
DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Spring Commencement



Saturday, May 6, 2023 | 10:30 a.m.

Dakota State University Fieldhouse | Madison, South Dakota

PROCESSIONAL

“Pomp and Circumstance” - by Sir Edward Elgar

Jane Utecht

Please rise and remain standing for Processional and National Anthem

NATIONAL ANTHEM

“The Star Spangled Banner” by Francis Scott Key

Kinsey Pickering, vocalist

WELCOME AND REMARKS

Dr. José-Marie Griffiths, President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Dr. David Kenley

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

“Where You Go”

Written by Kinsey Fai and Martin Bailey

Performed by Martin Bailey, Patrick Green and Kinsey Pickering

ON BEHALF OF THE GRADUATES

Jazlynn Pederson

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Pam Roberts

South Dakota Board of Regents

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INDUCTION

Mr. Tom Nielsen

Class of 2004

ALMA MATER

Rose O'Brien, vocalist, Jane Utecht, accompanist

RECESSIONAL*

“Time of your Life” Written by Billie Joe Armstrong

Rose O'Brien, vocalist, Jane Utecht, accompanist

*Please rise and remain standing until the graduating class has retired.



David Kenley, Ph.D.
Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences
Commencement Speaker

Dr. David Kenley has been the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Dakota State University for the past three years. He is passionate about DSU's unique mission and the role arts and sciences play in fulfilling that mission.

With a Ph.D. in Chinese history from the University of Hawaii, Dr. Kenley has spent his entire career in higher education. He began as an assistant professor at Marshall University in West Virginia, then moved to Elizabethtown College in Pennsylvania before becoming a member of the DSU family. Dr. Kenley has served in numerous leadership roles ranging from department chair to center director to dean. He has a successful record of program innovation, cross-cultural engagement, grant writing, faculty development, strategic planning, online instruction, and many other critical areas of higher education.

Dr. Kenley has been fortunate to collaborate with three Nobel Peace Prize winners and several other influential leaders from around the world. Fluent in Chinese, he is committed to international understanding. He has traveled widely across five continents, and personally led over a dozen study abroad programs in seven different countries.

In addition to his administrative responsibilities, Dr. Kenley has authored four books, numerous journal articles, and is on several editorial boards. He has shared his research in dozens of locales around the world.

When he arrived at DSU during the pandemic spring of 2020, Dr. Kenley learned everything he could about his new community and colleagues. In his three years at DSU, he has supported faculty scholarship, promoted high quality educational experiences, and enhanced student graduation rates, all while remaining focused on DSU's strategic plan.

Despite no previous ties to the Midwest and never having lived in a rural environment, Dr. Kenley and his wife, Wendi Carlson Kenley, quickly grew to love South Dakota and their chosen home of Madison. He is active in his church congregation and serves on the boards of DSU-SOAR and the Lake County Historical Society.

Dr. Kenley and his wife are proud of their three children, daughter-in-law, and two granddaughters. At the end of this school year, he will be stepping down as dean so he can spend more time spoiling his grandchildren. Dr. Kenley will continue supporting DSU in a variety of ways while remaining the university's most fervent cheerleader.

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Doctor of Philosophy in Cyber Defense

Patrick Samuel Gallo

Paul Edward Wagner

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Doctor of Philosophy in Cyber Operations

Briant Becote

Michael Alan Lodder

Anthony Jairam

Jacob Lee Williams

Trevor MacKenzie Lewis

College of Business and Information Systems

Doctor of Philosophy in Information Systems

Loknath Sai Ambati

Chad R. Fenner

Analytics & Decision Support

Cyber Security

Armel B. Djangone

Kruttika Sutrave

Analytics & Decision Support

Analytics & Decision Support

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Master of Science in Computer Science

Michael Joseph Anzueto McGarry

Ethan David Havard

Keinen Richard Bousquet

Aaron D. Ingalls

Artificial Intelligence

Mahesh Babu Kamepalli

Aaron Leigh Bunker

Sophia Ivy Lewis

Tatiana Dombrovski

Rayanne Maurine Liester

Shane Donahue

Michael Lynn Martinson

Cyber Operations

Cyber Operations

Cary David Drew

Alexander Paul Maxey

Cyber Operations

Blake Ashton Nedved

Mark Gibbons Elder

Samuel Stephen Resop

Cyber Operations

Michael Ziegman

Alexander Doyle Hand

Artificial Intelligence

Cyber Operations

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Master of Science in Cyber Defense

Catherine Anne Birney

Viswanadh Ravi

Michael Joseph Fahnlander

Tanya Rae Taplin

Annabelle Klosterman

Bennett Joseph Touchette

Lauren Elizabeth Lawson

Jack Mathew Weekly

Sean-Michael David Mohoroski

Travis R. Westlund

Hannah N. Newberry

Phillip Gregory Zito

Nick Charles Offerman

College of Business and Information Systems

Master of Business Administration in General Management

Walter Frederick Van Den Oever

College of Business and Information Systems

Master of Science in Analytics

Vahini Choudary Atluri*

Maxine Bisong

Prosper Ezekiel Busagala

Jacob Clement

Indira Fuyal*

Brandon James Gabrielson

Ryan Michael Langem

Raj Kiran Madaram

Dharani Medapati

Divanshu Mittal

Harsha Vardhan Ramineni

Angela Rose

Anna Leisa Sauser

AlJordan Bane Schoenfelder

Subas Shrestha

College of Business and Information Systems

Master of Science in Health Informatics and Information Management

Brooke Havelka

Mahima P. Patel

Amy L. Potts

Paulina Magdalena Woehl

Michele Renee Zuiderhof

College of Business and Information Systems

Master of Science in Information Systems

Sukumar Akoju

General

Mohanbalaji Arani*

Data Management

Theodore David Bergmann

General

Vishnu Vardhan Reddy Buchupalli Gnana*

Data Management

Harsha Devineni*

Data Management

Uma Bala Mahesh Gudivada

Data Management

Robert Lee Gzyl

Data Management

Sri Lakshmi Inala

Network Administration & Security

Melissa Ann Insaideo

Healthcare Information Systems

Sushma Kalagara*

Healthcare Information Systems

Pranav Khullar

Healthcare Information Systems

Pavan Kumar Mamidala*

Data Management

Gowtham Mardi

Network Administration & Security

Sharat Kutumba Srinivas Narra*

General

Vijay Prakash Paka*

Data Management

Liyong Peng

Healthcare Information Systems

Namratha Ravipati

Data Management

Kelemete Seto

Data Management

Yousuf Ali Shaik*

Data Management

Kruttika Sutrave

Data Management

Akkumiya Syed*

Data Management

Jitender Varma Vejella

General

Zakirah Wahab

Data Management

Evan Miller Watson Jr.

Cyber Security

Travis R. Westlund

Cyber Security

College of Education

Master of Science in Education in Educational Technology

Rachel Marie Dawson

Kimberly Fischer

Darcie Denise Malcom

Megan Dawn Palmer

College of Arts and Sciences

Baccalaureate Degree

Alexander Alan Adermann
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Jay Alexander
Analytical Science

Maxwell Joel Allmon
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design
Cum Laude

Jada M. Anderson
Biology

Abigail Mary Armstrong
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
World Affairs & Human Behavior
Summa Cum Laude

Olivia Grace Armstrong
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
World Affairs & Human Behavior
Magna Cum Laude

Elsie Ruth Aslesen
Biology
Summa Cum Laude

Kathleen Wava Ballinger
Math Information Systems
Mathematics Education
Magna Cum Laude

Garet M. Behnk
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation

Mack Arthur Bonderson
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
World Affairs & Human Behavior
Summa Cum Laude

Cage Dillon Boschee
Analytical Science

Tomas William Calderon
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design

Cristian Gabriel Centes
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation

Colby J. Clarkson
Mathematics
Information Systems

Leviticus Christopher Crowe
Digital Arts and Design
Film & Cinematic Arts

Jacob Storm Dundas
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Taylor Keith Edwards
Mathematics
Secondary Education

Alec Douglas Gannon
Digital Arts and Design
Audio Production

Cameron Michael Gerovac
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation
Summa Cum Laude

Brooklyn E. Goosen
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Abigail Nicole Grabowska
Biology
Summa Cum Laude

Angela Marie Guthmiller*
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design
Magna Cum Laude

Nicholas Daniel Handberg
Mathematics
Information Systems
Magna Cum Laude

Xzayana Richel Henderson
Biology
Integrative Biology

Kevin Lemik Jenkins
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Carson James Knecht
Digital Arts and Design
Film & Cinematic Arts

Kathleen C. Lange
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Summa Cum Laude

Abby Marie Maloney
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Summa Cum Laude

Savannah Rose Mares
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
World Affairs & Human Behavior
Magna Cum Laude

Noah Joseph McNaughton
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
World Affairs & Human Behavior

Ryan Christopher Morganti
Mathematics
Cryptography
Summa Cum Laude

Alex Abby Katherine Neill
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation
Cum Laude

Obang Thomas Ojulu
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Caitlyn Kelly Palmquist
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Jason G. Parry
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics

Percy Anthony Pourier
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
World Affairs & Human Behavior

Travis R. Rebstock
Biology

Trey Christopher Reindl
Mathematics
Information Systems
Magna Cum Laude

Hanna Marie Rowe
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design

Tessa Lea Ryan
English Education
Summa Cum Laude

Morgan MaKay Saathoff
Mathematics
Information Systems

Thet Paing Soe
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation
Cum Laude

Carter Hoyt Squires
Mathematics
Information Systems
Cum Laude

Autumn Taylor
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics
Cum Laude

Luigi Vince Thompson
Digital Arts and Design
Film & Cinematic Arts

Sean Nicholas Thompson
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design

Andrew Jon Vasek
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Samantha D. Verver
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation
Cum Laude

Christine Juliann Vogel
Biology
Integrative Biology
Summa Cum Laude

**The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences
Baccalaureate Degree**

Kidus Nega Addisu
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Michael Andrew Armstrong
Computer Science
Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning

Aaron Tyler Baker
Cyber Operations

Megan Dean Beyer
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude

James R. Bigger III
Cyber Operations

Cameron Birkland
Network and Security Administration
Summa Cum Laude

Krishna Bir Bista
Cyber Operations
Network and Security Administration

Timothy David Boersma*
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude

Jacob John Boese
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude

Turner Micheal Bowar
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude

Jacob Richard Brown
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Kaiden Allen Bruhn
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

John Anthony Brumels
Network and Security Administration

Peter Minh Bui
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

William James Madison Bulfer
Network and Security Administration

Jacob A. Bullis
Cyber Operations

Randy Edward Burkhart
Network and Security Administration

Trent Buyert
Computer Science

Michael Christopher Callahan
Cyber Operations

Markita Carlisle
Cyber Operations

Maurice Christion
Computer Science

Colby J. Clarkson
Computer Science

Hayley Nicole Crawford
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Jacob Thomas Davie
Cyber Operations

Jonny Derenge
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Dana Donahue
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude

Hannah L. Droge
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Elliott DuCharme
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

John Malcolm Duckett
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Kyle B. Dunn
Cyber Operations

Darrin James Dutcher
Cyber Operations
Network and Security Administration
Magna Cum Laude

Tess Danette Eflin
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Alazar Girma Efuye
Computer Science

Zachary P. Ehret
Computer Science

Austin Elbert
Cyber Operations

John Dale Eng
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude

Jaden Feil
Network and Security Administration
Magna Cum Laude

Joshua David Frederico
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Cabrel Joseph Aaron Frenier
Cyber Operations

Jefferson Mack Fuqua
Computer Game Design

Nicholas Ernest Gaither
Cyber Operations

Nathan C. Goedtke
Computer Science

Nicholas Gourley
Cyber Operations

Guanen Guo
Cyber Operations

Dawson K. Haeder
Computer Science
Software Engineering

Nahome Teshome Hailemichael
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Julian Markus Hall
Cyber Operations

Te'a Jacqueline Heiser
Network and Security Administration

Weston Clark Henschel
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Tess Marie Castile Hill
Network and Security Administration

Avery Scott Hof
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Kaedin Christopher Hogan
Cyber Operations

Zachary R. Holm
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Jonathan Martin Horn
Cyber Operations
Network and Security Administration
Summa Cum Laude

Carson Collins Hrusovsky
Cyber Operations

Blake Lee Humes
Computer Science

Leo Tan Huynh
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Micah Lee Impeccoven
Network and Security Administration
Summa Cum Laude

Benjamin E. Iserman
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

Berlin Ivan Johnson
Computer Science

Jakob James Conrad Kaiser
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Maci Marie Kasuske
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Hunter James Kavanagh
Computer Science

Amir N. Kemal*
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

Mitchell Scott Kenyon
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude

Zachary John Kerkaert
Cyber Operations

Mariel Klosterman
Network and Security Administration

Conner D. Knepp
Cyber Operations

Lin Khend Ko
Computer Game Design
Cum Laude

Jonathan Russell Lacey
Network and Security Administration
Cum Laude

Roch Laferriere
Computer Science

Halsey Lam
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Tanner Douglas Lange
Cyber Operations
Network and Security Administration

Jacob Douglas Lind
Cyber Operations

Daniel Littlecott
Cyber Operations

Mason Ross Macaluso
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Braden Madison
Cyber Operations

Jacob Lawrence Mauss
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Cameron Jade Maynard
Computer Science
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Brockton Charles McCrory
Cyber Operations
Network and Security Administration

Brennan Michael Meester
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

José Mendez Jr.
Computer Science

Claira S. Monroe
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Ryan Christopher Morganti
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude

Tucker D. Murtha
Cyber Operations

Lane A. Nardinger
Cyber Operations

Elijah James Ness
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude

Morgan Joseph Newman
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Colton James Nichols
Cyber Operations

Michael Anthony Nowka
Cyber Operations

Kobe O. O'Harvey
Cyber Operations

Theodore Wayne Openhowski
Cyber Operations

Andrew Orobona
Network and Security Administration
Cum Laude

Dylan Arthur Park
Cyber Operations

John J. Piccione
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Brayden Wayne Pollreis
Cyber Operations

Joseph William Polzin
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Ryan David Porter
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude

Bibek Rai
Cyber Operations

Trey Christopher Reindl
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

Makayla Linea Ripperda
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Brooks Michael Robison
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

Jacob John Rogers
Cyber Operations

Jackson Aaron Ruedebusch
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Riley Bruce Ruzicka
Cyber Operations

Morgan MaKay Saathoff
Computer Science

Adam M. Schave
Network and Security Administration
Magna Cum Laude

Spencer Cole Sexton
Computer Game Design
Summa Cum Laude

Tnur Shifa
Computer Science

Brook C. Slagle
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude

Carter Hoyt Squires
Artificial Intelligence
Computer Science
Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
Cum Laude

Marshall Logan Stearns
Cyber Operations

Jason Aaron Stout
Computer Game Design
Computer Science

Loza Mulugeta Tadesse
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude

Jessica Nicole Tarr
Computer Science
Cum Laude

Ethan Anthony Tesch
Cyber Operations

Jack Duane Tetrault
Cyber Operations

Landon Mark Robert Thomas
Network and Security Administration
Magna Cum Laude

Matthew Turner Thompson
Computer Science

Tanieli Paea I'Idaho Pasifiki Tonga Jr.
Computer Game Design

Dylan Thomas Van Den Hemel
Computer Game Design

London Kory Van Sickle
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude

Ian Patrick James Vizina
Cyber Operations

Tristen Jay Wachter
Cyber Operations

Bergen Ezra Weiland
Artificial Intelligence
Computer Science
Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning

Savannah Raquel Weissenberger
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude
Patrick J.O. Were
Network and Security Administration
Summa Cum Laude
Joshua J. West
Cyber Operations
Cole Robert Westerlund
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude
Karns Thomas White
Computer Science

David A. Willison
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude
Ryan Matthew Wogalter
Computer Science
Chirawat Yooyuenyong
Cyber Operations
Kain Zeisler
Network and Security Administration
Adam Tyler Zimmel
Network and Security Administration

College of Business and Information Systems
Baccalaureate Degree

Felicia Ann Alspach
Computer Information Systems
Business Analytics
Daniel Wayne Bright
Computer Information Systems
Software & Web Development
Jason Carl Cox
Computer Information Systems
Business Analytics
Nolan Patrick DePover
Finance
Chase DeWitt
Management
Marketing
Caysen Dean Eide
Management
Kaleb Engberg
Computer Information Systems
Business Analytics
Roberto Romell Gittens
Business
Marketing
Kaitlin Graham
Health Information Administration
Magna Cum Laude
Carver Dahlstrom Hultgren
Computer Information Systems
Project Management
Jacob M. Joachim
Accounting
Professional Accountancy
Cum Laude

Dajshon T. Keel
Business
Management
Ryan Nicholas Koch
Computer Information Systems
Business Analytics
Grant Michael Lambert
Computer Information Systems
Application Development
Jennifer Kay Lamphron
Accounting
Carson M. McClelland
Accounting
Finance
Courtney I. Menning
Management
Britni Joyce Plucker
Management
Marketing
Jace Thomas Pribyl
Management
Caleb James Schneider
Business Technology
Magna Cum Laude
Tate Edward Ivan Schwader
Business Technology
Lena Lea Shoffit
Health Information Administration
Mary C. Simmons
Computer Information Systems
Business Analytics

Madelin R. Smith
 Marketing
Summa Cum Laude

Gage Albert James Stavig
 Computer Information Systems
 Business Analytics

Danielle Deanne Stevens
 Health Information Administration

Shital Thapa
 Business Technology

Cara Mackenzie Torpey
 Health Information Administration

Natalya VanOrmer*
 Computer Information Systems
 Project Management
Cum Laude

Dayton Charles Wade
 Computer Information Systems
 Business Analytics
Cum Laude

Jessica Mary Weber
 Computer Information Systems
 Project Management
Cum Laude

Gabriella Sage Weidenbach
 Marketing

Bo Wilson
 Management

Yanet Gebreyesus Woldemichael
 Computer Information Systems
 Business Analytics

Gavin Lee York
 Finance

**College of Education
 Baccalaureate Degree**

Macyn Jo Andersen
 Elementary Education/Special Education

Jack William Anderson
 Exercise Science

Carsten Dean Bergersen
 Exercise Science
Magna Cum Laude

Gustavo Bonilla
 Exercise Science

Shaylee Johanna DeBeer
 Elementary Education/Special Education
Summa Cum Laude

Erin Englert
 Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Morgan Mary Erikson
 Elementary Education
Summa Cum Laude

Sidney Elaine Fick
 Exercise Science
Magna Cum Laude

Hezel Moosah Garness
 Elementary Education
Cum Laude

Kendra Lee Gassman
 Elementary Education

Kayla Rose Gerken
 Elementary Education
Summa Cum Laude

Riley Ann Grandpre
 Exercise Science

Riley Dale Greenhoff
 Exercise Science

Ravyn Leigh Hoffman
 Exercise Science

Rhena Leah Hohn
 Elementary Education

Katelyn Marie Hoppe
 Exercise Science
Cum Laude

Susan Renae Jensen
 Elementary Education/Special Education

Luke Anthony Kremer
 Elementary Education/Special Education
Cum Laude

Reno Dustin Longe
 Exercise Science

Cooper Ledges McDermott
 Physical Education

Aubrey Anne Miedema
 Exercise Science

*Prior Term Graduate

Reese M. Miller
 Exercise Science
 Callie Mueller
 Elementary Education/Special Education
Magna Cum Laude
 Emmanuel M. N'tula
 Exercise Science
 Lisa Marie Olson
 Elementary Education
 Jazlynn D. Pederson
 Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude
 Riley Taylor Peters
 Elementary Education/Special Education
Cum Laude
 Trey Austin Randel
 Physical Education
 Hannah Elizabeth Reiff
 Elementary Education/Special Education
 Tina Saraceni
 Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude

Grace Elizabeth Schlechter
 Elementary Education/Special Education
Magna Cum Laude
 Morgan Carmene Schoenrock
 Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude
 Emily Spoelstra
 Elementary Education/Special Education
Cum Laude
 Sarah Monique Torres
 Elementary Education/Special Education
 Jared Richard Urbach
 Physical Education
 Samantha Lynn Voeltz
 Elementary Education
Cum Laude
 Trey Thomas Weber
 Physical Education
 Jonea Lynne Wunder
 Elementary Education
Cum Laude

**Interdisciplinary Majors
 Baccalaureate Degree**

Katherine Elizabeth Bicknese
 General Studies
 Christopher Charles Burke
 General Studies
 Ty Chad Christensen
 General Studies
 Melissa Marie Delaney
 General Studies
 Keian James Franklin
 General Studies
 Sage Foster Hudson
 General Studies
 Noah Riley Karwacki
 General Studies
 Tyler Paul Kennedy
 General Studies

Ronnie Lee Latting
 General Studies
 Johanna Taylor Lippert
 General Studies
 Cole C. McCarty
 General Studies
 James C. McClain Jr.
 General Studies
 Christofer R. Morales
 General Studies
 Fane Sikiti Vuaviri Sauvakacolo
 General Studies
 Jeffrey Daniel Schuster
 General Studies
 Noah Tripp
 Individualized Studies
Magna Cum Laude

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Associate Degree

Evelyn Luise Carsten Software Development	Austin David Ripp Network and Security Administration
Alexander Reese Hoiberg Network and Security Administration	Franklin Joseph Ryland Software Development
Ian Larson Network and Security Administration	Brook C. Slagle Network and Security Administration
Jacob Douglas Lind Network and Security Administration Software Development	<i>With Honor</i>
Braden Madison Network and Security Administration	Sabrina N. Smith Software Development
Brockton Charles McCrory Network and Security Administration	Marshall Logan Stearns Network and Security Administration
Elijah James Ness Software Development <i>With Highest Honor</i>	Joshua J. West Network and Security Administration
Kelsey Marie O'Farrell Network and Security Administration <i>With Highest Honor</i>	Nathan Wilson Network and Security Administration
Darian Perry Network and Security Administration	Thomas William Wornson Network and Security Administration

College of Business and Information Systems

Associate Degree

Benjamin Benson Batie Web Development	Jessica Catherine Hovland Business Management
Gloria Mae Benn Health Information Technology	Jacob M. Joachim Business Management
Braden J. Bomgaars Business Management	<i>With Honor</i>
Jason Carl Cox Web Development	Tyler Paul Kennedy Web Development
Colter Clark Elkin Business Management	Jennifer Rose Preuss Health Information Technology
William Saba Farhat Business Management	Halle Jo Sawyer Business Management
Kaitlin Graham Health Information Technology <i>With High Honor</i>	Mary C. Simmons Web Development
Samantha Jean Hauschildt Business Management	Natasha Renee Snedeker Business Management
Digital Accounting	Mykelti Michael Tater Business Management

Interdisciplinary Majors

Associate Degree

Katherine J. Anderson

General Studies

Kira Jay Bjerke

General Studies

Lillian T. Dewitt

General Studies

With Honor

Joshua M. Ferguson

General Studies

Kyle Gene Hanson

General Studies

MaKayla Shantale Heckler

General Studies

Zachary D. Hogrefe

General Studies

Trenton B. Jolivette

General Studies

Marc James Petersen

General Studies

Melissa J. Phillips

General Studies

Payge R. Ronfeldt

General Studies

Amanda M. Sebring

General Studies

With High Honor

Evan Sjovold

General Studies



HONORING OUR MILITARY AND VETERAN GRADUATES

Briant Becote

Keinen Bousquet

Daniel Bright

William Bulfer

Cary Drew

Kaleb Engberg

Robert Gzyl

Alexander Hand

Zachary Hogrefe

Berlin Johnson

Jakob Kaiser

Mitchell Kenyon

Ian Larson

Jacob Lind

Michael Martinson

Sean-Michael Mohoroski

Tucker Murtha

John Piccione

Gage Stavig

Walter Van Den Oever

Tristen Wachter

Paul Wagner

Evan Watson

Michael Ziegman

Graduating

WITH HONORS

Academic honors for baccalaureate degrees include *Summa Cum Laude* (3.9 or above), *Magna Cum Laude* (3.7 to less than 3.9) and *Cum Laude* (3.5 to less than 3.7) and associate degrees include *With Highest Honor* (3.9 or above), *With High Honor* (3.7 to less than 3.9) and *With Honor* (3.5 to less than 3.7).

GENERAL BEADLE HONORS

General Beadle honors program originated in 2013 to challenge outstanding students and stress broad intellectual development. The program is open to all students and majors. To graduate as a General Beadle Honors Scholar, students must complete 26 or more credit hours of honors coursework, complete an honors capstone project, plan and implement a service/leadership project, and have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL BEADLE HONORS PROGRAM (UNDERGRADUATE)

Abigail Armstrong

Darrin Dutcher

Olivia Armstrong

Jackson Ruedebusch

CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Graduates must maintain a minimum 3.2 grade point average, have a minimum ACT of 24, complete a core of designated courses and complete a major field capstone experience.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (UNDERGRADUATE)

Hannah Droge

Ryan Morganti

Joshua Frederico

Trey Reindl

Zachary Holm

Morgan Saathoff

Jonathan Horn

Lena Shoffit

Micah Impecoven

Mary Simmons

Mariel Klosterman

Jessica Tarr

Claire Monroe

Dayton Wade

DELTA MU DELTA

Delta Mu Delta is a national honor society for students majoring in business administration. It was established to recognize and reward superior scholastic achievement of business majors. To be eligible for admission, a student must have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.25.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF DELTA MU DELTA (UNDERGRADUATE)

Jacob Joachim

Tate Schwader

Courtney Menning

Madelin Smith

Caleb Schneider

KAPPA SIGMA IOTA

Kappa Sigma Iota is an honorary society, unique to Dakota State University, established by President E. C. Higbie to “promote, secure and maintain a high level of professional fellowship.”

To be a member of this prestigious organization, a student must have a 3.5 grade-point average and must be elected by the current members of the society.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF KAPPA SIGMA IOTA (UNDERGRADUATE)

Elsie Aslesen	Abby Maloney
Morgan Erikson	Savannah Mares
Joshua Frederico	Ryan Morganti
Kayla Gerken	Riley Peters
Nahome Teshone Hailemichael	Grace Schlechter
Luke Kremer	

TRI BETA

TriBeta is the National Biological Honor Society. TriBeta gives students the opportunity to be involved in science outside of the classroom. Through TriBeta, students have access to research funding and a venue to present/publish their work. Membership in TriBeta is a valued, nationally recognized credential, which looks excellent on a resume when applying for graduate school or scientific positions.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF TRI BETA (UNDERGRADUATE)

Elsie Aslesen	Abigail Grabowska
Carsten Bergersen	Travis Rebstock
Sidney Fick	Christine Vogel

LEGACY CORDS

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STUDENT MARSHALS

Casey TeGrotenhuis
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PAST RECIPIENTS OF DSU HONORARY DOCTORATES

(presented at Spring Commencement)

1969	Senator Karl E. Mundt	1991	Ed J. Dirksen
1971	Fred C. Christopherson	1993	Lynn F. Richter
1972	Anson Yeager	1995	Jackson W. White
1974	Ruth Mondschein	2007	Jerome B. Lammers
1977	C. Emil Loriks	2008	David R. Gienapp
1978	Preston E. Tyrrell	2016	Susan J. Koch, Ph.D.
1978	V. A. Lowry	2016	Daniel S. Morrow
1979	Francis G. Dunn	2017	LTG Susan S. Lawrence USA, retired
1984	Seiichiro Takagi	2019	Dr. Leonard Reinsfelder
1986	Richard G. McCrossen	2021	Miles Beacom
1990	Maurice Nelles	2022	Rollyn Samp

PAST RECIPIENTS OF MERIT, DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

(presented at Spring Commencement; only past 30 years listed)

1991	Jerry Prostrollo	2001	Dr. Darrell L. Sabers
	Wilfred W. Wagner	2002	Theodore O. Berven
1992	Donald F. Ralston		Thomas A. Farrell
	Dr. Leon A. Swier	2003	Terrill A. Hyde
	Fredrick H. Krueger		DeWayne A. Mork
	Leland White	2004	Joseph Dobbs
1993	Dr. Clyde K. Brashier	2005	Marletta Eich
	William Bulfer		Dr. L. Eric Johnson
	Steve R. Silva		Charles T. Nelson
	Dr. Charles L. Woodard	2006	Royce Hueners (posthumously)
1994	Donald G. Alfson		Joyce Farrell
	Dr. Kenneth J. Minnaert	2007	Dr. Thomas Lorang
	The Hunter Family	2008	Shantel Krebs
1995	George W. Krueger	2008	John E. Pedersen
	Janice M. (Reihe) Pamperin	2009	Deborah K. Bowman
	Roger F. Pamperin		Arnold H.W. Fockler
1996	Dr. Owen Tommeraasen	2010	Dr. Joseph J. Gertsema
1997	Dr. Kenneth Brown		Dale E. Kringen
	(posthumously)	2011	Janice K. Nicolay
	Dr. Sharon Brown	2011	J. Gene Hexom
	Merle Lewis	2012	Dr. Berle Clemensen
1998	Helen Simmons		Faith Stratton
	John Allen Schlueter	2013	Dr. Harlan and Vianne Stensaas
1999	Dr. James A. Peterson	2014	Dr. Chad Kurtenbach
	LeRoy J. Thomas	2015	Dr. Lynette Molstad Gorder
	Dr. Zeno M. Van Erdewyk	2017	Frederick J. Smith
2000	Mr. Miles K. Beacom	2018	Dr. Brett Bradfield
		2019	Steve Rokusek
		2021	Thomas E. Orton

DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

College of Arts and Sciences

B.S. in Analytical Science	B.S. in Digital Arts and Design
B.S. in Biology	B.S. in English
B.S. in Computer Game Design	B.S. in Mathematics
B.S. in Cyber Leadership and Intelligence	

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

A.S. in Network and Security Administration	B.S. in Network and Security Administration
A.S. in Software Development	M.S. in Computer Science
B.S. in Artificial Intelligence	M.S. in Cyber Defense
B.S. in Computer Game Design	Ph.D. in Computer Science
B.S. in Computer Science	Ph.D. in Cyber Defense
B.S. in Cyber Operations	Ph.D. in Cyber Operations

College of Business and Information Systems

A.S. in Business Analytics	B.S. in Professional Accountancy
A.S. in Business Management	B.S.Ed. in Business Education
A.S. in Digital Accounting	B.S.Ed. in Computer Education
A.S. Health Informatics and Information Management	M.B.A. in General Management
A.S. in Project Management	M.S. in Analytics
A.S. in Web Development	M.S. in Health Informatics and Information Management
B.B.A. in Business	M.S. in Information Systems
B.S. in Artificial Intelligence in Organizations	Ph.D. in Information Systems
B.S. in Computer Information Systems	
B.S. in Health Informatics and Information Management	

College of Education

B.S. in Exercise Science	B.S.Ed. in Physical Education
B.S.Ed. in Elementary Education	M.S.Ed. in Educational Technology
B.S.Ed. in Elementary Education/ Special Education	

Interdisciplinary Majors

A.A. in General Studies
B.G.S. in General Studies
B.S. in Individualized Studies

