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Friday, December 11, 2015
Saturday, December 12, 2015
ORDER OF EXERCISES
Friday, December 11, 2015

Presiding: David A. DeCenzo, Coastal Carolina University President

**Processional - Pomp and Circumstance**  
Sir Edward Elgar  
arr. Charlie Hill/Chuck Elledge  
Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble  
Matthew S. White, Coordinator of Ensembles,  
Assistant Professor of Music

**Presentation of Colors**  
Coastal Carolina University Army ROTC

**The Star-Spangled Banner**  
John Stafford Smith/Francis Scott Key  
Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble  
Molly Fay  
Senior Music Major

**Invocation**  
The Reverend David Neace  
Coastal Carolina University Chaplain Council

**Welcome and Acknowledgments**  
David A. DeCenzo  
President  
D. Wyatt Henderson ’98  
Chairman, Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees

**University Recognitions**  
David A. DeCenzo

**Introduction of Senior Class Representative**  
J. Ralph Byington  
Provost and Executive Vice President

**Introduction of Speaker**  
Shayna Shaw  
Class of 2015

**Address**  
Molly M. Spearman, Ed. S.  
South Carolina Superintendent of Education

**Presentation of Candidates for Degrees**  
J. Ralph Byington

To preserve your memories of this proud occasion, the Coastal Carolina University Alumni Association is making available a DVD of these commencement exercises. Orders can be placed today at the Alumni Relations table or ordered online at coastal.edu/commencement/orders. DVDs are $25 each, which includes shipping and handling; cash, check, VISA and MasterCard are accepted. DVDs will be shipped within a few weeks of your purchase date. Recognize your new Coastal Carolina University graduate with a lasting imprint on campus. The new Alumni Walk, which leads up to the recently renovated Atheneum Hall Alumni Center, is being enhanced with a limited number of special bricks engraved with the names of alumni and friends. Money raised through the brick campaign will support CCU’s Alumni Endowed Scholarship for students. To order a brick, visit ccubrick.com or visit the Alumni Relations commencement table located in the concourse. For more information, please call the Office of Alumni Relations at 843-349-ALUM (2586). The Office of Alumni Relations extends a sincere congratulations to Coastal Carolina University’s December Class of 2015.
ORDER OF EXERCISES

Conferring of Degrees in Course
David A. DeCenzo
Edward Jadallah
Dean, Spadoni College of Education
Michael H. Roberts
Dean, College of Science
Nelljean M. Rice
Dean, University College

Alumni
Brian D. Forbus ’97
President, Coastal Carolina University Alumni Association

Alma Mater - Coastal Carolina
Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble
Molly Fay

Benediction
The Reverend David Neace

Recessional
Triumphal March from Verdi’s “Aida”
arr. Holcombe
Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble

Faculty Announcer
Monica S. Bell, Associate Professor, Department of Theatre

Faculty Marshal
Ashanti Brown, Bearer of the University Mace, Librarian

Student Marshals
Austin Nichols, Faculty Marshal
Ashanti Brown, Bearer of University Banner
Matthew Fox, Graduate Studies
Olivia Margaret Fear, Spadoni College of Education
Rebecca Rodger, College of Science
Bobby Walls, University College

Ushers
Today’s ushers are students representing the Coastal Carolina University Student Alumni Ambassadors, Wall Fellows, Leadership Challenge, CHANT 411, and the Student Government Association.

Hearing Impaired Services
An American Sign Language (ASL) interpreter will be on stage to accommodate guests who are deaf or hearing impaired. It is recommended that guests sit in Section 104 in view of the interpreter. Interpreters will not sign while graduate names are being read.
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David A. DeCenzo
Barbara A. Ritter
Dean, E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration
Daniel Ennis
Dean, Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts

Alumni

Daniel P. Sine ’01
Chairman, Coastal Carolina University Alumni Association

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MOLLY M. SPEARMAN
South Carolina Superintendent of Education

Molly Mitchell Spearman was elected as the 18th South Carolina state superintendent of education on Nov. 4, 2014. Growing up on a farm in Saluda County, she learned the importance of family, faith and hard work, values that led to her professional career as an educator and civil servant.

Spearman’s career has spanned 18 years as a public school music teacher and an assistant principal. In addition to teaching and administration, she has served four terms as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives, six years as deputy superintendent of the South Carolina Department of Education and 10 years as the executive director of the South Carolina Association of School Administrators. Both the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) and the American Legion named her “Legislator of the Year.”

She holds a bachelor’s degree in music education from Lander University, a master’s degree in education supervision from George Washington University and an education specialist degree from the University of South Carolina.

As the South Carolina superintendent of education, Spearman strongly believes the foundation for student success lies in effective classroom teachers and principals who facilitate personalized learning for every student, every day. Her vision is for every South Carolina graduate to be prepared for the next step after graduation.

She and her husband Bill are the parents of three children: Mitchell, an attorney; Franklin (deceased); and Katie, an engineer.
DEGREES IN COURSE

E. CRAIG WALL SR. COLLEGE
OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Master of Accountancy
Candelyn Sue Bond
   B.S., Mississippi State University, 1993
   B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Gabriel Cazares
   B.A., Dickinson College, 2011
Glenn David Crotts Jr.
   B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2012
Oxana Sergeyevna Kane
   B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2011
Derek Joseph Mills
   B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014

Master of Business Administration
Amanda Aicha Curl
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2011
Kayla Elizabeth Johnson
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2006
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Corey Neil Lengyel
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Kayla Marie Liland
   B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Jessica Anne Martin
   B.S.B.A., Emanuel College Georgia, 2008
Rachel Ann Putorti
   B.S., University of New Haven, 2013
   B.S., University of New Haven, 2013
Steven Alexander Ross
   B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Shane David Tay
   B.S., Slippery Rock University, 2012
Thurman Carl Taylor
   B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
   B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Alfred Jason Tomlinson
   B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2013
Dustin Dwayne Walker
   B.S.B.A., Concord College, 2014
McKenzie Gambotto Wolf
   B.A., University of Colorado Boulder, 2009

SPADONI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Teaching
Rebecca Pack Jones
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Lina Lynn Leonard
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Leonard Albert Lewis III
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Erica Shanice Smith
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014

Master of Education
Molly Elizabeth Andrews
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Ariana Baker
   B.A., Rutgers University, 1998
   M.L.S., Rutgers University, 2002
Morgan Nicole Duff Bane
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2012
   M.A.T., Coastal Carolina University, 2013
Caitlin Elizabeth Bonser
   B.S., Eastern Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, 2011
Kayla Lane Coleman
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2012
Jessica Leigh Cox
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2006
Jodi Nealey Cox
   B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2001
Londa Glenise Cross
   B.S., Blue Mountain College, 1987
   M.Ed., Coastal Carolina University, 2011
Kristen Nicole Driscoll
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2012
Caitlyn Leigh Eckenrode
   B.S., Lebanon Valley College, 2011
Erin Russe Ellis
   B.S., University of Central Florida, 2002
Courtney Nicole Everett
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2010
Yolunda Tomika Franklin-Richards
   B.S., Adventist University of Health Sciences, 2012
Alyssa Marie Fudali
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2011
Crystal Lynn Gaines
   B.S., East Carolina University, 2011
Cara Ann Gallagher
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2009
Anthony Eric Graziani
   B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014
Brandi Nicole King
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2012
Kala Marie Long
   B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2012
DEGREES IN COURSE

Brittnie Nicole Manning  
B.S., Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University, 2012

Mary Elizabeth Meyer  
B.S., Mary Washington College, 2011

Rebecca Adriana Morgan  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2009

April Valerie Nieves  
B.A., Southern Wesleyan College, 1990  
M.A., Gardner-Webb University, 2005

Cynthia Chestnut Nycum  
B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 1998  
M.A., Webster University, 2000

Christine Anne Ouzounian  
B.A., St. Joseph’s College Brooklyn, 2012

Lynn Ann Oxendine  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2005

Laura Lisa Pickford  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2011

Amy Lynn Porter  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2007

Joanna Jean Stephenson Price  
B.S., California State University Hayward, 1991  
M.S., California State University Hayward, 2004

Brianna Lea Rose  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2010

Katrina Lynn Ruiz  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2013

Kisha Lawson Russell  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2012

Steven James Santangelo  
B.A., Kent State University, 2003  
M.S., University of Akron, 2005

Jennifer Anne Seay  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2005

Christina Marie Sylvester  
B.S., Winthrop University, 2009

Becky Lynn Tighe  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2013

Melissa Hayes Turbeville  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2014

Blake Enlow Vaught  
B.A., University of Texas Austin, 1982

Brittany Tinder Webster  
B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2009

Katherine Marie Wheeler  
B.A., University of South Carolina, 2012

Certificate Online Teaching and Training

Michael Keith Moore  
B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014  
M.A.T., Coastal Carolina University, 2015

THOMAS W. AND ROBIN W. EDWARDS COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS

Master of Arts in Writing

Krystin Sarah Santos  
B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2013

David Kyle Weber  
B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2009

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Master of Science

Ryan Douglas Bonner  
B.S., University of Maine, 2012

Hannah Lynne Catherman  
B.S., University of North Carolina Wilmington, 2013

Samantha Leigh Corley  
B.S., Pfeiffer College, 2013

Madeleine Sutay Gillis  
B.A., St. Mary’s College of Maryland, 2011

Amy Elizabeth Grogan  
B.S., Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, 2010

E. CRAIG WALL SR. COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Bachelor of Arts

Drew Samuel Agey
Jeremy D. Allison
Nicholas Thomas Arthurs ~magna cum laude
Daniel Ryan Augusterfer
Peter Alexander Basso
Michael C. Beck
Thomas Haley Bishop Jr.
Ryan Anthony Bonk
Maureen Elizabeth Bonner
Ty Davis Bouwens
John Michael Bowles
Douglas Anthony Brooks Jr.

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Degrees In Course

Ryan James Buonagurio  
Jessica Buys  
- magna cum laude
Joseph Rocco Cacciavillano  
Whitney Kathleen Cagle†  
Christopher Michael Cassidy  
Erik Madison Chancellor  
- magna cum laude
Garrett James Cochran  
Ryan Mathew Costa  
- cum laude
Marlee Marie Dennett  
Ashley Rose Dugan  
Connor James Dupont  
Charles Roland Everham  
- cum laude
Daniel Michael Febbroriello  
Derek Eugene Fenstermacher  
- cum laude
Carrington Michael Fernandors  
Ryan Michael Fero  
Collin Booth Fleenor  
- cum laude
Bryce Ryan Follensbee  
- cum laude
Kameron Alexander Gaillard  
Henry L. Gargano  
Alexis M. Geletka  
Alexis Zakiyyah Generett  
Timothy Michael Gillis Jr.  
Marcus Andrew Gillmor  
Amigua A. Gladden  
Chad Joseph Gober  
Brian Gregory Goff  
- cum laude
Denielle Joy Griffin  
Dequan Jebris Donate’ Groover  
Kelseigh Elizabeth Groth  
Robert Joseph Harrington  
- cum laude
Justin Daniel Hensley  
Inna A. Herbst  
Samantha James Herget  
- cum laude
Latoya Delisa Heyward  
Benjamin John Hinman  
Mark Austin Ingalls  
Taerle Nicole James  
Tonisha LaShaun James  
Alexandra Raeann Janecek  
Erika Blair Jones  
- cum laude
Bianna Olivia Jonsson  
Kaitlyn Drew Jordan  
Colt Bowling Karnes  
Darbie Leigh Kelley  
- magna cum laude
James Michael Kenney  
Krystal Lee Kersse  
- cum laude
Ceequan King  
John Benjamin King  
Shannan Marie Kisner  
Frida Larashi  
DeAndra Alexander Lipscomb  
Daschzaiy Shanquea Manuel  
Paige Taylor Marx  
Matthew David Maxwell  
Jessica Cherrelle McNeil  
Zachary David Melton  
Tyler Richey Merrifield  
- cum laude
Matthew Hensen Metzger  
Anthony Michael Miggicche  
Megan K. Montiege  
- magna cum laude
Andrew Kevin Moore  
- cum laude
John David Eugene Mullikin  
Brittany Wynne Newman  
- magna cum laude
Kayla Lynne Peal  
Corey Pasquale Perrotta  
Justin Scott Perry  
Jessica Bernice Perry-Sessions  
Colton John Pickrell  
Bryn Elizabeth Post  
Evgeny Viktorovich Proshin  
- cum laude
Peyton Elizabeth Purcell  
Badginic Brielle Ramsey  
Gianmarco Ricchiari  
Christopher F. Russo  
Andrew Christopher Schorr  
Jonathan H. Shefrel  
Lindsay Marie Smith  
Steven Michael Edward Smith†  
- magna cum laude
Sierra R. Thomas  
Richard Clayton Thompson  
Joshua Adam Tucker  
Brian Robert Van Nest  
Alexandria Leigh Veary  
- cum laude
Ryan J. Vorhies  
Austin John Westerveld  
- magna cum laude
Randolph Collins White II  
Herbert Ju’wan Williams  
Mitchell Pierce Woodard  
- cum laude
Victoria Claire Wos  
Drake Lemond Wright  
Perry Robert Wydman

The list of candidates for graduation was prepared before final grades were reported, and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. The listing of a name in this program should not be construed as an indication that the person will, in fact, receive a degree from Coastal Carolina University at this commencement. Conversely, the absence of a student’s name from this list does not necessarily mean that the person will not be awarded a degree.

Honors for degree candidates are based on the cumulative grade point average on file at the end of the previous term. Honors to be printed on the diplomas will be based on the final Coastal Carolina University cumulative grade point average.

Where indicated with an icon (+), the individual has completed all requirements for multiple degrees.
DEGREES IN COURSE

THOMAS W. AND ROBIN W. EDWARDS COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS

Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Tys'Jay Alexicia Alston
Alexandra Kay Argila
William Jacob Baillie
Ashley Morgan Baker
Michelle Jaclyn Banchi
Christopher Donald Bell
Emily Grace Berger
Mary Kathryn Best
Tyrell Dishawn Blanks
Timothy David Bowen
Sarah Ashley Burr
Alton Gerome Campbell
Christopher Matthew Carlson
Margaret MacConnachie Carnan
Chelsey Chanell Cobb
Dylan Joseph Cordaro
- magna cum laude

Scott John Covino
- cum laude

Falicya Danyal Crace
Christina Monique Davis
Sharmell Kaleiah Valencia Davis
William McKinley Devilbiss Jr.
- cum laude

Kevin Dunbar
Donshea Charneise Durant
Holly Michelle DuRant
Thomas Edward Durkin
Harry Eugene Edwards III
Taylor Garrett Ellis
Michael James Falkowski
Neal Edward Falvey
Molly Kathleen Fay
Dylan Patrick Fender
- magna cum laude

Shannon Renee Fitzgerald
Joseph David Fleming III
Rich Eugene Foor
- magna cum laude

Breonna Lachelle Gatling
Joshua Michael Gray
Nicolette Rose Harrley
Rebecca Summer Heise
- cum laude

Curran Doty Hellguth
- cum laude

Erin Kathleen Hendry

Isaac Heyward IV
Breanna Nekole Hicks
Lindsey Renee Hilburn
John Emory Hooks
- summa cum laude

Jessica Andrews Hucks
Michaela Catherine Hufford
Julia Latrice Johnson
Noah James Johnson
- cum laude

Zoe Lambeth Johnson
- magna cum laude

Aleksandra Kawicka
Jalesa Da’Von Kelly
Christopher John Kadla
Danny Chase Kuhlmann
Vanessa Grace Lavado
- magna cum laude

Ashley Nichole Loper
- cum laude

Kyle Robert Luckie
Bruce Allen Mapp Jr.
Julietta Marie Marks
- magna cum laude

Brittany Renee McCormick
Lucero Trinidad Mejia
Evan Richard Messer
Paul David Mihok
Devan Daniel Miller
Sarah Carlisle Mills
- summa cum laude

Michael Sean Mistler
Rodney Cameron Moore
Vincent Gregory Morabito
Charlton Jermaine Nero
Priscilla Lauren Newman
Nicholas Shane Owens
Jared David Rice
Alexandria Morgan Rogers
Danielle Rome
Lauren E. Rose
- magna cum laude

Harold Charles Ruska III
Matthew Nicholas Ryba
Melissa Marie Sadler
Lanessa Marie Salvatore
Justin Thomas Salyers
Steven P. Sargent
- cum laude

O’Shay Jamar Scott
Danni Lee Carroll
- cum laude

Leigh Ann Shatto

Dustin Scott Shatto
DEGREES IN COURSE

Monique Keyirra Smith
Moria M. Souza
Kittyaporn Alexis Srisuwan
Cody Gene Stevens
Ashley Marie Still
Michael Andrew Sweeney
   ~cum laude
Jeremy Patrick Sweeting
Lindsey Miranda Thompkins
Samantha Anne Thompson
Melissa Jordan Weekley
Dakota Wallace Weir
Logan Joseph Weiss
Corynn Ashley Welch
Cameron Jean Whitehead
Alexis Quinn Widdifield
Adesina Lynett Wilson
John Robert Zanardo

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Science
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Drew Michael Adorno
Lauren Marie Allen
   ~cum laude
Matthew Victor William Allen
Brittany Nicole Anderson
Hannah Marie Arden
Aydin Atay
   ~magna cum laude
Christopher Albert Baisden
Jacorey Stephen Baker
David Thomas Baldwin
Michael Leonard Battle II
Kelsey Michelle Beauman
Mark Anthony Bechtel
Kaitlyn Faith Bell
   ~cum laude
Jennifer Lynne Berardino
Tyler Ashley Bohns
Lindsay Sarah Bosch
Nicholas Allen Bosley
Antonio JaQuise Brice
Joe Jonny Brison III
Matthew Aaron Brock
Kara Lane' Brockington
Savannah Southern Brooks
Jonathan DeWayne Brown
Stephanie Lauren Brown
Shir Butbul
Alyssa Marie Cafaro
Scott D. Calderwood
Zachary Alan Castor
   ~magna cum laude
Mary Abigail Chrismer
Kelly Monica Ciontea
Chad Daniel Cloninger
Kia Aolani Cockfield
Jacqueline Cohens
Cameron David Collins
   ~magna cum laude
Eric Gary Connell
Rita Holt Conner
Corinne Makayla Coogan
Patrick Russell Corbett
Benjamin Charles Cousins
Breanna Rebecca Covington
Daventran Marquaz Cromer
Tana Lee Cropp
Dominique Shanice Curry
Sarrah Luisa DaGraca
   ~magna cum laude
Laquisha Bralette Davis
Winter Elizabeth Behymer Davis
Andrea Dale Del Gardo
Kelvin Martrez Deveaux
Deanna Laverne Dixon
Laura Elisabeth Donato
Nicholas Joseph Donofrio
Haley Nicole Dreck sage
Lukas Sterling Drummond
Aaron Robert Dvucaster
Morgan Bethany Dyson
Idris Tre Edge
Joseph Grayson Edge
Costanzo Pernell Ellerbe Jr.
Sean G. Elliott
Jake Anthony Esposito
Sasha S. Farr
Mathew Curtis Felitto
   ~cum laude
Gabriel Yon Fletcher
Helga Regina Pringle Floyd
Rachel S. Fogarty
Donomique Janaya Gadson
Cristina Ann Gallitto
   ~summa cum laude
Kianna Neomia Generette
Porsche' Nicollette German
Kyle Eugene Gilman
Tyler Lee Gilmore
Edward Gaven Graham
Lee Ann Grainger
Leslie Taylor Grainger
Candace North Green
Kelsey Marie Green
Chantal Leola Greene
William Raymond Griffin-Dubson
Miriam Iskandar Guirgis
   ~cum laude
Brandon Okeith Hafer
Jalissa Kianna Ham
Taylor Nicole Harris
Jody Nicole Henley
Amande Ida Rose Henline
Danielle Erin Hennessy
   ~summa cum laude
Karon Haneef Hilton
Sheretta Hughes
Lauren Bailey Huther
Gertrude Hynes
John Edward Israel Jr.
Paul Wells James
Erika K. Janitschek
Jonathan E. Jenkins
Shanae Joyce Johnson
Tyler Edwin Johnson
Marnee Leigh Jordan
Brian Zachary Kazaks
Justin Michael Keller
Matthew Martin Kelley
Jeffrey Austin Kerr Jr.
Kristen Marie Kevitch
Lindsay Nicole Klaum
Christina Leigh Kline
   ~cum laude
Christopher Scott Kling
Mariah Rose Kowalkowski
   ~cum laude
Ryan Thomas Kowtko
Evan Michael Krinzman
Katherine Amanda Lall
Andrew Clay Landreth
Janelle Mercedes Lavoie
Tonisha De'Shaun Lee
Kevin Bernard Lepore
Priscilla Maria Leslie
Ronald Randolph Lilly III
Kimberly Nicole Livingston
Ariel Meagan Lyles
Amanda Kay Macek
Cherrell J‘nea Major
Nicola Mario Mari
Tanner Michael Marrie
William Isaac Matzke
Dariane Ciera McClarkin
Jasmine Alexandria McCray
   ~magna cum laude
DEGREES IN COURSE

Hailey Priscilla Olson
Emmanuel C. Onu
Shreya Nilesh Patel
Ja’shania Inkyu Pearson
Madison Blair Penniger
Randee Danard Perry
Erica Suzanne Peterson
Sabrina A. Phelps
Krystal Marie Pierce
Tyler Christopher Poole
Shawnte Shel-La Posley
- cum laude

April Bethany Rabon
- summa cum laude
Brooke Caitlyn Rabon
Flora Rebekah Rabon
John Lee Rainey
Keonta’ Sade Ramsey
Sara Jean Rasley
Chantel Akayla Ravenell
Antwan Lamar Richardson
Tracy Catherine Richardson
Kiera Elaine Riley
Sean David Ritter
Cory Allen Rogers
Natalie Leah Roman
Connor Matthew Romito
- magna cum laude

Rovanney Roth
Jennifer G. Susan Ruff
Emilye Marie Rybarczyk
Letitia Saayman
Aljere Queron Sadler
Delanie Renee Sage
Paige J. Sampson
Stephanie Nicole Santiago
Katelyn E. Sech

Renee Sellers
Gerard J. Sheehan
Shana Danielle Shelley
Cynthia Marie Shepard
Carly Marie Short
Stephon Quintin Simmons
Jessica Shawnta Small
Gaetanina Kyrie Smith
Kara Danielle Smith
Kathryn Marie Smith
- summa cum laude

Maren Jade Smith
Taylor Wilkes Spangler
Tranyce Nichelle Spann
Kyle Steven Sparrow

Devon Shelton Sprouse
Alexandra Elisabeth Steinmann
Breanna Nicole Studebaker
- cum laude
Tori Elise Swain
- cum laude
Barry Martin Swindler
Emily Elizabeth Tatarka
Albert John Taylor
- cum laude
Matthew Hickman Tribbitt
Lauren Teresa Van Wie
- cum laude
Edward Wilson Vaughan III
Katelyn Marie Vicente
- cum laude
Anna Lisa Vidal
Megan Carney von Kolnitz
- magna cum laude
Joseph Vu
Whitney La’Quishe Warren
Breonna La’Teirra Watson
Ryan Joseph Weisz
Adrienne Monee Wells
Isha Nicola Wells
Shannon Lynn White
Malik Daquan Shabazz Williams
Muhammad Sharrieff Wilson
- cum laude
Jordan Brittany Wiseman
Liza Ross Wood
Adrianna Elizabeth Wright
Jerron Marcus Wright
Brandon Carlyle Yarbrough
Bailey Rae Zara
Justin Allan Zuczek

Kimberly Paige Fikac
Dorothy Rebecca Furness
Ashleigh Tierra Geiger
Morgan Foster Gilliam
Richard Houston Hampton
Jordyn Delin Hickerson
Helaina Leanne Hoban
Bridget Evin Johnson
Lindsay Myers Korman
Adam Dale Moody
Brittney B. Morgan
Princess Angella Morgan
Thomas James Pasciullo
Kristen Mozella Reed
Shayna Marie Shaw
- magna cum laude

Rayshaud Davon Shields
Veronica Ruth Somrak
Connor Matthew Walsch
Molly Marie Wexenfelter
Danielle Ruth Else Werley
Charlotte Amanda Williams
Andrew Winters

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

Jessica Pearl Bates
Steven E. Bizzaro
Jeremy Devontae Blake
Charlotte Victoria Bond
Kimberly Black Burkhalter
Emily Elizabeth Claus
Vera Elizabeth Doherty
On the evening of July 23, 1954, a group of Horry County citizens met at the Horry County Memorial Library to discuss a daring proposal — the creation of a local college. These civic leaders were determined to improve the educational and economic profile of the area, and in less than two months — on Sept. 20 — Coastal Carolina Junior College held its first classes in the old Conway High School (enrollment: 53).

For its first four years, the new endeavor was sponsored by the College of Charleston. In 1958, Horry County voters approved a referendum levying a three-mill tax to fund the two-year college independently. Members of the college’s governing board, the Coastal Educational Foundation, personally pledged funds to meet financial shortfalls.

From the beginning, Coastal Carolina has maintained a close, reciprocal relationship with the surrounding region, which during the past half-century has advanced from a primarily agricultural district into a major Atlantic coast resort. In 1959, the state’s general assembly created the Horry County Higher Education Commission, a regulatory body to manage the college’s county tax money. For more than 50 years, the Coastal Educational Foundation, which concentrates on private fundraising, and the Horry County Higher Education Commission have worked in concert to guide the University’s endowment and fiscal policies.

In 1960, Coastal Carolina became a regional campus in the University of South Carolina system, the beginning of a 33-year affiliation. (The deal was finalized at the Chat & Chew restaurant in Turbeville, midway between Conway and Columbia.) The following year, a site was chosen for a permanent campus. Most of the land for the present location near Conway was donated by Burroughs Timber Company and International Paper.

The traditional Georgian architecture of the first campus structure, now the Edward M. Singleton Building, set the style for the new campus when it was completed in 1963. Enrollment was 110 that year, and it increased steadily during the 1960s. The present Atheneum Hall was built in 1966, featuring the trademark symbol of the institution. In 1975, USC Coastal Carolina College awarded its first four-year bachelor’s degrees, and the first residence halls opened in 1987.

By the end of the 1980s, enrollment had reached 4,000 and there were 175 full-time faculty members. In view of sustained growth and obvious potential, many supporters of the college believed that the time had come to consider leaving the USC system. In 1991 the Horry County Higher Education Commission voted to seek legislative approval to establish an independent Coastal Carolina University. This bold move, a watershed event in our history, was officially accomplished in 1993 when Gov. Carroll Campbell signed the bill on the steps of the Singleton Building.

Coastal Carolina’s new status as an independent state university set the stage for a new era of growth and achievement. During the next decade, graduate courses were offered for the first time; new academic and residence buildings were added; the faculty increased in number and distinction; and the institution began attracting an increasingly diverse and gifted community of students.

In September 2003, CCU won its inaugural football game in the brand-new Brooks Stadium. A member of the Big South Conference since 1983, the Chanticleers (our mascot, derived from The Canterbury Tales) have a proud history in 18 sports, winning the conference’s Sasser Cup a total of 10 times.

In 2004, Coastal Carolina University celebrated its 50th anniversary. Enrollment reached 7,000 students, and the campus was expanding significantly, with properties now situated across U.S. 501 and S.C. 544 as well as its splendid 1,105-acre ocean research site on Waties Island.

Under the administration of President David A. DeCenzo, CCU’s leadership has successfully held down costs while advancing the University’s academic progress. For two years (2012 to 2014), tuition for in-state undergraduates did not increase, even during a significant building program. This was achieved as a result of careful long-range planning, augmented by a local 1-cent sales tax for education-related construction. Enrollment is now more than 10,000 students. Coastal Carolina University established its first doctoral degree program, in coastal and marine systems science, in 2014.
The custom of wearing a distinctive dress for academic ceremonies dates back to the Middle Ages, when people dressed in keeping with their class: nobility, clergy or third estate. The faculties of American universities have worn distinguishing costumes since the beginning, in 1636, at Harvard University.

Today, academic regalia is worn in the United States by persons taking part in academic ceremonies in general, at commencement exercises, at baccalaureate services and at various inauguration ceremonies, such as the installation of a president, the conferring of an honorary degree on a distinguished guest or the laying of the cornerstone of a building.

The institutions awarding degrees, the nature of the degrees and the major fields of knowledge represented by the degrees can be readily identified by the designs and colors used.

The baccalaureate gown is the simplest in design. Usually black, it is distinguished by a wide yoke with shirring in front and back and by open flowing sleeves that end in a point. The baccalaureate gown is worn closed.

The master’s gown is similar to the baccalaureate gown except that it has a closed or glove sleeve that is open at the wrist. The master’s gown has no other trim and may be worn either open or closed.

The doctoral gown is full flowing and has large bell-shaped sleeves. It is trimmed with velvet panels down the front and has velvet chevrons on the sleeves. While black is still the predominant color for doctoral gowns, the trim may be in a color that denotes the wearer’s discipline or the color of the gown may denote the wearer’s university.

The square Oxford cap, or mortarboard, of serge or broadcloth with a stiff crown is traditionally black. Once the baccalaureate degree has been conferred, the tassel is worn on the left side. The tassel is usually black, but may be of a color denoting the major field of knowledge for bachelor’s and master’s degrees and gold for doctoral degrees.

Candidates who are eligible to be recognized for graduation with honors wear the embroidered official white honor stole with the University Seal at graduation. Also, students who are members of the University Honors Program, the Wall Fellows, the Jackson Scholars, the Swain Scholars or other selected University honors programs are eligible to wear the University stole.

Recognized honor societies by Coastal Carolina University are:
- Alpha Kappa Delta: Sociology
- Alpha Psi Omega: Theatre
- Alpha Sigma Lambda: Adult
- Beta Alpha Psi: Accounting Finance
- Beta Beta Beta: Biology
- Beta Gamma Sigma: Business
- Eta Sigma Delta: Hospitality
- Eta Sigma Gamma: Health Promotion
- Gamma Sigma Epsilon: Biochemistry / Chemistry
- Golden Key: International
- Kappa Delta Pi: Education
- Omicron Delta Epsilon: Economics
- Omicron Delta Kappa: Leadership
- Phi Alpha Theta: History
- Phi Eta Sigma: Freshmen
- Phi Sigma Pi: International
- Phi Sigma Tau: Philosophy
- Pi Mu Epsilon: Mathematics
- Pi Sigma Alpha: Politics
- Pi Chi: Psychology
- Sigma Tau Delta: English
- Triota: Women’s and Gender Studies
- Upsilon Eta: Communication
- Upsilon Pi Epsilon: Computer Science
- Upsilon Eta: Phi: Business Administration
- Psi Chi: Psychology
- Sigma Tau Delta: English
- Phi Eta Sigma: Psychology
- Phi Alpha Theta: Communication

Most academic ceremonies begin and end with an academic procession. At Coastal Carolina University, candidates for degrees are first and process in the order in which the degrees will be bestowed, followed by the faculty, with senior professors first, and the platform party.

Coastal Carolina University recognizes members of the 1954 Society who support the University. Members of the 1954 Society wear special pins that they receive during a formal induction ceremony.
COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY TRADITIONS

THE UNIVERSITY SEAL

The seal of Coastal Carolina University designates the founding year of the institution and associates the campus symbol, the Atheneum, with the coastal locale of the University. Carrying the Latin motto – *Ex Libertate Veritas* (from liberty, truth) – the seal refers to the Temple of Athene in ancient Athens where professors and students came together. The Greek temple was named for Athena, the daughter of Zeus, who embodies wisdom and reason. The waves at the foot of the Atheneum acknowledge a diversified coastal environment encompassing a distinctive geography and history, a vital present, and an abundant future. The seal was commissioned by Trustee Oran P. Smith as a gift to celebrate the July 1, 1993, establishment of the University as an independent, public institution of higher education.

THE UNIVERSITY LOGO

The identifying symbol of Coastal Carolina University captures the dynamic and traditional commitment of the University to teaching and learning. The Atheneum, constructed on the campus in 1966, is a recognized architectural symbol of a meeting place for persons engaged in literary and scientific pursuits. In the logo, the Atheneum is set against an undulating background that captures the energy and unbounded promise of the institution.

THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

As symbols of events and affiliations, medallions in academic regalia can be traced to religious orders during the Middle Ages. Since many orders, societies and universities used similar designs – a circle, cross or an oval – the detailed artwork in the center of the medallion was adopted to differentiate each affiliation. Colleges and universities traditionally use ceremonial and commemorative medallions for formal occasions such as commencements, convocations and inaugurations, when academic regalia is worn. To commemorate Coastal Carolina’s status as an independent university, the institution’s medallion was commissioned in 1994. The installation of President Ronald R. Ingle on Oct. 22, 1994, was the first time the Coastal Carolina University medallion was publicly displayed.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

The University mace, the symbol of the Coastal Carolina University community, attaches significance to important events of the academic calendar. Commissioned by the Horry County Higher Education Commission, the mace was designed and crafted by silversmith Alfred D. Ward and presented to the University in the spring of 1997. The mace is carried during official convocations of the University by the senior member of the faculty. When not being used for a convocation, the mace is on display in the boardroom of the E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration.

The three-dimensional, 48-inch staff is topped with a 22-karat gold-plate model of the campus symbol, the Atheneum. Modified relief seals of the University and engraved lettering embellish the sterling silver cup. Supported by a base of solid walnut, the stem of the mace is adorned with sterling silver shells, reflecting the coastal location of the University. On the base of the stem is an engraved seal of the state of South Carolina, representing the University’s status as a public institution.

Originally used as weapons during the Middle Ages, maces came to be viewed as symbols of authority and were adopted by officials of English municipalities by the end of the 16th century. Maces are now used for legislative assemblies, ecclesiastical processions, and at college and university ceremonies of outstanding importance, such as commencements.
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We come to you to lead our search,
and learn to reach beyond ourselves —
Below the earth, beyond the stars —
to form our dreams for better years.

Here, Green and Bronze in Nature; light —
sweet pine forests that surround us,
ocean waters that sustain us —
reflect your standards that prepare us.

May we return in thought and care
to share your promise of enrichment,
and celebrate and sing our praise
for Coastal Carolina.

Bennie Lee Sinclair

The Coastal Carolina University Alma Mater was written in 1994 by the late Bennie Lee Sinclair, the fifth Poet Laureate of South Carolina, to commemorate the first year of the institution’s status as a university.

The original score for the Alma Mater was written in 1994 by Coastal Carolina University emeritus professor William R. Hamilton.