



# ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

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## MAY COMMENCEMENT

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The Third of May, Two Thousand Twenty Four

**10:00 am**

*Alumni Lawn*

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EVANS P. WHITAKER, PH.D., PRESIDENT, PRESIDING

## THE ACADEMIC CEREMONY

Various academic traditions are observed during the commencement exercises. Most of these traditions have their origin in the pomp and pageantry of the medieval period and reflect the rituals common in churches and royal courts, as well as universities.

### THE MACE

In the academic procession, the platform party and the President are led by the macebearer. The mace was originally a weapon, but eventually it became a symbol of the authority of a bishop, king, or a legislative body. In a college or university, it symbolizes the authority given through a charter to a board of trustees and by the board to a president.

The Anderson University mace is topped by a bronze crown and cross which symbolically connect the University with its Christian heritage. Attached to the mace are four medallions. One is the Anderson University seal; another has inscribed the first phrase of the alma mater, "Dear to our hearts is our alma mater;" the third is a quotation by the poet Alfred, Lord Tennyson, which reads, "Live pure, speak true, right wrong;" and the last contains an inscription indicating that the mace was presented by the class of 1928 in May 1978. Since that time, it has been carried in commencement ceremonies by the faculty member who has had the longest period of service to the institution.

### THE UNIVERSITY BELL

The University Bell is rung to signify the opening and closing of the academic year and to mark formal university celebrations. Fashioned by the renowned Whitechapel Bell Foundry in London, which made the Liberty Bell between 1745 and 1752, the University Bell is brass covered in gold gilt. An impression of the University Coat of Arms adorns this important symbol of the institution. The bell tolls eight times in honor of the University's primary stakeholders—alumni; students and their families; South Carolina Baptists; the larger Christian church; donors; administration, faculty and staff; the local community; and society.

## COMMENCEMENT HONORS AND AWARDS

† **The Denmark Society Award** is given to members of the graduating class who have exhibited leadership, scholarship, and Christian character and who exemplify the values of Anderson University. The Denmark Society is named for former President of Anderson University, Dr. Annie Dove Denmark. Students selected for membership in this society are wearing honor cords.

**Honor Graduates** The graduation program designates those graduates of high academic attainment. The Latin phrases identify three levels of achievement based on an academic grade average of 4.0 representing an overall average of A.

**Cum Laude**  
*With Praise*  
3.50 to 3.74

**Magna Cum Laude**  
*With Great Praise*  
3.75 to 3.94

**Summa Cum Laude**  
*With Greatest Praise*  
3.95 to 4.00

# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

10:00 am · Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> Ceremony

- **Prelude: *Nimrod***  
by Sir Edward Elgar  
Molly Tripp, *Pianist*
- **\*Processional: *Grand Processional***  
Grand Processional by Don Haddad  
Anderson University Brass Quintet, Chris Imhoff, *Director*  
  
*The audience is requested to stand when the processional begins and remain standing through the Invocation and hymn.*
- **Tolling of the University Bell**  
Bob L. Hanley, *Professor of English and Macebearer*
- **Appeal to the Chairman**  
Bob L. Hanley
- **Call to Order and Welcome from the County of Anderson**  
The Honorable Tommy Dunn  
*Anderson County Council Chairman*
- **\*Invocation**  
Mary Anne Bunton, *Chair, Board of Trust*
- **Welcome**  
Evans P. Whitaker, *President*
- **Presentation of President's Award**  
President Whitaker
- **Presentation of Excellence in Teaching Award**  
Ryan A. Neal, *Provost*
- **Presentation of Class Gift**  
Jack Cummings, *2023-2024 Student Body President*
- **Prayer of Dedication for the Class of 2024**  
Jack Cummings
- **\*Anthem: *For this Time***  
by Richard Williamson  
Concert Choir, Richard A. Williamson, *Director*
- **Introduction of Speaker**  
President Whitaker
- **Commencement Address**  
Tony Wolfe, *Executive Director-Treasurer, SCBaptist*
- **Presentation of Honorary Degree**  
President Whitaker
- **Presentation of Candidates for Degrees**  
Provost Neal
- **Conferring of Degrees and Presentation of Diplomas**  
President Whitaker

# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

- **Roll Call of Graduates**  
Kevin Selman
- **Graduation Hymn: *Gaudeamus igitur (Traditional)***  
Concert Choir, Richard A. Williamson, *Director*
- **Farewell to the Class of 2024**  
President Whitaker
- **\*Centennial Alma Mater: *The Sounds of Anderson***  
Johnny Mann (ASCAP)
- **\*Benediction**  
Karry Elson, *Assistant Professor of Cybersecurity*
- **\*Recessional: *Scent of Rain***  
Michael Gettel  
Anderson University Commercial Music Ensemble  
Derick Cordoba, *Director*  
  
*The audience is requested to remain standing until the mace and all commencement participants have exited the assembly.*
- **\*Audience Standing**

## FOR THIS TIME

1. | You have called us for such a time as this,  
For a purpose that we cannot know,  
Yet we believe—Lord, help our unbelief,  
And help us see the path on which to go.
2. | As through as glass, we look but cannot see,  
Trying in vain to know what we should do.  
By fire and cloud through wilderness and night,  
Or still, small voice, recall our hearts to You.
3. | Some promised land that only God can see,  
Will be revealed to us in His own time.  
Then let us wait and hope and work and pray,  
While God, to bless us, works His grand design.

## ALMA MATER

### The Sounds of Anderson

The sounds of Anderson live in my heart  
Live in my memories, the sounds of joy,  
The dreams of Anderson tell tales of tears and  
happiness in golden days gone by  
Seeds of learning will flourish;  
New friends will guide us through the land.  
These are the friendships we cherish  
touched by God's almighty hand.  
We know we love our alma mater,  
We know the joy of life she brings,  
Ah but there's one thing that only God can know:  
what Anderson means to me.

## COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS

*Members of the junior class who have grade point averages of 3.5 or higher are asked to serve as marshals.*

Amanda M. Ardrey	Emma E. Keeling
Saxon E. Barger	Emma R. Pedersen
Jenna G. Beiers	Alley M. Pridmore
Anna G. Bellows	Greer E. Prince
Elijah W. Blough	Emmalee M. Raymond
Emma H. Brightman	Jaimee A. Smith
Ian M. Clark	Kathryne J. Snyder
Ariana I. Giannuzzi	Rosella K. Stike
Morgan D. Grooms	Grant W. Swafford
Megan G. Hayton	Madison L. Weeks
Emma G. Hembree	Karaline G. Wilkie
Mary E. Johnson	Shannon F. Yost

## ACADEMIC BANNERS

College and school banners signifying each of the academic units of the University precede the faculty in the procession and are displayed on the dais during the ceremony. The primary color of each banner symbolizes the unit discipline. The University crest appears at the center of each banner representing the unity of all disciplines within the University. Academic banners were introduced in 2009 by President Whitaker to honor the faculty and commemorate their commitment to the University. The banners are brought into the commencement court by senior faculty members from each college or school.

<b>White</b> .....	College of Arts and Sciences
<b>Brown</b> .....	South Carolina School of the Arts
<b>Light Blue</b> .....	College of Education
<b>Drab</b> .....	College of Business
<b>Bilberry</b> .....	School of Interior Design
<b>Scarlet</b> .....	College of Christian Studies
<b>Midnight Blue</b> .....	School of Public Service and Administration
<b>Sage Green</b> .....	College of Health Professions
<b>Orange</b> .....	College of Engineering

## THE PRESIDENT'S CHAIN OF OFFICE

A symbol of the authority and responsibility of the presidency, the Chain of Office is one of the grand traditions of higher education. The Chain seen today was first worn at May Commencement 2008 by President Evans P. Whitaker.

The Chain of Office was a gift from alumni and friends. The Classes of 2007 and 2008 contributed their entire class gifts for this important institutional symbol.

The Chain of Office is a silver and gilt collar that displays emblems of the University. The parallel chains covered in sterling silver are surmounted by alternating University Seals and modified Shields from which hangs a medallion with an impression of the University's Coat of Arms. The Shields, Seals, and Coat of Arms are gilded with 24-karat gold.

The Coat of Arms features the Cross, an oak leaf, and acorn. The Cross is symbolic of the Christ-centered nature of the institution and God as the author and source of all Truth. The oak leaf and acorn are symbols of the sacred six acres on the front of the campus which are adorned by giant oak trees. The oak also signifies strength, courage, stability, wisdom, and endurance. The acorn signifies the potential of all who learn, teach, and serve. An outside band of parallel circles contains the institution's name and its founding date of 1911.

Similar to the Coat of Arms, the University Seal reinforces these themes by adding the Latin words "Humanitatem Per Crucem Alere": Serving Humanity Through the Cross. It makes clear that the foundation of Anderson University is Jesus Christ, whose example we seek to emulate by serving our fellow man.

## OUR SPEAKER

### Dr. Tony Wolfe

*Executive Director-Treasure, SCBaptist*

Dr. Wolfe is the Executive Director-Treasurer of the South Carolina Baptist Convention. He holds degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, and Lamar University. He is currently in the final stages of earning a Ph.D. in Evangelism from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, researching confessionalism and cooperation in Baptist history from 1609-1925.

Tony has published several books and is a regular contributor to Lifeway's Deacon Magazine, The Baptist Courier, and Baptist Press.

Dr. Wolfe's passion is to see likeminded Baptist churches cooperate joyfully and sacrificially to advance the Great Commission in their neighborhoods and to the nations.

He and Vanessa were married in 2001 and have two sons and a daughter-in-law, all of whom they are very proud.

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## HONORARY DEGREE

### Chris Brown

*Musician, Worship Leader, and Songwriter*

Chris Brown is a worship leader at Elevation Church, a songwriter, and founding member of Elevation Worship, led by Pastor Steven Furtick. He's helped write songs such as "Graves Into Gardens," "Praise," "Jireh," "Same God," and "O Come to the Altar." He is passionate about building the local church, and helping people find freedom when they bring their honest self in worship.

Elevation Worship has sold millions of albums in the United States and around the world. In addition to Elevation Worship music's popularity in churches across America, they have been awarded numerous music industry recognitions, including Billboard Music Awards, GMA Dove Awards, and a Grammy Award.

Several of Elevation Worship's live albums, like *CAN YOU IMAGINE?* and *Old Church Basement*, peaked at #1 on the US Christian charts. With Elevation Worship, he has collaborated with numerous bands and artists, including Maverick City Music, Kari Jobe, Hillsong Worship, and Jesus Culture.

Chris and his wife, Beth, live in Charlotte, NC with their 2 children. Chris and Beth are both proud alumni of Anderson University, Class of 2004. Chris earned a degree in vocal performance, where his passion for ministry and worship leading merged.

## DR. ANNIE DOVE DENMARK AND THE DENMARK SOCIETY

Dr. Annie Dove Denmark came to Anderson in 1917 as an instructor of piano and harmony. She also took courses here, graduating in 1925. Dr. Denmark served as dean of women from 1925 until 1928.

In 1928, Anderson selected Dr. Denmark to be the next President. She went on to be the longest serving president to date (1928-1953). More significantly, Dr. Denmark was the first female college president in South Carolina.

Assuming Anderson's presidency just before the Great Depression, Dr. Denmark became confronted with a mountain of debt that threatened the institution's existence, but her tenacity and creativity saw Anderson through crisis times.

During a meeting of the South Carolina Baptist Convention, Dr. Denmark brought in a wheelbarrow and urged messengers to fill it as a show of support. By the late 1930s, she had the school debt-free and on a more solid financial footing. Under her leadership, Anderson became a co-educational institution.

Part of Dr. Denmark's legacy is creating the honorary Denmark Society. Since 1944, outstanding graduates have been inducted into this select group. Each spring and fall semesters, the faculty and staff of Anderson University are given the opportunity to nominate up to 3 students in the graduating class for the Denmark Society Award. The Denmark Society Award is given to members of the graduating class who embody the University's values of academic excellence, consistent hospitality, outstanding service, and Christian character.

# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

## CENTER FOR CYBERSECURITY

### Undergraduate

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

‡ Genevieve Cherise Bronson  
*Cybersecurity and Criminal Justice*  
CUM LAUDE  
Williamston, SC

Jacob Daniel Cordeiro  
*Cybersecurity*  
CUM LAUDE  
Brockton, MA

†‡ Jack Christopher Cummings  
*Cybersecurity*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Greenville, SC

\*‡ Kendall Scott Davenport  
*Cybersecurity*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Anderson, SC

Andrew Edwards Emerson  
*Cybersecurity*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Acworth, GA

Andrew Daniel Kim  
*Cybersecurity*  
Anderson, SC

Benjamin Jared Matthews  
*Cybersecurity and Mathematics*  
CUM LAUDE  
Florence, SC

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

### Undergraduate

#### HONORS PROGRAM

† Carolyn Denise Bixby  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Human Development and Family Studies*  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
*Psychology*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Laconia, NH

† Howard Casey Blair  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
*Biology*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Lugoff, SC

Sophie Ann Call  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
*Biology*  
Simpsonville, SC

Carson Lane Cawthon  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*English*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Florence, SC

† Sydney Caroline Davis  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
*Biochemistry*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Georgetown, SC

Zoe Anne Sumner Dubiski-Pitts  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Communication and English*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Clover, SC

Tyler Kole Henson  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
*Psychology*  
CUM LAUDE  
Shelby, NC

†‡ Sydney Kathryn Himpel  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Political Science and Public Policy*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Concord, NC

Margaret Joy Hindman  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*English*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Greenville, SC

†‡ Allison Maria Jones  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*English*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Anderson, SC

‡ Alexandra Rose Oliver  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*History, Political Science, and Public Policy*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Cypress, TX

Jonathan James Parker  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
*Biochemistry*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Fort Mill, SC

Carissa Joy Pendergraft  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Human Development and Family Studies*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Raleigh, NC

†‡ Ansley Grace Sanders  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Political Science*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Greenville, SC

Joshua Bryson Senter  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Communication*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Lake Lure, NC

†‡ Johnathan David Sorce  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*English and History*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Rock Hill, SC

† Ryleigh Chole Wallace  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Communication and Human Development and Family Studies*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Winter Park, FL

‡ Zane Gabriel Wallace  
BACHELOR OF ARTS  
*Political Science and Public Policy*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Boyd, TX

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS

Kathryn Bayard Akers  
*Human Development and Family Studies*  
Washington, DC

Jennifer Paj Ames  
*Communication*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
Apalachin, NY

Annalee Brooke Armour  
*Communication*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Canton, GA

Breanna Ruth Bingham  
*English*  
Charlotte, NC

†‡ Sullivan Hewitt Black  
*History*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Summerville, SC

De'Shaun K. Booker  
*Communication and Political Science*  
St. George, SC

Lucy G. Burnett  
*Human Development and Family Studies*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Columbia, SC

Grace Elynn Campbell  
*Interdisciplinary*  
Simpsonville, SC

Penelope Cano Echavarría  
*English*  
CUM LAUDE  
Greenville, SC

† Nadia Denise Castillo  
*Communication*  
Lancaster, SC

Adam James Crawford  
*Communication*  
Easley, SC

Hannah Rose Crouch  
*Communication*  
CUM LAUDE  
Lexington, SC

Sarah Kathryn Cunnup  
*Interdisciplinary*  
Rock Hill, SC

† Isaiah Osvaldo Custodio  
*Communication*  
Mauldin, SC



# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Megan Renee Davis <i>English</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Williamston, SC	Joseph Heckel <i>Communication</i>	Easton, PA	Jocelyn Marcelle Pronovost <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Seneca, SC
Adrian Benjamin Despres <i>Communication</i> CUM LAUDE	Blythewood, SC	β Daniel Benjamin Horton <i>History</i>	Anderson, SC	Jack Cory Ritchie <i>Political Science</i>	Highlands Ranch, CO
Marielys Diaz-Maldonado <i>English</i>	Pelzer, SC	Isabella Grace Hucks <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i>	Clinton, SC	Zoe Grace Rogerson <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i>	Beaufort, SC
Matthew Joseph Donaldson <i>History</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Wilmington, NC	Kathryn Elizabeth Lamey <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i>	Columbia, SC	Evan Joseph Ronan <i>Communication</i> CUM LAUDE	Lexington, SC
Adam Christian Edwards <i>Communication</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenwood, SC	Luis Enrique Martinez-Meraz <i>History</i>	Spartanburg, SC	Olivia Hope Routszong <i>English</i> CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC
† Madeline Elizabeth Fary <i>English</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC	Jeremy Jose Matta <i>Interdisciplinary</i>	Anderson, SC	†δ Cora Katherine Runion <i>English</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Greer, SC
Maeve Elizabeth Foote <i>English</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Simpsonville, SC	Matthew Scott McCall <i>Communication</i>	Kershaw, SC	Madison Ann Shellnutt <i>Political Science</i>	Charleston, SC
Molly Suzanne Gambrell <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC	Michael Anthony McCormack <i>History</i>	Norwich, CT	Abigail Grace Smith <i>Communication</i>	Rock Hill, SC
Clancy Paige Genatt <i>Communication</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	North Charleston, SC	Madilyn Gonzales McCown <i>Communication</i>	Chapin, SC	Roxie Smith <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> CUM LAUDE	Irmo, SC
Hannah Noelle Golay <i>English</i>	Metairie, LA	Gracie Irene McCoy <i>History</i>	Six Mile, SC	ε Sara Edwards Smith <i>Public Policy</i> CUM LAUDE	Fargo, ND
Sarah Elizabeth Gordon <i>Interdisciplinary</i>	Charleston, SC	Amelia Bennett McNeal <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> CUM LAUDE	Beaufort, SC	Monica Joy Stuenzi <i>Political Science</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Dalton, PA
Easton Michael Gowan <i>Communication</i>	Pelzer, SC	Bethany Grace Milby <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Greer, SC	Katy Dayne Sutton <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> CUM LAUDE	Lake Wylie, SC
Courtney Anne Grose <i>History</i> CUM LAUDE	York, SC	β Jackson Vandiver Milford <i>History and Political Science</i> CUM LAUDE	Hartwell, GA	Carolina Reese Tabor <i>Communication</i>	Ravenel, SC
Ryan Lee Gundersen <i>Communication</i>	Waxhaw, NC	δ Emma Aileen Mae Miller <i>English</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Chapin, SC	†θ Rollins Hyrne Tucker <i>History</i>	Anderson, SC
Seth Daniel Hall <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> CUM LAUDE	Fletcher, NC	Braelyn Jo Moore <i>Communication</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC	Jaden McKenzie Upton <i>Communication</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Landrum, SC
†β Bradlee Grace Hanks <i>History</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC	Samuel Nadal <i>Communication</i>	Fort Mill, SC	Stefan Veljovic <i>Interdisciplinary</i>	Belgrade, Serbia
Grace Aledia Hartsell <i>English</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Taylors, SC	† Jordan Nicole Oppatt <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i>	Simpsonville, SC	θ Emma Fields Westmoreland <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> CUM LAUDE	Gaffney, SC
		Jacob Scott Peake <i>Political Science</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Central, SC	Caitlyn Arlana Wilde <i>Communication</i> CUM LAUDE	Mills River, NC
		† Luke Shannon Pecoraro <i>Communication</i> CUM LAUDE	Simpsonville, SC		

# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

† Maggie Elizabeth Wilson <i>English</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Warrenville, SC	† Madison Renee Hargett <i>Psychology</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Conover, NC	†π Jessica Bryn Rathbone <i>Biochemistry</i> CUM LAUDE	Montpelier, VA
Kathryn Annette Wood <i>Human Development and Family Studies</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Simpsonville, SC	π Garrett Alan Hawkins <i>Biology</i> CUM LAUDE	Clover, SC	Sara Lin Ricotta <i>Psychology</i> CUM LAUDE	Franklin, NC
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<b>BACHELOR OF SCIENCE</b>					
† Corey Bennett Adams <i>Biology and Environmental Science</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC	Gracie Marie Hulsey <i>Environmental Science</i>	Gastonia, NC	Daniel Thomas Robinson <i>Biochemistry</i>	Fountain Inn, SC
Leah Danielle Boswell <i>Environmental Science</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Goldsboro, NC	Morgan Emily Monirath Rice-Weber <i>Psychology</i>	Greenville, SC	† Emma Grace Schmid <i>Psychology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Mooreville, NC
◆ Abigail Elizabeth Broom <i>Biochemistry</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Pickens, SC	† Maggie Elaine Jones <i>Psychology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC	Keifer Lee Shore <i>Mathematics</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC
Bethany Ann Buckland <i>Psychology</i>	Concord, NC	Carter Renwood Lacy <i>Psychology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Lexington, SC	Tanna Jean Steverson <i>Psychology</i> CUM LAUDE	Fort Mill, SC
π Mariano Carpena Madriñan <i>Mathematics</i> CUM LAUDE	Cali, Colombia	Chasity Breanna Lusk <i>Biology</i>	Easley, SC	Jennifer Tellez-Chavez <i>Biology</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC
Mary-Elise Clement <i>Environmental Science</i>	Fountain Inn, SC	Grace Lauren Zhu Matthews <i>Biology</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Greensboro, NC	Sarah Elisabeth Thompson <i>Biology</i>	Woodruff, SC
† Gabe Asher Cleveland <i>Psychology</i> CUM LAUDE	Bogart, GA	Emily Alyce Mehaffey <i>Biology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Simpsonville, SC	Kaitlin Anne Threatt <i>Psychology</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Clinton, SC
Emma Dawn Clevenger <i>Biology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Easley, SC	Jacob T. Moore <i>Biochemistry</i>	Hampton, VA	Makena A. Trammell <i>Biology</i>	Easley, SC
† Brooks McEachern Davis <i>Biochemistry</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Greer, SC	Lydia Cathyleen Morgan <i>Psychology</i> CUM LAUDE	Waldo, FL	Jayden Kelis Williams <i>Biology</i>	Greenville, SC
Jack Thomas DeVane <i>Biology</i>	Lagrange, GA	Franklin Andrew Osborne <i>Biology</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Abbeville, SC	Jackson Daniel Wray <i>Mathematics</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	North Augusta, SC
◆ McKenna Kathryn Mischele Dover <i>Biology</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	York, SC	Lillian Kimbro Pecar <i>Psychology</i> CUM LAUDE	Mount Airy, MD	Marissa Kate Young <i>Biology</i> CUM LAUDE	Seneca, SC
Andrew Troy Faircloth <i>Biology</i> CUM LAUDE	Huntersville, NC	Chloe Rebekah Powell <i>Biology</i> CUM LAUDE	Johnsonville, SC		
Riley Elizabeth Ferguson <i>Psychology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Moncks Corner, SC	† Rachel Blythe Radin <i>Psychology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC		
Seth Lawrence Genatt <i>Biology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Charleston, SC	Brianna Nicole Rao <i>Biology</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Rock Hill, SC		



# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

### Graduate

#### MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Tanisha Demetria Alexander Anderson, SC

Shannon Rebecca Batson Greenville, SC

Sydney Eileen Bryan Piedmont, SC

Leidy Carolina Diaz Murcia  
Simpsonville, SC

Lucy Caroline Dickerson Greenville, SC

Ephraim Joseph Gnanashekar  
Greenville, SC

Shannon Golding Gray Court, SC

Beau Thomas Henson Canton, GA

William Bailey Hurst Greer, SC

Elizabeth Kate Lineberger Charlotte, NC

Jhennyfer Oliveira Cardoso Curitiba, BR

Daija Amari Pegues Anderson, SC

Sullivan Heath Reames Simpsonville, SC

Kayla Ann Sidorski Cleveland, OH

Elizabeth Gabrielle Sims Ponce Inlet, FL

Brittney Lynn Stafford Crosby, TX

\*Santiago Zapata Simpsonville, SC

#### MASTER OF ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

\*Jeff Duncan Greenville, SC

Lauren Ashley Emma Greenville, SC

Peter Attilio Parise Arlington, TX

Nathan Eugene Sanders Franklin, NC

### Undergraduate

#### HONORS PROGRAM

ε Katelyn Elizabeth Munn Florence, SC  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS  
*Financial Economics*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

#### BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Sara Elise Adams Clover, SC  
CUM LAUDE

Amber Dooley James Macon, GA  
CUM LAUDE

McKenzie Noelle Johnson Anderson, SC  
CUM LAUDE

Leia McNeely Kinley Anderson, SC  
CUM LAUDE

Brandon Wayne McAlister Anderson, SC

◆ Brandon Lee Mitchum Sumter, SC  
CUM LAUDE

Anthony Robert Privette Fort Myers, FL  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Tyler Jacob Volek Piedmont, SC

Kyle Jacob Woodhams Memphis, TN

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS

Kye Austin Andress, Sr. Hendersonville, NC  
*Management*

Nathan Scott Atkins Anderson, SC  
*Supply Chain Management*  
CUM LAUDE

ε Andrew Ken Baker Greenville, SC  
*Financial Economics*  
CUM LAUDE

π Tyler Chase Barlan Lawrenceville, GA  
*Marketing*  
CUM LAUDE

ε Mariam Bayatyan Yerevan, Armenia  
*Financial Economics*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Susanna Elsie Brendle Anderson, SC  
*Marketing*  
CUM LAUDE

π Kevin James Brinton Seattle, WA  
*Financial Economics*  
CUM LAUDE

Natalie Gale Broom Fort Mill, SC  
*Marketing*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

π Nicholas Joseph Calabrese, III Atlanta, GA  
*Management*  
CUM LAUDE

π Daniel Hoover Coker Hartsville, SC  
*Supply Chain Management*  
CUM LAUDE

Camryn Elizabeth Conner Florence, SC  
*Supply Chain Management*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Cassidy June Cox Powdersville, SC  
*Marketing*

Jakob Heath Davis Anderson, SC  
*Accounting*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

† Garrett Daniel Denbow Ashland, OH  
*Marketing*

π Jonathan Thomas Duffie Waynesboro, GA  
*Supply Chain Management*

Ethan Elson Campobello, SC  
*Management*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Zachary Lee Frueauf Lexington, SC  
*Financial Economics*  
CUM LAUDE

Alyssa Marie Furino Simpsonville, SC  
*Marketing*  
CUM LAUDE

Logan Alexander Gaddis Norcross, GA  
*Marketing*

Caroline Grace Gallman Simpsonville, SC  
*Financial Economics and Marketing*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Wesley Scott Gilliam Irmo, SC  
*Marketing*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Walker Jay Christopher Gilmore Boiling Springs, SC  
*Accounting and Supply Chain Management*

π Jaelyn Ann Grimm Austin, TX  
*Financial Economics and Management*  
CUM LAUDE

Peter Joseph Gullo Charlotte, NC  
*Financial Economics*  
CUM LAUDE

† Erica Jane Harris Charlotte, NC  
*Management*

Matthew Raymond Heckman Dacusville, SC  
*Accounting*

William Livingstone Hindman Greenville, SC  
*Marketing*

# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

† Rachel Elizabeth Hudson <i>Marketing</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Simpsonville, SC	Landen Jack Poston <i>Financial Economics and Marketing</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Timmonsville, SC	Greyson Michael Williams <i>Marketing</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC
Amanda Rose Hurd <i>Computing and Data Analytics</i>	Pembroke Pines, FL	Jackson Edward Pusey <i>Supply Chain Management</i> CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC		
π Matthew Daniel Jacques <i>Supply Chain Management</i> CUM LAUDE	Greer, SC	Anthony Scott Quartetti <i>Marketing</i>	Mooresville, NC		
Carson Pierce Jones <i>Supply Chain Management</i> CUM LAUDE	Fort Mill, SC	ε Kaitlynn Rose Ruggles <i>Accounting</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC		
Eli Mems Lanford <i>Accounting</i>	Anderson, SC	Ryne William Sanders <i>Accounting</i>	Hickory Hills, IL		
GracieLynne Logan <i>Accounting</i>	Hartsville, SC	ε Coleman Franklin Senter <i>Finance</i>	Winston-Salem, NC		
Jennafer Marie Long <i>Marketing</i>	Madeira Beach, FL	Keifer Lee Shore <i>Accounting</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC		
πε Alexander Michael Maurer <i>Financial Economics</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Fort Myers, FL	Walker Bass Sims <i>Computing and Data Analytics and Marketing</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	West Pelzer, SC		
Thomas Carlyle Mayberry, II <i>Computing and Data Analytics</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Columbia, SC	Kaylea Tianna Skutka <i>Marketing</i>	Greenville, SC		
† Sydney Lauren Morgan <i>Marketing</i>	Simpsonville, SC	Ethan Patrick Stalnecker <i>Accounting and Supply Chain Management</i>	Hanover, PA		
Griffin Cole Morris <i>Accounting</i>	Easley, SC	Eric James Swenson <i>Supply Chain Management</i>	Fort Mill, SC		
Nathaniel Robert Mulcahy <i>Supply Chain Management</i>	Simpsonville, SC	*ε Ethan Rick Synstelien <i>Financial Economics</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Moorhead, MN		
π Brayden Charles Owens <i>Management</i>	Easley, SC	† Hudson Gabriel Zhonghang Taylor <i>Accounting and Financial Economics</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Honea Path, SC		
π Anthony Carmine Pandolfi <i>Supply Chain Management</i> CUM LAUDE	Hicksville, NY	♦ε Haley Elizabeth Thompson <i>Accounting</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Bonneau, SC		
Kyle Weston Parker <i>Accounting</i> CUM LAUDE	Lexington, SC	William Ryan Turner <i>Financial Economics</i>	Matthews, NC		
Jacob Scott Peake <i>Financial Economics</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Central, SC	Dylan Prince Tyler <i>Supply Chain Management</i> CUM LAUDE	Loris, SC		
Joshua Martin Phillips <i>Supply Chain Management</i> CUM LAUDE	Greer, SC	Savannah West <i>Human Resource Management</i> CUM LAUDE	Prosperity, SC		
Leah Elizabeth Portillo <i>Accounting</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Walhalla, SC				

# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

## THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

### Graduate

#### MASTER OF MUSIC IN MUSIC EDUCATION

Ashlyn Taylor Cooper	Greenville, SC	Morgan Avery Burroughs <i>Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Pendleton, SC	Alexis Susan Lindsey <i>Art</i>	Anderson, SC
Hillary Caroline Davison	Royston, GA	Jayna Kay Carson <i>Dance</i> CUM LAUDE	Lexington, SC	Lily Beatrice McNamara <i>Art</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Gastonia, NC
Courtney Leigh Eby	Philadelphia, PA	† Erin Colleen Chivers <i>Dance</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Rome, GA	† Hannah Aliese Miller <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Heath Springs, SC
Haley Ruth Gravitte	Rome, GA	Simon Paul Ribeiro Comanda <i>Art</i>	Kennett Square, PA	Olivia Margaret Nix <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i>	Columbia, SC
Catherine Rosene Hawks	Fountain Inn, SC	Leah Margaret Davis <i>Art</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Mount Holly, NC	Lauren Elizabeth Pernel <i>Art</i>	Mount Pleasant, SC
Mark Kadin Ivey	Greenwood, SC	Destiny Raquel Donald <i>Dance</i>	Anderson, SC	Noah W. Privette <i>Art</i>	Columbia, SC
Holly Vickery Marvin	Anderson, SC	Payten Durden <i>Art</i>	Rock Hill, SC	Curtis Francis Shirkey <i>Art</i>	Travelers Rest, SC
★ Brent Schooley	Piedmont, SC	Alyssa Faith Eckard <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i> CUM LAUDE	Gastonia, NC	Kinley Grace Smith <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i> CUM LAUDE	Iva, SC
Ryan Patrick Vane	Rochester, NY	Mary Edgar <i>Art</i> CUM LAUDE	Charleston, SC	Chloe Anna Smith <i>Dance</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Sardis, GA

### Undergraduate

#### HONORS PROGRAM

ψ Abigail Grace Larsen BACHELOR OF ARTS <i>Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Wheaton, IL	Summer Ann Fickes <i>Art</i>	Peoria, IL	Luke Riley Smith <i>Music</i>	Westminster, SC
Joshua Bryson Senter BACHELOR OF ARTS <i>Theatre</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Lake Lure, NC	ψ Seth Benjamin Furr <i>Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Pageland, SC	Claire Abigail Toney <i>Dance</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Nebo, NC

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS

Annabelle Rose Acord <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC	Emma Margaret Gambrell <i>Music</i>	Belton, SC	Hannah Renae Ward <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i> CUM LAUDE	Pickens, SC
Annalee Brooke Armour <i>Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Canton, GA	† Tyson Jakob Gentry <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Seneca, SC	Carly Amanda Wilder <i>Music</i>	Anderson, SC
Abbigail Reneé Askew <i>Theatre</i>	Chattanooga, TN	ψ Alessa Brianna Gibbons <i>Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	South Jordan, UT	Gabriel Joseph Williams <i>Art</i> CUM LAUDE	Townville, SC
Abigail Rae Broadwater <i>Art</i>	Versailles, IN	Brianna Christine Gibbs <i>Art Education K-12 Certification</i>	Fort Mill, SC	Lail Elizabeth Williams <i>Dance</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC

† Hayley Alexis Brown  
*Art Education K-12 Certification*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Nathanael Robert Browne  
*Theatre*

Madeline Delaney Hagler  
*Art*

Sarah Ann Hamilton  
*Art*  
CUM LAUDE

Hannah Elizabeth Henriques  
*Theatre*

Lexington, SC

Mountain Rest, SC

Cornelia, GA

#### BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

ψ Joshua Michael Beck  
*Musical Theatre*  
CUM LAUDE

Lindsay Elise Blumenfeld  
*Graphic Design*  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Peachtree Corners, GA

Fort Mill, SC

# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

## THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Caroline Corene Byce <i>Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Spartanburg, SC	Sydney D. Welch <i>Graphic Design</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Fort Mill, SC	Michael Hunter Hiland <i>Music Education: Instrumental Music</i>	Carnesville, GA
Vanessa Paulet Dominguez <i>Graphic Design</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC	Adeline Marie Wiggins <i>Musical Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Mooreville, NC	Beall Elizabeth Looney MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC
Jocelin Brooke Flora <i>Graphic Design</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC			Luke Garrett Robinson <i>Music Education: Instrumental Music</i> CUM LAUDE	Seneca, SC
†ψ Hollyann Louisa Gardner <i>Musical Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Efland, NC	Trinity Kaitlyn Bagnati <i>Worship Leadership</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Bridgeton, NJ	Natalie Aleece Rutledge <i>Music Education: Instrumental Music</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC
Kendra Marilyn Gimple <i>Graphic Design</i> CUM LAUDE	Summerville, SC	Caitlyn Marie Burger <i>Commercial Music</i>	Myrtle Beach, SC	Taylor Marie Vaughn <i>Music Education: Choral Music</i> CUM LAUDE	Belton, SC
Julia Avant Hewitt <i>Graphic Design</i> CUM LAUDE	Timmonsville, SC	Sincere Perez Hatten <i>Commercial Music</i>	Anderson, SC		
Jessica Lauren Jones <i>Graphic Design</i>	Anderson, SC	Michael Ross Hofmann <i>Worship Leadership</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Myrtle Beach, SC		
†π Anne Knox Le Roux <i>Graphic Design</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Pretoria, South Africa	Emily Kristen Jones <i>Worship Leadership</i> CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC		
ψ Sophia Grace Lynch <i>Musical Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Piedmont, SC	Nicholas Cooper Joy <i>Worship Leadership</i> CUM LAUDE	Lexington, SC		
† Ashleigh Grace Martin <i>Musical Theatre</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Egg Harbor Township, NJ	Stonewall Jackson Pent <i>Commercial Music</i>	Nashville, TN		
ψ Stelan Alexander Martin <i>Theatre</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Salem, SC	Benjamin Hayes Smith <i>Worship Leadership</i> CUM LAUDE	Anderson, SC		
†π Elise Rene Matthews <i>Graphic Design</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Piedmont, SC	Amanda Cheyenne Williams <i>Commercial Music</i>	Waynesboro, MS		
Lindy Kate McCloy <i>Musical Theatre</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Lexington, SC				
† Emily Grace Miller <i>Graphic Design</i> SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Rock Hill, SC	<b>BACHELOR OF MUSIC EDUCATION</b>			
Isabelle Faith Rigsbee <i>Graphic Design</i> MAGNA CUM LAUDE	Charleston, SC	Kara Joy Bragg SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Newnan, GA		
Susanna Claire Smith <i>Musical Theatre</i>	Pawleys Island, SC	Joseph Harold Carlisle CUM LAUDE	Summerton, SC		
		Evan James Cathcart <i>Music Education: Instrumental Music</i> CUM LAUDE	Greenville, SC		
		Catheryn Marie Cofield CUM LAUDE	York, SC		
		Carlie Brooke Frederiksen CUM LAUDE	Piedmont, SC		



ANDERSON UNIVERSITY  
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## ALMA MATER

### The Sounds of Anderson

The sounds of Anderson live in my heart  
Live in my memories, the sounds of joy,  
The dreams of Anderson tell tales of tears and  
happiness in golden days gone by  
Seeds of learning will flourish;  
New friends will guide us through the land.  
These are the friendships we cherish  
touched by God's almighty hand.  
We know we love our alma mater,  
We know the joy of life she brings,  
Ah but there's one thing that only God can know:  
what Anderson means to me.

## COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS

*Members of the junior class who have grade point averages of 3.5 or higher are asked to serve as marshals.*

Amanda M. Ardrey	Emma E. Keeling
Saxon E. Bargeron	Emma R. Pedersen
Jenna G. Beiers	Alley M. Pridmore
Anna G. Bellows	Greer E. Prince
Elijah W. Blough	Emmalee M. Raymond
Emma H. Brightman	Jaimee A. Smith
Ian M. Clark	Kathryne J. Snyder
Ariana I. Giannuzzi	Rosella K. Stike
Morgan D. Grooms	Grant W. Swafford
Megan G. Hayton	Madison L. Weeks
Emma G. Hembree	Karaline G. Wilkie
Mary E. Johnson	Shannon F. Yost

## COMMENCEMENT HONORS AND AWARDS

† **The Denmark Society Award** is given to members of the graduating class who have exhibited leadership, scholarship, and Christian character and who exemplify the values of Anderson University. The Denmark Society is named for former President of Anderson University, Dr. Annie Dove Denmark. Students selected for membership in this society are wearing honor cords.

**Honor Graduates** The graduation program designates those graduates of high academic attainment. The Latin phrases identify three levels of achievement based on an academic grade average of 4.0 representing an overall average of A.

**Cum Laude**  
*With Praise*  
3.50 to 3.74

**Magna Cum Laude**  
*With Great Praise*  
3.75 to 3.94

**Summa Cum Laude**  
*With Greatest Praise*  
3.95 to 4.00

# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

10:00 am · Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> Ceremony

- **Prelude: *Nimrod***  
by Sir Edward Elgar  
Molly Tripp, *Pianist*
- **\*Processional: *Grand Processional***  
Grand Processional by Don Haddad  
Anderson University Brass Quintet, Chris Imhoff, *Director*  
  
*The audience is requested to stand when the processional begins and remain standing through the Invocation and hymn.*
- **Tolling of the University Bell**  
Bob L. Hanley, *Professor of English and Macebearer*
- **Appeal to the Mayor**  
Bob L. Hanley
- **Call to Order and Welcome from the City of Anderson**  
The Honorable Terence V. Roberts, *Mayor of the City of Anderson*
- **\*Invocation**  
Mary Anne Bunton, *Chair, Board of Trust*
- **Welcome**  
Evans P. Whitaker, *President*
- **Presentation of President's Award**  
President Whitaker
- **Presentation of Class Gift**  
Jack Cummings, *2023-2024 Student Body President*
- **Prayer of Dedication for the Class of 2024**  
Jack Cummings
- **\*Anthem: *For this Time***  
by Richard Williamson  
Concert Choir, Richard A. Williamson, *Director*
- **Introduction of Speaker**  
President Whitaker
- **Commencement Address**  
Tony Wolfe, *Executive Director-Treasurer, SCBaptist*
- **Presentation of Honorary Degrees**  
President Whitaker
- **Presentation of Candidates for Degrees**  
Provost Neal
- **Conferring of Degrees and Presentation of Diplomas**  
President Whitaker
- **Roll Call of Graduates**  
Kevin Selman



# COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

- **Graduation Hymn: *Gaudeamus igitur (Traditional)***  
Concert Choir, Richard A. Williamson, *Director*
- **Farewell to the Class of 2024**  
President Whitaker
- **\*Centennial Alma Mater: *The Sounds of Anderson***  
Johnny Mann (ASCAP)
- **\*Benediction**  
Stephen Ojo  
*Assistant Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering*
- **\*Recessional: *Scent of Rain***  
Michael Gettel  
Anderson University Commercial Music Ensemble  
Derick Cordoba, *Director*  
  
*The audience is requested to remain standing until the mace and all commencement participants have exited the assembly.*
- \*Audience Standing**

## FOR THIS TIME

1. | You have called us for such a time as this,  
For a purpose that we cannot know,  
Yet we believe—Lord, help our unbelief,  
And help us see the path on which to go.
2. | As through as glass, we look but cannot see,  
Trying in vain to know what we should do.  
By fire and cloud through wilderness and night,  
Or still, small voice, recall our hearts to You.
3. | Some promised land that only God can see,  
Will be revealed to us in His own time.  
Then let us wait and hope and work and pray,  
While God, to bless us, works His grand design.

## ACADEMIC DRESS

The gowns, hoods, and mortarboards worn by academicians have their origin in the universities of the middle ages. The costumes were fashioned after those worn by the clergy, since the purpose of university education at that time was to prepare individuals for service in the church. As universities became increasingly secular, academic dress became quite diverse; and the symbolism it represented became less clear and consistent. Consequently, in the late nineteenth century, colleges and universities joined to create a code for academic costumes that has generally prevailed in the United States as well as other countries.

According to the code, gowns are black and vary in style, depending on the degree. Baccalaureate gowns fall just below the knee. They are worn closed in front, and the sleeves are long and straight. Master's gowns are usually worn open in front and have long pointed sleeves. Doctoral gowns, which may be worn open or closed, are usually ankle length and are adorned with velvet panels in front and three velvet bands on bell-shaped sleeves. The velvet panels and bands may be black or may represent the academic discipline of the doctoral degree. The hoods also vary in size and style, depending on the degree. Hoods are normally trimmed with velvet of the color representing the discipline, while the lining represents the colors of the university awarding the degree. Mortarboards also vary in style. Baccalaureate and master's mortarboards are black with black tassels. Doctoral caps can be the traditional four-pointed mortarboards or four or eight-pointed tams. Doctoral caps normally have gold tassels.

<b>Arts, Letters, Humanities</b> .....	white
<b>Commerce, Accountancy, Business</b> .....	drab
<b>Cybersecurity</b> .....	science gold
<b>Economics</b> .....	copper
<b>Education</b> .....	light blue
<b>Engineering</b> .....	orange
<b>Fine Arts</b> .....	brown
<b>Interior Design</b> .....	bilberry
<b>Journalism</b> .....	crimson
<b>Law</b> .....	purple
<b>Library Science</b> .....	lemon
<b>Medicine</b> .....	green
<b>Music</b> .....	pink
<b>Nursing</b> .....	apricot
<b>Philosophy</b> .....	dark blue
<b>Public Administration</b> .....	peacock blue
<b>Public Health</b> .....	salmon pink
<b>Physical Therapy</b> .....	teal
<b>Science</b> .....	golden yellow
<b>Social Work</b> .....	citron
<b>Theology</b> .....	scarlet

## HISTORY

Anderson University traces its origin to one of the first institutions of higher learning for women in the United States. Founded by the Reverend William B. Johnson, a Baptist minister and the first president of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Johnson Female Seminary opened in the village of Anderson in 1848.

Forced to close during the Civil War, in time a new generation carried on what had been begun at that institution. A group of public-spirited citizens, desiring to have an institution of higher learning in Anderson, offered 32 acres of land and \$100,000 to the South Carolina Baptist Convention at its meeting in 1910. The Convention nominated a group of trustees, and Anderson College was granted a charter in 1911 by the South Carolina General Assembly. In 1912, the college opened its doors and operated as a four-year college for women until 1930. In 1929, the South Carolina Baptist Convention approved the institution's transition to a junior college, the first in the state. The College became a coeducational institution in 1930.

In December 1989, the Board of Trust voted to return the College to its status as a four-year institution, beginning with the fall semester of 1991, and the first graduate program began in 2004. A year later, the Board of Trust voted to assume university status to better reflect the quality, breadth, and maturity of the academic program and the entire institution.

Thus, on January 1, 2006, Anderson College officially became Anderson University.

Today, Anderson University boasts a lively campus atmosphere with dozens of organizations ranging from Baptist student groups to academic and service organizations. The University competes in NCAA Division II athletics and currently has teams in a variety of sports, including men's and women's basketball; men's and women's golf; men's and women's soccer; men's and women's tennis; baseball; volleyball; softball; cross country; and men's and women's track and field. Always a regional leader in NCAA Division II, Trojan Athletics has taken a quantum leap forward in recent years. In 2021, men's lacrosse became the 19th athletic program, which was followed in 2023 with women's lacrosse and, in 2024, football. Major construction is ongoing to modernize the Anderson University Athletic Campus to accommodate the unprecedented growth that represents a new era in Trojan Athletics history.

## OUR SPEAKER

### Dr. Tony Wolfe

*Executive Director-Treasure, SCBaptist*

Dr. Wolfe is the Executive Director-Treasurer of the South Carolina Baptist Convention. He holds degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, and Lamar University. He is currently in the final stages of earning a Ph.D. in Evangelism from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, researching confessionalism and cooperation in Baptist history from 1609-1925.

Tony has published several books and is a regular contributor to Lifeway's Deacon Magazine, The Baptist Courier, and Baptist Press.

Dr. Wolfe's passion is to see likeminded Baptist churches cooperate joyfully and sacrificially to advance the Great Commission in their neighborhoods and to the nations.

He and Vanessa were married in 2001 and have two sons and a daughter-in-law, all of whom they are very proud.

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## HONORARY DEGREE

### Sandy Scott

*Artist*

Surrounded by mountains, lakes and streams in her Wyoming and Canadian lake country studios, Sandy Scott is an avid outdoorswoman and licensed pilot, living the life she depicts in her work. She is the daughter of an Oklahoma rancher and was trained at the Kansas City Art Institute. Early in life, she worked as an animation background artist for the motion picture industry and as a commercial artist. She has lived in the West most of her adult life and, when not in the studio, travels the world in search of art and adventure. She can be found afield with her beloved Brittany Spaniel and her best friend, Trish.

A fellow of the National Sculpture Society and member of the National Arts Club, her work is in many important collections and museums, including the Gilcrease Museum, the National Museum of Wildlife Art, the National Cowboy Museum, the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Museum, R.W Norton Museum, Brookgreen Gardens and the Briscoe Museum. The William J. Clinton Presidential Library and Museum and the U.S. Military Academy West Point are among the many hosts of her public and private commissions and installations.

The Briscoe Museum recently awarded Sandy the Legacy Award for Lifetime Achievement. She also received major awards from the National Sculpture Society in recent years, including the Marilyn Newmark Memorial Award for Realistic Sculpture in the Classical Tradition and the Agop Agopoff Memorial Prize for Classical Sculpture. She is also the recipient of the Society of Animal Artists Award of Excellence. Scott was awarded the Cyrus Dallin Award for Best Sculpture at the Eiteljorg Museum's 2019 Quest for the West Art Show.

## HISTORY

Today, Anderson University is among the fastest growing private universities in the country, according to the U.S. Department of Education and the Chronicle of Higher Education Almanac. Enrollment has grown more than 100 percent since 2002 and now numbers more than 4,000 students.

Increased enrollment only tells part of the story, however; the reason for it is Anderson's reputation as a premier institution of higher learning and status among the best regional universities in the South as recognized by both *U.S. News & World Report* and *The Princeton Review*. *The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education* ranks Anderson University #25 among all universities in the United States (both public and private) for "Best Student Engagement;" and Anderson University is one of fewer than 50 colleges or universities in the United States recognized as an Apple Distinguished School—a distinction AU has received four consecutive times. Finally, Anderson University is on the honor roll of the prestigious Great Colleges to Work For program.

The community of Anderson, having given birth to the University, has nurtured and supported the institution throughout its history. In turn, the University has provided intellectual, cultural, and recreational opportunities for the citizens of the Anderson area and has made a significant contribution to the economy of Anderson County. The estimated economic impact of Anderson University to the local economy has been estimated to be more than \$300 million annually. In addition, Anderson students perform more than 15,000 hours of community service in the area each year.

## OUR MISSION AND VALUES

### Our Mission

Anderson University is an academic community affiliated with the South Carolina Baptist Convention. It provides a competitive education in the liberal arts, professional, and graduate disciplines, and a co-curricular focus on the development of character, servant leadership, and cultural engagement. This is a diverse community that is intentionally Christ-centered, people-focused, student-oriented, quality-driven, and future-directed.

### Our Values

Anderson University takes pride in being able to function as a community rather than a conglomerate. Accordingly, we have adopted a set of community values that support our aspiration to fulfill the University's mission and achieve its vision, both of which are considerable aims. Values serve as guiding principles that shape our daily actions. These are dimensions of our community we believe are very important and should be known and understood by everyone within our institution.

## OUR VISION, STUDENTS AND CAMPUS

### Our Vision

For God and humanity, Anderson University seeks to be an innovative, entrepreneurial, premier comprehensive university where liberal arts, professional studies, and graduate studies thrive within an uplifting, welcoming, and distinctively Christian community of diverse faculty, staff and students dedicated to intellectually rigorous learning, a caring and hospitable campus culture, and personal transformation.

### Our Students

We welcome more than 4,000 students from 49 states and 35 different countries and a wide range of denominations. 18% are students of color. Approximately 60% of students live on campus.

### Our Campus

Ideally situated on 385 acres in the elegant historical district of Anderson, South Carolina, Anderson University's campus provides a definitively collegiate setting for our students' journeys.

## HONORARY DEGREE

### Irvin Cauthen

*September 23rd, 1933 - January 14th, 2024*

Irvin Cauthen always felt a calling to community service and outreach. Most of this stems from his upbringing in Winter Haven, Florida, where he was born and raised in his parents' general store. The store provided the local community with the needed services, such as groceries, gas, and livestock. The doors were always open, even during the great depression. Irvin learned first-hand from his parents about goodwill and kindness to others. It was not uncommon for credit to be extended, terms adjusted, and debts forgiven to ensure that families could provide for themselves in times of uncertainty.

Irvin, a graduate with a double major in business and engineering from Georgia Tech, would start his career as an engineer. He was hired by NASA immediately after leaving school, and he worked in Cape Canaveral at the Space Center, dealing with rocket designs and propulsion systems. After some time, Irvin felt a calling to return to his roots and enter the convenience store business. He joined a partnership to open Quick Way Stores, which quickly spread across the southeast.

Irvin later moved to the Carolinas, where, in the late 1970s he started Plez U Food Stores. At one time, there were close to 20 stores across the upstate. He employed thousands of people over the years and made it a point to have a caring relationship with all his employees. Memories of "penny candy" and cherry Icees have been synonymous with the Plez U stores over the decades.

In the early 2000s, Irvin started a charitable fund through the Foothills Community Foundation to support charities and educational institutions. In 2006, Irvin joined the foundation's board and served continuously until 2019, when he was unanimously elected Board member Emeritus.

Irvin enjoyed spending time with his wife, Jorene, whom he was married to for 66 years, his two children, four grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. He was a longtime active member of the Kiwanis Club and First Baptist Church.

Although Irvin is no longer with us, his faith, actions, and character provide a template for those who feel called to go above and beyond by serving others.

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# THE CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

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## CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP AND ORGANIZATIONS

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### *Graduate*

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Bettye Holmes Smith      Boyds, MD  
*Leadership*

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

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Fountain Inn, SC

John Lewis Staggs Roland      Clinton, SC

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*Special Education*  
CUM LAUDE

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## COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

<b>Graduate</b>		<b>GRADUATE CERTIFICATE</b>		*Ruth Crosby Walkup <i>Nursing: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner</i>	Rock Hill, SC
<b>MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE</b>		LaZedra Monah Myisha Cade Georgetown, SC <i>Nursing: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner</i>		<b>Undergraduate</b>	
Charles Aubrey Chinniers <i>Pathologists' Assistant Studies</i>	Saint George, SC	Sonya Maria Cook Waycross, GA <i>Nursing: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner</i>		<b>HONORS PROGRAM</b>	
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MAGNA CUM LAUDE					
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CUM LAUDE				CUM LAUDE	
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## SCHOOL OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION

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<b>MASTER OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE</b>		<b>BACHELOR OF ARTS</b>		Mason Pernay Gore	Indian Trail, NC
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*Criminal Justice*

Evan Paul      Simpsonville, SC  
*Criminal Justice*

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*Criminal Justice*

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*Criminal Justice*

Jake Alexander Smith      Harrisburg, NC  
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*Criminal Justice*

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◆‡ Toni Lynnet Stephens      Greer, SC  
*Criminal Justice*  
CUM LAUDE

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π Jackson Cole Van Ness      Yorba Linda, CA  
*Criminal Justice*  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

William Curtis Vess      Travelers Rest, SC  
*Criminal Justice*  
CUM LAUDE

Rebekah Joan Viverette      Braselton, GA  
*Homeland Security and Emergency Services*  
CUM LAUDE

Kaleb Andrew West      Peoria, AZ  
*Criminal Justice*

Savannah Wilson      Anderson, SC  
*Criminal Justice*

Serrah Brookes Wilson      Abbeville, SC  
*Criminal Justice*  
CUM LAUDE



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- Φ **Alpha Chi** recognizes and promotes academic scholarship and the elements of character that make scholarship effective. Alpha Chi, a general honor society that admits students from all academic disciplines, limits membership to only the top 10% of junior and senior classes. Diploma seals are provided to members of Alpha Chi.
- Ψ **Alpha Psi Omega** is an honor-service organization whose mission is to recognize students who achieve high levels of accomplishment in theatre. In order to be a member, a student must demonstrate outstanding commitment to the Anderson University Playhouse and hold a distinguished academic record. Selection is based not only on achievement, but also on collaborative spirit, maturity, and artistic dedication.
- π **Chi Alpha Sigma** is the National Collegiate Athletic Honor Society. In addition to being a member of an NCAA athletic team, one must achieve a minimum 3.4 cumulative grade point average and be of junior or senior status to be selected for membership.
- ◆ **Gamma Beta Phi Society** is an honor-service organization whose objectives are to recognize and encourage excellence in education, to promote the development of leadership ability and character in its members, and to foster, disseminate, and improve education through appropriate service projects. In order to be a member of Gamma Beta Phi, students must have successfully completed at least 12 semester hours and have a grade point average in the top 20% of their class. Diploma seals are provided to members of Gamma Beta Phi.
- ε **Omicron Delta Epsilon** is an honor society which recognizes the scholastic attainment and outstanding achievements in the area of economics.
- ‡ **Omicron Sigma Sigma**, The Order of the Sword and Shield National Honor Society, is the most respected organization representing the Homeland Security, Emergency Management, Criminal Justice, Cyber and Information Security, and all Protective Security disciplines. The mission of the Society is to promote critical thinking, high scholarship and professional development; to further enhance the ethical standards of the protective security professions. The OSS is the only honor society to represent the complete homeland security mission, and has been universally recognized as the leading voice in academic and professional recognition in the emerging security sectors. Our motto is *ex scientia pax* which means "out of knowledge comes peace".
- β **Phi Alpha Theta** is a professional society whose mission is to promote the study of history through the encouragement of research, good teaching, publication and the exchange of learning and ideas among historians.
- Ξ **Pi Sigma Alpha** is the National Political Science Honor Society, the only honor society for college and university students of political and social sciences in the United States. Its purpose is to recognize and promote high academic achievement in the field of political science.

## ACADEMIC HONOR SOCIETIES

- Σ **Sigma**, the International Honor Society of Nursing, whose mission is advancing world health and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service is the second largest nursing organization in the world. STTI membership is by invitation and faculty recommendation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship by achieving an overall GPA of 3.5 or higher and also being in the top 35% of their nursing class. STTI members wear lavender and white honor cords to designate membership in the organization.
- **Sigma Delta Pi**, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society (La Sociedad Nacional Honoraria Hispánica), was established in 1919, at the University of California Berkeley by a junior undergraduate student named Ruth Helen Barnes. The motto is the Greek phrase "Spanias Didagéi Proágomen" meaning "Let's go forth/continue forth under the teaching/guidance of the Spanish language." Requirements include 18 credit hours of college-level Spanish, which includes 3 hours of Hispanic literature or Hispanic culture and civilization, and a minimum 3.0 GPA in all Spanish courses.
- δ **Sigma Tau Delta**, the International English Honor Society, confers distinction for high achievement in English language and literature; its members exhibit exemplary character as well as high standards of academic excellence.
- Θ **Theta Alpha Kappa** is a member society of the Association of College Honor Societies, a related scholarly organization of the American Academy of Religion and an affiliated society of the Council of Societies for the Study of Religion. TAK is an honor-service organization that exists to encourage, recognize, and maintain excellence in the fields of theological and religious studies and their diverse applications in our lives and work. Members have completed at least 12 semester hours in Religion courses, maintained a 3.5 average in these Religion courses, and have an overall 3.0 or better grade point average.
- ★ **Military Veteran Recognition** Anderson University recognizes veterans who have made an unwavering commitment to their nation. Red, white, and blue cords are provided to graduates who are veterans of the military and who have earned a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA.
- † **Denmark Society Award** is given to members of the graduating class who have exhibited leadership, scholarship, and Christian character and who exemplify the values of Anderson University. The Denmark Society is named for former President of Anderson University, Dr. Annie Dove Denmark. Students selected for membership in this society are wearing honor cords.







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