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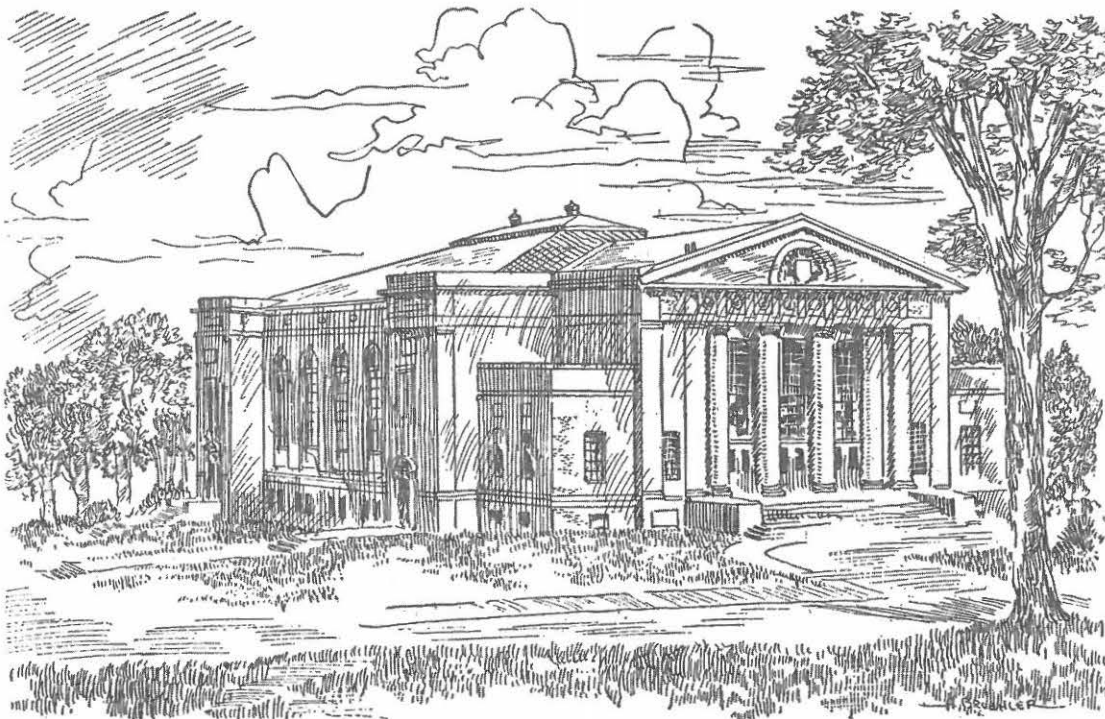
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*Commencement*  
*in our*  
*One Hundred Fifty-eighth Year*



MAY 4, 2008  
ECKLEY QUADRANGLE



ILLINOIS WESLEYAN  
UNIVERSITY

Cover illustration

The Memorial Gymnasium completed in 1922, to honor students who lost their lives in World War I, was adapted for reuse as the University student center in 2002. It was renamed the Hansen Student Center in honor of Trustee Thomas O. Hansen '82, whose lead-gift made the project possible.



**Founded in 1850** by 30 civic and Methodist Church leaders, Illinois Wesleyan today is among the nation's leading private liberal arts institutions.

The University's first graduate was James H. Barger, son of founder Rev. John S. Barger, who received his Bachelor of Science degree July 3, 1853. Hannah I. Shur, the first woman to enroll at Illinois Wesleyan, earned her degree in 1872. In 1880, Gus A. Hill earned a degree from the school of law, 13 years after the Board of Trustees invited enrollment by African-Americans, and two Japanese students, Y. Osawa and K. Tanaka, became the University's first international graduates in 1890.

The central portion of the University's 80-acre campus was acquired in 1854. Wesleyan's first building—Old North Hall—was erected in 1856 and served for 110 years before it was removed in 1966 to make way for Sheean Library. Hedding Hall—also known as “Old Main”—was built in 1870 and destroyed by fire in 1943. The Hedding bell was saved and is on display on the south end of the quad. The Hedding Hall fire spurred a building boom following World War II. The Memorial Center, located on the west end of the quad, was dedicated in 1947 to Wesleyan men and women who served in World War II. The oldest building on campus is Stevenson Hall, which was built in 1910 as the University's first science building and now serves as home to the school of nursing.

Richard F. Wilson was named the University's 18th president in 2004, succeeding Minor Myers jr., who died during his 14th year in office. The Eckley Quadrangle, on which commencement takes place, honors Robert S. Eckley, the University's 15th president. Clinton W. Sears became Illinois Wesleyan's first president in 1855.

Graduates of the class of 2008 join the more than 20,000 Illinois Wesleyan alumni living in all 50 states and 52 countries around the world.

## *America The Beautiful*

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)

## *Alma Wesleyana*

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)

# Program

*President Richard F. Wilson, Presiding*  
*Professor Marina Balina, Mace Bearer*

Prelude	Illinois Wesleyan Wind Ensemble Professor Steven W. Eggleston, <i>Conductor</i>	Awarding of Honorary Degrees	President Wilson
Music For a Festival	<i>Gordon Jacob</i>	Sidney Epstein	Provost Cunningham
Overture	<i>(1895-1984)</i>	Craig C. Hart	Mr. Vinyard
Intrada		Kevin Dunn '77	
Processional (please stand)		Address: "Into Your Waiting Hands"	Mr. Dunn
Crown Imperial	<i>William Walton</i> <i>(1902-1983)</i> <i>arr. W.J. Duthoit</i>	Conferring of Degrees	President Wilson
Pomp and Circumstance (remain standing)	<i>Edward Elgar</i> <i>(1857-1934)</i>	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	Donna L. Hartweg <i>Professor and Director</i> <i>of the School of Nursing</i>
"America The Beautiful" (please remain standing and join in singing)	William Dwyer '08 MATERNA <i>Samuel A. Ward</i> <i>(1848-1903)</i>	Bachelor of Fine Arts	Miles C. Bair <i>Professor and Director</i> <i>of the School of Art</i>
Invocation (remain standing)	The Rev. Hope N. Luckie <i>University Chaplain</i>	Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Music Education	Curtis C. Trout <i>Professor and Director</i> <i>of the School of Theatre Arts</i>
President's Welcome	Richard F. Wilson <i>President</i>	Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science	Mario J. Pelusi <i>Professor and Director</i> <i>of the School of Music</i>
Trustee Greetings	George A. Vinyard '71 <i>President, Board of Trustees</i>	Closing Remarks	Provost Cunningham
Remarks of Class President	Christopher Burrichter '08		President Wilson
Reflections from the Faculty	Michael Theune <i>Assistant Professor of English</i> <i>The 2008 Student Senate Professor of the Year</i>	Alma Wesleyana (please stand and join in singing)	Mr. Dwyer NATIONAL HYMN <i>George William Warren</i> <i>(1828-1902)</i> <i>arr. Peter Andrew Gilbert '98</i>
Investiture of Endowed Professors	President Wilson Marina Balina Beth A. Cunningham Brian Hatcher <i>Provost and Dean of the Faculty</i>	Benediction (remain standing)	Chaplain Luckie
Announcement of Honors	President Wilson	Recessional (remain standing)	Illinois Wesleyan Wind Ensemble
		Procession of the Nobles	<i>Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov</i> <i>(1844-1908)</i> <i>arr. Erik W.G. Leidzén</i>

# The School of Nursing

Candidates for the degree

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Brandon Warren Ahlers  
Lina A. Avizienis, *Cum Laude*  
Andrea Lynn Blank  
Jessica Nicole Brown  
Lisa Gail Cercello  
Annetta M. Childs  
Lauren Kathleen Collins  
Madeleine Cowles-Riggs  
Christine Nicole Filipiak  
Christa Danielle Garza  
Kendall Mackenzie Gebhardt  
Jacquelyn Marie Hacker  
Lauren Elizabeth Hodgson, *Cum Laude*  
Kathleen Marie Hoff, *Cum Laude*  
Joy Lynn Jensen, *Cum Laude*  
Jacqueline Carly Kofod  
Kelly Hellmann Krause

Susan Jee-Ashley Kuretski, *Cum Laude*  
Jennifer Kathryn Lange  
Kristian J. Lavinder  
Jacqueline Rose Lippe  
Kelly Lynn McFadin  
Michael Meyer  
Brittany Lynn Michalak  
Kelly Elizabeth Nelson  
Stephanie Ryan Remy  
Rachael Ray Ross  
Joel Harris Schirding  
Alissa Laura Sherman  
Nicole Eileen Walsh  
Kimberly Marie Wolski, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Amanda I. Yakush  
Caitlin Marie Zindars, *Cum Laude*

# College of Fine Arts

Candidates for the degree

## BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

### ART

Bryan A. Byers  
Amy Nicole Frasca, *Magna Cum Laude*

Lauren Grace Killewald  
Christopher M. Killham

### THEATRE ARTS

Rachel Marie Brown, *Theatre Design/Technology*  
Alexandra Eleanor Franklin, *Acting*  
Eric Gavin Hamilton, *Acting*  
Andrew Junk, *Acting, Cum Laude*  
Anthony M. Lopez, *Acting*  
Martha Held Lyons, *Acting, Cum Laude*  
Timothy James Martin, *Acting, Magna Cum Laude*

Michelle Morgret, *Theatre Design/Technology*  
Amber Vaughn Robinson, *Acting, Cum Laude*  
Mollie Anne Slattery, *Theatre Design/Technology*  
Lauren Summers, *Acting, Cum Laude*  
Laura Cheyne Woodley, *Theatre Design/Technology, Cum Laude*  
Michael James Yarnell, *Acting*

### MUSIC THEATRE

Justin James Banta  
Natalie A. Boccumini  
Morgan Lee DeTogne

Andrew John Knight, *Cum Laude*  
John Latchaw

*Candidates for the degree*

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Paul Michael Caracciolo, *Piano Performance*  
Megan Marie Cullen, *Voice, Cum Laude*  
Thomas F Fairbairn, *Voice*  
Aaron Hays, *Music Composition, Cum Laude*  
Kathryn Elizabeth Jones, *Orchestral Instruments*  
Sara Kathryn Longtin, *Voice, Cum Laude*  
Evan Lowery, *Orchestral Instruments, Magna Cum Laude*  
Liesl Emily Miller, *Voice, Magna Cum Laude*  
Erin Kathleen Moll, *Voice, Magna Cum Laude*

Shabaaz Royal Ranney, *Piano Performance*  
Nola Richardson, *Voice, Magna Cum Laude*  
Suzanne Marie Rovani, *Voice, Cum Laude*  
Erin Elizabeth Swanson, *Voice, Cum Laude*  
Christine Waud White, *Voice*  
Michael G. Wolf, *Piano Performance, Summa Cum Laude*  
Christopher Zajac, *Music Composition*  
Joshua J. Ziemann, *Orchestral Instruments*

*Candidates for the degree*

BACHELOR OF MUSIC EDUCATION

David George Banas, *Cum Laude*  
Christina Grace Dickenson, *Cum Laude*  
Jennifer Ann Hjelmberg, *Cum Laude*  
Michele Marie Kahne  
Andrew Jason Keller, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Michael Elliot Lawton, *Summa Cum Laude*  
Amy Lin LeClercq, *Cum Laude*  
Alaina Clarice Marth, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Bradley Lewis Meyer, *Cum Laude*

Kathleen Mae Mitchell, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Richard Anthony Patenaude, *Cum Laude*  
Jamie Nicole Pitts, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Adam Erwin Pusateri, *Cum Laude*  
Stuart Calloway Seale, *Cum Laude*  
Jessica Louise Seils, *Cum Laude*  
Erica A. Stearns  
Alyssa Michele Underwood, *Summa Cum Laude* §  
Nicole Marie Valdez, *Cum Laude*



# College of Liberal Arts

## BACHELOR OF ARTS AND BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

- Susan Shoshan Abraham, *Hispanic Studies/Environmental Studies*  
 Sarah Winifred Albarran, *Hispanic Studies*  
 Christopher Collin Alexander, *Chemistry/Business Administration, Cum Laude*  
 Leah R. Allen, *Risk Management*  
 Michael Anthony Ally, *Accounting*  
 Carol Ann Ambrose, *Mathematics/Hispanic Studies, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*  
 Megan Elizabeth Ames, *English–Literature, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Rachel Louise Anderson, *Business Administration, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Thomas Ian Anderson, *History*  
 Stephanie Rose Andriola, *Business Administration, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Daniel Chapman Andruss, *Theatre Arts*  
 Richard Joseph Angel, *Business Administration*  
 Dana Llyn Armour, *Biology*  
 Daniel Richard Armstrong, *English–Writing/Sociology, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Gregory Robert Arndt, *Philosophy*  
 Colin Ryan Aubin, *History/English–Writing, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Paige Akagi Azuma, *Sociology*  
 Janelle Nicole Bailey, *Physics*  
 Kathleen Patricia Baker, *English–Writing, Magna Cum Laude Φ*  
 Sara E. Baldocchi, *Psychology*  
 Laura Frances Bales, *Business Administration*  
 Egle Baliukaite, *English–Literature, Cum Laude*  
 Stephanie Margaret Bannos, *Business Administration, Summa Cum Laude*  
 Mary Ellen Barron, *Accounting*  
 Gita Bazarauskaite, *Political Science, Summa Cum Laude Φ*  
 Victoria Lynn Beata, *Mathematics, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Kari Michelle Benning, *Chemistry*  
 Jack Bentley, *Political Science, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Jessica Renee Biro, *Accounting, Summa Cum Laude §*  
 Jason R. Bloom, *Risk Management*  
 Timothy Alexander Boecher, *Physics*  
 Brent D. Bogen, *Political Science*  
 Daniel Bryan Bohlke, *Mathematics, Cum Laude*  
 Heidi Kristin Boos, *Accounting, Cum Laude*  
 Timothy Stephen Boylan, *English–Literature*  
 Carrie Eileen Bragg, *Business Administration*  
 Aaron Gregory Brakke, *Political Science/Mathematics, Summa Cum Laude Φ*  
 Craig E. Brauer, *Biology, Cum Laude*  
 Nathan Breitling, *English–Writing*  
 Maria Soon Hee Bringley, *History/Educational Studies*  
 Lindsay Anne Brown, *Accounting, Cum Laude*  
 Peter Graham Brown, *Business Administration*  
 Quentin Owen Brummet, *Mathematics/Economics, Summa Cum Laude Φ*  
 Bonnie Leigh Brunkalla, *Greek and Roman Studies*  
 Kevin Bryant, *Business Administration*  
 Bridget Ward Buckley, *Psychology*  
 Sarah K. Bull, *Business Administration*  
 Joe F. Burgess, III, *Business Administration*  
 Margaret Jean Burnworth, *Psychology*  
 Christopher S. Burrichter, *Political Science*  
 Wesley Karl Butler, Jr., *Political Science*  
 Katherine Marie Byrnes, *Sociology, Cum Laude*  
 Sawyer Duane Campbell, *Physics*  
 Ashlea Louise Canady, *Biology*  
 Jennifer Lynn Carden, *Accounting, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Katherine E. Carl, *English–Literature, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Lauren Ann Carlson, *Psychology, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*  
 Rebecca Joann Carlton, *Physics, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*  
 Brian Alan Carter, *Sociology*  
 James Weston Carver, *Educational Studies*  
 John P. Caywood, *Risk Management, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Kyle Charles, *Political Science*  
 Dan Chen, *Accounting*  
 Gabriel Michael Chez, *Educational Studies, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Anthony Edward Chiaro, *Business Administration*  
 Emily Ann Chicoine, *Business Administration/Music*  
 Melynda Marie Chlebek, *Sociology*  
 James E. Christensen, *Chemistry, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*  
 Jaimie Marie Clapp, *Educational Studies/Hispanic Studies, Summa Cum Laude*  
 Matthew James Clemens, *Business Administration*  
 Alexandria Leigh Clements, *History/Biology*  
 Joshua Ryan Clouse, *Philosophy*  
 Brock Ryan Collins, *History*  
 Seth Thomas Condon, *Religion*  
 Mary Katherine Conway, *Economics/Business Administration, Summa Cum Laude Φ*  
 Lane Garrison Coonrod, *Economics, Cum Laude*  
 Amanda Cordes, *English–Literature*  
 Erin Sutherland Cox, *Political Science/Hispanic Studies, Magna Cum Laude Φ*  
 Lezli Ann Crone, *Mathematics/Risk Management*  
 Brett Michael Cullen, *Political Science/Hispanic Studies, Cum Laude*

Daniel E. Czachura, *English–Writing/Music*  
 Elizabeth Sarah Pflaum Davies, *Political Science*  
 Christopher Thomas Davis, *Economics, Summa Cum Laude*  
 Taylor Anthony Davis, *English–Writing*  
 Andrea Marie de Avila, *Theatre Arts, Cum Laude*  
 Dominick Matthew DeBartolo, *History, Cum Laude*  
 Ashley Jean Deck, *Psychology*  
 Camille Anne DeLisi, *Biology, Cum Laude*  
 Tiffany Antoinette DeLuca, *Music*  
 Elizabeth Marie DeMonte, *History*  
 Kathleen Marie Dobry, *Psychology*  
 Amy Lynn Doherty, *Biology*  
 Jennifer M. Douglas, *Psychology*  
 Vasiliki D. Dremonas, *Psychology/Sociology,*  
     *Summa Cum Laude* Φ  
 Michael Joseph Duback, *Mathematics/Music, Cum Laude*  
 Jerod Steven Duby, *Business Administration*  
 Andrew Eugene Dulaney, *Business Administration*  
 Bryan Christopher Duling, *Economics, Summa Cum Laude*  
 Marcus B. Dunlop, *Business Administration/Economics,*  
     *Summa Cum Laude* §  
 William Christopher Dwyer, *Music*  
 Crystal N. Dye, *Anthropology*  
 Cory Lynn Edwards, *Accounting, Summa Cum Laude* §  
 Brian C. Egdorf, *French & Francophone Studies/*  
     *English–Literature*  
 Laura Burns Eisenmenger, *Biology, Summa Cum Laude*  
 Kelsey Lily Elgas, *Psychology, Cum Laude*  
 Ann Marie Erickson, *English–Writing/Political Science*  
 Nathaniel Henry Erickson, *Political Science,*  
     *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Ryan John Esch, *Physics*  
 Michael X. Feeney, *Economics/IS/Development Studies*  
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     *Magna Cum Laude*  
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 Claire Elizabeth Goble, *Psychology*  
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     *Cum Laude*  
 Maria Gonzalez, *Art/Business Administration,*  
     *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Courtney Aline Gorrell, *Business Administration*  
 Brandon Ryan Gorson, *Psychology*  
 Ryan Keith Grady, *Accounting, Cum Laude*  
 Patrick Donahue Graham, *Business Administration*  
 Jacqueline Michelle Granados, *Business Administration,*  
     *Cum Laude*  
 Kerri Marie Gravlin, *Business Administration,*  
     *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Lindsay Joan Gross, *Environmental Studies/Music*  
 Benjamin Jared Grover, *Biology*  
 Christine Marie Guedel, *Accounting, Cum Laude*  
 Robert P. Guise, *Environmental Studies*  
 Ruchira Gupta, *Psychology/Business Administration,*  
     *Magna Cum Laude*  
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 Joshua Charles Haraf, *Business Administration*  
 Matthew Tyrone Harden, *Biology*  
 Janell Condon Harro, *Biology, Summa Cum Laude* § Φ  
 John Hayner, *History*  
 Taryn Ann Hegi, *Psychology, Summa Cum Laude* § Φ  
 Emily Rachael Herrell, *Greek and Roman Studies,*  
     *Magna Cum Laude* Φ  
 Valerie J. Higgins, *English–Writing, Summa Cum Laude* § Φ  
 Colleen Marie Hile, *History, Cum Laude*  
 Katherine M. Hitchcock, *Educational Studies,*  
     *Magna Cum Laude*  
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 Bryan S. Kelly, *Educational Studies*  
 Kevin Eugene Kemarly, *Biology, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*  
 Kayla Sue Kindred, *Business Administration*  
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 Eryn Rachel Knautz, *Business Administration, Cum Laude*  
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 Colin Michael Komar, *Physics*  
 Michael Komer, *Political Science/Accounting*  
 Anne Catherine Kopf, *Art, Cum Laude*  
 Kristen Sue Kopf, *Biology, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Jennifer Nicole Koska, *History, Summa Cum Laude*  
 Rachel L. Kramer, *Business Administration*  
 Julie Kathleen Krause, *Sociology, Summa Cum Laude Φ*  
 Alan Michael Krebs, *Biology*  
 Randy Leon Krepel, *Hispanic Studies*  
 John Zachary Krulac, *Business Administration*  
 Kelly Marie Kujawa, *Psychology/Sociology,*  
 Kimberly Eileen Kujawa, *Business Administration*  
 Craig Allen Landers, *Psychology/Theatre Arts,*  
 Martin Elliot Langrall, *Theatre Arts*  
 Robert E. Lanning, Jr., *History*  
 Adrienne Elizabeth Lavin, *Educational Studies*  
 Courtney Marie Lee, *Psychology, Cum Laude*  
 Margaret Grace Leiter, *English–Literature*  
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 Diana C. Lopez, *Political Science/Philosophy*  
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 Megan Lynn Lucke, *History, Cum Laude*  
 Caitlin Terese Ludwig, *Business Administration/Music*  
 Kristine Marie Madigan, *Educational Studies/Sociology, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Morgan Marie Manning, *English–Writing*  
 Christopher John Marks, *Biology*  
 Erik Daniel McCarrin, *Risk Management*  
 Lauren Elizabeth McCurdy, *Hispanic Studies, Cum Laude*  
 Connor Michael McGee, *Political Science, Cum Laude*  
 Donnell H. McGhee, *Business Administration/Economics*  
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 Kendahl McIntyre, *Psychology*  
 Mary Kate McMeel, *Biology*  
 Michael E. McQuillan, *Business Administration*  
 Brett R. McWherter, *Business Administration*  
 Joseph Daly Meade, *Physics*

Erin Elizabeth Meehan, *Educational Studies, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Megan Ruth Melton, *Psychology, Magna Cum Laude*  
 Joseph T. Middlesworth, *English–Writing/Religion*  
 Melissa Jean Mikelski, *Philosophy/Political Science*  
 Lindsey Christine Miller, *Psychology*  
 Miranda Sue Miller, *English–Literature, Cum Laude*  
 Tyler Joseph Miller, *Political Science/Philosophy*  
 Kellee Lynne Milligan, *Hispanic Studies, Cum Laude*  
 Emily Anne Mills, *Accounting, Cum Laude*  
 Kathryn Margaret Mizera, *Biology*  
 Deanna R. Mocchi, *Accounting*  
 Abigail W. Mohaupt, *Religion, Cum Laude*  
 Charles Taylor Montgomery, *Business Administration/Economics*  
 Nicholas B. Moore, *Business Administration/History*  
 Jennifer Ann Morozink, *Psychology, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*  
 Leslie Chapman Morrison, *Environmental Studies, Magna Cum Laude Φ*  
 Amanda Josephine Moscal, *Biology*  
 Christopher Park Moy, *Accounting*  
 Elizabeth Karen Mraz, *Psychology, Summa Cum Laude Φ*  
 Joanna Mulder, *English–Writing, Cum Laude*  
 Joseph T. Murphy, *History*  
 Stephanie Nicole Murphy, *Psychology, Cum Laude*  
 Inna Muzykansky, *Biology*  
 Brian Nassin, *Accounting*  
 Amanda Marie Nawara, *Accounting*  
 Gregory Wayne Neal, *Accounting*  
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 Eric Robert O'Brien, *Business Administration, Cum Laude*  
 Ikenna Chukwuka Odinaka, *Physics/Mathematics, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*  
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 Robert Osburn, *Business Administration*  
 Carrie Anne Otto, *Political Science, Cum Laude*  
 William Joseph Palmisano, *Environmental Studies, Cum Laude*  
 Stephanie Lynn Panozzo, *Economics*  
 Andrew Jon Parker, *Biology*  
 Taylor Brianna Paskell, *Psychology, Magna Cum Laude*

Jenna Eileen Passananti, *Hispanic Studies, Cum Laude*

Katherine Noelle Paton, *Psychology/Philosophy,*

*Summa Cum Laude Φ*

Abby Lyn Patten, *Educational Studies, Cum Laude*

Ashleigh Lois Pauley, *Biology, Magna Cum Laude*

Anthony Pavone, *Business Administration*

Theresa Jean Cecilia Peters, *Sociology*

Brittany Amber Peterson, *Business Administration*

Ryan Matthew Peterson, *Psychology*

Kelly Ann Petrowski, *Biology*

Julie Elizabeth Pflaumer, *Greek and Roman Studies*

Edward Patrick Franklin Price, *Physics*

Jessica M. Pryor, *Biology, Summa Cum Laude § Φ*

Corey Elizabeth Ranfranz, *Psychology, Summa Cum Laude*

Roxanne Ransom, *Business Administration*

Sylvi Liisa Re, *English–Literature/Theatre Arts, Cum Laude*

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Megan Ashley Rees, *Business Administration, Cum Laude*

Ryan Neal Reimer, *Computer Science*

Marylee Richardson, *Psychology/Sociology,*

*Summa Cum Laude § Φ*

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Margaret Jane Robbins, *English–Writing*

Benjamin B. Rock, *Business Administration*

Jamie Lee Rogers, *Chemistry, Magna Cum Laude Φ*

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# *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.

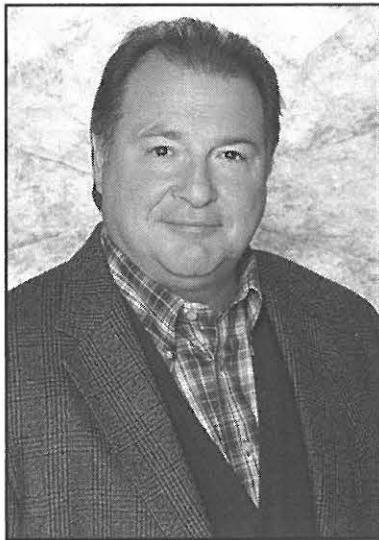
In 1893 an intercollegiate commission presented a uniform code for caps, gowns, and hoods to be worn in the United States. The mortarboard caps are the same for doctoral, master's, and baccalaureate degrees, except that doctors' caps may be of velvet and may have a gold tassel. The bachelor's gown is 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.



## Kevin Dunn '77

With a career spanning more than 30 years, Kevin Dunn has played serious soldiers, caring fathers and scheming lawyers.

A member of Illinois Wesleyan University's class of 1977, Mr. Dunn is just as comfortable in the realm of comedy as he is tackling dramatic roles. He has been seen playing the affable father to Shia LeBeouf in *Transformers* (2007), the speech writer with a crisis of conscience in *Dave* (1993) with Kevin Kline, or a foil for Charlie Sheen in the spoof *Hot Shots!* (1991). He did battle in the blockbuster *Godzilla* (1998) as the straight-laced Colonel Hicks and has given dramatic turns in such movies as the *The Black Dahlia* (2006) and *Lions for Lambs* (2007) with Tom Cruise and Meryl Streep.

Making his big screen breakthrough with *Mississippi Burning* in 1988, Mr. Dunn has also lent his talent to dozens of other movies, including the Oliver Stone-directed *Nixon* (1995), *Small Soldiers* (1998), *Live Free or Die* (2006), and *All the King's Men* (2006). He will appear in the new Woody Allen movie, *Vicky Cristina Barcelona* with Penélope Cruz and 2008 Oscar® winner Javier Bardem this fall.

Since the 1980s, Mr. Dunn has also been a constant on the small screen with appearances on television shows such as *LOST*, *Law & Order*, *Prison Break*, *Boston Legal*, *The Closer*, *Bette*, *LA Law*, *Family Ties* and *21 Jump Street*. He can now be seen in the hit series *Samantha Who?* with Christina Applegate.

Born in Chicago, Mr. Dunn came to Illinois Wesleyan in 1973, where he joined the football team and was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. As a theatre major, Mr. Dunn learned his craft in such productions as *The Good Woman of Setzuan* (1975) and *She Stoops to Conquer* (1975). He soon took on larger roles like that of Lt. Brannigan in *Guys and Dolls* (1975) and John Proctor in *The Crucible* (1976).

Like all theatre majors at Illinois Wesleyan, Mr. Dunn also explored the world of backstage, working on the props and stage crew, taking on the role of scene shop supervisor for *A Delicate Balance* (1976), and helping lead the way as assistant director of *The Pajama Game* (1976). In 1997, Mr. Dunn also directed a lab theatre production of *The Man With the Flowers in his Mouth*, performed as the comically misguided Nick Bottom in Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and in the company of *Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris*. His final performances for Illinois Wesleyan came with several roles in Illinois Wesleyan's 1977 Summer Theatre.

"As a student actor, Kevin was outstanding and very versatile," said Illinois Wesleyan Professor Emeritus of Theatre John Ficca. "To be a professional actor takes talent, tenacity and the ability to take all the hard knocks and follow through. I knew then that Kevin had all the qualities to make a great professional actor, and he has made an impressive career."



### Craig C. Hart

For more than a quarter of a century, Craig Hart has watched over Illinois Wesleyan. As the former president of the Illinois Wesleyan University Board of Trustees, he has helped guide and nurture the University to a higher prominence, and carved out a path for continued success.

Joining the Illinois Wesleyan Board of Trustees in 1981, Mr. Hart served as Board Treasurer from 1987 to 1994, taking up the post of Board President in 1994. He worked closely with four presidents to shape the vision of the University, especially the late Minor Myers Jr. Faced with the somber task of transition after Dr. Myers' death, Mr. Hart continued to provide unfailing leadership and commitment to the University, inspiring others with his steadfast confidence.

Under his guidance, Illinois Wesleyan has flourished both in recognition and improvements. Mr. Hart has seen the dedication of buildings such as the Shirk Center, the Harriett Fuller Rust House, the Hansen Student Center and The Ames Library, and encouraged the development of new programs and resources for students and faculty.

Mr. Hart stepped down as Board President in 2005, and the University has since renamed its career-advising center the Craig C. Hart Career Center in his honor in recognition of his special interest in career guidance. He retired from the Board of Trustees in 2007 and now serves as an emeritus trustee.

A native of Streator, Ill. and a veteran of the United States Navy, Mr. Hart attended the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he earned bachelor's degrees in accounting and economics, and a master's degree in business administration. Mr. Hart served many roles in the banking industry and retired after 32 years from Champion Federal Savings and Loan Association, where he served as president, director and chief executive officer for 21 years. He is co-founder and chairman of Heritage Enterprises, a health care management company.



### Sidney Epstein

Former chairman of the firm A. Epstein and Sons International, Inc., Sidney Epstein's company has contributed to the design and expansion of buildings from the Maine Montparnasse Tower in Paris to the Harold Washington Public Library, O'Hare International Airport and McCormick Place in Chicago.

Born in Chicago in 1923, Mr. Epstein studied at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1943, where he received a degree in civil engineering. After serving in World War II, he joined his father and brother in the family engineering firm, then called A. Epstein and Sons. Throughout the years, the company has expanded internationally. Along with the Chicago headquarters, the firm now has offices in Los Angeles and New York, as well as central Europe, the Middle East and Asia.

Mr. Epstein received the 2003 Award of Honor from the Chicago Building Congress, and has been elected a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers and a Fellow of the Society of American Registered Architects.

More than a successful, international businessman, Mr. Epstein is a philanthropist, giving back to his community in Chicago for more than 50 years. He co-founded the Chicago Youth Centers in 1956, which offers a safe haven for at-risk youth, and he remains active on the Center's board. In 2005 the State of Illinois, City of Chicago and Chicago Youth Centers honored him for his commitment to better the welfare of the community and Chicago's youth, with the Chicago City Council noting that he "has inspired others to learn from his great personal goodness and concern for others."

Mr. Epstein has also been on the boards of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the University of Chicago Hospitals, the Michael Reese Health Trust, the Lyric Opera of Chicago and the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry. He is vice chairman and treasurer of the Chicago Sister Cities International Program, a director of the Crown Family Foundation and the Polk Brothers Foundation, and a former member of the Illinois Arts Council.



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

*Light refreshments may be purchased at Hattie's and Tommy's in the Hansen Student Center and the Coffee Shoppe in Memorial Center. The University Bookstore in the Hansen Student Center offers many items for sale.*

*Near the Eckley Quadrangle, restrooms are located on the first floor of the following buildings: Shaw Hall, Center for Liberal Arts (wheelchair accessible), Memorial Center, and Holmes Hall. In the Shirk Center, the restrooms are located to the north of the lobby.*

*Following the ceremony, the Illinois Wesleyan Alumni Association invites you to a short reception in the tents on Eckley Quadrangle. If the ceremony is in the Shirk Center, the reception will be in the Activity Center. Faculty look forward to greeting the graduates and their families during the reception. Department signs will be posted in the reception area and faculty will gather nearby.*

*Senior marshals for the Commencement ceremony are Professors Frank Boyd, Zahia Drici, and Rebecca Roesner. Student marshals from the Class of 2009 are the Class President, Carissa Nemmers, and Student Senate President Andrea Ambrosia.*

