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COMMENCEMENT  
for the  
ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH YEAR



1:00 P.M.  
MAY 7, 2000  
ECKLEY QUADRANGLE  
BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

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# Program

President Minor Myers, jr. *Presiding*  
Professor James McGowan, *Mace Bearer*

Prelude	Illinois Wesleyan Wind Ensemble Professor Steven W. Eggleston, <i>Conductor</i> Malcolm Arnold (b. 1921) <i>arr. John P. Paynter</i>
Prelude, Siciliano and Rondo	
Processional ( <i>please stand</i> )	
Crown Imperial	William Walton (1902–1983)
Pomp and Circumstance	Edward Elgar (1857-1934) <i>arr. W.J. Duthoit</i>
"America The Beautiful" ( <i>remain standing and join in singing</i> )	MATERNA Samuel A. Ward (1848-1903)
O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea. —Katherine Lee Bates (1859-1929)	
Invocation ( <i>remain standing</i> )	The Reverend Paul Widicus <i>Director of Communications</i> The Illinois Great Rivers Conference The United Methodist Church
Presidential Welcome	Minor Myers, jr. <i>President, Illinois Wesleyan University</i>
Trustee Welcome	Craig C. Hart <i>President, Board of Trustees</i>
Remarks of Class President	Scott Michael Stealey '00
Remarks of Faculty	Frank Boyd <i>Assistant Professor of Political Science</i> <i>The 2000 Student Senate Professor of the Year</i>
Announcement of Honors	President Myers

Awarding of Honorary Degree  
Kevin Smith  
President Myers

Address: "You Are the Smartest Person in the World  
and Everybody Else is Stupid"  
Kevin Smith '00

Conferring of Degrees  
President Myers

Bachelor of Science in Nursing  
Donna L. Hartweg  
Professor and Director  
of the School of Nursing

Bachelor of Fine Arts  
Miles C. Bair  
Professor and Director of the School of Art

Nancy Loitz  
Associate Professor and Director  
of the School of Theatre Arts

Mario J. Pelusi  
Associate Professor and Director  
of the School of Music

Bachelor of Music and  
Bachelor of Music Education  
Professor Pelusi

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science  
Janet M. McNew  
Provost and Dean of the Faculty

Alma Wesleyana  
(please stand and join in singing)  
NATIONAL HYMN  
George William Warren  
(1828-1902)  
arr. Peter Andrew Gilbert '98

From hearts aflame, our love we pledge to thee,  
Where'er we wander, over land or sea;  
Through time unending loyal we will be—  
True to our Alma Mater, Wesleyan.

When college days are fully past and gone,  
While life endures, from twilight dream till dawn,  
Grandly thy soul shall with us linger on—  
Star-crowned, our Alma Mater, Wesleyan!

—Professor W. E. Schultz  
(1887-1964)

Benediction (remain standing)  
Dennis E. Groh '61  
University Chaplain

Recessional (remain standing)  
Procession of the Nobles  
Illinois Wesleyan Wind Ensemble  
Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov  
(1844-1908)  
arr. Erik W.G. Leidzén

# The School of Nursing

*Candidates for the degree*

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Laura Lyn Brown	** Jessica Marie Lynch
Lisa C. Carter	** Lori Ann Mayer
Joni Lynn Closen	* Erin Elizabeth Mendenhall
Jennifer L. Dufault	Lynn Marie Myros
Sarah Jeane Fink	Christy Lynn Payne
* Robert K. Fisher	Jennifer Teraldico Peeters
Janet Michelle Frus	Brinlee Z. Plederer
Kelly Jean Grady	Katherine Lynn Roser
§ * Patti A. Hartley	Derri Kristen Selover
Mandy Michelle Heal	Angela K. Sprowl
Kimberly Anne Herron	Christina Marie Talley
Mary Lynn Jackson	* Katherine Marie Washburn
Kori Elizabeth Keel	* Beth Ann Wilken
** Erika Lorraine Knudson	** Jill Elizabeth Wilkinson-Hanes
Amanda Brooke Lenk	Megan Elizabeth Wingate

# College of Fine Arts

*Candidates for the degree*

## Bachelor of Fine Arts

### Art

§ ** Sarah-Beth Anderson	Jennifer Rae Keeley
Dean Franklin Carter	* Wendy Sue Konfrst
Robert E. Carter Jr.	* Anna Olivia Reed
Dijon M. Duncan	Sara Ann Reitz
* Daniel John Giese	Eric P. Snowden
Laura Beth Hornbeck	§ *** Sarah Ann Studnicki
Mary Elizabeth Kazak	Jacob D. Veness

### Dance

§ \*\* Jamie J. Zauner

## Theatre Arts

Seth Allan Boeckman  
Laura Kathleen Burleson  
\* Margaret Allyn Cummings  
Scott Douglas Fenstermaker  
Jordyn Kathleen Frelk  
Anne Girard  
Nicole M. Hand  
\* Shannon Elizabeth Hoag  
Catherine Burgess Hoban  
Michelle Marie Lombardo

\* Elizabeth Worth McKibbin  
Christopher George Olson  
Gabrielle R. Quilhot-Rysula  
Todd Robert Reichman  
§ \*\* Kate Whitton Siepert  
Benjamin E. Stephenson  
Michael Joseph Wagner  
\*\* Kate Elizabeth Walker  
Kerissa R. Ward

## Music Theatre

Shaun Nathan Baer  
Helena Anne Collins  
§ \*\* Miranda E. Crispin  
Gregory Robert Dvorak

\* Gillian Kate Goodman  
\* Kirsten Elise Gronfield  
Jacob Meyer Smith  
Stacey Lynn Wooden

## Bachelor of Music

Landon Russell Alvey  
\*\* Allison B. Baker  
\* Jennifer Marie Christianson  
\*\* Sharon Sohee Chung  
§ \*\*\* Jennifer Anne Cowgill  
May Katherine Crego  
§ \*\* Anna Catherine Gullickson  
Alfred Alan Hannon  
\*\* Luke David Wang Herman  
Sarah Elizabeth Klusak

Karl David Knapp  
Matthew Michael Lorr  
Joy-Denise Elaine Moore  
\* Jennifer Ann Robb  
Nathan Louis Soice  
Gregory Alan Tittle  
Phaidon Tsourkas  
Brian Christopher Williams  
\* Steven Douglas Winfield

## Bachelor of Music Education

\* Jessica Lynne Bricknell  
Jenny Lee Boehm  
Kimberly Ann Burkema  
Kathleen Cormeny  
Laura Elizabeth Engelhardt  
Emily Johanna Fink  
Jamie-Rose Guarrine  
\*\* Nicole Marie Henn  
Erin Kimberly Howe  
April Lynnette Johnson

\*\* Melissa Sue Keysor  
Laura Lulusa  
Jennifer R. McKenna  
\*\* Jason David Mondello  
\*\* Nicole Marissa Pfeiffer  
Vanessa Lynn Rogers  
Margaret Keen Schultz  
Lauren Lynne Sopocy  
Peter Joseph Weber  
Daniel Ernest Joseph Witte

# College of Liberal Arts

## Candidates for the degree

### Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science

Amy Renee Adams	Public Accounting	** Kendra Lynn Casey	Educational Studies
* Jennifer Lyn Adams	Biology	Scott E. Cavanaugh	Political Science
§ ** Kari Beth Adkins	Psychology/Theatre Arts	* Rebecca Sue Centko	Chemistry
** Matthew John Albanese	Mathematics	Deborah Cha	Music
* Katherine M. Albee	Educational Studies	Julie Cherian	Physics
** Holly Beth Andersen	Educational Studies	Mark Anthony Ciaglia	Biology
Due Christopher Anderson	English-Literature	Cory Jon Cirrincione	Computer Science
Heather Ruth Anderson	Mathematics	Jason Eric Clark	Mathematics
Matthew Ryan Anderson	Computer Science	* Martez M. Clark	English-Writing
Lauren Lee Applegate	English-Literature	Jeffrey Robert Clift	Psychology
Don Cassidy Arnold II	Psychology	** Jennifer D. Collar	Psychology/Business Administration
Aladin Atta Jr.	Business Administration	Scott William Charles Combes	Business Administration
Amanda Christine Bailey	Business Administration	Alisa H. Conley	Theatre Arts/Biology
Michael Guy Balsley	English-Writing/Theatre Arts	§ *** Korey Harlyn Coon	Risk Management
James J. Balzarine	Business Administration	Brock Cooper	Physics
Stacy L. Batterton	Psychology	§ ** Jennifer Carol Cooper	Public Accounting
* Angela Karissa Bazzell	English-Literature	Marissa Ann Cope	Psychology
* Kristin Beadle	Business Administration	Allison Kay Court	Mathematics
Karin Anne Beaumont	Health	** Crisly Ann Craig	Educational Studies
§ ** Kiley Lynn Bednar	Psychology	§ ** David Thomas Cross	Biology
Elizabeth Suzanne Beer	English-Literature	§ *** Katie Elizabeth Cutright	Public Accounting
Nicole Margaret Bereolos	Psychology	John A. Cyscon III	Business Administration
* Kristi Leone Berger	Biology	** Renee Maria Czaja	History
Vikas Bhatia	Physics	* Jessie Lynne Dale	Psychology
Craig Randal Bisatillon	Educational Studies	** Carolyn Beth Damrow	Public Accounting
Gary Thomas Bleck	Computer Science	Jeremy Christen Daniel	Chemistry
§ ** Nathan John Bobofchak	Chemistry	Jennifer Ann Daniels	Educational Studies
Regina Theresa Bohmann	Educational Studies	** Thomas Martin Davidsmeter	Physics
Jennifer Catherine Boone	Business Administration	Melia S. Davis	Philosophy
** Jillayne E. Bose	Psychology	§ ** Matthew Thomas Dearing	Physics
** Matthew Thomas Boyd	Russian	§ ** Kirsten Ann DeBarba	Psychology
Katherine L. Brandt	Sociology	Dominic Peter DeGusmo	Business Administration
Nathan W. Brown	Music	Carolyn Jane Demas	Biology
Shawn William Buhr	History	Mark William DeMonte	History
Jennifer Elizabeth Burak	Art	Jeffery Todd DeNapoli	Computer Science
DaToya Jacques Butin	Political Science	Jason Robert Dennis	History
Christopher Ryan Butler	Chemistry	Alison Louise Diaz	Business Administration
Jerry John Byerly	Philosophy	§ *** Janelle Marie Dieken	Mathematics/Computer Science
William Raymond Cahoon	Mathematics/Business Administration	§ ** Brian J. Diemer	Biology
Michael Shaun Caldwell	Computer Science	** Martha Christine Dixon	Educational Studies
Andrew Paul Calloway	Risk Management	Cynthia Marie Donath	Biology
* Lindsay Nicole Caltagirone	Business Administration	John P. Dore	Business Administration
Julie Marie Campa	Sociology	Thomas Frederick Doyle	Psychology
Jeremiah James Campbell	Computer Science	Elizabeth Bardo Drane	Business Administration
* Jennifer M. Caputo	Psychology	§ *** Megan Ann Drefchinski	Sociology
* Daniel J. Carden	English-Literature/Political Science	Gregory E. Dulaney	Business Administration
Shannon Lynne Carr	Biology	Renee Nicole Durst	Psychology
Laura Marie Carroll	Risk Management	Nicole Marie Lee Dykas	Political Science/Business Administration
Otis L. Carter IV	Economics/Business Administration	Jeffrey John Duris	Business Administration

§ Phi Kappa Phi Members

\*\*\*Summa Cum Laude

\* Magna Cum Laude

\*Cum Laude



**Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Continued.**

* Alexandra Charlotte Latham	Biology	Jonathan Grant Musch	Chemistry/History
§ *** Neva Lucetta Laurie	Biology	Stephen A. Najim	Business Administration/Computer Science
Joshua Charles Lawrence	Business Administration	** Jennifer Lynn Nash	Political Science
* Katharine Marie Lawson	English-Literature	David William Nacha	Business Administration
** Ari D. Leib	Biology	Katherine Lynn Nelson	Educational Studies
Jenny Marie Lessick	English-Writing	Joshua Cole Newport	Theatre Arts
** Heather Lyn Leweling	Mathematics	Nathaniel Aaron Ng	Business Administration
** Jason Ryan Lewis	Economics/Political Science	Burke John Nihill	Business Administration
Osborn Ignatius Lewis	Public Accounting	Eric Roy Norell	Biology
Jewell W. Littles	Business Administration/Sociology	* Jennifer Anne Nugent	Chemistry
Jennifer R. Lucoco	Biology	Camron Jon Nystrom	Biology
* Katharine Carol Loebach	English-Literature	Kerry Lynn O'Connor	Business Administration
* Elizabeth Lee Lohse	Psychology	Lata Elizabeth Orr	Religion/History
* April Marie Lond	Business Administration	Jason Alan Osborn	Public Accounting
Andrew James Louthain	Business Administration	§ *** Christine Linda Pacyk	English-Writing
Deana Denet Lyons	Political Science	Aaron A. Padgen	Business Administration
Munecrah Maalik	Sociology	* Karen Leigh Page	Biology
* William D. Macaulay	History	§ ** Angela Christine Parsons	Biology/Computer Science
** Kimberly A. Madenwald	Biology	Keeruk K. Patel	Biology
Milan Madhani	Computer Science/Business Administration	Mona B. Patel	Biology
** Jerome C. Majewski	Physics	Abhishek Paul	Public Accounting
David C. Malcom	Public Accounting	Jason Robert Pavlak	History
** Amy R. Mallory	Public Accounting	Geoffrey Michael Pearl	Business Administration
Gregory M. Malter	International Business	Shawn Peirone	Computer Science
* Ilana Felice Marcus	Political Science/Anthropology	Teresa Marie Phillips	History
* Rae Marie Marotta	English-Literature	§ *** Kelly Lynn Piepenbrink	English-Literature
Brent David Marsden	Biology	Samh Louise Pihl	Biology
Daniel N. Mateja	Physics/Mathematics	§ ** Lynn M. Pleniewicz	Business Administration
William Alan Maxwell	Public Accounting/Political Science	Robert Allen Plunk	Biology/Business Administration
Marina Mazneva	Public Accounting	William G. Polacek	Chemistry
Timothy A. McAtee	English-Literature	Scott E. Powers	Theatre Arts/History
Erica Lynn McClellan	Public Accounting	Glenn Alexander Pollard	Business Administration
Jennifer Lynn McCudden	Psychology	Jennifer H. Price	Political Science
Shaneka McDavid	Business Administration/Sociology	Abigail Rachel Ashley Price-Roesch	Political Science/Sociology
Karin Michelle McDowell	English-Writing	** Eduardo Quinones	Business Administration
Megan Ann McKeen	Sociology	Mikal G. Rabanus	Computer Science
** Timothy M. Mealiff	English-Literature/History	§ ** Amy S. Ragland	Political Science/History
Robin Leigh Meers	Physics/Economics	§ ** Rashmi V. Ramchandani	Public Accounting/Psychology
Derek J. Melin	Public Accounting	Akash Ranka	Business Administration/Economics
Rachel Louise Meseke	Political Science	Stephen Michael Raparelli	English-Writing
Timothy Paul Mills	English-Writing	Silver Shola Rayside	Natural Science
Kimberly A. Mims	International Business	** Dana Nalalie Rebalchenko	Psychology
Matthew Steven Mitchell	Religion	§ ** Angela Reichert	Business Administration
Jeremie D. Moll	Chemistry/Physics	Karen Jeanne Riccio	Educational Studies
Gregory Robert Mollend	Business Administration	Eric A. Riggi	Public Accounting
Thomas M. Moore	Biology	John P. Ringer	Risk Management
Richard A. Moore II	Biology	§ ** James William Rinne	Physics
Catherine Marie Morgan	Business Administration	Richard G. Rius	Political Science
Erin Christina Morley	Educational Studies	Gail Elizabeth Rodek	Biology
* Barry Michael Mossman	Biology	Ramsey Aric Roe	Business Administration
Holly Marie Munch	Business Administration	Janna Leann Rose	Biology/Anthropology
Jessica Leigh Munds	English-Writing	* Jarrett Matthew Ruffino	Political Science/Business Administration
Genna Marie Munson	German	* Eva Ruggiero	Anthropology/International Studies

* Kelly Eileen Ellis	Psychology	* Jerry R. Happ Jr.	Business Administration
Marissa Nicole Emerson	Business Administration	Nicholas George Haralampopoulos	Political Science/Sociology
Michael Ray Enervold	Biology	De'Andre A. Hardy	Business Administration/Sociology
* Kelly Lynn Enron	Spanish	* Kristina Marie Harlan	Spanish
** Sara Jenie Estle	Psychology	§ ** Laura Rebecca Harris	English-Literature
§ ** Christie L. Evttt	Educational Studies	Patrick A. "Elwood" Hawm	Political Science
** Michelle Yvonne Ewert	IS-Development Studies	Jessica A. Hawthorne	Anthropology
** Kerry Marie Fahlbusch	Mathematics	* John Philip Hennessy	Political Science/Spanish
Erin Renee Fathauer	Public Accounting	Matthew T. Hilding	Risk Management
* Robin Lynn Favor	Music/Biology	* Melissa D. Hill	Risk Management
§ ** Aaron John Feakins	Business Administration/Computer Science	Rebecca Ellen Hill	Psychology
Jason Scott Ferguson	Computer Science	Jaclyn Renee Hitchings	Business Administration
Janelle Lynn Fernstrom	Public Accounting	Kurt Thomas Hoffman	Risk Management
Gregory Anthony Feylo	Mathematics	Elizabeth Claire Huber	Psychology
Kurt Patrick Fischer	Chemistry	Heather Joy Hume	Business Administration
Eric William Fischer	Chemistry/Physics	Jennifer Carol Humowtceki	Computer Science
** Anders Nikolaus Floor	Mathematics/Philosophy	Michael William Hurley	International Business
** Maggie Idzunka Folk	Biology	Nicholas Elton Hurley	History
§ ** Andrea M. Fosco	Psychology	§ *** Sunil Jagwani	Computer Science/Economics
Buvern Joseph Francisco III	Business Administration	§ *** Elizabeth Anne Jansen	Psychology
Jeremy Frantz	Public Accounting	Christopher John Jetton	Political Science
Jennifer R. Froman	English-Writing	* Alisandra Jeeek	Computer Science
Elisha Marie Fuchs	Mathematics/Business Administration	* Benjamin R. Johnson	Public Accounting
Jessica Lynn Fuller	Religion	Daniel Steven Johnson	Psychology
Matthew N. Gad	Political Science	Heather G. Johnson	Sociology
Adrienne Elizabeth Gagnon	Biology	Jared Johnson	English-Writing
David Mark Galter	Public Accounting	Bart Justin Jones	Educational Studies
** Parie Garg	Biology	Michael Dennis Jozwik	Business Administration
* Alicia Michele Gass	Public Accounting	Anthony Ryan Jumper	Political Science
Nathan W. Gates	Psychology	Laura Ann Kafka	Business Administration
Harold Edmond Gauthier II	Political Science	* Inna Kagan	History
Heather Anne George	English-Literature	Reena Kalani	Psychology
* Andrea Lynn Gerdes	Sociology	* Kevin Richard Kalus	Business Administration
Annette Marnee Bohm Ghitalla	Business Administration	* Kristopher Hissalu Kaneta	Economics/Business Administration
* Emily K. Gilbert	Educational Studies	Peter L. Karls	Risk Management/Economics
Laurie Michelle Gilbert	English-Literature	Craig Steven Kattner	Computer Science
* Michelle Joy Glackin	Psychology	Kariny Thomas Kays	Risk Management
* Jeffrey Phillip Glotfelty	Health	** Allison Kathleen Kehl	Educational Studies
** Delara Byram Godrej	Chemistry	* Lindsay Marie Kehr	Public Accounting
§ *** Shannon Leah Gore	Business Administration	Matthew James Kelahan	Biology
Robert Carl Grabowski	Biology	Beth Coleen Keller	Psychology
* Jamie Michelle Gray	Educational Studies	Mike Tae Seok Kim	Biology
§ *** Emily Trillium Griffen	Public Accounting	Karen Elizabeth Kinschiff	Business Administration
Melissa A. Grobart	Sociology	Thomas Patrick Kirkwood	Economics/Risk Management
Benjamin Robert Groeneveld	History	* Matthew William Kiverts	History/Spanish
Jessica Emily Grove	Educational Studies	Jaclyn Elizabeth Kloiber	English-Literature
Kathleen Marie Gruska	Mathematics	Kristin Lynne Knizner	Mathematics
Chad Aaron Guimond	Business Administration	* Wendy Sue Konfist	Business Administration
§ ** Anna Catherine Gullickson	Music/Philosophy	* Alexander James Kons	Economics
Jennifer Lynn Haab	History	Daniel A. Korntheuer	History
Abbey Lynn Haag	Business Administration/Anthropology	* Elizabeth Ann Kowalski	Economics/Business Administration
Dieter Maximilian Haager	Economics	Robyn Marie Krahn	Business Administration/Spanish
John William Hagemann	English-Literature	Jessica Lee Krenz	Business Administration
Heather Renee Hahn	English-Writing/IS-Western European Studies	Heather Marie Kura	Psychology
* Benjamin Whitlow Haines	Philosophy	Quan Bich Lai	Business Administration
Wayne Elias Hamilton, Jr.	Psychology	§ *** May Michael LaMonica	Biology
Parrick Joseph Hand	Public Accounting	Amber Marie Larsen	Spanish/Sociology
Sean Michael Hanlon	Business Administration	John P. Larsen	Business Administration

Sudhar Rujithanawat	Risk Management/ Spanish	§ ** Nathan James Taulbee	Economics/ Business Administration
Vanessa Marie Ruppert	Business Administration/ English- Writing	* Amelia E. Taylor	Political Science
Emily Beth Rutherford	Psychology/ Spanish	Danel Gavin Taylor	History
* James E. Rybicki	Physics/ English- Literature	§ *** Catyn Sue Ternl	Psychology
§ ** Karen Ann Sabaka	Educational Studies/ Spanish	Natacha C. Thebaud	French
* Gnte Sabalhauskaite	Business Administration/ German	Mark Christopher Thomson	Music
Anthony Frank Saracco	Public Accounting	Adam Frederick Toelkes	Risk Management
Kelle Rae Schmidt	Business Administration	James P. Toomey	History
** William J. Schneider	Biology	Mouica Harriet Toporkiewicz	IS- Diplomatic Studies
April Elaine Schoeneweiss	History	* Kimberly Torbeck	Educational Studies
Emily Elizabeth Scholmk	Sociology	Anthony Stephen Torres	Psychology
Jeffery Roger Schreiber	History/ English- Literature	** Cathenne L. Tracy	German/ Spanish
Rebecca Lynn Schroeder	Computer Science	Angelica Anatolie Tsakinds	Political Science/ International Studies
* Robert Stephen Schroff	Business Administration	Phaidon Tsurukas	English- Writing
§ *** Sara Kathleen Seibell	History	Amy Nicole Turner	Political Science
Crystalline Diane Scoggins	Business Administration	Randall Tusek	Business Administration
Kimberly R. Scott	Psychology/ English- Literature	Antometta L. Uroni	English- Literature
Megan T. Scott	Business Administration	Eric Andrew Valska	History
Nicole Ann Serpico	Business Administration	Dana Marie Van Wornier	Business Administration
Lucinda J. Shair	International Business/ French	John Peter Vlahos	Computer Science
Matthew D. Sharp	Public Accounting	** Kathryn Erin Vojack	Political Science/ Health
* Krista Elizabeth Shears	Biology	John Carl Vrakas	Physics
Brian Richard Shemansky	Risk Management	Paul Christopher Vranas	Business Administration
Megan A. Sholar	Political Science	* Esther Helena Vreeman	Psychology
Denise Ann Short	Business Administration	Julie Noelle Waryjas	Risk Management
Eric O. Siebert	Business Administration	§ ** Eric Joel Weil	Biology/ Spanish
Timothy J. Sielaff	Natural Science	* Lia Martine Weller	Business Administration
Jessica Renée Simkins	Business Administration	* Julie Noel Wentworth	Educational Studies
Erin Nicole Simpson	History	Mary Beth Werner	Educational Studies
* Sarah Allison Sjostrom	Educational Studies	*** Eric R. Wesselkamper	Political Science/ History
* Jodi Ann Smalzenberger	History	Brian William Westerman	Biology
Brian Christopher Smith	Mathematics	* Karen Elaine Whitesell	Public Accounting
Michael J. Sornch	Public Accounting	§ *** Alison Marie Whittington	Educational Studies/ Mathematics
Daniel E. Sowonik Jr.	Political Science	§ ** Susanna Leigh Widicus	Chemistry
** Jason G. Spout	History	** Mark Lawrence Wieland	Biology
* Jacob Edward Stramek	Biology	Eric S. Wilhelm	Physics
Matthew A. Stach	History	Mona Nicole Williams	Psychology
Laura Elizabeth Standard	Biology	Zachary Barton Williams	History
Scott Michael Stealey	English- Writing	Stephanie Anne Wilson	Psychology
Andrea Jean Steliga	Psychology	Alva Pace Winfrey	Economics/ Sociology
Amanda Cherie Stellenberg	Educational Studies	Robert T. Witt	Political Science
* Kerri Ann Sterndorf	Educational Studies	David Wong	Chemistry
§ *** Susan Megan Stevenson	Educational Studies	Gayle Marie Woodbury	Business Administration
Rebecca Christine Stoelmg	English- Literature	Michelle Ann Wujek	Business Administration
* Christopher James Stoll	Mathematics	* Andrea Marie Wyatt	English- Writing
Brandi Lynn Storck	Biology	Corey Benjamin Yotk	Political Science/ Public Accounting
Christian William Stratton	History	Darrin Anthony Yotk	Public Accounting
Michael Andreas Streit	German	Alison Jill Youngquist	Business Administration
Marlana Corrinne Strunk	History	Michael Wayne Zalokar	Computer Science/ Mathematics
* Stephanie C. Sun	Educational Studies	Steven H. Zimmerman	Physics
Stacey Swick	Educational Studies	* Todd A. Zoellick	History/ Political Science
* Asra V. Syed	English- Literature		
§ *** Mary Kathryn Syverson	Psychology/ English- Writing		
Kristi Lynn Takagishi	Business Administration		
Frank D. Tarantino	Business Administration		
** Christopher Victor Tartaglia	Mathematics/ Computer Science		
Diane Marie Tasc	English- Literature		
* Shweta Mahit Taswala	Biology		

## Commencement Honors

The Hope Ellen Pape President's Club Award in Fine Arts  
The Nikki Kaye Pape President's Club Award for Excellence in Writing  
The Harold C. Hodges President's Club Award in Natural Sciences and Mathematics  
The Robert S. Eckley President's Club Award in the Social Sciences  
The Caroline F. Rupert Award in the School of Nursing  
The Katherine Riedelbauch Baker Music Award  
The Hester Merwin Ayers Award for Exceptional Achievement in Art  
The John L. Clark Award in Literary Studies  
The Larry Shue Memorial Drama Award  
The William T. Beadles Award for Exceptional Achievement in Business Administration  
The Technos International Prize

## Graduation with Research Honors

**Kari Beth Adkins**, *Psychology*

"Effects of Structured Work Systems on Task Performance in Children with Autism"  
(Project Advisor: Linda J. Kuncze)

**Allison B. Baker**, *Music*

"Applying Extended Acoustical Techniques to Twentieth Century Oboe Literature"  
(Project Advisor: William R. West)

**Kiley Bednar**, *Psychology*

"Loneliness and Self-Esteem at Different Levels of the Self"  
(Project Advisor: John M. Ernst)

**Kristi L. Berger**, *Biology*

"Mutagenesis and Cloning of Photosynthesis Genes of the Filamentous Bacterium,  
*Chloroflexus aurantiacus*"  
(Project Advisor: David Bollivar)

**Matthew Boyd**, *Russian*

"Vse Luchshe Detiam: All the Best to the Children. Soviet Ideology in Children's Fairy  
Tale Cartoons"  
(Project Advisor: Marina Balina)

**Rebecca Centko**, *Chemistry*

"A Study of the Solvolysis Reactions of Tetrahydrofurfuryl Tosylate"  
(Project Advisor: Ram Mohan)

**Matthew T. Dearing**, *Physics*

"Holographic Optical Tweezers: Development and Analysis of the First Holodeck  
Prototype"  
(Project Advisor: Gabriel C. Spalding)

**Sara J. Estle**, *Psychology*

"Behavioral Contrast: A New Solution to an Old Problem"

(Project Advisor: James Dougan)

**Michelle Y. Ewert**, *International Studies*

"An Empirical Investigation of the Determinants of Fertility"

(Project Advisor: Teodora O. Amoloza)

**Anders N. Floor**, *Mathematics*

"LaSalle's Invariance Principle on Measure Chains"

(Project Advisor: Zahia Drici)

**Andrea Fosco**, *Psychology*

"United States and Indonesian Children's Reports of Intimacy in Their Same-sex Friendships: Gender, Development and Cultural Differences"

(Project Advisor: Doran French)

**Emily Gilbert**, *Education*

"Integrating the Fine Arts Across the Elementary Curriculum"

(Project Advisor: Robin Leavitt)

**Anna Gullickson**, *Philosophy*

"Sex and Gender Through an Analytic Eye"

(Project Advisor: David Fryer)

**Kristina M. Harlan**, *Spanish*

"Foreign Language Textbooks in the Classroom: Bridging the Gap Between Second Language Acquisition Theory and Pedagogy"

(Advisor: Christina Isabelli)

**Elizabeth A. Jansen**, *Psychology*

"U.S. and Indonesian Children's Descriptions of Relational Aggression: Gender, Developmental and Cultural Comparisons"

(Project Advisor: Doran French)

**Kristopher Kaneta**, *Economics*

"The Integration of Capital Markets: A Study of Market Integration Principles and the Effects of Macroeconomic Shocks on National Stock Market Co-movements"

(Project Advisor: Carolyn F. Stumph)

**Peter Karlis**, *Economics*

"Informational Asymmetry and the Demand for IPOs: An Explanation of Underpricing"

(Project Advisor: Carolyn F. Stumph)

**Elizabeth Kowalski**, *Economics*

"Determinants of Economic Growth in East Asia: A Linear Regression Model"

(Project Advisor: Ilaria Ossella-Durbal)

**Alexandra C. Latham**, *Biology*

"Brown-headed Cowbird Brood Parasitism in Bison-grazed and Ungrazed Tallgrass Prairie"

(Project Advisor: Sheryl S. Soukup)

**Jason R. Lewis**, *Economics*

"Factors Influencing Foreign Direct Investment in Lesser Developed Countries"

(Project Advisor: Michael C. Seeborg)

Rae Marie Marotta, *English*

"The Power of Perception and Origin Myth: Re-reconsidering the Origins of the Arthurian Legend"

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## Kevin Smith

Writer, Film Director

He has been called "the King of Gen X cinema."

Writer and filmmaker Kevin Smith received critical acclaim for his 1994 debut movie, *Clerks*, made on a shoestring \$27,575 budget.

"After a semester of college and four months of film school," *Time* magazine reported in 1997, "Smith found himself back home working for \$5 an hour at Quick Stop, a convenience store. Light bulb! Why not a movie based on the life of a convenience store clerk? He wrote *Clerks* in a month and shot it at the store after hours, in black and white." *Clerks*, a surprise critical and commercial hit, won prestigious awards from the Sundance Film Festival and the Cannes Film Festival.

Smith, who was born in 1970 in Red Bank, N.J., was co-executive producer of the Academy Award-winning film, *Good Will Hunting*. The 1997 movie, according to a synopsis, is about a "South Boston whiz kid [who] elects to clean the halls of learning rather than enter them, slumming his way through life as a janitor at [the Massachusetts Institute of Technology]." The film was written by and starred Matt Damon and Ben Affleck.

Smith's professional trademark has been writing and directing cutting-edge independent films, including *Mallrats*, *Chasing Amy*, and *Dogma*. Smith's films attract some of Hollywood's hottest young screen talent. *Chasing Amy*, a '90s take on boy-meets girl, featured Affleck and Joey Lauren Adams, and won the Independent Spirit Award for Best Original Screenplay. *Dogma*, a "comic fantasia," featured Affleck, Damon, Linda Fiorentino, Salma Hayek, and Chris Rock.

*Clerks*, *Mallrats*, and *Chasing Amy* comprise Smith's New Jersey trilogy. "All three films, however distinct in their narrative presentation and comedic style," according to Smith's production company web site, "share common themes. All are situated in the central New Jersey suburbs where Smith grew up and continues to work and live." Smith said that all three of the films depict a time that "for many was painful and forgettable: the years just after high school and beyond when we're being forced into adulthood. Everything seems raw and dramatic then. And when falling in love, emotional for us at any age, is especially turbulent."

"My generation believes we can do almost anything," Smith told *Time* magazine in the 1997 article. "My characters are free: no social mores keep them in check."

Smith is an avid comic book fan. He is the owner of Jay and Silent Bob's Secret Stash, a comic book haven located in Redbank, N.J. Smith also has written his own comic book titles, such as *Jay & Silent Bob* and *Clerks: The Comic*. Among other comic book projects are *Daredevil* for Marvel Comics.

Smith also spends much time at the web site of his company, View Askew Productions, at [www.viewaskew.com](http://www.viewaskew.com), chatting with his fans.

Smith and his wife, Jennifer, are the parents of a daughter, Harley Quinn, who was born on June 26, 1999.

## Academic Colors and Regalia

Like judicial robes, the garments worn on academic occasions such as today's Commencement derive from the ecclesiastical garb of medieval England. The scholar in the Middle Ages, it must be remembered, was a clerk, and therefore required to wear the clerical gown and tonsure. Certainly, at Oxford and Cambridge, at least in the earliest times, the robes were monastic in origin, although the hood was adapted from a lay garment common to both sexes and all classes.

As early as the fourteenth Century, scholars of certain colleges were required by statute to wear "a decent habit" befitting a clerk and no evidence appears that there was much differentiation among undergraduates, bachelor's, master's and doctoral robes. All were black, commonly of lamb's wool; most were fur-lined for warmth, or at least fur trimmed; and the only mark of difference was in the fuller cut and ankle length of the master's gown. The cope, or closed cape, was also black and followed the style of the everyday mantle of the clergy.

Hoods were worn by all and probably had no academical significance at the beginning. By 1330-40 doctors began to adopt scarlet for their hoods, and by 1500, for their robes, with black retained by the masters of arts and bachelors of divinity. An act of Henry VIII in 1533 ratified the wearing of robes of other colors. Hoods were lined with silk and miniver fur, a custom surviving until the late seventeenth Century, but over the years distinctions were created to identify the various ranks and faculties.

Caps evolved in similar manner. The round velvet cap is still worn today in the full dress of doctors (except doctors in theology); the familiar square, or mortar-board, was copied in the early sixteenth Century from the thirteenth Century cap of the University of Paris. A third style also derives from Paris: a squared cap made by sewing four pieces of cloth with seams producing ridged edges, seen in modern times in the biretta of the clergy and the squared velvet cap of doctors of theology. The "who" and "how" of the wearing of caps produced numerous rulings, restrictions and change.

The Reformation repressed the brilliant silks, gold lace, costly furs and extravagant cut of academic robes, and the sober and more uniform styles are, for the most part, what we see today.

However, the growth of higher education in the United States during the nineteenth Century, when the great land grant colleges and universities were established under the Morrill Act, created a confusion of conflicting styles and colors. The easy identification of one's academic status by means of cut, fabric and color was no longer true.

In 1893 an intercollegiate commission presented a uniform code for caps, gowns and hoods to be worn in the United States. The mortarboard caps are the same for doctoral, master's and baccalaureate degrees, except that doctors' caps may be of velvet and may have a gold tassel. The bachelor's gown is marked by pointed sleeves, reaching to the knee, while the master's sleeve is squared at the ends, and longer. The doctoral robe is fullest, with rounded bell shaped sleeves marked by three velvet stripes.

The greatest symbolism of the academic costume is borne by the hood, which identifies the level of the degree, the faculty (or department of learning) in which it was earned, and the institution which awarded it. The size of the hood, its shape and the width of its velvet trim identify the level of the degree, with doctoral hoods naturally being the fullest, widest and longest. Faculty colors tell us the department.

Today's graduates will be wearing white for the College of Liberal Arts, pink for the School of Music, apricot for the School of Nursing, golden yellow for the sciences, and brown for the fine arts. Faculty members in the processional may be wearing light blue for education, copper for economics, drab for business and accountancy, orange for engineering, purple for law, lemon for library science, green for medicine, apricot for nursing, dark blue for philosophy, sage green for physical sciences, cream for social sciences and scarlet for theology, among the many available. The colors are mandatory on hoods, but may also be used on the tassels and/or the velvet on doctoral gowns.

The university or college is usually identified by the color of the hood lining. Two colors are frequently used, since there are approximately 2,000 degree-granting institutions in the United States. A few, such as Harvard, Yale, Princeton and the University of Chicago, use a single color. Illinois Wesleyan's green and white was adopted in 1888.

The Illinois Wesleyan University Mace, first carried at the 1969 inauguration of Dr. Robert S. Eckley as fifteenth president of the University, is also a striking symbol of the institution. Made of bronze for power and endurance and of walnut for organic strength, its cupola represents the bell tower of Old North Hall, Illinois Wesleyan's first building, which was erected in 1856 and demolished in 1967 to make way for Sheean Library. The bell suggests the Hedding Bell, a campus landmark since 1931, when it was installed on the IWU campus after peeling for generations at Hedding College, now defunct. The staff of the Mace is made from the walnut of Old North Hall, and the names of Illinois Wesleyan's presidents are engraved on its bronze base.



*Prior and during the Commencement ceremony, the Illinois Wesleyan Alumni Association will sponsor a hospitality tent serving complimentary beverages. The tent is located on the east side of the Eckley Quadrangle in front of Holmes Hall. A first-aid station is located in the tent. In the Shirk Center, these services will be available in the lobby.*

*On the Eckley Quadrangle, restrooms are located on the first floor of following buildings: Shaw Hall, Memorial Student Center and Holmes Hall. In the Shirk Center, the restrooms are located to the north of the main lobby.*

*Following the ceremony, you are invited to a short reception in the tents on the south and west sides of the Eckley Quadrangle. If the ceremony is in the Shirk Center, the reception will be in the Activity Center.*

