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In the afternoon ceremony, there will be a presentation of degree candidates for the Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences, College of Engineering, College of Creative and Professional Arts, College of Health Sciences and Human Services, and Wayne College.
The Presentation of Degree Candidates

The presentation of candidates for Doctoral Degrees
The presentation of candidates for Master's Degrees
The presentation of candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees
The presentation of candidates for Associate Degrees

Prelude Allemande by J. S. Bach
Danza Mora
Marieta
El Columpio by Francisco Tarrega
Stardust by Hoagy Carmichael
Grand Solo by Fernando Sor
Prelude No. 3 by Heitor Villa-Lobos
Leyenda by Isaac Albeniz
Muir Woods by Andrew York
El Colibri by Julio Sagreras

Adam Sarata – Guitar

The Alma Mater

(The audience is invited to stand and sing. See Page 30.)

Led by Rachel Morrison
The University of Akron Brass Choir

Welcome of the Alumni Association to the Class of 2009

Morning
Eustacia Netzel ('98) ('05)
National Alumni Board

Afternoon
James Weber ('85)
National Alumni Board

Student Response

Morning
Terry Bingham

Afternoon
Madelin Reinersmann

The Akron Blue and Gold

The University of Akron Brass Choir

Announcements

Luis M. Proenza

Benediction

Morning
The Rev. Robert W. Tauscher, Jr.

Afternoon
The Rev. Kirk Bruce

Postlude and Recessional

(The audience will be seated.)

Suite by Tylman Susato

The University of Akron Brass Choir

*Presentation of candidates are in the order of college founding date.
The pageantry of commencement is rooted in traditions that are centuries old. The following information is designed to assist you in understanding the significance of these ceremonial rites.

**Processional**

The academic processional is an official prelude to the commencement ceremony. The University marshal leads the procession, bearing the University Mace, which represents the authority of both the University and of the state. Following the University marshal are the members of the platform party including trustees, recipient(s) of honorary degrees, and the president of the University, who wears a medallion with inscriptions representing the history of the state and the University. Next come the members of the faculty followed by the degree candidates.

The marching order of candidates customarily reflects the historical order in which the various colleges or schools of the University were established. Led by marshals, the candidates for degrees march in with their respective colleges.

**Academic Attire**

The academic regalia worn at commencement is of medieval origin. The scholars of Bologna, Paris, Oxford, Cambridge, and Heidelberg dressed in a manner to distinguish themselves from the merchants and other townspeople. When universities first came into being in the 11th century, “learned clerks” robed themselves in gowns, caps, and hoods, thus signifying the distinction between “town” and “gown.” As additional universities came into being, their faculties adopted distinctive forms of the gown and hood for bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degrees.

These customs are reflected in today’s academic attire. In Europe, a professor generally wears the type of garment customary in the university where he or she is lecturing. In the United States, however, professors wear the gown and hood of the university where they earned their highest degree. All commencement ceremony participants at The University of Akron are attired in the appropriate academic apparel. University marshals are distinguished by their blue and gold robes and Elizabethan caps.

**Caps and Tassels**

The cap, also called the mortarboard, may have been derived from the squarish cap worn by the masons of the Middle Ages, or perhaps was suggested by the shape of the books which occupied so much of the scholar’s time. In the United States, the cap is usually flat and square in shape. In Europe, one sometimes sees caps of other varieties. Attached to a button atop the mortarboard is a tassel; associate’s are often silver in color; bachelor’s and master’s are black or of a color appropriate to the college from which the candidate is being graduated; and doctor’s are usually golden.

**Gowns**

Originally, the gown may simply have been a type of overcoat to protect the teacher from the cold in unheated buildings. The cut or style appears to derive from ecclesiastical attire and most often is black. The associate’s and bachelor’s gowns generally have a closed front and open sleeves. The master’s gown more often has long, closed sleeves, from which the arms extend through a slit at the wrist. The doctor’s gown is faced down the front with velvet panels and has bell-shaped sleeves adorned with three velvet bars.

**Hoods**

A triangular fold of cloth worn over the back of the gown, the hood is faced with colors which denote the field of study represented by the wearer’s degree. The colors of the lining indicate the college or academic discipline in which the degree is granted. Recipients of the doctor of philosophy degree wear royal blue hoods, and their caps feature golden tassels. Those who have earned the doctor of education degree wear light blue hoods and tassels.

**Colors**

The various colleges and academic disciplines of The University of Akron are represented by the following hood and tassel colors:

- **White**
  - Arts and Sciences
- **Drab**
  - Business
- **Dark Brown**
  - Creative and Professional Arts
- **Light Blue**
  - Education
- **Orange**
  - Engineering
- **Green**
  - Health Sciences and Human Services
- **Purple**
  - Law
- **Peach**
  - Nursing
- **Gold**
  - Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering
- **Silver**
  - Summit College, Associate’s
- **Black**
  - Summit College, Bachelor’s
Banners
The impressive backdrop for the ceremony consists of the banners of the twelve colleges and the Graduate School. Each banner bears the name and founding date of the college it represents. Banners were first instituted at The University of Akron in the spring of 1995.

The University Seal and the Presidential Medallion
A seal serves to confirm, ratify, or secure an emblem, symbol, or word that is used to certify a signature or authenticate a document. The use of official seals dates back to the Norman Conquest in 1066. During the next century, seals were used throughout England to authenticate documents. Persons of rank had unique seals befitting their status. Most seals were circular or oval-shaped and bore heraldic designs embossed on their faces.

The use of seals became part of academic tradition in the medieval university and continues to the present. The University of Akron, for example, displays its seal on diplomas presented to its graduates.

The coat of arms shown on the University’s seal includes an open book and quill, representative of the University’s original liberal arts curriculum. A lamp of learning shown against a city skyline depicts the University’s metropolitan setting. Three diagonal bars represent the private, municipal, and state stages of the University’s history. The phoenix, a mythical bird that is consumed by fire and rises from its ashes to achieve greater glory, is a tribute to the University’s rebirth following the devastating fire of 1899. The seal also displays the original Buchtel College motto, Fiat Lux (let there be light).

The University’s current Presidential Medallion, as designed in the year 2000 by renowned artist Don Drumm, consists of the University seal, set in a necklace of pewter. Originally, the Presidential Medallion was presented by the Alumni Association in 1970, commemorating the University’s centennial. The medallion is a symbol of the authority of the president, as bestowed by the Board of Trustees, that traditionally is worn by the president on important ceremonial occasions.

The Ceremonial Mace
The Ceremonial Mace was presented to The University of Akron by the Alumni Association on Founders Day 1970, in recognition of the University’s founding 100 years earlier as Buchtel College.

Since ancient times, maces have been symbols of authority for many academic and governmental bodies. The University of Akron’s Ceremonial Mace is carried by the University marshal at all formal academic occasions.

The most distinguishing feature of the Ceremonial Mace is the rising phoenix. A mythical bird that rose anew from its ashes to achieve even greater glory, the phoenix is a fitting symbol for the University whose predecessor, Buchtel College, suffered a disastrous fire in 1899 and was rebuilt through the generous support of alumni and the community.
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Cheryl Buchanan
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Ben Ledgerwood
Thomas Lukach
Eileen Pennisi
Zak Steiner

Afternoon

Marshals
Walter L. Hixson

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Jean Andrick

Faculty Marshal
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Marcia Main
Neil Sapienza
Suzette Speight
John P. Szabo

The names of candidates for degrees will be read by:

Morning

Christine R. Curry
Director, Development

Kathleen D. Clark
 Associate Professor, Communication
 College of Creative & Professional Arts

Afternoon

Patricia Hill
 Associate Professor, Communication
 College of Creative & Professional Arts

Heather Walter
 Associate Professor, Communication
 College of Creative & Professional Arts
Morning
Aigbe Akhigbe
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Adel Halasa
Margaret Halter
Lisa Hart
William Hauser
Gwen Jones
David Kahl
Debra Keller
Pamela Ketlyka
Rita Klein
Richelle Laipply
Lisa Lenhart
Liping Liu
Roger Mayer
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Rebecca McElfresh
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Michelle Perkins
John Queener
Cynthia Reynolds
Kathleen Ross-Aaolmolki
Robert Schwartz
Lynn Smolen
Mark Soucek
Linda Subich
Kelly Webb
Evonn Welton

Afternoon
Joseph Augustine
Rajade Berry-James
Mary Biddinger
Constance Bouchard
Robert Brownlow
Chien-Chung Chan
Steven Chuang
JP Cossey
Roberta DePompei
Dennis Doverspike
Howard Ducharme
Richard Einsporn
Cheryl Elman
Ghazi Falah
Laura Gelfand
David Giffels
Michael Graham
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Bi-min Newby
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Jerry Obiekwe
Donald Ott
Anil Patmaik
Robert Peralta
Val Pipps
Neal Raber
James Sperling
Margaret Stephens
Juay Seng Tan
Evelyn Taylor
Tyrone Tusing
Shengyong Wang
Anne Weiner
Paul Weinstein
Chrys Wesdemiotis
Zachery Williams
Gun Jin Yun

University Interpreters

The commencement ceremonies will be interpreted by:

Lori Palmer
Graduation With Distinction

To graduate with distinction, students must have maintained specified levels of academic achievement directly related to quality points earned for all undergraduate courses taken. The maximum quality point ratio possible is 4.00.

To qualify for these honors distinctions, students must be receiving a baccalaureate degree, having earned a minimum of 64 credits at The University of Akron; or an associate degree, having completed a minimum of 32 credits at The University of Akron.

The honors levels for each group are described as follows.

Baccalaureate Honors Designation

**Summa Cum Laude**—quality point ratio of 3.80 to 4.00

**Magna Cum Laude**—quality point ratio of 3.60 to 3.79

**Cum Laude**—quality point ratio of 3.40 to 3.59

Associate Honors Designation

**With Highest Distinction**—quality point ratio of 3.80 to 4.00

**With High Distinction**—quality point ratio of 3.60 to 3.79

**With Distinction**—quality point ratio of 3.40 to 3.59

Excellence Scholars

Excellence Scholars have completed the graduation requirements of their baccalaureate majors with cumulative quality point ratios of at least 3.50. Representing the highest scoring applicants when they entered the University as freshmen, Excellence Scholars have maintained at least that quality point ratio throughout their undergraduate careers.

Jessica C. Custer
April C. Klepacz
Andrew P. Riggins
Sean M. Santangelo

Presidential Scholars

Presidential Scholars have completed the graduation requirements of their baccalaureate majors with cumulative quality point ratios of at least 3.25. Representing the top 10% of their high school classes when they entered the University as freshmen, Presidential Scholars have maintained at least that quality point ratio throughout their undergraduate careers.

Leighann E. Haliko
Michael P. McCarthy
Daniel J. Meneefe
Jamie L. Reeves
Kyann L. Rufener
Stephanie M. Sustar
Yuliya V. Trunov
Jenna L. Wolf

University Scholars

University Scholars have completed the graduation requirements of their baccalaureate majors and of the Honors College with cumulative quality point ratios of at least 3.40. The Honors College encourages and assists exceptionally talented students to achieve high distinction in academic work from freshmen through senior levels and fosters respect and appreciation for superior intellectual achievement.

University Scholars have completed honors courses, an honors colloquium sequence, and individually designed senior honors projects.

Amanda L. Blackford
Emil O. Clintoc
Andrew D. Cooper
Jessica C. Custer
Kathleen M. DiDomenico
Alyssa I. Duncan
Michael B. Ealy
Ginger R. Edmonds
Leah R. Falzetta
Noelle B. Frantz
Jacquelynn S. Gamble
Sarah C. Goldstein
Vanessa A. Hemminger
April C. Klepacz
Erin M. Lansinger
Adam P. Martinez
Shelby D. Mashburn
Blake C. Miner
Mark J. Ogrizek
Paul A. Pope
Jamie L. Reeves
Andrew P. Riggins
Allison Rochford
Sara K. Rollo
Katie G. Ryan
Sean M. Santangelo
Eric M. Sluss
Lindsay Smeiles
Emily D. Thompson
Yuliya V. Trunov
Brittany J. Wellert
Jenna L. Wolf
December 12
Morning

The College of Education

Year Founded 1921
Dean Mark D. Shermis

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Elizabeth Cascarilla
Counseling Psychology
BS, University of Richmond, VA; MA, Cleveland State University
Adviser: Dr. John E. Queener

Linda J. Collins
Elementary Education
BA, BS Ed, Kent State University; MS, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Participants’ Perceptions of the Instructional Design of an Online Professional Development Module for Teachers of English Language Learners: A Q Methodology Study”
Adviser: Dr. Lynn A. Smolen

Maryanna P. Hamburg
Elementary Education
BS, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; MA, Ursuline College
Dissertation: “Financial Mathematical Tasks in a Middle School Mathematics Textbook Series: A Content Analysis”
Adviser: Dr. Katharine D. Owens

Lynne Schlarb Kulich
Elementary Education
BS Ed, The Ohio State University; MS Ed, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “The English Reading Development of Karen Children Using the Fluency Development Lesson in an Intensive English Language Program: Three Descriptive Case Studies”
Adviser: Dr. Harold M. Foster

Michelle A. Miller
Secondary Education
BA, University of Pittsburgh, PA; MA, Cleveland State University
Dissertation: “Basic Writers Using Clickers: A Case Study”
Adviser: Dr. Harold M. Foster

Bernard E. Okafor
Counselor Education & Supervision
B Div, Bigard Memorial Seminary, Nigeria; M Th, Catholic Institute of West Africa, Nigeria; MA, Saint Xavier University, IL
Adviser: Dr. John E. Queener

Sara Lynne RiederBennett
Counseling Psychology
BA, West Virginia Wesleyan College, WV; MA, West Virginia University
Dissertation: “An Investigation of Sources of Women’s Infertility — Specific Distress and Well-Being”
Adviser: Dr. Linda M. Subich

Marisa White
Counselor Education & Supervision
BA, Mount Union College; MS, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Adviser: Dr. John E. Queener

College of Nursing

Year Founded 1967
Dean N. Margaret Wineman

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Deborah J. Vargo
Nursing
BSN, University of Toledo; MSN, Medical College of Ohio
Dissertation: “Factors Influencing Registered Nurses’ Judgments and Decisions in Medication Management”
Adviser: Dr. John E. Queener
The College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering
Founded 1988
Dean Stephen Z. D. Cheng

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

**Elif Alyamac**
Polymer Engineering
BS, MS, Middle East Technical University, Turkey
Dissertation: “Self-Stratifying Coatings”
Adviser: Dr. Mark Soucek

**Kaan Gunes**
Polymer Engineering
BS, Bogazici University, Turkey
Dissertation: “In-Situ Ultrasonic Compatibilization of Binary Blends of Flexible Chain Polyesters and Aromatic Liquid Crystalline Polymers”
Adviser: Dr. Avraam I. Isayev

**Jiao Guo**
Polymer Engineering
BE, Beijing University of Chemical Technology, China; MS, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, IN
Dissertation: “Development of Ion Conductive Polymer Gel Electrolytes and Their Electrochemical and Electromechanical Behavior Studies”
Adviser: Dr. Kyonsuku Min

**Someswara R. Peri**
Polymer Science
BS, North Carolina State University
Dissertation: “Interface Structure of Photonic Films Created by Plasma Enhanced Chemical Vapor Deposition”
Adviser: Dr. Mark D. Foster

**Mayela Ramirez-Huerta**
Polymer Engineering
BS, Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios Superiores, Mexico; MS, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Steric and Anhimeric Effects on the Hydrolysis of Oligoesters and Their Influence on End-Use Polyurethane Coatings”
Adviser: Dr. Mark Soucek

**Pankaj Jaiprakash Rathi**
Polymer Engineering
BE, University of Pune, India
Dissertation: “Theoretical Modeling of Morphology Development in Blends of Semicrystalline Polymers Undergoing Photopolymerization”
Adviser: Dr. Thein Kyu

**Sham Sundar Ravindranath**
Polymer Science
BE, Visveswaraih Technological University, Belgaum, India
Dissertation: “How Do Entangled Polymer Liquids Flow?”
Adviser: Dr. Shi-Qing Wang

**Mustafa Yasin Sen**
Polymer Science
BS, Bogazici University, Turkey; MS, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Green Polymer Chemistry: Functionalization of Polymers Using Enzymatic Catalysis”
Adviser: Dr. Judit E. Puskas

**Gokce Uğur**
Polymer Science
BS, Sabanci University, Turkey
Dissertation: “Interface Structure of Diblock Copolymer Brushes and Surface Dynamics of Homopolymer Brushes and Bilayers of Untethered Chains on Brushes”
Adviser: Dr. Mark D. Foster
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Founded 1921
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Master of Arts in Education

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Principalship

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Educational Foundations – Instructional Technology

Ghada Mohammed Rabie
Elayed Awad
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

Kathy A. Barnes
Elementary Education – Literacy

Jeffrey T. Blasko
Physical Education – Sport Science / Coaching

Janet Lykes Bolois
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

Sarah Jo Bratcher
Elementary Education – Literacy

Melissa D. Burwell
Principalship

Elizabeth A. Campbell
Elementary Education – Literacy

Carol L. Chess
Secondary Education

Elizabeth L. Collins
Principalship

Lauren Alexis Crolley
Elementary Education – Literacy

Jennifer Leigh Cummings
Elementary Education

Megan A. Delotell
Counseling – Community Counseling

Domenica D. Dress
Elementary Education – Literacy

Toula C. Elefter
Educational Foundations – Instructional Technology

Stephanie E. Elmore
Physical Education – Sport Science / Coaching

Kathryn G. Frank
Elementary Education – Literacy

Jonathan David Geisler
Counseling – Community Counseling

Aaron M. Gurskey
Physical Education – Sport Science / Coaching

Renee L. Herrick
Educational Foundations – Instructional Technology

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Michael G. Hurayt
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Alicia J. Kalamets
Elementary Education – Literacy

Brooke L. Leach
Elementary Education

Christina L. Macso
Secondary Education

Karl E. Macura
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

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Principalship

Tracy Ann Meech
Elementary Education – Literacy

Allison N. Misutka
Educational Foundations – Instructional Technology

Olivia M. Oroz
Elementary Education – Literacy

Mark A. Palen
Principalship

Jody R. Patterson
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

Rachel J. Petrey
School Counseling

Antonio M. Preston
Principalship

Wijdan Amin A. Qari
Special Education

Elizabeth L. Raimer
Elementary Education – Literacy

Penny S. Reed
Educational Foundations – Instructional Technology

Leighann Reep
Elementary Education – Literacy

Joseph C. Rifci
Counseling – Community Counseling

Hallie C. Schuster
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

Nirali Prakashchandra Shah
Elementary Education

Kimberly R. Simers
Elementary Education – Literacy

Aaron J. Singleton
School Counseling

Desiree L. Smith
Secondary Education – Literacy Option

Meta Lorrayne Solter
Elementary Education

Leslie A. Stewart Bruno
Counseling – Marriage & Family Therapy

Jessica R. Sutherland
Principalship

Matthew D. Thurin
Physical Education – Sport Science / Coaching

Bryn Y. Varhol
Physical Education – Sport Science / Coaching

Matthew T. Vogel
Educational Foundations – Instructional Technology

Ally Wehmann
Elementary Education – Literacy

Courtney M. Wenzel
School Counseling

Master of Science in Education

Jennifer A. Ancil
Special Education – Mild/Moderate Intervention Specialist Licensure

Melissa L. Blazeck
Educational Administration

Donald M. Brunker
Principalship

Kellie S. Evans
Multi-Age Visual Arts Licensure

Jared R. Ewing
Physical Education – Exercise Physiology / Adult Fitness

Megan L. Fellows
School Counseling

Christine L. Hamlet
Adolescent to Young Adult – Integrated Social Studies Licensure

Julia K. Hurley
Adolescent to Young Adult – Integrated Social Studies Licensure

Bethany R. Johnson
Principalship

Hilary A. Johnson
Adolescent to Young Adult – Integrated Language Arts Licensure

Kimberly S. Kemp
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

Nicolaas A. Landsay
Adolescent to Young Adult – Integrated Mathematics Licensure

Marcia Lynn Morrison
Principalship

Selena C. Myers
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

Lacey A. Omar
Educational Administration – Higher Education Administration

Diane R. Paloney
Special Education – Mild/Moderate Intervention Specialist Licensure

O Dee Dee Pitts
Counseling – Marriage & Family Therapy

Elisabeth A. Polzner
Multi-Age Foreign Language / Spanish Licensure

Peter M. Quant
Physical Education – Exercise Physiology / Adult Fitness

Rachel A. Ranalli
Special Education – Mild/Moderate Intervention Specialist Licensure

Cheryl D. Regueiro
Special Education – Early Childhood Intervention Specialist Licensure

James A. Rollins
AYA – Integrated Social Studies

Paul A. Rusinko
Special Education – Mild to Moderate

Scott D. Schopper
Principalship

Rashona S. Slaughter
Counseling – Marriage & Family Therapy
Ryan J. Slone  
*Physical Education – Sport Science / Coaching*

Martyn N. Smith  
*Special Education – Early Childhood Intervention Specialist Licensure*

Karen S. Stanfill  
*Special Education – Mild/Moderate Intervention Specialist Licensure*

Abby E. Steigneier  
*Adolescent to Young Adult – Integrated Language Arts Licensure*

Saidah M. Traish  
*Adolescent to Young Adult – Integrated Social Studies Licensure*

Matt G. Vavro  
*Physical Education – Sport Science / Coaching*

Jessica L. Viar  
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Christopher M. Vogt  
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Natalia M. West  
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**MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

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*Finance*

Jeffrey J. Carmean  
*Finance*

John W. Cavileer  
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Sara M. Chatman  
Management

Sarah A. Cottage  
Entrepreneurship

Keith N. Cropper  
*Finance*

Amanda S. Curtis  
*Strategic Marketing*

Jaclyn N. Donadio  
*Management*

Kenneth S. Dumire  
Management

Haider Mohammad Farhan  
*Finance*

Thomas A. Farmer  
*Finance*

Ryan E. Foster  
*Finance*

Kevin B. Gittner  
Management

Yang Hao  
*Finance*

Hannah L. Harbert  
Management

Jumana Husain  
*Finance*

David L. Klimkowicz  
*Finance*

Kenneth J. Kmetz  
Management

Freddie W. Lawson  
Management

Hung Chang Lee  
*International Business*

Zhong Li  
Management – Supply Chain Management

Erica L. Miller  
*Strategic Marketing*

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*International Business*

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Greecha Myeni  Computer Science – Thesis Option
Khanbao N. Nguyen  Biology
Rakesh C. Patel  Computer Science
Majidi W. Qatami  Geography / Geographic Information Sciences
Pamula J. Robison  Applied Mathematics
Sara K. Rollo  Applied Mathematics – BS/MS
Sruhti Shetupally  Computer Science – Thesis Option
Harjot Singh  Computer Science
Sarah Elizabeth Smith  Biology
Chaitra Srinivasan  Computer Science
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Rudraraju Tanvir
Madulatha Reddy Vatte
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Engineering: Biomedical Engineering
Michaeline P. Becker
Engineering: Biomedical Engineering
Parisa Farajipour
Engineering: Biomedical Engineering
Alymotasem Ibrahim Justaniah
Engineering: Engineering Management Specialization
Subash Kuria Kose Mannan
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Gaybricelle L. Jones
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Kimberly D. Lawver
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Susan L. Pruitt
Communication

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Barry A. Hardesty
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Jeffery A. Link
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Stefanie J. Lamberson  
Leanna C. Ross
Karl W. Sanderson  
Jeremiah G. Shepherd

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Sneha D. Patadia  
Joseph L. Powell
Cam Laude
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Michael P. McCarthy
Blake C. Miner
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Richard S. Riggs
David C. Youmans

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Kenneth C. Henthorn  
Kelly A. Kearney  
Tonya R. Yannayon  
*With Distinction*

**Associate of Applied Business in Office Management**  
Sherri A. Marti  
*With Highest Distinction*  
Keri Lynn Martin

**Associate of Applied Business in Office Technology**  
Meredith H. Allison  
Stacey M. Andrews  
*With Highest Distinction*  
Stephanie M. Fahrm  
*With Highest Distinction*  
Keri Lynn Martin  
Dawn L. Morales-Angel  
Shannon I. Swinehart  
*With High Distinction*

**Associate of Applied Science in Paraprofessional Education**  
Justin T. Doyle  
Jamie C. Hendrix  
Erin M. Holbrook  
Kieunna S. Yeagley

**Associate of Applied Science in Social Services Technology**  
Ashlee M. Cush  
*With High Distinction*  
Leslie D. Jones  
Melanie D. Wolf

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**Recognition of the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps**

The following cadet is commissioned as a Second Lieutenant on December 12, 2009:

**United States Army**  
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The College of Engineering
By authority of the Board of Trustees and on recommendation of the Faculty hereby confers upon

A. Worthy Student

The Degree of
Bachelor of Science

Together with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.
Witness the seal of the University and the signature of its officers
Given at Akron, in the State of Ohio, this twelfth day of December, 2009.

Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Secretary of the Board

President of the University

A present-day diploma awarded at The University of Akron.
This statue of John R. Buchtel stands in the middle of the campus he helped found in 1870.
The Alma Mater for The University of Akron was written by the Rev. Augustus B. Church who was the last Universalist clergy to serve as president of Buchtel College (1901–1912). He was also the first person to assume the board responsibilities of chief executive officer. In fact, Church served both as president and as a trustee of the institution — as well as pastor of the First Universalist Church of Akron. Dr. Church understood the importance of higher education as a means to improve society, and he worked diligently on projects to successfully link the educational efforts of Buchtel College with the needs of a growing city. During his presidency, Buchtel College offered the world’s first courses in rubber chemistry (1909).
The University of Akron's fight song, "The Akron Blue and Gold," was written in 1939 by Fred Waring, nationally known composer and leader of the wildly-popular band, "Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians." In response to a request from the University's student newspaper, Waring wrote "a distinctive song" for The University of Akron. "The Akron Blue and Gold" premiered over his NBC hookup on November 17, 1939, and has been used as the University's fight song ever since.
The Ohio Universalist Convention established a small, liberal arts college in Akron in 1870 and named it for one of the city’s prominent industrialists, John R. Buchtel. It was Buchtel who led a group of 100 individuals and 13 businesses in a fund-raising campaign to build the college. On July 4, 1871, thousands of area citizens turned out to witness the results of that initiative, joining in a great celebration as the cornerstone was laid for a single but impressive structure that constituted Buchtel College. Both a visionary and a pragmatist, Buchtel believed that the vigor of any city is closely tied to the proximity of a high quality institution of higher education. Decades of progress, both for the city and for the college he launched, have proven him right. With an enrollment of more than 27,000 students from throughout Ohio, the United States, and 89 foreign countries, the successor of Buchtel College is one of the largest principal campuses in Ohio. Long committed to an academic tradition which stresses excellence, The University of Akron offers more than 300 associate, baccalaureate, and master’s degree programs and options, as well as 18 doctoral degree programs and four law degrees. Since 1914, the University has been accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, and it is currently classified at the highest level as a comprehensive, doctoral-degree-granting institution. Today, more than 146,000 of its alumni live and work around the world.

This program is not an official graduation list.

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