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**CONFERRAL OF DEGREES
DECEMBER 17-18, 2021**



The Strategic Vision of Kent State University

Vision

To be a community of change agents whose collective commitment to learning sparks epic thinking, meaningful voice and invaluable outcomes to better our society.

Mission

We transform lives and communities through the power of discovery, learning and creative expression in an inclusive environment.

Core Values

We value:

- A distinctive blend of teaching, research and creative excellence.
- Active inquiry and discovery that expand knowledge and human understanding.
- Life-changing educational experiences for students with wide-ranging talents and aspirations.
- A living-learning environment that creates a genuine sense of place.
- Engagement that inspires positive change.
- Diversity of culture, beliefs, identity and thought.
- Freedom of expression and the free exchange of ideas.
- A collaborative community.
- Respect, kindness and purpose in all that we do.



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A Message From the President

Congratulations to the Kent State University Class of 2021. You did it!

You overcame the obstacles of the pandemic. You did not quit. You persevered, you took care of your responsibilities during these, the most trying of times, and you graduated.

Many things about your Kent State experience you will remember, and many you will forget as you make your way through subsequent years and decades. For my part, I have one request – just one ASK of each and every one of you: Remember that FLASHES TAKE CARE OF FLASHES.

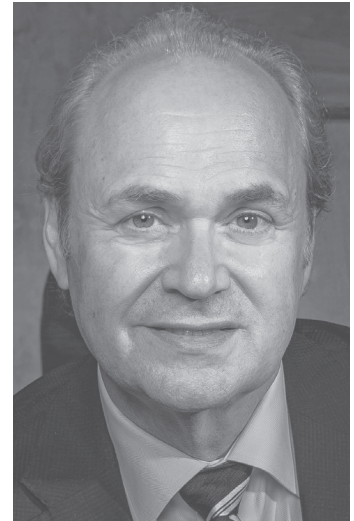
Taking care of each other. That's how you made it to this memorable moment. Taking care of each other, that is how all of us survived the pandemic. Take care of each other – it's a Flashes thing to do.

Congratulations again on this important accomplishment. Please know that the entire campus community is proud of you and continues to cheer for you on your journey beyond Kent State.

Be sure to celebrate sufficiently and be sure to celebrate responsibly.

You earned it.

Flashes Forever!



Sincerely,

Todd A. Diacon, Ph.D.
President



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VIRTUAL COMMENCEMENT RECOGNITION

December 17, 2021

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Montria Walker, '19
School of Theatre and Dance

TRUSTEE WELCOME

Shawn M. Riley, J.D., '83
Chair, Board of Trustees

OPENING REMARKS

Todd A. Diacon, Ph.D.
President

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Senior Vice President and Provost
Presiding

Degrees Conferred by:

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TURNING OF THE TASSEL

Undergraduate Degree Candidates

CLOSING REMARKS

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ALMA MATER

Montria Walker, '19
School of Theatre and Dance

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

Announced in part by:
Eric Mansfield



Order of Exercises

UNDERGRADUATE AND ADVANCED DEGREE CEREMONIES

ALL COLLEGES

Memorial Athletic and Convocation Center
December 18, 2021
9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Tracy Laux
Macebearer

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Jinle Glover
Glauser School of Music

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University Registrar

Hooded by:
Deans of the Colleges and Students' Advisors

Music by:
Hugh A. Glauser School of Music String Quartet



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President

CLOSING REMARKS

Todd A. Diacon, Ph.D.
President

ALMA MATER

Jinle Glover
Glauser School of Music

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR

Announcers:
Sandra Morgan
Eric van Baars

Pianists:
Helen Kohler
Hongrui Zhu

String Quartet:
Inti Hayna Jimenez
Laura McLaughlin
David Mendieta
Cibel Mendez Mora
Alex Numpaque
José Ramirez
Nicholas Stackpole

Event Staff and Volunteers:
Commencement Committee
Community Members
Faculty Marshals
Students
Staff



Cum Laude

Graduation With Honors

Honors are awarded to those students with an average of at least 3.500 to 3.699 on a 4.000 scale. Graduates who achieve Cum Laude have earned blue Institutional honor cords.

Abdul Rahman Khalid Nasser Said
Al Shibli

Tabitha M. Alexander
Nicole Elizabeth Allen

* Amandeep Singh
Gabriel Andrade
Dominic Joseph Arganti

Christophina Baah
Tyler James Baker
Jared Thomas Bardar
Brock Allen Bavis
Susan Genelle Beier
Damon Anthony Bennardo
Hailey Ann Bennett
Mackenzie Alene Bennett
Tristen Elise Benyi
Kristin Elizabeth Berchak
Caroline Christine Berlan
Zoe Rose Blank
Holly Christine Blough
Ashley Jean Bonetz
Rachael Erin Bourget
Brianna Renee Bradley
Brianna Amberly Budzinski

Monica Colette Cahill
Emily Janell Callaghan
Micah David Carey
Jacqlyn Hannah Caspers
Keith Castillo
Josef Paul Chiboroski
Paige Noelle Cleavenger
Jessica Ann Cobb
Kaylee Marie Compeli
Joseph Michael Conrad
Emily Anne Corlew
Shira R. Coury
Alexis Sarah-Grace Crabeels
Olivia Ann Crosby
Emily Marie Curtis
Matilee Ronee Custer

Sean Christian Dick
Tyler Logan Dohse
Taaís Alanis Ducuruew

Cassie Lynn Eggleston
Averie Paige Elsass
Maycie Lynn Etling
Alexandra Joy Euwema

Matthew Stephen Fakner
Gwen Gabrielle Fandrich
Julia Michelle Fine
Kyle Garrett Fitzpatrick
Dominique Elonda Violet Fletcher
Christopher Jordan Fouts
Lydia Jacqueline Frere

Jaymie Renee Gardner
Calin James Govang
Ja'Lyn Denise Graham
Rachel L. Gross
Daniel Joseph Groves
Alex A. Gucwa

Sydney Elizabeth Haberlein
Rachel A. Harris
Kelly Sue Harter
Spencer Rose Hayes
Issac Devon Hearn
Angela Marie Heinen
Kelsie Patricia Hengle
Kandra Ivy Hill
Daniel Hoang
Emily Patricia Hoff
Megan Clare Howe
Ruth E. Hrusch
Ean Marcus Hudspeth

Bridget Eleanore Ignasiak
Dustin Israel

Lindsey Jackson
Jason Mathew Jeffries
Alec Chapman Johnson
Jessica Renee Jones

Gurveen Kaur
Sarah Khatoon
Haylie Brianne Kiser
Holly Marie Kostensky
Ian Michael Kotch
Katherine Jeanne Kovacs

Autumn Gean Landon
Luke Howard Laukhart
Ivy Alexis Lee
Annie C. Leslein
Gregory Braucher Lindeman
Matthew David Loeffler
Madelyn Lombardi
Theresa Rose Lovrak
Kara Kuper Lustig

Dominic Michael Malvasi
Helena Corrnne Marcic
Autumn Faith Marett
Makayla Marie Martin
McKenzie Kathleen Martin
Patrick Ryan Martin
Abigail G. Marusiak
Samantha B. Mathews
Tejasvini Mavuleti
Egor Maximov
Audra Jean McClain
Logan David McCormick
Savanna Star McElwain
Charles Richard Meder
Elaina Justine Mendiola
Erick Rhoades Mercer
Hayley Rochelle Miller
Kylie Morgan Miller
Morgan Rolfe Miller
Dallas Timothy Mlnarik



Mariah Renae Modkins
Trisha Lynn Moore
Brandon William Murray

Sabrina Marie Niedbalski
Devin Michelle Noland

Brianna Kelly O'Boyle
Benjamin L. O'Daniel
Kayla Marie O'Donnell
Anders Ellis Ove

Ashley Nicole Palmer
Cynthia Colette Patek
Nyah A'lice Pierce
Claire Whitney Pressler
Joseph Michael Prillaman
Abigail Marie Pry
Alexandra Meredith Pugh

Shelby Brooke Reeves
Tiffany Monique Richardson
Austin Ries
Catherine Rose Rischar
Haein Roh
Fiona Shannon Russell
Madison Joanne Ryan

Cassandra Rose Sanders
Rachel Marie Schrock
Emily Rae Schultz
Jana M. Seifert
Shelby Helena Shidel
Swastik Shrestha
Elise C. Shriber
Trista Leigh Shrider
Maura Grace Sloan
Ashlee Amanda Slutz
Claire Ann Smith
Victoria Marie Smith
Alexus Renee Snyder
Emily Sue Spitale
Mackenzie Paige Stafford
Madeline Grace Sterling
Ashley E. Stevens
Gillian Rose Stilson
Julie S. Suslik

Serenity Grace Tate
Anthony Mark Telerico
Margaret Rachel Thomas
Lyvia Jane Travis
Danielle Rose Turner

Caden Michael Usko

Thomas Joseph Waldman
Colin Kevin Walsh
Jakob L. Webb
Cassidy Rene Wendell
Layne Allison Wheeler
Samantha Christine Wilcko
Hannah Dian Wilson
James Wilson
Shawna Rose Wolf

Alecandria Ava Zarlinga
Annie Rose Zwisler



Magna Cum Laude

Graduation With High Honors

High honors are awarded to those students with an average of at least 3.700 to 3.899 on a 4.000 scale. Graduates who achieve Magna Cum Laude have earned gold Institutional honor cords.

Evangeline Pacific Agum
Hanna Nicole Airhart
Laurel Nicole Albertson
Kawther Alghorab
Allison Parker Allegretto
Jennifer Nicole Anderson
Zeeshan Ashraf
Amy Katherine Ashton
Haley Marie Ayers

Maia Elise Bankhead
Michael Jonathan Bartram
Megan E. Becker
Chase Michael Beetler
Joshua Allan Charles Behler
Alexa Paige Bitar
Gia Danielle Boyd
Daniel James Breedlove
Gillian Alexandra Brenner
Elizabeth S. Burger
Margaret Madison Busch
Jillanne Marie Butkovic

Joseph Ronald Calandra
Meg A. Campbell
Nathan Richard Cash
Rachael Lynn Channell
Grace Marie Chapman
Regina Chu
Katherine Churilla
Alexa Renee Clark
Hannah Michelle Clark
Justin Tyler Clark
Victoria Grace Clement
Tristan Al-Kuhel Cochrac
McKenzi Rae Collins
Kiersten Rae Congrove
Lisa Corley
Kayla Anne Cramblett
Julia Kathryn Crawford
Idalsy Cruz

Meghan Katherine Daly
Kathleen Marie Dalziel
Grace Dorothea Day
Chiara De Arcangelis
Matthew Joseph DeLuca
Megan Marie DiFranco
Alessandra DiGiulio
Kelly Nicole Dillon
Cody James Dole
Olivia D. Drummond
Nicole Marie Dureiko

Leah Hudson Eberts
Kaitlyn Christine Edie
Tori Nichole Edwards
Kailyn Makenzie Elliott
Michael Joseph Emnett
Morgan Michele Ensign
Cameron Rece Evans
Allison Rachelle Eyster

Kassandra Elizabeth Fedor
Carly Elizabeth Ferrand
Angelica Laurencina Fischer
Leah Marie Fitzgerald
Grace Alivia Flinn
Carmen Jacqueline Fontenla
Caroline Noelle Foutty
Whitney Fox
Caitlyn Carol Frazier

Christian J. Galic
Hunter Rose Garbe
Erin Nicole Gardner
Kirsten Marie Garvey
Maxine Marie Gibson
Giovanna Marie Grand
Sara Christine Gregory
Alec Peter Guy

Katherine Rose Harcula
Cindel Michelle Hardin-Corbett

Paige E. Henson
Taylor René Hermann
Emmirson Osbourne Hibbard
Elizabeth Renee Holden
Cade Everett Hontanon
Tyler James Hornof
Nicholas T. Howard
Brandi A. Hunt
Dowain Colt Hutchinson

Rania Kamal S. Jarallah
Hunter T. Jepsen
Susan Jiang
Runxiang Jin
Jillian Rae Johnston

Elayna Carlene Kapelka
Kayla Anne Karson
Joseph M. Kermes
James Arthur King
Justin Gray Kirby
Josephine Catherine Klingshirn
Liesl Klus
Tyler John Kovach

Mason Michael Lawlor
Jill Anna Lesneski
Natalia Carolina Auldryn Loera

Moyan Ma
Daniel John Maher
Rhet T. Mani
Madison Giovanna Maniaci
Nathan Joseph Marotta
Bryan Casey McGuire
Corrie Mae McHone
Alexandra Mercsak
Vere David Miller
Brooke Ellen Moeller
Emma Irene Murphy
Marissa Nicole Murphy
Claire Myerscough



Noah Ignatius Nelisse
Alexis Marie Nelson

Summer Oney

Teresa Colleen Parrish
Kara Nicole Parsons
Akhil N. Patel
Bobbie Jean Paulat
Cieara Pfeifer
Hana Katherine Pitt
Alexis T. Pochubay
Talia Jean Pope
Naomi E. Pruitt

Allison Hope Rogers
Emily A. Rossi
Kyler A. Ruegsegger
Braden Roy Russell

Elizabeth Marian Sabin
Jennifer Sarah Schmidt
Paul Albert Schubert
BreAnna Mayrie Schwartz
Sydney Marie Schwenk
Alexa Michelle Schwerha
Robert Boyd Sears
Brianna Elizabeth Sebastian
Olivia Marie Semon
Brynna Kathryn Sexton
Brittany Sheets
Mitchell Reid Skleres
Madeline S. Smith
Shelby Ann Somers
Elizabeth Marie Spurling

Radley Sheridan Tan
Konnor William Thompson
Natalie Paige Thouvenin
Brad James Trescott
Melody Christine Troyer

Cara A. Udivich

Alyssa Lynn Vasas

Kaitlyn Marie Walker
Naomi Chia Ching Wang
Kristen Weideman

Morgan Elizabeth Welch
Alexis Samantha White
Lauren Nicole White
Mikkala D. Wilcox
Chance Philip Wilging
Laura Marie Wilson
Amanda Josephine Witschey
Nathan Paul Wodzisz
Jarret Robert Wonders

Hannah Nichole Young

Kaitlyn Faith Zerbe



Summa Cum Laude

Graduation With Highest Honors

Highest honors are awarded to those students with an average of at least 3.900 on a 4.000 scale. The asterisk (*) indicates those students who have maintained a 4.000 grade point average. Graduates who achieve Summa Cum Laude have earned blue and gold Institutional honor cords.

Alexander Victor Batista Bazzoli
Emily Fox Benedict
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Josie Isabel Bixler
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Katherine L. Bohnert*
Katherine Noel Brown
Christine Alexandra Bucey

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Patrick William Cassidy
Kaylee Rose Collins
Kylie Collmar
Grace Elizabeth Conrad
Alaina Nicole Conte*
Vincent Stephen Cook
Melina Cuesta*

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Kayla Marie DeGeorge*
Megan Elizabeth Dibb*
Rachel Marie Drnach

Mary Claire Engel*
Hannah Marie Erickson
Marley J. Evans

Azure Skye Fernsler
Josephine Faith Forney

Kevin Scott George
Diana Patricia Gomez*
Christopher Michael Grimes

Sydney A. Hagenbush
Gabriella Marie Hagey
Camilla Cate Hall
Lillian Ann Hardin*
Britney Nicole Hargis

Kali Renee Harrison
Maura E. Haskins
Kyle Liam Hazard
Karly Sharon Hellstrom
Aiden Conner Hennessey*
Megan Elizabeth Hennessey*
Andrew Dean Hopkins*
Kennedy Christine Horrigan
Jolie Elizabeth Howell
Kevin Lewis Hull
Broghan Casey Hyland

Ethan W. Kalina*
Karl Rickard Bertil Karlsson
Adam Albert Kollay
Khushi Rakesh Kothari*
Deanna M. Kruger*

Hana Haruko LeBrew
Baichen Liu
Kaylyn P. Lloyd
Jaclyn Michele Lord*
Lindsey Taylor Luczywo

Emily Anne Macijunas
Maureen Shaughnessy Mackar*
Alice Ann Marron
Daniel Jay Maurer
Erica Paige McCauley
Kaitlin Rane McGrath*
Megan Cathleen Medfisch
Delaney Beth Mellinger
Hannah L. Messner
Matthew Metcalf*
Katelynn Marie Meyer
Jacquelyn Cantrelle Miller
Madison Pearl Miller
Ryan Adrienne Mitchell
Corin Ariel Moore
Jordyn Alexandra Morosky

Kelsy Leanne Morrison
Brooke Rian Myers

Mitchel Robert Neidenthal
Rachel Elizabeth Nelson
Kory A. Nielsen
Shelby Madison Noveske

Linda Marie Osentoski

Dane Alexander Paris
Isaiah John Pemberton
Grace Laurel Petitjean
Grace Nicole Prorok
Jaclyn A. Protz
Lynda L. Protzman

Tyler M. Raybuck
Jordan H. Richheimer
Jeremy Seth Rieger
Benjamin Joseph Rininger
Brenna Bernadette Rito
Payton Chandler Romano*
Sophia Vera Roskovski*

Brielle Jona Santora*
Christa Junia Sauers
Emily Lynne Schaefer
Isabella Grace Schauer
Samuel C. Schonfeld
Zachary Ty Serb*
Matthew M. Sherlin
Gabrielle Elizabeth Shyne
Hannah Clare Simon
Zoe Rene Sims
Erika Lauren Sitch*
Madison Marie Smith
Madison Gabrielle Starnier
Meghan Stepanek



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Madisyn Kayleigh Woodring

Stanley Y. Xiao

Matthew Nathaniel Yonley
Qianren Yue

Sammi Zheng



With Distinction

Candidates for associate degrees who demonstrate high levels of scholarship through their coursework will graduate "With Distinction." The designation "With Distinction" is awarded when students achieve a minimum 3.500 GPA for all undergraduate coursework at Kent State University. Graduates who achieve With Distinction have earned white Institutional honor cords.

Joel Ambriz

Rachel Lynne Bowen
Jeffery Paul Bratanov
Brandon Michael Buratti

Natalie Christine Clason
Erica Cook
Justin Michael Crawl
Jennifer Marie Crum

David M. Dicillo
Janell Carmen Dima
Dessa Ann Dubbert

Christopher Gray
Samuel Uriah Gross

Taylor Marie Hall
Kyleigh Amber Hayes
Hannah Rose Hill
Colleen A. Hurst

Shae Marie Keeley
Justin Alan Keir

John Michael Lamanna
Eric Isaac Lough

Emily Marie Mannion
Kim V. Marino
Katelyn Ann Matusky
Tessa Kerin Maurer
Alaina Renee McCort
Candace McCracken
Brittany E. Miller
Nancy Ann Mitchell
Aliya Mosher

Melanie M. O'Hare

Marissa Nichole Siegert
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Kayla Renee Sparks
Adrianna Spring
Kaylyn Rose Stevens
Gabrielle Renee Szewczyk

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Devin Nicole White
Katelyn Ann Woods



The Honors College

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Students in the Honors College, having completed a senior honors project or thesis in their major field and having evidenced exceptional academic performance, have fulfilled requirements for graduation with University, General or Departmental Honors.

General Honors

Alexandra Joy Euwema, Zoology
Thesis Title: "The Effects of Predator
and Novel Scents on Feeding and
Giving-up Densities of Forest Rodents"
Advisor: Mark Kershner

Departmental Honors

Keith Castillo, English
Thesis Title: "The Adventures of
Hamish in Appalachia"
Advisors: Jessica Jones and
Amanda Hayes

Rachel Marie Drnach, Fashion
Merchandising
Thesis Title: "Seamless Activewear
Leggings: Design, Desirability
and Performance"
Advisor: Rachel LoMonaco-Benzing



The Honors College

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Honors students who have met grade and course requirements graduate as Honors College Scholars.

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Holly Christine Blough
Matthew Scott Boettler

Michael Joseph Emnett

Caitlyn Carol Frazier

Camilla Cate Hall
Jolie Elizabeth Howell

Josephine Catherine Klingshirn

Madisen Anne Mandell

Jarret Robert Wonders

College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Christine Alexandra Bucey

College of the Arts

Katherine L. Bohnert

Mary Claire Engel

Lillian Ann Hardin
John Henry Harris Jr.

Emily Anne Macijunas
John J. Martin

Olivia Marie Pace

Jennalee Mackenzie Quillen

Isabella Grace Schauer

College of Arts and Sciences

Brock Allen Bavis
Chase Michael Beetler
Joshua Allan Charles Behler
Rhiannon Elizabeth Bertemes

Josef Paul Chiboroski
Grace Elizabeth Conrad
Emily Marie Curtis

Valerie Rae Dalrymple
Nicole Marie Dureiko

Carly Elizabeth Ferrand
Josephine Faith Forney

Kyle Liam Hazard
Megan Elizabeth Hennessey
Kennedy Christine Horrigan

Oliver Leo Keen

Ethan Michael Lower

Alice Ann Marron
Erica Paige McCauley

Shelby Madison Noveske

Dane Alexander Paris

Benjamin Joseph Rininger

Brielle Jona Santora
Christa Junia Sauers
Zoe Rene Sims
Madison Marie Smith

Radley Sheridan Tan

Naomi Chia Ching Wang
Sarah A. Weinstock
Morgan Elizabeth Welch
Gabriel William Goranson Weston
Layne Allison Wheeler
Conner Stephen Wilson

College of Communication and Information

Caroline Christine Berlan

McKenzi Rae Collins

Corrine Marie Dunton

Hayley Caitlyn Fajerski

Gabriella Marie Hagey
Britney Nicole Hargis

Mason Michael Lawlor
Hana Haruko LeBrew

Grace Nicole Prorok

Shelby Brooke Reeves

College of Education, Health and Human Services

Rachel L. Berchak
Margaret Madison Busch

Averie Paige Elsass

Maura E. Haskins

Kory A. Nielsen

Emilia Rose Scarpa-Friedman
Emily Lynne Schaefer
Olivia Grace Seiberling

College of Nursing

Faith Gloria Fetherston

Katherine Rose Harcula

Haylie Brianne Kiser

Kayla Marie O'Donnell

Madeline Grace Sterling



The Honors College

Alison J. Smith, Ph.D., Dean

PHI BETA KAPPA

Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's most prestigious honor society, was founded in 1776 by students at the College of William & Mary who recognized the importance of a liberal education as the foundation of participation in a democratic society. Phi Beta Kappa recognizes students who have achieved excellence in all aspects of their education, and who have a strong background in the liberal arts and sciences, mathematics and a foreign language. Fewer than 1% of students across the nation are elected to Phi Beta Kappa annually. The Kent State University chapter was established in 1976, and each year the Phi Beta Kappa faculty members elect juniors and seniors who have met the high standards of excellence of the society.

Membership degree candidates include:

Emily Fox Benedict
Christine Alexandra Bucey

Rachel Marie Drnach

Christopher Michael Grimes II

Megan Cathleen Medfisch

Christa Junia Sauers
Zoe Rene Sims
Erika Lauren Sitch
Madison Marie Smith



Ambassador Crawford College of Business and Entrepreneurship

Deborah F. Spake, Ph.D., Dean

Doctor of Philosophy

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Iman Raoofpanah

Dissertation Title: "Exploration of Hedonic and Utilitarian Value of Online Reviews"
Dissertation Director: Christopher Groening

Master of Business Administration

Frank J. Arcuri

Alexandrea Marie Haffner

Taahirah N. Levert

Leah M. Makuch

Asma Nour El Houda Rekhif
Michael D. Rucktaschel

Ryan Saylor
Ryan Wesley Spake

Stephanie R. Vollmer

Lily Rae Wilhite

William Zafirau

Master of Science

Mark Kalpesh Christian

Devante Allen Lee

Rakhee Moolchandani

Brandon Lloyd Shields

Master of Science in Accounting

Qimin Chen

David Charles Gaglione
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Dissertation Title: "Participants' Experiences of Group Therapy in a Partial Hospitalization Program: 'It Was Impactful.'"

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Dissertation Title: "The Role of Professional Socialization in Specialty Choice Among Higher Education Students"

Dissertation Directors: Tara Hudson and Mark Kretoivics

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Dissertation Title: "Microaggressions In K-12 Public Education: A Self-Study on the Influence on Black Male Identity and Leadership"

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EVALUATION AND MEASUREMENT

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Dissertation Title: "An Examination of the Effects of Participation in High-Impact Practices Using Propensity Score Analysis With Structural Equation Modeling"

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Dissertation Title: "Investigating Factors Related to Coping and Optimism: A Latent Profile Analysis and a Propensity Score Matching Method Using the National Survey of Midlife Development in the United States (MIDUS 3)"

Dissertation Director: Jian Li

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Dissertation Title: "What Can We Learn From Observational Data? Exploring Mediation, Moderation and Causal Analysis With Community College Mathematics Course Data"

Dissertation Director: Aryn C. Karpinski

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Dissertation Title: "Effects of Home-Based Electrical Stimulation Exercise on Mood and Quality of Life in Individuals with Spinal Cord Injury"

Dissertation Director: John McDaniel

HEALTH EDUCATION AND PROMOTION

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Dissertation Title: "Behavioral Intention Among Health Education and Promotion Students Toward Taking a Sexual and Reproductive Health Education (Srhe) Class at a University in Saudi Arabia"

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"Epidemiology of Childhood Lead Poisoning (CLP) Among Children From Resettled Refugee Families in Ohio, United States: Analysis of Pre- and Post-Resettlement CLP Burden and an Assessment of Parental Knowledge, Attitude, Practices and Barriers Related to CLP Prevention"
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ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Associate of Applied Business	31
Associate of Applied Science	85
Associate of Arts	234
Associate of Science	218
Associate of Technical Studies	5

BACHELOR DEGREES

Bachelor of Applied Horticulture	2
Bachelor of Arts	374
Bachelor of Business Administration	264
Bachelor of Fine Arts	16
Bachelor of Integrative Studies	30
Bachelor of Music	8
Bachelor of Radiology and Imaging Sciences	19
Bachelor of Science	494
Bachelor of Science in Education	79
Bachelor of Science in Information Technology	27
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	97
Bachelor of Science in Public Health	61
Bachelor of Technical and Applied Studies	26



GRADUATE DEGREES

Doctor of Audiology	0
Doctor of Nursing Practice	1
Doctor of Philosophy	43
Doctor of Podiatric Medicine	0
Educational Specialist	2
Master of Architecture	2
Master of Arts	61
Master of Arts in Economics	0
Master of Arts in Teaching	0
Master of Business Administration	12
Master of Digital Sciences	5
Master of Education	38
Master of Engineering Technology	3
Master of Fashion Industry Studies	1
Master of Fine Arts	4
Master of Geographic Information Science	6
Master of Healthcare Design	1
Master of Landscape Architecture	1
Master of Liberal Studies	4
Master of Library and Information Science	53



Master of Music	17
Master of Public Administration	9
Master of Public Health	28
Master of Science	57
Master of Science in Accounting	4
Master of Science in Nursing	4
Master of Technology	2
Master of Urban Design	2

SUMMARY

Associate	573
Bachelor	1,497
Master	314
Educational Specialist	2
Doctorate	44
Total	2,430



Academic Attire

Identification of the hood and robe as academic apparel is believed to have originated at the English universities of Oxford and Cambridge during the 12th and 13th centuries. The hoods are a carry-over from the times when monks, who operated those universities, wore them to protect their shaved heads in winter. The robe is an adaptation of the shoulder cape also worn by those same monks while collecting alms.

Use of the academic robe came to the United States in 1754, with the founding of what is now Columbia University. In 1895, a commission of university officials adopted a universal code

of design and color for the academic garb. This code has undergone several revisions in subsequent years, with most recent modifications accepted in 1960.

Styling of the robes varies for the bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. The width of sleeve borders and length of the hood increase with each advanced degree.

In the hoods, the color of the velvet border indicates the type of degree held, while the lining designates the official colors of the institution granting it.

A distinguishing color table for academic attire:

Ambassador Crawford College of Business and Entrepreneurship	Drab
College of Aeronautics and Engineering	Orange
College of Applied and Technical Studies	
Agribusiness	Maize
Associate	Black
Engineering	Orange
Horticulture, Science	Golden Yellow
Music Technology	Pink
Radiology	Maroon
Technical and Applied Science	Drab
College of Architecture and Environmental Design	Blue Violet
College of the Arts	
Arts, Fine Arts, Science	Brown
Music	Pink
College of Arts and Sciences	
Arts	White
Fine Arts	Brown
Science	Golden Yellow
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
College of Communication and Information	
Arts, Fine Arts, Science	Crimson
Library Science	Lemon
College of Education, Health and Human Services	Light Blue
Audiology	Green
College of Nursing	Apricot
College of Podiatric Medicine	Green
College of Public Health	Salmon



The Mace

The mace carried by the macebearer in the academic processional symbolizes authority. The macebearer carries a mace created and crafted by alumnus Michael V. Jaszczak, '98. Jaszczak created the mace based upon the input of a committee charged with the task of bringing forth a new design utilizing the resources and wealth of talent available in Kent State's School of Art.

The central motif of the university seal retains the sun of the state seal, signifying state ownership, and is symbolic of the light of knowledge and wisdom. The shield suggests the geographic shape of Ohio. The bird, which symbolizes leadership, is the chimney swift, a species that colonizes on campus and seems to be in constant flight. The university colors of blue and gold are incorporated in the enameled piece, which is set on top of a walnut pole. The mace rests in a walnut stand crafted by David Dalton, Ph.D., who taught for many years in the College of Education, Health and Human Services.



The Gonfalons

Gonfalons are long ceremonial flags or banners suspended from a crossbar. The use of ceremonial banners dates back to the 1500s. Italian towns, for example, each have a gonfalon, which is the official emblem of the town, showing its coat of arms.

Each of the college gonfalons is emblazoned with the Kent State seal on an academic color of one of the college's disciplines, established by academic protocol.



The President's Medallion

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ABOUT KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Kent State University is one of the largest university systems in the nation, yet one of the closest families in the world. We embrace diversity and the culture it creates – promoting visionary ideas and bold thinking. From this environment, our students draw strength and support to stand for what matters and to take meaningful action for change.

More than 100 years after William S. Kent donated his valuable farmland so the state could build a teacher-training school for the area, Kent State is one of Ohio's leading public universities and a major educational, economic and cultural resource far beyond the Northeast Ohio region it has served since its founding as Kent State Normal School in 1910.

Today, poised to play a leading role in 21st century education, Kent State is one of 91 public doctoral universities with high research activity, as categorized by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. Kent State is the highest-ranking public university in Northern Ohio on the Top Public Schools and Best National Universities lists by *U.S. News & World Report* for 2021.

With eight campuses spanning Northeast Ohio, a College of Podiatric Medicine, the Twinsburg Academic Center and academic sites in major world cities such as Florence, Geneva and New York, Kent State illuminates the way as a world-class institution. Its programs and partnerships boldly expand the boundaries of knowledge for faculty engaged in research and collaboration, and for students receiving life-changing experiences in experiential and study-away programs.

The student body comprises more than 34,000 students, including more than 1,300 international students from nearly 100 countries. The university earns worldwide recognition for its optimum balance of more than 360 undergraduate programs of study and more than 200 master's and doctoral programs of study.

The addition of new teaching and learning environments, from the sciences to the arts, and the development of exciting new academic programs characterize Kent State's focus on transformational educational experiences. The university is accelerating its strategic investment in established areas of research expertise, including environmental science, population health, global understanding and materials sciences. Building upon its historic and foundational research in liquid crystals, Kent State's

Advanced Materials and Liquid Crystal Institute embraces a leading international role in advanced materials and soft matter science and innovation.

Kent State recognizes its place in history with the May 4 Visitors Center and annual May 4 Commemoration, which pay homage to the seminal events of May 4, 1970, on the university's Kent Campus. The center and annual observances honor those who lost their lives, those who were wounded and those who survived.

World-renowned, nationally ranked and regionally vital, Kent State proudly serves higher education and the world with graduates who are finding their purpose and making a difference with their contributions.

While some people measure both history and success by tangibles, a Kent State professor emeritus suggests considering timeless intangibles that "can be measured by the lump in your throat ... by walking tall." On a sun-drenched July day in 1914, Kent State's first graduation class of 34 members walked tall. They led the way for the many hundreds of thousands of Kent State alumni who live and work around the world. Proudly joining their ranks are today's newest members of the Kent State family on this glorious day of celebration.

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Hail to Thee, Our Alma Mater

Words by E. Turner Stump | Music by Dwight Steere

*From the beauty land Ohio comes a universal praise,
'Tis the song of Alma Mater that her sons and daughters raise,
'Tis a Hail to Kent forever,
on the Cuyahoga shore,
Now we join the loving thousands as they sing it o'er and o'er.*

*Hail to Thee, our Alma Mater
O, how beautiful thou art,
High enthroned upon the hilltop,
Reigning over ev-ry heart.*

