Commencement

May 13, 2006
To Our Guests

Today we recognize our graduates’ accomplishments. We hope this ceremony will be 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 ensure the 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.

And finally, please do not enter the aisles to take pictures or video of the graduates. Arrangements have been made to have a professional photograph taken of each graduate as President Richard Davenport offers individual congratulations. A professional DVD will be available for purchase as well. Your cooperation will ensure a quality remembrance of this special day and a good view of the ceremony for all audience members.

Thank you.
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). (Graduation honors printed in this program are based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) from prior semesters and may differ slightly based on the final GPA. Graduation honors are based on the graduate's cumulative GPA from prior semesters. If graduates raise or lower their GPA during final term of enrollment, the honors level indicated on the final transcript and diploma may differ from the honors level indicated in the program.)

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.

University Scholars, who are graduates of the University’s Honors Program, wear gold stoles. The mission of the Honors Program is to provide top students with opportunities to pursue alternatives to general education, to meet at least weekly in small groups with faculty, and to facilitate personal interaction between students and faculty. Beginning fall semester 2004 the Honors Program is a recognized academic Minor. The new Honors Program includes seminars, interdisciplinary seminars, service-learning, practicum, and a Senior Capstone Project either in the student’s major or as a stand alone project.

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

Program Honors and Distinctions

Alpha Mu Gamma is a national collegiate honor society for students majoring or minoring in world languages. It was established in 1931. 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, literatures, 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.

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.

Members of the Mankato Chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma wear blue 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 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. The society was founded in 1928 and became a national organization in 1931.

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 honor cords. These graduates have made outstanding contributions to the residence halls at Minnesota State University, Mankato during their college careers.

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 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. Pi Delta Phi was founded in 1906. The Mankato chapter, Nu Alpha, was installed on November 9, 2001. 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 include graduate and undergraduate students nominated in recognition of their academic achievement in at least one semester or quarter of upper-division French.

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 for students in political science and related fields; and to encourage interest and scholarly activity in political science and related 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 the individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology.

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.

Presidential Scholars

In 1995, Minnesota State University, Mankato launched a new Presidential Scholarship program to support some of the University’s most talented students. Minnesota State Mankato looked for top academic performance; strong leadership skills; and a commitment to community involvement. Funding for Presidential Scholarships comes from businesses, estates, and individuals throughout Minnesota and the nation. We are pleased to honor the following graduates who are Presidential Scholars:

Brian D. Allen  
Lynn and Pamela Nagorske  
Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science in  
Mechanical Engineering

Matthew M. Collie  
HickoryTech Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science in  
History

Rachel M. Goodloe  
HickoryTech Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science in  
Teaching  
French  
2006 Bachelor of Science in  
Teaching  
Spanish

Matthew B. Gross  
Presidential Endowment Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science  
Manufacturing Engineering  
Technology

Stephen D. Herrmann  
William Bresnan Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science  
Athletic Training

Brian T. Kramer  
Werner Fick Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science  
Law Enforcement: Track 1

Grace R. T. Mlady  
Estate of Robert Lloyd Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science  
Ethnic Studies  
2006 Bachelor of Arts  
English

Catherine A. Nelson  
George and Anne Haefner Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Arts  
English

Lindsay L. Quick  
BEVCOMM Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science  
Mass Communications

Amanda K. Russow  
Curtis and Debra Fisher Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Catherine A. Nelson  
George and Anne Haefner Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Arts  
English

Lindsey L. Quick  
BEVCOMM Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science  
Mass Communications

Amanda K. Russow  
Curtis and Debra Fisher Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Catherine A. Nelson  
George and Anne Haefner Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Arts  
English

Lindsey R. Thompson  
John Harrington Presidential Scholar  
2006 Bachelor of Science in Teaching  
English/Speech
9:00 A.M. Program

Prelude Concert Minnesota Valley Brass Quintet

Gerard Aloisio, Associate Professor of Music
Tom Giles, Emeritus Professor of Music
Stewart Ross, Professor of Music
Dave Schultz, Adjunct Professor of Music
Doug Snapp, Assistant Professor of Music
Minnesota State University, Mankato

Processional March

Edward Elgar/Arrangement by Douglas R. Snapp

National Anthem

Kimm Julian
Assistant Professor of Music
Minnesota State University, Mankato

Greetings

Manuel M. López
Associate Vice Chancellor for Continuous Improvement
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Trustee Duane Benson
Board of Trustees
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Address

Grace R. T. Mlady
Bachelor of Arts
Spring 2006 Graduate
College of Arts and Humanities

Heidi Renate Bednar
Bachelor of Science
Spring 2006 Graduate
College of Science, Engineering and Technology

Conferring of Degrees

Welcome to the Minnesota State University, Mankato Alumni Association
Daryl Henze, President
Minnesota State University, Mankato Alumni Association

Recessional March *

*Audience to remain seated.
Platform Guests

RICHARD DAVENPORT
President
Minnesota State University, Mankato

MANUEL M. LÓPEZ
Associate Vice Chancellor for Continuous Improvement
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

TRUSTEE DUANE BENSON
Board of Trustees
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

DANIEL CRONN-MILLS
Chairperson and Professor of Speech Communication

FERNANDO DELGADO
Dean of the College of Graduate Studies and Research

JANE F. EARLEY
Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities

MICHAEL T. FAGIN
Dean of Institutional Diversity and Special Assistant to the President for Multicultural Relations

JOHN E. FREY
Dean of the College of Science, Engineering and Technology

DARYL HENZE
President of Minnesota State University, Mankato
Alumni Association

PAUL J. HUSTOLES
Chairperson and Professor of Theatre and Dance

MARK JOHNSON
Vice President for Technology and Chief Information Officer

PAVEL KITSUL
Professor of Mathematics and Statistics

SCOTT R. OLSON
Vice President for Academic Affairs

JOAN ROCA
Dean of Library Services

PATRICIA SWATFAGER-HANEY
Vice President for Student Affairs

DAVID K. WILLIAMS
Vice President for University Advancement

Procession Participants

FACULTY HONOR MARSHALS
Paul J. Hustoles, Chairperson and Professor of Theatre and Dance
Pavel Kitsul, Professor of Mathematics and Statistics

COLLEGE HONOR MARSHALS
Ellen Mrja, College of Arts and Humanities
Theresa Salerno, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

JUNIOR HONOR MARSHALS
Zachariah M. Wesley, College of Arts and Humanities
Peter L. Sonnek, College of Science, Engineering and Technology

MARCHING FACULTY
James Grabowska
Brian Groh
Cesar Guerra-Salcedo
Marlyn Hart
John Humphrey
James Johnson
Nanette Johnson-Curiskis
Penny Knoblich
Namyoung Lee
Nina LeNoir
Richard Robbins
C. Michael Lindstrom
Patricia Longwell
John Janc
Mary Susan Johnston
Donald Larsson
Charles Lewis
John Lindberg
David McCarl
Roland Nord
Patricia Peterson
Mark A. Pickar
Kay Puttock
Richard Robbins
Marshel Rossow
Stephen Stoynoff
Youwen Xu

ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS
Gale Allen
Steven Case

ASSISTANT PROFESSORS
Candace Black
Bobby Bothmann
Thomas R. Brown
Kathryn Cady
Bradley Cook
Brandon Cooke
Alisa Eimen

INSTRUCTORS
Robert Bohland
Christa Brown
Louisa Eckert

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT FACULTY
Maria Baxter-Nuamah
Diane Berge
College of Graduate Studies
The candidates will be presented by Fernando Delgado, Dean.

MASTER OF ARTS
Paul M. Bay, Brooklyn Center Mathematics
Advisor: Dr. Ernest Boyd

JoAnne R. Bezdicek Harlow, Saint Peter
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Daniel Cron-Mills

Amanda L. Carter, Dell Rapids, South Dakota
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Anne O’Meara

Steve F. Corona, Mankato
Theatre Arts
Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles

Kathleen M. Crawford, Mankato
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Leah White
Thesis: Illuminating the Stories of Young Mothers through Auto/ethnography

Merci M. Decker, Corning, Iowa
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Kathryn Cady
Thesis: No Harm Done: A Rhetorical Analysis of the Algerian-French Friendship Treaty

Liza M. Domeier, Nicollet Art
Advisor: Mika Laidlaw

Cindy L. Enter, North Mankato
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Mary Johnston

Kelly E. Galstad, Stoughton, Wisconsin
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. David Engen
Thesis: Building a connection: Exploring the dynamics of the student - staff relationship at alternative schools

Erin M. Goodale, Mankato
English: General Studies
Advisor: Dr. Mary Johnston

Alexandros M. Goudas, North Mankato
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Anne O’Meara
Thesis: Ahab as Paragon

Karen L. Herreid, Austin
English: TESL
Advisor: Dr. Harry Solo

Gretchen A. Herrick, Burnsville
English: Technical Communication
Advisor: Dr. Lee Tesdell

Timothy C. Housand, Mankato
Theatre Arts
Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles

Christina M. Jenkin, Mankato
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Matthew Sewell

Seth W. Johnson, Saint Peter
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Donald Larsson

Arlandis Jones, Country Club Hills, Illinois
English: Technical Communication
Advisor: Dr. Gwen Griffin
Thesis: Midwestern United States Employers’ Perceptions of Online Educational Leadership Degrees

James W. Kozinski, Mankato
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Kathryn Cady
Thesis: A Journey Toward Truth: A Rhetorical Argument for the Inclusion of Quintilian and Other Good Ethopoeia in the Speech Communication Major

Marie K. Lechelt, Brownsdale
English: TESL
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Michele R. Lee, Mankato
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Terrance Flaherty
Thesis: Active Heroines and Silent Victims: A Female National Allegory of the Partition in Bapsi Sidhwa’s Cracking India

Derrick D. Lindstrom, Apple Valley
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen

Bruce S. Magnuson, Minneapolis
English: TESL
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Teresa D. Neubert, Mankato
English: TESL
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Nathan W. Piller, Blooming Prairie Art
Advisor: Brian Frink
Thesis: phenomenal

Cynthia M. Pope, North Mankato
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Warren Sandmann Jr

Jessica M. Samens, New Auburn, Wisconsin
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen
Thesis: Gendering Disability: An Analysis of Identity and Gendered Messages Directed Toward People with Disabilities

Kevin M. Sanderfoot, Appleton, Wisconsin
English: Technical Communication
Advisor: Dr. Kathleen Hurley

Kristin A. Schai, Shoreview
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Terrance Flaherty
Thesis: Crisis of Faith: Subversive Notions toward Catholicism in Contemporary Irish Fiction

Scott P. Scheirbeck, Duluth Art
Advisor: Brian Frink

Jason R. Seals, New Ulm
English: General Studies
Advisor: Dr. Anne O’Meara
Thesis: Forging New Traditions: An Examination of the Central Themes of Sherman Alexie’s The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven
Melissa A. Siebke, Owatonna
English: TESL
Advisor: Dr. Patricia Peterson

Rocio Sotelo Arce, Mexico
English: TESL
Advisor: Dr. Patricia Peterson

Portia N. Strasser, Mankato
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Donna Casella
Thesis: Domesticity and Consistency in Rose Terry Cooke’s Huckleberries Gathered from New England Hills

Kathryn N. Sween, Mankato
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Donna Casella
Thesis: Role Conflict and the Effects of Community on Women in Mary E. Wilkins Freeman’s A New England Nun and Other Stories

Chou Vang, Minneapolis
Art
Advisor: Melissa Stone

David K. Vang, Maplewood
Art
Advisor: Todd Shanafelt

Elizabeth A. Willingham, Fenton, Michigan
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Anne O’Meara
Thesis: Poetry and Politics: Zikala-Ša’s Language of Protest

Denice F. Woller, Mankato
Art
Advisor: David Morano
Thesis: Over Time

Wendy A. Wyant, North Mankato
Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Leah White

Katherine N. Yackley-Franken, North Mankato
English: Literature
Advisor: Dr. Donna Casella
Thesis: The Battle for Individuality in Sarah Orne Jewett’s A White Heron and Other Stories

**MASTER OF FINE ARTS**

Brian D. Baumgart, Saint Peter
Creative Writing
Advisor: Terry Davis
Thesis: A Thousand Voices

Jason D. Benesh, Burnsville
Creative Writing
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer
Thesis: Running the Asylum

Betsy E. Carlson, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin
Creative Writing
Advisor: Richard Robbins
Thesis: Notes From the Fall

James P. Dimock, North Mankato
Forensics
Advisor: Dr. Leah White
Thesis: The Place of Parliamentary Debate in a Pedagogy of Argumentation

Benjamin K. Drevlow, Mankato
Creative Writing
Advisor: Terry Davis
Thesis: Bend with the Knees and Other Love Advice from My Father

Aaron C. Eller, Barnum
Creative Writing
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer

Akia S. Fleming, Dothan, Alabama
Theatre Arts
Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles

Ryan D. Havely, Mankato
Creative Writing
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer
Thesis: Cautionary Tales for Mad Traveling Bluesmen

Stephanie M. Housand, Mankato
Theatre Arts
Advisor: Thomas Bliese

Jared S. Mason, Saint Louis Park
Creative Writing
Advisor: Terry Davis
Thesis: In Runes

Gregory M. Nicolai, Mankato
Creative Writing
Advisor: Richard Robbins
Thesis: Eviction in B Flat for Clarinets and Trash Can Lids

Kimberly A. Nielsen, Eden Prairie
Creative Writing
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer

Melian R. Reese, Independence, Missouri
Creative Writing
Advisor: Richard Robbins

Linda D. Ridlehuber, Mankato
Creative Writing
Advisor: Richard Terrill
Thesis: Mares’ Tails

Jessica E. Smith, Mankato
Creative Writing
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer
Thesis: All the Wrong Men

Erik E. Tonner, Danbury, Connecticut
Theatre Arts
Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles

Nathan E. Wardinski, West Allis, Wisconsin
Creative Writing
Advisor: Terry Davis
Thesis: The Prince

Leah K. Williams, Mankato
Theatre Arts
Advisor: David McCarl

Randall E. Wyatt, Saint Paul
Theatre Arts
Advisor: Dr. Nina LeNoir

**MASTER OF MUSIC**

Danielle M. Gidley, Mankato
Music
Advisor: Dr. David Viscoli
Thesis: Program Notes for a Graduate Piano Recital

Kristina M. Mathieson, Canton, Missouri
Music
Advisor: Dr. Kimm Julian
Thesis: Program Notes for a Graduate Recital in Vocal Performance

Erin M. McDaniel, Valley City, North Dakota
Choral Conducting
Advisor: Dr. David Dickau
Jon S. Sherwood, Sherwood, Oregon
Music
Advisor: Dr. Gerard Aloisio
Thesis: A Snapshot of General Music: Comparison and Correlation of Music Introduction-Type Courses through Visitation, Observation, and Surveying of Four Oregon Universities

David J. Stordalen, Saint James Wind Band Conducting
Advisor: Dr. Amy Roisum Foley

MASTERS OF SCIENCE
Bhuwanesh B. Bista, Nepal Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Patrick Tebbe

Eileen R. Campbell, New Richland Environmental Sciences
Advisor: Dr. Bertha Proctor

Seungjoon Choi, Republic of Korea Manufacturing Engineering Technology
Advisor: Dr. Harry Petersen

David Costas Martinez, Spain Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Patrick Tebbe

Roman Y. Filipovych, Ukraine Physics
Advisor: Dr. Igor Kogoutiouk

Shu-Jen Huang, Taiwan Computer Science
Advisor: Dr. Cyrus Azarbod

Thesis: Development of the Software Solution to the Calculation of Quantum Mechanical Commutators

Tiffany M. Landor, Savage Multidisciplinary Studies
Advisor: Dr. Judith Luebke

Rakesh K. Malakar, Nepal Computer Science
Advisor: Dr. Christophe Veltos

Darrel F. Olson, Mankato Cross-Disciplinary Studies
Advisor: Dr. Wayne Allen

Oluwaseyi A. Ogunseye, Nigeria Engineering
Advisor: Dr. Mark Dvorak

Joshua M. Petersen, Winona Speech Communication
Advisor: Dr. Martine Harvey

Sophia Ponce, Mankato Multidisciplinary Studies
Advisor: Dr. Wayne Allen

Guadalupe A. Quintero, Mankato Multidisciplinary Studies
Advisor: Dr. Yueh-Ting Lee

Paul Steevens, Marshfield, Wisconsin Manufacturing Engineering Technology
Advisor: Dr. Harry Petersen

Kristopher L. Regas, Bourbonnais, Illinois Math: Computer Science
Advisor: Dr. Gary Rockswold

Jake T. Roerig, Fridley Computer Science
Advisor: Dr. Cyrus Azarbod

Roman Y. Filipovych, Ukraine Physics
Advisor: Dr. Igor Kogoutiouk

Thesis: Magnetic Properties of Intermediate-Valence and Heavy Fermion Materials

J. Saul Kim, Republic of Korea Manufacturing Engineering Technology
Advisor: Dr. Harry Petersen

Sarah L. Suskovic, North Mankato Biology
Advisor: Dr. Robert Sorensen

Thesis: Temporal Dynamics of Trematode Infections of Physid Snails in Two Southern Minnesota Wetlands

Kateryna Tykhanska, Ukraine Physics
Advisor: Dr. Igor Kogoutiouk

Thesis: Temporary Dynamics of Trematode Infections of Physid Snails in Two Southern Minnesota Wetlands

Christopher F. Voegele, Morristown Biology
Advisor: Dr. Penny Knoblich

Thesis: The Production of a Surgically Induced Low Aldosterone Rat Model
The candidates will be presented by Jane F. Earley, Dean.

SUMMA CUM LAUDE
Sadie F. Arch, English
Jillian L. Bird, Music: Applied (Piano)
Lori A. Brue, Music: Education
Angelyn E. Faust, Theatre Arts
Ashley R. Fitzsimmons, Theatre Arts
Amy E. Goettl, Art History
Rachel M. Goodloe, Spanish
Rachel M. Goodloe, French
Sarah E. Groh, English
Elizabeth A. Harms, Spanish
Susan A. Hendley, English
Sarah E. Hunter, Speech Communication
Sarah E. Hunter, Spanish
Tanner A. Kent, English
Nickie A. Kranz, English
Andrew J. Loraff, Humanities
Anna A. Melzer, Art
Grace R. Mlad, English
Adam F. Nitzkowski, Spanish
Erik L. Oelke, Art
Kristie L. Olson, English/Speech
Therese M. Paczkowski, English/Speech
Evan A. Panitzke, Spanish
Lindsey L. Quick, Speech Communication
Matthew L. Bichler, English
Alec D. Bieck, English/Speech
Trina E. Bolton, Spanish
Ashley R. Christenson, Art
Andrea D. Davenport, Art

MAGNA CUM LAUDE
Samuel D. Alley, English
Kari J. Appel, Dance & Theatre Arts
Kristin L. Baty, Music: Education
Jessica M. Becker, Speech Communication
Matthew L. Bichler, English
Alec D. Bieck, English/Speech
Trina E. Bolton, Spanish
Ashley R. Christenson, Art
Andrea D. Davenport, Art
Andrea L. DeOtis, Music: Education
Amanda H. Gersten, Music: Management
Robert J. Glieden, Mass Communications: News/Editorial
Jeremiah L. Graves, Mass Communications: General
Erin J. Grenz, Mass Communications
Travis N. Griffin, French
Brigit K. Heussler, German
Jake R. Hjeltnite, English
Jessica C. Holmberg, Spanish
Julie A. Holscher, Spanish
Julie A. Holscher, Speech Communication
Kathryn M. In dzieke, Spanish
Maria A. Jensen, Spanish
Sarah M. Larsen, Spanish
Andrew N. Mclaughlin, Spanish
Tiffany B. Nugent, Spanish
Nick T. Oelke, Art
Karen V. Ortiz, Art
Ryan D. Rader, Music: Applied (Instrument)
Rebecca J. Robinson, Art
Caitlin M. Rognes, English
David L. Severson, Art
Samantha L. Severson, Art
Amanda M. Srock, Spanish
Brady C. Steffl, French
Holly R. Tachen, English
Holly R. Tachen, Spanish
Breanne L. Urban, Art
Hilary J. Wacholz, Art
Christopher L. Werner, Mass Communications: Public Relations
Alison A. Whitney, English
Hilary A. Winkworth, Theatre Arts
Allyssa G. Woodford, Mass Communications
Allyssa G. Woodford, Spanish

CUM LAUDE
Rachel L. Albrechtson, Art
Alx J. Barnett, Music: Education
Arin M. Barnett, Mass Communications
Erik S. Berquist, Philosophy
Jamie M. Boelter, English/Speech
Natalie J. Casper, English
Jarrod M. Feddersen, Art
Travis E. Gorish, Liberal Studies
Jana L. Griesenbrock, Art History
Luke S. Gronneberg, Art
Tracy L. Grundman-Reza, French
Jordana M. Guenther, Speech Communication
Heather L. Heijerman, English
Lori M. Hewitt, Art
Heather A. Hyvare, Mass Communications
Tomoko Igasaki, Speech Communication
Angela M. Korte, Art
Jason D. Kruger, Theatre Arts
Elizabeth E. Lange, Art
Ellen A. Lawrence, Speech Communication
Elizabeth R. Loen, Mass Communications
Sarah J. Mahlberg, Mass Communications
Lane C. Mahler, Music Industry
Mary E. O'Connor, English
Ariza L. Otte, English/Speech
Deborah K. Res, Art
David A. Rietsema, Spanish
Jerome M. Schmidt, German
Derek Skillings, Open Studies
Molly K. Spartz, Art
Nicole M. Stahlmann, Spanish
Jenna C. Stark, Mass Communications
Matthew T. Van Engen, Art
Johanna L. Wright, Spanish
Kimberly A. Zerke, Music: Education

DEPARTMENT OF ART
Professor James Johnson, Chairperson
Karl K. Ainsley, BFA, Sleepy Eye
Rachel L. Albrechtson, BT, La Crosse, Wisconsin
Lael H. Booth, BA, Eagle Lake
Jimmy M. Brown, BFA, Janesville
Ashley R. Christenson, BA, Stillwater
Andrea D. Davenport, BFA, Granada
Emily M. Easton, BT, Eagan
Laura M. Eklund, BT, Watertown
Jarrod M. Feddersen, BFA, Granada
Heather A. Fitzsimmons, BFA, Good Thunder
Amy E. Goettl, BA, Brooklyn Park
Jana L. Griesenbrock, BA, Brookings, South Dakota
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH
Professor John Banschbach, Chairperson

Samuel D. Alley, BA, Lino Lakes
Sadie F. Arch, BA, Mankato
Chad J. Balsiger, BA, Wyocona, Wisconsin
Matthew L. Bichler, BS, Anoka
Alec D. Bieck, BT, Platte Center, Nebraska
Jamie M. Boelter, BT, Slayton
Natalie J. Casper, BA, Mankato
Alex M. Dussl, BA, Mankato
Hodan M. Farah, BA, Mankato
Gillian R. Gray, BS, Eagan
Sarah E. Groh, BS, Janesville
Marissa R. Hansen, BS, Rochester
Jeffrey M. Harrom, BA, Mankato
Heather L. Hejierman, BA, Hollandale
Susan A. Hendley, BS, North Mankato
Jake R. Hjelmtveit, BS, Fairmont
Lisa A. Johnson, BS, Waterville
Tanner A. Kent, BA, Stillwater
Nickie A. Kranz, BA, Good Thunder
Erica S. Kromer, BS, Mankato
Andrew J. Loraff, BA, Ortonville
Grace R. Mlad, BA, Mount Vernon, South Dakota
Mary E. O'Connor, BA, Rochester

DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATIONS
Professor Charles Lewis, Chairperson

Jennifer L. Ackman, BS, Faribault
Arin M. Barnett, BS, Lake Crystal
Kathryn L. Benson, BS, Mankato
Krista L. Erickson, BS, Jackson
Andrea M. Fox, BS, Chancellor, South Dakota
Alyssa A. George, BS, Coon Rapids
Robert J. Glieden, BS, Mankato
Jeremiah L. Graves, BA, North Mankato
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Dr. Daniel Crann-Mills will hood the
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Symbolism in Today's Ceremony

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 doctor's gown is black, elaborately decorated with velvet panels down the front and three bars of matching velvet on the bell-shaped sleeves.

Mortarboard
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, a Minnesota State University, Mankato alumnus from Prior Lake, Minnesota.

Medallion
The Minnesota State University Medallion is a round bronze piece that features the University seal. It is affixed to a ribbon of gold, representing the colors of Minnesota State University, Mankato, so it may be worn around the neck of the President. The University seal is the official representation of MSU, and use of it or its image is reserved for only the most dignified of occasions.

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.

Honor Guard
The special honor guard presenting our national colors is from the Military Science Department, Army ROTC, Minnesota State University, Mankato. The flags displayed represent countries of our international students.
Minnesota State University, Mankato Alumni Association

Congratulations on your graduation! And welcome to the Minnesota State Mankato Alumni Association, a powerful network of more than 97,000 alumni.

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 your first issue of TODAY at Minnesota State Mankato, the University magazine for alumni and friends. To ensure that you continue to receive the magazine and to stay up-to-date with your alma mater, we invite you to log onto www.MSUgrads.com, the alumni on-line community. It’s a place where you can update your contact information, find Minnesota State Mankato friends and contact them, read up on the latest University news, register for events, network with fellow alumni and much more!

The Alumni Association’s 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.

We celebrate this proud day with you, and hope you’ll stay in touch!

Best Regards,

Daryl Henze ’65  
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 to reflect its expanded curriculum, 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 breadth of service.

Dr. Richard Davenport, appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, assumed his responsibilities as the University’s 12th president on July 1, 2002. In October 2003, Minnesota State Mankato inaugurated President Davenport. Under his leadership, the University embraced a set of strategic priorities which are focused, achievable, and exciting. Minnesota State Mankato is engaging in an academic master planning process; examining its commitment to diversity; and taking action to become a more inclusive and welcoming campus; and telling our story further and wider than ever before, to legislators, leaders, parents, and alumni throughout the state and the nation.

Today, Minnesota State Mankato offers 150 undergraduate programs of study, 16 pre-professional programs, and 82 graduate programs. The University has six colleges, 1,300 faculty and staff, and nearly 14,000 students—the highest in a decade—including 1,600 graduate and professional students and over 600 international students from 71 countries. Alumni number 97,000 worldwide.
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Min-ne-so-ta State, we hail; Hail the pur-ple, and the gold. All a-lum-ni,
Ra-cha Ma-cha M S U Now and al-ways we'll be true. In the class-room,

Old and new Take you with them when they go. From the hill-top,
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in their tow-ers, in the na-tions far from home. Min-ne-so-ta State we

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