To Our Guests

Today we recognize our graduates’ accomplishments. This ceremony is an important and meaningful occasion for students, their families and friends, and the faculty and staff of Minnesota State University, Mankato. We offer you the following guidelines to enhance the dignity and smooth flow of the ceremony:

Please withhold applause during the presentation of the degrees until all candidates for graduation have returned to their seats.

Please remain seated throughout the ceremony.

Please do not enter the aisles to take pictures or video of the graduates. Arrangements have been made to have three professional photos taken of each graduate.

When the ceremony has concluded, we ask that you immediately proceed out of the arena. Your cooperation ensures a pleasant, memorable experience for everyone.

Thank you.
Program
9:00 A.M.

Prelude Music

Processional March

National Anthem

Greetings

Welcome to the Minnesota State University, Mankato
Alumni Association

Address

Conferring of Degrees

Recessional March *

*Audience to remain seated.
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 Procession Participants

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MARCHALS
Brian Frink, Professor, College
of Arts and Humanities
Harry Petersen, Professor,
College of Science,
Engineering and Technology

JUNIOR HONOR
MARCHALS
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Arts and Humanities
Ali Eastman Oku, College of
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Nancy Drescher
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Geoffrey Herbach
Amy Lauters
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Sachi Sekimoto
Daniel Stark
Kristen Treinen

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Tonya Butler
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TECHNOLOGY
MARCHING FACULTY

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In-Jae Kim
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Christopher Ruhland
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Patrick Tebbe
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Qun Zhang
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Robert Sleezer
Jacob Swanson
Paul M. Younger

INSTRUCTORS
Paul Nelson
Yuyoung Park

LIBRARY FACULTY
Kellian Clink
Joe Holtermann
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SUPPORT FACULTY
Karen Anderson
John Bulcock
Julie Snow
College of Graduate Studies
The candidates will be presented by Barry J. Ries, Dean.

**MASTER OF FINE ARTS**

- **Eric L. Blix,** Minneapolis Creative Writing
  Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer
  Thesis: *Physically Alarming Men*

- **Benjamin J. Cisewski,** Plover, Wisconsin Creative Writing
  Advisor: Geoffrey Herbach
  Thesis: *The Voyagers*

- **Bradley N. Cole,** Mankato Creative Writing
  Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer

- **Thomas W. Delano,** Mankato Creative Writing
  Advisor: Richard Robbins
  Thesis: *Empire of Myself*

- **Teagan R. Knoblich,** Lindstrom Creative Writing
  Advisor: Geoffrey Herbach
  Thesis: *Shadowed*

- **Lauren R. Moore,** Schenectady, New York Creative Writing
  Advisor: Richard Terrill
  Thesis: *Pulpit: Essays*

- **Elizabeth A. Mouv,** Mankato Creative Writing
  Advisor: Geoffrey Herbach
  Thesis: *The Deaths of Small Animals*

- **Reid P. Plumley,** Crestwood, Kentucky Creative Writing
  Advisor: Geoffrey Herbach

- **Maxwell Reczek,** Morton Grove, Illinois Creative Writing
  Advisor: Diana Joseph

- **Elise M. Row,** Thief River Falls Forensics
  Advisor: Dr. Leah White

- **Jamie-Brooke Ruggia,** Oswego, New York Theatre Arts

- **Kathryn M. Kanne,** Mankato Theatre Arts
  Advisor: John Paul
  Thesis: *The Scenic Design of “The Miracle Worker”*

- **Heidi H. Sampson,** Winnebago Creative Writing
  Advisor: Candace Black
  Thesis: *Fractional Memories*

- **Jessica M. Santala,** Bemidji Creative Writing
  Advisor: Candace Black

- **Michael B. Sheeks,** North Mankato Theatre Arts
  Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles
  Thesis: *Directing “Time Stands Still”*

- **Michael P. Torres,** Pomona, California Creative Writing
  Advisor: Richard Robbins
  Thesis: *Letters to a Chain-Link Fence*

- **Lauren R. Moore**, Schenectady, New York Creative Writing
  Advisor: Richard Terrill
  Thesis: *Pulpit: Essays*

- **Gena L. Wey,** Stanchfield Creative Writing
  Advisor: Candace Black
  Thesis: *A Head Full of Water*

- **Jordan Wolfe,** East Grand Forks Theatre Arts
  Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles
  Thesis: *Acting in “Titanic: The Musical”*

- **Adam V. Yankowy,** Des Moines, Iowa Theatre Arts
  Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles
  Thesis: *Creating the Role of Frederick Barrett in “Titanic: The Musical”*

**MASTER OF ARTS**

- **Juana C. Arias,** Saint Peter Art
  Advisor: Mika Laidlaw
  Thesis: *Body Memory*

- **Nigina Boltavaea,** Uzbekistan English
  Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher
Denise M. Buysse, Truman
English: TESL
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Michael J. Cimino, Mankato
Art
Advisor: Mika Laidlaw
Thesis: House of God

Danielle N. Dobie, Holmen,
Wisconsin
Mathematics
Advisor: Dr. In-Jae Kim
Thesis: Constructing a Predictive Model for the Winner of “Survivor”

Chelsie E. Gaspar, Rochester
Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. David Engen

Jasmine E. Greenwaldt, Ramsey
Art
Advisor: Brian Frink
Thesis: Continuum

Charles S. Hunt, Mankato
English
Advisor: Dr. Roland Nord

Rubaiyat Jabeen, Bangladesh
English
Advisor: Dr. Glen Poupore

Russell Jahn, Richfield
Mathematics
Advisor: Dr. Wook Kim
Thesis: A Measure Theoretic Approach to Problems of Number Theory with Applications to the Proof of the Prime Number Theorem

Michael R. Januszewski, Mankato
Mathematics
Advisor: Dr. Deepak Sanjel

Titus J. Kennedy, Faribault
English
Advisor: Dr. Roland Nord

Sarah M. Lanand, Mankato
Mathematics
Advisor: Dr. Ruijun Zhao

Jennifer A. Lopez, Owatonna
English
Advisor: Dr. Karen Lybeck

Claire A. Lundeby, Post Falls, Idaho
English
Advisor: Dr. Roland Nord

Jesse A. Marden, Mankato
Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. Christopher Brown

Melissa M. Mettee, Struthers, Ohio
English
Advisor: Dr. Karen Lybeck

Megan N. Moriarty, Rochester
Art
Advisor: Amy Toscani
Thesis: Lithic

Elizabeth A. Mouw, Mankato
English
Advisor: Dr. Kirsti Cole

Emily S. Myers, Mankato
English
Advisor: Dr. Nancy MacKenzie

Tara K. Neita, Oviedo, Florida
English
Advisor: Dr. Gwen Westerman Wasicuna

Damilola O. Olabode, Nigeria
Mathematics
Advisor: Dr. Ruijun Zhao

Matthew B. Oliver, Mankato
English
Advisor: Dr. Kirsti Cole
Thesis: A Theory of Participation: Joining the Cast of “Heavy Rain”

Kendra M. Panning, Shakopee
Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen

Kathryn M. Paris, Cedar Falls, Iowa
Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. Leah White

Jessica F. Possin, New Richland
English
Advisor: Dr. Jacqueline Arnold

Lutie E. Ronglien, Saint Bonifacius
English
Advisor: Dr. Lee Tesdell

John J. Sandberg, Hutchinson
English
Advisor: Dr. Jennifer Veltos

Tyler S. Schrandt, West St. Paul
Art
Advisor: Elizabeth Miller
Thesis: Closed for Business

Manuel Silva, Gilroy, California
English
Advisor: Dr. Roland Nord

Cezara Talmaci, Moldova
English
Advisor: Dr. Karen Lybeck

Sydney Y. Temple, Madison
Wisconsin
Mathematics
Advisor: Dr. Hongxia Yin

Brian W. Timm, Columbia Heights
Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. Sachi Sekimoto

Bradley M. Wolfe, Eden Prairie
Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen
Thesis: Queer Stories of Coming Out in the 21st Century

Yi-Chen Wu, Taiwan
English
Advisor: Dr. Karen Lybeck

MASTER OF MUSIC

Michael D. Atwood, Saint Peter
Music
Advisor: Dr. David Dickau
Thesis: Program Notes for a Master’s Recital in Choral Conducting

Tammy K. Hanson, Cannon Falls
Music
Advisor: Dr. David Viscoli

Diane J. Turner, McDonough, Georgia
Music
Advisor: Dr. David Viscoli

Shigeyuki Yachi, Saint Cloud
Music
Advisor: Dr. Amy Roisum Foley
MASTER OF SCIENCE

Tyler J. Achatz, West Linn, Oregon
Biology
Advisor: Dr. Robert Sorensen
Thesis: The Utilization of Morphological and Genetic Diagnostic Techniques for the Description of Trematode Species Collected from Waterbirds from Lake Winnibigoshish, Minnesota, USA

Sri Sai Krishna Akunuru, India
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

Sudhakar Alapati, India
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Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

Ramlah H. Albayyat, Saudi Arabia
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Advisor: Dr. Han Wu

Claudia R. Alejo-Cantu, Mankato
Spanish for the Professions
Advisor: Dr. Adriana Gordillo

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Advisor: Dr. Robert Sorensen

Lauren F. Borkowski, Saint Charles
Biology
Advisor: Dr. Penny Knoblich

Mirelly Buitrago-Gonzalez, Mooresville, North Carolina
Spanish for the Professions
Advisor: Dr. Alfredo Duplat Ayala

Deisy E. Cañón Lovera, Colombia
Spanish
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Thesis: La actitud estoica como táctica de subversión y reconstrucción de la identidad femenina en tres novelas de Piedad Bonnett y Laura Restrepo

David M. Chapman, Mankato
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Christophe Veltsos

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Advisor: Dr. Vincent Winstead

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Advisor: Dr. Shaobiao Cai

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Rubeena Farheen, India
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Advisor: Dr. Han-Way Huang

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Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

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Maryam A. Hakami, Saudi Arabia
Math: Statistics Option
Advisor: Dr. Mezbahur Rahman

Danyang Huang, China
Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Xuanhui Wu
Thesis: The Concept of Substrate Integrated E-plane Waveguide and Circuits

Kenneth Idoko, Nigeria
Applied Statistics
Advisor: Dr. Deepak Sanjel

Pengfei Ji, China
Electrical Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Xuanhui Wu
Thesis: A 2X2 Polarization Switchable Patch Antenna Array for Polarization Modulation

Abhilash Reddy Karedla, India
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

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Information Technology
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Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Rebecca Bates

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Electrical Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Nannan He

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Biology
Advisor: Dr. Shannon Fisher
Thesis: Effects of Hydrology on the Growth and Recruitment of Stream Fish in the Eastern Broadleaf Province of Minnesota

Prudhvi Raju Kuchampudi, India
Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Nannan He

Shravani Reddy Kyasaram, India
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

Nathaniel J. Lederman, Monticello, Wisconsin
Biology
Advisor: Dr. Shannon Fisher
Thesis: Zooplanktonic Community Dynamics of the Minnesota River with an Ichthyoplankton Gear Comparison

Pramod K. Maddireddy, India
Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Vincent Winstead

Sumit Mahajan, India
Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Patrick Tebbe

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Advisor: Bruce Jones

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Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Vincent Winstead

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Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen

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Biology
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Advisor: Dr. Nannan He

Siva Kumar Raju Nadimpalli, India
Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Qun Zhang

Bharath K. Nalla, India
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Advisor: Dr. Xuanhui Wu

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Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

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Communication Studies
Advisor: Dr. Deepa Oomen

Nuthan Nomula, India
Information Technology
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Nikhil Nadimpalli, India
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

Eric A. Northrup, Le Sueur
Biology
Advisor: Dr. Daniel Toma
Thesis: Differential Gene Expression of Minnesota (MN) Hygienic Honeybees (Apis mellifera) Performing Hygienic Behavior

Ivan Carlos Orozco Machado, Venezuela
Manufacturing Engineering Technology
Advisor: Dr. Harry Petersen

Satish Y. Pachipulusu, India
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Advisor: Dr. Mezbahur Rahman

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Advisor: Dr. Nannan He

Vishwatej Rapelli, India
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

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Biology
Advisor: Dr. Evan Bibbee
Thesis: A Floristic Study of the Oak Leaf Lake Unit of the Swan Lake Wildlife Management Area in Nicollet County, Minnesota

Amanda B. Ruskin, River Falls, Wisconsin
French
Advisor: Dr. Evan Bibbee
Thesis: How Multilinguals Perceive Linguistic Interference

Ilma Sheriff, Rochester
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

Shubha Shrestha, Nepal
Information Technology
Advisor: Dr. Mahbubur Syed

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Spanish
Advisor: Dr. Adriana Gordillo
Thesis: “El espacio como constructor de identidad en los cuentos de Julio Ramón Ribeyro”

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Spanish for the Professions
Advisor: Dr. Alfredo Duplat Ayala

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Advisor: Dr. Adriana Gordillo

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Adam P. Eichten, Music Industry, Audio Production Specialist
Marilyn R. Evenmo, Art History
Jordan E. Farmer, English
Andrew C. Grabowska, Interdisciplinary Studies
Chelsea M. Hansen, Music: Applied (Piano)
Sophia Jones, Theatre Arts
Karen C. Knudsen, English
Joni Komperda, Communication Studies
Ian F. Lah, Theatre Arts
April M. Miller, Mass Media
Matthew R. Stairs, Theatre Arts
Marysa A. Storm, Mass Media
Logan J. Sulentic, Theatre Arts
Kim M. Utesch, English
Rachael M. Winch, Music Industry

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Kammie S. Beyer, Communication Studies
Matilda D. Buffum, Dance
Asha A. Buxton, Mass Media
Jovy Cheam, Spanish
Katelyn A. Dick, Art
Melissa J. Donner, English
Tianna M. Ebnet, English
Corey J. Ennis, Cognitive Science
Andrew B. Halbur, Spanish
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Rachel A. Howard, Theatre Arts
Rachael R. Igo, English
Darien K. Kjolstad, Communications Arts & Literature Education
Tatum I. Klein, Mass Media
Bethany A. Kleinhans, Spanish
Noel M. Kwiat, Communication Studies
Steven L. Labine, Theatre Arts
Emily M. Lange, Mass Media
Woodlin A. Latocki, Art
Luke W. Lonien, Mass Media
Kirsten N. Lundquist, Communication Studies
Brook M. McGinty, Spanish Education K-12
Amanda M. Matz, Mass Media
Amanda M. Matz, Communication Studies
Marina R. Nastepniak, Art
Hanna L. Newman, Art
Heidi P. Parsons, Communication Studies
Jack A. Pilney, Communication Studies
Kelcie M. Richmond, Mass Media
Morgan Romero, Mass Media
Kate L. Russell, Art Education
Rachel L. Ryberg, Communications Arts & Literature Education
Kari L. Scheuble, Communication Studies
Tiffany L. Schickling, Communication Studies
Kelsey C. Schwartz, Art
Emily K. Smith, English
Carolyn C. Strauss, Theatre Arts
Hilary H. Swan, Art
Jillian H. Swan, Art Education
Brady R. Taylor, Communication Studies
Topaz A. Torres, Art
Michael A. Turner, Theatre Arts
Katie B. Weikum, Communication Studies

CUM LAUDE

Kristin M. Ambrose, Theatre Arts
John J. Bayerl, Communication Studies
Adam R. Birkholz, Interdisciplinary Studies
Abigail J. Bisek, Mass Media
Molly A. Buhler, Music
Alexa L. Chouinard, Dance
Amber R. Dahl, Mass Media
Jace T. Edwards, Mass Media
Mason D. Grove, Art
Zach W. Gunby, Mass Media
Kelsey L. Gynild, Communication Studies
Katrina J. Hanson, Mass Media
Britt J. Higginbotham, Philosophy
Ceciley J. Johnson, French
Mok H. Kim, Communication Studies
Ashley C. Kuhlman, Communication Studies
Michelle R. Larson, Art
Charles W. Libra, Theatre Arts
Katelyn R. Mamer, Communications Arts & Literature Education
Brady T. Metz, Communication Studies
Leticia G. Moreira Lemos, Mass Media
Nicole L. Mueller, Art
Jaylynn Nash, Art
Kaylene K. Newgord, Humanities
Alexis R. Nickila, Mass Media
Maria C. Perez, Theatre Arts
Karissa J. Scheffler, Mass Media
Lexa A. Schneekloth, Art
Elisabeth N. Severns, Communication Studies
Morgan C. Sierra, Art
Jenna L. Vagle, Mass Media
Kaylynn L. Van Rossum, Spanish
Meghan M. Wannebo, Communication Studies
Tabitha Weber, Mass Media
Sara M. Winter, Art
Matthew G. Wolfgram, Mass Media
DEPARTMENT OF ART
Professor Brian Frink, Chairperson

Afia J. Anyide-Ocloo, BA, Rochester
Angie L. Boettcher, BFA, Blue Earth
Carleane L. Capelle, BFA, Byron
Jetero J. Chhen, BFA, Mankato
Collin D. Clyne, BFA, New Ulm
Katelyn A. Dick, BFA, Port Washington, Wisconsin
Marilyn R. Evenmo, BA, Minneapolis
Mason D. Grove, BFA, Mankato
Samanta J. Halverson, BS, Austin
Courtney A. Hanna, BFA, Albert Lea
Michelle R. Larson, BFA, Albert Lea
Woodlin A. Latocki, BFA, Rochester
Karmy M. Luker, BA, Belle Plaine
Nicole L. Mueller, BFA, Mankato
Jaylynn Nash, BFA, Sioux Falls, South Dakota
Marina R. Nastepniak, BFA, Minnetrista
Hanna I. Newman, BFA, Lake City
Colin R. O’Dea, BFA, Fort Pierre, South Dakota
Taylor J. Owen, BFA, Mankato
Marquis D. Parks, BFA, Saint Louis, Missouri
Rebecca M. Porter, BA, Mankato
Alicia H. Ragan, BFA, Delano
Kate L. Russell, BS, Redwood Falls
Lacey G. Schneekloth, BFA, Jackson
Lexi A. Schneekloth, BFA, Jackson
Joshua A. Schutz, BA, Mankato
Kelsey C. Schwartz, BFA, Hewitt
Ethan P. Schweizer, BFA, Woodbury
Morgan C. Sierra, BFA, Savage
Jillian H. Swan, BFA, Minneapolis
Jillian H. Swan, BS, Minneapolis
Andrea L. Sweep, BFA, Willmar
Brandon D. Thompson, BFA, Brooklyn Park
Topaz A. Torres, BFA, Duluth
William O. Whitney, BFA, Chaska
Sara M. Winter, BFA, North Mankato
Jack M. Worthington, BFA, Mankato

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES
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Daniel J. Belanger, BS, Bloomington
Emilie S. Berg, BS, Marion, Iowa
Brandon J. Berthiaume, BS, Apple Valley
Kammie S. Beyer, BS, Chokio
Andrea L. Bovi, BS, North Oaks
Nolan D. Brinkman, BS, Saint Peter
Thomas R. Burley, BS, Edina
Alex J. Chaffee, BS, Savage
Emma G. Chapman, BS, Mankato
Scott E. Connolly, BS, Plymouth
Kelly L. Countryman, BS, Stillwater
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Prelude Music

Processional March

National Anthem
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Welcome to the Minnesota State University, Mankato
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Conferring of Degrees

Recessional March *

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University-Wide Honors and Distinctions

Baccalaureate students who have achieved high cumulative grade point averages wear gold medallions with colored satin ribbons. Gold ribbons signify summa cum laude (3.8 to 4.0 grade point average), purple ribbons signify magna cum laude (3.5 to 3.79 grade point average), and purple and gold ribbons signify cum laude (3.3 to 3.49 grade point average).

Members of Phi Kappa Phi wear white satin ribbons decorated with an ancient Greek pattern to symbolize the classical roots of the society. Phi Kappa Phi honors outstanding academic achievement among undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty members.

Graduates of the University’s Honors Program wear gold stoles and medals signifying their achievement of the program competencies of leadership, research and global citizenship. The mission of the honors program is to provide students with exceptional learning opportunities, mentoring relationships and a community of scholars that foster their development as future leaders in a global society.

Members of the Golden Key International Honor Society wear solid blue and gold honor cords or gold honor stole. Membership in Golden Key is conferred upon students who exhibit exceptional scholarship and leadership potential.

International Scholars wear a purple and gold sash with a global emblem. These graduates have gained unique global perspectives either by studying abroad or joining our university from other nations.

Members of the Maverick Army Reserve Officer Training Program (ROTC) wear the red, blue and white cord. The Maverick Army ROTC program trains, develops and commissions students to become 2nd Lieutenants in the Army Reserve, National Guard and Active Army. The graduating students signify the dedication, leadership, teamwork, critical thinking and problem solving required to become future leaders in the Army.

In recognition of their scholarly achievement, each student who presents at the Undergraduate Research Conference (URC) is awarded a medal. A solid green ribbon is in recognition of participation at the URC while a green and gold ribbon highlights recipients of the Foundation Awards.

Presidential Scholars

Each year, Minnesota State University, Mankato seeks incoming first-year and transfer students who demonstrate top academic performance; strong leadership skills; and a commitment to community involvement. Funding for Presidential Scholarships comes from business, estates and individuals through Minnesota and the nation. Minnesota State Mankato honors graduates of the Presidential Scholarship program.

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BS, Marketing

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BFA, Theatre

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BS, Mechanical Engineering
Program Honors and Distinctions

Note: Academic program honors and distinctions are listed in this program. You may see graduates wearing various colored cords or sashes not listed here. These cords or sashes may indicate participation in or affinity to a particular non-academic campus group or organization.

Alpha Lambda Delta is an honor society for first year students earning a 3.5 or higher grade point average in their first year. Alpha Lambda Delta’s mission is to encourage superior academic achievement, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning, and to assist students in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their unique roles in society. ALD members wear red and gold honor cords.

Alpha Mu Gamma is a national collegiate honor society for students majoring or minoring in world languages. Minnesota State Mankato’s Beta Zeta chapter was chartered in 1961. The purposes of the Society are to recognize achievement in the field of world-language study; to stimulate a desire for linguistic attainment; to encourage a continuing interest in the study of world languages, cultures and civilizations; and to foster sympathetic understanding of other peoples and international friendship.

Members of the Alpha Delta chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society, wear gold and blue honor cords. Membership in Alpha Phi Sigma is conferred upon Law Enforcement or Corrections majors who exhibit exceptional scholarship and leadership potential.

Members of the Pi Psi chapter of Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society, wear green and red honor cords and/ or gold medallions. Since its founding in 1922, more than 430 Tribeta chapters have been established in the United States. Membership in Tribeta is conferred to faculty and students dedicated to strong scholastic achievement, the understanding of biological study and extending the boundaries of human knowledge.

Beta Gamma Sigma is the international honor society recognizing the outstanding academic achievements of students enrolled in collegiate business and management programs accredited by AACSB International-The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. Membership in the Society is the highest recognition a business student anywhere in the world can receive and is denoted by the wearing of blue and gold honor cords.

Gamma Sigma Alpha National Academic Greek Honor Society is committed to the leadership, academic achievement and excellence of Greek members everywhere. We seek to promote success in all academic achievement among the Greek community at Minnesota State. Gamma Sigma Alpha members wear red and gold honor cords.

Members of Delta Sigma Pi, an international co-educational business fraternity, wear entwined purple and gold honor cords. Membership in Delta Sigma Pi is conferred upon College of Business students who exhibit scholarship excellence and superior leadership potential.

Members of Eta Sigma Gamma, a national health honor society strives in promoting the discipline by elevating the standards, ideals, competence and ethics of professionally prepared men and women in Health Education. They recognize academic achievement and support health education advocacy initiatives. Eta Sigma Gamma members wear gold and green cords.

Members of Gamma Theta Upsilon, the International Geographical Honor Society, wear honor cords (one each of blue, gold, and brown) representing the three domains of geography: brown for the Earth, light blue for the Sea, and gold for the sunlight in the Sky. Gamma Theta Upsilon activities support geography knowledge and awareness.

Members of Lambda Alpha, the National Collegiate Honor Society for Anthropology, wear a white satin stole with gold lettering. The purpose of this society is to encourage and stimulate scholarship and research in Anthropology by recognizing and honoring superior achievement in the discipline among students, faculty and other persons engaged in the study of Anthropology.

Lambda Pi Eta honor graduates wear scarlet and white honor cords as symbols of their commitment to scholarship and their demonstrated leadership in communication studies. Lambda Pi Eta is the official communication studies honor society of the National Communication Association (NCA). Founded in 1985, Lambda Pi Eta stands for Logos (logic and reasoning), Pathos (emotion) and Ethos (personal ethics and character).

Members of the Maverick Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary wear royal blue and white honor cords. These graduates have made outstanding contributions to the residence halls at Minnesota State during their college careers.
The mission for **NorthStar STEM Alliance** is to help underrepresented students receive a baccalaureate degree in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) in a five-year period. The Alliance is a partnership with fourteen higher education institutions and three community partners. The NSSA members wear navy blue and white cords.

**Order of Omega** is a Leadership Honor Society that recognizes students that have attained a high standard of leadership in inter-Greek activities. They strive to bring together the most representative fraternity and sorority members, and to create an organization which will help mold the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate affairs. Order of Omega members wear ivory and gold honor cords.

**Phi Alpha**, the National Social Work Honor Society, provides an opportunity for closer bonds among students of social work and promotes humanitarian goals and ideals. Phi Alpha fosters high academic standards of education for social workers and invites into membership those who have attained excellence in scholarship and achievement in social work. Members of Phi Alpha wear gold honor cords.

Members of the Epsilon Lambda chapter of **Phi Sigma Pi**, the National coeducational Honor Fraternity, wear purple and yellow stoles. This honor fraternity is for students earning a 3.0 or higher grade point average after the completion of 12 credits. Membership is Phi Sigma Pi is conferred upon several academic majors with the mission to uphold the three values of scholarship, leadership and fellowship.

Members of **Phi Upsilon Omicron**, an Honor Society in Family Consumer Science, wear purple, yellow, and white honor cords. Membership in Phi Upsilon Omicron is conferred upon Family Consumer Science majors who exhibit superior scholarship and leadership potential.

Members of **Pi Delta Phi**, the National French Honor Society, wear red, white and blue honor cords. This honor society recognizes outstanding scholarship in the French language and its literature, increases the knowledge and appreciation of Americans for the cultural contributions of the French-speaking world, and stimulates and encourages French and francophone cultural activities.

Members of the Upsilon Alpha chapter of **Pi Sigma Alpha**, the national political science honorary society, wear brass-finish medallions on broad red ribbons; red, black and white honor cords; or both. The purpose of Pi Sigma Alpha is to encourage excellence in the study of political science, international relations and public administration; to promote social and educational opportunities, as well as scholarly activity for students in these fields.

Members of **Psi Chi**, the National Honor Society in Psychology, wear double cords with tassels of blue and gold along with blue, white, and gold medallions. Psi Chi membership signifies high standards of personal behavior, superior grade point average, and high class rank. The purpose of Psi Chi is to encourage, stimulate, and maintain excellence in scholarship of its members in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology.

**Sigma Nu** is an undergraduate college fraternity with a mission to develop ethical leaders inspired by the principles of Love, Honor and Truth, to foster the personal growth of each man’s mind, heart and character, and to perpetuate lifelong friendships and commitment to the Fraternity. Members of Sigma Nu wear Gold, Black, and White cords.

Members of the School of Nursing’s Honor Society Chapter of **Sigma Theta Tau International** (STTI), Mu Lambda, wear orchid and white honor cords. The mission of STTI is to improve the health of people worldwide through the development of nursing knowledge and nurse leaders. Criteria include high grade point average and class rank, academic integrity, and professional leadership potential.

Members of the Chi Iota chapter of **Sigma Tau Delta**, the International English Honor Society, wear cardinal and black honor cords. Sigma Tau Delta has conferred distinction upon outstanding students of the English language and literature in undergraduate, graduate, and professional studies since 1924.
Symbolism and Tradition

Procession
A traditional academic procession introduces the commencement exercises at Minnesota State University, Mankato. The wearing of distinctive apparel as an indication of scholarship and academic rank dates back to the 1300s and was adopted in the United States circa 1900.

Gown
The Minnesota State University, Mankato President’s Academic Gown has been specially constructed of heirloom-quality materials for use during formal academic occasions. The bachelor’s gown is relatively simple, falling in straight lines from an elaborate yoke. The master’s gown is distinguished by its longer sleeves. The doctoral gown is purple, elaborately decorated with velvet panels down the front and three bars of matching velvet on the bell-shaped sleeves.

Mortarboard and Tassel
The square “Oxford cap” or mortarboard of serge or broadcloth is worn for most degrees, although a soft tam is also permitted. The tassel that hangs to the side is switched from the right to the left at the moment the degree is awarded. The color of the tassel indicates the college or area from which a student will receive his or her degree.

Hood
The hood is to be worn by graduates of the College of Graduate Studies and Research. The color of the hood worn by Master’s and Doctoral graduates indicates the degree. The velvet edging on the hoods indicate the specialty of study.

Mace
The Minnesota State University, Mankato mace has been made entirely from Minnesota materials in recognition of the value and beauty of the state’s natural resources and people. A university mace symbolizes both the university’s power to overcome ignorance and prejudice by seeking truth, and the power of the university’s president to protect the university and its community from forces opposed to those goals. The mace used in today’s ceremony was commissioned and donated to Minnesota State by Fred and Karin Bock. The mace was created by Phil Swan ’68.

Presidential Medallion
The Minnesota State University, Mankato Medallion is a round bronze piece that features the University seal and is worn around the neck of the President. The University seal is the official representation of Minnesota State University, Mankato, and use of it or its image is reserved for only the most dignified of occasions.

Minnesota State University, Mankato Flag
The Minnesota State University, Mankato flag features the University seal against a field of purple, one of the designated colors of the University. The flag was commissioned in honor of the October 2003 Inauguration of Dr. Richard Davenport to symbolize the President’s chosen direction for his term. The seal is the official representation of Minnesota State University, Mankato and is used sparingly and with dignity. It represents our past and our future and symbolizes our strength and global perspective.

International Flags
The international flags represent countries and sovereign nations of our students. The four American Indian flags represented are: Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux (Dakota) Community; Grand Portage Chippewa; Upper Sioux Community; and Bois Forte Band of Chippewa.

Honor Guard
The special honor guard presenting our national colors is from the Military Science Department, Army ROTC, Minnesota State University, Mankato.
Congratulations on your graduation! And welcome to the Minnesota State Mankato Alumni Association, a powerful network of over 116,000 alumni. Our mission is to engage alumni, friends and students in ways that benefit its members and Minnesota State Mankato, through opportunities that stimulate a lifetime of interest, loyalty and support.

As an alumna/us, you’re a vital participant in the future of the University. To help you to maintain the connections you’ve built here at Minnesota State University, Mankato, we’ll soon send you your first issue of TODAY, the University magazine for alumni and friends and the Alumni Reporter, our monthly e-newsletter. To ensure that you continue to receive the magazine and the e-newsletter and to stay up-to-date with our alma mater, we invite you to update your contact information with us via e-mail at alumni@mnsu.edu or by logging onto the Alumni web site at www.mnsu.edu/alumni.

We celebrate this proud day with you, and look forward to your continued association with Minnesota State Mankato!

Best regards,

Dale Wolpers, ’75, ’83
President, Alumni Association

University History

Mankato Normal School opened as the state’s second teacher training school in 1868 in downtown Mankato with 27 students. Tuition was free in return for a student’s pledge to teach two years in Minnesota’s schools. Old Main was constructed in 1870, and this marked the beginning of the Valley Campus that would serve the institution for a century. In the 1880s, the school expanded and curriculum grew. In 1921 the school became Mankato State Teachers College, and in 1927 the institution awarded its first four-year degree, a bachelor of education.

In the late 1950s, the school was renamed Mankato State College, and construction began on the 300-acre Highland Campus. The College maintained two locations for several years. In 1975, the College received full university status. Four years later consolidation on the Highland Campus was complete. In 1998, for the fifth time in its 130-year history, the University adopted a new name to reflect expanded service to Minnesota and the nation. Minnesota State University, Mankato continues to gain renown for the quality of its programs and the breadth of its service.

Dr. Richard Davenport, appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, assumed his responsibilities as the University’s twelfth president on July 1, 2002. Under Dr. Davenport’s leadership, the University has embraced new strategic priorities; engaged in an academic master planning process; examined its commitment to diversity, and begun to take action to become a more inclusive and welcoming campus; and told our story further and wider than ever before, to legislators, leaders, parents, and alumni throughout the state and the nation.

Minnesota State Mankato offers more than 130 undergraduate programs and more than 75 graduate programs, including masters, specialist and doctoral programs. Our 15,000 students — including more than 1,100 international students from more than 90 countries — and 2,000 faculty and staff represent cultural diversity and a rich mix of intellectual and creative perspectives. Our 116,000+ alumni live and work around the globe, making professional and personal contributions that bring the proud Maverick tradition to new heights.

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Colleen Gerdts

Miscellaneous Information

Beverages are available for purchase in the Concession Stand.

Jazzman’s Café in the Centennial Student Union is open today from 8:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Einstein’s Bagels in Myers Field House hallway is open today from 8:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Roses are available for purchase in the hallway outside the arena. Proceeds go to the Asian American Affairs Association.

Live web streaming services are provided by Minnesota State Mankato’s Division of Information Technology Services.

Live captions for each commencement ceremony can be viewed at http://link.mnsu.edu/mavtubelive

Lost and Found Area is located in Myers Field House - Room MF129.

Photo Opportunities are available (weather permitting): Alumni Arch; Bell Tower; Gateway/Stone Pillars; Minnesota State mound (corner of Stadium and Warren); Fountain (in front of the Library); Flame (in front of Wigley Administration building), etc.

GradImages will be taking individual and family portraits for graduates and their families in the Myers Field House from 7:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M. No appointment is necessary and portrait sittings are free. GradImages will also be taking three candid photographs of the graduates during the ceremony. You may place orders at www.gradimages.com.

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College Receptions

College of Allied Health and Nursing
Pre-Commencement Ceremony for CAHN Graduate (Master's) Students and Families
9:00 –10:00 A.M. Ostrander Auditorium
The ceremony includes special recognition and/or hooding for students receiving their Master's degree.

College of Allied Health and Nursing
Pre-Commencement Receptions:
• Family Consumer Science: 10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M., CSU Ballroom North
• Health Science: 10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M., CSU 245
• Human Performance: 10:00–11:00 A.M., 1700 Highland Center
• Recreation, Parks and Leisure Services: 11:15 A.M. –11:30 A.M., Myers Field House during line-up
• Speech, Hearing and Rehabilitation Services: 10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M., 103 Armstrong Hall
All graduates will receive a CAHN pin and have an opportunity to meet with faculty from the college departments.

School of Nursing
Pre-Commencement Reception Celebrating RN-to-BS Completion and Masters Degree Graduates
10:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M., Centennial Student Union 253, 254, 255
This reception is for the above graduates and their guests to meet with faculty from the School of Nursing and receive a CAHN pin.

College of Arts and Humanities
Reception
10:30 A.M.–12:00 P.M., CSU Hearth Lounge
Graduates and their guests are invited to join the department faculty and staff for refreshments and conversation.

College of Business
Pre-Commencement Reception and Recognition
12:15 P.M. Reception
12:45 P.M. Recognition Ceremony
CSU Ostrander Auditorium
Graduates, family and friends are invited to join faculty and staff at a reception and recognition ceremony. Each graduate will be recognized and receive a university graduation pin. The ceremony includes special recognition and/or hooding for students receiving their Master's degree.

College of Education
Graduate Degree Hooding Ceremony
9:00 A.M.–10:00 A.M. Hooding Ceremony
Earley Center for Performing Arts, Ted Paul Theatre
Reception immediately following ceremony

College of Science, Engineering and Technology
Reception
10:30 A.M.–12:00 P.M.
Main level of Ford Hall - Student Commons area
Graduates, family and guests are invited to join faculty and staff for refreshments.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
Reception and Recognition Ceremony
12:00 P.M. Dessert Reception
12:30 P.M. Recognition Ceremony
CSU Ballroom
Graduates, family and friends are invited to join faculty and staff at a reception and recognition ceremony. Each graduate will receive special recognition and a College of Social & Behavioral Sciences graduation pin.

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