculata*) and Bacterial Leaf Streak of Barley”

Advisor: Zhaohui Liu

### **Duaa Al Salman** *Plant Pathology*

“Characterization of Resistance from Brassica Napus to *Leptosphaeria Maculans*”

Advisor: Luis Del Rio Mendoza

### **Godson Aryee** *Microbiology*

“Investigation of the Role of Maternal Microbiome in Developmental Programming in Cattle”

Advisor: Samat Amat

### **Maria Batool** *Soil Science*

“Soil Carbon Dynamics in Prairie Soils of the Great Plains”

Advisor: Larry Cihacek

### **Brooke R. Benz** *Plant Pathology*

“Microbial Community Assembly in the Barley Spike Phyllosphere: Effects of Host Genotype and Disease”

Advisor: Thomas Baldwin

### **Urmi Das** *Microbiology*

“Harnessing the Soybean Microbiome to Combat Iron Deficiency Chlorosis”

Advisor: Barney Geddes

### **Jennifer Hurlbert** *Animal Sciences*

“Maternal Vitamin and Mineral Supplementation During Gestation in Beef Cattle on Fetal Programming”

Advisor: Carl Dahlen

### **Justine Kilama** *Microbiology*

“Characterizing the Livestock Reproductive Tract Microbiome and its Role in Fertility Outcomes”

Advisor: Samat Amat

### Anil Kunapareddy, *Cereal Science*

“Natural Pigments Mediated Photosensitization for Controlling Fusarium Spp. and Mycotoxin Production in Vitro and in Wheat”

Advisor: Jiajia Rao

### **Abbeah Mae Navasca** *Plant Pathology*

“Understanding Genomic Profiles, Infection Dynamics and Cross-Infectivity of Fusarium Species in North Dakota Crops”

Advisor: Thomas Baldwin

### **Ashley Nelson** *Plant Pathology*

“Characterization of the *Parastagonospora Nodorum* Necrotrophic Effector Sntox267”

Advisor: Zhaohui Liu

### **Dinesh Poudel** *Plant Pathology*

“Advancing Diagnostic Tools and Resistance Evaluation for Plant-Parasitic Nematodes and Associated Pathogens in Soybean and Potato”

Advisor: Guiping Yan

### **Alireza Poursafar** *Plant Pathology*

“Molecular Characterization of Fusarium Head Blight Resistance and Susceptibility in Durum Wheat”

Advisor: Shaobin Zhong

### **Afrina Rahman** *Plant Sciences*

“The Oat Landrace Diversity Panel: A Discovery Resource for Adaptive Variation, Association Mapping and Trait Deployment”

Advisor: Michael McMullen

### **Bethany Robertson** *Entomology*

“Native Bee Responses to Grazing Management, Drought and Crop Resources in Working Landscapes”

Advisor: Dillon Fogarty

### **Shahed Safar** *Plant Pathology*

“Genetic and Molecular Characterization of Fusarium Head Blight Resistance in Hexaploid Common Wheat”

Advisor: Zhaohui Liu

### **Sunil Shrestha** *Plant Pathology*

“Tracking SDHI Fungicide Insensitivity: Molecular Insights into SDH Gene Amino Acid Substitutions in *Alternaria Solani* Across the U.S. and Canada”

Advisor: Julie Pasche

### **Diel Donne Velasco** *Plant Pathology*

“Understanding the Barley-Bacterial Leaf Streak Pathosystem: Pathogen Diversity, Microbial Interactions and Host Resistance”

Advisor: Thomas Baldwin

## MASTER OF EDUCATION

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- Lauren E. Wilson**  
*Health Services*
- Isaiah T. Windorski**  
*Exercise Science*
- **Annah L. Winter**  
*Radiologic Sciences*
- Luke E. Wix**  
*Pharmaceutical Sciences*
- **Hailey G. Wolf**  
*Human Development and Family Science*
- **Megan Wyttenbach**  
*Human Development and Family Science*
- **Jackson R. Young**  
*Exercise Science*
- Gartaye P. Zuo**  
*Human Development and Family Science*

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- **Mattison J. Baird**
- Dalton R. Berger**
- Ashley G. Bergquist**
- Josie Bingen**
- Sienna Boelke**
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- Ellie Breuer**
- Tayley A. Bruer**
- Sebastian G. Caldwell**
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- Carissa Carlson**
- Amaylee Carrillo**
- Brooklyn L. Conklin**
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- Jenna R. Davis**
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- **Abigayle R. Johnson**
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- Emma K. Johnson**
- **Jens M. Jorgenson**
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- Dylan J. Kack**
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- Maddie F. Nelson**
- Collin A. Nylander**
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- **Jody L. Pemberton**
- **Abagail E. Persons**
- Josianna M. Prochnow**
- **Emma R. Rindy**
- Madison G. Rivinius**
- Brooklyn E. Rodin**
- Noah T. Rolfe**
- Lydia P. Rudnitski**
- Tatjana M. Sand**
- Breanna C. Santorello**
- Elijah J. Schacherer**
- **Tyler R. Schlittenhart**
- **Milania Showers**
- Kaitlyn E. Smith**
- Katherine Spanos**
- Elly J. Stratmoen**
- Emma C. Stueve**
- Ella G. Swenson**
- **Lindsey E. Telander**
- **Cassidy M. Thompson**
- Alexis A. Tofteland**
- Madison M. Tofteland**
- Brooke E. Tulus**
- Emily A. Van Raden**
- **Kassidy Webb**
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- **Brea C. Worlie**
- **Aurora M. Zainhofsky**





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NDSU THEN

North Dakota had been a state a little less than a year when Gov. 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 NOW

NDSU is a national model of a successful student-focused, land-grant, research institution. The university is a vibrant institution that enrolled 11,952 students during fall 2025 in its undergraduate and graduate programs.

NDSU is an R1 research institution as defined by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. That is the top Carnegie status and is presented only to institutions with a very high level of research activity and a high number of doctoral degrees conferred across a balanced portfolio of disciplines. With \$199.8 million in research expenditures in fiscal 2024, NDSU is ranked 98th among 422 public institutions by the National Science Foundation’s Higher Education Research and Development Survey.

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## NDSU PRESIDENTS

<i>President</i>	<i>Term</i>
Stockbridge, Horace E. . . . .	1890 - 1893
Powers, J. B. (Acting) . . . . .	1893 - 1895
Worst, John H. . . . .	1895 - 1916
Ladd, Edwin F. . . . .	1916 - 1921
Keene, Edward S. (Acting) . . . . .	February - September, 1921
Coulter, John Lee . . . . .	1921 - 1929
Minard, Archibald E. (Acting) . . . . .	July - September, 1929
Shepperd, John B. . . . .	1929 - 1937
West, John C. (Acting) . . . . .	1937 - 1938
Eversull, Frank L. . . . .	1938 - 1946
Sevrinson, Charles A. (Acting) . . . . .	June - July, 1946
Longwell, John H. . . . .	1946 - 1948
Hultz, Fred S. . . . .	1948 - 1961
Hazen, Arlon G. (Acting) . . . . .	1961 - 1962
Albrecht, H.R. . . . .	1962 - 1967
Loftsgard, L.D. . . . .	1968 - 1987
Koob, Robert (Acting) . . . . .	October 1987 - May 1988
Ozbun, J.L. . . . .	1988 - 1995
Plough, Thomas R. . . . .	1995 - 1998
Fischer, Allan G. (Interim) . . . . .	June 1998 - 1999
Chapman, Joseph A. . . . .	1999 - 2009
Hanson, Richard (Interim) . . . . .	2009 - 2010
Bresciani, Dean . . . . .	2010 - 2022
Cook, David . . . . .	2022 - 2026
Berg, Rick (Interim) . . . . .	2026 - present

# THE ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

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:

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

<i>maize</i>	Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources
<i>brown</i>	Landscape Architecture and Environmental Design
<i>white</i>	Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
<i>drab</i>	Business
<i>light blue</i>	Education
<i>orange</i>	Engineering
<i>maroon</i>	Human Development
<i>apricot</i>	Nursing
<i>olive green</i>	Pharmacy
<i>golden yellow</i>	Science and Mathematics
<i>white</i>	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.

The NDSU institutional mace was created for NDSU's centennial. Dr. Fredrick G. Walsh was appointed by President Loftsgard to help create the mace as the leader of the 1986 centennial committee. The mace was designed by Dr. Walsh's son, Fredrick H. Walsh. It was introduced during President Ozburn's inauguration on Sept. 14, 1989.

Today, the NDSU mace is carried by the stage marshal, the presiding officer of the Faculty Senate, as he leads 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:

**ALPHA EPSILON**, *national honor society of agricultural, biological and food engineers*: A double intertwined black and gold honor cord is worn around the neck. To qualify, juniors and seniors in agricultural and biosystems engineering must be in the top one-fourth and one-third, respectively, of their class in the College of Engineering and uphold high standards of character and leadership.

**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%; seniors, top 10%; and graduate students, top 20%.

**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% of their class.

**ETA KAPPA NU**, *the honor society of IEEE*: A gold cord with blue and red tassels is worn around the neck. IEEE-HKN encourages and recognizes outstanding character, attitude and scholarship among electrical and computer engineers. Students must be in the top fifth of their sophomore class, top quarter of juniors, top third of seniors or graduate students recommended by faculty.

**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% 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% of their course work and rank academically in the top 25% 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.

**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% 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% 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% 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% of majors in the field who qualify for membership.

PI LAMBDA THETA, *international education honor society*: A gold cord is worn over the left shoulder. A division of PDK International, Pi Lambda Theta recognizes undergraduate juniors, seniors and graduate students who are pursuing degrees in education-related fields and who have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher.

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 25% of their class; as non-graduating seniors, members must be in the top 35% 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 3.5 major grade-point average and rank in the upper 35% of their class.

PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION, A navy, white and khaki braided cord is worn around the neck. To qualify, Master of Public Health students must have a 3.0 GPA. These students have demonstrated outstanding community service, health promotion, and the provision of health educational opportunities on campus and throughout the community for two or more semesters.

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% 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% 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% of their class. Graduate members must have at least a 3.3 grade-point average.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT: A green and gold cord is worn around the neck. To qualify, members of Student Government must have achieved a 3.0 cumulative 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% 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% 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.  
C. B. Waldron, 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.  
Brig. Gen. Lawrence F.  
Tanberg, 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.  
Satenig S. St.Marie, LL.D.

## 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 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

John Rouzie, D.Hum.Litt.

## 1984

Brynhild Haugland, LL.D.

## 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**Ernest G. Anderson, D.Sc.  
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**Alf H. Clausen, D.Mus.  
Dr. R. James Cook, D.Sc.**1999 December**

Robert C. Dawson, LL.D.

**2000 May**David W. Bernauer, D.Sc.  
Douglas J. Burgum, LL.D.**2000 December**

Ervin E. Kaiser, LL.D.

**2001 May**Dr. A. Catherine Cater, D.F.A.  
Dr. Evelyn R. Morrow  
Lebedeff, LL.D.**2001 December**

Byron Dorgan, LL.D.

**2002 May**John Q. Paulsen, LL.D.  
Fred G. Paavola, D.Sc.**2003 May**Ian B. Edwards, D.Sc.  
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**

Esther Myers, LL.D.

**2010 December**

Barry Batcheller, D.Sc.

**2012 December**

Gregg Halverson, D.Agr.

**2016 May**

Dr. Myron D. Johnsrud, D.Agr.

**2017 May**

Dr. H. Roald Lund, D.Agr.

**2018 May**

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**2018 December**

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# THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER

BY FRANCIS SCOTT KEY

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?

# THE YELLOW AND THE GREEN

WORDS BY A.E. MINARD | MUSIC BY DR. C.S. PUTNAM

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.