YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

COMMENCEMENT



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YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY AN INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL LEADER

ounded in 1908, Youngstown State University originally served 160 students with about a dozen faculty members and provided expanded educational opportunity for all people—store clerks and factory managers, steel industry workers, newly arrived immigrants, women and men, and both part-time and full-time learners.

This progressive spirit guided the development of the institution as it evolved from a YMCA technical institute, later as Youngstown College (1928), then as Youngstown University (1955) and, in 1967, as Youngstown State University, a member of the Ohio public higher education system.

Today, Youngstown State University is a leading comprehensive university, serving more than 12,750 full-and part-time students with 117 undergraduate programs, 45 master's degree programs, one specialist program, and three doctoral degree programs.

There are more than 400 full-time faculty and 700 professional and support staff members in seven colleges and administrative departments.

In partnership with schools and the corporate and non-profit communities, Youngstown State University promotes diversity and excellence in teaching, research, and service to increase the educational attainment and economic and environmental vitality of the region.

Throughout its history, Youngstown State University has been cited as an innovative educational leader. It has also been recognized through numerous awards—both in academics and athletics—as one of the best urban, public, comprehensive universities in the United States.

Each graduate we celebrate today is a YSU Success Story. They join more than 100,000 outstanding alumni members across the nation and around the world.

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The audience is asked to be seated after the singing of the Alma Mater and to remain seated during the Recessional.

During this special ceremony, please be respectful of others and maintain a quiet atmosphere.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Sam Covelli

Entrepreneur Sam Covelli is the owner and chief executive officer of Covelli Enterprises. For more than 50 years, the company has been headquartered in Covelli's hometown of Warren, Ohio. Covelli Enterprises currently employs about 26,000 people, including 2,000 in the Mahoning Valley.

The company is the single largest franchisee of Panera Bread and O'Charley's Restaurants and was recently named the fourth largest restaurant franchisee in the nation.

In May 2012, Covelli was the first Panera Bread franchisee to take the concept internationally with a record-breaking opening in Toronto, Canada. By the end of 2017, Covelli Enterprises will have over 260 Panera Bread locations in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Florida and Toronto, Canada.

Covelli opened his first O'Charley's Restaurant in Niles in 2006 and his second in Erie, Pennsylvania, in 2007. Since then, he has opened four additional sites in Boardman, Cuyahoga Falls and Strongsville, Ohio, and Orlando, Florida.

In 2012, Covelli Enterprises took on a third restaurant concept and began developing Dairy Queen locations. The company currently owns nine Dairy Queen stores, including two on the Ohio Turnpike.

Covelli Enterprises has a long history of giving back to the community. Throughout its existence, the company has donated millions of dollars to local charitable organizations. In December, Covelli celebrated more than 30 years as the largest local contributor to the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots program, with a \$15,000 donation. This August, the company hosted the area's largest fundraising event, the 7th annual Panerathon, a 10K/2 mile walk, which has hosted more than 50,000 people and raised over \$1.6 million for the Joanie Abdu Comprehensive Breast Care Center at St. Elizabeth Health Center over the past seven years.

Covelli Enterprises supports many other local charities, including the Salvation Army, the Disabled American Veterans, the Animal Welfare League, the American Heart Association, Akron Children's Hospital of the Mahoning Valley and Second Harvest Food Bank. For his commitment

to the community, Covelli was recognized in 2012 with the Salvation Army's Distinguished Community Service Award, the American Red Cross Spirit of the Mahoning Valley Award and was named 2013 Corporate Philanthropist of the Year in the Mahoning Valley. In 2014, Covelli received the Salvation Army Project Bundle Up Award and the 2014 Association of Fundraising Professionals of Greater Cleveland Corporate Leadership Award.

In 2016, Covelli Enterprises donated over \$27 million in unsold bread product to local food banks and hunger relief agencies to help feed needy people in the communities in which it does business.

In 2012, Covelli made the largest donation in history to the Ohio State Athletics Department to assist in funding the construction of a multi-sport arena. The \$10 million gift will provide critical amenities for student-athletes in men's and women's volleyball, gymnastics, fencing and wrestling, including new locker rooms, offices, training and treatment rooms.

Covelli Enterprises continually wins the most awards for exceptional service, cleanliness, customer service and expansive growth of its locations. For all his achievements, Covelli has earned numerous awards including: Ohio Entrepreneur of the Year, Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year for Northeast Ohio, YSU Alumni Association Distinguished Citizen of the Year and Youngstown Area Restaurateur of the Year. He was most recently inducted into the Beta Gamma Sigma honor society and received the Medallion Award for Entrepreneurship at YSU. Covelli attributes his success to the hiring of dedicated and passionate employees who deliver superior customer service in clean and friendly environments.

Covelli has received proclamations from U.S. Senators John Glenn and Mike DeWine, Congressmen Tim Ryan and Steve LaTourette, Ohio Senator Harry Meshel, and the Mayors of Warren, Niles and Youngstown, Oh., and Sharon, Pa. Covelli was the founder of the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Mahoning Valley and Western Pennsylvania and was a founding sponsor of the Giant Eagle LPGA Tournament Classic.

He currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the Cleveland Clinic; The Ohio State Athletics Campaign Committee; Velosano Steering Committee; Mercy Health Foundation of the Mahoning Valley Board; W.D. Packard Music Hall Board of Trustees; Better Business Bureau Board of Directors; Warren Economic Development Foundation Board; Diocese of Youngstown Blue Ribbon Executive Committee; Northeast Ohio Development and Finance Authority; Ohio Association of Commodores; as well as the Urology Care Foundation of the American Urological Association.

Sam and his wife, Caryn, proudly live in Warren, OH., and have three children: Candace, Albert and Danielle.

COMMENCEMENT STUDENT SPEAKER



Olivia Johnson

Olivia Johnson is a 23-year-old Anthropology major here at YSU. Her focus is in archaeology, and she has earned a minor in Spanish as well. During her four-and-a-half years at YSU, she had the opportunity to travel to multiple different countries (South Africa, the Bahamas, Guatemala and Belize) and has been fortunate enough to earn credit for most of these ventures. She was the recipient of the John and Anna Stephens scholarship, the Kristen A. Beckman Memorial Scholarship, and the Dr. John R. White scholarship. She has enjoyed involvement in many campus organizations and served as the president of the Anthropology Colloquium for the 2015-2016 school year. In the future she hopes to go on to graduate school and earn her PhD in archaeology.



CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Daniel Frederick Cesene

Dissertation: Understanding the Moderators of Adverse Childhood Experiences on Mature Adult Satisfaction and Adjustment

Educational Leadership

Jennifer Ann Musolff

Dissertation: Is Inclusion More about Political Correctness than Education? A Look at How Educational Placement is Determined

Educational Leadership

Ronald Richard Rowe, Jr.

Dissertation: A Quantitative Study of Why Female Administrators Do Not Aspire to the Superintendency in Western Pennsylvania Educational Leadership



DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Feroze Khan Kamaluddin Ali Mohammed Baderuddin Dissertation: *Microextrusion 3D-Printing of Solid Oxide Fuel Cells* Materials Science and Engineering



EDUCATIONAL SPECIALISTS

Elizabeth Helen Crisp School Psychology

Angela Graham School Psychology

Kara Michele Kovach School Psychology

Jordyn Alyse Williams School Psychology

Master of Arts

Maria Carmella Cadusale

Dissertation: Allegiance and Identity: Race and Ethnicity in the Era of Philippine American War, 1898-1914

History

Brett Adam Carmichael

History

Joseph Robert D'Amato

English

Jessica Driscoll

English

Thomas Edward Fields

Interdisciplinary Communication

Amy Rebecca Gordiejew

English

Nina A. Grambling

Interdisciplinary Communication

Katilyn Elisabeth Hartwig

Thesis: Exploring the Emotional and Cognitive Levels of Uncertainty Through Intercultural Communication Intervention

Interdisciplinary Communication

Carter Garrett Irwin English

Elaine Mackenzie Kelley

Thesis: Leaving a Cultural and Environmental Hoof Print: The Changing Place of the Horse in America and the Western National

Parks during the 19th-20th Centuries

History

Fiona Leah FitzGerald Kelly

Thesis: Waiting for Their Turn to Speak: The Use of Interruption in the Discourse of University Student

Organizations

English

Raphael Soares Lima Financial Economics

Philip Allen Volpe-Monrean

Thesis: The Elaboration Likelihood Model and Goldman Sachs

Interdisciplinary Communication

Heidi Annette Schlegel

Interdisciplinary Communication

Hailey Sturtz Economics

Iamison Paul VanLoocke

Thesis: The Influence of Spacing on

Reading Comprehension

English

Nicole Anastasia Yozwiak

Thesis: Systematic Review on Long

Term Care Models

Gerontology

Yanghuai Yue Economics

Master of Business Administration

Jason Jovan Ferguson General Business

Katie Sue Ferrall General Business

Robert A. Gilliland General Business

Kyle Evan Hoffman

General Business

Bijan Hosseininejad General Business

Bryan Keith Jacobsen General Business

Cory Mack Jones General Business

Kulvir Khasa General Business Timothy William May General Business

William Frederick Moss

General Business

Mario Anthony Nero

General Business

Brandon James Pierson

General Business

Steven Tyler Protiva

General Business

Michael Leo Puhalla General Business

General Duomeon

Matthew Joseph Ragozine General Business

Rayna Steigman

General Business

Brigid Marie Tebaldi

General Business

Allison Elizabeth Ward

General Business

Master of Computing and Information Systems

Umakrishna Atluri

Computing and Information

Systems

Chandu Baddam

Computing and Information

Systems

Sri Likhitha Kasaraneni

Computing and Information

Systems

Joseph Brian Korchnak

Thesis: An Implementation of Probabilistic Smart Terrain in a

Dvnamic Game

Computing and Information

Systems

Abhilash Makkena

Computing and Information

Systems

Jayalakshmi Mangalagiri Computing and Information Systems

Tyler Joseph Matacic
Thesis: Write Optimization on
Column Store Using Index Method
Computing and Information
Systems

Sai Krishnanand Nagavelli Thesis: Improved Nano-Cube Detection Performance Using a Method of Separate Training of Sample Subsets

Computing and Information Systems

Brian Tyler Powell Thesis: Amino Acid Properties Provide Insight to a Protein's Subcellular Location Computing and Information

Syam Anand Prathipati Computing and Information Systems

Systems

Naveen Reddy Thumma Computing and Information Systems

Bharath Kumar Yenigalla Computing and Information Systems

Master of Education

Lauren Hoag Intervention Services

Charlene Louise Milano Intervention Services

Sarah Scarazzo Intervention Services

Master of Fine Arts

Anne Leigh Garwig Thesis: *Amerdrogynne* Creative Writing

Master of Health and Human Services

Robert Edward Baldauf, Jr. Health and Human Services

Roberta Fermina Castor Health and Human Services

Bobbi Jo Given Health and Human Services

Andrew J. Henry Health and Human Services

Sarah Rebecca Saling Health and Human Services

Master of Public Health

Tahir Arif Public Health

Michael Christopher Helco Public Health

Austin Jack Hilt Public Health

Sunita Susheel Kolwalkar Public Health

Master of Respiratory Care

Laura Lee Burke Respiratory Care

Julie Faye Feldstein Respiratory Care

Tanya Ann Haines Respiratory Care

Mary Ellen Johnson Respiratory Care

Elizabeth Ann Koch Respiratory Care

Theresia Elaine Tuttle Respiratory Care

Master of Science

Nana Yaa Acheampong Thesis: Correlation Between the Rates and Mortality of Ischemic Heart Disease and Magnesium Concentrations in Ohio Drinking Water

Environmental Science

Mohanad Ali Al-Azzawi Thesis: Synthesis and Characterization of Perovskite Type Structure Chemistry

Kayla Ann Brown Thesis: Changes in Gene Expression of Neurospora crassa in Response to Quinic Acid Biology

Kwasi Danquah Mathematics

Lindsey Marie Ferraro
Thesis: Police Stress and Intimate
Partner Violence
Criminal Justice

Taryn Elizabeth Hanna
Thesis: Evaluation of Watershed
Land Use and Water Quality in
Mill Creek, Youngstown, Ohio
Environmental Science

Jennifer M. Johnson Thesis: Characteristics of Intimate Partner Violence: Implications on Victimization and Prevalence Rates Criminal Justice

Leah Renee Kaldy

Thesis: Hydrology Sedimentology and Geomorphology as Drivers of Succession vs. Flood Disturbance within Riparian Forests of Middle Order Streams of the Northeast Environmental Science

Sepideh Khavari Thesis: Predicting Human and Animal Protein Subcellular Location Mathematics

Nina Marie Lenkey
Thesis: Utilizing Phage Display
Technology to Identify a Peptide
Ligand to Bind to Type 8 Capsular
Polysaccharide of Staphylococcus
Aureus
Biology

Paa Kwesi Mensah Mathematics

Emily Quinlan Mogg Thesis: Juvenile Offenders with Mental Illness and Substance Abuse Issues: Reducing Recidivism Criminal Justice

KateLynn Page Pisarcik Thesis: A Developed Nation and its Impact on the Death Penalty Criminal Justice

Monica Victoria Ramunno
Thesis: Preparation and
Characterization of Spinel-based
Interpenetrating Phase Composites
via Transformation of 3-D Printed
Precursor Shapes

Chemistry

Michelle Elizabeth Ricchiuti
Thesis: Identification of a Putative
ampg Ampicillin Resistance Gene
in Stenotrophomonas Maltophilia
OR02
Biology

Claret Mengwi Tening Ndifet
Thesis: Phytoremediation of Historic
Lead Shot Contaminated Soil
Grand Valley Ranch NE Ohio
Environmental Science

Yener Ulus Thesis: Phytoremediation of Lead Contaminated Soil from an Abandoned Urban Lot Biology

DaVena Zivkovic Thesis: Enzymatic Characterization of Aldose Reductase and its Inhibitors Chemistry Master of Science in Education Breanna Jean Alleman Educational Administration

Julie A. Battaglia Counseling

Kristen Renee Bielik Educational Administration

Nicole Lynn Brown Counseling

Natalie Yvette Bryant Teacher Education, Literacy

Kayla Marie Butcheck Counseling

Erika Marie Campolito Special Education, Autism and Related Disabilities

Laurie Ruth Conner Counseling

Gloria Counihan Special Education, Autism and Related Disabilities

Marnie Nicole Cram Counseling

Jennifer Marie Culp Counseling

April Lynn Evans Counseling

Shaena Elise Fleischer Counseling

Courtney Rae Gibson Educational Technology

Kaitlin Ann Graff Counseling

Gloris Ann Griffin Counseling

Chelsea Ann Guerrieri Counseling Katina Marie Hetrick Counseling

Sarah Humphrey Counseling

Jill Kocanyar Counseling

Mario Alonso La Luz Counseling

Michael J. Latessa Counseling

Lauren M. Lenio-Miller Counseling

Alexandra Marlene Lessick Special Education, Autism and Related Disabilities

Victoria Elizabeth Machan Counseling

Erin Elizabeth McGee Counseling

Kristina Marie Moff Literacy Read Endorsement

Danielle Mordocco Counseling

Amy Spencer Nelson Special Education Intervention Specialist Mild to Moderate

Maggie Christine Noday Counseling

Jennifer Marie Outland Counseling

Karrin Athena Raphtis Literacy Read Endorsement

Debbi Jo Sanders Educational Administration

Ellie Rose Sanders Counseling

Deirdre Eileen Steiginga Educational Technology

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Catherine Athena Tabus Special Education, Autism and Related Disabilities

Dianne L. Timko Special Education, Autism and Related Disabilities

Hin Yan Wong Counseling

Christina Marie Yovick Counseling

Master of Science in Engineering

Mohammed Zaheer Al Nemer Electrical

Hassan Ali Al Yousif Industrial and Systems

Liseli Jeanette Baich
Thesis: Impact of Infill Design
on Mechanical Strength and
Production Cost in Material
Extrusion Based Additive
Manufacturing
Industrial and Systems

Stephen James Carchedi Engineering Management

James Randall Cook Electrical

Sindhuja Dubbaka Electrical

Larry N. Frangos Electrical

Rakesh Gante Electrical Ram Aditya Gullapalli

Thesis: Quantifying the Role of Part Design Complexity in Using 3D Sand Printing for Cores and FDM Printing for Patterns Industrial and Systems

Lukas Lenner

Thesis: Engine Redesign Utilizing 3D Sand Printing Techniques Resulting in Weight and Fuel Savings

Mechanical

Dora Babu Maddukuri Industrial and Systems

industrial and bystein

Nastaran Niknam

Thesis: H-Bridge Converter Modeling and Simulations for a Battery Power Management System Electrical

Purna Chaitanya Nimmagadda Electrical

Binod Paudel

Thesis: Determining Material and Geometric Properties of Flat Slab Bridge Without Plans

Civil and Environmental

Madhu Babu Ramineni Electrical

Muhammad Qasim Riaz Thesis: Influence of Biochemical Environments on Surface Fatigue of Additive Manufactured Ti-6Al-4V

Mechanical

Sachin Babu Sandamoni

Electrical

Shobha Kanta Subedi Thesis: Determining Load Bearing Capacity of Flat Slab Bridges Without Plans

Civil and Environmental

Rajasekhar Sunkara Electrical Yonatan Abebe Tadesse

Thesis: The Electromagnetic Simulation of Birdcage Coil for MRI Based on FEM Design

Electrical

Nikil Teja Thota Electrical

Jacob Spencer Tibbits Electrical

Navya Vemula Electrical

Master of Science in Nursing

Jason A. Basic Nurse Anesthetist

Carly Ann Eggleston Nurse Anesthetist

Nicholas John Hauch Nurse Anesthetist

Bridget Eileen Hennon Nurse Anesthetist

Susan J. Laughlin School Nurse

Heather Bavola Maykowski Nurse Anesthetist

Joseph Pastore Nurse Anesthetist

Lucas Mark Sasala Nurse Anesthetist

Nicole Rene Shindledecker Nurse Anesthetist

Ashley Dru Shuback Nurse Anesthetist

Eric Jason Smith Nurse Anesthetist

Whitney Erin Smith Nurse Anesthetist

CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE HONORS

Because the list of candidates for graduation honors had to be prepared in advance, it is tentative. The diploma, together with a certified transcript, is the proof of graduation with honors.

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Christopher James Anderson Blaine Nicole Armstrong Michael Aaron Baker Samantha Anne Bartolone Jennifer Elizabeth Battaglia

Connie Sue Buck Amber Nicole Bugno Reynaldo Colon-Garcia Nicholas Vito Conti Leeda Marie Croasmun Erik Michael DelBene Miranda Rae Delsignore Teresa Mary Furniss Kacie Rene Gligora Dana M. Gough Alyssa L. Granitto

Gulnara Rauelevna Gumerova

Shumei Sheng Horvat Christina Aya Johnson Olivia Marie Johnson Taylor Nicole Jornigan Alec Michael Kalis Conner Michael Kesner Kenneth Charles Kilpatrick Barry Edward Kimpel Kristin Nicole Latessa Julia Marie Mangeri

Jordan Kathleen Mastrangelo Ethan James McGarvey Austin D. Melnek Cory Alan Merlo Kathryn Merolla Heidi Amanda Mierop

Carmen Camilia Moradian

Hugo Morth

Jacqueline Michelle Mortimer Logan Matthew Muraco Sarah Ann Nagel

Amber M. Palmer Rebecca Pfingstl

Maximilian Edward Pikunas

Ellie Lynn Pollock

Brandon Charles Pustay Christina Dawn Rigney John Arthur Ross

Michael Joseph Sajnovsky Brad-Michael Sampson Alexa Catherine Schmidt Tori Nicole Schuller Kate L. Sears

Patricia Marie Sharp Andrew Charles Stamp Mackenzie Elizabeth Sturtz Amanda Lynn Sweeney

Jacob Taylor

Lauren Christine Teminsky Ryan William Thomas Krystle A. Van Dyke Justin Christopher Wier Clara Marie Wilson Delores Tresa Womack Mary Jane Wundrow Alexandra M. Zubyk

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Tyler Wayne Allmon Heather Elizabeth Anderson

Brandi Bable Daniel James Barth Olivia Bartie Harley M. Blaze John S. Bondar Steffanie Amber Boose

Carly Ann Burgdorf Rebecca Emily Calvin Robert Zachary Cutter Zachary Robert Czopur Jacob Arnold Danes

Dominic Joseph DeLaurentis

Alexis Lee DeMaria Victoria Lynn DeRiggi Alexander Jacob DeSalvo Nichole Marie DeSantis David John Dickson Emily Iane Dixon

Jacob Anthony Dragovich

Heather Dunbar Katherine Rose Ellinger

Joseph A. Fernback Jessica Marie Gallo Nikko Joseph Giangiuli Michael Allen Goldthwait Diana Elaine Hafely James Roy Hamilton Samantha Lorraine Harrington

Amelina Tsango Herman Anthony Michael Humphrey Timothy Justin Kemble Brittany Nicole Landsberger

Alyssa Lynn Lanzo Frank Lattanzio Kayla Jean Lucente Tessa Nicole Lunger William Harold Masters Marissa Renee Matics Melanie A. Matsouris Hallie Ann McGee Victoria Marie Moore Ryan Joseph Nicholson Karyssa Marie Opencar Sara Nicole Parry

Matthew John Pilch

Malgorzata Anna Popielczyk Patrick James Ouinn

Austin William Richter David Mathew Ritz Donald Kenneth Rogers Matthew John Ross Nicholas W. Russell Hannah Nicole Scarazzo

Mary Sliwinski

Jacob Frederick Sydlowski Yohannes Abebe Tadesse David Michael Tamulonis Tyler Michael Tsangaris-Braatz Rebecca Louise VanVoorhis Amy Elizabeth Walters Abby Jordan Wateska Jeana Rae Wert

Christopher Michael Wilkens Monica Rae Woolensack Christina Monique Young

Mohammad Yusuf

CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE HONORS

CUM LAUDE

Haileh J. Ahmed Ruba Alhamid James Richard Baluck Paul Roy Beardshall Jordan Spencer Beasley Cole D. Blakeley Jeremiah Joseph Bleacher

Michael Tyler Buchenic

Robert Bujdoso

Jacqueline Gabriela Chavez

Jacob Chiclowe

Adam William Christoff Nick Sebastian Coleman Paige Marie Collins Aleah Marie D'Amico Kelly Anne Deal

Robert Eugene Del Vecchio Catilyn Nicole Derrenbacher

Tracie L. Doyle Rosanna Marie Eliser Virginia Marie Eltman Allison Michele English Micah Ryan Fisher Andrea Maretta Foulke Jasmin Drew Frazier Christina Freed Craig Owen Higham Darrin Jay Hillier Erika Hope Hubler Lindsay Anne Iler Tyler Johnston

Brandi Marie Juncewicz Trisha Krstinovski Andrew James Leuty Keri Nicole Lipinski Kary Lynn Liska

Erin Alexandra Lorimer
William Robert Ludt
Stephen Michael Lyons
Alayne Patricia Magni
Paul Anthony Mallin
Jillian Michelle Marian
Ryan Joseph Marino
Melissa Marie Markovich
Rachel Kristine Mazzi
Margaret Cristine McDevitt
Avionne Rashae Mitchell
Terra Leigh Mullins
Ineeqa Munawar
Alexandra R. Nelson

Paul Oder Joseph R. Ohlin

Jonathan David Patterson

Sanaz Penna

Brenna Suzanne Price Colton James Randall Paige Alysun Reeher Cathy Lee Rodomsky Matthew Thomas Rubesa John Peter Rudolph

Jocezalito Ian Castillo Santos

Brittany Marie Saylor Michael Scott Shaffer Connor Philip Sherin Wesley Brown Stanton Jeremy Joseph Steen Cody Allen Stewart Hannah Elizabeth Stock Mary Aileen Suszczynski Lauren Hope Thompson Nathan Charles Unger Harry Z. Weightman Leslie Paul Ginson Wright

ASSOCIATE DEGREE HONORS

WITH HIGH HONORS

Marlon M. Boatner Linda Ngoc Bogolea Ty Johnathan Graham Douglas Charles Kirk, Jr. Lisa J. Mudryk James Madison Winston, Jr.

WITH HONORS

Stephen Robert Brown Aubreeana Sheyanne Lynn Duncan Taylor Danielle Grimes Jessica Elizabeth Hall Andrew Michael Limbacher Michelina Johnston Mariano Gage T. Michael Kelsey Jo Sakely Austin Lee Snovak

HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES

Dominic DeLaurentis Music Education Constructing a Pedagogically Appropriate Band Accompaniment

Erik DelBene Computer Science Exploring ASP with C#: Implementing an Invoicing System for a Local Business

Alec Kalis Biology The Pathology Associated with Common Skin Cancers and Diseases

Kristin LaTessa Biology A Discussion on Patient Compliance Cory Merlo Electrical Engineering Modeling Bone Formation and Resorption in MATLAB

Paul Oder Forensic Science Lead Exposure from the 16th-21st Centuries: Implications for Wealth and Social Status

Amber Palmer Professional & Technical Writing Playwriting Portfolio



WILLIAMSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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Associate of Arts

William Abraham Foster

Carol Vargo

James Madison Winston, Jr.

Bachelor of Science in Business

Administration

Christopher James Anderson

Blaine Nicole Armstrong

Brian Austalosh Brandi Bable

Amy Sue Balakoff

Austin James Barbato

Rikki Lee Batson

Erick Joseph Battaglia

Jordan Spencer Beasley

Brittany Michelle Blackburn

Jeremiah Joseph Bleacher

Teddi Jean Bloom

Steffanie Amber Boose

Jon Mark Boyce

Maureen Michelle Brown

Michael Tyler Buchenic

Connie Sue Buck Robert Bujdoso

Samantha Ashlee Cavender

Jacob Chiclowe

Nicholas Vito Conti

Heather Dawn Cramer

Leeda Marie Croasmun

Robert Zachary Cutter

Leartis Clarence Day

Kelly Anne Deal

Wesley Bryan DePoy

Nichole Marie DeSantis

Anthony DiTosto

Sergio Christopher DiVieste

Trevor Dunn

Fadi N. El Chammas

Gina Marie Eliser

Virginia Marie Eltman

Denise Rae Eucker

Nicolas Jon Farrant

Micah Ryan Fisher

Yana Flider

Joel Michael Gedeon

Michael Gordon Giambattista, Jr.

Nikko Joseph Giangiuli

O'Keal Mandella Gist

Sara Lynne Guittar

Gulnara Rauelevna Gumerova

Deion Julian Hall

Christopher Michael Hammond

Tyler Matthew Harper

Mycheal Lamar Johnson

Luke Steven Kastenhuber

Conner Michael Kesner

Kenneth Charles Kilpatrick Jonathan Anthony Kostalas

Charles R. Lamping, Jr.

Taylor Lenzi

Alexa Rae Lewis

Nicole Ashley Lopuchovsky

Charles Alexander Maltbie Betsy Marie McCoy

Margaret Cristine McDevitt

Austin D. Melnek

Jeffrey Allen Mentzer

Dawnelle Sue Mock

Louis A. Morocco

Ineeqa Munawar

Chase Aaron Myers

Sarah Ann Nagel

Jayda N. Nagy

Alyssa Marie Oliva Michael Scott Olive Lauren Michelle Owens Jonathan M. Paolucci Corey J. Patrick

Megan Star Peace

Robert Dennis Pearce

Matthew M. Peterson

Tiffani L. Pike

Ellie Lynn Pollock

Malgorzata Anna Popielczyk

Justin Michael Prox

Patrick James Quinn

Ryan Christopher Racketa

Evan M. Richards

Matthew Thomas Rubesa

Raquel Elizabeth Rushwin

Brad-Michael Sampson

Manuel Enrique Santiago

Jocezalito Ian Castillo Santos

Tori Nicole Schuller

Michael Scott Shaffer Happy Shah

Patricia Marie Sharp

Brandon Lad Sklenar

Shannon Marie Spitler

Cody Allen Stewart

Hannah Elizabeth Stock

David Michael Tamulonis Savannah Taylor

Ian Sean Thomas

Zackary Konstantine Vardavas

Vincent Michael Vitucci

Jason Allen Walters

Emmalee Elysebethe Wince

Diane L. Yatz

Mohammad Yusuf

Matthew Ryhal Zook

COLLEGE OF CREATIVE ARTS AND COMMUNICATION

Bachelor of Arts

Olivia Bartie

Cameron Wayne Beebe Jeffrey Ryan Brown Nickalis Thomas Cimoric Corey David Crisan Allison Renee Dolphin Jacob Anthony Dragovich Demetrius Devon English Danielle Renee Harris Aislinn Cecile Janek Mallory Elizabeth Kohut

Kary Lynn Liska William Robert Ludt Brittney M. Marinelli Marissa Arianne McIntyre Julie Ann Mikulich Robert E. Moore II Hugo Morth

Kelly Marie Motika Jonathan David Patterson Rebecca Pfingstl

Audrianna Gabrielle Phillips Brandon Michael Ross

Matthew John Ross Thomas G. Ross, Ir. Alexa Marie Scarano Charles Anthony Shaffer Lauren Christine Teminsky Kimberly Michelle Teodecki Ian Francis Scott Theiss Staci Marie Tigner De'Andre Marshawn Veal Juliette Viassy

Amy Tuesday Wade Jayne Walker

Abby Jordan Wateska James Kelly Weetman Justin Christopher Wier Lincoln Nathaniel Williams Tachieka M. Williams Christina Monique Young

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Heather Elizabeth Anderson Jacqueline Gabriela Chavez Kelsey Marie Davis Kalisha Y. Green

Lindsay Anne Iler Heidi Amanda Mierop Avionne Rashae Mitchell Iessica Kae Mowchan Alexandra R. Nelson Austin William Richter Mackenzie Elizabeth Sturtz David Michael Tamulonis Nathan Charles Unger

Bachelor of Music

Victor Samuel Cardamone Dominic Joseph DeLaurentis Victoria Lynn DeRiggi Morgan Lindsey Fleming Anthony Michael Humphrey Andrew James Leuty Jordan Kathleen Mastrangelo Jacqueline Michelle Mortimer Brenna Suzanne Price Colton James Randall Rhiannon Judith Rieger Andrew Charles Stamp Austin Stanley Andrew Witt

BEEGHLY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Education Jennifer Elizabeth Battaglia Ashley Nicole Blackburn Harley M. Blaze Laura Rose Bobby Carly Ann Burgdorf Rebecca Emily Calvin Brittney Marie Cleeland Adrienne Cooper Jacob Arnold Danes Alexis Lee DeMaria Heather Dunbar Alexis Ryan Egler Katherine Rose Ellinger Krista Marie Ellis Allison Michele English Seth Eric Fieldhouse Maria Ann Frank **Iasmin Drew Frazier** Christina Freed

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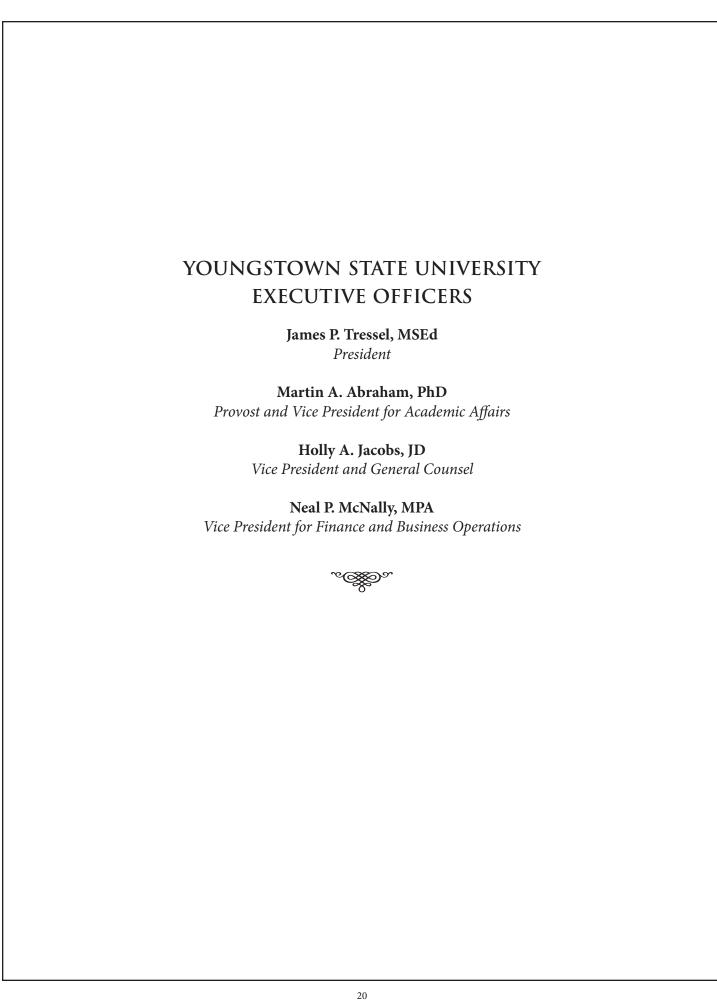
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ACADEMIC REGALIA AND CEREMONY

The gowns, hoods, and caps worn in academic ceremonies today are relics of those worn in medieval times by students and professors. Probably the gowns and hoods were worn for warmth in the unheated halls where lectures were delivered. From the sixteenth century on, somber black garb became the norm, and it is primarily in the hoods worn in academic processions today that the medieval academic pageantry is retained.

The hoods representing graduate degrees granted by various colleges and universities have linings (turned to exhibit their hues to the fullest advantage) in the colors of the granting institutions. In addition, the facing of the hood represents by its color the discipline in which the degree has been granted: white for arts, letters or humanities; golden yellow for science; purple for law; green for medicine; lemon yellow for library science; orange for engineering; olive for commerce or business; light blue for education; pink for music; brown for fine arts; apricot for nursing; dark blue for philosophy; scarlet for theology; citron for social work; sage green for physical education. International degrees do not always follow this protocol.

There are different opinions about the origin of the caps worn in academic ceremonies. One view is that the "mortar board" is in actuality adapted from the wooden square used by masons. Another is that it stems from the ecclesiastical or clerical head covering of the medieval period.

Recipients of University Honors receive golden honor cords placed around the shoulders. Honors College graduates wear a specially minted medallion on a white ribbon to denote their academic achievement.

Graduating students who serve or have served in the Armed Forces are invited to wear red, white and blue Patriot cords in recognition of their service to our country.

THE UNIVERSITY CEREMONIAL MACE

The ceremonial mace has its roots in ancient Rome. During the Middle Ages, the types of maces—one a scepter and symbol of royal authority, the other a weapon—gradually evolved into a symbol of lawful power and regal authority. Beginning in fourteenth-century Europe, the academic mace became part of the pomp and ceremony of university commencements, denoting the authority of the University to confer academic degrees.

The Youngstown State University mace was designed and crafted by a collaborative team that included YSU faculty, students, alumni, and area K-12 art educators under the leadership of YSU professor Greg Moring.

THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

This is a one-of-a-kind medallion that bears an embossment of the Youngstown State University seal on each of the small elements and on the large central piece. On the back of the central medallion are engraved the names of the University's past presidents.

The presidential medallion was designed and created out of sterling and bronze by Wendell August Forge of Grove City, Pennsylvania.

THE YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY SEAL

The University's official seal was adopted in 1936. Designed by a student, the seal includes a torch, quills, wings, a globe, and the Latin words animus liberatus. In simple terms, those words summarize the transformation—or liberation—that occurs on this campus countless times each day. In English, they are translated The Mind Freed, or The Spirit Freed.



Alma Mater

All hail to thee, O Youngstown,
Our Alma Mater fair;
In sunlight and starshine
We see thee in all thy glory.
The Red and the White, thy glorious colors,
Ever we praise and hold them
High to the breeze as the symbol of our
Most loyal allegiance.
This anthem, O Youngstown,
Our pledge of trust shall be
That thy sons and daughters
Shall keep faith with thee forever.





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