



University of Missouri–St. Louis

*2024 Fall
Commencement*

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Saturday, December 14

9:00 am College of Business Administration
College of Nursing

1:30 pm College of Arts and Sciences

6:00 pm College of Education
UMSL/Washington University
Joint Engineering Program
School of Social Work

UMSL

UM System Board of Curators

Robert Blitz, Clayton

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Kristin Sobolik
chancellor

Steven Berberich
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vice chancellor for finance
and administration and
chief financial officer

Lisa Capone
vice chancellor for advancement

Reggie Hill
vice chancellor for enrollment
strategy and career advancement

Adella Jones
chief of staff

Justin Roberts
associate vice chancellor for
marketing and communications

Christopher Spilling
vice chancellor for research
and economic and
community development

Tanisha Stevens
vice chancellor for institutional
effectiveness and compliance

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Chancellor's Message

Dear UMSL Class of 2024,

I am honored and thrilled to be able to congratulate you on the remarkable milestone that is your graduation from the University of Missouri–St. Louis. Today is a day for celebration, tremendous joy and reflection—not to mention well-earned excitement about the future. Please, take it all in. This is your day!

I know that I speak for everyone at UMSL when I say we could not be happier to share in this celebration with you and your families. Please know that everything you've overcome, worked for, and through has not gone unnoticed. As we recognize your achievements, know that we are in awe of each of our graduates and we are all honored to celebrate the conferral of your degree.

My wish for you, and your family and friends, is that you are filled with pride today. I hope you feel the recognition you've rightly earned, and I hope you feel content in the knowledge that what you've achieved in your time here is a foundation for the rest of your future successes.

May you go forward ready to transform your life into the one you dream of—and help others do the same along the way. Best wishes and sincere congratulations, Tritons!



Kristin Sobolik, PhD
Chancellor



Kristin Sobolik
Chancellor

About the University

The University of Missouri–St. Louis

Much like our graduates, the University of Missouri–St. Louis is also a success story.

As the premier public research university in Missouri's most populous and economically important region, the University of Missouri–St. Louis provides excellent learning experiences and leadership opportunities to a broad spectrum of students whose influence upon graduation is immense. No other university brings more to bear on the advancement of St. Louis than UMSL—which is fitting for a campus created just for that purpose.

In 1963, the university opened on the grounds of a closed golf course in Normandy, Missouri, out of a need to bring accessible, public education to the region. It had one building, a modest faculty and fewer than 700 students. Today, UMSL is spread across 350 acres of rolling hills in suburban St. Louis County and enrolls more than 15,000 students. While UMSL's more than 117,000 graduates are located in all 50 states and nearly 100 countries around

the world, their greatest impact is felt right here in St. Louis. More than 81,000 UMSL alumni live, work, and thrive in the region providing more than \$14.3 billion in economic impact to the state.

UMSL is a Tier 1 research university—one of four in Missouri—and ranks No. 135 nationally among over 2,000 public universities. U.S. News and World Report ranks UMSL No. 1 in Missouri and No. 92 nationally as a “Top Performer on Social Mobility” meaning that the university does an outstanding job of graduating student with extreme financial need. Forbes Magazine has even named UMSL one of ‘America's Best Colleges.’

As we celebrate our 61st anniversary, like you, we know that the University of Missouri–St. Louis has been a beacon of hope, a force for good, and a leader in the pursuit of excellence in education, meaningful research, and community service. You are a part of this legacy now and forever—and we know and trust that you will make us proud as you move forward along your individual journeys.

We transform lives

As the metropolitan, land-grant, research institution serving the most diverse and economically important region in Missouri, the University of Missouri–St. Louis delivers exceptional educational, research and engagement experiences that inform, prepare, challenge and inspire.

Academic excellence

UMSL's fundamental purpose is to educate and graduate students as they seek different and better lives. Our academic programs emphasize student growth through research, internship opportunities, and one-on-one attention.

Our eight colleges and schools, as well as our joint engineering partnership, are anchored by our award-winning faculty and nationally-ranked programs, offering each student a high quality, invaluable and diverse educational opportunity.

About Commencement

Banners In addition to the coloring presented in the academic attire, each college is also represented on the university's commencement banners. The side panels of the banners are red and gold, the colors of the University of Missouri–St. Louis. The color of the center section, which bears the seal of the university, represents the academic college.

Candidates The commencement program is a roster of candidates from the Office of the Registrar, not an official list of graduates. The appropriate degrees and honors will be awarded to candidates who have successfully completed all requirements by the date of commencement.

Commencement A ceremony to celebrate a true milestone in each candidate's life and those of their guests. Excitement, joy and enthusiasm is expected and welcomed!

Degrees with Distinction A degree with distinction in research (RCH), scholarship (SCH) or creativity in the arts (ART) is an honor that recognizes a student for outstanding accomplishments in research and/or other creative endeavors. To graduate with a degree of distinction, students must have obtained 75 credit hours, a minimum 3.5 GPA, a faculty mentor, and have begun research, scholarship or creative endeavors of exceptional quality.

Latin Honors High scholastic achievement for undergraduate degree candidates is indicated by Latin honors.

To graduate with Latin honors, students must have attended UMSL for 56 graded hours and must meet the GPA qualifications listed below.

- *** summa cum laude: top 3% grade point average
- ** magna cum laude: next 5% grade point average
- * cum laude: next 12% grade point average

See the official University Bulletin for more information. Undergraduate degree candidates with Latin honors will be wearing red and gold tassels to signify their honors.

Student Government Association (SGA)

Representative A student in a leadership position within the campus SGA program who leads the Platform Party in the academic procession.



The Seal of the University of Missouri

The seal was adopted March 31, 1903. The straight perpendicular lines on the printed shield denote courage. The grizzly bear of Missouri is walking leisurely with face turned toward the observer. A new moon is outlined in blue, and in the lower right corner appears the arms of the United States of America. Appearing on an open book is the motto of the university, Salus Populi, The Welfare of the People. Sigill Universitatis Missouriien MDCCCXXXIX means the seal of the University of Missouri 1839, the year the university was established as the first state university west of the Mississippi River. The seal can be seen on the UM System flag located on the stage, to the right of the American flag.

Website Visit umsl.edu/commencement for history and context of attire, recordings, speeches, traditions and more.

Ceremony I - Saturday, December 14, 9:00 am

College of Business
Administration

College of Nursing

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Presiding

Kristin Sobolik, chancellor

Master of Ceremonies

Steve Moehrle,
professor, accounting

Aisle Marshals

William DeClue,
assistant professor, nursing

John Meriac, associate
professor, global leadership
and management

Faculty Marshal

Sheila Grigsby,
associate professor, nursing
director, PhD program
director, Community-Based
Clinical Education

Student Marshals

Brett Paubel, College of
Business Administration
outstanding student
in accounting

Lucy Kihiu, College of Nursing,
outstanding student in nursing

Keagan Josephine Bland,
Graduate School outstanding
student in information systems
and technology

Order of Procession

- Undergraduate candidates
- Master's candidates
- Doctoral candidates
and Faculty
- Platform party

National Anthem

Led by **Daniel Pollien**,
undergraduate student in the
College of Arts and Sciences

Commencement Address

Rebecca Boyer,
chief financial officer,
ACME Holding Company

Introduction read by
Shu Schiller, dean,
College of Business
Administration

Conferral of Academic Degrees

Kristin Sobolik, chancellor

Assisted by
Steven Berberich, provost
and vice chancellor,
Academic Affairs

Shu Schiller, dean, College
of Business Administration

Norma Hall-Thoms, dean,
College of Nursing

Edward Munn Sanchez, dean,
Pierre Laclède Honors College

Presentation of Diploma Folders

Names read by
Rod Milam, St. Louis
Public Radio

Welcome of the New Alumni

Melissa Dorn, MBA '19

Recession

*(Please remain seated until the
platform party has exited.)*

Commencement Speaker



Rebecca Boyer, BSAcc '97

Chief Financial Officer, ACME Group Holding Company, LLC

Rebecca Boyer is a transformative leader and dynamic Chief Financial Officer with a distinguished career spanning over two decades. Currently as CFO of ACME Group Holding Company, an employee-owned organization, Ms. Boyer has driven strategic growth, financial excellence, and operational efficiency. She previously served as CFO of KellyMitchell, leading its growth from a single office to more than sixteen nationwide.

A trailblazer in finance, mergers and acquisitions, and business analytics, Ms. Boyer has received numerous accolades, including being named one of St. Louis' Most Influential Businesswomen and a Top 40 Under 40 honoree. Ms. Boyer's leadership contributed to her organizations being recognized on the Inc. 5000 list of Fastest Growing Private Companies in America seven times.

Beyond professional achievements, Ms. Boyer is deeply committed to mentoring others and giving back to the community. She serves on advisory boards, champions workforce development, and inspires future leaders through her dedication to innovation, adaptability, and continuous improvement. Ms. Boyer earned a Bachelor of Science in accounting from the University of Missouri-St. Louis and a Master of Business Administration from Washington University.

Candidates for Doctoral Degrees

GRADUATE SCHOOL COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Doctor of Business Administration

AUGUST GRADUATES

Sean Leahy

Organizational Control and Technological Capabilities: The Moderating Role of Family Influence on the Firm

Advisor: Seemantini Pathak, PhD

Sarah Willey

Ethical Leadership and Moral Foundations Congruence

Advisor: John Meriac, PhD

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Naomi Akins-Osuma

Organizational Characteristics as Drivers of Employer Attraction

Advisor: John Meriac, PhD

Casey Bell

Losing Face-to-Face Relationship Selling in a Digital World: An Empirical Investigation of Relationship Selling in the Independent Insurance Agency

Advisor: Gerald Gao, PhD

Robert Beverly

The Influence of News Media on ESG Ratings: Analyzing Media Sentiment Around ESG Rating Changes

Advisor: Timothy Dombrowski, PhD

Josh Copeland

Radiating Excellence: Leadership Styles in Nuclear Power That Influence Operators Towards Industry Best Practices

Advisor: Matthew Taylor, PhD

Jesse Core

Shelf Space Strategy in Alcoholic Beverage Retail: Analyzing the Impact of Shelf Facings on Sales Performance and Consumer Behavior

Advisor: Ho Kim, PhD

Sara Lewis

Accountability for Unethicality: Monitoring, Policy, and Individual Attitudes

Advisor: John Meriac, PhD

Rachelle Martin

Perfectionism is Not a Bad Word – It's a Superpower: A Qualitative Examination of Perfectionism in Women Leaders

Advisor: Ekin Pellegrini, PhD

Brian Newsom

Hearing Their Stories: Tailoring HR Onboarding, Job Satisfaction, and Retention Strategies for Veterans with Disabilities in the Civilian Workforce

Advisor: Brandon Ofem, PhD

Kristen Prince

It Can Be Lonely at the Top, But it Doesn't Have to Be: Workplace Loneliness as Experienced by Senior Leaders and Potential Coping Strategies

Advisor: Ekin Pellegrini, PhD

Willie Rivers III

Navigating the Landscape: Perceptions, Motivations, and the Journey of Data Professionals in Implementing Data Processes and Procedures

Advisor: Dinesh Mirchandani, PhD

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Doctor of Nursing Practice

AUGUST GRADUATES

Christina Bearden

Implementation of the Process Improvement Toolkit for Hospital Acquired Pressure Injuries

Advisor: Elizabeth Segura, DNP

Margaret Bernard

Implementation of Intentional Hourly Rounding at Pediatric Hospital

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Christina Coleman

Neonatal Hyperbilirubinemia and Phototherapy: The Implementation of Seminal Clinical Practice Guidelines

Advisor: Emily Winn, DNP

Sophia Cooke

Implementation of Skin-to-Skin Contact Immediately Post Cesarean Birth: A Quality Improvement Project

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Landry Crabtree

Evaluation of the Grief of Mothers Affected by Perinatal and Traumatic Loss

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Natalie Doskal-Poe

The Impact of Hourly Safety Rounding on Pediatric Fall Rates

Advisor: Vanessa Loyd, PhD

Yolanda Duncan-Watt

Evaluation of a Smoking Cessation Program in Primary Care

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Zachary Elmore

Improving Mental Health Outcomes in Amputees

Advisor: Joshua Minks, PhD

Elaine L. Fitzgerald

Bridging the Gap: Psychopharmacologic Education and Side Effect Screening for Non-Prescribing Mental Health Professionals

Advisor: Britannia Phillips, DNP

Makenzie Garrison

Implementation of the Edinburgh Postpartum Depression Screening Tool for Postpartum Depression in a Midwest Primary Care Clinic

Advisor: Elizabeth Segura, DNP

Erika Gotway

Implementing A Brief Intervention for Smoking Cessation in an Inpatient Psychiatric Facility

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Mollie J. Gulino

Implementation of Postnatal Depression Screening: A Pilot Study

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Sarah Gutzke

Implementation of Home Blood Pressure Monitoring

Advisor: Amanda Finley, PhD

Lauren Hacker

Implementation of a Prone Position Pressure Injury Prevention Bundle in the PICU

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Kristin Hagopian

Utilizing the Prediction of Alcohol Withdrawal Severity Scale (PAWSS) to Improve Identification of Patients at Risk for Complicated Alcohol Withdrawal

Advisor: Britannia Phillips, DNP

Emily Heth

Wiping Out CLABSIs: Cleaning High Touch Surfaces in the PICU

Advisor: Sarah Jackson, DNP

Viktoriya Ivantsova

Depression Screening and Education for Immigrants to Increase Access to Care

Advisor: Britannia Phillips, DNP

DeAnna Kappelmann

Restraint Reduction Using the Brøset Violence Checklist

Advisor: Britannia Phillips, DNP

Kayla Keeven

A Guideline-Based Approach to Increase Early Mobilization in the Pediatric Patient Following Cardiothoracic Surgery

Advisor: Amanda Finley, PhD

Tori Keeven

Implementation of a Standardized Nursing Handoff in a Pediatric Intensive Care Unit

Advisor: Sarah Jackson, DNP

Miah Majors Vernor

Implementation of Skin-to-Skin Immediately Post C-Section: A Pilot Study

Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Courtney Maxey

Social Work in Pediatric Primary Care

Advisor: Amanda Finley, PhD

Stacey Paule

Improving Nurse Response to Seizure Events in the Epilepsy Monitoring Unit with Use of a Standardized Process

Advisor: Elizabeth Segura, DNP

Rebecca Rodman

An Interdisciplinary Medication Reconciliation Approach for Arabic-Speaking Patients
Advisor: Vanessa Loyd, PhD

Elizabeth A. Schickler

360° Clinical Competence Evaluation for Pediatric Hospitalist Advanced Practice Providers
Advisor: Joshua Minks, PhD

Layna V. Schultz

Implementation of Quantitative Blood Loss Following Cesarean Section Birth
Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Lindsay Shahi

Increasing Rates of Advance Directives in Primary Care
Advisor: Amanda Finley, PhD

Madeline Skelton

Implementation of Quantitative Blood Loss Measurement in Cesarean Section Births
Advisor: Charity Galgani, DNP

Kaitlin Vernier

Implementation of CHG-Dressings and the Effect on Bloodstream Infections in ECMO Patients at a Pediatric Hospital
Advisor: Sarah Jackson, DNP

Nicole West

Management of Post-Extubation Dysphagia using the Yale Swallow Protocol
Advisor: Joshua Minks, PhD

Roselie Woodard

Self-Harm in Female Youth with Undiagnosed ADHD: Implementing American Academy of Pediatrics Screening Guidelines
Advisor: Brittania Phillips, DNP

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Alex Anderson

Reducing Restraint Use and Workplace Violence Using The Broset Violence Checklist
Advisor: Brittania Phillips, DNP

Rebekah Feeney

Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment for Pregnant Women
Advisor: Vanessa Loyd, PhD

Alyssa Graham

Screening for Depression Post Acute Coronary Syndrome
Advisor: Vanessa Loyd, PhD

Caitlin Sherwood

Addressing Daily Compliance of Central Line Discussions in a Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care Unit
Advisor: Amanda Finley, PhD

Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Seyoung Baik

Disruptive Clinician Behavior: A Qualitative Descriptive Study Of Non-native English-speaking Nurses
Advisor: Julie Bertram, PhD

Cherryl Rainey

Examining Mentoring as a Catalyst for Nurse Work Engagement and Professional Development
Advisor: Susan Dean-Baar, PhD

Candidates for Master's Degrees

GRADUATE SCHOOL COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Masters in Accounting Accounting

AUGUST GRADUATES

Hanna Lynn Daly
Zachary Michael Tosh

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Jacqueline Espinoza
Thomas Michael Fabry
Amel Fazlagic
Yan Jiang
Peyton Koch
Grant Bradley Lewis
Sophia Noelle Macke
Lilianna G. Ng
Brett Joseph Paubel
Samantha Linn West

Master of Business Administration

Business Administration

AUGUST GRADUATES

Sanela Alic
Desiree Brooks
Chiung Chih Chang
Ho-Hsin Chen
Jeffrey William Dietzenbach
Xin Ru Ho
Samantha Elizabeth Inman

Miao Ru Jheng

Elma Karahasanovic
Ping-Lun Lee
Miao Hua Lin
WeiHsiang Lin
Yen Sui Lin
Yuenyin Lo
Eyrusalem Risky Nega
Samuel I. Nevelow
Xiaoyu Pan
Sandeep Roy
Cindy Ruzi
Jessica Ann Schneider
Pei Jia Su
Zach Thomas Unnerstall
McKinley Nicole Witbrodt
Timothy Wombles
Wei Tao Wu
Hsin Yu Yu

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Zahraa Al Ater
Lauren Althaus
Dustin Bailey
Ashanti Bryant
Eric Alphonse Campos
Jasmine Alyse Carter
Josef Lee Coonce
Amanda Cun
Haley Lynn Dacus
Melanie Ann Dillon
Haleigh Etavard
Jordan Danielle Fallert
Jessenia Garcia
Raynell N. George
Sabrina Maria Gober
Shannon M. Goersch
Jennifer Kelly Haarmann
Daniel Edward Halley
Gregory Don Harmon
Alexander R. Hartline
Chelsea Elizabeth Henley
Stephanie Herrera
Paige Nicole Highfill
Catherine Tabas Hilty
Niko James Hoijarvi
Km Zakir Hossain
Matthew William Houck
Jeremiah Houghton
Clayton Noel House
Denae Howard
Anthony John Hyberger
Elizabeth Lora Ingram
Caleb Richard Jackson
Munevera Jakubovic
Grayson James
Anna Grace Jenkins
Branyea M. Jones
Christopher Kaleta
Tete Kpoti
Kathryn Amanda Krenn
Kelly Nicole Kreutzer
Joann LaKine
Francesca Audia Loseille
Ma-lik Johnathan Claudius Moss
Kiara B. Nixon

Viktoriia Nozdrachova
Garrett Trueman Orson
Miranda Mendoza Paulos
Carrie Elizabeth Pauly
Paul Daniel Pilat
Travis Podorski
Alexandra Marie Prather
Robert Franklin Presnell
Nyla L. Reed
Rhiannon Olivia Robinson
Nick J. Schreiber
Kavita N. Shinde
John Robert Siracusa
Zachary Smegner
Jeffrey Wayne Snellen
Colin P. Stokes
Cheng-Hua Tsai
Jana Vidmajer Kolar
Kory Ann Wagner
Jacob King Warner
Adam Martin Wild
Allison Rene' Williams
Ryan D. Younger
Ramiz Zaidi

Master of Science Cybersecurity

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Jibril Anifowoshe
Suman Inagalla
Ian Marshall
Dzenana Muratovic
Diane Lorretta Woodley

Financial Technology

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Seun Damilare Shorinolu

Information Systems and Technology

AUGUST GRADUATES

Anantha Sai Kumar Dasari
Tarun Naidu Gorle
Dharini Rao

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Keagan J. Bland
Revathi Bollikonda
Timothy E. Burke
Sravani Genupula
Jinghan Jia
Brian Jiang
Jayashree Chidanand Kalabhavi
Isaac Kang
Vamshidhar Reddy Pinnareddy
Sowmya Sama
Naveen Chandra Kumar Sundaram
Manoj Thalluri
Taylor Wilson
Deepika Varma Yakama

Supply Chain and Analytics**DECEMBER CANDIDATES**

Jillian Rose Bockhorst
Navya Rani Kanaka

Candidates for Bachelor's Degrees**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION****Bachelor of Science in Accounting****Accounting****AUGUST GRADUATES**

Adam Hayes
Aidan Thomas Head**
Luke Horn
Zach Lakey
Anjen Willow Morrell
Alex Wild

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Elizabeth Marie Cassani**
Jameah Tamika Machel
Collins*
Emily Rose Engelhardt*
Jacqueline Espinoza*
Amel Fazlagic
Trysta Dawn Foster**
Alyssa Marie Gaddis
Kyle W. Gang
Kyle Anthony Gokin*
Matthew David Grzechowiak*
Andrew Patrick Jedding
Franklin Murray Kely
Sophia Noelle Macke
Ribhi A. Mahmoud
Melissa Mantz***
Maxwell Martin Meeker*
Nichole Brianna Mullins
Madeline Rose Murphy
Gesli Muzhaqi*
Rebecca A. Nack
Lilianna Gaman Ng***
Brett Joseph Paubel***
Ella Marie Peterson*
Traci Diane Schuler
Spencer Jack Smith
Charles James Thomasson
Breanna Marie Trail
Jade Nichole White
Ashlee Brooke Wright***
Joseph Ryan Wysocki

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration**Business Administration****AUGUST GRADUATES**

Alyssa Abraham
Dakarai Armstead
Adela Avdic
Samuel Allen Bledsoe
Matthew A. Brantley*
Michaela Broder

Brandon Roberto Carbonell
Leticia A. Caruthers
Chiung Chih Chang
William Cohen
Amanda Daake
Ryan N. Dorsey
Abigail M. Francis
Jasjit Singh Gandhi
Belarmino Braulio Garcia
Jarrod Andre Gillespie
Bibek Gurung
Kenyon Allen Hails
Dennis Patrick Harvey**
Luke Horn
Damereous Jones
Elliot Cade LaBeau
John David Lenox
Yen Sui Lin
Leah Marie Linden
Christopher Andrew Glen
Lockett Sr.
Michael Malin
Trevor Michael Martin*
Caelan McDougal
Erika E. Meehan*
Amir Aryan Mehdird*
Kathy Hoang Nguyen*
Graham Robert Niemeyer
Dominique Nsengiyumva
Luke Brewer O'Brien*
Nikhil Parimal Patel
Maria Gail Prather
Erna Rizvanovic
Evan Nicholas Robertson
Caitlynn E. Rosenberg
Joshua Michael Rogers
Schmiemeier**
Gilani Shaker
Todd Robert Sievert
Brooke Nicole Thornburg**
Taylor Ward*
Ashley J. White
Alexander Philpot Wilmsen*
Tabitha Pauline Wood
Hsin Yu Yu*

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Megha Mariyam Antony
John Michael Apollo***
Jesse Alan Baker
Senid Bihorac
Travis Lee Blair**
Taylor Paige Boehme
Rory Allen Boyce
Joe Brady
Jeremiah Patrick Bresnahan III
Angela Jean Brown
Joscelyn N. Brown
Parker Brown
Pierce Alexander Burns***
Hannah Elizabeth Clark*
Jameah Tamika Machel
Collins*
Tanner Brian Condiff
Charley Joseph Cooper
Nermin Dolic
Wendy Jo Dugger

Lucille Marie Dunker
Trinity Lynn Eberhart
April Elizabeth Facklam*
Austin Joseph Franklin
Christopher Gregory Franzen
Jennifer L. Freeman**
Jesse Frey
Taylor Elizabeth Friese
Anthony Garavaglia
Jonathan Robert Giegling
Adrian Kempf Gray
Cherish Ruby Grey*
Paige Brielle Hamber
Mackenzie L. Haslett
Jacob Matthew Hathaway
Malinda Jean Henderson
Sarah Enanga-Efosi Hill*
Jetta Marie Ives
Jackson Behr Joedicke
Kimberly Patrice Elizabeth
Johnson
Lindsey Nicole Jones***
Joshua Landgraf
Aaron Michael Laurent
Carter Legate
Melisa Silvia Leon-Ornelas
David Liddell
Jacob Charles Lombardi ***
Elizabeth Renee Malin
Ropheka Manzambi Wa
Manzambi
Stephenie Ann Masat
Alexis Nichole Maurer
Jordan Xavier McDaniel
Layshona Moffatt
Candra Nikole Mottert**
Nina Nguyen
Khloe Michelle Niehoff
Jennifer Chidimma Nwaobasi
Kiel Glen Pedersen*
Aaron Joseph Penning*
Heather Elizabeth Purtle
Jesse Bridger Ratliff
Meghan Elizabeth Rocha
Matthew Glennon Rock
Aubrey Nicole Rodis
Peter George Roman
Gohar Saeed
Ryan Tyler Sanders*
Jacob Michael Schroeder***
Alexis Rose Schultehenrich
John Sullivan Schultz
Aileen Saluckchit Sengsavang
Alyssa Marie Speagle
Austin Tyler Standley
Easter Still
Greg J. Stoentchev*
Cooper Dalton Strayhorn
Jeffrey R. Strobl
Rolando Anthony Swaby**
Aleah Thompson
George LeRay Thompson Jr.
Stephanie Eva Marie Tyler***
Andrew William Walker
Kelsay Renee Watkins
Mackenzie Anne Wilson
David Anthony Woelfel

Devon Womack**
Maren Xu*
Sophia Yereshchenko
Tiaan van der Walt*

Bachelor of Science**Cybersecurity BS****AUGUST GRADUATE**

Cin Lam Mung

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Yad D. Baban
Gavyn Maxwell Ian Bailey
Joshua James Butters
Ermin Lemes**

Bachelor of Science in Information Systems**Information Systems and Technology****AUGUST GRADUATES**

Kelsey Renae King
Craig B. Stephens

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Temperance Abera Blackman
Patinon Charoenrit***
Genesis Alexis Daniels
Kevin Michael Donnelly
Tyra O. Jones-Williamson
Ryan John Manley*
Kendal E. Meyer**
Duy Quang Ngo
Jack Thomas Roebuck***
Faruq O. Sowemim**
Alex Joseph Strickland**
Khari Jai Wayne
Alyshia R. West

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

AUGUST GRADUATES

Bisa Lubaya Eburn Adero
Cynthia Chidiebere
Amalachukwu-Onwujekwe
Jeremiah Arodi
Amber Jenai Berry
Lakaveon Narish Burrell
Aditi Vikram Chohan
Laith Elrubaie
Julietta Maria Feliz
Julia Fruend
Alex Renee Gubera
Hairemela Fisseha Habtu
Xinbei Han
Airyanna Hines
Sarah Krull
Sophia Marcinkiewicz
Ryan Thomas McCarthy
Jared Momanyi
Jayne Elisabeth Murphy
Devin Chandler Nelsen
Rita Ofejiro Odemerho
Kaden William Patterson
Emma Caroline Sward
Na'Kya Tearis Taylor
Ayanna Thompson
Gibson Makhaso Wanaswa

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Bisola Olufunmike Ajayi
Juliet D. Barinwa
Morgan Taylor Barnoski
Shelby Renee Beile
Amber Jenai Berry
Rochelle Renee Bruce
Nakeah Marie Gillette
Aaryn R. Greenlee
Kenneth Gregory Hennessey
Danielle Kay Hoerman
Rohini Kc
Lucy Wanjiru Kihui**
Alanna Lam
Kameron George Laskowski
Julia Lockhart
Patricia Massalay
Hannah Mercado*
Caroline Grace Mitchell
Jessica Lynn Moore
Bill Dan Ngo
Mathew Mutura Nkiria
Jennifer Opara*
Olivia Elaine Page
Collene Ponevilai
Bridgett Patricia Powers
Mariyah Simpson

Lilian Rachel Stauder
Hannah Besong Tambe
Demetria Thomas
Adrienne Marie Unger
Anna J. Vangundy
Juan Vigil Banciella
Ebony S. Wilson
Madison Lynn Zerban

Ceremony II - Saturday, December 14, 1:30 pm

College of Arts and Sciences

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Presiding

Kristin Sobolik, chancellor

Master of Ceremonies

Joanna Mendoza, chair,
Department of Music
professor of music

Aisle Marshals

Adrian Clinger,
professor of mathematics

Anne E. Winkler,
professor of economics

Faculty Marshal

Sandra Trapani, chair,
Department of Language and
Cultural Studies, teaching
professor in French

Student Marshals

Hope VanBennekom,
College of Arts and Sciences,
outstanding student in
communication

Michael Feger,
Graduate School, outstanding
student in english

Order of Procession

- Undergraduate candidates
- Master's candidates
- Doctoral candidates
and Faculty
- Platform party

National Anthem

Led by **Daniel Pollien**,
undergraduate student in the
College of Arts and Sciences

Commencement Address

Vice Admiral Bob Sharp,
USN (Ret.)

Introduction read by
Kristin Sobolik, chancellor

Conferral of Academic Degrees

Kristin Sobolik, chancellor

Assisted by
Steven Berberich, provost
and vice chancellor,
Academic Affairs

Andrew Balkansky, dean,
College of Arts and Sciences

Edward Munn Sanchez, dean,
Pierre Laclède Honors College

Presentation of Diploma Folders

Names read by
Rod Milam, St. Louis
Public Radio

Welcome of the New Alumni

Samuel Fredeking,
BA Psychology '13, MBA '17

Recession

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platform party has exited.)*

Commencement Speaker



Bob Sharp

Retired Vice Admiral, United States Navy

Vice Admiral Bob Sharp, USN (Ret.) served as the Director of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, one of our nation's premier intelligence agencies, from February 2019 until June 2022.

As Director, he and his team were responsible for delivering world-class geospatial intelligence to provide a decisive advantage to policy makers, military service members, intelligence professionals, first responders, and international partners. He was accountable for over 14,000 civilian, military and contractor employees working around the clock and globe in over 120 locations world-wide. Vice Admiral Sharp served as a Naval Intelligence Officer for over 34 years, and as a leader within the Navy's Information Warfare Community since its inception. He has decades of leadership experience in the Intelligence, Defense, and National Security arenas.

He is known for his extensive experience developing and motivating cohesive teams to solve complex problems in dynamic situations. He leveraged the global pandemic challenges as an opportunity to reimagine and improve business processes, helping his agency emerge stronger, more agile, and more human from the experience. In 2022 Vice Admiral Sharp was appointed Research Fellow in the UMSL Geospatial Collaborative.

He holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of the Pacific and a Master of Science degree in National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

**Candidates for
Doctoral Degrees**

**COLLEGE OF ARTS
AND SCIENCES**

**Doctor of Philosophy
in Biology**

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Ariel Bulmash
Puf Protein-Mediated
Regulation of mRNAs
From Yeast to Humans,
and Characterization of a
Dopaminergic SH-SY5Y
Cell Model
Advisor: Wendy Olivas, PhD

**Doctor of Philosophy
in Psychology**

AUGUST GRADUATES

Kelly A. Bergstrom
Factors Influencing Purpose
in Life for Middle-Aged and
Older Adults
Advisor: Ann Steffen, PhD

Maire Claire Diemer
Missed and Prior Diagnoses
in Children Later Diagnosed
with Autism
Advisor: Emily Gerstein, PhD

Camelia Harb
Engagement in Mental
Health Research: The Role
of Mental Health Awareness
and Perceived Intervention
Stigma in Clinical Research
Engagement Among African
American Faith Communities
Advisor: Matthew Taylor, PhD

Trey Heffernan
Pain Interference in Chronic
Musculoskeletal Pain:
Examining a Resilience Model
of Dispositional Optimism,
Coping Responses, and Mind-
Body Practices
Advisor: Kami White, PhD

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Natalia Kecala
Fear, Distress, and
Dissociation: Correlates of
Physiological Hyporeactivity
After Interpersonal
Victimization
Advisor: Michael Griffin, PhD

**Candidates for
Master's Degrees**

**GRADUATE SCHOOL
COLLEGE OF ARTS
AND SCIENCES**

Master of Arts

Communications

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Morgan A. Bradley
Kayla M. Burrows
Austin Lamont Davis
Charlotte Renee Jackson

**Criminology and
Criminal Justice**

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Emma Rose O'Donnell

Economics

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Redwan Saeed

English

AUGUST GRADUATE

Kathleen Kilcullen

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Kimberly Dawn Moon
Gabrielle L. Redfield
Abigail Jennifer Vogler

History

AUGUST GRADUATE

Quinlan Holt

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Elizabeth Bernadette Isenburg
Keith Joseph Stephen

Mathematics

AUGUST GRADUATES

Samantha Bledsoe
Jenna Carlson
Kayla Nicole Skaggs

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Michael David Feger
Zachary David Forsythe
Dawn Renee Larkin
Saladin Minhaaj

Philosophy

AUGUST GRADUATES

Robert J. Laurent
Yiling Wu

Political Science

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Eric Lamont Jones II
Milo Kay Thompson

Psychology

AUGUST GRADUATE

Theresa Allison Moore

Master of Fine Arts

Creative Writing

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Jennifer L. Dodson
Sarah Hoeynck
Eli Steven LaChance
Kimberly Anne Potthast
Kelli Cassandra Roberts
Dominic Glenn Saputa

**Master of Public Policy
Administration**

**Public Policy
Administration**

AUGUST GRADUATES

Amber Holt
Jeffrey Luffman

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Aliyah Walls

Master of Science

**Biochemistry and
Biotechnology**

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Anna Sophia Bass
Kenneth Maurice Bennett Jr.
Prashanth Govu
Lisa Beth Russell

Biology

AUGUST GRADUATES

Emily Ann Beahm
Sebastian Michael Forward

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Samir H. Benbakir
Ariel Bulmash
Helen Clawitter
Alekhya Kaza
Caitlin Kelly

Computer Science

AUGUST GRADUATES

Pramithus Khadka
Arun Kumar

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Avinash Chaluvadi
Sai Sundeep Chaluvadi
Vinusha Gorijala
Alasia Knuth
Bhavana Machavaram
Michael Anthony
Schweighauser
Sheema Ruhi Shaik
Zachary Edward Valleroy

Cybersecurity

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

James Charles Becher

Physics

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

William Joseph Neubert

**Candidates for
Bachelor's Degrees**

**COLLEGE OF ARTS
AND SCIENCES**

Bachelor of Science

Actuarial Science

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Lindsay Marie Matthews
Kristina R. Switzer
Lily Ryan Wagemann**

Bachelor of Arts

Anthropology

AUGUST GRADUATE

Dominique Bell*

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Jenita Larry

Bachelor of Arts

**Applied Psychology of
Child Advocacy Studies**

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Tea Bemis
Hailey Elizabeth Dolman*
Laquisha Denyce Holt
Thomas J. Shepherd

Bachelor of Science

**Biochemistry and
Biotechnology**

AUGUST GRADUATE

Emma Blythe Gay Stovall

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Emma Louise Alberty*
Cameron Theodore George**
James August Herbig
Jaiyana M. King
Noor Yousaf
Yasin Arafat Yusuf

Bachelor of Arts

Biology

AUGUST GRADUATES

Syedda Fatima Ali
Alexander Hopkins

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Kyle Daniel Murphy
Daniel Patrick O'Donnell
Zachary Donald Pfeiffer

Bachelor of Science

Biology

AUGUST GRADUATES

Sean Coplin
 Samuel Earl Ellison
 Alexander Renken Entwistle
 Winter Rain Harmsen
 Heather Michelle Johnson
 Caitlin Joliegh Silverberg

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Cameron Richard Bunkley***
 John William Bunting
 Faiza Zakeria Dawid
 Estefania Flores**
 Kordell Rashad Hamilton
 Jack Christopher Harrow
 Jailah Lyiasia Henderson
 Maryam Ibrahim
 Jake G. Kane*
 Maylee Keethler
 Stephanie Marie Kennedy
 Todd Michael Kriss*
 Ashley Lakey***
 Jennifer Anne Nguyen
 Maily Nguyen
 Salma Haroun Omer
 Cynthia Papalotzi*
 Austin Lee Reed
 Briana Marie Shrum
 Julia Jean Talbert*
 Connor Christian Travers
 Alexis White

Bachelor of Arts

Chemistry

AUGUST GRADUATE

Tyler J. Kanady

Bachelor of Science

Chemistry

AUGUST GRADUATE

Cody Daniel Amann

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Faro Allen Rodakowski

Bachelor of Arts

Communication BA

AUGUST GRADUATES

Sheri Fields
 Alexandria Hecht
 Leah H. Jennings*
 John Kenyon
 Hannah Renee Kluba
 Brendan D. Kreyling
 Katherine Frazer Lea*
 Ryan Michael Schulte**
 Abigail Rose Vatterott
 Darne Washington II

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Ashley Nicole Allison
 Tyla Renee Anderson

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 Anthony Clark Bigogno***
 Christopher Aris Brooks
 Kara Kathleen Brooks
 Mikayla Brown
 Steven Marcus Jeremiah Burns
 Nicholas David Bussell*
 Robert William Coffin
 Kaitlyn M. Collora
 Phuong Uyen Do***
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 Zachary Heet
 Joseph Scott Hess
 Aja Hornbeck
 Hekima Ivette
 Haley Johanningmeier
 Melanie Johnson
 Ciara Liliuokalani Monaghan
 Maura Moody*
 Tristan Jeremiah Noelke
 Maxwell Henry Reed
 Elizabeth Rosario Ortiz*
 Hope Lynn VanBennekom***
 Brandon Walker
 Lily Katherine Warden**
 Carter John Wilhelm
 Claudia M. Zegel*

Bachelor of Science

Computer Science

AUGUST GRADUATES

Hiba Allabwani*
 Nooreldeen Ghazal**
 Adam Trey Henze
 Isaac David Hodge
 Ermiyas Kebede
 Zhaoquan Matthews*
 Jessica Melody Seabolt

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 Hayden Matthew Berberich*
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 Jerry Joseph Bosse II
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 Andrew J. Cox
 Joshua Dazey
 Lucas H. De La Pena
 Sydney Afton England
 Thomas Anthony Fink**
 Luke Thomas Frederick
 Jesse William Gempel*
 Charles Connor Gilmore*
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 Rebecca A. Hanessian
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 Rohan Shawn Keenoy
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 Jared A. Migneco
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 Md A. Sarker
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 Michael Anthony Schweighauser
 Sadaf Shakeel
 Gregory Patrick Shelton
 Jonathon Walter Stadter*
 Kanaan Reilley Sullivan
 Adnan Susic
 Joshua Matthew Williams
 Dustin Reed Yochim
 Evgeniya Ziyadova

Bachelor of Science

Computing Technology

AUGUST GRADUATES

Erosh Chinthaka Boralugodage
 Jeremy Neukirch
 Jacob Steven Sabella**
 Tyler Jacob Scott*
 Chelsie Wilson

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Sunny Dinh
 Matthew Engrav
 Charles Connor Gilmore*
 Keegan Hall O'Connell
 Kyle Anthony Peniston*

Bachelor of Science

Criminology and Criminal Justice

AUGUST GRADUATES

Salam Talal Aouchleih
 Cherise Dionna Banks
 Delaney Bowers
 Brianna Dobran
 Alexandra Paige Durham
 Jordyn Estes
 Feberleen Yangilmaw Fish
 Ashlea Elizabeth Korte
 Madolyn Mitchell
 Morgan Taylor Nelson*
 Hannah Marie Reichert*
 Jasmine S. Scott-Wynn
 Sabrina Wood

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 Madalyn D. Deubner*
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 Abigail Byrne Hays
 Hannah E. Hook
 Sarah Catherine Howell
 Jennifer Lopez

Noah Micheal Malott
 Carlie Jean Manczuk
 Cole Stephen McWilliams*
 Jamie Abigail Murillo
 Erika I. Olson
 Erin Danielle Richardson
 Angel R. Tong
 Ethan Ganes Vose

Bachelor of Science

Cybersecurity

AUGUST GRADUATES

Sean Mikel Clewis Jr.
 Jonathan Schweighauser

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Jad Moataz Aqrabawi
 Alexandra Emily Fordahl
 Blake Maxwell Jones
 Evan Linard
 Savannah C. Nelson
 Mymoon Shaik
 Jacob Waytus

Bachelor of Science

Data Science and Analysis

AUGUST GRADUATES

Reed Crump-McHugh
 Princess-Elenah Timothy
 Felicia Wille

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Jordan Lee Tanner Einsporn
 Rohan Shawn Keenoy
 Luke Minh Le
 Randi Nichole Levis
 Amber C. Olson
 Matthew Harrison Vlodek**
 Gregory Williams
 Torrick Wright

Bachelor of Arts

Economics

AUGUST GRADUATE

Clare Anne Greenley

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

John Nelson Williams III

Bachelor of Science

Economics

AUGUST GRADUATES

Alec Dean Cochran
 Dat Tan Le
 Timothy Tracy

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Ronald Caleb Babione*
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Bachelor of Arts

English

AUGUST GRADUATES

Ozoya Edeifor Alao
Joseph Brown**
Anna Christine Connoley*
Sean Hargett
Abigail Rose Wetteroff

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Ashley Rochelle Bartlett
Sofia Francesca Belisle
Emily Anne Bertin***
Lauren Alexandra Bilbrey*
Haley Louise Joiner
Bernadetta Gabriel Newkirk
Sommer
Cassandra M. Nichols
Connor M. Robb*
Suzanne Michelle Ryan
Kaiya Storm Thompson
Audrey Susanne Walters-Sohn

Bachelor of Arts

History

AUGUST GRADUATES

Clare Anne Greenley
Nathaniel Taylor
Tyler Monroe Young

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

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Gavin James Graves
Nathaniel Brian Jackson
Isaac David Snyder*
Jewell Williamson

Bachelor of Arts

International Relations

AUGUST GRADUATES

Theresa Colombini**
Mayson Quartlebaum

Bachelor of Liberal Studies

Liberal Studies

AUGUST GRADUATES

Madar Gul Band Ali
Da'Jah Aereona Barker
Madelyn June Carducci
Lucas Benjamin Hill
Paige Hayli King
Jamie Nicole LaZear
Aia Obeed
Catherine Phillips-Pelzps
Jacob Northcutt Reeves
Danielle Eleanor Rose
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Ryne M. Watts
Brennyn Wilke

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Gehm
Elizabeth Anne Gronemeyer
Geoffrey Herr*
Keri Hoffman
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Eylesa Louise Kellam
Debra Sue Kinsinger
Ariam Elizabeth Ladera*
Trista Ylon Lewis-Knecht
Katherine M. Miller
Joseph Patrick Murray
Taylor Renee Noll
Perry Ramon Palacios*
Yolanda Nicole Porter
Ge'lah Alexandria Sanes
Da'Via Evian Simms
Christene Hyun Cho Sinasky
Keach-A Kandyce Starks
Lauren Antonia Thomas
Nicholas Richard Thompson
Travis A. Turnbough
Marissa Ann Welch
Sheridan Williams
Jamille Nicole Wright

Bachelor of Science

Mathematics

AUGUST GRADUATE

Stephanie Dalia Attwood

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Robert Stephen Boone
Kelli Brown
Luis A. Schneegans*
Lily Ryan Wagemann**

Bachelor of Arts

Modern Language

AUGUST GRADUATE

Nicholas Edward Lamkie

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Liana Lorelei Davis
Emily Lucille Hager
Eliza Jane Martin
Jared A. Migneco
Sofia Elena Puerto**

Bachelor of Arts

Music

AUGUST GRADUATE

Desiree S. Jones

Bachelor of Music

Music

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Hannah Nicole Gale
Parker Gage Miller
Alexander Jacob Wurl (SCH)

Bachelor of Arts

Organizational Leadership

AUGUST GRADUATES

Melissa Alvarado-Pintor
Wanda Jean Burns
Kami Henderson

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Leah Bryson***
Riley Marie Kurczynski
Kevin McCarthy*
Conor McKenzie
Jenettie Pirtle
Bret Michael Roberts

Bachelor of Arts

Philosophy

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Christian Stephen Kalinowski
Gabriel C. Mitchell
Brian O'Heron

Bachelor of Science

Physics

AUGUST GRADUATE

Winston Alvarez

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Keith Edmond Reece II

Bachelor of Arts

Political Science

AUGUST GRADUATES

William Andreyuk
Ann Marie Birsinger
Paige Seydel

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Samantha Alviljar
Olivia P. Chappuis
Brendan Michael Johnston
Angel N. Sanchez
Rylie Nicole Tebbe

Bachelor of Arts

Psychology

AUGUST GRADUATES

Lisa Anne Adams
Aveen Izzeldeen Hasan*
Asraa Hussein Mahdi
Caitlin McCafferty**
Alexandra Marie Moughamian
Anna Sullivan

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Mattie Mae Marie Kinder

Bachelor of Arts

Psychological Sciences

AUGUST GRADUATES

Patrick Jarrett Buxton
Jaelynn Ann Cooper
Alexandra Paige Durham
John O'Brien Ehrhard
Maria Isabela Forsythe
Lia Erreyon Jackson**
Sugyasa Khanal**
Megan Rosalia Puettmann
JaNiece Marie Randolph
Kevin Rebmann
Dominica Rooks
Mais Mahmoud Salah
Allison Marie Steil
Amber Nicole Unverferth

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

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Charlene Gabrielle Badr
Roshonda Deshay Bernard
Anthony Robert Bertoglio
Christine R. Braselman
Annina Kristine Breunig
Elon Lashay Buggs
Amanda Louise Cutak
Madalyn D. Deubner*
Brandon Devante Gibson
Emma Grace Halim*
Kathryn Marie Juengel
Olivia Natalya Klein
Charley Miller
Morgan Briar Miller
Dhruvi Hitesh Patel
Esther Elana Silverman
Jenique K. Spann
Darien Jamel Rayshaun
Wagner
Nicholas Wade Winchester

Bachelor of Science

Psychological Sciences

AUGUST GRADUATES

Francis Rodolph Gabawan
Abecia
Keya Jane Bryan
Shamika Ellis
Raelynn Faithe Isaac
Aya Kaziz
Mackenzie G. Rarick**
Simerjeet Kaur Singh
Angel Destiny Watson*
Karissa Erin Weber

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Andrew Scott Avery
Avigail Davidovits***
Andrew D. Fulton
Jolie Ann Holschen
Pyrrha Victoria Jane
Desiree Nicole Kaufman
Ashley Knight
Michael Dean Lay
Kelby Robinson-Wilson
Kaelin Selle
Dylan Nathaniel Smith
Liana Grace Valle
Cha' Kyha Monique Walker*

Bachelor of Science

Public Policy and Administration

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Chaseton Makel Coleman
Chibuzor Ify Nwoka-Sansbury

Bachelor of Arts

Sociology

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Adelaide Robinson-Nunnally***
(SCH)
Kelsey Paige Singer
Dorian Marcel-Robert Wallace

Bachelor of Science

Sociology

AUGUST GRADUATES

Sam R. Cliffman
Victoria Ann Dotson**
Todd Michael King

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Ian Cam Wolf Gokenbach
Hunter Joseph Parker

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Studio Art

AUGUST GRADUATE

Wanyu Yang*

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Alex Dougherty*
Frances Lowrie
Amanda C. Royer
Avenleigh Marygrace Ryan
Natasha Rae Worline

Ceremony III - Saturday, December 14, 6:00 pm

College of Education

UMSL/Washington University Joint Engineering Program

School of Social Work

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Presiding

Kristin Sobolik, chancellor

Master of Ceremonies

Diane Beckerle O'Brien,
associate teaching professor,
director, MSW program

Aisle Marshals

Amber Candela, associate
professor of education

Florian Sichling,
associate professor
of social work

Faculty Marshal

Shawn Woodhouse, associate
dean, College of Education
director, doctoral program
associate professor for
higher education

Student Marshals

Nathan Thomas Hopkins,
College of Education

Anna Domingo Garcia,
Joint Engineering Program,
outstanding student
in engineering

Zeth Crews,
School of Social Work
outstanding student in
social work

Jessica Boyer,
Graduate School outstanding
student in social work

Order of Procession

- Undergraduate candidates
- Master's candidates
- Doctoral candidates
and Faculty
- Platform party

National Anthem

Led by **Daniel Pollien**,
undergraduate student in the
College of Arts and Sciences

Commencement Address

Eric'el Johnson, BSEE '16,
manager, F/A-18 Mission
Systems, Boeing

Introduction read by
Kristin Sobolik, chancellor

Conferral of Academic Degrees

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Assisted by
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and vice chancellor,
Academic Affairs

Nancy Singer, interim dean,
College of Education

Joseph O'Sullivan, dean,
UMSL/Washington University
Joint Engineering Program

Sharon Johnson, dean,
School of Social Work

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Presentation of Diploma Folders

Names read by
Rod Milam, St. Louis
Public Radio

Welcome of the New Alumni

Amy Hunter, BA in English '92,
PhD '23

Recession

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Commencement Speaker



Eric'el Johnson, BSEE '16

F/A-18 Mission Systems Manager

Eric'el Johnson holds a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering from the University of Missouri–St. Louis and a Master of Science in electrical engineering from Missouri S&T.

As an UMSL student, she was exceptionally active on campus and in the community serving in multiple leadership roles and as a mentor and an ambassador for UMSL. She was an Opportunity Scholar in the Pierre Laclede Honors College and recognized as Student Leader of the Year and as an UMSL Trailblazer.

Ms. Johnson began her career at Boeing the summer after her freshman year as an intern, and now leads a team of fourteen as Engineering Manager in FA-18 mission systems. While growing her career by developing her technical skills, she helped create opportunities for others.

An advocate for increased access to STEM opportunities, Ms. Johnson remains committed to students and alumni at UMSL. She founded a mentoring program for UMSL and WashU engineering students to connect with Boeing engineers and is an active member of the UMSL Alumni Association Governing Board.

**Candidates for
Doctoral Degrees**

**COLLEGE OF
EDUCATION**

**Doctor of Philosophy
in Education**

AUGUST GRADUATES

Mary Martha Abernathy
Developing Expertise and
Multiculturally Informed
Supervision Practices
Advisor: Philip Waalkes, PhD

Elizabeth Irwin

A Quasi-Experimental Study
on the Effectiveness of
Neurofeedback on Anxiety,
Supervisory Working Alliance,
and Supervisory Nondisclosure
of Counselors-in-Training
Advisor: Emily Oliveira, PhD

**Rattanakorn Gon
Ratanashevom**

The Cultivation and
Integration of Cultural
Humility and Cultural
Competence in LGBTIQ+
Client Work: A Constructivist
Grounded Theory
Advisor: Susan
Kashubeck-West, PhD

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Joshua McMillan

The Future of Physical
Education and How
Instructional Technology
Is Pivotal in Curriculum
Design and Learner
Centered Instruction
Advisor: Timothy Makubuya, PhD

Christopher Sakowski

Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity
Disorder in Secondary
Instrumental Music
Ensembles: A Qualitative
Intrapersonal Inquiry
Advisor: Michael Smith, PhD

Doctor of Education

AUGUST GRADUATES

Cameron Caldwell-Conner
The Impacts of Authentic
Learning on Student Outcomes
Advisor: Shawn Woodhouse, PhD

Kitty Dong

Perspectives of College
Students With Disabilities on
Their High School Transition
Experiences: Notes for High
School Transition Planning
Advisor: Rebecca Jones, PhD

Lindsay Hartzler

Perspectives of College
Students With Disabilities on
Their High School Transition
Experiences: Notes for High
School Transition Planning
Advisor: Rebecca Jones, PhD

LeDominique Hubbard

Shattering the Mask:
Unveiling the Destructive
Force of Misogynoir
Advisor: Thomasina
Hassler, PhD

Andrew Kliethermes

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Students With Disabilities on
Their High School Transition
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Kate Sandheinrich

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Their High School Transition
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School Transition Planning
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Evan Sheppard

The Impacts of Authentic
Learning on Student Outcomes
Advisor: Shawn Woodhouse, PhD

Mark Wheatley

Perspectives of College
Students With Disabilities on
Their High School Transition
Experiences: Notes for High
School Transition Planning
Advisor: Rebecca Jones, PhD

DECEMBER CANDIDATE

Christopher Reynolds Sr.

The Development of
Automotive Technicians:
A Qualitative Inquiry of
Experiential Obstacles
and Expectations
Advisor: E. Paulette
Isaac-Savage, EdD

**Candidates for Educational
Specialist Degrees**

GRADUATE SCHOOL

**COLLEGE OF
EDUCATION**

**Educational Specialist/
Educational Administration**

AUGUST GRADUATE

Jennifer Kay Bagin

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Latonna Maria Crayton
Erica L. Evans
Jessica Lynn Stafford
Megan Kaye Tosh

**Candidates for
Master's Degrees**

GRADUATE SCHOOL

**COLLEGE OF
EDUCATION**

Master of Education

Adult and Higher Education

AUGUST GRADUATE

Marisa X. Smith

Counseling

AUGUST GRADUATES

Sydney D. Bain
Carol Marie Dunn
Britni Marie Gray
Emma Harrelson
Haneul Lee
Caitlin Lee McDaniel
Kathryn N. Mullins
Nicole Summer Newman
Milinda E. Ochirsukh
Danielle Thelen
Braden Tobin
Rita Elisa Vega
Devon A. Weiss

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Nicolette Rae Borella
Eliot Grace Davis
Margaret Lynn Delgado
Meghan Eileen Devine
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Reatha Tamika Neal
Kathy Marie Nunley
Madelyn Cecelia Obermark
Sara Puellman Pikey
Erin Provaznik
Sydney Clare Vellacott
Taylor Webber
Mark David Zaegel

Educational Administration

AUGUST GRADUATE

Kimberly Street

DECEMBER CANDIDATES

Arnez Butler
Susan D. Heidorn

Education

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Ryan Nicole Adams
Daniel Lee Bruce
James Sawyer Buck
Alma Comparan
Jarana Dalien
Marquida Charlice Davis
Eric L. Deal

Sandra E. Degeare
Heather Rena Evans
Monica Fallone
Nancy Michelle Farkas
Andrew Gordon
Nancy Marie Hadnott
Andrew Giles Heinlein
Jeffrey Phillip Hughes
Mhirakol Annette Jackson
Yelena Juracsik

Andrew Kahn
Chara McMurry Kee
Erin Howard Keeven
Amie Michelle Kenney
Tonya Keys
Kelcea L. Lesinski
Katrina Rochelle Liggins-
Shannon

Timothy Michael Markowski
Tracey McElmurry
Brenda Stacy Montgomery
Jenna Christine Morrison
Madison Jessica Orozco
Emily Pudlowski
LaShawnda Terry Ramsey
Sarah Rose Reynolds
Vanessa Rodriguez
Anthony Wayne Roman II
Channon Ross
Madalyn Ann Roumpos

Shelly Saladin
Mark James Sanders
Kaitlyn D. Schildknecht
Gary Matthew Sellers
Jacob William Siegel
Tyler Aaron Steinman
Jonathan Marcus Taylor
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