Summer Commencement

AUGUST 26, 2006
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PERFORMING ARTS HALL
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SUMMER 2006 COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

August 26 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Luis M. Proenza, President of The University of Akron, Presiding

PRELUDE MUSIC

Suite for Brass by Leonard Lebow
Coro Spezzato by Giovanni Palestrina
American Brass Band Music by G.W.E. Friedrich
The University of Akron Brass Choir
Tucker Jolly, Conductor

FANFARE

Ceremonial Piece by William MacDavis
The University of Akron Brass Choir

PROCESSIONAL

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

INVOCATION

August 26, Morning
The Rev. Nancy Arnold
Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron

August 26, Afternoon
The Rev. James Cunningham
Bath United Church of Christ of Bath

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

(The audience is invited to stand and sing.)
Led by Jeremy T. Gilpatric
Graduate Student, College of Fine and Applied Arts
The University of Akron Brass Choir

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Luis M. Proenza
President

GREETINGS

Member
Board of Trustees

MUSIC

Prelude to Il Pomo D’Oro by P.A. Cesti
The University of Akron Brass Choir

ADDRESS TO THE CANDIDATES

Luis M. Proenza

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

(The audience will remain seated.)
Jeremy T. Gilpatric
The University of Akron Brass Choir

In the August 26 morning ceremony, there will be a presentation of degree candidates for the Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences, College of Nursing, College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering, and Summit College.

In the August 26 afternoon ceremony, there will be a presentation of degree candidates for the College of Engineering, College of Education, College of Fine and Applied Arts, College of Business Administration 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

Opus 60 no. 1, no. 3, no. 9 and no. 10 by Matteo Carcassi
Opus 6 no. 1 by Frederic Chopin
Opus 7 no. 1 and no. 2 by Frederic Chopin
Etudes no. 1, no. 2 and no. 5 by Heitor Villa-Lobos
Prelude no. 1 by Heitor Villa-Lobos
Gnossienne no. 1 by Erik Satie
Felicidade by Antonio Carlos Jobim
Adam Sarata – Guitar

THE ALMA MATER

(The audience is invited to stand and sing. See page 33.)
Led by Jeremy T. Gilpatrick
The University of Akron Brass Choir

WELCOME OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO THE CLASS OF 2006

August 26, Morning
Tammy Jo Fuller (’89)
Engineering Alumni Society

August 26, Afternoon
Shemara D. Freeman (’94, ’96)
National Alumni Board

STUDENT RESPONSE

August 26, Morning
Kevin C. Moore

August 26, Afternoon
Damian Lydek

THE AKRON BLUE AND GOLD

The University of Akron Brass Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Luis M. Proenza

BENEDICTION

August 26, Morning
The Rev. Nancy Arnold

August 26, Afternoon
The Rev. James Cunningham

POSTLUDE AND RECESSIONAL

(The audience will be seated.)
Suite by Tyman Susato
The University of Akron Brass Choir

*Presentation of candidates are 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 townsmen. When the 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 bachelors, masters, and doctors. 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 always 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
- Silver: Summit College, Associate’s
- Black: Summit College, Bachelor’s
- Light Blue: Education
- Orange: Engineering
- Dark Brown: Fine and Applied Arts
- Purple: Law
- Peach: Nursing
- Gold: Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering
Banners
The impressive backdrop for the ceremony consists of the banners of the eleven colleges and the Graduate School. Each banner bears the name, founding date, and traditional colors 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 continued 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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August 26, 2006
Morning
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August 26, 2006
Afternoon
Marshal
Rudy Fenwick
Associate Marshals
Donald Appleby Jr.
Anne Jorgensen
Assistant Marshals
Jean Andrick
Kevin Concannon
Patricia Eaglewolf
Eileen Pennisi
Scott Sawyer
Betsy Tierney
Laura Vinnedge
Donna Webb
Kathryn Wieland

University Marshals

University Orators

The names of candidates for degrees will be read by:

August 26, Morning
Thomas Beck
General Manager, WZIP-FM
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Communication
College of Fine and Applied Arts
Christine R. Curry
Director, Alumni Association

August 26, Afternoon
Patricia Hill
Associate Professor, Communication
College of Fine and Applied Arts
Dudley Turner
Director, School of Communication
College of Fine and Applied Arts
The commencement ceremonies will be interpreted by:

August 26, Morning
Lori Palmer

August 26, Afternoon
Lori Palmer
John A. Fink will receive the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

JOHN A. FINK, M.D.

Dr. John A. Fink, respected vascular surgeon and esteemed leader in the Akron community, served on The University of Akron Board of Trustees from 1997 through 2006 and is recognized as one of the architects and principal leaders of the University’s New Landscape for Learning campus enhancement program.

After earning a bachelor of science degree in microbiology in 1977 and a medical degree in 1980 from The Ohio State University, Dr. Fink rose through his profession to become a highly regarded member of Northeast Ohio’s medical community. He maintains a private practice as a vascular surgeon with Akron Vascular Associates; is an active staff member with the Department of Surgery at Summa Health Systems; and is affiliated with Akron Children’s Hospital and Akron General Medical Center. Dr. Fink passes on knowledge to new generations of physicians through his work as an Associate Professor of Surgery at the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine. He has served as Chairman of the Hospital Board of Summa Health System and in multiple positions for Summa, including Chief of Medical Staff and Secretary/Treasurer of the Medical Staff.

In 1997 Ohio Governor George Voinovich appointed Dr. Fink to The University of Akron’s Board of Trustees. In the ensuing years, he has served the Board and the University with distinction in a variety of roles, including Chairman of the Board from 2005-06; chairman of the Facilities Planning and Oversight Committee, and the Personnel and Compensation Committee; member of the Collective Bargaining Committee, the Educational Policy/Student Affairs Committee, the Finance, Fiscal Policy and Investment Committee, the Nominating Committee, the Personnel and Compensation Committee, the Rules Committee, and as an Ex-Officio Member of the Planning and Budget Committee.

Dr. Fink’s most lasting legacy at the University is the campus transformation that he initiated and oversaw. Shortly after his appointment to UA’s Board in 1997, Dr. Fink was asked to chair the Facilities Planning and Oversight Committee. He and fellow trustees visited state universities, commissioned a study of the campus’ needs, and met with administrators and representatives of the faculty, students and city. From this extensive database, trustees and University administrators created the basic Blueprint for the campus enhancement program. Ground was broken in 2000 and in just five years, phase one of the New Landscape for Learning program was completed. The campus blossomed with nine new buildings, 14 major renovations, more than 50 other capital improvements, 30 acres of new green space, and thousands of new trees, shrubs and other plantings. The success of this first phase is being continued as additional structures and features are added to the campus proper, and has led to a renaissance of some adjacent neighborhoods.

The University of Akron is only one of several Akron area institutions to benefit from Dr. Fink’s volunteerism. He also has served on the board of trustees of the Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority and was a member and chairman of the Ohio Public Health Council. For many years he coached youth league basketball for the Revere School District.

Dr. Fink is a member of several medical organizations, including the American College of Surgeons, the Midwest Vascular Society and the American Medical Association. He has published research in medical journals and given presentations at conferences and professional gatherings.

Dr. Fink is married to Dr. Deborah Owens-Fink. They have four children and live in Richfield.
Mr. Roger T. Read will receive the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

ROGER T. READ

A highly respected businessman, humanitarian and civic citizen, Roger T. Read is known as a community leader who shuns the personal spotlight while he quietly and effectively gets the job done. His membership in The University of Akron community spans nearly half a century, and he is today recognized as one of our most active alumni.

The son of an Akron schoolteacher and a foreman at Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Mr. Read graduated from Buchtel High School and enrolled in The University of Akron. A member of the UA chapter of Phi Delta Theta, he was elected fraternity president and senior class president. In 1963, Mr. Read was named Outstanding Greek Man, Outstanding Business Student and received a bachelor’s degree in industrial management. Following graduation, he served as an officer in the U.S. Army for two years, earning an Army commendation medal. He returned to Akron and promptly resumed his education, earning a master of business administration degree in 1966.

Not long afterward, Mr. Read joined Harwick Chemical Corp., a producer and distributor of rubber and plastics compounding materials. During 28 years with the company, he served in a number of management roles, handling assignments in finance, planning, production support, human resources and product management. In 1989, Mr. Read assumed full leadership of the company as president and CEO, positions he held until his retirement in 1995. He currently serves on the boards of FirstMerit Bank, B.W. Rogers Company and the Smithers Group Corp.

Mr. Read began applying his business talents to community service early in his career. Inspired by the volunteer activities of his wife and fellow UA graduate, Judy, Mr. Read joined the Akron Rotary Club in downtown Akron in the 1970s. In the decades that followed, his civic activity grew to include participation on numerous boards and organizations. Mr. Read serves at this time as a trustee of Leadership Akron, the Mary S. and David C. Corbin Foundation, and has chaired the boards of Stan Hywett and the Akron Automobile Club. He was a central figure in Akron’s successful efforts to launch the Center for Nonprofit Excellence, an organization funded with $4 million from the Knight Foundation and GAR Foundation to assist nonprofit organizations in Summit County. Mr. Read served as the center’s board chairman until recently.

An ardent supporter of his alma mater, Mr. Read is the president of The University of Akron Foundation Board of Directors. He also serves on UA’s College of Business Administration Advancement Council and the H. Kenneth Barker Center for Economic Education Advisory Committee, and is a past member of the University’s Alumni National Board of Directors. Both he and his wife are generous financial supporters of the University, and are members of The University of Akron Founder’s Club and the Society for Tomorrow of the John R. Buchtel Society.

In 2002, when the Akron Community Foundation selected Mr. Read as the recipient of its Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award, an Akron Beacon Journal editorial applauded the choice, noting that he “has devoted 30 years to a myriad of community causes and organizations…He has done it quietly. That’s how he likes it.” The University of Akron also has paid due tribute to Mr. Read’s activities and accomplishments, presenting him with the Dr. Frank L. Simonetti Distinguished Business Alumni Award in 1989, and an Alumni Honor Award in 1998.

Mr. Read and his wife, Judy, as well as their son Scott, daughter-in-law Kim and two grandsons, reside in Akron.
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

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

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

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

Associate Honors Designation

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

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

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

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.

Rena K. Chandra

President Scholars

President 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.

Chad E. Beery

University Scholars

University Scholars have completed the graduation requirements of their baccalaureate majors and of the University Honors Program with cumulative quality point ratios of at least 3.40. The University Honors Program 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.

Kevin C. Moore
Timothy M. Morton
Jessica A. Smith

Distinguished Students

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. The Distinguished Student Program recognizes and encourages excellence among academically talented students at Wayne College.
August 26, 2006
Morning

Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences
Founded 1870
Dean Ronald F. Levant

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Serhan Mehmet Boduroğlu
Chemistry
BS, Bogazici University, Turkey
Dissertation: “New Supramolecular Approach for Sugar Analysis”
Adviser: Dr. Jun Hu

Tang Ding
Chemistry
BS, Tianjin University, China
Dissertation: “The Structure, Photophysics and Modification of Free Base Porphyrinoids”
Adviser: Dr. Christopher J. Ziegler

Natalia Farkas
Chemistry
BA, Esterhazy Karoly Teacher Training College, Hungary; MS, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Scanning Probe Microscope Oxidation and High-voltage Parallel Writing on Metal and Metal Nitride Thin Films”
Adviser: Dr. Rex D. Ramsier

Wumin Guo
Chemistry
BS, Peking University, China
Adviser: Dr. James K. Hardy

Matthew C. Hiner
History
BA, Muskingum College; MA, Youngstown State University
Adviser: Dr. Gregory Wilson

Russell E. Johnson
Psychology – Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BA, University of Calgary, Canada; MA, The University of Akron
Adviser: Dr. Robert G. Lord

Jung Wook Kim
Urban Studies and Public Affairs
BPA, Dankook University, Korea; MA, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “The Role of Institutional Factors in Modeling the Location of Urban Infill Housing Development in Declining U.S. Cities: A Study of Cleveland, Ohio”
Adviser: Dr. Richard E. Klosterman

Beth Grefe Linderbaum
Psychology – Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BS, Valparaiso University, IN; MA, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Feedback Orientation: The Development and Validation of a Multidimensional Measure”
Adviser: Dr. Paul E. Levy

Diane Michelle Monaghan
Psychology – Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BA, BS, University of California, Santa Barbara; MA, The University of Akron
Adviser: Dr. Dennis Doverspike

Corrie Elizabeth Pojgon
Psychology – Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BA, University of Kansas; MA, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Identity and Inertia: Can Fairness Heuristics be Changed?”
Adviser: Dr. Paul E. Levy

Christopher C. Rosen
Psychology – Industrial/Organizational Psychology
BA, Washington and Lee University, Va.; MA, Appalachian State University, N.C.
Dissertation: “Politics, Stress, and Exchange Perceptions: A Dual Process Model Relating Organizational Politics to Employee Outcomes”
Adviser: Dr. Paul E. Levy

Deepa Savant
Chemistry
BS, MS, University of Pune, India
Dissertation: “Multidimensional NMR Studies of Poly(ethylene-co-vinyl acetate-co-carbon-monoxide)”
Adviser: Dr. Peter L. Rinaldi

Jean-Anne Sutherland
Sociology
BA, Georgia State University; MA, The University of Akron
Adviser: Dr. Charles Andre Christie-Mizell
College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering
Founded 1988
Dean Frank N. Kelley

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Dhwaj Piyushkumar Dharaiya
Polymer Engineering
BE, University of Pune, India;
MS, The University of Akron
Dissertation: “Effects of Nanoclay and Conductive Carbon Black on Morphology Development in Chaotic Mixing of Immiscible Polymers”
Adviser: Dr. Sadhan C. Jana

Dhawal Piyushkumar Dharaiya
Polymer Engineering
BE, University of Pune, India;
MS, The University of Akron
Adviser: Dr. Lloyd A. Goettler

Sergey Lapshin
Polymer Engineering
BS, Mendeleev University of Chemical Technology, Russia
Dissertation: “Experimental and Theoretical Study of Polyolefin-clay Nanocomposites Prepared with Aid of Power Ultrasound”
Adviser: Dr. Avraam I. Isayev

Disha Mehtani
Polymer Science
BE, Maharashtra Institute of Technology, India
Adviser: Dr. Alexei P. Sokolov

Amy M. Philips
Polymer Science
BS, University of Minnesota
Dissertation: “The Universality of Transitional Flow Behavior in Entangled Polymer Solutions”
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One of oldest known diplomas 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 also was 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. Today, The University of Akron occupies a campus more than 30 times the size of the old college of the 1800s. With an enrollment of 24,300 students from throughout Ohio, the United States, and 102 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 17 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 128,000 of its alumni live and work around the world.