

August and December Class of 2020



Dear Class of 2020,

It has a distinct ring to it: "Class of 2020."

Indeed, you are special. You've worked hard. You've studied hard. You've sharpened your critical-thinking skills and expanded your horizons. Earning your degree is an important achievement in your life, a milestone that will pave the way for your future.

For our future.

You follow in the footsteps of Huskies of the past. They, too, worked hard and accomplished much during their time at NIU. But we all know that, for the Class of 2020, your achievements are unique. They came in the midst of unprecedented uncertainty, crisis and change.

No one could have predicted that a pandemic would turn our world upside down, would force NIU and universities nationwide to pivot to remote learning. During this precarious time, you pressed on. You did this despite considerable hardships—a new way of learning, financial challenges, responsibilities for the care of children, parents, grandparents and neighbors.

While the world was reeling, you kept your focus.

During this time of change and upheaval, I'm heartened by the knowledge that our future is in good hands. You have the skills, and the values, to make a difference. I have no doubt the NIU Class of 2020 will change our world for the better.

It was our full intention to celebrate your achievements with your family and friends together on our NIU campus. Unfortunately, the health crisis prevented a timely commencement ceremony. Yet, that must not prevent us from taking stock of your achievements and celebrating your success.

On behalf of the provost, deans, faculty and Board of Trustees, I congratulate you on your extraordinary accomplishments. Perhaps more than any graduation class in NIU's 125-year history, the Class of 2020 affirms the spirit of our community and embodies the three words: Huskies. Never. Quit.

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Academic Regalia

In its colors and costumes, the graduation ceremony today dates from the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, when universities first began to take shape. Long cloaks or gowns worn by clerics studying in holy orders were probably needed for warmth in the drafty, unheated halls. The hood, originally part of the medieval cowl, could be pulled forward or thrown back according to weather conditions.

European universities developed extremely varied, often richly embroidered, academic vestments. Seeking to avoid the complexity and confusion of foreign academic ceremonies, American educators in 1895 adopted a uniform code of dress. Accordingly, the bachelor's gown is designed to be worn closed and is distinguished primarily by its long pointed sleeves; the master's gown has oblong sleeves that are cut out at the bottom of the front; the doctor's gown is distinguished by full bell-shaped sleeves with three velvet bars on the upper arms and velvet panels down the front.

In the United States, the hood is the most outstanding feature of the academic costume. The length and shape of the hood indicate the degree that is granted. The lining displays the official colors of the university granting the degree. Northern Illinois University's official colors are cardinal red and black. The velvet trimming indicates the degree.

The mortarboard cap is an Oxford style. Except for the gold tassels of the doctoral degrees, the colors of the tassels on NIU regalia represent the degrees or certificates to be granted.

Colors for the hood trimming and tassels are:

- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Master of Arts (M.A.) degree: white
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) or Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) degree: *brown*
- Bachelor of Music (B.M.) or Master of Music (M.M.) degree or Performer's Certificate: *pink*
- Bachelor of Science (B.S.) or Master of Science (M.S.) degree: *golden yellow*
- Bachelor of Science in Education (B.S.Ed.), Master of Science in Education (M.S.Ed.), Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.), Master of Science in Teaching (M.S.TCH) or, Educational Specialist (Ed.S.) degree: *light blue*

- Master of Accounting Science (M.A.S.), Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.), or Master of Science in Taxation (M.S.T.) degree: *light brown*
- Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.) degree: peacock blue
- Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) degree: salmon
- Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree: purple hood, purple tassel
- Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) degree: green hood, gold tassel
- Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree: light blue hood, gold tassel
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree: orange hood, gold tassel
- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree: dark blue hood, gold tassel
- Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.) degree: teal hood, gold tassel

The colors for the Bachelor of General Studies degree (B.G.S.) and Certificate of Advanced Study (C.A.S.) are determined by the offering college.

Colors representing the degrees generally have historical associations. For example, the white trim on the hood of the graduates in liberal arts derives from the white fur that lined the winter hood of Oxford masters centuries ago.

- A Doctoral degree at NIU requires 90 or more semester hours
 of graduate work beyond the baccalaureate degree and the
 research and writing of a dissertation, an original contribution
 to knowledge that is defined in an oral examination.
- The Master of Fine Arts degree is a terminal degree in the creative and performing arts; these programs involve 60 semester hours of graduate course work and culminate in a major one-person show (in art) or scholarly project (theatre arts).
- An Educational Specialist degree requires 30 semester hours of course work beyond the master's degree; the Performer's Certificate, 24 semester hours, usually undertaken after a master's degree.
- Other master's degrees require a minimum of 30-48 semester hours of graduate work (depending upon program); individual programs may require the student to write a thesis or other research paper, produce a show or recital, pass comprehensive examinations, complete an internship or practicum, or undertake other capstone experiences.



Academic Tradition

The University Mace

In academic ceremonies, the mace is symbolic of university authority, transcending the tenure of individual presidents. Protocol requires the use of the mace in the processional and recessional of major academic ceremonies. Typically the mace bearer is a highly respected member of the faculty, and he or she immediately precedes the president both entering and leaving the ceremony.

Designed in 1968 by NIU Art Professor Bill Haendel, the NIU presidential mace was first used at the inauguration of the late President Rhoten Smith. The graceful walnut staff originally featured a four-sided head engraved with quotations from ancient philosophers, writers and founding fathers. In an effort to bring new life to the mace tradition, President Freeman asked students, faculty, staff and alumni to suggest quotations that resonate more meaningfully with today's university community. School of Art Professor James Obermeier and his students reconstructed the mace to include six sides, each bearing a quotation about the universty life and the role of education in a free society.



"Education is not the means of showing people how to get what they want. Education is an exercise by means of which enough people, it is hoped, will learn to want what is worth having."

—Ronald Reagan

"Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." —Aristotle

"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education." —Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Education does not change the world. Education changes the people who will change the world." —Paulo Freire

"Forward, Together Forward." —NIU Fight Song

The Presidential Medallion

The presidential medallion is bestowed upon the university's chief executive during the investiture ceremony. It is then worn by the president at commencements and other important academic functions. The NIU medallion was designed in 1968 for the inauguration of the late President Rhoten Smith, and its modernistic appearance strongly reflects the prevailing design aesthetic of the period. The six-ounce, 5½ inch medallion which features the initials of the university was created by the late NIU Art Professor Eleanor Caldwell.



Academic Procession

The academic procession is led in by a mace bearer who is a recipient of the distinguished NIU Board of Trustees Professorship Award. The mace bearer is followed by the college's student marshal, then the platform party. Members of the platform party include the president of the university, the executive vice president and provost, the vice president for research and graduate studies, the dean of the Graduate School, deans of the academic colleges, members of the Board of Trustees and other invited guests. Chairs of the instructional departments in the colleges and members of the faculty comprise the next group in the procession. The deans represent the faculty in acknowledging the graduates, for it is the faculty who have established the university's curricula and have determined the requirements for the various degrees and certificates. The candidates for degrees are the last group in the procession.

December 2020 Graduate Degree Candidates

August 2020 Graduate Degree Recipients are denoted with an asterisk

The list of graduate degree candidates was compiled from information received from the Graduate School as of October 2020, and should not be regarded as conclusive evidence of graduation.

Doctor of Philosophy

Rakez Mahmoud Al-Ararah (B.A., M.A., Yarmouk University; M.S.Ed., Dakota State University), "Relationship Between Student Personality Traits and Continuous Intention to Use Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)." Department of Educational Technology, Research & Assessment. *Major Professor*: Dr. Hayley Mayall.

Cara Renee Allen* (B.A., Beloit College; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Ethnic-Racial Identity and Psychological Adjustment: An Examination of Identity Coherence and Identity Confusion as Mediators." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor*: Dr. Nina Mounts.

Leah Jane Ames* (B.S., University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign; M.S., Michigan State University), "Perceptions of Collaboration with a Doctor of Clinical Laboratory Science." College of Health & Human Sciences. *Major Professors:* Dr. Sherrill Morris and Dr. Jeanne Isabel.

Erwin J. Antoni III* (B.A., Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Fiscal Triumvirate: Examinations of Federal Deficit Spending and Interest Rates, State-Level Taxation and Domestic Migration, and the Irrelevance of State Credit Ratings to Investors." Department of Economics. *Major Professor*: Dr. Carl Campbell.

Rahmi Hartati Aoyama (B.A., Universitas Bung Hatta; M.Ed., Boston University), "Case Study Examining Foreign Language Teachers' Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge (TPACF) in Teaching, Listening, and Speaking Skills in Virtual Worlds." Department of Educational Technology, Research & Assessment. *Major Professor*: Dr. Pi-Sui Hsu.

Catherine Ann Ausland (B.S., Elmhurst College; M.S., Northern Illinois University), "Wading in a Glycan Sea: Investigations of, and Developing Bioinformatic Tools for, Carbohydrate Active Enzymes and Gene Clusters in Prokaryotes." Department of Biological Sciences. *Major Professors:* Dr. Melvin Duvall and Dr. Yanbin Yin.

Dylan Tyler Blaum* (B.S., M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Examining Boundary Conditions to the Attitude Consistency Effect." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor:* Dr. Anne Britt.

Kelly Nicole Clark* (B.A., University of South Florida; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Investigating Achievement and Mental Health Through the Dual-Factor Model." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor*: Dr. Christine Malecki.

Nicole Dorio* (B.S., St. John Fisher College; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "The Roles of Rumination and Social Support in Victimization and Depression." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor*: Dr. Michelle Demaray.

Diane Dee Downie (B.A., St. Olaf College; M.P.H., University of Pittsburgh), "Peer Support During the West Africa Ebola Virus Outbreak Response (2014-2016)." College of Health & Human Sciences. *Major Professor*: Dr. Thomas Pavkov.

Morgan Ann Eldridge* (B.A., M.A., Eastern Illinois University), "Adolescents' Student Engagement as a Moderator of the Association Between Bullying Role Behaviors and Internalizing Problems." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor*: Dr. Michelle Demaray.

Hyeyoung Eom (B.S., University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee), "Engineering pH-Dependent Antibodies' Interaction Through Inter-Domain Interface." Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry. *Major Professor:* Dr. James Horn.

Crystal Mae Ferels (B.S., Michigan State University), "Synthesis, Structures, and Physical Properties of Multicomponent Inorganic Materials and Fundamentals of Lead Acid Batteries." Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry. *Major Professors:* Dr. Tao Xu and Dr. Chong Zheng.

Sura Menda Ginting* (B.S., Universitas Gadjah Mada; M.S., Utrecht University), "Synthesis, Structures, Optical and Electronic Properties of Functional Inorganic and Hybrid Materials." Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry. *Major Professor*: Dr. Chong Zheng.

Dakota Lane Grote (B.S., Fort Hays State University), "Characterizations of Potential Anti-Infective Agents by Targeting *Burkholderia pseudomallei* and *Escherichia coli* IspF." Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry. *Major Professor*: Dr. Timothy Hagen.

Sheikh Touhidul Haque* (B.S., Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology; M.B.A., North South University; M.A., International University of Japan; M.A., University of Tennessee - Knoxville), "The Effect of Tax Policy on Firm Behavior and Executive Pay Components." Department of Economics. *Major Professor:*Dr. Jeremy Groves.

Oday Hazaimah* (B.S., Jordan University of Science and Technology; M.S., University Putra Malaysia), "Projective Splitting Methods for Maximal Monotone Mappings in Hilbert Spaces." Department of Mathematical Sciences. *Major Professor:* Dr. Yunier Bello-Cruz.

Maxwell Robert Hoover (B.A., University of Illinois - Chicago; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "What Is Literature? An Investigation of Definitions, Symptoms, and Routes Toward Literariness in English." Department of English. *Major Professor*: Dr. David Gorman.

Ruth Imose (B.S., University of Oklahoma; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Perceived Dissimilarity and Meeting Interpersonal Engagement: A Within-Person Investigation." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor:* Dr. Lisa Finkelstein.

Rania Abdulkreem Kokandy (B.A., King Abdulaziz University; M.S., Bloomsburg University; M.S., Northern Illinois University), "The Effects of Digital Game-Based Learning on Students' Motivation in Math Classes." Department of Educational Technology, Research & Assessment. *Major Professor:* Dr. Fatih Demir.

Ryan David Kopatich (B.A., Augustana College; M.S., Western Illinois University; M.S., Northern Illinois University), "The Role of Memory-Based Processing and Coherence Building in Retrieval Interference." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor*: Dr. Keith Millis.

Joann Losavio* (B.A., Northern Illinois University; M.A., Emory University), "Modern Mandala: A Transnational History of Southeast Asian Youth from Burma, Malaya, and Thailand in Great Britain and the United States, 1950-1970." Department of History. *Major Professor:* Dr. Trude Jacobsen.

Jasmin Martinez* (B.A., Aurora University; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Gender Differences in the Experience of Power and the Underlying Mechanism of Status." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor*: Dr. Alecia Santuzzi.

Lindsay Mae Miller* (B.A., University of Wyoming; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Examining the Relationship Between Self-Compassion and Emotion Regulation Strategies Using Ambulatory Assessment Methods." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor:* Dr. Holly Orcutt.

Jennifer Maye Milliken* (B.A., University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Trauma Memory: The Role of Alexithymia and Emotion Regulation." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor:* Dr. Michelle Lilly.

Jeremiah Thomas Mitchell (B.S., University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign), "On Systematics and Their Mitigation in MAGIS-100 Atomic Interferometer Experiment to Explore the Dark Sector and Early Universe." Department of Physics. *Major Professor:* Dr. Swapan Chattopadhyay.

Emily Elizabeth Padgett (B.S., North Central College; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "An Online Randomized Controlled Trial of Mindful Parenting Among Parents of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder." Department of Psychology. *Major Professor*: Dr. Laura Pittman.

Andrew Plath* (B.S., Ball State University; M.A., The Chicago School of Professional Psychology), "Wellness and Self-Care of Counselor Education and Supervision Doctoral Students." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professors*: Dr. Scott Wickman and Dr. Dana Isawi.

Amanda Susan Roberts (B.A., North Central College; M.A., Northern Illinois University), "'The Cause It Just Come First': Tori Amos and the Development of Third-Wave Feminism." Department of English. *Major Professor:* Dr. Scott Balcerzak.

Natasha Joy Salier Schnell* (B.A., Lawrence University; M.S.Ed., Northern Illinois University), "Becoming Gatekeepers: A Constructivist Model of Gatekeeper Development in Counselor Education." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Scott Wickman.

Michele Elaine Smith* (B.A., Northwestern University; M.Ed., National Louis University), "A Phenomenological Study of First-Generation Latina Community College Students as They Successfully Persist in College." Department of Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations. *Major Professor:* Dr. Daryl Dugas.

Tracey Kim Snow (B.A., University of St. Francis; M.A., Governors State University), "To Be (a Doctor) or Not to Be: An Exploration of the ABD Experience of Female Minority Doctoral Students in CACREP-Accredited Counselor Education Programs." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Scott Wickman.

Sebastian Szustkowski (B.S., Northern Illinois University), "Nonlinear Integrable Optics Beam Dynamics Experiment and Diagnostics." Department of Physics. *Major Professor*: Dr. Swapan Chattopadhyay.

Meng Yuan* (B.A., Wuhan University of Science and Technology; M.P.A., Huazhong University of Science and Technology), "Pursuing Procedural Justice in Sustainability Policy: Assessing the Linkage Between Political Culture and Municipal Efforts." Department of Political Science. *Major Professor*: Dr. Brendon Swedlow.

Doctor of Education

Hamed Khalaf H Alghamdi* (B.Ed., King Abdulaziz University; M.S.Ed., M.S., Northern Illinois University), "K-6 Saudi Arabian Teachers' Implementation of Electronic Textbooks: Factors Associated with Behavioral Intervention." Department of Curriculum & Instruction. *Major Professor:* Dr. Elizabeth Wilkins.

Dennis Keechul Awen* (B.S., Carroll University; M.A., Northeastern Illinois University), "How Adult Learners Participate in Collaborative Learning Within a University Environment." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor*: Dr. LaVerne Gyant.

Tashena Denise Briggs* (B.A., Western Illinois University; M.S.Ed., Northern Illinois University), "It's a Family Affair: Exploring the Needs of Families in Supporting TRIO Upward Bound Students." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Xiaodan Hu.

Amanda Jane Carey* (B.A., M.A., Washington State University), "The Fog of Blackacre: Exploring Depression, Anxiety, and Stress of the American Law Student." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Daryl Dugas.

Soyini Afi Chism (B.S., M.S.Ed., Northern Illinois University), "Motivating High School Students in a Blended Physical Education Learning Environment: A Self-Determination Theory Analysis." Department of Curriculum & Instruction. *Major Professor*: Dr. Elizabeth Wilkins.

Matthew John Clark (B.S.Ed., Illinois State University; M.A., Governors State University; Ed.S., Northern Illinois University), "The Influence of Student Discipline Practices on Students, School Climate and Culture." Department of Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations. *Major Professors:* Dr. Kelly Summers and Dr. Stephen Tonks.

Jacob Cushing (B.A., M.A., Truman State University), "The Acculturation Experience of College of Lake County's International Students." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Gudrun Nyunt.

Emmanuel Canlas Esperanza (B.S., DeVry University; M.H.R.M., Keller Graduate School of Management; M.Ed., University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign), "Persistence of Southeast Asians at a Community College in the Midwest." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor*: Dr. Kathryn Jaekel.

Joel John Filas (B.S., University of Illinois - Chicago; M.S.Ed., Northern Illinois University), "From McInnis to Adequacy: Relationship Between School Funding and Litigation and Illinois K-12 Public Education Funding Policy." Department of Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations. *Major Professors:* Dr. Kelly Summers and Dr. Benjamin Creed.

Kathy Marie Freeman (B.A., M.Ed., M.S., National Louis University), "They Decided to Graduate: A Study of Collegiate African American Men's Transformational Experiences in College and Beyond." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. LaVerne Gyant.

Jason Reco Goode* (B.A., M.A., Northern Illinois University), "Social Change Leadership: Determining How the Divine Nine BGLOs Develop Social Change Leaders." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor*: Dr. LaVerne Gyant.

Mary Ann Guillen* (B.A., Carthage College; M.A., Webster College), "Hearing Their Voices: The Educational Experiences and Journey of Latina Doctoral Graduates." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Kathryn Jaekel.

April Joy Hughes (B.S.Ed., M.S.Ed., Northern Illinois University), "Examining Secondary English Language Arts Teachers' Determination, Selection, and Planning for the Use of Complex Text." Department of Curriculum & Instruction. *Major Professor:* Dr. Elizabeth Wilkins.

Sandra L Inniss* (B.S., Trinity Christian College; M.S.Ed., Chicago State University), "Unraveling an African American Woman Researcher's Voice in an Autoethnography." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor*: Dr. Carrie Kortegast.

Antoinette Ebony Jones* (B.A., M.S.Ed., Northern Illinois University), "Free Ain't Really Free: A Critical Ethnographical Exploration of the Experiences of Queer People of Color in Postsecondary Education." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professors:* Dr. Jorge Jeria and Dr. LaVerne Gyant.

Quiana Chakeena Jones* (B.S., M.P.H., Northern Illinois University), "S.I.S. (Suffering in Silence): The Influence of Educational Attainment on Black Women's Health." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Kathryn Jaekel.

Deborah Susan Krachtus (B.S.N., University of Illinois - Chicago; M.S.N., Regis University), "Integrating Quality Improvement Concepts into Nursing Curricula: Perspectives of Associate-Degree Nursing Faculty." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor*: Dr. Laura Ruth Johnson.

Whitney Lynn Martino (B.A., University of Iowa; M.A., Aurora University; Ed.S., Northern Illinois University), "Transitional Math in Illinois: A Quantitative Study on Eligible and Enrolled Students." Department of Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations. *Major Professor:* Dr. Benjamin Creed.

Jodi Jean Megerle (B.A.Ed., Arizona State University; M.S.Ed., Ed.S., Northern Illinois University), "Women Obtaining the Superintendency: An Examination of Internal and External Barriers That Influence a Woman's Career Trajectories." Department of Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations. *Major Professor:* Dr. Patrick Roberts.

Derek Joseph Miller* (B.S., University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign; M.A.T., Aurora University), "An Examination of Practices Used by AP Computer Science Teachers with Higher Than Average Female Enrollment." Department of Curriculum & Instruction. *Major Professor:* Dr. Elizabeth Wilkins.

Veda Elizabeth Newman (B.S., Loyola University; M.S.W., University of Illinois - Chicago; M.A., Governors State University), "A Phenomenological Exploration of School Social Workers' Perceptions of Grade Retention." Department of Curriculum & Instruction. *Major Professor*: Dr. Joseph Flynn.

April Pickett* (B.A., University of Illinois - Chicago; M.S., Capella University), "College Student Confidence in Career Readiness Competencies." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professors:* Dr. LaVerne Gyant and Dr. Renique Kersh.

Mark Anthony Pietrowski (B.A., M.A., Northern Illinois University), "College Leadership Opportunities' Impact on Life During and After College." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Kathryn Jaekel.

Jonathan David Pilkington (B.A., Moody Bible Institute; M.S.Ed., Northern Illinois University), "The Second Prong of the Tinker Test: A Constitutional Right for Students to Not Be Offended?" Department of Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations. *Major Professor:* Dr. Tiffany Puckett.

Emily Kurfirst Reabe (B.A., Winona State University; M.A., Eastern Michigan University), "I Belong at Harper College: Fostering Community College Students' Sense of Belonging Through a First-Year Seminar Course." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professor:* Dr. Gudrun Nyunt.

Robert Joseph Schalkoff* (B.S., Lebanon Valley College; M.A.T., School for International Training Graduate Institute), "How Faculty Directors of International Programs at Universities in Japan Became Internationalized." Department of Counseling & Higher Education. *Major Professors:* Dr. Gene Roth and Dr. Laura Johnson.

Stacy Marie Seaworth (B.S., Illinois State University; M.A., University of Iowa), "Workplace Learning: An Exploration of the Relationship Among Organizational Culture, Leader-Member Exchange, and Individual Development Plans." Department of Curriculum & Instruction. *Major Professor*: Dr. Elizabeth Wilkins.

Roland Garrick Steele* (B.B.A., Howard University; M.A.T., National Louis University), "Exploring Hip Hop Pedagogy in the Lives of Four African American Male Adolescents." Department of Curriculum & Instruction. *Major Professor:* Dr. Joseph Flynn.

Michael Steven Wojtowicz (B.S., University of Illinois - Chicago; M.A., North Central College; Ed.S., Northern Illinois University), "Effects of Differential Instructional Time in Algebra on Standardized Math and Semester Grade Outcomes." Department of Leadership, Educational Psychology & Foundations. *Major Professor:* Dr. Benjamin Creed.

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Kyleigh E Dominguez Kelsi L Domnick Kentrell K Drummond Lucas F Dutra Alexander S Duvall Joshua T Dyra Reece W Ehret Kelsey F Eiseman Andrew T Elder Maggie R Embree Hilvene A Espenocilla Daniel Facundo Marjo C Feliciano Rebekah N Fiedler Ivan R Figueroa Keren Figueroa

Joshue A Flores Liliana Flores Marisol Flores Luke G Freitag Molly E Freund Christopher P Frey Emily K Fuentes Hailey A Galler Laura C Gamez Brooke M Gandy Connor J Gannon Damian G Garcia

Larry E Flachmeyer

Robert S Garren Andrew P Gibbens Julia A Goldstein Alicia M Gonzalez Nicholas E Gordillo Libby Gould Joshua E Graves

Jazmyne M Garcia

Ruti Greenfield Ryan W Groch Connor M Gross Leticia S Guereca Craig Gustafson

Joseph Gutierrez Jr Raul I Gutierrez Megan A Hale Sharon R Haney Allyson C Hansen

Eugene D Harlow Kaitlyn C Harper Megan E Harris Kevin L Hausen Cassandra M Hawkins Michelle L Hawkins James K Haws Jacob C Haves Lindsey N Hearn

Anna M Henson

Emanuel D Highley Jr

Jennifer H Ho

Sherley M Castro Megan S Chan Kristin N Chapman Lakenya S Chapman Michael E Heene Brian J Heinrich Hannah Marie T Heismann

Dulce I Hernandez Hernandez

Christopher H Holliday Emily C Hough Mitchell Houska

Lori J Howard-Cotterill Huajian Huang Tiffany N Hubbard Brandon M Huber Eduardo Huerta Martin I Hurst Wilvert D Ibares Lauren M Iverson Hali L Ivlow Cheyenne M Izer

Jeffrey D Jakubik Paul M James Milton C Jenkins Jr Kennedy M Jones Mathew W Jones Samantha J Jordan Jenene L Jorian Donny Kapic

Alexander A Karamanis Peter S Karnick Michael M Karp Addison A Keeneth Justin D Kelley . Zhila Khamissi Ahmed A Khan Mohammed H Khan Daniel M King

Thomas C King James D Kirby Jr Erik L Kivisto Andrew T Klima Benjamin J Kluga Lauren M Knox Andrew A Korpan Mariana C Kostova Andrew F Kozinski Duncan A Kreidler Steven T Kroll

Alisha K Krugman Thuy Le Lauren N Lett Elizabeth E Liebentritt Samantha L Lindberg Brian C Lindstrom Christina J Little Michael N Lomotey Monique Lopez Ruben S Lopez Mia Lord

Ashley H Luoma Benjamin R Mackay Zacker William R Madura Anastasia G Malhotra Kaela K Malloe Cierra S Malone Jonathan Mandelke Oliwia M Maslon

Jenna C Maves Alexander T McAnly Jalevah M McDonald Zachary McQuate Kelly Mendez Mykia D Merchant Douglas E Mertzenich Katherine L Metz Bryce C Meyers Kevin J Michalec Diana Miguel $Madison \; \bar{E} \; Milburn$ Kennedy A Miller Thomas S Miller Elizabeth A Mitchell Thomas Molloy Idalis S Montanez Elaine S Montgomery Paris S Montgomery Frank M Moore Amabel Morales Eric C Morden Perla Moreno Theresa R Morrin Jaraivia A Morris Justyn D Morton Heather L Moser Roderic D Mover Sibhan I Murphy-Faulkner Airetta C Myrick Nico Naoi-Lee Kenza Naqvi Kayla N Negron Milan M Nelson Nicholas D Nelson Michael H Nguyen Derek R Noel Carlos Nunez Jobanny A Ocampo Ayoola E Ogunbona Andy D Olivares Stephanie R O'Malley Fres W Oquendo Jr Kassandra D Ortega Ellory Outly Michael Pacyga Adam P Page Shravan Panchal Avirajsinh N Parmar Georgia J Pashos

Aum Patel

Rachel A Patino

Le'Jera N Payton Justin D Pendergast Antony W Pierson Philip R Powers Stephanie L Provis Alexander M Quatrini Joshua R Quick Gabriela I Ramos Bridget M Ransford Jake A Rasmussen Devin M Ratcliffe Mark P Raupp Brandon R Reed Jonathan C Regnery Gail C Renner Craig A Ritchie Syed A Rizvi John C Roberts Destiny Z Robinson Angie M Rodriguez Ashley M Rogers Alexander Rojas Dana A Romaniak Joshua J Ruiz Shevenne S Russell Joseph A Sabatino Kevin R Sabres Midori M Sakagawa Juan I Sanchez Ir Amanda Schemenauer Carli L Schmidt Andrew J Schneidwind Joseph N Schulz Claudia M Seidita Arnold D Shead Aston L Shelton Nikole S Sherwin Batool A Shirazi Asim B Siddiqui Zack R Silerzio LeAnequa S Sims Anna M Slayton Lizzy D Small Karanvir S Sodhi Emma A Sorour Bianca F Spalla Elisabeth P Stassi Preston A Stemmons

Danielle R Stewart

Michael A Stockl

Payton Suchomel

Kellie R Suelter Jane E Swift Ryan Sy Kyra A Sykes Steven O Tarver Ellyse L Tate Jessica A Tekielak Danesha R Telfair Colin R Teng Hannah M Tharp Diante M Thompson Austin Tillema Masha Tipikin Kalalaelisa M Toomalatai Ialissa A Torres Jeanette M Travis Jacky R Triplitt Hannah Tucker Craig M Ullrich Adedayo Uwensuyi Abigail Valdez Andrew P Van Durme Jordan D Van Leeuwen Paige N Vanderstuyf Aaron M Vandy Rhava M Vaughn Oscar A Vera Dru W Vileta Jesus Villa Jr Edgar B Villafuerte Vanessa Villalobos Caeley S Vormittag Lauren A Wallace Zachary J Waller Gabriel D Ward Kevin D Warren Nicolas J Webb Sydney N Webster Emily J Weingart Thomas C White Robert Whitten V Emma R Wille Danielle J Williams Anna E Wojciechowski Hong Wu Jordan C Wynn Jonathan S Yan Shaovu Yu Yesenia Zaragoza Jr Snow T Zin

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Jordan D Zwolski



Kevin E Zurita

December 2020 Undergraduate Degrees with Distinction

Students listed here have applied to graduate at the end of the Fall semester and are being considered as candidates to graduate with Degrees with Distinction. Grade point averages are computed on the basis of all work attempted during those semesters which include the last 45 hours of work completed and in progress at NIU.

Degrees with distinction awarded as follows:

Cum Laude 3.50 – 3.749 Magna Cum Laude 3.75 – 3.899 Summa Cum Laude 3.90 - 4.00

NOTE – GPA calculation includes grades earned at the end of the Summer semester. This list is not to be considered official until all grades are received for the Fall semester and the student's GPA is recalculated.

Please also be advised that some names may have been omitted due to the student not meeting the GPA requirement at the time of printing this booklet; conversely, some students listed may not receive the honor indicated. The appropriate honor will be noted on both the student's diploma and official transcript.

Summa Cum Laude

Donald J Adamczyk Nicholas W Adamczyk Aleena Ahmad Brandon C Ahne Abdallah A Alishah Raffi G Artinian Eliya N Baker Mariya Baughns Alexis E Behl Samantha L. Berk Emma E Boicken Jessica M Brezwyn Shelby N Bruder Alex Í Buckwinkler Taylor Burger Mariah K Cavanaugh Megan S Chan Mackenzie J Cmiel Raylinn C Crane Erin R Crawford Jessica E Crawford Mark A De Nicolo Alexa K Dechant Ram Louis D Del Mundo

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Mathew W Jones

Andrea R Kastor Ahmed A Khan Haley M Kinnamon Benjamin J Kluga Gabrielle M Kuney Isaac J La Russa Samantha L Lindberg Yudong Ling Mia Lord Grace Louis Taylor A Maertens Ashley M Manor Penelope R McKeehan Michaela J McMahon Megan J McNamara Madison E Milburn Daniel J Miller Austin M Nelson Abigail I Newman Cydney P Olah McKenzie R Palmeri Juan Pasillas Stephanie L Provis Giselle Ramirez Bridget M Ransford Jonathan C Regnery Phoebe M Regnery Brianne L Richter Alexsandra M Rockman Yvonne Rodriguez Alexis M Safstrom Liliana Sanchez Samantha A Schmid Bianka N Serrano Autumn P Sester Jarod C Smith Bianca F Spalla Savannah R Strohacker Urska Suligoj Amanda E Surrusco

Angelica Valdez

Kevin D Warren

Anna E Wojciechowski

Emma R Wille

Jim Vejseli

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Ashley L Gorski Amy M Gravel Leticia S Guereca Craig Gustafson Channing D Haacker Monica M Hakes Marissa N Hardy Megan E Harris Cassandra M Hawkins Lindsey N Hearn Karina Herrera Skyler E Hibbard Christopher H Holliday Kaisa M Holmstrom Hayley J Janis Meghan L Johnson Mallory A Julen Sophia E Jurkovic Zhila Khamissi Francis T Koniewicz Mariana C Kostova Kaitlin Kowalski Giana G LaGioia Adam J List Julie L Macek Oliwia M Maslon Christopher F McGuire Stephanie Medina Crystal D Mossberger Charity L Munjeli Melissa Munoz

Nehemiah S Myers Samantha H Nunez Elizabeth A Ormbrek Justin D Pendergast Matthew B Peters Daniel W Pullen Jr Mark P Raupp Gail C Renner Mason J Rhodenbaugh Hadley J Richardson-O'Brien Emily C Rodriguez Kevin R Sabres Brandon A Springer Joseph F Stelmack Abby A Steurer Kyle D Streit Margaret A Strote Jane E Swift Autumn Taeuber Abigail Valdez Keely L Walker Jayla M Walls Mary E Walsh Sydney Weiss Jack M Widhalm Denesha Williams Emily R Williams Jessica R Witherspoon Shannon M Yaney Shaoyu Yu

Cum Laude

Erik L Abrell Emina Ademovic Sabil Ahmed James S Albright II Charles M Alms David Alvarado Mike D Anderson Mikaela Appleberry Camille Ann M Arce Bree C Arend Khishig Ayush Dani R Bally Joseph S Baroni Julia R Becker Sara Belarmino Christian D Bierma Elizabeth Bogard Zachary T Boisvert Linda M Bolanos Ismael D Braido Caleb D Brayboy Ryan J Buechler Ashley S Campbell Jessica J Carlos Elizabeth Castillo Leslie Castillo Dyana S Castro Bobby Chahal Kristin N Chapman Lakenya S Chapman Zhiwei Chen Amanda J Childers Destiny J Cowsert Alia S Cruz Lindsey A David

Ravgen E Dav Madison A Deacon Savannah V Del Toro Nicholas A Delaney Noah M Delgado Scott C Dibler Ryan A Dobner Kelsi L Domnick Beatrice D Dumenko Thomas F Dumoulin Michaela S Eddy Jacob M Edwards Andrew T Elder Thalia S Espinoza Rebekah N Fiedler Paige R Fish Jessica J Flores Colin D Frank Anthony D Fritz Jr Megan E Frodyma Brooke M Gandy Aylin M Garza Silva Alexia M Gomez Alicia M Gonzalez **Jesus Gonzalez** Stephanie G Good Caroline N Graczyk Ethan Gruben Sharon R Haney Angel L Hannah Blake E Hartigan Maylene M Haug Kevin L Hausen Michael E Heene Alexis N Herrera

Brock A Hess Jacob C Hildebrand Lori J Howard-Cotterill Brandon M Huber Carolina Huerta Hector G Huizar Alex M Ives Ashley L Ivy Rachel K Jaco Taysir M Jibawi James Kaeppel Mohammed H Khan Lucas M King Emily E Klarman Stephanie N Knoth Andrew F Kozinski Alisha K Krugman Robert T Leadingham Cecilia J Lucente Sade Lyles Adam N Madey Ayaa A Mahdi Jonathan Mandelke Abdul M Maniya Dominic W Marchetti Allison A Marshall Kyle A Matthews Sonya M Mendoza Lilv B Michaels Elizabeth A Mitchell Idalis S Montanez Elaine S Montgomery Justyn D Morton Heather L Moser Muskan K Muradhia

Michael M Nally Katy L Newton Jack F Nielan Sierra L Nisler Scott M Novy Edgar O Nunez Mohammad Nurullah Michael A Obadein Andrew D Obert Eric J O'Loughlin Benn Olson Stephanie R O'Malley Erovwo G Oraka Valerie Origel Jonelly A Orozco Kassandra D Ortega Brenda L Perez Sidharth Raj Prabodh Sheth Jake A Rasmussen Craig A Ritchie Syed A Rizvi Ťeri L Robinson Jonathan C Rodriguez Julia K Saldivar Miguel A San Juan Shannon L Santi Alron Nicholas B Santos Carli L Schmidt Claudia M Seidita Gabrielle B Shaw Sarah A Shefcik Kirsten M Shelby Kimberly A Shew Mary Malia Shroka

Iuliana Shykova Kelsey L Sipp David Skowronski Kaytlyn J Smart Nicole Sofer Danielle R Stewart Savanah M Stluka Michael A Stockl Lauren M Surufka Natalie L Swanson Ali Syed Ellyse L Tate Hannah I Templin Cooper C Theriault Hannah J Tidwell Brock R Tikson Yilshalonte S Tolefree Maria P Tranchina **Beverly Truong** Laura A Turf Johnathon M Twohig Jordan D Van Leeuwen Aaron M Vandy Rhaya M Vaughn Karen C Veeder Khushi A Vyas Kyle J Walden Kelsey M Walston Kara M Walter Nicolas J Webb Sydney N Webster Briana C Williams Jacob R Winbolt Hong Wu Taylor A Ziltz



August 2020 Undergraduate Degree Recipients

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College of Business

Farah H Abusalem Frank Acheampong Jorge L Arroyo Stephen J Atkins Shaun P Bueno Caitlyn A Campbell Frank M Caragiulo Julianne Camille L Cheng Reece D Conroyd Paige E Cooper Ayman M El-Shafie Simon A Enriquez Michael W Galluzzo Enrique Garcia Jorge Garcia Emily L Gehrke Abigail E Gentelin Nicholas T Graziano Wahab U Haq Kathleen R Hawkins Brandon J Hayes Benjamin D Hicks Ethan B Hjelm Mumue Htoo Charmaine Irani Angel M Jones Konrad Kieruzal Jeremy R Kueltzo Joshua L Lenning Samuel Mansk John W Moellring Kevin P O'Brien Caleb A Oehlberg Joylyn D Ortiz Jaime L Pellegrini Ruobing Peng Leonel Perez Emily L Petrocelli Jordan R Porter Madison J Reilly Italo Roche Lisette Rosales Alexandria N Sanchez Derek M Schuy Ricardo S Suarez Crispen S Tchepnou Jackie L Thomas Rage M Thomas

College of Education

Brandon P Ward

Redzep A Abdiu
Alfredo Alvarez
Francisco Arellano-Aguilera
Jasmin Arteaga
Alexandria M Bednarski
Josh W Bolander
Ethan S Breitenstein
Antonio B Calabrese
Haley E Egelhof
Julia M Emer
Jonathan R Essex
Maricela Garcia
Sydne' M Jackson

Corey M Johnson Brendan P Lochbaum Nicholas D Marconi Angela F Martinez Nicholas A Meneghetti Ricardo A Meraz Theo C Nelson Genelle D Ortiz Cortney P Parker Nisha Patel Cora L Rebhan Alexa L Redmond Randi Reis Juan P Rios Griselda Rodriguez Logan Ruiz-Jones Nazia Saiyed Kristopher R Smith Thomas H Szczasny Brenda M Winchell Kyle R Wood

College of Engineering and Engineering Technology

Jose G Aguirre Albert T Argubright Joseph H Carrozza Edgar Catalan Rayan Chatterjee James P Draper McKennon C Escatel Hector F Figueroa Shawn R Greenwaldt Angel Hernandez jiale ji Eric E Kant Joshua F Leung Munther Mahmud Ryan M McManus Joseph H Mesyef Patrick R Minton Peter J Mueller Derek M Neises Paulina Ortega Cory J Packard Jaden M Richardson Brian E Seidel Isa Sheik Krystian D Skladanowski Wesley A Triphahn Alexander I Urbina Johnnell D Winkfield

College of Health and Human Sciences

Gina C Alderson Abrar A Alghamdi Sarah M Bridgeforth Lunden N Burnett Riley N Clark Kelsey E Clothier Meaghan C Cortes Alexandra B Crowley

Mark D Crownhart Raven I DeBonnett Bunton Izabel M Delima Richard M Diorka Erica P Dogan Jennie Espinoza Marina G Feffer Kelly Florido Regina E Flowers Marcelina R Gonzalez Allison L Gorvett Emmanuel A Gyasi Rebecca L Hanover Grace E Harris Alexis N Hernandez Essence Hollins Sandy E Ied Joshua J Inyang Olivia A Keegan Steven Kim Samantha P Kline Kendra L Lamb Abigail R LaRocco Breanna D Lee Guillermina Leon Daisy Lozano Cory A Mata Keilene V McCants Lukasz Nauka Cathy Ngoma Rayneria M Norah Stacie L Olsen Bria J Parker Mariana Pitts Kimberly M Radman Rachel A Rauchfuss Giovanni A Regalado Brisa Reyes Melissa A Ricci Mariah R Rice Jaquail Ross Kathryn O Sawyer Stacy M Schoepko Kisha R Schuler Jocelyn Segura Nicole J Smalley Sydnee E Stalker Kaprielle J Streeter Celine A Taylor Melissa S Taylor Marcus L Tyus Cesar A Valdez Sheena A Vallesterol Ximena Vences Trisha R Walker Tori Wells Mary Beth A Wilson

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Arlene E Acosta Ksenia A Albert Frankie N Alfano Michael G Assefa Riley J Barno

Ayana L Zinn

William R Barrett Jeffrey J Berman Meagan A Biddle Naiomi R Bidigare Ryan M Brandt Max W Brinson Gabriel Bueno Jocelyn L Cain Karen A Caithamer Anthony C Cannata Michael J Carlson Robert Q Carolan Precious Carroll Nicolas Castillo Perla A Celis Emily C Christensen Evan G Cinkovich Coleman L Czajkowski Robert Czarkowski Luis Y De Anda Martha Y De Leon Roberto Devera Adia S Dew Mellissa J DiCarlo-Kitzing Robert G Dominique Edward J Dudeck Emilie B Elliott Tatyana T Esper Itzel Fernandez Emily E Fiala Maria C Fischer-Benitez Sean R Fitzgerald Samantha M Flores Nicholas T Foster Courtney K Friday Jesus Galvan-Mendez Michael J Geduldig Alexis C Gibson James E Gidlund Alina Gofman Angelica I Grigg Jonathan R Guzman Erika Haro Dana D Hawkins Scott Hein Alexander S Herman Nicolas A Heyden David I Hillard Michael O Hookstadt Carlton O Hunt Niki M Hunter Brevana Jackson Tia S Johnson Patrice K Juarez McCoy Kent Lane N Kiczula Heather A Klain Victoria E Kosuth Heather R Kronenberg Lynette L Landers Jenna B Lange Abigail R LaRocco Maxwell S Laskowski Larisa C Latorre Gabriel R Leblanc Dayton M LeClercq

Lisa M Lilianstrom

Carlos A Lopez

Matt Lorbeck Emily E Lorusso Tamiko M Lucas Ryan S Lundin Theodore M M Guy III Alexsandra M Martin Nadashe D Martin Kevin S Mateblewski Patrick J McGady Vivian M Meade Shayne W Meyer Andrew D Montavon Erika Morales Musab H Nassir Jeremy R Nederbo Bhumika Niraula Maclean B Nolan Katie E Nosal Shaquan M Oliver Sabrina M Ortega Susan M Owano

Sarah W Pace Jordan J Papai Noah J Parsons Pratik Patel Derrick B Petruchuis Thomas J Phetmeuangmay Benjamin J Pilarczyk Joshua S Prell Matthew Pusateri Robert A Rader Mariam Rasheed Sylvester C Ratcliffe Mylan P Reeves Analise N Regalado Uriel Rivera Cierra M Robinson Jean M Rocher Alexa R Rogalla Marissa T Roueche Jorge F Salic Clare M Scarbeary

Madison Schweitzer Abby C Seacrist Marrio Shaw Christopher J Silva Ginger R Simons Devin C Smith Nicole C Soraich **Emanuel A Stemmons** Alexcia E Stephens Latress A Strickland Zihao Sun Matthew J Swed Lukasz Switaj Collin S Szafranski Ryan M Towner Graice Trajani Alize K Travis Yannick M Tshikaya Sierra M Turner Jacob A Vest

Edgar Villagran Marcos Villalobos Anthony D Volpendesta-Valerio Melanie B Watkins Benjamin C Webster Cameron C Wilder Christopher D Wills Joshua T Wilson Kimberly D Woods

College of Visual and Performing Arts

Kristina R Goings Alysa C Langlais Matthew R McKinley Catherine M Meyer Nicolas A Monte Craig D Ymson



August 2020 Undergraduate Degrees with Distinction

This list of August undergraduate degree recipients was compiled from information received from the Office of Registration and Records as of September. These students have successfully completed all of the necessary requirements for the official certification and awarding of their respective degree at the end of the Summer semester.

Honors are noted for those undergraduate students who either graduated as part of the University Honors Program or graduated with a Degree with Distinction.

In order to graduate with a Degree with Distinction a student must have completed at least 60 semester hours of work at NIU. Grade point averages are computed on the basis of all work attempted during those semesters which include the last 60 hours of work completed at NIU.

Degrees with Distinction are awarded as follows:

Cum Laude 3.50-3.749 Magna Cum Laude 3.75-3.899 Summa Cum Laude 3.90-4.00

Summa Cum Laude

Josh Wesley Bolander Luis Y De Anda Mellissa Joy DiCarlo-Kitzing Haley Elizabeth Egelhof Marina Grace Feffer Emily Lorraine Gehrke Samantha Pearl Kline Dayton Mitchell LeClercq Fan Lu Nicholas Dean Marconi Caleb Adam Oehlberg Jordan Jean Nicole Papai Randi Reis Alexa Rose Rogalla Nazia Saiyed Kisha Renee Schuler Nicole June Smalley Sheena Angela Vallesterol

Magna Cum Laude

Francisco Arellano-Aguilera Alexandria Marie Bednarski Kelsey E Clothier Jonathan Robert Essex Courtney Kathleen Friday Enrique Garcia Maricela Garcia Abigail Elice Gentelin Marcelina Ruth Gonzalez Grace Elizabeth Harris Brandon Jared Hayes Alexis Noel Hernandez Kendra Lynn Lamb Catherine Mary Meyer Jeremy Raymond Nederbo Nisha Patel Juan Pablo Rios Kristopher Richard Smith Jr Matthew Jacob Swed Ximena Vences Brenda Marisa Winchell

Cum Laude

Redzep Abdi Abdiu Frank Acheampong Ksenia Ashley Albert Gina C Alderson Jasmin Arteaga Jeffrey James Berman Ethan Samuel Breitenstein Robert Quinn Carolan Emily Celeste Christensen Reece Doyle Conroyd Paige Emily Cooper Simon Azores Enriquez Jennie Espinoza Sean R Fitzgerald Jesus Galvan-Mendez Jorge Garcia Wahab Ul Haq Erika Haro Alexander Steen Herman Abigail Rose LaRocco Gabriel Rashad Leblanc Breanna D Lee Xinrui Liu Brendan Patrick Lochbaum Daisy Lozano Tamiko Melaniece Lucas Angela Frace Martinez Ryan Michael McManus Joseph Hussain Mesyef Patrick Ryan Minton Genelle Destinee Ortiz Susan Marie Owano Cory Jamison Packard Jaime Lee Pellegrini Ruobing Peng Mariana Pitts Giovanni Antonio Regalado Kathryn Olivia Sawyer Madison Schweitzer Marrio Shaw Celine Anne Taylor Joshua Timothy Wilson Craig Daniel Ymson



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Hail to thee our Alma Mater, ever shall we praise your name.

Here we proudly lift our voices, thousands strong we sing your fame.

Free, steadfast, devoted, true. We will always stand by you.

Let our cheers resound for Northern: Hail, NIU.

by Wilbur Smith (1957)

Commencement Program

This Commencement Program lists the names of individuals who have applied for graduation on the presumption that all the requirements have been, or will have been, met by the end of the semester. To be listed in this program, individuals were required to apply for graduation by the respective posted dates at the Graduate School or at the Office of Registration and Records. The fact that a candidate's name is listed in this program does not indicate that he or she will in fact qualify for graduation.

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