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OF THE  
ONE-HUNDRED and FOURTH COMMENCEMENT



Sunday, December 13, 2015  
12:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.  
FedExForum



The University of Memphis is a community that is Driven By Doing. The Senior Class Gift Program has become yet another unique opportunity for graduating seniors to DO something meaningful to support the great work that is happening all around campus.

Our mission is to educate University of Memphis students about the importance and impact of student giving and to promote a philanthropic spirit among graduating seniors. Students have an opportunity to start their legacy of giving to the University through a collective effort to give back to their alma mater. Your support of this program has helped to fund a need-based, four-year renewable scholarship for a deserving incoming freshman student – yet another shining example of how students are making a difference at the U of M.

By contributing to the Senior Class Gift, you have left behind a bit of your own personality and have taken your first steps toward becoming a proud U of M alum. Thank you for showing your support for the university that has not only given you an education – but a Tiger family for life. The Senior Class Gift Program is the bridge that connects your philanthropic spirit as a student to your continued support as a proud Tiger alum. Congratulations Graduating Seniors!

***Students Today. Alumni Forever.***

**There is still time to make your Senior Class Gift!**

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## **THE TENNESSEE BOARD OF REGENTS**

The Tennessee Board of Regents is among the nation's largest higher education systems, governing 46 post-secondary educational institutions. The TBR system includes six universities, 13 two-year colleges and 27 colleges of applied technology, providing programs across the state to 188,000 students.

### **MEMBERS OF THE BOARD**

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## HISTORICAL HERITAGE

For the last 104 years, the University of Memphis has been a catalyst for progress in the city, the state of Tennessee and the surrounding Mid-South region. As a doctoral degree-granting metropolitan research university, we are committed to excellence at all levels: undergraduate, graduate and professional. The University of Memphis' roots date back to 1912 when it began as West Tennessee State Normal School and its main purpose was to educate public school teachers. While our name has changed several times throughout the years, the University has continued to be guided by the principles of academic integrity, sound management and equal opportunity. In 1968, it saw its first doctoral graduate, and since its doors first opened has conferred over 160,000 degrees.

The main campus lies in the heart of a widespread metropolis and combines the convenience of a large city with the atmosphere of a residential neighborhood. Additionally, the University consists of several satellite campuses, including Collierville, Dyersburg, Millington and Jackson, Tenn. In 2011, the University of Memphis obtained the Lambuth University campus and now offers four-year degrees at what is now the University of Memphis Lambuth campus.

As the flagship of the Tennessee Board of Regents system, the University of Memphis awards more than 4,000 degrees annually. Divisions of the study include the College of Arts & Sciences, Fogelman College of Business & Economics, the College of Communication and Fine Arts, the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences, Herff College of Engineering, Kemmons Wilson School of Hospitality and Resort Management, Loewenberg College of Nursing, University College, Graduate School, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law, the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders and the School of Public Health.

The University offers 17 bachelor's degrees in more than 50 majors and 70 concentrations, master's degrees in more than 55 subjects, doctoral degrees in 23 disciplines, a specialist's degree in education, the Juris Doctor and an ever-changing online degree program. Reflecting on its commitment to the highest levels of excellence in teaching and national prominence in research, the University of Memphis has five Centers of Excellence and 26 Chairs of Excellence. Its full-time faculty number more than 850. Our wireless campus educates more than 22,000 students each year. Our faculty have won national awards ranging from Emmys and Grammys to the prestigious Peabody Award. In later years, the campus has seen recent changes and additions including the opening of a newly designed University Center, opening of the FedEx Institute of Technology, the Kemmons Wilson School of Hospitality and Resort Management, the John Wilder Student Services Tower and the Michael D. Rose Theatre Lecture Hall. The Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law is now housed in the historic U.S. Customs House and Post Office in downtown Memphis, a significant achievement for both the city and the University. While instruction, service and research are our primary emphases, the University also commits its resources to the social, cultural and economic welfare of the region through partnerships with many public and private organizations. As we move toward our next 100 years, the University of Memphis is poised to enhance its national and international reputation as one of America's great metropolitan research universities.

## STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Government Association is the voice of students at the University of Memphis. The SGA is comprised of three branches of government: executive, judicial (Student Court) and legislative (Senate). Elections are held in April. The SGA funds travel for individual students and organizations, including trips to conferences relating to the student's field of academic interest and leadership conferences. It sponsors Frosh Camp to help incoming first-time freshmen establish friendships, learn about what is offered on campus, begin the adjustment to college life, and have a successful first year. The SGA also sponsors the Mr. and Ms. U of M contest during football Homecoming each fall. Student senators present resolutions as bills to the Student Senate for benefit of the general student body.

### 2015-2016 Officers

David Knowles, *President*

Raven Douglas, *Vice President*

Kevan Hatamzadeh, *Speaker of the Senate*

Cole Roe, *Chief Justice*

Caleb Lies, *Speaker Pro Temp*

# Speaker

## Robert B. Carter

### Commencement Speaker

*Executive Vice President  
Information Services & Chief Information Officer  
FedEx Corporation*



Robert B. (Rob) Carter is Executive Vice President, FedEx Information Services and Chief Information Officer of FedEx Corporation. He is a member of the five-person Executive Committee, which plans and executes the corporation's strategic business activities. Carter also serves as Co-CEO of FedEx Services, the shared service entity responsible for Sales, Marketing, Information Technology and Customer Service.

Carter joined FedEx in 1993 and has over 35 years of systems development and implementation experience. Carter is responsible for setting the technology direction of the FedEx applications, infrastructure, networks and data centers that provide around the clock and around the globe support for FedEx product offerings.

He earned his bachelor's degree in computer and information science from the University of Florida and his master's degree from the University of South Florida.

Carter has been awarded many industry accolades, including, Fast Company's Most Creative People in Business 2014 and 2010, Fortune Magazine's Executive Dream Team, Information Week's Chief of the Year Award in 2000, 2001 and 2005, and a seven-time recipient of CIO Magazine's 100 Award. Carter is also a charter inductee into the publication's CIO Hall of Fame.

Carter serves on the Board of Directors of First Horizon Corporation (NYSE: FHN) and Pilot Flying J.

## ACADEMIC DRESS

*The following information is to help our visitors identify the costumes seen in the commencement procession:*

Academic dress evolved from religious habit worn by faculty in the ancient universities who were members of religious orders. For centuries these gowns distinguished students from their fellow citizens; sometimes this distinction in dress symbolized unfortunate controversies between “town and gown.” The European habit of using academic robes came to this country in the eighteenth century with the founding of what is now Columbia University. In 1895, American universities and colleges standardized their styles of academic costumes, and this system, with occasional modifications, is still in force. Today, the various colors, trimmings, and patterns of gown, hood, and cap are all traditional and symbolize both the degree and field of learning.

**GOWNS:** American academic gowns are usually of black material, and their pattern varies with the degree held. The bachelor gowns are relatively simple in design with a closed front and long, pointed, open sleeves. Master’s gowns have an open front with long, closed sleeves, the arms extending through a slit at the elbow, giving the appearance of short sleeves. Doctoral gowns are the most elaborate with velvet panels down the open front and three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves.

**HOODS:** The hoods, differing in length for the three degrees (bachelor’s, master’s, and doctor’s), are lined with the colors of the institution that granted the degree. Hoods are also trimmed with the color that heralds the major field of learning.

**CAPS:** A square mortarboard is the approved headgear. The tassel, fastened to the middle point of the top of the cap, is black or the color appropriate to the subject; it may be gold if the holder has a doctor’s degree. The University of Memphis has adopted the practice of having candidates for the bachelor degree wear the tassels on the right front side before degrees are conferred and shift them to the left at the moment when the degrees are awarded to them.

In the last few years, many universities have decided to return to a distinctive gown design. For instance, Columbia’s is now slate gray, Rochester’s a dandelion yellow, Northwestern’s is purple. The doctoral gown, with facing of black velvet, now has sleeve bands in the color of the wearer’s discipline. Some have replaced the mortarboard with a soft velvet tam with a gold tassel.

Following is a list of the hood and tassel colors that represent several categories of learning:

Arts, Letters, Humanities.....	White	Health Administration .....	Green
Architecture.....	Violet	Journalism.....	Crimson
Audiology.....	Forest Green	Law.....	Purple
Speech Pathology.....	Royal Blue	Music.....	Pink
City & Regional Planning .....	Scarlet Red	Nursing .....	Apricot
Commerce, Accountancy, Business.....	Sapphire Blue	Philosophy .....	White
Communication Arts.....	Silver Gray	Physical Education.....	Light Blue
Economics .....	Copper	Public Administration .....	Peacock Blue
Education .....	Light Blue	Public Health.....	Salmon
Engineering .....	Orange	Science .....	Golden Yellow
Fine Arts.....	Brown	Social Work.....	Citron

All hoods are *edged* with the above colors. These same colors may be used for the facing and sleeve bars of doctoral gowns and tassels on bachelors’ and masters’ caps.

The *lining* of the hood indicates the university granting the degree—for The University of Memphis, blue and gray. Among other institutional colors represented at this commencement are those for Arkansas, red and white; Chicago, maroon; Columbia, light blue and white chevron; Duke, royal blue with white chevron; Emory, navy blue with gold chevron; Harvard, crimson; Illinois, navy blue with two orange chevrons; University of Iowa, old gold; Kansas, navy blue with cardinal chevron; Northwestern, purple with gold chevrons; Ohio State, scarlet with silver gray chevron; Rice, silver above blue; Texas, white above orange; Vanderbilt, black and gold; Virginia Tech, orange and maroon; Wisconsin, bright red; Yale, royal blue.

## UNDERGRADUATE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

### GRADUATION WITH DISTINCTION

Based on a grading system of “A” as 4.0, three designations of graduation honors are recognized.\*

Summa cum laude .....	3.80 - 4.00 .....	Gold Cord
Magna cum laude .....	3.50 - 3.79 .....	Crimson Cord
Cum laude .....	3.25 - 3.49 .....	White Cord

### GRADUATION WITH HONORS

Students may earn Honors distinction by meeting requirements of the campus-wide University Honors Program and/or fulfilling requirements for departmental honors programs. These requirements involve a combination of special honors coursework, independent study, and usually an honors thesis or project. Students who successfully complete University Honors Program requirements are awarded their degrees with honors (e.g., *University Honors* or *University Honors with Thesis*). Students completing departmental honors programs are awarded their degree with honors in their area of concentration (e.g., *With Honors in English*).

**\*Note:** The commencement program is a roster of candidates, not an official list of graduates. Appropriate degrees and honors will be awarded to candidates who successfully complete all requirements by established deadlines. The posting of the earned degree on the official university transcript is the institution’s affirmation of possession of the degree.

Because of time limitations imposed in preparing this program for commencement, listing for graduation with distinction was based on a minimum of forty-two (42) semester hours at the University of Memphis and the grade point average as of the term prior to the final semester.

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### COMMON CENTS CAMPAIGN

Congratulations, Graduates! Thank you to those who supported the Common Cents Student Giving Campaign! Your gifts to the McWherter Library Laptop Project will have a lasting impact at the University of Memphis. Your support influences future University of Memphis classes who will be inspired by your leadership. To view the entire list of student donors, visit [www.memphis.edu/commoncents](http://www.memphis.edu/commoncents).



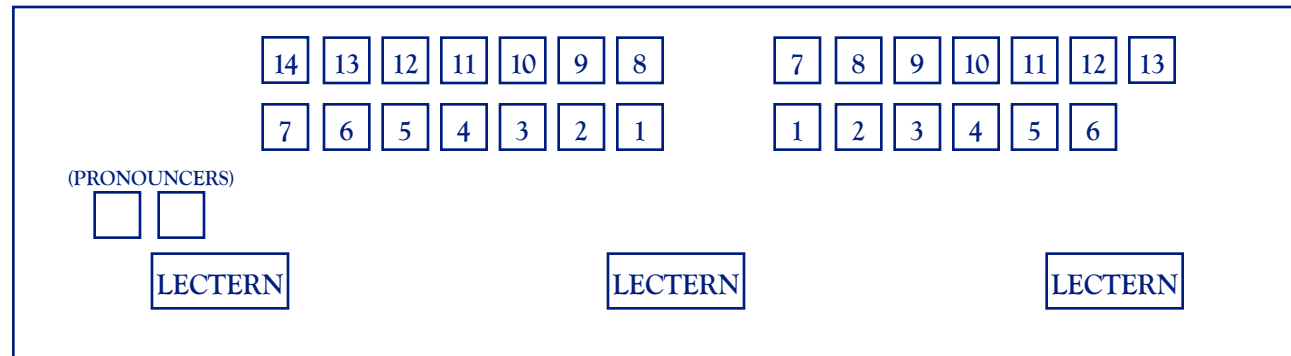
# FIRST CEREMONY

12:00 P.M.



DOCTORAL HOODING CEREMONY  
CECIL C. HUMPHREYS SCHOOL OF LAW  
COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION AND FINE ARTS  
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE  
COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

## FIRST CEREMONY PRESIDENT'S PLATFORM PARTY



### LEFT SIDE

1. Dr. Karen Weddle-West, Provost
2. Dr. Robert J. Jackson, Associate Vice Provost IT,  
CIO Information Technology Services
3. Dr. Rosie Phillips Bingham, Vice President for Student Affairs
4. Mr. David Knowles, President, Student Government Association
5. Mr. Kim Barnett, President, National Alumni Association Board  
of Directors
6. Dr. Wade Jackson, President, Faculty Senate
7. Dr. Jeffrey Allen Murdock Jr., Soloist
8. Dr. Rajiv Grover, Dean, Fogelman College of Business &  
Economics
9. Dr. Tim Ryan, Associate Professor, Kemmons Wilson School of  
Hospitality and Resort Management
10. Dr. Lin Zhan, Dean, Loewenberg College of Nursing
11. Dr. Ernest Rakow, Dean, College of Education
12. Dr. Richard Joseph Sweigard, Dean, Herff College of Engineering
13. Dr. Marian Levy, Assistant Dean, School of Public Health
14. Dr. Sylverna V. Ford, Dean, University Libraries

**Pronouncer**  
Mr. Jacob Allen  
Assistant Professor, Musical Theatre

### RIGHT SIDE

1. Dr. M. David Rudd, President
2. Mr. Robert B. Carter, Speaker & Executive Vice President and  
Chief Information Officer for the FedEx Corporation
3. Mr. David Zettergren, Vice President, Business & Finance
4. Dr. Andrew Meyers, Vice President for Research and Executive  
Director, University of Memphis Research Foundation
5. Mr. Bobby Prince, Chief Development Officer
6. Ms. Melanie Murry, University Counsel
7. Ms. Tammy Hedges, Vice President for External Relations
8. Dr. Linda Jarmulowicz, Dean, School of Communication  
Sciences and Disorders
9. Dr. Jasbir Dhaliwal, Chief Innovation Officer of the University of  
Memphis and Vice Provost/Dean of the Graduate School
10. Dr. Thomas Nenon, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences
11. Dr. Joanne Gikas, Assistant Dean, University College
12. Dr. Richard R. Ranta, Dean, College of Communication  
and Fine Arts
13. Mr. Peter Letsou, Dean, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law

**Pronouncer**  
Ms. Tammy R. Jones  
Instructor, English

# PROGRAM

Pre-Commencement Concert features Prelude and Fanfare selections performed by:

University of Memphis Graduate String Quartet

University of Memphis Graduate Brass Quintet

University of Memphis Woodwind Quintet

Dr. Albert T. Nguyen, Conductor

PRESIDING .....Dr. Karen Weddle-West, Provost

PROCESSIONAL\*

*Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1* .....Sir Edward Elgar

Arranged by Dr. James Richens

PRESENTATION OF COLORS\* .....The Color Guard

United States Army, Air Force and Navy Reserve Officers Training Corps

THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER\* .....Francis Scott Key

Dr. Jeffrey Allen Murdock, Jr., Soloist

SALUTATIONS TO THE CLASS

President, Student Government Association.....Mr. David Knowles

THE PRESIDENT'S WELCOME ..... Dr. M. David Rudd

President of the University

ADDRESS .....Mr. Robert B. Carter

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES.....The Academic Deans

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES IN COURSE..... Dr. M. David Rudd

University of Memphis Alumni Association ..... Mr. Kim Barnett

PRONOUNCER.....Mr. Jacob Allen and Ms. Tammy R. Jones

The Doctoral Degrees

The Law Degrees

The Specialist and Masters Degrees

The Baccalaureate Degrees

THE ALMA MATER\* .....J. W. Brister

Dr. Murdock, Soloist

RECESSIONAL \*

*Die Bankelsängerleider*.....Anonymous

**\*Please stand as you are able**

Guests are requested to remain in guest seating during the ceremony; and, after the  
Alma Mater, to remain in place until the Platform Party has departed.



## THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Chief Innovation Officer of the University of Memphis and Vice Provost/Dean of the Graduate School, Jasbir Dhaliwal, Ph.D.

The Graduate School of The University of Memphis is the center of advanced study and research within the University. The basic objectives of The Graduate School are: (a) to preserve and disseminate knowledge now available in the humanities, the sciences, and the various professional areas represented by the departmental graduate faculties; (b) to extend knowledge through basic research; and (c) to prepare men and women to assume a more responsible and useful role in society.

## DOCTOR OF MUSICAL ARTS

Heather Ann Martin Bixler – Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music

BMU, 1987, Indiana University, Bloomington

MMU, 1991, The Juilliard School

Dissertation: *“Meeting at a Crossroad: Classical Music and Traditional Irish Music Taught in the Same Space”*

Major Professor: Dr. Janet K. Page

Daniel Chu Brown – Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music

AA, 1998, Wallace State Community College

BM, 2002, University of Alabama at Birmingham

MM, 2004, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

Dissertation: *“A Political Interpretation of C. F. D. Schubart’s Poem ‘Die Forelle’ and the Musical Settings of the Same Title by Schubart and Franz Schubert”*

Major Professor: Dr. Randal Rushing

Cody Steven Hunter – Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music

BM, 2009, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

MM, 2011, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Dissertation: *“The History and Current Use of Bassoon Speaker Keys”*

Major Professor: Dr. Lecolion Washington

Long Long Kang – Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music

BFA, 2000, National Taiwan University

MM, 2005, Mannes School of Music, The New School

Dissertation: *“Pablo de Sarasate and His Magic Flute Fantasy: A Performer’s Analysis and Performance Guide”*

Major Professor: Dr. Janet K. Page

Hankuy Lim – Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music

BM, 1990, Seoul National University

MM, 1996, Westminster Choir College, Rider University

Dissertation: *“Giuseppe Verdi’s ‘Messa de Requiem’: Issues for Conductors in Performance Practice”*

Major Professor: Dr. Larry Edwards

Jamie Lynne Weaver – Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music

AA, 2006, McLennan Community College

BM, 2008, Baylor University

MM, 2010, Baylor University

Dissertation: *“The Art of Practicing for the Elementary and Middle School Violinist: Some Problems and Solutions for Teachers”*

Major Professor: Dr. Janet K. Page

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Rooh Ul Amin – Department of English

BA, 2001, University of Peshawar

MA, 2003, University of Peshawar

Dissertation: *“Situating the Self: Identity and Power Relationships in a Pakistani ESL Classroom”*

Major Professor: Dr. Sage L. Graham

Megan Lee Avery – Department of Psychology

BA, 2009, University of Memphis

MS, 2011, University of Memphis

Dissertation: *“Using Latent Variable Mixture Modeling to Understand Trauma-Related Outcomes”*

Major Professor: Dr. Meghan McDevitt-Murphy  
(August, 2015)

Reginald Bell, Jr. – Department of Communication

BA, 2004, Birmingham-Southern University

MDIV, 2007, Emory University

Dissertation: *“Living Your Best Life: Identities of Televangelist Joel Osteen and His Imagined Audience”*

Major Professor: Dr. Antonio de Velasco

Roy Dean Dowdy – Department of History

BS, 1995, Troy State University

MS, 2001, Troy State University

Dissertation: *“History of Enlisted Women in the Air National Guard, 1968-2012”*

Major Professor: Dr. Stephen K. Stein

Heather L. Fleming – Department of Chemistry

BS, 2009, University of Memphis

MS, 2013, University of Memphis

Dissertation: *“High Performance Liquid Chromatography Tandem Mass Spectrometry for Trace Analysis in Environmental Samples”*

Major Professor: Dr. Paul S. Simone, Jr.

Amber M. Hendricks – Department of English

BA, 2005, Mississippi Valley State University

MA, 2006, Northwestern State University

Dissertation: *“‘Today’s not Yesterday, and All Things Have an Ending’ – Stevie Wonder’s Proximate Soul and the Black Arts Movement”*

Major Professor: Dr. Reginald Martin

Henry You-Chee Hua – Department of Psychology

BA, 2007, University of California, Berkeley

MS, 2012, University of Memphis

Dissertation: *“Effects of Spaced Practice on Learning Musical Intervals”*

Major Professor: Dr. Philip Pavlik

April Kathleen Lenoir – Department of English

BA, 2007, University of Southern Mississippi

MA, 2009, State University of New York, Binghamton

Dissertation: *“Haunted by History: Specters of the Past in Literature of the Global South”*

Major Professor: Dr. Theron C. Britt

Haiying Li – Department of Psychology

BA, 1999, Hebei Normal University

MA, 2003, Hebei Normal University

Dissertation: *“The Impact of Pedagogical Agents’ Conversational Formality on Learning and Learner Impressions”*

Major Professor: Dr. Arthur C. Graesser

Akramalsadat Mostafanejad – Department of Earth Sciences

BS, 2005, University of Tehran

Dissertation: *“Treatise on Seismicity and Velocity Structure of the Northern Mississippi Embayment”*

Major Professor: Dr. Charles A. Langston

Cecilia Anyango Nyamwandha – Department of Earth Sciences

BS, 2006, University of Nairobi

Diploma, 2010, Abdus Salam International Center for Theoretical Physics

Dissertation: *“A Joint Local, Regional and Teleseismic Tomography Study and Shear Wave Splitting Beneath the Mississippi Embayment and the New Madrid Seismic Zone”*

Major Professor: Dr. Christine A. Powell

Paul Otieno Ogwari – Department of Earth Sciences

BS, 2005, University of Nairobi

MS, 2011, University of Memphis

Dissertation: *“Pore-Pressure Diffusion Based on Analysis and Characterization of Microseismicity in Central Arkansas”*

Major Professor: Dr. Christine A. Powell

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Farimah Salami – Department of Biological Sciences

BS, 2003, Ferdowsi University of Mashhad

MS, 2008, University of Arak

Dissertation: “*Molecular Role of Dab2ip GTPase Activating Protein in Brain Development*”

Major Professor: Dr. Ramin Homayouni

Vivek Mayura Shandilya – Department of Computer Science

BE, 2005, Bangalore University of Engineering and Technology

MS, 2011, University of Memphis

Dissertation: “*A Network Security Game Model*”

Major Professor: Dr. Sajjan Shiva

Harry Roger Young, Jr. – Department of History

AA, 1999, Gloucester County College

BA, 2001, Rowan University

MA, 2003, Rutgers University

Dissertation: “*Stories of the Trenton Six: Race and the Early Cold War, 1948-1953*”

Major Professor: Dr. Aram Goudsouzian



## CECIL C. HUMPHREYS SCHOOL OF LAW

*Dean, Peter V. Letsou, J.D.*

The faculty of the School of Law is proud to present for conferral of the Juris Doctor degree the men and women who have successfully met all of the requirements for graduation as established by the School of Law. These graduates are not only prepared to enter into the practice of law, but they also are prepared for a lifetime of leadership in the legal profession. The School of Law endeavors to instill in each graduate a sense of responsibility to improve the access to legal services for all persons and every segment of society. Above all, the School of Law endeavors to impress upon each graduate the necessity for maintaining the high ethical standards that are expected of lawyers in today's society. The graduates are entering a profession that is vital to the preservation of a free and democratic society, and they are well prepared for the challenges that lie ahead.

### JURIS DOCTOR

James C. Ball III  
BA, 2001, Mississippi State University

Jarred Scott Conway  
MBA, 2011, Freed-Hardeman University  
BS, 2010, Upper Iowa University

Chase Hamilton Miller  
BA, 2011, University of Oklahoma

Joseph Wallace Smith  
BBA, 2012, The University of Memphis

Reuven M. Stein  
BA, 2004, Hebrew Theological College

Joseph Christopher Stiles  
BS, 2002, Lee University

Larry Williams, Jr.  
MBA, 1999, The University of Memphis  
BS, 1998, Tuskegee University



## COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION AND FINE ARTS

*Dean Richard R. Ranta, Ph.D.*

The College of Communication and Fine Arts is ultimately centered on visual and audible symbols whose rational and emotional values it is the mission of the College to create and explore. In the belief that perception is largely shaped by experience, the College of Communication and Fine Arts offers a range of symbolically rendered experiences, both individual and collective, in the hope of broadening and sensitizing the perceptions of its students.

Through its various professional courses of study, it prepares students to work toward careers in architecture and design, the fine or applied arts, communication, or the performing arts, whether as practitioners, teachers, artists, or consultants. The College offers four degrees by which to accomplish its purposes:

### MASTER OF ARTS

The candidates for this degree have majored in art history, communication or journalism.

Kimberly Alexandria Exford  
BA, 2010, University of West Georgia

Russell D. Luna  
BS, 2009, Middle Tennessee State University

Lauren Brooke Turner  
BA, 2011, University of Tennessee,  
Chattanooga

William Douglas Gillon  
BJ, 2005, University of Missouri, Columbia

Trevor Dennis Stack  
BA, 2009, University of Memphis

Rachel Laine Wilhite  
BA, 2010, Mississippi State University



## MASTER OF FINE ARTS

The candidates for this degree have majored in art or theatre.

Toni Michelle Roberts  
BFA, 2010, University of Mississippi

## MASTER OF MUSIC

The candidates for this degree have concentrated in conducting, performance, composition, musicology, Orff Schulwerk, pedagogy, music education, or jazz and studio music.

Nicholas Seth Gaskill  
BM, 2012, Arkansas State University

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

Candidates for the oldest of the traditional baccalaureate degrees are students who have majored in art history; journalism with concentrations in either advertising, broadcast news, public relations, internet journalism or newspaper/magazine; or communication with concentrations in broadcast and electronic media, communication, communication studies or film and video production.

Anna Joy Batchelor, *summa cum laude*  
Nicholas John Naveiras, *summa cum laude*

Joseph Alan Camp, *magna cum laude*  
Joshua Tyler Cannon, *magna cum laude*

Megan Kathleen Cook, *magna cum laude*  
Catherine Elizabeth Person, *magna cum laude*

Aidan Porter, *magna cum laude*, *University Honors*  
Ian Robert Ripple, *magna cum laude*

Brooke Fearnley, *cum laude*  
Samantha Marie Gordon, *cum laude*

Hannah Nicole Johnson, *cum laude*  
Emilee McGuinn, *cum laude*

Robert Thomas Porter, *cum laude*  
Taryn Tucker, *cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

Ashley Allen  
Patrick Richard Anglade  
Camilla Susanna Buoni  
Derique Jamal Cannon  
Samantha Curry  
Quinae Eleanor Davis  
Ashley Deering  
Erika Renee Draper  
Alexandria Evans  
Jacob Nolen Fillinger  
Madison Kay Furr  
Alexandria Rae Gillespie  
Taylor Greenburg

Anthony Harrell  
Karlisha Hayes  
Jonathan Herrington  
Crystal L. Howard  
Joshua Howell  
Unique Hunter  
Akia James  
Destiny Mikal Johnson  
Angel Marquese Jones  
Kitaen DeRai' Jones  
Jessie Joyce  
Austin Kemker  
Connor King

Jonathan Knox  
Darius Brandon Lee  
Jasmine Le'Shelle Lester  
Melissa Manasco  
Briana Nicole Mason  
Nicole Christine Moreno  
Emily Alice Murphy  
Kristin Marilyn Polizzi  
Devin Givonté Robertson  
Courtney Dechele Stafford  
Matthew Thomas  
Semere Seyoum Woldekidan  
Heather B. Zepponi

## BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Candidates for this degree have majored in architecture; interior design; or art with concentrations in either art education; graphic design; ceramics, painting, sculpture, and printmaking; or photography; or theatre and dance with concentrations in either performance, design and technical production or dance. These graduates have been provided with greater opportunities for specialized study in their chosen field than could be possible under other baccalaureate programs.

Ashlen Battistelli, *magna cum laude*  
Kelcey Elmore, *magna cum laude*  
Jacob Lacher, *magna cum laude*  
Anna Maria Maranise, *magna cum laude*

Emily Kate Price, *magna cum laude*  
Emily Sinden-Redding, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors, Honors in Architecture*

Hayley A. Tillery, *magna cum laude*  
Olena Zharova, *magna cum laude*

Thomas Sully Allen, *cum laude*  
Joseph M. Bendall, *cum laude*  
Samuel Blackwell, *cum laude*

Amber Lynn Iacopelli, *cum laude*  
Rachel A. Lawson, *cum laude*  
Malory Marlin, *cum laude*

Keona McClough, *cum laude*  
Brooke Smith, *cum laude*

Charles Allen Bayer II  
Dereck Mark Anthony Bridgewater, Jr.  
Adam C. Clark  
Laura Curry  
William Thomas Gallagher

Terrell Harmon  
Anna Jean Irace  
Chelsea Joyner  
Lauren Nicole Kuhn  
Zachary Chase Morgan

Jessica Ingrid Otis  
Rebecca Pace  
Kia Hope Peppard  
Kathryn A. Sloan

## BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Candidates for this professional degree have majored in music with concentrations in performance; sacred music; composition; music history; or school music; jazz and studio performance or jazz and studio composition/arranging or in music industry with concentrations in music business, and recording technology. These graduates have been provided with a greater opportunity for specialized study in a field of music than would be possible under other baccalaureate programs.

Zachary D. McCoy, *summa cum laude*

William Hammer, *cum laude*

Misty Danielle Ingram  
Rashid Lawal

Gloria Marisol Lou  
Joshua Thomas McKemey

Jeffery Miles Naylor  
Matthew L. Taylor



## THE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

*Dean, Dan L. Lattimore, Ph.D.*

As The University of Memphis' college of lifelong learning, University College works with students on the development and completion of individualized and interdisciplinary degree programs. Through its Division of Baccalaureate Programs, it offers a wide variety of interdisciplinary concentrations and individualized degree opportunities leading to the Bachelor of Professional Studies and the Bachelor of Liberal Studies. Through its Division of Paralegal Studies, it offers a baccalaureate concentration in Paralegal Services. Through its Regents Online Degree Program, it offers online majors in Organizational Leadership, Information Technology, and Interdisciplinary Studies. Through its Division of Graduate Studies, it offers the interdisciplinary Master of Arts in Liberal Studies, the Master of Professional Studies, and the Master of Science degree in Merchandising and Consumer Science.

### MASTER OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES

These candidates have completed a required core of Liberal Studies courses, an interdisciplinary Coordinated Study of Liberal Studies courses from The College of Arts and Sciences and The College of Communication and Fine Arts, and a Special Project in Liberal Studies.

Jeffrey Joseph Paller  
BSED, 2012, University of Memphis

LeTresa Payne  
BS, 2007, Austin Peay State University

April Reshea Scott  
AS, 2001, Southwest Tennessee Community  
College  
BSED, 2008, University of Memphis

Sylvia Leigh Washington  
AAS, 2009, Johnson & Wales University,  
Charlotte  
AS, 2010, Volunteer State Community College  
BS, 2012, Middle Tennessee State University

George Edward White  
BA, 2014, University of Memphis

Andrew D. Williams  
AA, 1992, Tulsa Community College  
BS, 2007, Excelsior College  
MPS, 2013, University of Memphis

## MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

The Master of Professional Studies is an interdisciplinary graduate degree in the social sciences and professions with concentrations in Strategic Leadership, Human Resources Leadership, and Training and Development. The degree includes coursework in leadership, communication, strategic planning and assessment, organizational structure, e-learning technologies, management and design of training materials, and research/data analysis.

Catherine Michelle Gianella Barber  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis

Josh Ray Enochs  
BPS, 2009, University of Memphis

Kenneth Dean Franklin, Jr.  
BBA, 1995, University of Memphis

Fredrick Jerome Matting, Jr.  
AAS, 2008, Southwest Tennessee Community  
College

BPS, 2010, University of Memphis

Brittany Marie Moore  
BA, 2009, Rhodes College

Erica Delise Taylor  
BPS, 2008, University of Memphis

Marlene Vera  
BCOJ, 2008, University of Puerto Rico, Arecibo

## BACHELOR OF LIBERAL STUDIES

L Shiann Ross, *summa cum laude*

Delton Balentine, *cum laude*  
Amanda Leigh Baskin, *cum laude*

Bibiana Abonce  
Tunya Yvette Alexander  
Andre D. Allen  
Molly Parkinson Artz  
Xavaier L. Baldwin  
Bridget N. Barr  
Chelsea-Lynn Nicole Bogda  
Ryan Jamal Burchfield  
Stoney B. Butler, Jr.  
Lenetrice Canady  
Jerrica Jerrisa Carr  
Brandy Michelle Carter  
Craig Caufield  
Bettie M. Coleman  
Glendon N. Coombs, Jr.  
Ginger Raquel Cope  
Irene Mary Coriaty  
Lesa Brooke Corley  
Ryan M. Cramer  
Hannah Kate Cunningham  
Kimberly Homer Daily  
Natalie Daniels  
Jessica Taylor Duncan  
Desiree Patrice Dyson  
Melanie D. Ellis  
Rachel Ellison

Hilary Dawn DeLuco, *cum laude*

Joy E. Eye  
Isaiah Christopher Farris  
Carolyn E. Friedman  
Laquintin Garner  
Vickissious Tosonya Harrell  
Jessica Amber Harris  
Kimberly D Collier Hearn  
Brandon Rashad Henderson  
Christia H. Henderson  
Chasitie Nichole Hobson  
Marvin Davis Hunter  
Muhamad Ibrahim  
Amelia Dominique Ingram  
Tara L. Ingram  
Penni L. Istre  
Eva S. Jones  
Tevin Terrell Jones  
Morgan Ingram Kail  
Susanne Nan Koenig  
Matthew Ryan Krull  
John Lynn III  
Vaughn Mackarthur Maness, Jr.  
Trevin McClora  
Alicia Danielle Moore  
David Martin Morelli, Jr.  
Dorothy Rosetta Morris

Hannah Elizabeth Garrard, *cum laude*  
Kaylor Roberts, *cum laude, University Honors*

Selisa Deshae Murff  
Jude J. Nowicki  
John Patton  
Jackson Minor Perkins  
Thomas Michael Poole  
Jordan Mireille Richwood  
Eric Duane Robinson  
Magan Alana Russell  
Robert Earl Sallie  
Kristy Lynn Sykes  
Tannica Lerlyn Taylor  
Ryan K. Thompson  
Elizabeth Mae Ticer  
Dylan Toscano  
Gabriel Deshun Vaughn  
Justin Carter Walden  
Latora Shunyele Ward  
Stormey Warren  
Barbara Ann Watson  
Brenda Dannette Webster  
Gary Thomas Whitten  
Symone Shar-Jay Winston  
Grant Taylor Young  
Michael J. Zimny

## BACHELOR OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Shelby Bampfield, *summa cum laude*  
Kaitlyn Berry, *summa cum laude*

Charice Brown, *magna cum laude*  
Samantha Hope Butler, *magna cum laude*  
Peyton Louise Couch, *magna cum laude*  
Lindsey Michelle Crawford, *magna cum laude*  
Kala Cullum, *magna cum laude*

Shelby Coard, *cum laude*  
Henry Davis, *cum laude*  
Teresa A. Dawson, *cum laude*  
McKenzie Keough, *cum laude*  
Sheryl A. Lemons, *cum laude*  
Andrew Meyer, *cum laude*

Nefateria Adams  
Dalya Ahmed  
Tanika Marlene Allen  
Linda G. Anne  
Shenan Elizabeth Arnold  
Tabitha DeAndrea Ayers  
Annika Shavonia Bailey  
Reggis Ball  
Jessica L. Barnard  
Regina T. Baughns  
James Edward Bendall  
Theresa A. Bohanon  
Stephen Shayne Booth  
Rodney L. Bouey  
Teairra Monay Boyd  
Megan Rae Bradley  
Nancy Troxell Bradley  
Kelsee J. Brinkerhoff  
Colbi Campbell  
Jameshia D. Carruth  
Angelina Ceara Clark  
Holly Anne Coleman  
Benjamin Daniel  
Jasmine Sharnis Davis  
Melanie Michelle Davis

Chesney Coffman, *summa cum laude*

Beatrice Davis, *magna cum laude*  
Jessica Gibson, *magna cum laude*  
Tangi Green, *magna cum laude*  
Ashley Nikole Harris, *magna cum laude*  
Jamie Moses, *magna cum laude*

Mary Nguyen, *cum laude*  
Alicia Parks, *cum laude*  
Edward M. Parsons, *cum laude*  
Ophrah S. Payne, *cum laude*  
Marquis Robinson, *cum laude*  
Caitlin Olivia Russell, *cum laude*

Ashleigh Michelle Deener  
Shelby Drinkard  
Le'Bria Je'Nora Dunlap  
Jamielia S. Fleming  
Latoya Shaniece Franklin  
LaDasia DeAwnn Gray  
Andre Durelle Guy-Reed  
LaTasha L. Hackworth  
Tamara Monique Halmon  
Keisha Yvette Harden  
Ariel B. Harrison  
Jasmine B. Hedrick  
Polly Mae Henderson  
Latasha Ann Henley  
Latoya Hilliard  
Jonathan Hinesly  
Dillon Scott Holliam  
Letricia Rena Idleburg  
Taylor Irwin  
Dawn R. Jackson  
Jherica Louise James  
Karen A. Jolly  
Jeremy C. Jones  
Houssainatou Keita  
Anna Marie Kirkpatrick

Christina Harris, *summa cum laude*  
Joyce P. Ruby, *summa cum laude*

Julie Phan, *magna cum laude*  
Richard Charles Scherrer, *magna cum laude*  
Birgul Smith, *magna cum laude*  
Emily Grace Ward, *magna cum laude*

Khadra A. Safi, *cum laude*  
Jazmine A. Smith, *cum laude*  
Tyler Todd Walker, *cum laude*  
Kierra Janae Williams, *cum laude*  
Lance Edward Willinger II, *cum laude*

Brandie Nicole Knox  
Priscilla Lydia Lewis  
Brenda Joyce Long  
Delcenia Love  
Jarvis Maclin  
Jimmetra Markray  
Rebecca Martin  
Nancy Aputu Massimo  
Teneria A. Matthews  
Akiilha Ke'Ocha McBride  
Emilee Beth McGehee  
Annette McGhee  
Doris Ann McNeal  
Kimberly Renee Milam  
Alaina Moody  
Bill B. Morrise  
Omar Elmerabi Mustapha  
Willette Denise Norman  
Ashley N. Oswalt  
Nathanael Cole Packard  
Davis Renard Pete  
Raven Phillips  
Amber Pike  
James Jarod Pippins  
Yahaira Mildred Pita

## BACHELOR OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Amber Shanese Ray  
Kyle David Rector  
Michael Shawn Roberson  
Chelsei Rogers  
Alexis Hunter Roman  
Wyndel Denise Rooks  
D'Ernest A. Rucker  
David J. Rudorfer  
Laurin Suzanne Rush  
Alicia Darlene Schafflein  
Ashleigh D. Smith  
Carrie Paige Smith

Dominique T. Smith  
Pariss Chireese Smith  
Stephanie Renece Smith  
William Carson Suite  
Latia Marie Sumrell  
Erica Renee Swatzyna  
Jackina M. Taylor  
Michael Edward Taylor  
Angela C. Thompson  
Ternisha Janel Thompson  
Ralla Jan Townsend  
Tomeka S. Vaught

Caleb J. Wallingford  
Qiana Charquea Walls  
Jicquese Watkins  
Briana Wells  
Rajeeni Ann Wesley  
Tumira D. Wicks  
Arthurene Sheryl Williams  
Darricka Lynn Wilson  
Auriel Woods  
Aarica Danielle Words





## THE COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

*Dean, Thomas Nenon, Ph.D.*

The aims and purposes of The College of Arts and Sciences are, summarized in these words that serve as part of our official statement in the catalog issue of the University Bulletin: “The program of liberal studies aims (1) to provide students with a store of factual knowledge; (2) to introduce them to varying sets of principles; (3) to stimulate them to think about and to evaluate these facts and principles; and (4) to encourage them to order their own affairs and those of society with the talent, insight, and discrimination which they develop.” We have been privileged to pursue these aims with the following students who are candidates for the seven degrees which we offer:

### MASTER OF ARTS

The candidates for this degree have majored in anthropology, criminal justice, earth sciences, English, history, philosophy, political science, romance languages, school psychology, or sociology.

Natalhie Aguilar  
BA, 2013, University of Memphis

Taylor J. Arnold  
BA, 2011, University of Arkansas

Bilge Akbalik  
BA, 2006, Middle East Technical University

Corey Lorenzo Barnes  
BA, 2006, Fisk University  
MA, 2009, Union Theological Seminary

Jonathan Michael Bauer  
BA, 2014, University of Memphis

Marcus DeLane Brinley  
BS, 2013, Harding University

Michael George Butler  
BA, 2009, Trent University

Franklin A. Carmack III  
BA, 2010, King University

Regan Elizabeth Chandler  
BS, 2013, University of Tennessee at  
Chattanooga

Dale Randolph Dean  
BA, 1993, Columbia College-Missouri

Lorena De Frias  
BA, 2013, Michigan State University

Marie Allison Dennen  
BA, 2010, University of Memphis  
MPS, 2015, University of Memphis

Ashley Nicole Fair  
BA, 2011, University of Memphis

Ryan Falbisaner  
BA, 2009, Warren Wilson College

Daniel Guerra-Monje  
BA, 1998, Arkansas Tech University  
MA, 2001, University of Memphis

Kerry Lynn Jones  
BA, 2013, Louisiana State University

Jose De Jesus Magana  
BA, 2013, University of Memphis

Ryan Mansour  
BA, 2015, University of Memphis

Sarah Kathryn Marshall  
BS, 2007, James Madison University

Gregory Grant Monroe  
BS, 2012, University of Tennessee at Martin  
JD, 2015, University of Memphis

Kevin Michael Newton  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis  
MS, 2015, University of Memphis

Yves Mai Orsino  
BA, 2013, University of Memphis

Charmaine Ann Cruz Patino  
BA, 2014, Christian Brothers University

Hannah M. Patterson  
BS, 2013, Youngstown State University

## MASTER OF ARTS

Steven Jon Payne  
BA, 2004, Florida State University

Bobby Lynn Porter II  
BA, 2010, University of Memphis

Thomas Jordan Prentiss  
BA, 2011, University of Memphis  
JD, 2015, University of Memphis

Scott Roth  
BA, 1991, University of Nebraska, Kearney  
MA, 2010, Bellevue University

Kyra Kalina Sanchez Clapper  
BA, 2013, Christian Brothers University  
MA, 2015, University of Memphis

Eboni Corinne Sharp  
BA, 2014, Washington University in St. Louis

Destiny Ariel Smith  
BA, 2014, Rhodes College

Shayla Miquet Sullivan  
BA, 2014, University of Memphis

Anna Phillips Talley  
BA, 2012, Wellesley College

Gregory Alexander Woodberry  
BA, 2012, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Maria Carolina Zarate  
BS, 1995, Southern New Hampshire University

## MASTER OF CITY AND REGIONAL PLANNING

The candidates for this degree have placed emphasis on areas of study such as land use and transportation planning, land use regulations or urban design.

Travis Mitchell Allen  
BS, 2005, University of Wisconsin, La Crosse

Robert Monroe Baxter  
BA, 2012, Centre College

## MASTER OF FINE ARTS

The candidates for this degree have majored in creative writing.

Brandon Christopher Dahlberg  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis

Matthew Scott Hellams  
BA, 2010, Lambuth University

Eric Myles McQuade  
BS, 2002, The Citadel

## MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The candidates for this degree have majored in public administration with emphasis in the areas of non-profit administration or public policy and management.

Delilah Denise Hicks  
BS, 2006, Lane College

Crystal E. Martin  
BS, 2002, University of California, Davis

Dwayne Spencer  
BPS, 2013, University of Memphis

Michael Joseph Smith  
BA, 2013, Christian Brothers University

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

The candidates for this degree have majored in applied computer science, bioinformatics, biology, chemistry, computer science, earth sciences, mathematical sciences, physics, or psychology.

Oluwaseun Jessica Ajayi  
BS, 2011, Mississippi State University

Alyssa J. Goggins  
BS, 2013, Eastern University

Justin Michael Paul  
BS, 2012, Juniata College

Sri Ram Gopal Annamreddi  
BE, 2011, Andhra University

Matthew L. Greenwood  
BA, 2008, Sewanee: University of the South  
BSG, 2013, Middle Tennessee State University

Keith Thomas Shubeck  
BA, 2010, University of Memphis

Dylan Wayne Benningfield  
BS, 2013, Murray State University

Anthony Christopher Grow  
BS, 2009, University of Memphis

Alka Rani Singh  
BS, 2011, Guru Gobind Singh Indrapastha  
University

Neeta Bharti  
BS, 2009, Gujarat University  
MS, 2010, Gujarat University

Zade Ramses Holloway  
BA, 2012, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Melissa Anne Smigelsky  
BA, 2008, Wheaton College  
MA, 2012, Wheaton College

Andrew K. Brock  
BSME, 2012, University of Memphis

Maria Vy Luong  
BS, 2014, University of Memphis

John Leonard Snyder, Jr.  
BS, 2010, University of Memphis  
BSET, 2010, University of Memphis

John Michael Bursi  
BA, 2013, University of Memphis

Courtney Maclin  
BA, 2011, Florida A&M University

Tiffany Spight  
BS, 2002, Mississippi State University

Kathryn Dee Coleman  
BAED, 2008, University of Mississippi

Akramalsadat Mostafanejad  
BS, 2005, University of Tehran

Anusha Sudini  
BTECH, 2012, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological  
University

Brandon Chevez Curry  
BS, 2013, University of Memphis

Dipesh Neupane  
BS, 2006, Tribhuvan University  
MS, 2010, Banaras Hindu University

Sindhuja Datla  
BTECH, 2010, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological  
University

Cecilia Anyango Nyamwandha  
BS, 2006, University of Nairobi  
Diploma, 2010, Abdus Salam International  
Center for Theoretical Physics

Ansley Victoria Geno  
BS, 2012 Union University

## MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK

Christy Michelle Phelps  
BS, 1992, Mississippi University for Women

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

The candidates for this degree have majored in African and African American Studies, Anthropology, Criminology and Criminal Justice, Economics, English, Foreign Languages, Geography, History, International Studies, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, or Sociology.

Andrea C. Bippus, *summa cum laude*  
Megan Colleen Boatman, *summa cum laude*  
JoAnna Boudreaux, *summa cum laude*  
Melanie Ann Clarke, *summa cum laude*  
Allyn Gratzner, *summa cum laude*

Alison Grimmig, *summa cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
Brandon Kimler, *summa cum laude*,  
*University Honors*

Michael Jason McAlpin, *summa cum laude*  
Brian Rex McMurry, *summa cum laude*  
Jamie Lynn Padden, *summa cum laude*  
Aoife Siobhan Whiteacre, *summa cum laude*,  
*University Honors*

Andrew Pate Archer, *magna cum laude*  
Judy L. Baker, *magna cum laude*  
Jonathan Michael Barnhart, *magna cum laude*  
Jared Michael Bartlett, *magna cum laude*  
Logan Hightower Berry, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
Mya R. Bright, *magna cum laude*  
Lynsee Brinkerhoff, *magna cum laude*  
Khadeijdra Carson, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
Hannah Crain, *magna cum laude*, *University*  
*Honors with Thesis*  
Rebekah Elizabeth David, *magna cum laude*  
Kinyuda Rena Daye, *magna cum laude*

Sarah Elizabeth DeLozier, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
Chad Taylor Forsythe, *magna cum laude*  
Claressa S. Glaspie, *magna cum laude*  
Madeleine Marie Holdford, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors with Thesis*  
Kyle Watson Holley, *magna cum laude*  
Joshua Blair Jacobs, *magna cum laude*  
Joshua Michaiiah Jenkins, *magna cum laude*  
Andrea S. Jimenez, *magna cum laude*  
Sarah Beth Levins, *magna cum laude*  
Marguerite Earp McGowan, *magna cum laude*  
Christian Montague, *magna cum laude*  
Karissa Gevene Noonan, *magna cum laude*

Andrew August Parsley, *magna cum laude*  
Isabella Donna Porcaro, *magna cum laude*  
Miguel Rocha, *magna cum laude*  
Alexi Starnes, *magna cum laude*  
Tyler Tilson, *magna cum laude*  
Kaitlyn Michelle Vincent, *magna cum laude*  
Amanda Marie Ward, *magna cum laude*  
Alicia Whetstone, *magna cum laude*  
Lindsey Whitley, *magna cum laude*  
Anthony S. Williams, *magna cum laude*  
Briana S. Wynn, *magna cum laude*  
Malik Yusuf, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors with Thesis*

Veronica Alexander, *cum laude*  
Leslie Diane Austill, *cum laude*  
Michelle Denise Avent, *cum laude*  
Iris Yolanda Blair, *cum laude*  
Ashli Rena Bolden, *cum laude*  
Kristen Danielle Bowen, *cum laude*  
Austen Michael Carter, *cum laude*  
Kimberly Chancey, *cum laude*  
Yomyko S. Clark, *cum laude*  
Miroslav Corlukic, *cum laude*  
Joseph Cox, *cum laude*  
Sarina Lynn Donahue, *cum laude*

Albert J. Edwards, *cum laude*  
Victoria Lynn Gaines, *cum laude*  
April J. Gearlds, *cum laude*  
Brittany LeAnn Harris, *cum laude*  
Peter Douglas Hart, *cum laude*  
Ian Lane-Howard Hayes, *cum laude*  
Shelby Diane Horton, *cum laude*  
Miya Raeshun Hullett, *cum laude*  
Brannon Hulley, *cum laude*  
Alexandria Renea Isabel, *cum laude*  
William Walter Jones, *cum laude*,  
*University Honors with Thesis*

Meghan Liana Kaiser, *cum laude*  
James Allen King, *cum laude*  
Cassidy Layne Marsh, *cum laude*  
Danielle Nelson, *cum laude*  
Mitchell Scott O'Dor, *cum laude*  
Katherine Ellen Raines, *cum laude*  
William A. Simco, *cum laude*  
Alyssa Tubbs, *cum laude*  
Daniel Watkins, *cum laude*  
Amy Loye Willis, *cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

Marcy Ann Abston  
 Nisreen R. Abuzaineh  
 Angela D. Adams  
 Jessica Nicole Addington  
 Gage Alexander  
 Shaquinta Anderson  
 Benjamin Michael Baker  
 Tasmine Ballentine  
 Cara Ann Bell  
 Dena Benjamin  
 Ariel Lasheal Blanchard  
 Susanna Marie Blumer  
 Amber Lindsey Bobbitt  
 Angelina Boiles  
 Sean Michael Bolton, *Posthumously Awarded*  
 Daria Janaye Bortters  
 Alexander Boulton  
 Danny Dale Brewer, Jr.  
 Antionette Andrea Briggs  
 Scarlett Ramsey Brimingham  
 Candace Gabrielle Brown  
 Blake Bueltemann  
 Ashanti Fatima Burchett  
 Lanisha Burrus  
 Shominique R. Burton  
 Alicia Carole Camp  
 Thomas Raymond Campbell, Jr.  
 Robert Allan Cannon  
 Bianca Ashley Nicole Christian  
 Lakeshia Ann Clark  
 Nicole Denise Clark  
 Jessie Claudio  
 Demiya Nashay Coleman  
 Issac D. Coleman  
 Victoria Monet Collins  
 Caleb C. Cooley  
 Janet L. Crizer  
 Alexis Meagan Crowe  
 Christina Meryl-Lynn Cupples  
 Katherine Ann Dagastino  
 Dyamond Dailey  
 Kara Davis Myers

Frederick James Day  
 Megan Elizabeth Dickey  
 Skyler Dowdle  
 Audrey Colleen Eason  
 David Bruce Eddy II  
 Morgun Charles Evans  
 Cory Fetner  
 Alexandra Michelle Francis  
 Madelyn Anne Frank  
 Karnisha Frazier  
 Ethan Freese  
 James Haygood Ganier, Jr.  
 Sharunda L. Gary  
 Thomas Edward Gates  
 Desiree Michelle Glover  
 Jeremie Wade Golden, Sr.  
 Ashley Norchelle Graham  
 John David Graves  
 Precious A. Green  
 Stacy Greenway  
 Kristie M. Greer  
 Erica Dawn Grisham  
 Aaron Travis Gunn  
 Jesse R. Guzman  
 Haley Jane Hanners  
 Domonique Shermayne Harris  
 Elizabeth Jeanette Harris  
 Allison Hawkinson  
 Ashleigh Latrice Hayes  
 Jeffrey D. Heathcott, Jr.  
 Alyssa Hemphill  
 Bobby Wayne Hicks  
 James Newton Holliday II  
 Kenyata P. Hooks  
 Tonya Lynn Howell  
 Hayley Lynn Hudson  
 Ulysses D. Hunt  
 Charnita LaShun Hurd  
 Brandon Leonardo Irby  
 Sammy Isom, Jr.  
 Dominique X. Jackson  
 Leslie D'layne Jackson  
 Andrew Scott Jeffords

Angel G. Johnson  
 Sandra L. Johnson  
 Brionna Lashea Jones  
 Cevetellus Monquell Jones  
 Charnesha Shanea Jones  
 Gina Latrice Jones  
 Jasmine S. Jones  
 Kristian Danielle Jones  
 Tiffany Necole Jones  
 Samantha Kaminski  
 Zachary Keltner  
 Charles Stewart Kennedy  
 Minseok Eric Kim  
 Frederick H. Knichel  
 Austin Hewes Laine  
 Rachel Marie Lang  
 Diedra Michele Lanier  
 Kiera Shuntae Lanier  
 William M. LaRue  
 Dejona' S. Lawrence  
 Carter Le  
 Christine Tcheugo Lemassi  
 Shelita Latoya Lewis  
 Lauren Christine Lisenby  
 Deanna L. Long  
 Shondricka Da'Nae Lovelace  
 Savannah Brooke Lyons  
 Genequa D. Markray  
 Tequila Monique Marshall  
 Portia Cameron Mason  
 Angela Monique Matthews  
 Marisa Annette Mayall  
 Jalen Mckee  
 Marvin McNeal, Jr.  
 Allegra Renee McNeill  
 Lynda Evette Means  
 Jasmine Kay Merriweather  
 Joseph Miles  
 Rodriques C. Miller  
 Johnathan Moffett  
 Thomas S. Montoya II  
 Dawn Kristina Moody

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

Ronda R. Moses  
Natasha Michelle Moten  
Brittany Elena Nelson  
Natashwa Patyce Newberry  
Alex Chandler Northam  
Elizabeth Chapman Owen  
Rachel Owens  
Christopher Parks  
Jamicha S. Patterson  
Beverly R. Philmore  
Keyosha Brenshanna Pittman  
Daniel Potter  
Logan A. Ragsdale  
Denise Anjelica Ransom  
Amanda Leigh Raspa  
Randii Reaves  
Tonya Lynn Reece  
John J. Reitan  
Jordan Cordaro Robinson  
Brendan Shane Rowe

Kosar Saeed  
Kenya L. Sampler  
Barkley Sanders  
Sylvanus A. Sanvee  
Lauren M. Scheatzle  
Elizabeth Christine Scherer  
Yolanda Scott  
C Sherelle Shelton  
Jenny Leigh Shirey  
Nicholas LaRue Smith  
Kristian Monique Spight  
Catherine Stewart  
Nathaniel Alan Stewart  
Sharee Marshae Stuckey  
Jacob Ronald Swatley  
Ashton Swiger  
Antwoin D. Tanner  
Ahsan Raza Tarar  
Amani Simone Thomas  
Chris Lee Thomas

Mary Jean Trezevant  
Lindsay Nicole Wagner  
Anthony S. White, Jr.  
Ashlee Charlene White  
Candace L. White  
Jenneaka L. White  
Thurmeisha White  
Joshua Matthew Whittington  
Janet Towater Wickers  
Anthony DeWayne Williams, Jr.  
Desmond L. Williams  
Rosemary C. Williams  
Sherita M. Williams  
Terriah Larchelle Williams  
Nolan Wilson  
Wesley Austin Winfield  
Jasmine Aisha Wright  
John C. Wright

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

The candidates for this degree have majored in Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Geography, Geological Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Microbiology and Molecular Cell Sciences, or Physics.

Demi Leigh Brasfield, *summa cum laude*

David Jarrod Beachum, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors*

Sara Beth Brauning, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors with Thesis*

Keli Cheng, *magna cum laude*

Olivia Michaela Freeman, *magna cum laude*

Keighla Cooley, *cum laude*

Austin Feldvebel, *cum laude*

Taylor Alexandar Johnson, *cum laude*

Jenny Leigh Mitchell, *cum laude*,  
*University Honors*

Huda Sofiyan M. Agez

Chuma P. Azogini

Nathan Billings

Rebecca Butler

Zachary Cathey

Jonathan Charles Chapman

David Jerry Cohen

Issac D. Coleman

Lanitra S. Coleman

Spencer Crews

Dalton L. Dawson

Forrest Walker Delgado

John Elmore

Raymon Farmer

Keenan Wesley Diggs, *summa cum laude*

Eliana Raquel Garcete, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors*

Deanna Ko Joo, *magna cum laude*

Andrew August Parsley, *magna cum laude*

Robert Joseph Richmond, *magna cum laude*

Yaqoub Morshed, *cum laude*

Matthew Osborn, *cum laude*

John Thomas Pitner, *cum laude*

Finley Flanagan

Andrew Jonathan Gibson

Ashley Norchelle Graham

Brittaney Karon Hicks

Andrew Douglas Hood

David A. Jacobs

Kendra Shava Johnson

Timothy Long

Christian Faith Moore

Levi D. Morgan-Osborne

Shayla Mariah Mosley

Brittany Elena Nelson

Brandon Clint Newman

Caroline Noel

Karlie Amber Taylor, *summa cum laude*

Zenobia Maya Shiels, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors with Thesis*

Bradley Valentine, *magna cum laude*

Jacob Alan Walpole, *magna cum laude*

Jay Yarbrow, *magna cum laude*, *University Honors*

Nathanael Philip Prather, *cum laude*

Matthew Tom, *cum laude*

Erin Sharlynne Viger, *cum laude*

Chella L. Norvell

Maya Camille Ramos-Coffey

Victor K. Rockwell

Mayas Sakaan

Theodore Sell

James O'Farrell Shoemaker II

Vasheta L. Smith

Nathaniel Stokes III

Lauren Alinee Taylor

Aderaju Thomas

Jeremy Q. Thomas

Alexander Wray Williams

Dustin Wurth

Anna Carol Young

## COLLEGE MARSHALS

College Marshal is an honored and traditional role performed by the faculty at Commencement. Each college in the University identifies at least two faculty members who organize and lead the candidates into the arena and to the stage during the ceremony. In recent years, the undergraduate student with the highest grade point average in the college has been invited to join the Faculty College Marshals in this distinguished leadership role.

## ACADEMIC MARSHALS

College of Arts & Sciences

Dr. Ramin Homayouni, Dr. Jeni Loftus, Dr. David Dwiggin and Ms. Megan Colleen Boatman

College of Communication and Fine Arts

Dr. Bob Hetherington and Ms. Anna Joy Batchelor

University College

Dr. William L. Akey, Dr. Keith D. Sisson and Ms. Joyce P. Ruby

Graduate School Doctoral Hooding Marshal

Dr. James Kierulff

Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law

Dr. Lynda Black

## THE UNIVERSITY OF MEMPHIS COMMENCEMENT ENSEMBLE

Dr. Albert T. Nguyen, *Conductor*

### Violin

Bianca Balderama  
Nancy Denise Ditto  
Martin Palacios

### Cello

Carrington Truehart  
Double Bass  
Rashid Lawal

### Flute

Nicole Ann Jackson

### Clarinet

Ivan E. Lee

### Bassoon

Andrew Carroll

### Horn

Morgan Thomas  
Anna Jarratt

### Trumpet

Joshua Margheim  
Jay Wilkerson

### Trombone

Adam Byars

### Euphonium

John Ingram

### Tuba

Matthew Allen Smith

### Percussion

Jessica Marie Williams  
David Dickens



# SECOND CEREMONY

4:30 P.M.



DOCTORAL HOODING CEREMONY

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

HERFF COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

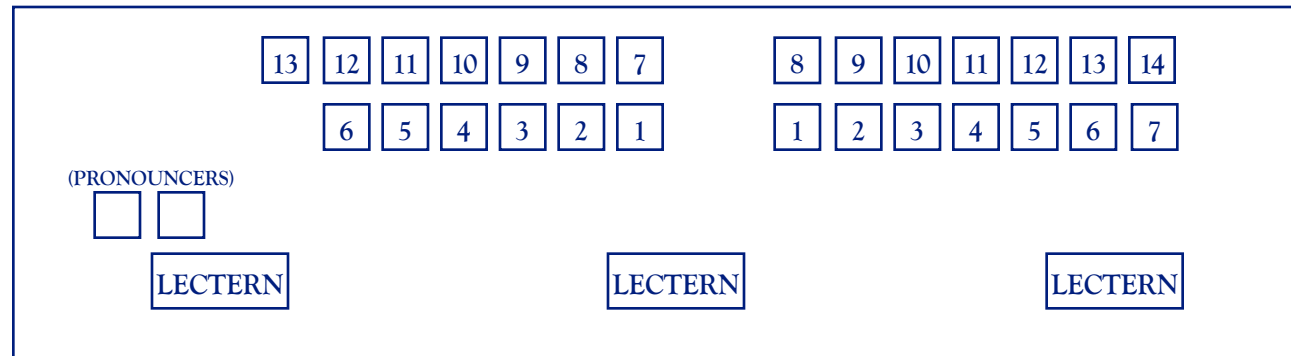
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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

KEMMONS WILSON SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY AND RESORT MANAGEMENT

FOGELMAN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

## SECOND CEREMONY PRESIDENT'S PLATFORM PARTY



### LEFT SIDE

1. Dr. Karen Weddle-West, Provost
2. Dr. Robert J. Jackson, Associate Vice Provost IT, CIO Information Technology Services
3. Dr. Rosie Phillips Bingham, Vice President for Student Affairs
4. Mr. David Knowles, President, Student Government Association
5. Mr. Kim Barnett, President, National Alumni Association Board of Directors
6. Dr. Wade Jackson, President, Faculty Senate
7. Dr. Jeffrey Allen Murdock Jr., Soloist
8. Dr. Thomas Nenon, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences
9. Dr. Joanne Gikas, Assistant Dean, University College
10. Dr. Richard R. Ranta, Dean, College of Communication and Fine Arts
11. Mr. Peter Letsou, Dean, Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law
12. Dr. Rajiv Grover, Dean, Fogelman College of Business & Economics
13. Dr. Sylverna V. Ford, Dean, University Libraries

**Pronouncer**  
Mr. Jacob Allen  
Assistant Professor, Musical Theatre

### RIGHT SIDE

1. Dr. M. David Rudd, President
2. Mr. Robert B. Carter, Speaker & Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer for the FedEx Corporation
3. Mr. David Zettergren, Vice President, Business & Finance
4. Dr. Andrew Meyers, Vice President for Research and Executive Director, University of Memphis Research Foundation
5. Mr. Bobby Prince, Chief Development Officer
6. Ms. Melanie Murry, University Counsel
7. Ms. Tammy Hedges, Vice President for External Relations
8. Dr. Linda Jarmulowicz, Dean, School of Communication Sciences and Disorders
9. Dr. Jasbir Dhaliwal, Chief Innovation Officer of the University of Memphis and Vice Provost/Dean of the Graduate Schools
10. Dr. Tim Ryan, Associate Professor, Kemmons Wilson School of Hospitality and Resort Management
11. Dr. Lin Zhan, Dean, Loewenberg College of Nursing
12. Dr. Ernest Rakow, Dean, College of Education
13. Dr. Richard Joseph Sweigard, Dean, Herff College of Engineering
14. Dr. Marian Levy, Assistant Dean, School of Public Health

**Pronouncer**  
Ms. Tammy R. Jones  
Instructor, English

# PROGRAM

## Pre-Commencement Concert features Prelude and Fanfare selections performed by:

University of Memphis Graduate String Quartet

University of Memphis Graduate Brass Quintet

University of Memphis Woodwind Quintet

Dr. Albert T. Nguyen, Conductor

PRESIDING .....Dr. Karen Weddle-West, Provost

### PROCESSIONAL\*

*Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1* .....Sir Edward Elgar

Arranged by Dr. James Richens

PRESENTATION OF COLORS\* .....The Color Guard

United States Army, Air Force and Navy Reserve Officers Training Corps

THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER\* .....Francis Scott Key

Dr. Jeffrey Allen Murdock, Jr., Soloist

### SALUTATIONS TO THE CLASS

President, Student Government Association.....Mr. David Knowles

THE PRESIDENT'S WELCOME..... Dr. M. David Rudd

President of the University

ADDRESS .....Mr. Robert B. Carter

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES.....The Academic Deans

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES IN COURSE..... Dr. M. David Rudd

University of Memphis Alumni Association ..... Mr. Kim Barnett

PRONOUNCER.....Mr. Jacob Allen and Ms. Tammy R. Jones

The Doctoral Degrees

The Specialist and Masters Degrees

The Baccalaureate Degrees

THE ALMA MATER\* .....J. W. Brister

Dr. Murdock, Soloist

### RECESSIONAL \*

*Die Bankelsängerleider*.....Anonymous

**\*Please stand as you are able**

Guests are requested to remain in guest seating during the ceremony; and, after the  
Alma Mater, to remain in place until the Platform Party has departed.



## THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

*Chief Innovation Officer of the University of Memphis and Vice Provost/Dean of the Graduate School, Jasbir Dhaliwal, Ph.D.*

The Graduate School of The University of Memphis is the center of advanced study and research within the University. The basic objectives of The Graduate School are: (a) to preserve and disseminate knowledge now available in the humanities, the sciences, and the various professional areas represented by the departmental graduate faculties; (b) to extend knowledge through basic research; and (c) to prepare men and women to assume a more responsible and useful role in society.

## DOCTOR OF AUDIOLOGY

Jonathan Michael Schug – School of Communication Sciences and Disorders  
BS, 2007, Arkansas State University  
BA, 2008, Arkansas State University  
BS, 2011, Arkansas State University

## DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Robert Luther Bradfute – Department of Instruction and Curriculum  
Leadership  
BPS, 1980, Memphis State University  
MA, 1987, University of Texas at Austin  
Dissertation: *“Applying Instructional Design to Museum Exhibits:  
A Case Study”*  
Major Professor: Dr. Lee E. Allen

Laura E. Demarse – Department of Leadership  
BA, 1999, Marymount Manhattan College  
MS, 2004, Fordham University  
Dissertation: *“A Case Study on Spirituality in Senior Center Education:  
Qualitative Research in Adult Education”*  
Major Professor: Dr. Larry McNeal

Angela Lynnette Hargrave – Department of Leadership  
BS, 1993, Grambling State University  
MED, 1999, University of Mississippi  
EDS, 2004, Union University  
Dissertation: *“The Relationship Between Participation in Athletics and  
Academic Performance of Male African American High  
School Students”*  
Major Professor: Dr. Larry McNeal

Jonathan Parker Jones – Department of Leadership  
BS, 2007, Mississippi State University  
MS, 2008, Mississippi State University  
Dissertation: *“Understanding the Impact of Multicultural Education  
Using Experiential Learning Techniques to Foster Cultural  
Competency of Medical School Students: A Qualitative  
Case Study at a Medical School”*  
Major Professor: Dr. Jeffery L. Wilson

## DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Nancy Robinson Kelley – Department of Counseling, Educational  
Psychology and Research

BA, 1990, Memphis State University

MAT, 1993, Memphis State University

EDS, 2001, University of Memphis

Dissertation: *“Crisis Response Teams in the School Setting: Best Practices  
and Lessons Learned”*

Major Professor: Dr. Richard K. James

Calvin McGlown – Department of Leadership

BS, 2000, LeMoyne-Owen College

MED, 2003, Christian Brothers University

MS, 2005, Christian Brothers University

Dissertation: *“A Study of Single-Gender Education: Motives, Challenges,  
Professional Development and Benefits of Single-Gender  
Classrooms within Coeducational Public Middle Schools”*

Major Professor: Dr. Larry McNeal

Jeffery Lane Sisk – Department of Leadership

BS, 2000, Lambuth University

MS, 2004, University of Memphis

Dissertation: *“The Pink Toolbox: A Narrative Examination of the Theory  
of Emotional Labor and Its Potential Nexus With Female  
Adult Learners Preparing for Nontraditional Occupations”*

Major Professor: Dr. Mitsunori Misawa

David A. Stephens – Department of Leadership

BSED, 1987, Memphis State University

MED, 1999, Trevecca Nazarene University

Dissertation: *“An Ethnographic Case Study of the Processes and Procedures  
Used by the Transition Steering Committee to Implement the  
Report of the Transition Planning Commission to Merge the  
Memphis City Schools and Shelby County Schools”*

Major Professor: Dr. Reginald L. Green

Elizabeth Ann Stratton – Department of Instruction and Curriculum  
Leadership

AS, 1992 Virginia Western Community College

BSED, 1994, Missouri Baptist University

MSED, 2001, Missouri Baptist University

Dissertation: *“Examining the Impact of School Wide Positive Behavior  
Support on Teacher Self-Efficacy in Rural Middle Schools”*

Major Professor: Dr. William H. Hunter

Rebecca Elizabeth Taylor – Department of Counseling, Educational  
Psychology and Research

BA, 2009, Baylor University

MS, 2012, University of Memphis

Dissertation: *“The Use of Pedagogy to Integrate CACREP Standards: A  
Case Study Look at a Doctoral Counselor Education Cohort  
in an Advanced Group Counseling Course”*

Major Professor: Dr. Stephen A. Zanskas

Tisha L. White – Department of Instruction and Curriculum Leadership

BA, 1999, University of Memphis

MED, 2002, Freed-Hardeman University

EDS, 2004, Freed-Hardeman University

Dissertation: *“Teacher Self-Efficacy: How do High-Performing Black  
Teachers in Under-Performing Schools Negotiate  
Self-Efficacy?”*

Major Professor: Dr. Beverly E. Cross

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Deepti Agrawal – Department of Business and Information Technology  
BTECH, 2008, National Institute of Technology, Jamshedpur  
Dissertation: “*Competing in IT Ecosystems: Impacts of IT Product Compatibility Strategies, Information Quality and System Quality*”  
Co-Major Professors: Dr. William J. Kettinger and Dr. Chen Zhang

Wei-Lun Chung – School of Communication Sciences and Disorders  
BED, 2003, Taipei Teacher College  
MA, 2005, Fu Jen Catholic University  
Dissertation: “*Auditory Processing and Linguistic Prosody as Cross-Linguistic Precursors in Reading Developments*”  
Major Professor: Dr. Linda D. Jarmulowicz

Codruta Andy Collins – School of Public Health  
Diploma, 1995, University of Bucharest  
MS, 1996, University of Bucharest  
MS, 2001, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
Dissertation: “*Associations of Lifestyle Factors with Bone Accrual in Child and Adolescent Amateur Swimmers*”  
Major Professor: Dr. Kenneth D. Ward

Heather Alisa Doty – Department of Biomedical Engineering  
BS, 2000, University of Texas at Austin  
MS, 2008, University of Memphis  
Dissertation: “*Dual Drug Delivery with Calcium Sulfate-Chitosan Based Scaffolds for Bone Regeneration and Infection Control*”  
Major Professor: Dr. Joel D. Bumgardner

Yousef Ghaffari – Department of Civil Engineering  
BE, 2003, University of Tabriz  
Dissertation: “*Improved Value for Load Increase Factor in Progressive Collapse*”  
Major Professor: Dr. Shahram Pezeshk

Walter Hodges Henley, Jr. – Department of Marketing and Supply Chain Management  
BS, 1984, Belhaven College  
MBA, 1992, Memphis State University  
Dissertation: “*Interactive Ad Segmentation: Using Regulatory Fit, Implementation Intentions and Social Referral Advertising to Increase PSA Response Efficacy*”  
Major Professor: Dr. Daniel L. Sherrell

Jakir Hossen – Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
BSE, 2008, Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology  
MS, 2009, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology  
Dissertation: “*Classification of Moving Objects and Recognition of Human Activity Using Infrared Sensors*”  
Major Professor: Dr. Eddie Jacobs

Jeffrey P. Kaleta – Department of Business Information and Technology  
BS, 1996, University of Maine  
MS, 2010 Murray State University  
Dissertation: “*How Image Relevance, Rank Ordering, Humans in Images and Preference for Social Presence Affect Information Search Behaviors in Online Environments*”  
Co-Major Professors: Dr. William J. Kettinger and Dr. Chen Zhang (August 2015)

Jignya M. Patel – Department of Business and Information Technology  
BS, 2003, Natubhai V. Patel College of Pure and Applied Sciences  
MBA, 2009, University of North Alabama  
Dissertation: “*Predicting Employees’ Work Exhaustion, Job Satisfaction, and Turnover Intention: The Role of Informed Job Resources and Personal Resources*”  
Co-Major Professors: Dr. William J. Kettinger and Dr. Robin S. Poston

Parsa Pezeshk – Department of Civil Engineering  
BS, 2004, Azad University  
MS, 2011, University of Memphis  
Dissertation: “*Calibration of Activated Sludge Model 1 Kinetic Parameters for Simulation of Collierville NW Treatment Plant Oxidation Ditch Using Big Bang-Big Crunch Optimization Algorithm*”  
Major Professor: Dr. Charles V. Camp

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Alireza Shahjouei – Department of Civil Engineering  
BS, 2006, Iran University of Science and Technology  
MS, 2008, Iran University of Science and Technology  
MS, 2015, University of Memphis  
Dissertation: *“Alternative Ground-Motion Model for the Central and Eastern North America Using a New Hybrid Broadband Simulation Technique”*  
Major Professor: Dr. Shahram Pezeshk

Adam Martin Winchell – Department of Biomedical Engineering  
BE, 2003, Vanderbilt University  
MS, 2009, University of Memphis  
Dissertation: *“Implementation and Assessment of Novel Functional Hemodynamic MRI Measurements in the Brain for Evaluation of Disease and Treatment”*  
Major Professor: Dr. Eugene C. Eckstein



## SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

*Dean, Lisa Klesges, Ph.D.*

The School of Public Health provides graduate education, community practicum experience, and research training to develop students' capabilities and address the growing need for a proficient public health workforce. The School offers two master's degrees. The Master of Public Health provides concentrations in five core disciplines: biostatistics, environmental health, epidemiology, health systems management, and social and behavioral sciences. The Master of Health Administration degree is one of only 70 programs accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education (CAHME). Our mission involves the translation of knowledge and research into community practice to tackle pressing societal problems of social and environmental justice, health disparities, unhealthy lifestyles, and accessible systems that support the health of individuals, families, and communities. We emphasize both discovery and application with the goal of moving "knowledge into action" locally, nationally and globally. We are proud of the following graduates:

### MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

The candidates for this degree have majored in health administration with emphasis in the areas of non-profit administration or health policy and management.

Ivan Russell Parker  
MPT, 2005, University of Tennessee Health Science Center  
DPT, 2006, University of Tennessee Health Science Center

### MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

The candidates for this degree have majored in public health with emphasis in the areas of biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, health systems management or social and behavioral health.

Donya Mehri Ahmadian  
BS, 2014, Rhodes College

Nicholas Neal Carlson  
BA, 2012, University of North Carolina,  
Chapel Hill

Christie Michelle Gipson  
BSED, 2010, University of Memphis

Sabrina Iqbal  
BDS, 2009, University of Dhaka

Mary Powers  
BJ, 1979, Indiana University

Carolyn Josephine Riordan  
BA, 2005, University of Denver

Charles Robert Scheel  
BSED, 2013, University of Memphis

Sabarinath Reddy Tetali  
MBBS, 2012, Hubei University of Chinese  
Medicine

Amy Nicole Trimm  
BS, 2012, Christian Brothers University

Marshall Franklin Varnum II  
BS, 2011, Bethel College

Briana BerSha Woods  
BA, 2013, Vanderbilt University





## THE HERFF COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

*Dean, Richard Sweigard, Ph.D.*

The mission of the College of Engineering is: to provide quality education, research, and service that responds to the needs and challenges of the Mid-South region; to promote the knowledge, skills, ethics, creativity, and critical thinking necessary for professional competence and lifelong learning, including an international perspective and a social awareness and to conduct quality scholarship and research across the College, including world-class research in selected areas. The following are the degrees offered with the appropriate concentrations within the respective areas:

### MASTER OF SCIENCE

The candidates for this degree have majored in biomedical engineering, civil engineering, electrical and computer engineering, engineering technology or mechanical engineering.

Kara Marie Bugis  
BS, 2010, The Pennsylvania State University

Chad Aaron Cannon  
BSEE, 2014, Georgia Southern University

Fahmida Kishowara Chowdhury  
BS, 2009, Chittagong University

Nikolaos Deligiannis  
Diploma, 2010, Aristotle University of  
Thessaloniki

Stephen Lawrence Edwards  
BSCE, 2011, University of Memphis

Yan Gong  
BS, 2007, Inner Mongolia University of  
Technology

Tiffany Harris  
BS, 2002, Vanderbilt University

Praveen Kurra  
BTECH, 2013, Archarya Nagarjuna University

Gregory Scott McGraw  
BS, 2008, University of Memphis

Satya naga Sandeep Nerella  
BE, 2013, Visveswaraiah Technological  
University

Cheyenne Starr Rhodes  
BSME, 2013, University of Central Florida

Marcus Carl Smith  
BSEE, 2011, Clemson University

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Cory Allen Jeanes, *cum laude*  
Kaitlynn Diane Shughart, *cum laude*

James Edward Smith, Jr.

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Veronica Felix, *magna cum laude*

Holland Maye Aguayo, *cum laude*  
Robert Shane Richardson, *cum laude*

Leonardo D. Contreras  
Bryan Lee Dorsey  
Noah Ketler

Ethan N. Porter  
Richard P. Riley Provience

Logan Taylor Stanko  
Jacob Patrick Wiley

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Christopher Domnick, *magna cum laude*

Landon Holmes, *magna cum laude*

Dustin B. McMillan, *magna cum laude*

Dereje Alebel Arega, *cum laude*

Cadarrius Jamal Mcglown, *cum laude*

Jonathan Edward White, *cum laude*

Drew Witherington Butler

Victor Manuel De Los Santos  
Marcus Ryan Miller

Joseph Clayton Smith

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Chad Anthony Lirette, *magna cum laude*

Jonathan Edward White, *cum laude*

Adrian Baldizon  
Seth Harrod  
Troy Henshaw, Jr.

Brittany Nicole Howell  
Justin Tyler Moseley  
Alyssa Lynae Ozier

Ridhish Patel  
David Anthony Valdez  
Kristina Lauren Walter

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

John Russell Crutcher II, *magna cum laude*  
Takari Donaville, *magna cum laude*

Clara Barnes, *cum laude*

Aaron Reyes Andres  
Starr Jewel Austin  
Marina Bayardo  
Brandon Carter

Christopher S. Fulton  
Scott Andrew Galbach  
Jason M. Harris

Bridgett Taylor  
Paul R. Tyler  
Ethan Barnard Welch

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Fabian Fiege, *summa cum laude*  
Michael Newman, *summa cum laude*

Timothy Glenn Anderson  
Daniel Bryant

Carlo A. Garcia  
Tuure Hollo

Jason Moore  
Jason Andrew Talarico



## THE LOEWENBERG COLLEGE OF NURSING

*Dean Lin Zhan, Ph.D.*

The Loewenberg College of Nursing (LSON) provides accessible and innovative higher education by preparing leaders who promote health in the global community through excellent teaching, rigorous research and collaborative practice/service. The Loewenberg College of Nursing (both undergraduate and graduate programs) is fully accredited by the Commission for Collegiate Nursing Education. The high quality education is reflected in graduates' 95%-100% NCLEX pass rates and sought by world-renowned clinical settings. With advanced preparation for practice as family nurse practitioners, nurse educators, or nurse administrators, our MSN graduates are prepared to shape the future of healthcare in our nation.

Faculty of the LSON are proud to present the following graduates who have met all of the requirements for either the bachelor of science (BSN) or the master of science in nursing (MSN) degree:

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Jackie Lynn Barton  
BSN, 2009, Baptist Memorial College of  
Health Science

Tiffany Michelle Bayes  
BSN, 2008, Baptist Memorial College of  
Health Science

Timberlyn MaShonda Beal  
BSN, 2009, Baptist Memorial College of  
Health Science

Ashley Marie Bolden  
BSN, 2010, University of Memphis

Sarah Briskey  
BA, 2008, Bucknell University  
BS, 2009, State University of New York,  
Binghamton

Jamie Evans Burrus  
BSN, 2008, University of Memphis

Karli Brewer Caruso  
BSN, 1999, University of Alabama

Amy S. Cathey  
BSN, 2009, University of Memphis

Kristin Ashley Cox  
BS, 2006, University of Mississippi  
BSN, 2010, Baptist Memorial Hospital School  
of Nursing

Jacqueline Brooker Frain  
BSN, 2011, University of Memphis

Nicholas Kenneth Garmon  
BSN, 2012, University of Memphis

Arshada Le Sarah Hayes  
AAS, 2011, Coahoma Community College  
BSN, 2013, Mississippi University for Women

Lindsay Caroline Hester  
BS, 2008, Florida State University  
BSN, 2011, University of Memphis

Gabrielle Lafaye Jackson  
BS, 2009, Tennessee State University  
BSN, 2011, Cumberland University

Dongxia Irene Jiang  
BSN, 2007, University of Tennessee Health  
Science Center

Tonya Sheniece Johnson  
ADN, 2012, Coahoma Community College  
BSN, 2013, Mississippi University for Women

Andrea Ruth Jones  
BS, 2001, Freed-Hardeman University,  
BSN, 2004, Baptist Memorial College of  
Health Science

Philip Andrew McCain  
BSN, 2010, Bethel University

Laura Shea McCloskey  
BSN, 2007, Baptist Memorial College of  
Health Science

Sara C. McCrary  
BSN, 2012, The University of Memphis

Sarah Elizabeth McKnight  
BSN, 2005, Baptist Memorial College of  
Health Science

## MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Lisa Hill Moore  
BSN, 2013, Baptist Memorial College of  
Health Science

Josiah Newton  
BSN, 2009, University of Tennessee Health  
Science Center

Shannon Jean Pogue  
AAS, 2010, Arkansas Northeastern College  
BSN, 2012, Arkansas State University,

Lakina Shardai Richmond  
BSN, 2011, University of Memphis

Kim Roberts  
BSN, 2013, University of Memphis

Raven K. Rucker  
AAS, 2012, Coahoma Community College  
BSN, 2013, Mississippi University for Women

Chelsey Darden Savage  
BS, 2010, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
BSN, 2012, Union University

Brandy Sherita Shephard  
BSN, 2010, University of Memphis

Crystal Diane Smith  
AAS, 2000, Shelby State Community College  
BS, 2011, Chamberlain College of Nursing

Jennifer R. Temple  
AAS, 2001, Northeast Mississippi Community  
College  
BSN, 2003, Mississippi University for Women

Sara Elizabeth Allen Wiles  
BSN, 2005, Union University

Jodi Kelley Woods  
AAS, 2005, East Central Community College  
BSN, 2011, University of Texas at Arlington

Anna B. Wozniak  
AAS, 1996, State Technical Institute at  
Memphis  
BSN, 2012, Union University

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Whitney Leigh Boyd, *summa cum laude*

Christopher Blake Accardy, *magna cum laude*  
Regina Shika Ahiabile, *magna cum laude*  
Allie Rae Aycock, *magna cum laude*  
Brenna Lane' Bounds, *magna cum laude*  
Sara Michelle Brizendine, *magna cum laude*  
Sherri Alene Chambers, *magna cum laude*  
Azra Lily Cohodar, *magna cum laude*  
Kyndra DeZubiria, *magna cum laude*  
Kami D. Dykes, *magna cum laude*  
Emily Ruth Ellis, *magna cum laude*

Rosita Nnenna Ekem, *summa cum laude*,  
*University Honors*

Kendall Paige Gaither, *magna cum laude*  
Shane R. Garner, *magna cum laude*  
Stacey Elise Harkins, *magna cum laude*  
Rachel Cody Hubbard, *magna cum laude*  
Lorena Lerma, *magna cum laude*  
Linnetta Maharrey, *magna cum laude*  
Gabriel Nolan Newman, *magna cum laude*  
Amber Wortham Reece, *magna cum laude*  
Dawn Marie Richardson, *magna cum laude*  
Justin Lawrence Richardson, *magna cum laude*

Alyssa B. Hibberd, *summa cum laude*

Ceannie Roberto, *magna cum laude*  
Victoria Lee Rogers, *magna cum laude*  
LeAnne Marie Schum, *magna cum laude*  
Kaelee Lynn Shrewsbury, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
Rachel Dawn Stewart, *magna cum laude*  
Sarah Elizabeth Taylor, *magna cum laude*  
Alisha Chiara Tucker, *magna cum laude*  
Kevin Dale Weaver, *magna cum laude*  
Kimberly Yvonne Woodard, *magna cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Samit Abdi, *cum laude*  
Anna Grace Baltensperger, *cum laude*  
Shannon Nicole Barthold, *cum laude*  
Amanda M. Bledsoe, *cum laude*  
Courtney Marie Chabot, *cum laude*  
Randrea Rashell Coleman, *cum laude*  
Julie Anne Cuccia, *cum laude*  
Angelita Tarshell Gallion-Johnson, *cum laude*  
Angela Nicole Giannini, *cum laude*  
Billy S. Gray, *cum laude*  
Noelle R. Hackfeld, *cum laude*  
Billy Presley Hall, Jr., *cum laude*

Lakesha M. Armstrong  
Robyn Jo Bawcum  
William M. Briggs, Jr.  
LaRoselyn CharNez Brown  
Ashley Campbell  
Kathryn Lindsey Copple  
Dalton Alexander Cotham  
Tiffany M. Cowan  
Kimberly Crawford  
Katelin April Day  
Markeshe B. Ellison  
Victoria Elizabeth Emison  
Andrey Filov  
Josh George Frain  
Emily Kathryn Gahan  
Jenna-Lee Geranios  
Victoria Ashlin Gibson  
Martha Grace Gordon  
Javier Grijalva  
Sierra Paige Hanna  
Anna Katherine Hardin

Morgan Keeling Haltom, *cum laude*  
Kelsey Lea Hanna, *cum laude*  
Austin Haven, *cum laude*  
Jabrosky Nequille Henry, *cum laude*  
Adam David Jackson, *cum laude*  
Jolene Diane Karol, *cum laude*  
(August 2015)  
Elizabeth Beebe Longo, *cum laude*  
Angela M. Lowe, *cum laude*  
Amanda D. Martin, *cum laude*  
Morgan Margurite Mayo, *cum laude*  
Leslie Ann McCormick, *cum laude*

Julie Lynn Hart-Smith  
Danley Jenkins Herring  
Poncia Dane Hessling  
Alana Holguin  
Alyssa Hopper  
Eric C. Johnson  
Kristin Brooke Jones  
Morgan Jones  
Codi Michelle Kiithnl  
Dayna Blair Land  
Adrienne L. Lane  
Jae Lee  
Christopher Lenegar  
Aubrey Michelle LeRose  
Margaret Elizabeth Limbaugh  
Madison Long  
Taylor Maness  
Kelsey A. Manley  
Jessica L. Max  
Kellie Montoya  
Kara Cannon Morgan

Mallorie Logan Mokros, *cum laude*  
Jennifer Erin Newman, *cum laude*  
Brittany L. Pierce, *cum laude*  
Julie Anne Rinke, *cum laude*  
Jamie Scott, *cum laude*  
Katelyn Elisabeth Slemple, *cum laude*  
Leah Smith, *cum laude*  
Tara E. Smith, *cum laude*  
Stephanie R. Streit, *cum laude*  
Mary Elizabeth Wade, *cum laude*  
Sara Walker, *cum laude*  
Faye T. Williams-Smith, *cum laude*

Tenaria Morrow  
Brittany Myers  
Olivia Pittman  
Kevondearia Lasha Pollion  
Yolonda Powell  
Theresa Anne Register  
Amanda Sharon Hawkins Sanders  
Kacey C. Skinner  
Leslie A. Smith  
Tiffany Nicole Smith  
LaMonica Stingley  
Megan Alexis Talley  
Catherine Sloane Taylor  
Patricia Nelius Uthe  
Alejandra Vega  
Jessica Nickole Wadley  
Charlene Lachelle Warner  
Allie Lauren Watson  
Candice R. Weaver  
Hannah Elaine Whiddon



## THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

*Dean, Ernest Rakow, Ph.D.*

The most historic college at the University of Memphis, the College of Education is nationally accredited and seeks to prepare teachers, education related professionals, and other licensed human service professionals to become effective leaders within their chosen career. The College holds the distinction of being one of the few in the nation to meet, without a weakness, National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) standards.

In addition to high-quality classroom instruction, most programs are field based. Practical experiences and opportunities for participation in exciting hands-on training and research exist at our award winning Campus School, the Barbara K. Lipman Early Childhood School and Research Institute, our local Professional Development Schools, the nationally known Center for Research in Educational Policy, and internship programs in various community businesses and agencies, all where experts in the student's field of study and University faculty work together to provide valuable on-the-job experience. The College offers off-campus courses at our Collierville, Jackson, and Dyersburg campuses and is a state leader in alternative online degree and licensure programs.

Undergraduate programs administered by the College lead to the Bachelor of Science in Education and consist of three basic areas of work: General Education, Professional study, and study within one of 12 areas of Specialty. It is the work within a specialty that determines a student's major. Graduate level studies at the College include 29 Master's and 17 Doctoral degree programs. And, in administering 33 teacher licensure programs, The College of Education is the largest producer of teachers in Tennessee.

### EDUCATION SPECIALIST

The candidates for this degree have placed emphasis on such areas of study as instruction and curriculum leadership, leadership and policy studies, higher and adult education, counseling, school psychology or educational psychology and research.

Misty Dawn Eddleman  
BA, 1997, University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff  
MA, 1999, Southern Methodist University  
MAR, 2006, Memphis Theological Seminary

## MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

The candidates for this degree have majored in instruction and curriculum leadership with emphasis in areas of early childhood education, elementary education, secondary education, or middle school/special education.

Carla N. Boutte  
BPS, 2006, University of Memphis

Serena Lee Cooper  
BA, 2006, Lipscomb University

Sheila Tagavilla Davis  
BA, 1997, University of Memphis

Ellen D. Earthman  
BSED, 2010, University of Memphis

Joseph Cole Fish  
BS, 2013, University of Tennessee at Martin

Leon Gbee  
BS, 2005, University of Wisconsin-River Falls  
MA, 2008, School of International Training

Adrian D. Glen-Tutton  
BS, 2006, LeMoyne-Owen College

Sarah Knight Howard  
BSW, 2012, Arkansas State University

Allison Nicole Lawler  
BA, 2013, University of Memphis

Harrison Scott McCann  
BA, 2004, Northwestern University  
MS, 2008, University of Michigan at  
Ann Arbor

Severine Christine McClellan  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis  
MA, 2014, University of Memphis

Roxanna Hajjafar McCommon  
BA, 2009, Belmont University

Trisha Hope McGovern  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis

Whitney Ramelle Meriwether  
BA, 2008, University of Alabama

Jasmine Danielle Neely  
BA, 2013, University of Memphis

Jacqueline Rhea Pannell  
BA, 2013, University of Memphis

Kellyn Nicole Robertson  
BA, 2007, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Chanda Leigh Robinson  
BSED, 2002, University of Memphis

Natalie Lee Scarborough  
BA, 2006, Louisiana Tech University

Laura Marie Sciarpelletti  
BLS, 2012, University of Memphis

Blaise Scott  
BA, 2013, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Casey Dickson Thomas  
BS, 2012, Louisiana State University

Michael Patrick Toler  
BA, 2012, Missouri State University

William Alex Ward  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis



## MASTER OF SCIENCE

The candidates for this degree have majored in the areas of clinical nutrition, counseling, educational psychology and research, instruction and curriculum leadership, health and sport sciences, or leadership and policy studies.

Donya Gwynn Adams  
BSED, 2004, University of Memphis

Rickey Lee Bates  
BA, 1982, University of Mississippi

LeeAnna Allyson Beech  
AS, 2011, Tidewater Community College,  
Chesapeake  
BS, 2014, James Madison University

Maryam Biria  
BS, 1991, Islamic Azad University

Shelli Marie Bond  
BS, 2003, Kennesaw State University

Amber A. Bush  
BA, 2009, University of Memphis

Oscar Clark Carr IV  
BA, 2004, Southern Methodist University  
JD, 2007, University of Memphis

Talia LaTosha Childress  
BA, 1998, University of Memphis

Rebecca J. Clement  
BS, 2008, North Dakota State University

Eric Terrell Cook  
BS, 2006, University of Mississippi

Erica Lauren Dawkins  
BA, 2007, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Demone Kentrell Dickerson  
BSED, 2009, University of Memphis

Brandon Christopher Dixon  
BSED, 2013, University of Memphis

Luanne Allen Donoghue  
BA, 1990, University of Memphis

Paul M. Dunaway  
BPS, 2004, University of Memphis  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis

Sophie Good Edwards  
BA, 2009, Furman University

Lauren C. Flowers  
BS, 2012, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Anne Franetovich  
BS, 2012, University of Mississippi

Ayesha Ghani  
BSED, 2013, University of Memphis

Alexandra Leigh Baker Harmon  
BS, 2011, Lambuth University

Kiersten Alicia Hawes  
BA, 2012, Spelman College

Traci Kristin Henderson  
BBA, 2009, University of Memphis  
MBA, 2011, University of Memphis

Hannah Elizabeth Hill  
BSED, 2014, University of Memphis

Veronica Elizabeth Hnatiuk  
AA, 2010, Tallahassee Community College  
BS, 2012, Florida State University

Erica Renee Hurt  
BSED, 2010, University of Memphis

Reisha Jack  
BLS, 2012, University of Memphis

Noor Elizabeth Janmohamed  
BA, 2009, University of Memphis

Stephanie Bullard Lancaster  
BS, 1991, Washington University

Amber Marie Lantz  
BA, 2013, Mississippi State University

Kristen M. Liberkowski  
BS, 2009, Murray State University

Sebek O'Jike Maat  
BSED, 2013, University of Memphis

Benjamin Clint Mayfield  
BSED, 2012, University of Memphis

Michael Patrick McCallum  
BA, 2011, University of Memphis

Laura Catherine McFall  
BA, 2012, University of Tennessee at Martin

James William Mobley  
BS, 2013, University of Tennessee at Martin

Allison Rae Moore  
BS, 2014, University of Illinois, Urbana-  
Champaign

Matthew Carter Myatt  
BS, 1998, Middle Tennessee State University

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

Meghan Kelly O'Brien  
BA, 2012, Christian Brothers University

Doneisha Christine Odum  
BA, 2011, University of Memphis

Brooke Alexandria Palvado  
BA, 2008, University of Memphis

Kaitlyn Elizabeth Philipps  
BS, 2014, University of California, Davis

Rebecca Ann Pierce  
AA, 2003, Southwestern Illinois College  
BA, 2009, University of Missouri, St. Louis

Celia K. Pruitt  
BSED, 2008, University of Memphis

Rachel Marie Robinson  
BA, 2002, Auburn University

Astrid Roman  
BSED, 2012, University of Memphis

Corey T. Smith  
BS, 2012, Illinois State University

Liza Jo Southerton  
BS, 2014, University of Florida

Kye DeVore Stewart  
BS, 2008, Illinois State University

Madison Claire Turner  
BA, 2011, Florida Gulf Coast University

Anna Featherston Tuttle  
BS, 2003, University of Southern Mississippi  
MS, 2007, University of Memphis

Lisa McKinney Weeams  
BS, 1995, Southern Illinois University,  
Carbondale  
MS, 2001, University of Memphis

Samuel Wiedman  
BSED, 2014, University of Memphis

Keri D. Wilson  
BS, 2011, Tennessee State University

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Melanie Ann Clarke, *summa cum laude*  
 Alexandra Nicole Lindsey, *summa cum laude*, University Honors

Carlie Elizabeth DeMann, *magna cum laude*  
 Landon Mitchell Fischer, *magna cum laude*  
 Katherine Goddard, *magna cum laude*

Rheagan Leigh Lovelace, *magna cum laude*  
 Linda Yvonne Pope, *magna cum laude*  
 Laura Lee Schifani, *magna cum laude*

Kayla Marie Stevenson, *magna cum laude*  
 Cheston Farris Stout, *magna cum laude*  
 Shamicka Woodard, *magna cum laude*

Terance Carnes, *cum laude*  
 Olivia Holland Chaffin, *cum laude*  
 Lloyd Dixon, *cum laude*

Brenna Lily Owen, *cum laude*  
 Lauren Kathleen Ray, *cum laude*

Rachel Kimberly Rice, *cum laude*  
 Julie Anne Rinke, *cum laude*  
 Lauren Boyd Shaffrey, *cum laude*

Bridgett M. Akins  
 Alaa Alghamdi  
 Kenealia L. Armour  
 Reginald Bates, Jr.  
 Jill C. Blasingame  
 Kayla A. Boren  
 Taylor Box  
 Brandon Scott Bradford  
 Amber Danielle Buggs  
 Christopher Ernest Bunkley  
 Keneisha Carpenter  
 Andrewella Chism  
 Amber Jontiel Velise Clanton  
 Michael Christopher Cobins  
 James Steven Connell  
 Samantha Leigh Davis  
 Dominique Deberry  
 Peter F. Dimoh  
 Ligaya Kimyara Dixon  
 Courtney Brian Easterwood  
 Markeesha Raychel Foster  
 DeMarcio Mikel Gilliam  
 Anita Graff  
 Blair Love Halle

Justin Darnell Harts  
 MiMi K. Henderson  
 Derek Howard  
 Kyle Anthony Hurt, Jr.  
 Jonece Lashea Jeans  
 Kelsey Elaine Jenkins  
 Laquita Shante Jennings  
 Wesley Bennett Johnson, Jr.  
 Christian John Kelly  
 Kimberly Haze Lambdin  
 Breanna Lofton  
 Alexis Maddin  
 Anessia Delores McGlue  
 Rachael Cynthia McLean  
 Ryan Meadows  
 Brittaney Molden  
 Mark Oliver  
 Samantha Outlaw-Wherry  
 Raven Parks  
 Jigisha Patel  
 Rebecca Leigh Peterson  
 Austin Pilkinton  
 Christopher Lee Pope  
 Aurtrell Claudell Reece

Deadra Riley  
 Denisha Rooks  
 Morgan Russell  
 Lauren Schaedle  
 Mariah Antrice Scott  
 Archie Terrell Smith  
 (August 2015) Posthumously Awarded  
 Jade Smith  
 Makala Smith  
 LaSheila Jamale Stokes  
 Gregory Ryan Sudduth  
 Micah Daniel Teed  
 Samantha Elliott Traylor  
 Anthony Lawrence Walker  
 Debra Ann Walker-Weddle  
 Erica Jaye Walker  
 Bria Cherese Washington  
 Baileigh Waters  
 Laura Coplon Weaver  
 Michelle Katherine Williams  
 Nicole Christy Wills  
 Breckyn Ann Wilson  
 Octavia Taujie Wilson  
 Charnise Vernae Yancey



## KEMMONS WILSON SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY AND RESORT MANAGEMENT

*Professor and School Director, Radesh Palakurthi, Ph.D., MBA*

The Kemmons Wilson School of Hospitality and Resort Management's enduring ambition is to develop global hospitality leaders that excel in operations and senior corporate positions. The mission is to produce excellent leaders that will be thoroughly prepared to thrive in the challenging global environment of the 21st century hospitality industry. The mission is accomplished through pursuing four major priorities: *Student Learning* achieved through a contemporary curriculum that is enhanced with experiential learning, study abroad programs, leadership and team-building opportunities; *Industry Engagement* built through strategic partnerships for extending student placement, faculty development and curriculum improvements; *Discovery* through student and faculty scholarship aimed at disseminating and sharing knowledge and information for the benefit of the global hospitality community; and, *Resource Development* for continuously improving learning, scholarship, and service opportunities for students and faculty. The School's values emanate from the Kemmons Wilson Philosophy which, foster a positive attitude and confidence developed through an array of competencies and hard work; instills entrepreneurial spirit achieved through seizing opportunities, intelligent risk-taking and dedication to work and capital ideas; maintains a life-long relationships through trust, honesty, and integrity; and by living a wholesome lifestyle that is achieved through a balanced approach to professional and personal commitments.

### BACHELOR OF ARTS

The Kemmons Wilson School of Hospitality and Resort Management offers a comprehensive Bachelor of Arts Degree in Hospitality and Resort Management. After completing our undergraduate degree program in Hospitality and Resort Management, our students are able to: demonstrate a high level of technical and managerial competency in global hospitality operations; exhibit enhance critical thinking, communication, and problem-solving skills for active and integrated learning; undertake basic research, analyze information, and apply knowledge and techniques acquired within an academic or professional context; develop interpersonal teamwork and leadership skills for a diverse hospitality workforce; and, conscientiously apply the profession's code of ethics and continuously evaluate the social, multicultural, and environmental issues relevant to the hospitality industry.

Deborah J. Thompson, *magna cum laude*

Cortney Taylor Bevington, *cum laude*  
Jiyu Ding, *cum laude*

Nicolette Barnes  
Rachel Erin Burke  
Jose Carias  
Kayla Ann Carl  
Elter Luteel Carter  
Rachel Crawford

Jeanne Marie Cummings  
Rachel L. Drewry  
Arden Hudson  
Kathryn Marbury  
Jessica Elise Mosley  
Sloan Pfeiffer

Zachary E. Scott  
Rachel Ann Wahlig  
Deanna J. Wallace  
Ethan Williams



## THE FOGELMAN COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

*Dean Rajiv Grover, Ph.D.*

The Fogelman College of Business and Economics (FCBE), an AACSB accredited institution, comprises seven departments (School of Accountancy; Economics; Finance, Insurance and Real Estate; Management Information Systems; Management; and, Marketing and Supply Chain Management) and academic programs at all levels – undergraduate, masters and Ph.D. Fogelman College's undergraduate, masters and doctoral enrollments are 2,620, 742 and 78, respectively, and it has 109 full-time and part-time faculty members. Approximately 90% of full-time faculty members hold doctoral degrees. The Fogelman College differentiates itself by providing a unique Complete Professional Program that holistically prepares students with the tools to achieve both personal and professional excellence. Through the Avron B. Fogelman Professional Development Center, FCBE provides training on ethics, healthy living habits, business etiquette, resume building, professionalism, philanthropic activities and more.

In addition to the professional development differentiator, Fogelman College is also proud to distinguish itself based on the customized development of MBAs. Fogelman College offers a comprehensive portfolio of graduate programs including five different tracks to earn a MBA. These programs include the Customer-Driven MBA, International MBA, Executive MBA, Online MBA and Professional MBA. Furthermore, Fogelman College works very closely with Memphis-area companies, many of them Fortune 500, to offer students invaluable hands-on learning experiences from professionals in these industries.

### EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The candidates for this degree have majored in business administration with emphasis in the areas of concentration in executive strategy, innovation and global leadership.

Reem Saleh AlGhanim  
BS, 2002, King Saud University

Veronica M. Long  
BA, 2010, University of Memphis

Angela Love Straub  
BBA, 2001, University of Memphis

Howard Eaton  
BSBA, 1994, Iowa State University

Vincent Joseph Marotta  
BA, 2009, University of Cincinnati

Preston Forbes Thompson  
BA, 2009, Rice University

Edgar Hardin Gillock II  
BBA, 2008, University of Memphis

Richard Craig Paessler  
BS, 2010, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical  
University

Scott K. Wilson  
BS, 2000, Victory University

Noah Kirk Gray  
BSBA, 2009, University of Missouri

Claud W. Sterling, Jr.  
DAR, 2004, Valor Christian College  
BA, 2007, Victory University

Kimberly Winston  
BSBA, 1993, University of Tennessee at Martin

Eric Deon Harris  
BA, 1999, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
MS, 2006, Christian Brothers University

## INTERNATIONAL MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The candidates for this degree have majored in international business administration.

Rohini Daraboina  
BTECH, 2006, Jawaharlal Nehru Technology  
University  
MS, 2008, University of Texas at Arlington

Ketevan Dolidze  
BA, 2012, Mississippi University for Women

Adrienne Marie Meuse  
BA, 2009, Lambuth University

Rebecca Koch  
BSC, 2013, Catholic University of Eichstaett-  
Ingolstadt

## MASTER OF ARTS

The candidates for this degree have majored in Economics.

Brandon Russell  
BA, 2009, Covenant College

## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The candidates for this degree have majored in business administration with emphasis in the areas of accounting; biomedical management; economics; finance, insurance and real estate; management, management information systems; marketing; law; the executive program or the professional program.

Julie Miranda Acosta  
Bacharel, 2009, Escola Superior de  
Administração, Marketing e  
Comunicação

Akinlolu O. Akanni  
BBA, 2009, University of Texas, Arlington

Eric Thomas Bork  
BA, 2007, Lyon College  
MFA, 2010, University of Memphis

Jason R. Britt  
BS, 2005, East Carolina University

Douglas Vincent Browne  
AAS, 1976, Paul Smith's College of Arts and  
Sciences  
BS, 1978, Florida International University

Holly Roberta Buzgo  
BS, 1980, Pennsylvania State University

Matthew Steed Carson  
BA, 2008, University of Memphis

Raegan Lynn Cook  
BA, 2013, Christian Brothers University

Demetriss Alda Gilliam  
BS, 2007, University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff

Richard Ian Gray, MD  
BS, 2001, Vanderbilt University  
MD, 2005, University of Tennessee Health  
Science Center

Jeffrey Francis Griffin  
BA, 2010, Miami University, Oxford

Sanela Hasanovic-Little  
BA, 2011, Washburn University

Jane Evelyn Hill  
BBA, 2013, Middle Tennessee State University

Michael Steve Houston  
AAS, 1997, State Technical Institute at  
Memphis  
BS, 2008, Victory University  
MS, 2012, University of Memphis

Daniel Ryan Jacobson  
BA, 2014, University of Memphis

Richard Indru Pace Kaegi  
BCOJ, 2007, University of Tennessee,  
Knoxville

## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Elizabeth LaFitte  
BSBA, 2009, University of South Carolina,  
Columbia

Sean Charles Lawrence  
BPS, 2009, University of Memphis

Mark Gerard Ledbetter  
BSCP, 2006, University of Memphis

Barton Licht  
BSCH, 2009, University of Florida

Raminder Singh Lotay  
BBA, 2009, University of Memphis

Amanda Paige Magnuson  
BBA, 2000, Texas Tech University

Nilotpala Mallik  
BS, 2001, Utkal University  
MCA, 2004, North Orissa University

Erin Elizabeth May  
BA, 2012, Mississippi State University  
BBA, 2012, Mississippi State University

Elizabeth Ashley McCall  
BS, 2013, Mississippi State University

Annette Webb McNeil  
BPS, 2013, University of Memphis

Jonathan Glen Miller  
BSME, 2005, Kettering University

Christopher S. Naro  
BS, 2005, Clarkson University

Angela Marie Newman  
BBA, 2008, Eastern Michigan University

Amogh Phadke  
BE, 2008, Vidyalkar Institute of Technology  
MS, 2011, Ball State University

Jay T. Price  
BA, 2005, Utah State University  
MS, 2010, Utah State University

Melissa Beth Ramage  
BBA, 2003, University of Memphis

David Skull  
BA, 2013, Christian Brothers University

Elizabeth Nicole Steles  
BSCBA, 2011, University of Alabama

Jedidiah Nathaniel Todd  
BS, 2007, Middle Tennessee State University

Lauren Paige Douglass Warren  
BA, 2006, Christian Brothers University

Rhondolyn Brown West  
BBA, 2011, University of Memphis

Katy Harvey Wright  
PharmD, 2001, University of Tennessee Health  
Science Center

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

The candidates for this degree have majored in accounting or business administration  
with areas of concentration in finance, management information systems, or real estate.

Venkata Siddhardh Alapati  
BTECH, 2011, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological  
University

Sethan Arja  
BTECH, 2013, Vellore Institute of Technology

Smita Arora  
BCA, 2004, Indira Gandhi National Open  
University  
BS, 2005, University of Burdwan  
MCA, 2008, National Institute of Technology

Bhagya Rekha R. Atluri  
BTECH, 2011, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological  
University

Philip Bryce Barnett  
BSCP, 2012, University of Memphis

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

Navya Sree Basa  
BTECH, 2013, Koneru Lakshmaiah University

Sharon Denise Bates  
AS, 2002, Jackson State Community College  
BBA, 2011, University of Memphis

Abilash Battu  
BE, 2012, Birla Institute of Technology and Science

Pranathi Boddu  
BTECH, 2012, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University

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BCA, 2011, Acharya Nagarjuna University

Ruby E. Booth  
BA, 2001, Rhodes College

Ramanjaneyulu Botla  
BTECH, 2011, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University

Ian Chadwell  
BS, 2013, University of Alabama

Robert Elmo Cowan III  
BS, 2013, Louisiana State University

Sabine E. Fenster  
AAS, 2006, Southwest Tennessee Community College  
BBA, 2012, University of Memphis

Krishana Y. Jariwala  
BBA, 2013, University of Memphis

Sanhitha Jasthi  
BE, 2011, Anna University

Sree Lakshmi Ma Kadiyala  
BTECH, 2013, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University

Anusha Kakani  
BTECH, 2013, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University

Subrahmanya Sri Kandikonda  
BE, 2010, Osmania University  
MS, 2014, University of Memphis (Dec. 2014)

Kimberly Jane Lancaster  
BS, 1993, Memphis State University  
MAT, 1999, University of Memphis

Tito Andre Langston  
BBA, 2007, Tennessee State University

Ravi Chandra Maddali  
BE, 2011, Andhra University

Sarah Marie Mathews  
BBA, 2013, University of Memphis

John Alexander McCulloch  
BBA, 2008, Rhodes College

Keerthichandra Nagareddy  
BTECH, 2011, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University

Yeshwanth Reddy Narayana  
BTECH, 2014, Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management

Koushik Reddy Narra  
BTECH, 2009, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University  
PGDM, 2012, Institute of Public Enterprise

Mark Steven Newman, Jr.  
BS, 2013, Arkansas State University

Sandeep Ramesh  
BE, 2009, Visveswaraiah Technological University

Courtney Sawyers  
BBA, 2014, Millsaps College

Shuchi Dilip Shah  
BCOM, 2000, South Gujarat University  
MBA, 2002, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University

Ibrahim Mounir Shazly  
BA, 2012, University of Memphis

Jennifer Nicole Smith  
AS, 2007, Florida Metro University, Tampa  
BBA, 2012, University of Memphis

Sharon Spence  
BBA, 2014, University of Memphis

Michael Brandon Stewart  
BSBA, 2013, University of Tennessee, Knoxville



## BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Clarisa Alexandra Bossler, *summa cum laude*  
 Erin Elizabeth Carroll, *summa cum laude*  
 Elizabeth Lea Chisum, *summa cum laude*  
 Heather D. Coker, *summa cum laude*  
 Stephen Andrew Felder, *summa cum laude*  
 Devin K. Griggs, *summa cum laude*

Melissa A. Anderson, *magna cum laude*  
 Shelby-Kay Christy Anderson, *magna cum laude*  
 Deema Ayesh, *magna cum laude*  
 Logan Hightower Berry, *magna cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
 Robbie Roschelle Bradley, *magna cum laude*  
 Wilson Taylor Buse, *magna cum laude*  
 Tierney Yvette Dortch, *magna cum laude*  
 Jared Dean Eakes, *magna cum laude*  
 Eliza Feudner, *magna cum laude*

Reema Jehad Afaneh, *cum laude*  
 Giovanni Salvador Alvarado, *cum laude*  
 Hannah Danielle Austin, *cum laude*  
 Sean Luke Berry, *cum laude*  
 David Michael Borkowski, *cum laude*  
 Jason Bradsher, *cum laude*  
 John Robert Burgess, *cum laude*  
 Jamie Crosno, *cum laude*  
 Matthew Clement Duzane, *cum laude*  
 Jacquelyn Charisse Easley, *cum laude*  
 Charles Garrett Ellsworth, *cum laude*  
 Catina Ferguson, *cum laude*  
 Alexandria Lynae Fitzhugh, *cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
 Nick Gardner, *cum laude*

Evan D. Adair  
 Davis Patrick Allen  
 Robin Anderson  
 Jessica Andrews  
 Ebony Dominique Anthony  
 Jared Jamaad Armour  
 Michael Robinson Armstrong

Amy Christine Hartoon, *summa cum laude*,  
*University Honors*  
 Stephen L. Hill, *summa cum laude*  
 Shelby Jane Hines, *summa cum laude*  
 Wendy Marie Hines, *summa cum laude*  
 Myra Jane Knox, *summa cum laude*

Deborah May Foshee, *magna cum laude*  
 Adrian C. Guess, *magna cum laude*  
 Jacqueline S. Hardison, *magna cum laude*  
 Neely J. Henderson, *magna cum laude*  
 Sumire Kamatsuki, *magna cum laude*  
 Iyad Khdir, *magna cum laude*  
 Taylor Kriha, *magna cum laude*, *University Honors*  
 Michael E. McAteer, Sr., *magna cum laude*  
 James Andrew Miller, *magna cum laude*  
 Hannah Katherine Parrish, *magna cum laude*

Lauren Meredith Klaus, *cum laude*  
 Kasra Koleini, *cum laude*  
 Karen Denise LaBarreare, *cum laude*  
 Mikyung Lee, *cum laude*  
 Robert Salvatore Marsico, *cum laude*  
 LaShenna Aletha Martin, *cum laude*  
 Juan Carlos Monge Alvarado, *cum laude*  
 Zachary Morton, *cum laude*  
 David Andrew Nabors, *cum laude*  
 Jeremiah Adundo Ochanda, *cum laude*  
 Kristina Ogden, *cum laude*  
 Christopher O. Oliver, *cum laude*  
 Valeria Loreto Ordóñez Jara, *cum laude*  
 Dustin R. Oswald, *cum laude*  
 April Michelle Patton, *cum laude*

Caitlyn Evans Arnold  
 Jeremy C. Bean  
 Francesca Jacqleyn Bolds  
 Paul E. Brockington  
 Thomas Andrew Brooks II  
 Jarinston Brown  
 Kenecia Bryant

Sarah Grace Lawrence, *summa cum laude*  
 Jessica Lee McMinn, *summa cum laude*  
 Amber Victoria Nelson, *summa cum laude*  
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College Marshal is an honored and traditional role performed by the faculty at Commencement. Each college in the University identifies at least two faculty members who organize and lead the candidates into the arena and to the stage during the ceremony. In recent years, the undergraduate student with the highest grade point average in the college has been invited to join the Faculty College Marshals in this distinguished leadership role.

## ACADEMIC MARSHALS

School of Public Health  
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Dr. Esra Roan and Mr. Fabian Fiege

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Dr. Mary C. Elliotte, Dr. Tamara Otey and Ms. Alyssa B. Hibberd

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Dr. James Kierulff

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Dr. Albert T. Nguyen, *Conductor*

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Bianca Balderama  
Nancy Denise Ditto  
Martin Palacios

**Cello**  
Carrington Truehart  
Double Bass  
Rashid Lawal

**Flute**  
Nicole Ann Jackson

**Clarinet**  
Ivan E. Lee

**Bassoon**  
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**Horn**  
Morgan Thomas  
Anna Jarratt

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**Trombone**  
Adam Byars

**Euphonium**  
John Ingram

**Tuba**  
Matthew Allen Smith

**Percussion**  
Jessica Marie Williams  
David Dickens

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## NATIONAL ANTHEM

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Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light  
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars; through the perilous fight  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,  
Oh, say does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

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## ALMA MATER

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Stand Firm, O Alma Mater,  
Through all the years to come;  
In days of youth and beauty  
Thy halls have been our home.  
In time of preparation  
Great lessons didst thou teach  
Till now, O Alma Mater,  
The stars we'll strive to reach.



The University of Memphis community is proud and diverse. We stretch across the state and around the globe. As you leave campus to share your talents with the world, the U of M Alumni Association is right beside you, keeping you connected to your fellow Tigers.

The University of Memphis Alumni Association represents the interests of more than 128,000 alumni of the University. Our mission is to engage alumni, former students and friends in three challenges: advocating the ideals of the University, advancing its welfare and fostering life-long relationships with the institution. The Alumni Association supports academics at the University of Memphis with more than 55 student scholarships and eleven faculty and staff awards for Excellence in Teaching, Research and Advising. Outstanding alumni are recognized annually at the Distinguished Alumni Awards.

The Alumni Association is pleased to provide an Associate Membership to our new graduates. This complimentary first year entrance to the Association, mailed with your diploma, is given with hope that you will take advantage of the more than 70 clubs, chapters and programs based on academics, geography or a specific interest. Get involved by mentoring a current student, supporting a scholarship or nominating a favorite professor for an award. Socialize with other Tigers at the annual Homecoming Parade or a True Blue Watch Party. Network at one of the hundreds of events and meetings that we sponsor throughout the year. But most importantly - Stay True Blue and continue your membership in the Alumni Association!

Membership in the U of M Alumni Association ensures that you will stay connected and is one of the most fundamental ways you can show your pride. **Wherever you are, you're a Tiger.**

Current graduating University of Memphis students who are members of the Alumni Association through the Future Alumni of Memphis, or FAM, are distinguished by wearing a Tiger Blue stole during Commencement. Congratulations FAM seniors!

**Membership Matters!**

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# The University of Memphis Vastly Enriches the Mid-South Economy

## *Every Great City Needs a Great University.*

THE NATION IS STRUGGLING TO CLIMB OUT OF THE depths of one of the worst recessions on record and, understandably, the minds of families throughout the nation are fixed on economic issues. Should they invest in an education for their children? Will it pay to spend the family's hard-earned money on tuition and the other costs associated with obtaining a college degree? The data on the economic importance of obtaining a college education are being put to the test.

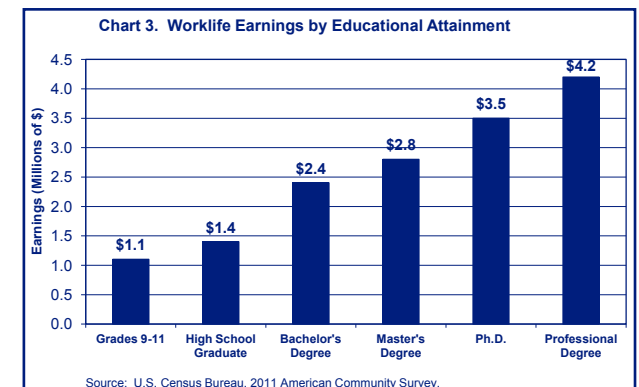
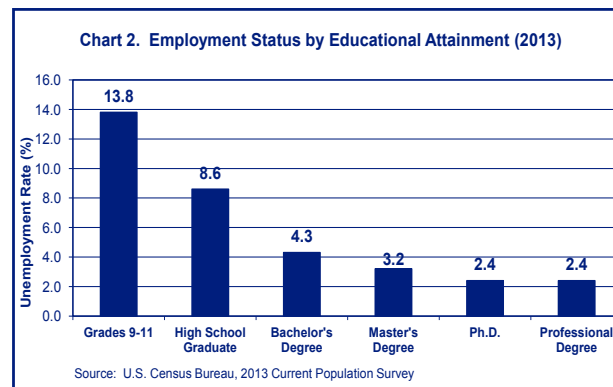
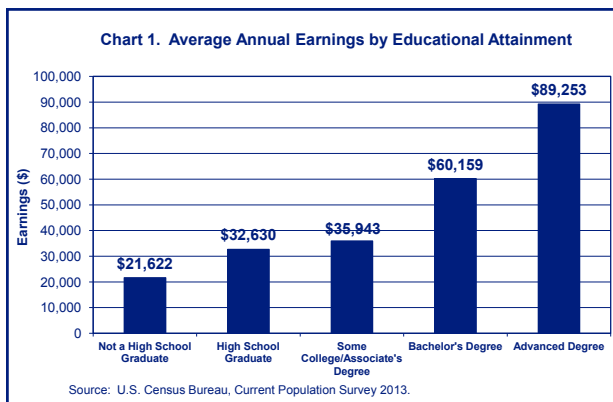
Graduates and their parents can rest assured that obtaining a college degree continues to be an investment that pays off even in difficult economic times. The following charts contain employment and earnings information for different levels of academic achievement

and clearly demonstrate that it pays to invest in higher education. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the average annual earnings for people with a Bachelor's degree were estimated to be \$60,159 in 2012, nearly twice as high as the average of \$32,630 for a high school graduate (Chart 1). College graduates can look forward to making more money than non-graduates in both strong and weak periods of economic growth.

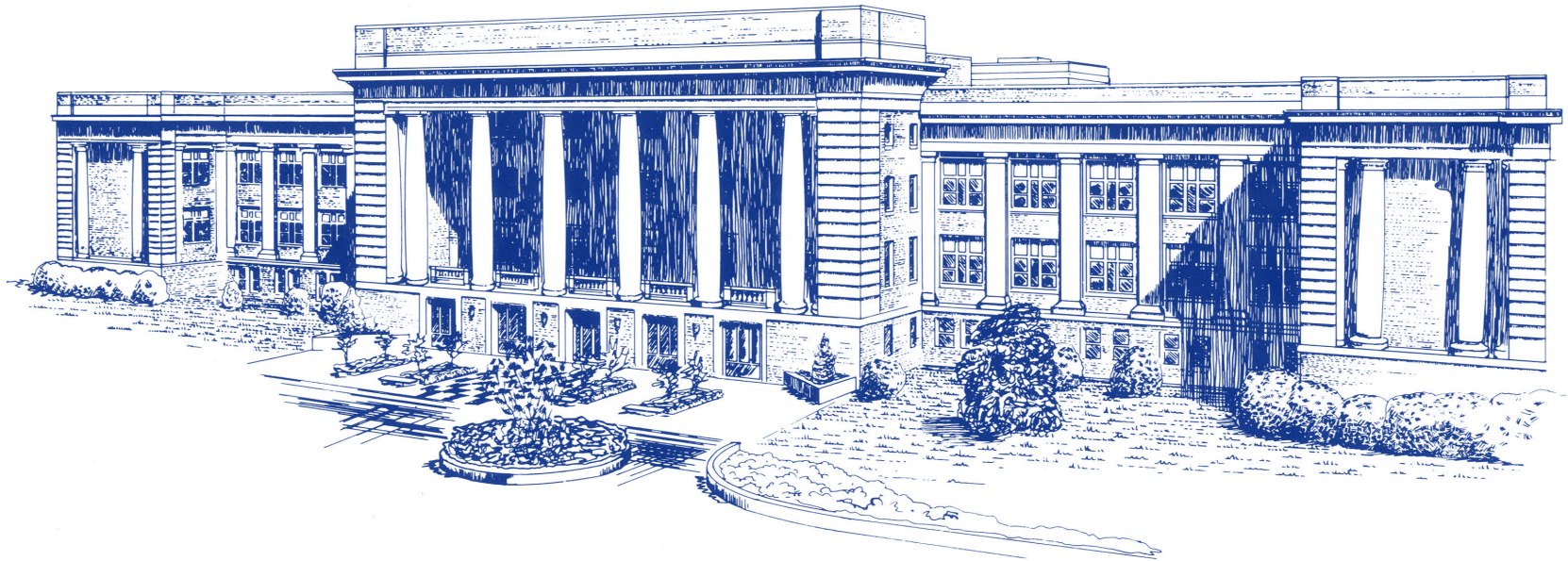
Nearly all people with a college degree are employed, with only a small percentage unemployed in any economic period. Unemployment rates rise for everyone in a deep recession, but college graduates always have an advantage even in weak labor markets. The unemployment rate for people with a Bachelor's

degree was 4.3 percent versus 8.6 percent for a high school graduate (Chart 2). The combination of higher earnings and employment stability creates dramatically higher life-time earnings for college graduates (Chart 3).

Worklife earnings increase dramatically with educational attainment. Over a worklife, a college graduate who has earned a Bachelor's degree will earn \$2.4 million, 170 percent more than a high school graduate. An advanced degree generates life-time earnings estimates of \$2.8-\$4.2 million for graduates with Master's, Ph.D., and Professional degrees. Clearly, the most foolproof way to make a dramatic increase in life-time earnings and tax revenues is the old fashioned way—invest in higher education.







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