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The University of Akron
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December 14 at 7 p.m., December 15 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Luis M. Proenza, President of The University of Akron, Presiding

**Prelude Music**
A Christmas Festival  Leroy Anderson
Suite de Chansons de Noel  Thom Ritter George
The University of Akron Brass Choir
Tucker Jolly, Conductor

**Fanfare**
Ceremonial Piece  William MacDavis
The University of Akron Brass Choir

**Processional**
(The audience will remain seated.)
Grand March  Giacomo Meyerbeer
Pomp and Circumstance  Sir Edward Elgar
Trumpet Voluntary  Jeremiah Clarke
The University of Akron Brass Choir

**The National Anthem**
(The audience is invited to stand and sing.)
Led by Daniel J. Schneck
Student, School of Music
The University of Akron Brass Choir

**Welcome and Introduction**
Luis M. Proenza
President, The University of Akron

**Greetings**
Member
Board of Trustees

**Music**
Hallelujah Chorus  G.F. Handel
The University of Akron Brass Choir

**Address to the Candidates**
Luis M. Proenza
President, The University of Akron

**America the Beautiful**
(The audience will remain seated.)
Daniel J. Schneck
The University of Akron Brass Choir

In the December 14 evening ceremony, there will be a presentation of degree candidates for the Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences, and Wayne College.

In the December 15 morning ceremony, there will be a presentation of degree candidates for the College of Engineering, College of Business Administration, and Summit College.

In the December 15 afternoon ceremony, there will be presentation of degree candidates for the College of Education, College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering, and College of Health Professions.
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

Op. 60 No. 10 Matteo Carcassi
My Lady Hunsdon’s Puffe John Dowland
Alman Robert Johnson
Giga Santiago de Murcia
Pavana I Luis de Milán
Opus 35 No. 8 Fernando Sor
Cueca Agustin Barrios
Vals No. 3
Sonata III J.S. Bach
Grave
Fuga
Andante
Allegro

Adam Sarata – Guitar

THE ALMA MATER

(The audience is invited to stand and sing. See Page 35.)

Led by Daniel J. Schneck
The University of Akron Brass Choir

WELCOME OF THE
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
TO THE CLASS OF 2012

December 14, Evening
David L. Lehman (’79)
Alumni Association

December 15, Morning
Andrew G. Platt (’78, ’89)
College of Business Administration
Advancement Council

December 15, Afternoon
Jim Tressel (’77)
Vice President for Strategic Engagement

STUDENT RESPONSE

December 14, Evening
Christian A. Turner

December 15, Morning
Eric R. Downing

December 15, Afternoon
Carmen M. Roscoe

THE AKRON BLUE AND GOLD

The University of Akron Brass Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Luis M. Proenza

POSTLUDE AND RECESSIONAL

(The audience will be seated.)

Suite by Tylman Susato
The University of Akron Brass Choir

*Presentation of candidates is in the order of college founding date.
Academic Processional & Ceremonial Customs

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 the universities first came into being in the 12th 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:

- Black: Summit College, Bachelor’s
- Drab: Business
- Gold: Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering
- Green: Health Professions
- Light Blue: Education
- Orange: Engineering
- Purple: Law
- Silver: Summit College and Wayne College Associate’s
- White: Arts and Sciences

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Banners

The impressive backdrop for the ceremony consists of the banners of the nine 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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Phyllis G. O’Connor
University Libraries (Interim)
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Wayne College (Interim)
**University Marshals**

**Evening**

**Marshal**
Claire A. Tessier

**Associate Marshals**
Donald Appleby  
Patricia Eaglewolf  
Tanya Lundy

**Faculty Marshal**
Brian Pendleton

**Assistant Marshals**
Alper Buldum  
Barbara Caillet  
Kelly Daw  
J. Clayton Fant  
Mark Fridline  
Gediminas Gasparavicius  
Sucharita Ghosh  
Dena Hanley  
Annie Hanson  
Hillary Nunn  
Durand Pope  
Todd Shaver  
J. Patrick Wilber

**Morning**

**Marshal**
Wiesław K. Binienda

**Associate Marshals**
Donald Appleby  
Patricia Eaglewolf  
Cynthia Mako-Robinson

**Faculty Marshal**
Zachary Steiner

**Assistant Marshals**
Linda Barrett  
Kevin Feldt  
Pamela Keltyka  
Janet Kropff  
Marcia Main  
Robert Martin  
John Matejkovic  
Mary Myers  
Vicki Rostedt  
Tammi Sawyer

**Afternoon**

**Marshal**
Denise M. Wray

**Associate Marshals**
Donald Appleby  
Patricia Eaglewolf  
Kathryn L. Weiland

**Faculty Marshal**
Zachary Steiner

**Assistant Marshals**
Don Canary  
Marlene Huff  
Margaret Kernen  
Elizabeth Kerns  
Maryhelen Kreidler  
Ruth Oswald  
Michele Thornton  
Marci Tomajko  
Stacy Willett

**University Orators**

The names of candidates for degrees will be read by:

December 14, Evening

Christine R. Curry  
*Director, Development*

Heather L. Walter  
*Associate Professor, Communication*  
*Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences*

December 15, Morning

Kathleen D. Clark  
*Associate Professor, Communication*  
*Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences*

Julia A. Spiker  
*Interim Associate Dean, Honors College*  
*Professor, Communication*  
*Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences*

December 15, Afternoon

Stacey J. Moore  
*Associate Vice President for Student Success*

Sylvia E. White  
*Associate Professor, Communication*  
*Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences*
University Faculty Representatives

Evening


Morning


Afternoon


University Interpreter

The commencement ceremonies will be interpreted by:

John Sederwall
Mr. Robert W. Briggs will receive the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

Mr. Robert W. Briggs

Mr. Robert W. Briggs has been a vibrant and outstanding force for the advancement of Northeast Ohio and a leading figure in its growth and development for more than 40 years. As a lifelong Ohioan who received his law degree from The Ohio State University Mortiz College of Law, he has practiced with distinction since the mid-1960s.

Currently, Mr. Briggs is Chairman Emeritus of Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, L.L.P. After serving a tour of duty in the United States Air Force JAG Corps, he returned to Northeast Ohio and in 1971 joined the firm and served on its Board of Managers (1985-2000), as President and CEO (1990-2000) and as Chairman of the Board (2000-2004). He holds memberships in the Ohio and New York Bar Associations and is listed in The Best Lawyers in America (2008-2013), was recognized as one of Ohio's Super Lawyers (2004-2005), and was named to Inside Business Magazine's 2006-2011 Power 100, Crain's Cleveland Business 2002 and 2007 Power Pack as one of Northeast Ohio's most influential business leaders, and Crain's Business Difference Makers 2011.

Mr. Briggs is recognized for his community involvement and leadership, including his service on The John S. and James L. Knight Foundation Board of Trustees, beginning in 2002, including Vice Chairman in 2005, Chairman-elect in 2009 and Chairman in 2010, as well as his past presidency of The GAR Foundation in Akron since 1996 until his retirement in 2012.

As a supporter of higher education, Mr. Briggs has been a valuable contributor to The University of Akron through his service on the Knight Foundation and GAR Foundation. In appreciation of his noteworthy achievements, valued leadership and outstanding service to his community and the University, he was the recipient of The University of Akron's 2002 Honorary Alumnus Award.

Mr. Briggs’ board service has also included the Independent Sector, National Inventors Hall of Fame now known as Invent Now, Inc., Fund for Our Economic Future, Summa Health System, Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges, FirstMerit Corp., Oak Clinic for Multiple Sclerosis, Northeast Ohio Council on Higher Education, Summit Education Initiative, Musical Arts Association of the Cleveland Orchestra and more. In all, he has served on 28 nonprofit boards and has chaired 10 of them.
Graduation With Honors

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.

Anisa A. Aesram
Bethany L. Baraky
Mackenzie L. Brabander
Scott L. Caldwell
Daniel P. Crawford
Samantha M. Fox
Amanda L. Gubanez
Benjamin P. Lauer
Jacob E. McMichael
Nathan J. Toft
Kylie J. Weglo

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 percent 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.

Brittany N. Amiet
John M. Bartolotta
Julianne N. Beck
Samantha L. Bohan
Meghan E. Bowling
Benjamin M. Claussen
Ashley N. Cook
James A. Couillard
Alexander B. Doll
Brian P. Dudek
Aaron D. Fritz
Travis J. Gensley
Jacob J. Goroncy
Alexandria L. Hannay
Rachel L. Harris
Theodore P. Kral
Ryan P. Kubilus
Benjamin Q. Markel
Keri L. Matushevski
Sachiko A. McCullough
Alyssa M. Medvec
David M. Meves
Ashley N. Michel
Matthew V. Morbeto
Scott A. Moses
Renee S. Oneacre
Anthony D. Pallini
Daphne Pavlik
Jennifer M. Reboudo
Derek A. Rine
Alicia A. Roskwitalski
Robert E. Ryan III
Brad W. Schneider
Kristina R. Schreiner
Derek M. Taffe
Rachel N. Tecca
Roman Tirak
Brian E. Vilers
Ben M. Weber
Matthew C. Wiley

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. Anisa A. Aesram, Bethany L. Baraky, Mackenzie L. Brabander, Scott L. Caldwell, Daniel P. Crawford, Samantha M. Fox, Amanda L. Gubanez, Benjamin P. Lauer, Jacob E. McMichael, Nathan J. Toft, and Kylie J. Weglo.

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 percent 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. Brittany N. Amiet, John M. Bartolotta, Julianne N. Beck, Samantha L. Bohan, Meghan E. Bowling, Benjamin M. Claussen, Ashley N. Cook, James A. Couillard, Alexander B. Doll, Brian P. Dudek, Aaron D. Fritz, Travis J. Gensley, Jacob J. Goroncy, Alexandria L. Hannay, Rachel L. Harris, Theodore P. Kral, Ryan P. Kubilus, Benjamin Q. Markel, Keri L. Matushevski, Sachiko A. McCullough, Alyssa M. Medvec, David M. Meves, Ashley N. Michel, Matthew V. Morbeto, Scott A. Moses, Renee S. Oneacre, Anthony D. Pallini, Daphne Pavlik, Jennifer M. Reboudo, Derek A. Rine, Alicia A. Roskwitalski, Robert E. Ryan III, Brad W. Schneider, Kristina R. Schreiner, Derek M. Taffe, Rachel N. Tecca, Roman Tirak, Brian E. Vilers, Ben M. Weber, and Matthew C. Wiley.
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.

Bethany L. Baranyk
Chad T. Barson
Alison A. Bartley
John M. Bartolotta
Greta R. Beery
Claudia J. Bertram
Samantha L. Bohan
Mackenzie L. Brabander
Hannah N. Bunch
Scott L. Caldwell
Ashley N. Cook
Tamara E. Cope
Daniel P. Crawford
Anthony T. Dao
Brian P. Dudek
Justin T. Fodor
Samantha M. Fox
Rachel L. Harris
Olivia K. Johnson
Ada Nina Johnson-Kanu
Nicole M. Kline
Theodore P. Kral
Benjamin P. Lauer
Benjamin Q. Markel
Jacob E. McMichael
Alyssa M. Medvec
David M. Meves
Renee S. Oneacre
Daphne Pavlik
Heather N. Peters
Benjamin D. Pollock
Geneva C. Poully
James R. Pruitt
Brandon L. Rennicker
Derek A. Rine
Kendra M. Skowron
Nathan J. Toft
Ashley M. Tolfo
Gregory A. Voorhees
Kylie J. Weglo

Distinguished Students

The Distinguished Student Program recognizes and encourages excellence among academically talented students at Wayne College. Distinguished Students have completed their degree studies and the requirements of the Distinguished Student Program with a cumulative quality point ratio of at least 3.40.

Shauna R. Dixon
Tracey Rogers-Krska
December 14, 2012
Evening

Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences

Founded 1870
Dean Chand Midha

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Ram S. Bhatta
Chemistry
BS, MS, Tribhuvan University, Nepal
Dissertation: “Dynamics of Coupled Large Amplitude Motions from Small Non-Rigid Molecules to Conjugated Polymers”
Adviser: Dr. David S. Perry

Yun Chen
Integrated Bioscience
BS, China Pharmaceutical University
Dissertation: “Protocadherin-17 Function in Zebrafish Retina Development”
Adviser: Dr. Qin Liu

Shannon M. De Clute
Counseling Psychology
BS, Morningside College, IA; MA, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Assessing Undergraduate Student-Teacher Relationship Factors using Working Alliance and Interpersonal Influence Theories”
Adviser: Dr. Charles Waehler

Michael C. Deblock
Integrated Bioscience
BS, BS, The University of Akron
Adviser: Dr. Wiley J. Youngs

Tejal J. Deodhar
Chemistry
BS, MS, University of Pune, India
Dissertation: “Multifunctional Nanoparticles for Bio-Analytical Applications and Therapeutic Delivery”
Adviser: Dr. Yi Pang

Reza Lalani
Integrated Bioscience
BS, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Preparation and Biocompatibility of Electrospun Zwitterionic Poly (Sulfobetaine Methacrylate) for Wound Dressing Applications”
Adviser: Dr. Lingyun Liu

Linlin Li
Chemistry
BE, Zhengzhou University, China
Dissertation: “Microstructure Characterization of Polymers by Modern NMR Techniques”
Adviser: Dr. Peter L. Rinaldi

Christina M. Moran
Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BS, John Carroll University; MA, The University of Akron
Adviser: Dr. James M. Diefendorff

Alycia Usher Perez
Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BA, Oberlin College; MA, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Gendered Expectations of Leaders and the Androgyny of Leadership”
Adviser: Dr. Rosalie J. Hall

Anthony F. Schultz
Chemistry
BS, Grand Valley State University, MI
Dissertation: “Design and Synthesis of Shape-Persistent Terpyridine-Based Metallamacromolecules and Architectures”
Adviser: Dr. George R. Newkome

Chunxiao Shi
Chemistry
BS, Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China
Dissertation: “New Protein Inhibitors and New LC-MS Approaches for the Analysis of Synthetic Copolymers”
Adviser: Dr. Chrys Wesdemiotis

Sara J. Shondrick
Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BA, MA, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Rating Leadership Potential from Above: The Effects of Implicit Theories on Supervisors’ Ratings of Leadership Potential”
Adviser: Dr. Rosalie J. Hall

Tia Walker
Chemistry
BS, Cleveland State University
Dissertation: “Synthesis and Complexation of Thia-Aza Mixed-Donor Ligands”
Adviser: Dr. Michael J. Taschner

Brian D. Wright
Chemistry
BS, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Transition Metal Coordination for the Construction of Supramolecular Molecules”
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Bachelor of Arts in Interpersonal and Public Communication
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Seth T. Madden  Magna Cum Laude
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