



**Bushnell University**  
*Commencement*  
**2023**

**Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> • Eugene, Oregon**

# Commencement Program

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## **Processional\***

Emily Weinkauf Kidder | **MBA**, *Adjunct Instructor of Music*

## **Faculty Marshals**

Brian Kaelin | **Ed.D.**, *Professor of Teacher Education*

Tammy Bovee | **M.S.**, *Assistant Professor of Kinesiology*

## **Student Marshals**

Matthew Wilhite '26,

Zoe Tomlin '25

## **Invocation\***

Michael Fuller | **M.S.**, *Vice President for Enrollment*

## **Welcome**

Joseph D. Womack '89 | **Ed.D.**, *President*

## **Scripture Reading**

Kim Williams | *Chair, Bushnell Board of Trustees*

## **Commencement Address**

DeLeesa Meashintubby | *Executive Director, Volunteers in Medicine;  
Pastor, St. Marks CME Church; Member, Bushnell Board of Trustees*

## **Musical Presentation**

**"There was Jesus"**

*Bushnell Chorale Seniors, featuring*

*Jaden Brunhaver '23, Taylor Bryant '23, Chase Dean '23,*

*Samuel Hayter '23, Isaac Johnston '23, and Tyler Powell '23*

## **Awards Presentation**

Joseph D. Womack

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## **Presentation of Candidates for Degrees**

Reed Mueller | Ph.D., *Vice President for Academic Affairs*

## **Conferring of Degrees**

Joseph D. Womack

## **Announcing the Graduates**

Rev. A.J. Swoboda | Ph.D., *Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies & World Christianity*

## **Hooding of Master's Degree Recipients**

Latrissa Lee Neiworth | Ed.D., *Dean of Business, Leadership, & Technology*

Suzanne Price | M.Ed., *Associate Dean of Education*

## **Closing Remarks**

Joseph D. Womack

## **Alma Mater\***

“All Hail to You, Dear Bushnell U”

*Jaden Brunhaver '23, accompanied by Emily Weinkauff Kidder*

## **Benediction**

Paul Blezien | Ed.D., *Interim Dean of Students*

## **Recessional**

Emily Weinkauff Kidder

\*Audience please stand

## Commencement Speaker

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### **DeLeesa Meashintubby**

**Executive Director, Volunteers in Medicine**

**Pastor, St. Mark CME Church**

**Member of Bushnell's Board of Trustees**

DeLeesa Meashintubby is the executive director of Volunteers in Medicine of Lane County, an organization that provides free, comprehensive health care to low-income, underserved adults. She also serves as the pastor of St. Mark's CME Church. DeLeesa is chair of Sacred Heart Medical Center's Community Health Board and sits on other numerous boards including Bushnell University, Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce, Pacific Cascade Credit Union, Pearl Buck Center, Shelter Care, United Way of Lane County, and Strides for Justice. In 2019 she was named Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce's Woman of the year and was the recipient of the prestigious Eugene's First Citizen Award for 2022. DeLeesa and husband, Norval, are parents to three children, two bonus daughters, and are grandparents to Isaiah, who brings them so much joy.

# Bushnell Mission & Vision

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## Mission

Bushnell University fosters **wisdom, faith and service** through excellent academic programs within a Christ-centered community.

## Vision

Bushnell University aspires to be characterized by its commitment to equip students to discover and answer God's call in their lives.

Bushnell University achieves this vision through academic excellence and faithful stewardship in a Christ-centered community that develops purposeful graduates.



## Wisdom

Deeper than knowledge, Bushnell students become critical thinkers, equipped with the practical applications needed to reach personal and professional aspirations.

## Faith

Central in experience, Bushnell students explore, discover, and grow within the context of a Christ-centered community.

## Service

Inspired in purpose and action, Bushnell students seek opportunities for servant leadership in career, family, church, and community.

# THE BUSHNELL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## Executive Committee

### **Kim Williams | Chair**

*Co-managing Member, McKay Investment Company*

### **Bob Hutchins '65, D.Hum.(hon) '00 | Vice Chair**

*Senior Vice President, Hutchins Group, D.A. Davidson & Co.*

### **Matt Hogan | Secretary**

*Principal Broker/Partner, C.W. Walker & Associates*

### **Clare Buhler '80, D.D.(hon) '21 | At Large**

*Senior Pastor, Harrisburg Christian Church*

### **Gary Jurden | At Large**

*Financial Advisor, Arkeo Financial Group*

### **DeLeesa Meashintubby | At Large**

*Executive Director, Volunteers in Medicine*

*Pastor, St. Mark CME Church*

## Trustees

### **Jill Workman Anderson '84**

*Vice President, Institutional Retirement & Trust, Wells Fargo*

### **Brent Cole**

*Principal Broker/Partner, Triple Oaks Realty*

### **Carol Cure ('67-'68), D.Hum.(hon) '10**

*Retired Nonprofit Executive*

### **Mike Dryden, DDS**

*Endodontist/Partner, Valley River Endodontics*

### **Idong Ekwere**

*Mortgage Loan Officer, Umpqua Bank*

### **Melaney Grenz, M.S.**

*Speech Language Pathologist*

### **Tim Haskell '88**

*CEO, Haskell Valuation*

# THE BUSHNELL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**Dan Hill ('74-'76)**

*Sr. Principal/Architect, Arbor South Architecture*

**Gene Hill '75, M.Div.**

*Interim Pastor*

**Bridget Baker Kincaid, M.A.**

*President & Executive Director, Baker Family Foundation*

**Rev. Ron Naff '74**

*Retired Pastor*

**Mike Petersen '83**

*Interim Head Coach, Atlanta Dream*

**John Richardson '73, M.Div., D.D.(hon) '01**

*Retired Pastor*

**Rory Robison '96**

*Financial Adviser, Eagle Strategies, LLC*

**Bruce Shelby '84**

*Chief Sales Officer & Co-founder, Continuant*

**Dan Smith '87, Ed.D.**

*Principal, North Medford High School*

**Rodger Terrall**

*Retired Banker, Umpqua Bank*

**Pat Turanski**

*Co-founder, GloryBee*

**Sid Voorhees**

*Auctioneer*

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**Joseph D. Womack '89 | Ed.D. (non-voting)**

*President, Bushnell University*

**James Watson | Ph.D. (non-voting faculty representative)**

*Assistant Professor of English, Bushnell University*

# UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

**Paul Blezien | Ed.D**

*Interim Dean of Students*

**Gene De Young | MBA**

*Vice President for Finance & Administration*

**Michael Fuller | M.S.**

*Vice President for Enrollment*

**Jocelyn Hubbs | MBA**

*Vice President for Student Development*

**Reed Mueller | Ph.D.**

*Vice President for Academic Affairs*

**Keith Potter '84 | M.Div., D.D.(hon) '11**

*Vice President for Advancement*

**Joseph D. Womack '89 | Ed.D.**

*President*

## Faculty

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**Paul Allee, Ph.D.**

**Kelly Ballard, D.Min.**

**Mindi Barta, M.A.**

**James Berry, M.A.**

**Melisa Ortiz Berry, Ph.D.**

**Mick Bollenbaugh, Ph.D.**

**Ernest Bonat, Ph.D.**

**Tammy Bovee, M.S.**

**Jenée Cázares, M.A.**

**Gene Chin, D.M.A.**

**Rev. Troy Dean, M.A.**

**Peter Diffenderfer, Ph.D.**

**Angela Doty, M.A.**

**Allyssa Goertzen, M.A.**

**Robin Hartman, M.L.I.S.**

**Shelly Hartzell, M.S.M., CPA, CMA**

**Agam Iheanyi-Igwe, Ph.D.**

**Stacy January, Ph.D., RN**

**Brian Kaelin, Ed.D.**

**Roger Kennedy, M.A.**

**Katy Lemieux, BSN, RN**

**Joshua Little, M.A.**

**Heike McNeil, Ph.D.**

**Ryan Melton, Ph.D.**



# Faculty *(cont.)*

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|                                       |                                   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Marilyn Montgomery, <i>Ph.D., NCC</i> | Christy Silverthorne, <i>M.A.</i> |
| Erin Mueller, <i>Ph.D.</i>            | Nani Skaggs, <i>Ph.D.</i>         |
| Reed Mueller, <i>Ph.D.</i>            | Doyle Srader, <i>Ph.D.</i>        |
| Cindy Nees, <i>M.Ed.</i>              | Rev. A.J. Swoboda, <i>Ph.D.</i>   |
| Latrissa Lee Neiworth, <i>Ed.D.</i>   | Linda Veltri, <i>Ph.D., RN</i>    |
| M.Tip Phaovibul, <i>Ph.D.</i>         | James Watson, <i>Ph.D.</i>        |
| Nathan Poehlke, <i>M.M.</i>           | Janet Welch, <i>MSN, RN</i>       |
| Suzanne Price, <i>M.Ed.</i>           | Connie Wilmarth, <i>Ph.D.</i>     |
| Ray Ricks, <i>M.Ed.</i>               |                                   |

# Faculty Emeriti

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Timothy M. Bergquist, <i>Ph.D.</i> | LeRoy L. Lane, <i>Ph.D.</i>        |
| Steven Goetz, <i>Ph.D.</i>         | Anne Maggs, <i>MBA</i>             |
| John Hakes, <i>M.A.</i>            | Ernest Mathes, <i>D.Min.</i>       |
| Ronald E. Heine, <i>Ph.D.</i>      | Margaret Sue Rhee, <i>M.L.S.</i>   |
| Michael Kennedy, <i>D.B.A.</i>     | Song Nai Rhee, <i>Ph.D., Ph.D.</i> |
| George Knox, <i>S.T.D.</i>         | Chuck Sturms, <i>M.A.</i>          |

# President Emeritus

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James E. Womack '63 | *D.Hum.(hon)*

# Academic Leadership & Awards

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## PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE & CAMPUS LEADERSHIP

The President's Award for Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership was instituted in 2006 as a way to honor not only an excellent teacher, but also one who models the kind of leadership we strive to teach our students.

|             |                   |             |                 |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| <b>2006</b> | Mick Bollenbaugh  | <b>2015</b> | Connie Wilmarth |
| <b>2007</b> | Anne Maggs        | <b>2016</b> | Brian Kaelin    |
| <b>2008</b> | Jeanie O'Laughlin | <b>2017</b> | Stacey Lewis    |
| <b>2009</b> | Doyle Srader      | <b>2018</b> | Kathy D. Owen   |
| <b>2010</b> | Heike McNeil      | <b>2019</b> | Doyle Srader    |
| <b>2011</b> | Dave Fenner       | <b>2020</b> | Wayne Reposa    |
| <b>2012</b> | Nani Skaggs       | <b>2021</b> | Linda Veltri    |
| <b>2013</b> | Tim Bergquist     | <b>2022</b> | AJ Swoboda      |
| <b>2014</b> | Terry O'Casey     |             |                 |

## PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY STAFF PERFORMANCE & CAMPUS LEADERSHIP

The President's Award for Exemplary Staff Performance and Campus Leadership was instituted in 2008 to honor not only an excellent staff member, but also one who models the kind of leadership we strive to teach our students.

|             |               |             |                |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| <b>2008</b> | Bonnie Temple | <b>2016</b> | Stead Halstead |
| <b>2009</b> | Steve Poetzi  | <b>2017</b> | Brian Mills    |
| <b>2010</b> | Jason Barta   | <b>2018</b> | Elyse Crichton |
| <b>2011</b> | Karen Head    | <b>2019</b> | Aaron Pruitt   |
| <b>2012</b> | Jocelyn Hubbs | <b>2020</b> | Wendy Yamada   |
| <b>2013</b> | Kacie Gerdrum | <b>2021</b> | Angela Doty    |
| <b>2014</b> | Oskar Bucher  | <b>2022</b> | Emily Johnston |
| <b>2015</b> | Sarah Freeman |             |                |

## PRESIDENT'S SCHOLASTIC AWARD

Given to the graduating senior who has attained the highest cumulative GPA with at least 61 credit hours having been completed at Bushnell.

|             |                     |             |                     |
|-------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| <b>1985</b> | Jon Berquist        | <b>2006</b> | Kathleen Conley     |
| <b>1986</b> | Tamara Mathes       | <b>2007</b> | Cassandra Walz      |
| <b>1987</b> | Vance Kirklin       | <b>2008</b> | Lynae Nelson        |
| <b>1988</b> | Vicki Brabham       | <b>2009</b> | Steven Kiepert      |
| <b>1989</b> | Diane Hake Lincoln  | <b>2010</b> | David Kjosness      |
| <b>1990</b> | Sherry Hart         | <b>2011</b> | Casey Elise Murphy  |
| <b>1991</b> | Christine Augustine | <b>2012</b> | Peter J. Norland    |
| <b>1992</b> | Catherine Edmiston  | <b>2012</b> | Karly Ann Welty     |
| <b>1993</b> | Jill Delaney        | <b>2013</b> | Sierra Willis       |
| <b>1994</b> | Sharon Rimmer       | <b>2014</b> | Daniel J. Flagg     |
| <b>1995</b> | Joyce Andrews       | <b>2015</b> | Megan Baum          |
| <b>1996</b> | Cara Smith          | <b>2016</b> | Emily Kaelin        |
| <b>1997</b> | Sandra Lee          | <b>2017</b> | Kelsey Chaloupka    |
| <b>1998</b> | Aaron Pruitt        | <b>2017</b> | Michelle Fletcher   |
| <b>1999</b> | Dax Bryant          | <b>2017</b> | Lindsey Heikes      |
| <b>2000</b> | Olivia Berkey       | <b>2018</b> | Rosa Marie Schmidt  |
| <b>2001</b> | Jennifer Rupert     | <b>2019</b> | Britnee Joaquin     |
| <b>2002</b> | Erika Chamberlain   | <b>2020</b> | Madeleine Rosebrook |
| <b>2003</b> | Jana Dobesova       | <b>2021</b> | Teresa Branson      |
| <b>2004</b> | Karlene Macaulay    | <b>2022</b> | Samantha Mueller    |
| <b>2005</b> | Elisha Lubliner     |             |                     |

# Academic Leadership & Awards

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## KENDALL E. BURKE AWARD

This award, the highest honor bestowed by the University, is determined by vote of the student body and faculty. It is given on the basis of academic achievement, inspiration to students and faculty, high ideals of Christian character and contribution to the mission of the University.

|             |                      |             |                              |
|-------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| <b>1940</b> | Lavancy Cobbs        | <b>1961</b> | Bill Bailey                  |
| <b>1941</b> | George Alder         | <b>1962</b> | Harriet Atkins               |
| <b>1942</b> | Jesse Johnson        | <b>1963</b> | Harold Taylor                |
| <b>1943</b> | Evelyn Helseth       | <b>1964</b> | Robert Hutchins              |
| <b>1944</b> | Dick Humphreys       | <b>1965</b> | Mary Anne<br>Helseth Parrott |
| <b>1945</b> | Dallas Meserve       | <b>1966</b> | J. Franklin Morse            |
| <b>1946</b> | Herald Haskell       | <b>1967</b> | Thomas J. Fort               |
| <b>1947</b> | Clara Rice           | <b>1968</b> | Stephen L. Richardson        |
| <b>1948</b> | Betty Burton         | <b>1969</b> | Daniel Ray Lawson            |
| <b>1949</b> | Teddy Turner         | <b>1970</b> | David C. Helseth             |
| <b>1950</b> | Lucille Parker       | <b>1971</b> | Randy Edwards                |
| <b>1951</b> | George Knox          | <b>1972</b> | Douglas B. Dornhecker        |
| <b>1952</b> | John Smith           | <b>1973</b> | Joe Wittwer                  |
| <b>1953</b> | Keith Watkins        | <b>1974</b> | Zola Ehlers-Miller           |
| <b>1954</b> | William Mayoh        | <b>1975</b> | Douglas B. Skinner           |
| <b>1955</b> | L. Dan Spencer       | <b>1976</b> | Delmer L. Harris             |
| <b>1956</b> | Ina Jane Bates       | <b>1977</b> | Gregory K. Widener           |
| <b>1957</b> | Marvin Eckfeldt      | <b>1978</b> | Kevin Brintnall              |
| <b>1958</b> | Song Nai Rhee        | <b>1979</b> | Karen Lorack                 |
| <b>1959</b> | Benjamin Lawrence    | <b>1980</b> | Rob Martini                  |
| <b>1960</b> | Everett LeRoy Lawson |             |                              |

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|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| <b>1981</b> | Tracy Carroll     | <b>2002</b> | Eric A. Eide      |
| <b>1982</b> | Colleen Carroll   | <b>2003</b> | Sarah Olson       |
| <b>1983</b> | Bonnie Ross       | <b>2004</b> | Kyri Anne Watkins |
| <b>1984</b> | Keith Potter      | <b>2005</b> | Kelsey Sutton     |
| <b>1985</b> | Jon Berquist      | <b>2006</b> | Matthew Kuhns     |
| <b>1986</b> | Tim Aho           | <b>2007</b> | Alan Strutz       |
| <b>1987</b> | Vance Kirklin     | <b>2008</b> | Isaiah Bower      |
| <b>1988</b> | Vicki Brabham     | <b>2009</b> | Chad DeKay        |
| <b>1989</b> | Jan Jackson       | <b>2010</b> | Bethany Howard    |
| <b>1990</b> | Randy Johnson     | <b>2011</b> | Britni Steiling   |
| <b>1991</b> | Lee J. Wilhite    | <b>2012</b> | Skyler Bascom     |
| <b>1992</b> | Stephen Womack    | <b>2013</b> | Preston Carmack   |
| <b>1993</b> | Jill Delaney      | <b>2014</b> | Lars Coburn       |
| <b>1994</b> | Daniel Bilderback | <b>2015</b> | Sam Koekkoek      |
| <b>1995</b> | Wendy Goughnour   | <b>2016</b> | Hans Coburn       |
| <b>1995</b> | Robert Ziehmer    | <b>2017</b> | Samara Eilert     |
| <b>1996</b> | Cara Smith        | <b>2018</b> | Michael Buss      |
| <b>1997</b> | Julie Dawn Graham | <b>2019</b> | Tomás Carradero   |
| <b>1998</b> | Carrie Sinclair   | <b>2020</b> | Kaleb Miles       |
| <b>1999</b> | Becky Samitore    | <b>2021</b> | Katia Burke       |
| <b>2000</b> | Jesse Earl Lough  | <b>2022</b> | Isabell Webber    |
| <b>2001</b> | Nikolas Lemiere   |             |                   |



## **Graduating Class of 2023**

\*\*\* summa cum laude 3.90-4.00 GPA

\*\* magna cum laude 3.70-3.89 GPA

\* cum laude 3.50-3.69 GPA

° Song Nai Rhee Honors Scholar

*Degrees are awarded upon completion of all degree requirements. The graduating class roster does not guarantee completion.*

## Bachelor of Arts

Braden Scott Abbott \*\*\*  
Autumn Mana'olana Arcangel \*  
Grace Marie Brown \*\*  
Taylor Raelynn Bryant \*  
Mason William Delamarter \*  
Michael David Frank \*\*  
Samuel Luke Hayter

Isaac Johnston \*\*  
Tyler Charles King \*\*\*  
Annalee McIntosh \*\*  
Kalina Mae Rojas  
Celsie Marie Smith \*\*\*  
Bethany Lorraine Taylor  
Madisen Maray Trueblood

## Bachelor of Science

Krystal Akagi \*  
Kyle John Aure, Jr.  
Olivia Bailon \*  
Brittany Bolding  
Cynthia Marie Boldt  
Lucas Bowser \*  
Jaden Elise Brunhaver  
Kailana Michelle Burden  
Faith Burgardt  
Jaron Lee Carter  
Madison Taylor Clark \*\*\*  
Dakota Dean  
Kemy Deschamps  
Hannah Elizabeth Duncan \*\*  
Sarah Solomon Estifanos  
Preston Kaleo Ferry \*  
Zach Fuller  
Haley Hanson  
Jamison R. Hanson \*\*\* °  
Paul Hayter \*  
Alexis Nila-Whitney Heenan \*\*

Trenton Michael Hough  
Matthew Michael Hubbs  
Elisabeth Jarvis  
Payton Johanna Jones \*\*\*  
Kaylen Elizabeth-Carmen  
Kamelamela \*\*  
Rebecca Marie Kuskie \*\*\*  
Grace Larkin \*\*  
Chelsea Jane Lay  
Hannah Lemly \*  
Jacob N. Lilley \*\*  
Andrew Lindley \*\*\*  
Kilano Halfmoon Loyd  
Taylor Matychuck  
Michael J. Mazzei \*\*  
Aneykah Quinn McCall  
Emily McDonald  
Carissa Navarro \*\*  
Halle K. Neumann \*\*\*  
Madeleine Katherine O'Brien  
Juan M. Palacios-Vargas

## Bachelor of Science *(cont.)*

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Faith R. Palmer *       | Aspen Slifka ***               |
| Karina Phifer           | Harmony Stevens ***            |
| Sarah Phillips          | Caden Reece Stubbs             |
| Rebecca Jolene Potts    | Chloe Sweeney **               |
| Tyler Kae Powell **     | Jenna Marie Ulery **           |
| Bailee Irene Reed **    | Dakota Underwood               |
| Leslie Nicole Reynaga   | Jenae Marie Usselman ***       |
| Peyton Ritchie ***      | Kristin Michelle Vincent **    |
| Isaiah Christian Robles | Dejah Wallot                   |
| Adrianna Marie Rusk *** | Joseph R. Washburn *           |
| Kaden Sand              | Courtney Weinberger ***        |
| Caleb John Schorr       | Akiva Gavin Wickramaratna      |
| David Schwartz          | Ralph Merton Wood              |
| Hannah Lynn Shepherd ** | Bryana Kilinoe Sachiko Yoshida |
| Matthew Vance Shepherd  | Evan Thomas Zuvich             |

## Master of Arts

|                            |                        |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Awbrie Rose Ammons-Jackson | Ava Mickola            |
| Clarrissa C. Anderson      | Brooke Taylor Molina   |
| Marcus Scott Baxter        | Wendi L. Nyquist       |
| Rebecca Anne Critchett     | Margaret O'Brien       |
| Jesse Kaula Eriksen        | Rachel Louise Parac    |
| Rochelle Farris            | Sarah Reinecker        |
| Allyssa R. Goertzen        | Sarah B. Rooks         |
| Anie Makyadath Helbling    | Kendra L. Stenlund     |
| Meghan Elizabeth Holsapple | Melissa Marie Stock    |
| William Andrew Jones       | Kacey Tallman-Anderson |
| Avery Elizabeth Keller     | McKenzie Vogel         |
| Christina M. Linville      | Anna Aarons Wellman    |
| Ariaunna Locke             |                        |



## **Master of Business Administration**

Johnathan Allen Boggs

Ariel Camacho Perman

John David Schiffer

Caleb Watson

Shelly A. Williams

Marina Kathy Withrow

## **Master of Education**

Makenna Northern

## **Master of Science**

Rachel Aleena Ochoa

## **Graduate Certificate**

Rachael Gabrielle

Kacie Kennett

Joana Munson

Adrienne Jerrene Sampson

## HONOR SOCIETIES

### **SIGMA BETA DELTA**

*International Honor Society in Business, Management & Administration*

Sigma means wisdom, Beta signifies honor, and Delta signifies the pursuit of meaningful aspirations. The honor cords are dark green and gold and are given to graduating students in the top 20% of their class (traditional undergraduate, online and evening, and graduate) with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher.

### **ALPHA ALPHA TAU** *Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau*

*International Honor Society of Nursing*

Nursing students who achieve academic excellence in their nursing courses and rank in the top 35% of their graduating class are eligible for membership in Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing and the Bushnell University's Alpha Alpha Tau Chapter. The honor cords are light purple and white.

### **SIGMA TAU DELTA**

*International Honor Society in English*

Sigma Tau Delta's central purpose is to confer distinction upon students of the English language and literature in undergraduate, graduate, and professional studies. The international motto is "Sincerity, Truth, Design." The honor cords are cardinal and black and are given to graduating students in the highest 35% of their class with a minimum of a 3.0 or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship.

## HONOR SOCIETIES

### PI GAMMA MU

*International Honor Society in the Social Sciences*

Pi Gamma Mu is the oldest and preeminent honor society in the social sciences. Its mission is to encourage and recognize superior scholarship in social science disciplines and to foster cooperation and social service among its members. The honor cords are blue and white.

### CHI ALPHA SIGMA

*National College Athlete Honor Society*

The motto of Chi Alpha Sigma is “Excellence in Athletics and Academics.” Honor cords are black and yellow and inductees must have a cumulative GPA of 3.8, earn a letter in a varsity intercollegiate sport, be a Champion of Character, and receive endorsement from his/her head coach.

### NU CHI UPSILON *Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota*

*International Honor Society in Counseling*

The mission of Chi Sigma Iota is to promote scholarship, research, professionalism, leadership, and excellence in counseling while recognizing high attainment in the pursuit of academic and clinical excellence. Honor cords are white for virtue and blue for trustworthiness and integrity. Members are students enrolled in a counselor education program leading to a graduate degree who have maintained an overall scholastic GPA of 3.5 while enrolled in the program.

## HONORS PROGRAM

### SONG NAI RHEE HONORS PROGRAM

The Song Nai Rhee Honors Program enables student to design a customized, demanding route through their field of study, in close collaboration with relevant faculty. In design, not a separate college, Rhee Honors students follow a series of honors contracts that deepen the academic rigor and experience within the assigned course schedule. This experience seeks to foster the sort of intimate collegiality – based in the joy of shared discovery – that has always been the hallmark of an excellent liberal arts education.

# ACADEMIC REGALIA

## THE CAP

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The academic cap is a sign of the freedom of scholarship and the responsibility and dignity with which scholarship endows the wearer. While usually shaped like a mortar board, some caps are made of a round, soft velvet material. The tassel may be black or colored according to the scholarly field of the wearer.

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## THE GOWN

The flowing gown comes from the 12th century. While it originally may have been worn as protection against the cold of unheated buildings, today it has become symbolic of the democracy of scholarship, for it covers any dress of rank or social standing. It is usually made of black material. Bachelors' gowns have pointed sleeves; masters' have long pouch-like sleeves which reputedly were once used to carry books and food. Doctors' gowns are faced with panels of velvet down the front and three bars of velvet across each sleeve.

## THE COLORS

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The colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows: Arts & Letters (white), Business (drab), Education (light blue), Fine Arts (brown), Law (purple), Library Science (lemon), Music (pink), Nursing (apricot), Philosophy (dark blue), Science (peacock blue), Speech (silver gray), Social Work (citron), Theology (scarlet).

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## THE HOOD

The hood is trimmed with one or more chevrons of a secondary color on the ground of the primary color of the college. The color of the facing of the hood denotes the discipline represented by the degree; the color of the lining designates the university or college from which the degree was granted.

# Bushnell Alma Mater

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## Verse 1

*All Hail to you, dear Bushnell U,  
Hail Alma Mater brave and true.  
We pledge our best, our all to you,  
Of loyalty and youth.*

## Chorus

*The Blue and Gold float proudly o'er  
best college on Pacific shore,  
Each year we love you more and more.  
Hail dear old Bushnell U.*

## Verse 2

*May future years add to your fame,  
May great and glorious be your name;  
We'll praise you e'er with loud acclaim,  
Dear Alma Mater fair.*

## Chorus

*The Blue and Gold float proudly o'er  
best college on Pacific shore,  
Each year we love you more and more.  
Hail dear old Bushnell U.*

### **Verse 3**

*O Lord of all, your truth we hold,  
to all the world it must be told.  
Our Alma Mater makes us bold.  
Hail dear old Bushnell U.*

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