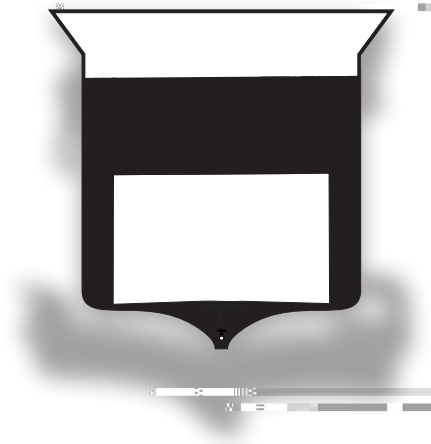


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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA
EVANSVILLE, INDIANA



2018
COMMENCEMENT
EXERCISES

LINDA L. M. BENNETT TO DELIVER COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

The speaker for the Graduate Ceremony is USI president, Dr. Linda L. M. Bennett. Bennett became USI's third president in July 2009, after serving as USI's provost and vice president for Academic Affairs from 2003 to 2009.

In her first year as president, she led the effort to establish the University's first strategic plan, raising academic standards and enhancing campus life for students. She is currently leading the University through its second strategic plan to continue until 2020. During her tenure, the USI Foundation led its second successful capital campaign, Campaign USI – Elevating Excellence, concluding in 2016 with gift commitments of more than \$57 million. The University continued to experience growth with the addition of over \$100 million in building projects. Under her leadership, USI saw growth in academic programs as the University established its first two doctoral programs—Doctor of Nursing Practice and Doctor of Education; undergraduate degrees including Manufacturing, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, Health Informatics; as well as an online Master of Business Administration program.

An active civic leader, Bennett serves on the boards of WNIN Public Broadcasting, Deaconess Health Systems and the Welborn Baptist Foundation, among others. In the broader higher education community, she has served as chair of the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Valley Conference Council of Presidents, on the Executive Committee of the Coalition for Urban and Metropolitan Universities and has been an active member of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU).

She was recognized as the 2015 Evansville Rotary Civic Award winner, the 2016 Indiana Commission for Women Torchbearer Award and Trailblazer Award recipient, the 2017 Boy Scouts of America Buffalo Trace Council Distinguished Citizen Award winner and, in 2018, the Girl Scouts of Southwest Indiana Woman of Distinction Honoree and the Leadership Evansville Lifetime Achievement Award.

Bennett is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio. She earned bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in political science from the University of Cincinnati. She came to USI from Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina, where she served from 1999–2003 as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and professor of political science.

Bennett and her husband, Dr. Stephen Bennett, reside in Evansville. She is retiring in June 2018.

Processional

Evansville Brass Quintet
Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar, Composer
Grand Marshal
Ernest H. Hall, Professor of Management

National Anthem

Brooklyn J. Yocum '20

Welcome and Introductions

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Reflection

Shannon E. Farrell '18

Class of 2017 Recognition

Mohammed F. Khayum, Dean of the Romain College of Business; Professor of Economics

The Commencement Address

Marshall L. Byers '94 M'19, Private Client Advisor Vice President – Investments, J.P. Morgan Chas

Presentation of the David L. Rice Alumni Achievement Award

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Conferral of Degrees

Linda L. M. Bennett, President
Assisted by Ronald S. Rochon, Provost

Presentation of Graduates

Curt A. Gilstrap, Assistant Professor of Business Communication

Baccalaureate Degrees

Mohammed F. Khayum, Dean of the Romain College of Business; Professor of Economics

Associate Degrees

Ronald S. Rochon, Provost

A reception will be held in University Center East immediately following the ceremony.
Join us in the celebration on social media by including #USIGrad in your posts.

The 2018 Commencement speaker for the Romain College of Business is Marshall L. Byers '94. He graduated from USI in 1994 with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in finance, and he is enrolled in USI's Master of Business Administration online program with expected graduation in spring of 2019. He is currently the private client advisor vice president for investments for J.P. Morgan Chase in Indianapolis.

Byers started his banking career with Key Bank in 2002. He began as a branch manager where he profitably managed Key Bank's largest Indiana branch, earning groh mga8J 0 -16 6branchw (S)19.95.3 (r)-27.5 (.M)x.ntdi4

ORDER OF THE 2018 SPRING COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

College of Liberal Arts Ceremony

Saturday, April 28, 2018

Noon

Processional

Evansville Brass Quintet

Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar, Composer

Grand Marshal

Joan D. deJong, Assistant Dean of College of Liberal Arts; Chair of Art and Design; Professor of Art

National Anthem

Cassandra M. Ooms '19

Welcome and Introductions

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Reflection

Kereston L. Hochgesang '18

Class of 2017 Recognition

James M. Beeby, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts; Professor of History

The Commencement Address

Patricia S. Avery '04, Financial Empowerment Program Specialist, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Presentation of the David L. Rice Alumni Achievement Award

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Presentation of the President's Medal Virgilio E. Paulino '18

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Conferral of Degrees

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Assisted by Ronald S. Rochon, Provost

Presentation of Graduates

A. David Hitchcock, Director of Center for Interdisciplinary Studies; Associate Professor of Spanish

Baccalaureate Degrees

James M. Beeby, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts; Professor of History

Associate Degrees

Ronald S. Rochon, Provost

Welcome from the USI Alumni Association

Stephen W. Craven, Sr. '76, President-Elect of the USI Alumni Association

Recessional

Evansville Brass Quintet

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The 2018 College of Liberal Arts Commencement speaker is Patricia S. Avery '04. A graduate of USI, Avery completed a bachelor of science degree in radio and television with an emphasis in journalism in 2004. She is currently a financial empowerment program specialist at Consumer Financial Protection Bureau in Washington, D.C.

After graduating, Avery began a career at Old National Bank where she served in various roles – director of associate communications, Bank on Evansville project manager and community outreach officer. As the community outreach officer, Avery maintained partnerships with the Indiana National Guard, Ivy Tech Community College and replicated the “Bank on” model in 15 Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky communities.

Dr. Kirt A. Page '98 is the speaker for the 2018 Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education Commencement ceremony. He recently accepted the position of Dean of Academic Affairs at Connect University in Yangon, Myanmar.

ORDER OF THE 2018 SPRING COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

College of Nursing and Health Professions Ceremony

Saturday, April 28, 2018
6 p.m.

Processional

Evansville Brass Quintet
Pomp and Circumstance, Edward Elgar, Composer

Grand Marshal

Julie L. McCullough, Assistant Dean of Health Professions; Chair of Food and Nutrition Program;
Associate Professor of Nutrition

National Anthem

Rachel C. Barry '21

Welcome and Introductions

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Reflection

Jessica M. Oser '18

Class of 2017 Recognition

Ann H. White, Dean of the College of Nursing and Health Professions; Professor of Nursing

The Commencement Address

Kimberly J. Harper '87 '13, Chief Executive Officer, Indiana Center for Nursing

Presentation of the David L. Rice Alumni Achievement Award

Linda L. M. Bennett, President

Conferral of Degrees

Linda L. M. Bennett, President
Assisted by Ronald S. Rochon, Provost

Presentation of Graduates

Katherine R. Peak '11 M'16, Instructor in Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Baccalaureate Degrees

Ann H. White, Dean of the College of Nursing and Health Professions; Professor of Nursing

Associate Degrees

Ronald S. Rochon, Provost

Welcome from the USI Alumni Association

John B. Raisor '03, President of the USI Alumni Association

Recessional

Evansville Brass Quintet

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Kimberly J. Harper '87 '13 is the 2018 Commencement speaker for the College of Nursing and Health Professions. She received a diploma in nursing from Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in 1976. In 1987, she earned her first degree from USI, a bachelor of science in nursing, and in 2013, a bachelor of science in health administration. Harper also received a master of science degree from Indiana Wesleyan University in 1991.

Currently, Harper is the chief executive officer at the Indiana Center for Nursing in Indianapolis. She is responsible for the overall direction of the activities related to the creation and ongoing growth of the state-wide Indiana Center for Nursing. Her role also includes operational and fiscal management, public relations, communications, fundraising and strategic planning of the 501(c)(3) organization at both the state and national level.

Prior to working for the Indiana Center for Nursing, Harper worked for Indiana University for nearly 30 years. Most of that time was with Indiana University Medical Center where she was in several administrative roles. In 2001, she became vice president of Wishard Health Services (now Eskenazi Health), an Indiana University partner.

She has participated in a year-long training program with a ypppog pasing

USI BESTOWS THREE HONORARY DEGREES FOR

This weekend's honorary degree recipients are celebrated in the University of Southern Indiana community for their continued dedication to higher education and the student experience. The recipients also are active with many civic organizations and non-profits in Southern Indiana and the Tri-state.

Daniel M. and Janet L. Fuquay and Chris D. Melton '72 will receive honorary Doctor of Laws degrees. The honorary degrees will be bestowed during the Graduate Ceremony.

Daniel M. and Janet L. Fuquay of Evansville have repeatedly demonstrated their commitment to higher education and to the USI student experience. Both attended Reitz High School and Indiana University, where Dan has a bachelor of science in business and Janet has a bachelor of arts in Spanish and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

They married in 1968 and continued their education, obtaining master's degrees. Dan attended the University of Arkansas in Germany where he received a Master of Business Administration while serving in the United States Air Force. Janet received a Master of Arts from Middlebury College and then worked in Germany as a teacher.

Dan was a pilot with the United States Air Force and achieved the rank of captain while serving in the Vietnam War and Germany. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross with two Oak Leaf Clusters and the Air Medal with 15 Oak Leaf Clusters. Upon returning to the States, Dan was general manager for Hahn, Inc. for nearly a decade before founding D & F Distributors, Inc., which became a leading provider of industrial, commercial and municipal



Daniel M. and Janet L. Fuquay

pumps and related equipment. When he sold the company, it had six offices in Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Janet taught Spanish before publishing a television facts magazine and later owning a Dunhill franchise to recruit medical personnel nationwide.

They are members of the USI President's Circle, Reflections Society, and support students through the Daniel M. and Janet L. Fuquay Presidential Scholarship Endowment. An engineering lab at USI is sponsored

by the Fuquays in honor of Janet's father, Lloyd C. Hahn. Dan is a life member of the USI Foundation Board of Directors. Additionally, the Fuquay Welcome Center, a new entrance point currently under construction on campus for visitors, was made possible through the Fuquays' generous leadership gift to Campaign USI: Elevating Excellence. In 2017, they were honored with the USI Honorary Alumni Award for their commitment to USI.

The Fuquays' community involvement includes membership with the Evansville Museum, life members of the Indiana University Foundation, Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, Delta Upsilon Fraternity, Institute for Justice and St. Paul's United Church of Christ. Dan is a board member for Andrea Remembered Inc., a nonprofit established by their son, Dan, that raises funds for USI scholarships and cancer research through the Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation.

The Fuquays reside in Evansville and enjoy time with their two sons, their spouses and nine grandchildren.

DISTINGUISHED AND EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE

Chris D. Melton '72 has long been a friend of the University and an active member of the community. He graduated from USI in 1972 with a bachelor of science in business, and in 1987, continued his education at the University of Wisconsin Graduate School of Banking.

After his sophomore year, at the age of 19, Melton worked as a financial intern with the U. S. Treasury Department examining national banks in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, and was a national bank examiner until 1978. Melton's career successes include president of National City Bank, senior vice-president and chief lending officer at AmBank Indiana, senior vice-president and chief credit officer at German American Bank, and president at Field and Main Bank, retiring in June 2015.

While at National City Bank, he worked with the late C. Wayne Worthington, an early supporter of efforts to bring higher education to southern Indiana, and a supporter of USI. Beginning in 1979, Melton helped Southern Indiana Higher Education, Inc. (SIHE) arrange financing to build housing for USI students. He served on the SIHE



Chris D. Melton '72

Board for 25 years, 20 of those as president. With his leadership, the group completed its work. SIHE disbanded in 2008, transferring 1,200 acres of land to the USI Foundation. An additional gift of \$500,000 assured continued growth for the University and scholarships for deserving students. A street in campus housing named "Melton Lane" honors him for his impact.

In addition to his role at SIHE, Melton served on presidential search committees for both H. Ray Hoops and Linda L. M. Bennett.

His continued involvement includes the USI Foundation Board of Directors, the USI President's Associates, the USI Foundation 50th Anniversary Committee and the USI Alumni Association.

Community involvement includes membership in the Evansville Rotary Club, I-69 BridgeLink Board, lifetime member of the WNIN Board of Directors and St. Benedict's Knights of Columbus. He is a past president of the Henderson Rotary Club and a Paul Harris Fellow. Melton is an SBA-certified mentor to small business owners and a commercial lending consultant to First Federal Savings Bank.

He has been awarded the USI Alumni Service Award, The President's Circle and the Suzanne B. Nicholson Leadership Award.

Melton and his wife, Diana Hale Melton, class of 1971, reside in Evansville. They enjoy time with their son, daughter, their spouses and four grandchildren.

Honorary degrees are awarded for distinguished and extraordinary service consistent with the mission of the University. That service may be to the University itself, and/or to local, statewide, national or international communities. Individuals selected to receive an honorary degree exemplify the highest ideals of integrity, service and dedication to learning.

Candidate applications for honorary degrees from the University of Southern Indiana are reviewed by a committee defined by the honorary degree award policy. Recommendations are submitted to the president for approval by the USI Board of Trustees. Such a degree is the highest form of recognition granted by USI.

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Lisa Renee Mallory, Scott Depot, West Virginia Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner	Jackline B. Ngalame, Dublin, Georgia Family Psychiatric Mental Health Practitioner	Sandra Kay Sellers, Lewis Center, Ohio Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
Sherrri K. Mathies, Orleans Family Psychiatric Mental Health Practitioner	Patricia Peterson, Converse Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Leonie Bionson Thompson, Jacksonville, Florida Family Psychiatric Mental Health Practitioner
Kathleen Erin Mills, Kokomo Adult Gerontology Clinical Nursing Specialist	Rebecca Rakowicz, Sioux Falls, South Dakota Family Nurse Practitioner	Sylvia Torres-Thomas, Winter Springs, Florida Family Nurse Practitioner
Heather M. Mitchell, En eld, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner	Ghulam Sarwar, Larned, Kansas Family Psychiatric Mental Health Practitioner	Alison Isabella Zeerip, Caledonia, Michigan Adult Gerontology Clinical Nursing Specialist
	Amy Lynn Scamman, Fort Branch Family Nurse Practitioner	

MASTER DEGREES

MASTER OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

Margaret Anne Carnahan, Evansville
Liesl Kristin Disch, Evansville
Brandy Nicole Fleck, Huntingburg
Thawn Za Khai, Yangon, Myanmar
Coralie Lowicki, Lens, France
Dilek Ocak, Istanbul, Turkey
Obed A. White, Evansville

Shane Bates, Evansville
David Ellis Boarman, Owensboro, Kentucky
Zane C. Bogosian, Westerville, Ohio
Paul Edward Brodzik, Evansville
James A. Brown, Evansville
Jonathan S. Brown, Morgan eld, Kentucky
Daniel Bruckner, Terre Haute
Christian G. Burch, Evansville
Jordan Cannon, Evansville
Brent A. Caudle, Madison

Derek Damon Harris, Redmond, Washington
Cassandra L. Hasenour, Newburgh
Isabella Renee Haws, Newburgh
Sarah Elizabeth Heath, Henderson, Kentucky
Steven L. Heerdink, Newburgh
Barry J. Heichelbech, Evansville
Collin Ryan Hillen, Evansville
Cheri Hite, Indianapolis
Amber Lea Hogg, Madisonville, Kentucky
Erin Holajter-Baxter, Evansville

MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

Robert Charles Lehman, Evansville
Shelby Phelps, Evansville

Jordan Lee Chambers, Greenwood
Amber Michelle Chinn, Madisonville, Kentucky
Travis William Coffman, Terre Haute
Shelby K. Cole, Scottsville, Kentucky
Nicole Marie Coomer, Vincennes
Edward Jake Crabtree, Evansville
Megan K. Dicken, Merrillville
NaToya Dorsey, Indianapolis
Latrice Nicole Dunbar, Chicago, Illinois
Kourtney Michele Dunlap, Evansville
Mohammad-Raed K. El-Ramahi, Newburgh

Garry Alan Holstein, New Harmony
Amy M. Hoon, Evansville
Kendra Dawn Houghland, Evansville
Jason A. Howell, Van, Texas
Jon Michael Hubers, Evansville
John K. Hughes, Terre Haute
Molly Rose Hurlburt, Indianapolis
Shaun Hurm, Carmel
Jennifer W. Huth, Fishers
Sydney Jacob, Birdseye
Megan Elizabeth James, Tell City

MASTER OF ARTS IN SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION, POLICY AND CULTURE

Afnan Omar Alnashwan, Evansville
Phillis Rose Brown, Newburgh
Iman Courtney Elwan, Evansville
Ai Hashiguchi, Kobe, Japan
Miyuki Tsuchida, Moriya, Japan

Stephanie Janel El Tawil, Evansville
John K. Ethridge II, Evansville
Courtney Lucille Farrand, Evansville
Jasmine Sky Fleming, Winslow
Chuckeia Folley, Dayton, Ohio
John Frauhofer, Milford
Adam Michael Gilles, Evansville
Melina Gryschka, Garbsen, Germany
Logan M. Guffey, Newburgh
Maxwell James Haddan, Evansville
Melissa Le Hafele, Jasper
Margaret M. Hagan, Henderson, Kentucky
Brian Keith Hape, Evansville
Cody W. Harner, Washington

Shawneis Alexis Jones, Danville, Illinois
Richard Alexander Jones-Sekse, Fort Wayne
Richele Marie Kaiser, Crown Point
Britni Deeann Kendrick, Evansville
Jordan Kiel, Quincy, Illinois
Bailey E. Knable, Sellersburg
Zebulon D. Kramer, Livermore, Kentucky
Simone R. LaGrone McNary, Evansville
Johnna LeAnn Ladd, Evansville
Jordyn Lynne Langley, Evansville
Marco Louis Lanza, Quincy, Massachusetts
William Matthew Lindsey, Vincennes
Joshua Jacob Loewen, Newburgh
Laura A. Lowery, Omaha, Illinois

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Laura R. Alexander, Evansville
Brenda Lavern Amos-Lewis, Indianapolis
Joseph Theodore Anquillare, Newington,
Connecticut
Cindy L. Anslinger, Evansville
Kyle Ryan Anslinger, Evansville
James David Ashby, Greenwood
Adam Joseph Atwood, Evansville
David R. Ballard, Evansville
Danielle M. Bass, Avon

Amanda Sue Magdaleno, Shoals
 DeAndra Marie Magdaleno, Shoals
 Stephen March, Terre Haute
 David Carlisle McArthur, Richmond, Kentucky
 Kacheyta K. W. McClellan, Jeffersonville
 Erika McCormick, Mount Vernon
 William A. McCutchan, Evansville
 Alissa N. McMillan, Evansville
 Mark A. Miller, Haubstadt
 Alan Graham Milner, Williston, Florida
 Zach Mischler, Evansville
 Shelby D. Morris, Evansville
 Roberto Munoz, Lafayette
 Emma K. Naas, Evansville
 Ali A. Naderian, Newburgh
 Angel D. Nelson, Evansville
 Journey Noelus, New York, New York
 Michael Noelus, Stuart, Florida
 Jill Diane OBarske, Brownsburg
 Sulaiman Mansour Okairy, Beais, Saudi Arabia
 Allison R. Orwig, Sullivan
 Stephanie N. Ostrowski, Arlington Heights, Illinois
 Benjamin Guy Partridge, Newburgh
 Venkata Vinod Pasumarthi, Sterling Heights, Michigan
 Jordan C. Payne, Evansville
 Madeilyn Kanaara Pike, Evansville
 Tyler R. Pike, Evansville
 Kristen A. Powelson, Convoy, Ohio
 Nathan William Powelson, Convoy, Ohio
 Amanda Lynnette Racicot, Madisonville, Kentucky
 Code 5 Randolph Delaware, Ohio
 Jamie N. Read, Evansville
 Cathy M. Reeves, Newburgh
 Edward E. Rhoades II, Evansville
 Robert Samuel Rich, Morganfield, Kentucky
 Jacey N. Riggs, Evansville
 Audrey E. Riney, Evansville
 Tyree L. Robinson, Jefferson City, Missouri
 Anthony Sanders, Indianapolis
 Joseph Richard Schaefer, Mount Vernon
 Megan Elizabeth Schutte, Evansville
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE
IN NURSING**

Jeremy L. Adams, Charlotte, North Carolina Family Nurse Practitioner	Karen Lynn Williams Goldie, Henderson, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner	Melanie G. McCarty, Calhoun, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner
Katherine Rose Ahaus, Indianapolis Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Kasey Nicole Griffith, Scottsburg Family Nurse Practitioner	Matthew Walter McCracken, Evansville Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
Darla Mae Alvey, Henderson, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner	Mary E. Guthrie, Chrisney Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Primary	Emily Marie McNiskin, Fort Myers, Florida Nursing Management and Leadership
Phillip J. Anderson, Evansville Family Nurse Practitioner	Lyndsey Hansen, Henderson, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner	Carey Kirby McPeck, Clover, South Carolina Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Primary
Mariah Lee Atkinson, Evansville Family Nurse Practitioner	Lindsey M. Hertenstein, Fort Wayne Family Nurse Practitioner	Emily Jo Mendel, Indianapolis Family Nurse Practitioner
Robert Leon Bauer, Newburgh Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Richard Myers Higgs, Owensboro, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner	Jaimie Renee Mercer, Evansville Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
Erica J. Bawel, Evansville Family Nurse Practitioner	Taylor J. Hill, Evansville Family Nurse Practitioner	Ethan J. Merkel, Jasper Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
Erica R. Berning, Evansville Family Nurse Practitioner	Paula Jean Hoffman, Saint Johns, Florida Family Nurse Practitioner	Jennifer L. Meunier, Grandview Family Nurse Practitioner
Melissa A. Blanton, Oldenburg Family Nurse Practitioner	Michael Alexander Holland, Durham, North Carolina Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Laura Miller, Effingham, Illinois Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
Tina Jeanette Blowers, Fort Wayne Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Kara E. Holscher, Vincennes Family Nurse Practitioner	Karen Lynne Morrow, Louisville, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner
Sarah Christine Booth, Newburgh Family Nurse Practitioner	Sarah Elizabeth Hopfinger, Dahlgren, Illinois Nursing Management and Leadership	Lindsay Jane Motuliak, Urbana, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner
Stephanie Jo Calabrese, Indianapolis Nursing Education	Brooke Nicole Ile, Mount Carmel, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner	Ashley Marie Murphy, Marion, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner
Christopher James Capps, Elwood Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	May J. Ishikawa, Indianapolis Family Nurse Practitioner	Kathryn Nicole Neisler, Shelbyville Family Nurse Practitioner
Jessica Lynne Conner, Fort Branch Family Nurse Practitioner	Valarie Dene Jacobs, Kaysville, Utah Family Nurse Practitioner	Erin E. DeWitt Nester, Newburgh Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Kelsey Dawn Cummins, Sumner, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner	Ashley Jacobson, Grand Rapids, Michigan Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Primary	Rachel Erin O'Brien, Saint Louis, Missouri Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Primary
Lilian Silva Dana, Lehi, Utah Family Nurse Practitioner	Dena Rachelle Kamman-Kramer, Huntingburg Family Nurse Practitioner	Thomas B. Parkes, Lawrenceville, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner
Allie Davidson, Hazard, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner	Chelsea Zoeller Kellams, New Albany Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Jenna Brooke Pasquith, Denver, North Carolina Family Nurse Practitioner
Shellye Aide Davis, Princeton Nursing Management and Leadership	Michael P. Kennedy, Thornton, Colorado Family Nurse Practitioner	Kelly Sue Ann Peasley, Fishers Family Nurse Practitioner
Kelly Nicole Dellinger, Vincennes Nursing Education	Richard Kennedy, Lake Mary, Florida Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner	Amy Elizebeth Phelps, Utica, Kentucky Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
Courtney Nicole Dill, Newburgh Nursing Education	Meagan Leanne Keyes, Wheatland Family Nurse Practitioner	Michelle Pitcher, Vincennes Family Nurse Practitioner
Amanda N. Dillon, Lawrenceville, Illinois Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Irina A. Kochersperger, Evansville Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Brent Plummer, Beaver Dam, Kentucky Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Karie Ann Douglass, Newburgh Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Primary	Eve Marie Lamar, Newburgh Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Laura Leigh Pond, Mansfield, Ohio Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
Ashly Michele Fisher, Evansville Nursing Management and Leadership	Stacey Lynn Landaverde, Noblesville Nursing Education	Kimberly Schwartz Powell, Henderson, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner
Cheryl Ann Freudenberger, Louisville, Kentucky Nursing Management and Leadership	Diana L. LeRoux, Muskegon, Michigan Family Nurse Practitioner	Ann S. Reeves, Indianapolis Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
Leigh Ann Fromm, Ridgway, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner	Brandie Gail Lewis, Gastonia, North Carolina Nursing Education	Mackenzie L. Riggs, Brooklyn, New York Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
James Bradley Gish, Henderson, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner	Larry J. Manganello, Tampa, Florida Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute	Britni Lynn Roark, Wheatland Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute
		Richard J. Rogers, Pesotum, Illinois Family Nurse Practitioner

Katelyn Renee Russell, Evansville Nursing Education	Amy Diane Wilson, Seymour Family Nurse Practitioner
Mary Sallee, Louisville, Kentucky Family Nurse Practitioner	Sara Emma Young, Vincennes Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute

Alvina Elaine Scaff, Gastonia, North Carolina
Family Nurse Practitioner

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY**

Tracy H. Schamel, New Albany
Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute

Dalton A. Bartley, Evansville

Kellie R. Schroering, Saint Anthony
Nursing Education

Sara B. Burge, Normal, Illinois

Becky LaNell Shaw, Spring eld, Tennessee
Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute

Janelle Carol Burkhart, Vincennes

Jill Katherine Sither, Louisville, Kentucky
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Desiree J. Snider, Vincennes
Nursing Education

Molly Burrell Snider, Evansville
Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute

Sandra Elizabeth Snyder, Danville, Illinois
Family Nurse Practitioner

Samantha Jo Spellmeyer, Jasper
Family Nurse Practitioner

Jason Stiles, Tell City
Nursing Management and Leadership

James Francis Stowers III, Evansville
Family Nurse Practitioner

Charlotte Denice Strawser, Hoopeston, Illinois
Family Nurse Practitioner

Kirstyn Elizabeth Sutton, Evansville
Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute

Deborah Lynn Tapp, Calhoun, Kentucky
Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Primary

Jeffrey M. Tessman, Lafayette
Family Nurse Practitioner

Rebecca Lynn Thomas, Boonville
Family Nurse Practitioner

Tori Lyn Timmons, Casey, Illinois
Family Nurse Practitioner

Jessica Alexis Treutler, Boonville
Nursing Education

Shauncey M. Turi, Cincinnati, Ohio
Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Acute

Joshua Arthur VanZant, Mount Vernon
Nursing Education

Amanda Lynn Ward, Owensboro, Kentucky
Family Nurse Practitioner

Heather R. Ward, West Frankfort, Illinois
Family Nurse Practitioner

Lindsey Ward, Corydon
Nursing Education

Summer A. Watt, Princeton
Family Nurse Practitioner

Heather Amy White, Milton, Florida
Nursing Management and Leadership

ROMAIN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
SATURDAY , APRIL 28, 2018
9 a.m.

POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE

Shuang Liang, Evansville
Accountancy

Peter Lancaster O'Daniel, Evansville
Accountancy

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Kaitlynn M. Batts, Boonville
Business Administration

Brett Eli Blackford, Charlestown
Management, magna cum laude

Valerie Nicole Burnett, Evansville
Marketing

Rachel Nicole Coleman, Evansville
Accounting and Professional Services
and Finance, magna cum laude

Churon E. Covington, Evansville
Management

Kierstin A. Daughtery, Noblesville
Marketing

Cody Alan Flamion, Ferdinand
Accounting and Professional Services,
magna cum laude

Morganne Nicole Geiser, Evansville
Management

Amanda R. Graham, Evansville
Economics and Spanish Studies,
magna cum laude

Nathan Maurice Grayson, Evansville
Marketing

Mitchell B. Greenwood, Newburgh
Accounting and Professional Services,
magna cum laude

Rachel Eileen Johnson, Decatur
Economics and Political Science,
magna cum laude

Tarek Muhammad Khaja, New Harmony
Management, cum laude

Mary Ellen Laughlin, Evansville
Finance, cum laude

Hailey Alexandria Loehr, Newburgh
Accounting and Professional Services

Adam Hanson Martin, Cynthiana
Computer Information Systems

Paige Marie McClellan, Evansville
Accounting and Professional Services
and German Studies, magna cum laude

Reagan P. Mosley, Corydon
Accounting and Professional Services
and Finance, cum laude

Chasity Marie Myers, Evansville
Computer Information Systems,
Economics and Finance, cum laude

Cody A. Neuffer, New Harmony
Computer Information Systems

Cali Leigh Ours, New Harmony
Business Administration and Economics

Audrey Beth Perigo, Evansville
Marketing

Daniel E. Brane, LaFontaine Management	Andrew Robert Deas, Brownsburg Business Administration, summa cum laude	Austin Reid Gray, Newburgh Accounting and Professional Services
Bailey M. Bratcher, Evansville Business Administration	Molleigh Jamison Doyle, Montgomery Accounting and Professional Services and Finance	William Blake Gray, Goreville, Illinois Accounting and Professional Services
Amanda S. Brooks, Loraine, Illinois Accounting and Professional Services	Caleb M. Drennan, Haubstadt Accounting and Professional Services and Finance	Cody Lyle Gress, Jasper Computer Science
Taylor D. Brown, Evansville Accounting and Professional Services and Finance	Aaron T. Duckworth, Mount Vernon Management	Conner Joseph Gress, Jasper Computer Science
Jon G. Bryan, Indianapolis Computer Science, cum laude	Brian W. Eddmenson, Evansville Computer Information Systems	Riley Dare Griesemer, Indianapolis Economics
Kevin Bret Buickel, Evansville Business Administration	Isaiah Ehmke, Waterloo Marketing	Lee A. Gualano, Arlington Heights, Illinois Marketing and Management, cum laude UNIVERSITY
Kaitlynn Marie Burdette, Evansville Marketing	Benjamin Michael Eklof, London, United Kingdom Business Administration, cum laude	Marketiuter Science
Tyler Matthew Burke, Evansville Marketing	Jonathan Matthew Elfreich, Evansville Economics	Riler Josei(a)-2.8 M-0.002srlacucsR8
Ashley G. Burris, Evansville Finance	Billie-Jo Elliott, Fair eld, Illinois Business Administration	
Benjamin C. Campbell, Evansville Business Administration	Abigail Lee Ellis, Evansville Management	
Elijah Sandrew Cannon, Chicago, Illinois Marketing	Jorden Jay English, Lyons Management	
Davis B. Carter, Denver, Colorado Accounting and Professional Services and Finance	Shannon Ellen Farrell, Munster Accounting and Professional Services and Finance, summa cum laude	
Zachary Michael Cates, Evansville Computer Information Systems	Christopher Louis Fichtner, Bloomington Marketing, cum laude	
Yafei Chang, Zhengzhou, China Business Administration	Elle Nicole Floyd, Henderson, Kentucky Economics, summa cum laude	
Amanda Elaine Clark, Turlock, California Finance	Presley Taylor Fohl, Connersville Finance	
Ryan Edward Clark, Evansville Accounting and Professional Services, summa cum laude	Jesse Michael Forbey, Boonville Economics	
Andrew M. Coffman, Evansville Accounting and Professional Services and Finance	Brielle P. Forler, Santa Claus Finance	
Stephen J. Cole, Vincennes Accounting and Professional Services	Mena J. Fulton, Bloomington Accounting and Professional Services and Computer Information Systems	
Noah Austin Coomes, Rockport Computer Science	Storri L. Gadau, French Lick Marketing	
Brandon Michael Cooper, Newburgh Accounting and Professional Services and Finance, magna cum laude	Johnathon Richard Gang, Crown Point Marketing	
Tyler B. Cowan, Sturgis, Kentucky Management	Tyler A. Garrett, Evansville Computer Information Systems	
Brayden Scott Cowling, Albion, Illinois Business Administration	Brandon N. Gaynor, Tell City Business Administration	
Anthony Jacob Cox, Haubstadt Computer Science	Alexander R. Godwin, Newburgh Economics	
Frederick Alton Cummings, Doolittle Mills Marketing	Ryan P. Goeltz, Evansville Marketing, cum laude	
Sean Cutsinger, Mount Vernon Marketing	Eli Joseph Goforth, Mount Vernon Computer Information Systems	

Lauren Jeanette Springhetti, Newburgh
Business Administration


Brandon M. Staback, Haubstadt
Finance, magna cum laude

Ian Bradley Stamm, Newburgh
Computer Information Systems

Andrew Tyler Stiko, New Palestine
Finance

Katy Elizabeth Storms, Evansville
Accounting and Professional Services

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Alexis Danielle Skelton, West eld
Spanish Studies, magna cum laude

Blake Stephen Smith, Evansville
English, cum laude

Ryan K. Stilabower, Fort Wayne
Radio and Television

Bethany LeAnn Swartzentruber, Montgomery
Art, cum laude

Alexis Michelle Tenbarga, Greenwood
Public Relations and Advertising

Amanda Jean Tindle, Lowell
Psychology

Kenyana L. Trambles, Merrillville
Theatre Arts

Kathryn Yu Volkman, Floyds Knobs
Criminal Justice, magna cum laude
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Jenny Rose Wagner, Lyons
English Teaching and Spanish Studies
Teaching, summa cum laude

McKenna Brooke Watson, New Albany
Criminal Justice, cum laude

Tharushi Darshika Wattewewa, Kandy,
Sri Lanka
French Studies and International Studies,

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Maggie Louise Browne, Burlington, Kentucky
Theatre Arts, magna cum laude

Jaleigh Christine Bugher, Hazelton
Psychology

Yvonne Bunch, Chicago, Illinois
Public Relations and Advertising

Tharilyn Bunker, Evansville
Theatre Arts, cum laude

Trevor Isaac Burklow, Evansville
Public Relations and Advertising

Erica Kris-Tina Burton, Columbus
Philosophy, cum laude

Alexandra A. Calhoun, Greenwood
Criminal Justice and Sociology

Tanna M. Carman Small, Richland
Visual Art K-12, cum laude

Morganne Taylor Carpenter, Crawfordsville
Criminal Justice

Jordan Wallace Cates, Evansville
Public Relations and Advertising

Theanoe Irene Christos, Valparaiso
Art

Amber K. Church Lamey, Newburgh
Psychology, cum laude

Taylor Nicole Clarich, Crown Point
Psychology

Grace Elaine Clark, Indianapolis
Criminal Justice

Bryan Coane, Evansville
Criminal Justice

Dalton L. Cullman, Evansville
Public Relations and Advertising

Francesco C. Cutugno, South Bend
Radio and Television

Dillon L. Damrath, Henderson, Kentucky
Art

Cassidy Elizabeth Daugherty, Paoli
Psychology

Matthew Kyle Davis, Boonville
Criminal Justice and Sociology

Candace April DeArmond, Evansville
Psychology, cum laude

Lauren N. Dillard, Evansville
Psychology, summa cum laude

Lonna Jo Dippel, Evansville

POTT COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING,



Lynde Michelle Evans, Patoka
Elementary Education, magna cum laude

Hailey Nicole Oliver, Louisville, Illinois
Exercise Science, magna cum laude

Emily Kay Olsen, Newburgh
Elementary Education

Kelci Michelle Osgatharp, Petersburg
Sport Management

Jose J. Palacios, Newburgh
Sport Management

Brilee DeeAnn Parker, Linton
Mathematics

Dalton Peach, Mount Carmel, Illinois
Exercise Scienceh

Jillian Evette Wilson, Evansville
Exercise Science

Scile Mace Wilz, Pointe-Noire, Republic of
the Congo
Environmental Science

Logan D. Winchester, Newburgh
Sport Management

Dylan Taylor Winkler, Spencer
Exercise Science

Martin Christopher James Winkler,
Montgomery
Biology, cum laude

Austin Lee Witherite, Indianapolis
Mathematics Teaching, magna cum laude

Ryan Michael Woodburn, Evansville
Exercise Science

David Michael Woosley III, Evansville
Environmental Science

Justin Wayne Younger, Harrisburg, Illinois
Exercise Science

Trent Joseph Zuelly, Tell City
Sport Management



This printed list of candidates for degrees does not include late changes.

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Taylor Meredith Hollander, Boonville
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences,
magna cum laude

Kiara J. Thompson, Indianapolis
Food and Nutrition

Krystyna M. Thompson, Anderson
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences
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Isaac Christian Tuell, Jasper
Health Services, magna cum laude

Danielle Uessler, Corydon
Health Services, magna cum laude

Emily E. VanMeter Hancock, Evansville
Health Services

Catherine Shelby Vanbritson, Evansville
Health Services

Sarah D. Velazquez, Bloomington
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Hannah Claire Venderley, Newburgh
Health Services

Marisa Lee Volkman, Evansville
Dental Hygiene, cum laude

Hailey Shea Wagner, Evansville
Health Services

Brooklyn Taylor Webb, Vincennes
Health Services, magna cum laude

Kate Marie Whitaker, Evansville
Dental Hygiene, cum laude

Morgan White, Wayne City, Illinois
Health Services, cum laude

Thomas A. White, Evansville
Health Services

Kelsey Wilkerson, Dyer
Health Services

Charles Scott Williams, South Bend
Respiratory Therapy

Emily Mildred Wonnell, Princeton
Dental Hygiene

Allison Michelle Worden, Indianapolis
Health Services, cum laude

Mariah R. Wright, Portage
Health Services, magna cum laude

Samantha Leigh Wynn, Pekin
Health Services, magna cum laude

Breeann Tessa-Malone Yearby, Rockport
Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Molly Kathryn Yothers, Greenville
Health Services

Angela Frances Zirkelbach, Newburgh
Food and Nutrition

g anEMS

Tiffany A. Layne, Spring, Texas

Sloane Elizabeth Lewis, Floyds Knobs

Sarah L. Lott, Evansville
cum laude

Jessica R. Lutz, Evansville

Jessica Michelle Marino, Evansville
magna cum laude

Sarah Anne Marshall, Madisonville,

President Linda L. M. Bennett became the third president of the University of Southern Indiana in 2009. In her inaugural address, she referenced the University's founding in 1965 and said, "Service to a greater good was a primary reason the University of Southern Indiana was created. It is our touchstone, and years after our founding and emergence as a separate state University, there is little doubt that USI is delivering on the promise of its founding."

From its earliest stage of planning in the early 1960s,

community leaders

Presidential Medallion

During the Middle Ages, medallions signified membership in religious orders and guilds; in the Renaissance, membership in elite orders of knighthood and prominence in government of the time. Today, colleges and universities strike medallions to commemorate important events and achievements.

Donated by the late Melvin Denner, professor emeritus of biology, and Anne Denner, former instructor in nutrition and biology, and their family, this medallion was fabricated by Honorcraft for the 1995 inauguration of USI President H. Ray Hoops. Dr. Denner served as grand marshal at the University's first inauguration.

The University of Southern Indiana Presidential Medallion signifies the authority invested in the president.

The medallion's obverse carries, at its center, a three-inch reproduction of the University seal and, surrounding the seal, a half-inch rim. On the reverse appear the names and dates of appointment for the University's presidents. The president wears this medallion for all formal academic ceremonies.

During the College of Liberal Arts Ceremony, a replica of the Presidential Medallion will be presented to Virgilio E. Paulino '18. This is the highest honor given to a graduating senior.

Gonfalons

Ceremonial flags called gonfalons originated in the Middle Ages for civil and military processions, often appearing beneath the steel head of a knight's lance.

In Italy, gonfalons designated individual Italian republics; the chief magistrate, or other high official, served as gonfalonier carrying the banner.

At the University of Southern Indiana, gonfalons represent each major academic unit; typically deans or department heads act as gonfaloniers. Here gonfalon colors derive from traditional hues associated with each college's academic disciplines. Our Commencement gonfalons came as a gift from the USI Campus Store.

University Seal

The University Seal, designed by Nussmeier Engraving, bears the University's colors—red, white and blue—

Academic Regalia

The academic costume dates from medieval days when university students wore woolen and fur garments for warmth in damp and drafty buildings. Most of those studying were clerics in holy orders; they wore a cloak to which was attached a hood that could be pulled up to cover their tonsured heads.

Simplified today, the costume serves to remind us that its wearer is a member of an ancient and venerable profession; it also indicates, by its color and design, the wearer's degree and the institution by which the degree was conferred.

In the United States, black has been the traditional color for academic gowns, but some institutions authorize holders of their doctorates to wear colors of the institution. The bachelor's gown is distinguished by its long, open sleeves; the master's by its closed, slitted sleeves; the doctor's by its full sleeves trimmed with bands of velvet, which may be black or a color denoting the field in which the degree was taken.

The mortarboard cap, proper for all degrees, is black. Tassels, usually black, are worn over the left front quarter of the cap. Holders of the doctorate may wear tassels of gold thread.

Academic hoods vary in length according to the degree attained and are lined with the colors of the institution by which the degree was granted. The honorary doctoral hoods of the University of Southern Indiana are black, lined with blue satin with red satin chevrons. They are edged with white velvet. Retired members of the University faculty can be recognized in today's ceremony by the red, white and blue cords or a replica of the Presidential Medallion with a blue ribbon worn with their regalia.

The Distinguished Professor Award is the highest recognition bestowed upon a faculty member at the University of Southern Indiana. Faculty who have received this award can be recognized in today's ceremony by the blue and red stole embroidered with the University Seal worn with their regalia.

Hooding Ceremony

Academic hoods vary in length according to the degree attained and are lined with the colors of the institution by which the degree was granted. Hooding signifies the induction of the graduate into the fellowship of the academy, a welcoming gesture by those who represent the high standards of scholarship and creative achievement.

Doctoral and master's degree candidates will receive hoods distinctive to their degrees.

Baccalaureate Scholarship Honors

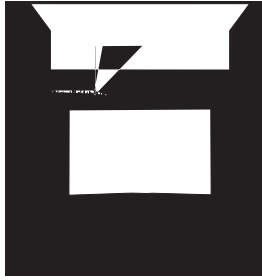
The baccalaureate degree candidate graduating with the highest scholarship index graduates summa cum laude. Baccalaureate students graduating with a scholarship index of 3.80 or higher graduate magna cum laude. Those with a scholarship index between 3.60 and 3.80 graduate cum laude. These achievements are set forth on the individual diplomas. Honor students can be recognized in the Commencement exercises by colored stoles and tassels. Gold indicates summa cum laude; red, magna cum laude; and blue, cum laude.

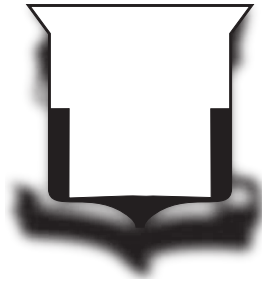
Because students enrolled in doctoral and master's degree programs are expected to maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0, and most achieve much higher levels, scholarship honors at Commencement are given only to baccalaureate students.

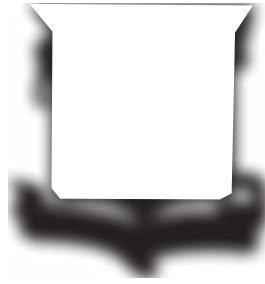
University Honors Scholars

The designation of University Honors Scholar is awarded to students who successfully complete the University Honors Program (UHP) with a cumulative GPA of 3.80 or higher. The UHP is a rigorous program of study that includes advanced coursework, research, and service. The UHP is a requirement for the University Honors Scholar designation. The UHP is a requirement for the University Honors Scholar designation. The UHP is a requirement for the University Honors Scholar designation.









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