

2007 SPRING  
**COMMENCEMENT**

Saturday, May Twelfth  
Two Thousand Seven  
Bresnan Arena, Taylor Center  
Minnesota State University, Mankato

## 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 a professional photo taken of each graduate on stage. A professional DVD will be available for purchase as well. Your cooperation ensures a pleasant, memorable experience for all audience members.

Thank you.

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# Program

## 9:00 A.M.

**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, '70, '73  
Doug Snapp, Associate 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**

Mary Jacquart  
Director of Government Relations  
Office of the Chancellor  
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Trustee David Paskach, Chair  
Board of Trustees  
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Gabriel Afolayan  
Bachelor of Science  
Spring 2007 Graduate  
2006-2007 President of Minnesota State Student Association

**Address**

Alison Mary Hansen  
Bachelor of Science  
Spring 2007 Graduate  
College of Arts and Humanities

Eric John Raymer  
Bachelor of Science  
Spring 2007 Graduate  
College of Science, Engineering and Technology

**Conferring of Degrees**

**Welcome to the Minnesota State University, Mankato  
Mankato Alumni Association**

Allan P. Bohkle, '86, President  
Minnesota State Mankato Alumni Association

**Recessional March \***

\*Audience to remain seated.



# Platform Guests

RICHARD DAVENPORT  
President  
Minnesota State University, Mankato

MARY JACQUART  
Director of Government Relations  
Minnesota State Colleges and  
Universities

TRUSTEE DAVID PASKACH, CHAIR  
Board of Trustees  
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ANNE BLACKHURST  
Interim Dean of the College of  
Graduate Studies and Research

ALLAN P. BOHLKE  
President of Minnesota State  
University, Mankato Alumni  
Association

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

PAUL J. HUSTOLES  
Professor of Theatre and Dance

MUHAMMAD KHALIQ  
Professor of Electrical and Computer  
Engineering and Technology

SCOTT R. OLSON  
Provost and Vice President for  
Academic Affairs

JOAN ROCA  
Dean of Library Services

BRYAN SCHNEIDER  
Interim Vice President for Technology  
and Chief Information Officer

RICHARD J. STRAKA  
Vice President for  
Finance and Administration

PATRICIA SWATFAGER-HANEY  
Vice President for Student Affairs

DAVID K. WILLIAMS  
Vice President for  
University Advancement

9:00 A.M. PROGRAM

# Procession Participants

## FACULTY HONOR MARSHALS

Paul J. Hustoles,  
Professor of Theatre and  
Dance  
Muhammad Khaliq,  
Professor of Electrical and  
Computer Engineering and  
Technology

## COLLEGE HONOR MARSHALS

John J. Janc,  
College of Arts and  
Humanities  
Gary Rockswold,  
College of Science,  
Engineering and  
Technology

## JUNIOR HONOR MARSHALS

James C. Rice,  
College of Arts and  
Humanities  
Spencer J. Pearson,  
College of Science,  
Engineering and  
Technology

## MARCHING FACULTY

### PROFESSORS

John Banschbach  
Charles W. Cantale  
Karen Chow  
Terry Davis  
Sandra Eggenberger  
Brian Frink  
Gwen Griffin  
David Haglin  
Francis Hannick  
William Hudson  
Mary Susan Johnston  
Julie Kerr-Berry  
Steve Kipp  
John Krenz  
Charles Lewis  
John Lindberg  
Rea Mingeva  
Patricia Wilcox-Peterson  
Kay Puttock  
Richard Robbins  
Warren Sandmann  
Louis Schwartzkopf  
Stephen Stoyhoff  
Charles Waters  
Youwen Xu

## ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS

Gale Allen  
Gregg Asher  
Amy K. Roisum Foley  
Curt Germundson  
James Johnson  
Patricia Longwell  
Craig Matarrese  
Jane McConnel  
James Rife  
Robert Sorensen  
David Viscoli  
William J. Wilde

## ASSISTANT PROFESSORS

Steven Case  
Lyudmyla Carrison  
Bradley Cook  
Brandon Cooke  
James Dimock  
Casey Duevel  
Alisa Eimen  
David Engen  
Scott Fee  
Paul Finocchiaro  
Ann Goebel  
Geoffrey Goellner  
Gretchen Haas

Allan Hart  
Jill Hildebrandt  
Leslie Laidlaw  
Ryan Langemeier  
Karen Lybeck  
Mavis Richardson  
Farid Sabongi  
Timothy Secott  
Steven Smith  
Gregory Taylor  
Patrick Tebbe  
Kristen Treinen  
Erik Waterkotte  
Lynn Weber  
Leah White  
Matthew Willemssen  
Vincent Zhang  
Mark Zuilker

## INSTRUCTORS

Christa Brown  
Kathleen Crawford  
Daniel Hermann  
Jessica Samens

## ADMINISTRATIVE and SUPPORT FACULTY

Maria Baxter-Nuamah  
Diane Berge



# College of Graduate Studies

The candidates will be presented by Anne Blackhurst, Interim Dean.

## MASTER OF ARTS

Todd R. Anderson, Mankato  
English: Literature  
Advisor: Dr. Matthew Sewell

Brett P. Frayseth, North Mankato  
English: TESL  
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Brianna J. Hoffman, Mankato  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen

Danielle R. Holbrook, Garland, Texas  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Daniel Cronn-Mills

Hillary E. Hoover, Mission Hills,  
Kansas  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Daniel Cronn-Mills

Robert S. Jersak, Coon Rapids  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. David Engen

Oleksandr O. Komarenko, Ukraine  
English: TESL  
Advisor: Dr. Roland Nord

Ozgur Kose, Turkey  
English: TESL  
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Lynn C. Kuechle, Mankato  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Leah White

Chad J. Kuyper, Mankato  
English: Literature  
Advisor: Dr. William Dyer

James L. Livermont, Mankato  
English: TESL  
Advisor: Dr. Patricia Peterson

Elenore L. McGonigle, Austin  
English: General Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Terrance Flaherty

Frederman Moreno Parra, Colombia  
English: TESL  
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Andrew H. Robertson, Mankato  
English: Technical Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Kathleen Hurley

Jessica J. Rodning, Saint Peter  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Cvancara

Richard A. Rohlfing, Madison Lake  
English: Technical Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Nancy MacKenzie

Eryn M. Stehr, Mankato  
Mathematics  
Advisor: Dr. Ernest Boyd

Megan E. Steil, Mankato  
English: TESL  
Advisor: Dr. Nancy Drescher

Melissa E. Turner, Alexandria  
English: Literature  
Advisor: Dr. Donald Larsson  
Thesis: *The "Negative" Hero?: An Examination of Lawrence Selden in Wharton's HOUSE OF MIRTH*

Chou Vang, Minneapolis  
Art  
Advisor: Melissa Stone

Daniel S. Vedamuthu, Rochester  
Art  
Advisor: Matthew Willemssen

Nadene N. Vevea, Mankato  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. David Engen

Denise M. Ware, Mankato  
English: Technical Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Gwen Griffin

Sara J. Weisenbeck, Saint Paul  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen  
Thesis: *For Better or For Worse: Spousal Support between Married Coworkers*

## MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Jennifer L. Amel, Green Bay,  
Wisconsin  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Richard Terrill  
Thesis: *Raw Skin*

Anne M. Clark, Norwood,  
Massachusetts  
Theatre Arts  
Advisor: Steven Smith  
Thesis: *The Lighting Design for Julius Caesar*

Tyler Corbett, Fort Smith, Arkansas  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Diana Joseph

Kassandra S. Duthie, Minneapolis  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer  
Thesis: *Clumsiness*

Amanda J. Eller, Mankato  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Terry Davis

Akia S. Fleming, Dothan, Alabama  
Theatre Arts  
Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles  
Thesis: *An Actor's Perspective: Creating the Role of Penelope Pennywise in URINETOWN*

Sara E. Hein, Mankato  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Terry Davis

Esther L. Iverson, Mankato  
Theatre Arts  
Advisor: Dr. Paul Hustoles

Elysaar Khoury, Mankato  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Terry Davis  
Thesis: *The Embassy on the Banks of the Styx*

Anna M. Larson, North Mankato  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer  
Thesis: *Late for the Dance*

Philip N. MacKenzie, Mankato  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer

Dodie M. Miller, Mankato  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Richard Robbins

Kimberly A. Nielsen, Eden Prairie  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Dr. Roger Sheffer  
Thesis: *Discarded Lips*

Christina M. Olson, Mankato  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Richard Robbins  
Thesis: *Something Singed*

Jean M. Prokott, Albertville  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Richard Terrill  
Thesis: *Available on Vinyl*

Trisha S. Shaskan, Minneapolis  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Terry Davis  
Thesis: *Annabel Beatrice Higgins and  
The Amazing Book of Monsters*

Reed M. Stratton, Hortonville,  
Wisconsin  
Creative Writing  
Advisor: Richard Robbins

Leah K. Williams, North Muskegon,  
Michigan  
Theatre Arts  
Advisor: David McCarl  
Thesis: *Costume Design for  
Shakespeare's THE COMEDY OF  
ERRORS*

Randall E. Wyatt, Saint Paul  
Theatre Arts  
Advisor: Dr. Nina LeNoir  
Thesis: *Glacier, Lake, Cloud: A  
Director's Approach to Jamie  
Pachino's WAVING GOODBYE*

## MASTER OF MUSIC

Melissa J. Bechel, North Mankato  
Choral Conducting  
Advisor: Dr. David Dickau

Ingerid M. Kvam, Franklin  
Music  
Advisor: Dr. John Lindberg

Craig A. Melhorn, North Mankato  
Wind Band Conducting  
Advisor: Dr. Amy Roisum Foley

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

Chaitanya S. Ambadipudi, India  
Computer Science  
Advisor: Dr. Dean Kelley

Pabina Bista, Mankato  
Environmental Sciences  
Advisor: Dr. Bertha Proctor

Nancy S. Bohada-Pacheco, Colombia  
Spanish  
Advisor: Dr. Gregory Taylor

Allison M. Boies, Lincoln, Nebraska  
Biology  
Advisor: Dr. John Krenz

Frank A. Davis, IV., Houston, Texas  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Daniel Cronn-Mills

Denis Depinoy, France  
French  
Advisor: Dr. Daria Dona

Muhammad R. Farooq, Pakistan  
Computer Science  
Advisor: Dr. Cyrus Azarbod

Felicia M. Hamlin, Blue Earth  
Spanish  
Advisor: Dr. Kimberly Contag

Keerthi Kamalapur, India  
Computer Science  
Advisor: Steven Case

Mukthi Kamalapur, Blaine  
Computer Science  
Advisor: Dr. Christophe Veltsos

Erick Y. Kim, Mankato  
Engineering  
Advisor: Dr. Mark Dvorak

Cindy R. Kottschade, Rochester  
Biology  
Advisor: Dr. Bradley Cook

Marnie A. Lindberg, West Saint Paul  
Biology  
Advisor: Dr. Penny Knoblich

Derrick D. Lindstrom, Apple Valley  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. David Engen

James L. Livermont, Mankato  
French  
Advisor: Dr. John J. Janc

Rakesh K. Malakar, Nepal  
Computer Science  
Advisor: Dr. Cyrus Azarbod

Holly M. Manning, Saint Peter  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen

Hassan H. Obeid, Syria  
Engineering  
Advisor: Dr. Mark Dvorak

Nandan Patibandla, India  
Engineering  
Advisor: Dr. Gale Allen

Aaron C. Pilger, Sun Prairie,  
Wisconsin  
Manufacturing Engineering  
Technology  
Advisor: Dr. Harry Petersen

Kavita Puvvula, India  
Manufacturing Engineering  
Technology  
Advisor: Dr. Andrzej Markowski



John B. Rollins, New Ulm  
Manufacturing Engineering  
Technology  
Advisor: Dr. Andrzej Markowski

Simone L. Rollins, Guyana  
Biology  
Advisor: Dr. Dorothy Wrigley

Jacob M. Scandrett, North Mankato  
Biology  
Advisor: Dr. Alison Mahoney

Kevin G. Schnaser, Revillo,  
South Dakota  
Spanish  
Advisor: Dr. Karl Heise

David D. Sellnow, New Ulm  
Multidisciplinary Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Margaretta Handke

Suparna A. Shaligram, India  
Computer Science  
Advisor: Dr. Dean Kelley

Travis L. Shives, Colorado Springs,  
Colorado  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Warren Sandmann

Angela L. Stearns, Jackson  
Biology  
Advisor: Dr. Penny Knoblich

Binaya Tuladhar, Nepal  
Physics  
Advisor: Dr. Hai-Sheng Wu

Sarat K. Viswanatha, India  
Computer Science  
Advisor: Dr. Christophe Veltsos

Matthew J. Woelfel, Rochester  
Engineering  
Advisor: Dr. William Hudson

Katherine A. Worley, Minneapolis  
Environmental Sciences  
Advisor: Dr. Bertha Proctor  
Thesis: *The Importance of Integrating  
Environmental Education into the  
School Curriculum*

Faosatulai A. Yusuf, Mankato  
Speech Communication  
Advisor: Dr. Kristen Treinen





# College of Arts and Humanities

The candidates will be presented by Jane F. Earley, Dean.

## SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Eber E. Allen, Spanish  
Kellie J. Bigham,  
Mass Communications  
Rosemary J. Busse, English  
Matthew C. Davis, Theatre Arts  
Eleanor R. Harper, Art History  
Marcia A. Hewitt,  
Mass Communications  
Angie K. Iserman, English/Speech  
Education  
Nicole L. Jacobson, Art  
Laura M. Klecker, Art Education  
Emily A. LaMont, Open Studies  
Travis J. Loeslie, Philosophy  
Andrew J. Loraff, English  
Andrew J. Loraff, Humanities  
Rebecca F. Maas,  
Mass Communications  
Jennifer A. Masteller, Art Education  
Ashley K. Olson, Spanish  
Education K-12  
Amber L. Richter, Mass  
Communications: General  
Erinn M. Roach,  
Speech Communication  
Bailey B. Rolfsrud, Philosophy, Politics  
and Economics  
Karen A. Samek, Music Industry  
Chandra G. Sather, Art  
Danielle M. Thomsen, Spanish  
Alison M. Troidahl,  
Mass Communications:  
Public Relations  
Colleen VanWyngarden, Art  
Philip R. VanWyngarden,  
Speech Communication  
Donald M. Vosburg, German  
Zachariah M. Wesely, English

## MAGNA CUM LAUDE

David E. Ahl, Spanish  
Krystal R. Armstrong, Art  
Rachel K. Banfield, French  
Amanda J. Barta, Art Education  
Meredith A. Benson,  
Mass Communications  
Wes E. Bjorklund, Art Education  
Jason D. Boldt, Art  
Joseph E. Burns, English

Joseph E. Burns, English/  
Speech Education  
Jessica L. Carlson,  
Speech Communication  
Elspeth C. Carlstrom, Art  
Clarín E. Collins, Spanish  
Calvin C. Collum, II, English/  
Speech Education  
Michael P. Coughlan, Theatre Arts  
Emmeline E. Elliott,  
Mass Communications  
Nicole L. Escobar Pearson,  
Spanish Education K-12  
Ryan M. Feldbrugge, Philosophy  
Janelle A. Fischer,  
Mass Communications  
Stacy D. Flindt, Art  
Ryan J. Gehrke,  
Mass Communications:  
News-Editorial  
Justin M. Halvorson, Philosophy  
Alison M. Hansen, Open Studies  
Candice M. Harvieux, English  
Stephanie A. Hawkins, English/  
Speech Education  
Casey R. Hochhalter, Art  
Amelia J. Johnson,  
Mass Communications  
Sarah C. Katzenmeyer, Art  
Colleen M. Kelly, English  
Colleen M. Kelly,  
Mass Communications  
Michael A. Klitzke, Art Education  
Jamie M. Koerner,  
Mass Communications  
Jamie M. Koerner, Spanish  
Emily S. Kofoed,  
Mass Communications  
Corey J. Krolkowski, Theatre Arts  
Julianne L. Kroon,  
Mass Communications  
Dax M. Larson,  
Mass Communications  
Emily J. Leet, Speech Communication  
Ruth J. Marquardt, Art  
Kimberly A. Marty, English/Speech  
Samantha R. Miller, English/  
Speech Education  
Janelle M. Morrison,  
Dance Education  
Janelle M. Morrison,  
Music: Education

Kjersti K. Mortenson, Art  
Jacalyn A. Neubarth, English/  
Speech Education  
Laura J. Nigon, Theatre Arts  
Andrew T. Poole, Spanish  
Elizabeth J. Preus, Art  
Mary A. Pyka, Spanish  
Joshua E. Randall,  
Speech Communication  
Sheila A. Shetka, Spanish  
Lisa M. Sikkink, English  
Erin M. Speldrich, English/  
Speech Education  
Jessica M. Stanek,  
Mass Communications  
Kimberley A. von Knobelsdorff,  
English  
Phillip M. Windyk, Art

## CUM LAUDE

John M. Baquero, Spanish  
Kristin A. Belsaas, Philosophy  
Stephany A. Beshara,  
Mass Communications  
William P. Brozak, Mass  
Communications: Public Relations  
William P. Brozak,  
Speech Communication  
Brendan C. Cullen-Benson,  
Art Education  
Madonna E. Flowers,  
Mass Communications  
Michael J. Gedatus, Mass  
Communications: Public Relations  
Bryanna M. Gerlach,  
Mass Communications: General  
Sara M. Hamilton, English  
Cheri L. Hanel, Art Education  
Benjamin R. Hedlund,  
Scandinavian Studies  
Dustin L. Horstmann, French  
Erica S. Hough, English/  
Speech Education  
Nicholas A. Johnson,  
Music: Education  
Joseph W. Kent, Music: Education  
Dana A. Kleiman, Theatre Arts  
Carly D. Listman,  
Mass Communications  
Danielle J. Mann, Theatre Arts

Danielle J. Mann,  
Mass Communications  
Thea J. Maus, English/  
Speech Education  
Crystal K. McAninch, English/  
Speech Education  
Jessica L. Miller, English/  
Speech Education

Andrew D. Nelson, Art  
Shara G. Reasor, Mass  
Communications  
Shara G. Reasor, Spanish  
Stacey L. Rupert,  
Mass Communications  
Tiffany D. Russell, Art  
Diane J. Sonnabend, Art

Rachael B. Steffl, Mass  
Communications  
Jason A. Stone, Theatre Arts  
Daniel S. Strutz, Speech  
Communication  
Summer J. Wenger, Spanish  
Education K-12  
Kristin L. Westendorf, English/  
Speech Education



## DEPARTMENT OF ART

*Professor James Johnson,  
Chairperson*

Ryan T. Adel, BA, Worthington  
Krystal R. Armstrong, BA, Buffalo  
Amanda J. Barta, BS, North Mankato  
Wes E. Bjorklund, BS, Saint Peter  
Jason D. Boldt, BFA, Mankato  
Elspeth C. Carlstrom, BFA, Mankato  
Brianna M. Clark, BA, Rockford  
Brendan C. Cullen-Benson, BS, Oakdale  
Nicole M. Dahl, BA, Goodhue  
Stacy D. Flindt, BFA, Mankato  
Matthew S. Frangier, BFA, Plymouth  
Kristin G. Gabrielson, BFA, Rochester  
Andrew C. Hamm, BFA, Litchfield  
Cheri L. Hanel, BS, Mankato  
Eleanor R. Harper, BA, Faribault  
Casey R. Hochhalter, BFA, Mankato  
Nicole L. Jacobson, BFA,  
North Mankato  
Sarah C. Katzenmeyer, BFA,  
Albert Lea  
Laura M. Klecker, BS, Ellsworth,  
Wisconsin  
Michael A. Klitzke, BS, Spirit Lake,  
Iowa  
Kathryn G. Landeck, BS,  
Apple Valley  
Selena M. Leetch, BFA, Mankato  
Meredith O. Lemiso, BA, Mankato  
Katelyn M. Lubbers, BA, Andover  
Matthew D. Lundquist, BFA, Mankato  
Kate M. Maher, BFA, South  
Saint Paul  
Ruth J. Marquardt, BFA, Mankato  
Jennifer A. Masteller, BS, Buffalo  
Katie K. Meyers, BFA, Mankato  
Kjersti K. Mortenson, BFA, Fridley  
Carl L. Mulder, BFA, North Mankato

Bailey M. Namtvedt, BFA,  
Eden Prairie  
Andrew D. Nelson, BFA, Lakeville  
Tina L. Nimz, BFA, Blue Earth  
Melena A. Petersen, BA, Shorewood  
Elizabeth J. Preus, BFA, Maple Grove  
Jeffrey J. Rivet, BFA, Deland, Florida  
Tiffany D. Russell, BFA, Buffalo  
Chandra G. Sather, BFA, Saint Paul  
Rachel A. Simmons, BA, Jordan  
Catherine A. Smith, BFA, Fairmont  
Diane J. Sonnabend, BA, Kasson  
Chad M. Sorenson, BS, Albert Lea  
Tammi L. Stoffel, BFA, Mankato  
Carisa L. Thran, BFA, Zimmerman  
Holly N. Tripp, BFA, Waseca  
Colleen VanWyngarden, BFA,  
New Ulm  
Phillip M. Windyk, BFA, Minneapolis

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

*Professor John Banschbach,  
Chairperson*

Nicolette R. Anderson, BS, New Ulm  
Jessica L. Andrews, BS, Maple Grove  
David A. Buckley, BA, Mankato  
Joseph E. Burns, BS, Winona  
Rosemary J. Busse, BA, Good Thunder  
Tess E. Christensen, BA, Blue Earth  
Calvin C. Collum, II, BS, New Ulm  
Melody A. DeLeon, BS,  
College Station, Texas  
Christina M. Flaughter, BA,  
Good Thunder  
Brittany A. Gorder, BS, North Mankato  
Gillian R. Gray, BS, Mankato  
Sara M. Hamilton, BA, White  
Bear Lake  
Candice M. Harvieux, BA, Eagan  
Stephanie A. Hawkins, BS, Owatonna

Carrie R. Hendrickson, BS, Mankato  
Erica S. Hough, BS, Elmore  
Angie K. Iserman, BS, Mankato  
Colleen M. Kelly, BA, North  
Saint Paul  
Kalyn R. Kruse, BS, Dayton  
Sara M. Lloyd, BA, Brooklyn Center  
Carl D. Lonquist, BA, Boyd  
Andrew J. Loraff, BA, Ortonville  
Kimberly A. Marty, BS, Mankato  
Thea J. Maus, BS, Lino Lakes  
Crystal K. McAninch, BS, Eagan  
Jessica L. Miller, BS, Plymouth  
Samantha R. Miller, BS,  
North Mankato  
Jacalyn A. Neubarth, BS, Winthrop  
Matthew D. Neubert, BA,  
Lake Crystal  
Leah K. Pederson, BS, Mankato  
Caroline T. Schilling, BA, Rochester  
Lisa M. Sikkink, BA, Rochester  
Erin M. Speldrich, BS, Elrosa  
Anthony W. St Michel, BS, Hopkins  
Amy L. Strand, BA, Mankato  
Jennifer L. Terfehr, BA, Lakeville  
Kimberley A. von Knobelsdorff, BS,  
Zumbrota  
Julie M. Weimer, BA, Mankato  
Zachariah M. Wesely, BA, Mankato  
Kristin L. Westendorf, BS, Mankato

## DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATIONS

*Professor Jane McConnell,  
Chairperson*

Meredith A. Benson, BS,  
North Mankato  
Stephany A. Beshara, BS,  
Rapid City, South Dakota  
Kellie J. Bigham, BS, Mankato

Kimberly A. Broback, BS,  
Apple Valley  
William P. Brozak, BS, North  
Saint Paul  
Nicholas J. Burns, BS, Bloomington  
Dana D. Clark, BS, Saint Peter  
Leslie M. Coulter, BS, Mankato  
Thomas E. Dean, BS, Wausau,  
Wisconsin  
Eric M. Durkin, BS, Minneapolis  
Emmeline E. Elliott, BS, Madison,  
South Dakota  
Garret A. Felder, BS, Lakeville  
Janelle A. Fischer, BS, New Ulm  
Madonna E. Flowers, BS, Mankato  
Michael J. Gedatus, BS, Stillwater  
Ryan J. Gehrke, BS, Sleepy Eye  
Bryanna M. Gerlach, BS, Woodbury  
Joanna L. Graf, BA, Rochester  
Michelle K. Grigware, BS, Lenexa,  
Kansas  
Marcia A. Hewitt, BA, Brooklyn Park  
Amelia J. Johnson, BS, Beresford,  
South Dakota  
Colleen M. Kelly, BA, North Saint Paul  
Jamie M. Koerner, BA, Lincoln,  
Nebraska  
Emily S. Kofoed, BS, Mapleton  
Julianne L. Kroon, BS, North Mankato  
Richard H. Kubitschek, Jr, BS,  
Lake Elmo  
Dax M. Larson, BS, Bloomington  
Michael D. Leech, BS, Mankato  
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# Program

## 12:00 P.M.

**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, '70, '73  
Doug Snapp, Associate 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**

Mary Jacquart  
Director of Government Relations  
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**Address**

Andrea Lauren Valberg  
Bachelor of Science  
Spring 2007 Graduate  
College of Allied Health and Nursing

Heidi Jo Nistler  
Bachelor of Science  
Spring 2007 Graduate  
College of Education

**Conferring of Degrees**

**Welcome to the Minnesota State University, Mankato  
Alumni Association**

Allan P. Bohkle, '86, President  
Minnesota State University, Mankato Alumni Association

**Recessional March \***

*\*Audience to remain seated.*

12:00 P.M. PROGRAM



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University, Mankato Alumni  
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Professor of Human Performance

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Jerry Robicheau, Associate Professor  
of Educational Leadership  
Joe Walsh, Professor of Human  
Performance

## **COLLEGE HONOR MARSHALS**

Kent Kalm, College of Allied Health  
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Richard Auger, College of Education

## **JUNIOR HONOR MARSHALS**

Heidi S. Rusch, College of Allied  
Health and Nursing  
Michael A. Meeker, College of  
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Guynel Reid  
Steven Reuter  
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Garold Rushing

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Loretta DeLong  
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Ron Nickerson  
Glen Peterson  
Patrick Sexton  
John Seymour  
Ronald Weiss

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Angela Monson  
Jennifer Pepperell  
Victoria Peters  
Elizabeth Sandell  
John Solis  
Marlene Tappe  
Rachelle Toupenca  
Linda Underwood  
Paul Wyss

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# College of Graduate Studies

*The candidates will be presented by Anne Blackhurst, Interim Dean.*

## MASTER OF ARTS

Aaron J. Aslakson, Hancock  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
Advisor: Dr. Mary Visser

Christina M. Bade, Mankato  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
Advisor: Dr. Joseph Walsh

Kayla P. Barth, Mankato  
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Illinois  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
Advisor: Dr. Joseph Walsh

Ward A. Berndt, Rollingstone  
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Arthur L. Errickson, Minneapolis  
Physical Education  
Advisor: Dr. Joseph Walsh

Jennifer L. Folgers, Mankato  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
Advisor: Dr. Garold Rushing  
Thesis: *An Analysis of Gender  
Equity within Sports Photographs  
Published in Selected Newspapers  
and Magazines*

Elizabeth M. Geer, Adams  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
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Victoria R. Gomarko, Sauk Centre  
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Adam J. Kelly, Hartford, Wisconsin  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
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Lisa L. Knutson, Madison Lake  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
Advisor: Dr. Soonhwan Lee

Leigh Ann M. LaFave, Mankato  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
Advisor: Dr. Soonhwan Lee  
Thesis: *Influential Factors Considered  
by NCAA Division III Institutions'  
Women Softball Players in the  
Recruiting Process*

Julie A. Langenfeld, Waseca  
Physical Education  
Advisor: Dr. Sherry Folsom-Meek  
Thesis: *A Study of Physical Fitness  
with Children with Autism Spectrum  
Disorder*

Frank J. Marchio, III., Saint Paul  
Physical Education  
Advisor: Dr. Joseph Walsh

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Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
Advisor: Dr. Soonhwan Lee

Scott A. Nelsen, North Mankato  
Physical Education  
Advisor: Dr. Garold Rushing  
Thesis: *Team Earned Run Average  
or Team Batting Average: Which  
Most Likely Correlates to a Team's  
Winning Percentage in Major  
League Baseball?*

Angela J. Petricka, Faribault  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
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Wisconsin  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
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Megan E. Salic, Fargo, North  
Dakota  
Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
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Thesis: *The Location of Sport  
Management Programs in Relation  
to Various University Academic Units*

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Physical Education (Non-Teaching)  
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Mary A. Zahn, West Bend,  
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K-12 Licensure  
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Tamara M. Kasch-Flugum, Eagle Lake  
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Advisor: Dr. Deborah Jesseman

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Advisor: Dr. Deborah Jesseman

Raymond V. Ostfeld, Mantorville  
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Josie Thulien, Madelia  
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## MASTER OF SCIENCE

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Betsy Yang, BS, Mankato



# College of Education

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Sabrina L. Dahl,  
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Elementary Education  
Diana M. Doherty,  
Elementary Education  
Stephanie S. Eskina,  
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Early Childhood Education  
Vanessa K. King,  
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Ryan V. Lohr, Elementary Education  
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Special Education  
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# Program

3:00 P.M.

**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, '70, '73  
Doug Snapp, Associate 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**

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Emily Rachel Toot  
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**Conferring of Degrees**

**Welcome to the Minnesota State University, Mankato  
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**Recessional March \***

\*Audience to remain seated.



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Vicki Luoma  
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# College of Graduate Studies

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## MASTER OF ARTS

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Political Science  
Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey  
Granberg-Rademacker

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Political Science  
Advisor: Dr. Jacqueline Vieceli  
Pari B. Becker, Mankato  
Industrial/Organizational Psychology

Advisor: Dr. Andrea Lassiter  
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Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

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Cedar Falls, Iowa  
Clinical Psychology  
Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Buchanan

Michael R. Boulton, Porter  
Urban and Regional Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Miriam Porter

Elizabeth L. Carey, Mankato  
Urban and Regional Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Miriam Porter

Leslie P. Chmielewski, Sauk Rapids  
Urban and Regional Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Miriam Porter

Ryan M. Chukuske, Mankato  
Sociology: General  
Advisor: Dr. Dennis Waskul  
Thesis: *Institutionalized Emotions:  
Emotional Labor of Staff at a Sex  
Offender Treatment Facility*

John F. Considine III, Mankato  
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Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

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Advisor: Dr. Andrea Lassiter

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Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

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Ranch, California  
Industrial/Organizational Psychology  
Advisor: Dr. Lisa Perez

Dennis L. Fields, Rochester  
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Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

Nicholas D. Gfrerer, Stillwater  
Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

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Sociology: General  
Advisor: Dr. Leah Rogne

Joshua G. Harrison, Mankato  
History  
Advisor: Dr. Humberto Loayza

Jennifer L. Hattervig, Saint Paul  
Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

Jacob A. Helton, Saint Peter  
Urban Studies/Public Administration  
Advisor: Dr. Avra Johnson

Heather M. Jergenson, Chatfield  
Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Anthony Filipovitch

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Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Anthony Filipovitch

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History  
Advisor: Dr. Humberto Loayza

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Advisor: Dr. Daniel Sachau

Gina M. Martino, Chanhassen  
History  
Advisor: Dr. Christopher Corley

Casey G. McCabe, Le Center  
Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Raymond Asomani-Boateng

Catherine M. McCormick,  
Minnetonka  
Clinical Psychology  
Advisor: Dr. Barry Ries

Tiffany M. Parker, Derry,  
New Hampshire  
Industrial/Organizational Psychology  
Advisor: Dr. Kimberly O'Farrell

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Urban and Regional Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Miriam Porter

Michael J. Paulsen, Mound  
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Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

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Political Science  
Advisor: Dr. Joseph Kunkel

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Granberg-Rademacker

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Industrial/Organizational Psychology  
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Urban Planning  
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Julia P. Spencer, Mankato  
Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Miriam Porter

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Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

Jessica P. Thesing, Minneapolis  
Urban Planning  
Advisor: Dr. Perry Wood

Renu A. Thomas, India  
Clinical Psychology  
Advisor: Dr. Barry Ries

Atul Upadhyay, Nepal  
Political Science  
Advisor: Dr. Eiji Kawabata

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Urban Studies/Public Administration  
Advisor: Dr. Avra Johnson

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Urban Studies/Public Administration  
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Advisor: Dr. Raymond  
Asomani-Boateng

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Wade L. Crosby, Owatonna  
Business Administration  
Advisor: Dr. Kevin Elliott

Jason M. Gates, Fargo, North Dakota  
Business Administration  
Advisor: Dr. Marilyn Fox

David A. Grosland, Mankato  
Business Administration  
Advisor: Dr. Kevin Elliott

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Business Administration  
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Public Administration  
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## **MASTER OF SCIENCE**

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Ethnic and Multi-Cultural Studies  
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Sociology: Corrections  
Advisor: Dr. Joe Davis

Karen L. Berro, Rochester  
Sociology: Corrections  
Advisor: Dr. Barbara Carson

Jessica L. Bonazza, Burnsville  
Sociology: Corrections  
Advisor: Dr. Pedro Thomas  
Thesis: *Does Race Influence the  
Scores of Four Domains of the Level  
of Service Inventory-Revised?*

Abby C. Buck, Mankato  
Women's Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Susan Freeman

Jeffrey R. Desannoy, Milwaukee,  
Wisconsin  
History  
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History  
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Anthropology  
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Advisor: Dr. Susan Freeman

Cindy A. Mark, Prior Lake  
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Thomas J. Murphy, Minnesota Lake  
Anthropology  
Advisor: Dr. Paul Brown

John T. Nugent, Waseca  
Geography  
Advisor: Dr. Jose Lopez

Michele K. Owen, Roseville  
Women's Studies  
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Thesis: *Changes in Feminism: A Case  
Study of CADA House*

Shane P. Roche, Chisholm  
Gerontology  
Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Buchanan

Julie A. Rud, Maplewood  
Sociology: Corrections  
Advisor: Dr. Barbara Carson  
Thesis: *Engender Relationship: The  
Effects of Gender-Responsive Policy  
and Practice in a Drug Court  
System*

Richard S. Ruzin, Carver  
Gerontology  
Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Buchanan

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Women's Studies  
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Sociology: Human Services, Planning  
& Administration  
Advisor: Dr. Barbara Keating  
Thesis: *Club Girlz World Friendship  
Quality Evaluation*

Joel R. Varrientos, Racine, Wisconsin  
Sociology: Corrections  
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California  
Geography  
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Rie Yamada, Japan  
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# College of Business

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International Business  
Amy C. Kelly, Accounting  
Nathan A. Kinner, Accounting  
Nathan A. Kinner, Finance  
Amanda M. Malecek, Finance  
Tiphonie J. Meinert, Finance  
Sean W. Mulcahey, Finance  
Rachel M. Nachreiner, Management  
Jena M. Niesen, Accounting  
Sarah M. Patterson, Management  
Rachel M. Peet, Finance  
Jill H. Reisdorfer, Management  
Jenna L. Ryan, Marketing  
Emily R. Toot, Management

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Jatin Batra, International Business  
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Clarín E. Collins, Marketing  
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Amanda L. Goodrich, Accounting  
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Jani K. Grantz, Finance  
Brandi K. Hibma, Finance  
Carmelia U. Hugg, Finance

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Michael J. Huneke, Finance  
Swadhin Karki, International Business  
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Neil R. McCluhan, Marketing  
Bradley J. Mitchell, Finance  
Brooke A. Morgan, Finance  
Brooke A. Morgan, Accounting  
Priyanka Nepal, Marketing  
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Lindsay A. Oakland, Accounting  
Scott A. Petersen, Management  
Ashley A. Peterson, Marketing  
Staci L. Pettis, Management  
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**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.

**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, and includes seminars, interdisciplinary seminars, service-learning, practicum, and a Senior Capstone 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. 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 and cultures; and to foster understanding of other peoples.

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 and is denoted by the wearing of 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 and installed the Mankato chapter, Nu Alpha, in 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 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.

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.

## 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 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, 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.

### 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 and sovereign nations of our students.



# 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 businesses, estates, and individuals throughout Minnesota and the nation. Minnesota State Mankato honors graduates of the Presidential Scholarship program.

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## 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 103,000 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, 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](http://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,

Allan P. Bohlke '86  
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, 1,600 faculty and staff, and nearly 14,000 students—the highest in a decade—including 1,600 graduate and professional students and over 500 international students from 68 countries. Alumni number 103,000 worldwide.

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## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT VOLUNTEER

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## HONOR STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

Fatah Ahmed, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Oyoye Akane, 12:00 P.M. ceremony;  
3:00 P.M. ceremony; Golden Key  
International Honor Society,

Jessica Bennett, 12:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society, Presidential Scholar

Jessica Broveak, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Brooke Buckentine, 3:00 P.M.  
ceremony; Golden Key International  
Honor Society

Saptarshi Chatterjee, 9:00 A.M.  
ceremony; Golden Key International  
Honor Society

Laurie Colson, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
12:00 P.M. ceremony; Golden Key  
International Honor Society; Honors  
Program; Presidential Scholar

Tysen Dauer, 12:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society; Presidential Scholar

Maureen Fredrickson, 9:00 A.M.  
ceremony; Golden Key International  
Honor Society

Sarah Gleitz, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Laura Grenander, 3:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Honors Program

Andrea Haberman, 3:00 P.M.  
ceremony; Golden Key International  
Honor Society

Rebecca Hughes, 12:00 P.M.  
ceremony; 3:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Oluwaseye Jinadu, 12:00 P.M.  
ceremony; 3:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Abigail Knott, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
12:00 P.M. ceremony; Presidential  
Scholar

Caiyun Kontz, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Kathy Nelson, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Melissa O'Malley, 3:00 P.M.  
ceremony; Golden Key International  
Honor Society

Kelsey Paplow, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Ashley Purfeerst, 3:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Angela Rix, 9:00 A.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Richard Sinn, 12:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Rose Thrun, , 12:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Rebecca Trettel, 12:00 P.M. ceremony;  
3:00 P.M. ceremony; Golden Key  
International Honor Society

Lindsay Willems; 3:00 P.M. ceremony;  
Golden Key International Honor  
Society

Rebecca Worm, 3:00 P.M. ceremony;  
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Society

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Colleen Gerdts



Paul J. Hustoles, Professor of Theatre and Dance, will hood the recipients of Master of Fine Arts degrees at the 9:00 A.M. ceremony.

Jerry Robicheau, Associate Professor of Educational Leadership, will hood the recipients of Specialist degrees at the 12:00 P.M. ceremony.

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