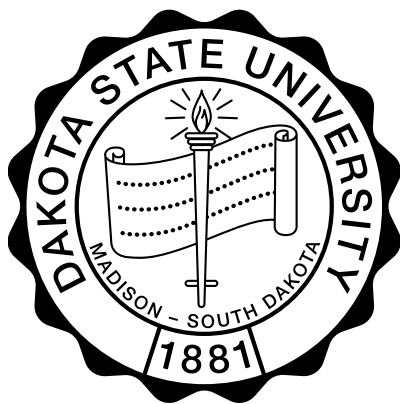
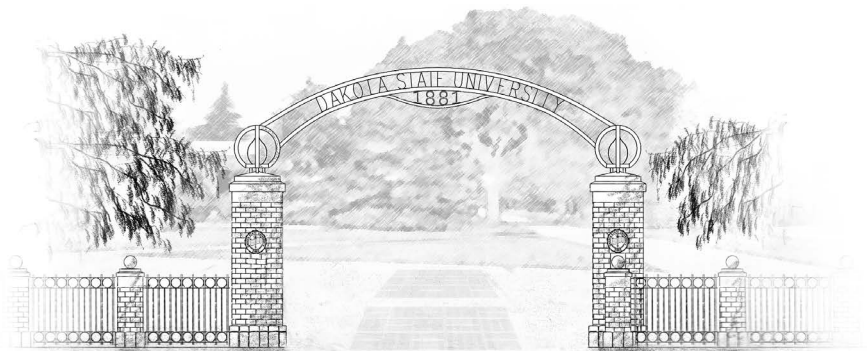

DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Spring Commencement



Saturday, May 7, 2022 | 10:30 a.m.

Dakota State University Fieldhouse | Madison, South Dakota



Barbara Stacey, DSCJ student

PROCESSIONAL

“Pomp and Circumstance” - by Sir Edward Elgar

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. Richard Hanson

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

“The World Is A Big Place”

Original Song Written by students in Singer/Songwriter Studio Class, Spring 2022

Vocalists: Kinsey Pickering, William Schwenk, Jacob Hoffer

Instrumentalists: Jacob Hoffer, Hayley Crawford, Benjamin Batie

ON BEHALF OF THE GRADUATES

Mariel Klosterman

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Tony Venhuizen

South Dakota Board of Regents

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

50 YEAR GRADUATES

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INDUCTION

Mr. Tom Nielsen

Class of 2004

ALMA MATER

Led by Sandra Champion

RECESSIONAL*

“Time of your Life” by Written by Billie Joe Armstrong

Vocalists: Jacob Hoffer, Kinsey Pickering, William Schwenk

Instrumentalists: Benjamin Batie, Hayley Crawford, Jacob Hoffer

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



Richard A. Hanson, Ph.D.
Interim Provost and Vice President for
Academic and Student Affairs
Commencement Speaker

Richard A. Hanson currently serves as the interim Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs at Dakota State University. He joined DSU in 2016 and served as Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, as Dean of The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences, and as Assistant to the President for Strategic Projects.

Dr. Hanson served 11 years as a college/university president, more than 12 years as a university chief academic officer/provost, more than 20 years as a tenured professor of applied behavioral science, child development and family science. He is President Emeritus of Bemidji State University, President Emeritus of Northwest Technical College, former interim president of North Dakota State University, and former President of Waldorf College in Forest City, IA.

Prior to Dakota State, Dr. Hanson helped develop the Native American Nursing Student Initiative, he is a signatory of the American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment, he expanded baccalaureate possibilities in cooperation with community colleges around the state of Minnesota, he developed and participated in the Minnesota Innovation Institute (MI2) -- Mechatronics and advanced machining training program established in the Bemidji area (designed to meet regional workforce needs), he successfully competed for a USDA Rural Utilities Service (RUS) program provided infrastructure improvements to a consortium of colleges, he was the planner/founder of the Bemidji Based Center for Community Partnership, and he served as a system leader (one of four presidents in MnSCU) who helped develop "Charting the Future," a strategic effort to help change how we work and encourage collaboration among 37 Minnesota State institutions to better prepare students for success.

He ushered in a new era in men's and women's athletics, when in 2010, the BSU Beavers opened a new arena for the start of Division I WCHA hockey. With the help of the student body, Dr. Hanson implemented a tobacco-free policy on both campuses. In addition, he founded the Bemidji School of Nursing, coordinating the instructional efforts of both NTC and BSU.

Receiving his Ph.D. from the University of California, Davis, in 1980, Dr. Hanson is an engaged academic, a fund raiser, an award-winning teacher and academic advisor, author of many competitive grant awards, a producer of refereed journal articles, five books and monographs and other publications, and a presenter at more than 30 national professional conference/association meetings around the country and internationally.

Dr. Hanson and his wife, Dianne, have three grown daughters and five grandchildren.

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Doctor of Philosophy in Cyber Defense

Lisa Marie McKee

Polly Wainwright

Francisca Afua Opoku-Boateng

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Doctor of Philosophy in Cyber Operations

Matthew Lane Bradley

Jude Chukwuma Ejiobi

Kimo Bumanglag

Mark Andrew Stanislav

Justin Timothy Burr

College of Business and Information Systems

Doctor of Philosophy in Information Systems

Giridhar Reddy Bojja

Srinivasulu Reddy Vuggumudi

Analytics & Decision Support

Cyber Security

Brian S. Bovee

Piyush Vyas

Analytics & Decision Support

Analytics & Decision Support

Haytham Mahmoud Mohamed

Analytics & Decision Support

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Master of Science in Computer Science

Tarek Talaat Abdelmotalieb

Jason Mixon

Cyber Operations

Christina Y. Mulu

Mustafa Ali Alhajaj

Anna Opsahl

Cyber Operations

Cyber Operations

Jaron Burtnett

Chase J. Opsahl

Anusha Chama

Cyber Operations

Connor Lee Ford

Kirankumar Pabba*

Brooke Gardner

Laura Lynn Peckenpaugh

Shivali Gupta

Cyber Operations

Jacob T. Hince

Steven Joseph Seeger

Bryan Etsuo Ikei

Evan Lee Sellers

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Abu Daud Talukder

Cody Alan Kronaizl

Caleb T. VanGerpen

Nicholas Timothy Medema

Cyber Operations

The Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences

Master of Science in Cyber Defense

Mohammad Saad Anwar

John Russell Mauss

John James DARTH Vader Bonar

Wesley Miller

Justin Carr

Evan James Read

Diego Edgardo Chacon

Logan James Shaw

Benjamin Gilbert

Adam Dorian Wong

Jacques P. LaCour

College of Business and Information Systems
Master of Business Administration in General Management

Nicholas Bitz
Jay D. Schultz

Walter Frederick Van Den Oever

College of Business and Information Systems
Master of Science in Analytics

Vahini Choudary Atluri
Cara Bracken
Christopher Burgers
Sairam Burla
Sharon Cerenzie-Alva Pretell
Yamuna Dhungana
Hailey Elizabeth Duffey Pizana
Gavin Mathew Gunawardena
Donna Rae Landmark

Dominic Eidam Osterloh
Eric Mario Polzella
Divya Singh Sankhla
Lidia Soto
Christopher Stoick
Santoshi Sutrave
Rachel Van Der Maaten
Dasari Vyshnavi

College of Business and Information Systems
Master of Science in Health Informatics and Information Management

Amit K. Chahwala

Katherine M. Rosenbaum

College of Business and Information Systems
Master of Science in Information Systems

Mohammed Zakiuddin Ahmed
Data Management
Srinivas Reddy Arekuti
General
Shashi Kumar Reddy Banda
Data Management
Adam Christopher Bucciarelli
Data Management
Naga Phanindra Reddy Challa
General
Michael Deaver
Network Administration & Security
Arun Kumar Gaddam
General
Sammangi Harsha
General
Laura Huffman
General
Sushma Kalagara
Healthcare Information Systems
Mounika Kommera
Data Management
Suryasai Konakanchi
Data Management

James Robert Konderla
Cyber Security
Bradley Koronkiewicz
Data Management
Anup Kumar Kuchana
Data Management
Navyasri Maddukuri
Healthcare Information Systems
Venkata Sreekanth Malleboina
General
Vijay Prakash Paka
General
Jayasimha Reddy Pedomalli
Application Development
Anil Phanidapu
Data Management
Bhanu Lakshmi Narayana Revinisetty
General
Alexis Robson
Network Administration & Security
Tara L. Santjer
General
Jennifer Schulte
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Kelemete Seto
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Vishnuvardhan Sunkari
Application Development

Kishan Sai Thotakura
Data Management

College of Education

Master of Science in Education in Educational Technology

Stacy A. Bennett
Matthew Brue
Cassandra A. Brunick
Sabra E. Clarke Timmins
Sandy M. Heimdal

Kathy Ann Jensen
Alyssa Krehbiel
Charli MeShelle Venable Nolan
Viana Waldner

College of Arts and Sciences

Baccalaureate Degree

Joseph Abbott
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation
Rebekah Lynn Amussen
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Vincent Campbell
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Summa Cum Laude
Stephanie DeAmelia
Mathematics
Information Systems
Elijah J. Ehresmann
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics
Shane M. Farmer
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
World Affairs & Human Behavior
Cum Laude
Eli E. Fink
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics
Cum Laude
Severin I. French
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Production Animation
Alec D. Gannon
Digital Arts and Design
Audio Production
Andrew Geurts
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics
Cum Laude

Jennifer Giles
Biology
Summa Cum Laude
Jessica Christine Giles*
English for New Media
Summa Cum Laude
Ketia Jean Noel Hanson
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Cum Laude
Max M. Hardy
Digital Arts and Design
Film & Cinematic Arts
Sara M. Hopkins
Mathematics Education
Cum Laude
Annalisa Eileen Ingui
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics
Lumin F. Johnson
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design
Emma Lee Jones
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design
Alyssa Juelfs
Mathematics Education
Kayla Marie Kappler
Mathematics Education
Summa Cum Laude
Jared Klinkenborg
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Kevin M. Krumm
Biology Education
Cum Laude

Rebecca L. Lange
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Summa Cum Laude

Aubrey Lipetzky
Biology

Aleona Lund
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Ashlyn Macdonald
Biology
Cum Laude

Tate David Mohlenkamp
Digital Arts and Design
Film & Cinematic Arts
Cum Laude

Xander Morrison
Digital Arts and Design
Digital Sound Design
Magna Cum Laude

Eric Narveson
Digital Arts and Design
Audio Production

Jason G. Parry
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics

Vanessa C. Polmateer
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Thomas Rainboth
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation
Cum Laude

Phusuda Baah Sheehan
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics

Jamie M. Shirley
Cyber Leadership and Intelligence
Digital Forensics

Isabel A. Small
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation
Cum Laude

Kahlil J. Tilbury
Biology

Conner L. Tordsen
Biology
Magna Cum Laude

Naomi Vonkeman
Digital Arts and Design
Computer Graphics
Summa Cum Laude

Makayla R. Welbig
Biology

Megan Jo Zephier
Digital Arts and Design
Production Animation

Mason M. Allam
Computer Game Design

Katherine M. Badillo
Network and Security Administration

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Baccalaureate Degree

Cashlin Barbour
Computer Game Design
Ernst Stephen Pablo Bateman
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Daniel D. Bauer
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

Carson Beaner
Cyber Operations

Trevor John Belaen
Computer Science
Magna Cum Laude

Paige Bennett
Network and Security Administration
Taylor A. Blenner
Cyber Operations
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Hunter Boelz
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

Drake Booth
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude

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Cum Laude

Zach Tyson Boyle
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Cutter D. Bruce
Cyber Operations
Kyle Bruening
Computer Science
Cum Laude
Nicholas M. Camp
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Luke Christensen
Computer Science
Steven R. Clark
Computer Science
Britany M. Cool
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Network and Security Administration
Roman C. Cooley
Cyber Operations
Calvin Luke Courtney
Computer Game Design
Max C. Davis
Cyber Operations
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Stephanie DeAmelia
Computer Science
John Zachary DePietro
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Jacob Dixon
Cyber Operations
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Shane Donahue
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Summa Cum Laude
Autumn Grace Driscoll
Network and Security Administration
Dillon Eagon
Cyber Operations
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Cyber Operations
Nico S. Edrich
Computer Science
Shawn Ensz
Computer Science
Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
Magna Cum Laude
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Network and Security Administration

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Jaden N. Feil
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Tyler Franzen
Computer Science
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Alexander C. Garcia
Computer Science
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Richard James Gillespie Jr.
Cyber Operations
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Cyber Operations
Brett J. Goodwin
Cyber Operations
Robert J. Goscicki II
Cyber Operations
Magna Cum Laude
Joshua William Griffith
Computer Science
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Ethan Havard
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Cum Laude
Jamae Heidelberger
Computer Science
Travis Alan Heidelberger
Computer Science
Tyler Helmers
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude
Sara Henegar
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McKenzie Fisher Hermanson
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Ethan Houchin
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Nathan Huisman
Computer Science

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Josie Johnson
Computer Science
Cum Laude
Isaac Richard Kaiser
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Jordan Christopher Koenck
Cyber Operations
Kira Lange
Computer Science
Antonio Lansang
Cyber Operations
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Lauren E. Lawson
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Computer Science
Alec J. Leber
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Jesse Addison Lebsack
Cyber Operations
Sophia I. Lewis
Computer Science
Cum Laude
Steven Masley
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude
Alexander Maxey
Computer Game Design
Computer Science
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Cody Mayer
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude
Michael Aaron McClure
Cyber Operations
Kendrin Reed Millage
Cyber Operations
Kaden A. Mixon
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Network and Security Administration
Thomas Moon
Cyber Operations
Gillian A. Morris
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Christina Y. Mulu
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Elijah James Ness
Computer Science
Hannah N. Newberry
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Ethan C. Oien
Computer Science
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Baruch H. Oltman
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Nathan Piper Max Ord
Cyber Operations
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Ronit Rajesh Pawar
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Cameron John Hermoso Reimer
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Ryan Roper
Cyber Operations
Mason E. Rusten
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Kaytlyn N. Schaefer
Cyber Operations
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Nathan A. Schoenfeld
Cyber Operations
Roya Shams
Cyber Operations
Nicholas Andrew Smith
Cyber Operations
Jacob T. Sorenson
Computer Science
Donald P. Soukup
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude
Austin D. Stau
Computer Science
Stephen Steinle
Computer Science
John A. Stout
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude
Mark R. Stucke
Cyber Operations
Rajeev Subedi
Computer Science

Justin Tamondong
Computer Science
Justin T. Thomas
Cyber Operations
Nicholas True
Network and Security Administration
Dominick Aloysius Tureaud
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude
Daniel John Van Keulen
Computer Science
Summa Cum Laude
Matthew Phillip Verrette
Cyber Operations
Samuel Wagler
Cyber Operations
Network and Security Administration
Matthew H. Waters
Cyber Operations
Jacob S. Weber
Cyber Operations
Jack Mathew Weekly
Cyber Operations
Summa Cum Laude
Dylan M. Westlund
Computer Science
Cyber Operations
Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
Summa Cum Laude
Trayton E. Williams
Network and Security Administration
Benjamin Jay Wilson
Cyber Operations
Cum Laude
Charles J. Wittrock
Cyber Operations
Levi F. Wixon
Computer Science
Megan Jo Zephier
Computer Game Design
Sol Zona
Cyber Operations

College of Business and Information Systems

Baccalaureate Degree

Erica L. Anderson Accounting <i>Cum Laude</i>	Brent Stuart Miller Management
Catherine N. Anthony Management	Wyatt Minion Finance
Brock Bumann Management	Caleb LeRoy Nielsen Computer Information Systems Business Analytics <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Jacia Anne Christiansen Professional Accountancy <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Joshua C. Pauley Marketing
Morgan Miranda Lousia Dalluge Accounting	Mitchell D. Peters Computer Information Systems Software & Web Development
Jeanine G. Dashiell Health Information Administration	Ethan Thomas Pinto Computer Information Systems Data Science
Josh Giles Management Marketing	Cameron H. Pitts Management
Josh Goeden Accounting Professional Accountancy <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Mark C. Poncelet* Management <i>Cum Laude</i>
Anna J. Grovender Computer Information Systems Business Analytics	Bobby A. Punt Management
Harrison William Gruenwald Computer Information Systems Project Management	Danielle R. Putnam Management
William Hamilton Computer Information Systems Project Management	Kylie Randall Accounting <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Landon D. Hoard Accounting Professional Accountancy	David M. Rice Business Accounting
Blaine Humann Accounting <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	David James Ruddy Jr. Management
Brook Insko Business Technology	Jessica M. Rupp Computer Information Systems Business Analytics
Kelly Jennings Business Technology	Seth Sando Accounting
Chalsea Kerkvliet Accounting	Solomon Shahan Business Technology Marketing <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
David Douglas Kirby Management	Kristin Tassler Management
Justin K. Mettling Finance	Steven Tow Accounting

Andrew Tverberg
Marketing
Marcus VandenBosch
Accounting
Professional Accountancy
Cum Laude
Kyle Kennedy VanFleet
Business Technology

Brady Van Holland
Computer Information Systems
Project Management
Ben Von Wald
Business Technology
Cum Laude
Brody Weiss
Computer Information Systems
Application Development

College of Education
Baccalaureate Degree

Tara J. Aslesen
Elementary Education/Special Education
Justin Thomas Butler
Elementary Education/Special Education
Hattie Marie Clapp
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude
Burkelyn Cowles
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Devin John DeBoer
Exercise Science
Grace Dellman
Elementary Education
Summa Cum Laude
Cassandra J. Geraets
Elementary Education
Megan E. Griebel
Elementary Education/Special Education
Payton K. Harrell
Exercise Science
Summa Cum Laude
Esai A. Hernandez
Physical Education
BreeAnn L. Hoek
Elementary Education/Special Education
Cum Laude
Karen Renae Hoffman
Elementary Education
Traia Shae Hubbard
Exercise Science
Anna Theresa Koisti
Elementary Education/Special Education
Summa Cum Laude
Ashley Lynn Lorenz Sarvis
Elementary Education
Max Ryan Luesebrink
Physical Education
Cum Laude

Hannah Olivia Lunden
Elementary Education/Special Education
Cum Laude
Nina Maloney
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Callie J. Martens
Elementary Education
Morgan M. Metzinger
Elementary Education
Cum Laude
Mercedes L. Moeller
Elementary Education/Special Education
Cheylee K. Nagel
Elementary Education/Special Education
Jordan Neises
Exercise Science
Skyler A. Pattison
Elementary Education
Hunter T. Sanford
Elementary Education
Nicole A. Sarringar
Elementary Education
Magna Cum Laude
Brooke R. Stark
Elementary Education/Special Education
Abbey Danielle Strait
Elementary Education/Special Education
Summa Cum Laude
TyAnn L. Ulmer
Elementary Education/Special Education
Stacy Lynn Van Overbeke
Elementary Education/Special Education
Cum Laude
Danielle Vinz
Elementary Education/Special Education
Braedon D. Wallenstein
Physical Education

Josie Lynn Wolf
Elementary Education

Carly T. Woodring
Elementary Education/Special Education
Magna Cum Laude

**Interdisciplinary Majors
Baccalaureate Degree**

Noah Robert Angstadt
General Studies
Connor Castner
General Studies
Brenner Jon Furlong
General Studies
Brooke J. Gortmaker
General Studies
Nicholas Hayden
General Studies

Qua Johnson
General Studies
Morgan K. Koepsell
General Studies
Gezahegne Bekele Tegegne
General Studies
Lamarr R. Wood
General Studies

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

Katelyn A. Bedient
Network and Security Administration
With Honor
Brandon E. Bruger
Software Development
Kayla Jane Cook
Network and Security Administration
Ahmed Hasan Falih
Software Development
With High Honor
John M. Helland
Network and Security Administration
Miles P. Livermont
Software Development

Zachary B. Loo
Network and Security Administration
Cody Mayer
Network and Security Administration
Software Development
With Honor
Tresa Raneer Monteith
Network and Security Administration
With High Honor
Daniel L. Romero
Network and Security Administration
With High Honor

**College of Business and Information Systems
Associate Degree**

Karissa Ann Busser
Health Information Technology
Cody Gilbertson
Business Management
Nicole Harming
Health Information Technology
Tara L. Jorgensen
Health Information Technology
Danielle Sue Lien
Health Information Technology
Caleb LeRoy Nielsen
Business Management
With Highest Honor

Mark C. Poncelet*
Business Management
With Honor
Zachary Brian Rohrbach
Health Information Technology
With Honor
Shaly Caye Werdel
Health Information Technology

*Fall 2021 Graduate

Interdisciplinary Majors

Associate Degree

Sarah K. Baumberger

General Studies

With Honor

Marissa L. Jensen

General Studies

With Honor

Katrina Jaylene Kauffman

General Studies

With Highest Honor

Melanie O. Little Wounded

General Studies

Tiffany M. Messick

General Studies

David Christopher Noid

General Studies

Walker Douglas Olivier

General Studies

Reece Scott Schulte

General Studies

Catherine Stagliano

General Studies

Jordan Wickstrom

General Studies



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)

Keinen Bousquet	Gillian Morris
Dillon Eagon	Xander Morrison
Robert Goscicki	Nicholas Smith
Sophia Lewis	Jack Weekly

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)

Erica Anderson	McKenzie Hermanson
Keinen Bousquet	Annalisa Ingui
Jacia Christiansen	Mariel Klosterman
Dillon Eagon	Alexander Maxey
Michael Fahnlander	Cody Mayer
Tyler Franzen	Solomon Shahan

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)

Blaine Humann

Solomon Shahan

Mark Poncelet

Marcus VandenBosch

Alexis Robson

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)

John Bonar

Josie Johnson

Keinen Bousquet

Kayla Kappler

Grace Dellman

Tresa Monteith

Tyler Franzen

Solomon Shahan

BreeAnn Hoek

Marcus VandenBosch

Sara Hopkins

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS

Sigma Alpha Pi strives to build leaders who make a better world. The tasks needed for induction: assist college students in creating the lives they desire, help them discover their passion and purpose, and provide them support and tools to achieve their goals.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF NATIONAL SOCIETY OF LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS (UNDERGRADUATE)

Paige Bennett

Ryan Jackovich

Keinen Bousquet

Kayla Kappler

Grace Dellman

Mercedes Moeller

Dillon Eagon

Tanner Peck

Severin French

Vanessa Polmateer

Andrew Geurts

Mason Rusten

Max Hardyk

Jack Weekly

SIGMA TAU DELTA

Sigma Tau Delta is an international English honor society whose purpose is to recognize scholarly and professional accomplishments in English. The DSU chapter is open to students who major in English for New Media, English Education, or who complete minors in English.

To qualify for membership, students must maintain a 3.0 cumulative grade-point average and a 3.0 grade-point average in their major field.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF SIGMA TAU DELTA (UNDERGRADUATE)

Jessica Giles

Viana Waldner

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)

Carsten Bergersen

Ashlyn Macdonald

Jennifer Giles

Kahlil Tilbury

Payton Harrell

Conner Tordsen

LEGACY CORDS

The DSU Alumni Association gifts legacy students with a specific cord to wear at graduation to recognize the connection they share with their family members who have graduated before them. Students with DSU graduates in their family history, both graduate and undergraduate are eligible.

MACE BEARER

Dr. Jack Walters

STUDENT MARSHALS

Mark Eisenbraun

Austen King

Annabelle Klosterman

50 YEAR ALUMNI

Recognizing the 50 year graduation class at commencement is a tradition dating back over 30 years. These men and women here today remind us of the history and aspiration of this institution and are visible representation of the proud history of Dakota State.

Lelan Freiwald, Watertown, SD

Ray Galbraith, Bryant, SD

Lynette Molstad Gorder, Estelline, SD

Kathy Harwick, Madison, MN

Arnold Jongeling, Castlewood, SD

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		

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

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

THE TRADITION OF THE ALMA MATER

The tradition of singing of the Alma Mater at graduations, convocations and other Dakota State University events began in 1922, then Eastern State Normal School, when student assemblies were formal and called chapels. At that time, a faculty member, Miss Helen Cavant, and public school instructor, Miss Evelyn Goodsell wrote the words. Through the years the song has undergone some minor changes in wording and music, but the foundation has remained the same. Dakota State University is deeply rooted in the eastern plains of South Dakota with her alumni branching far and wide throughout the world.

ALMA MATER

On the Eastern plains of South Dakota

where the sunshine is ever near,

There's a College we are proud to honor,

whose name to us is dear.

Cheer her on to victory, now your voices raise,

For her colors blue and bold, sing praise.

Dakota State University, Dakota State University.

True and loyal to thy name forever,

Nothing from our hearts thy love can sever.

Hail to thee our college, may thy spirit live,

Our Alma Mater, DSU.

