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COMMENCEMENT COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY



Tuesday, December 14, 2021

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Pomp and Circumstance Sir Edward Elgar arr. B. Holcombe

Presentation of Colors

The Star-Spangled Banner John Stafford Smith/Francis Scott Key arr. J. Tully

Invocation

Welcome and Acknowledgments

University Recognitions

Introduction of Speaker

Address

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees

Conferring of Degrees by Course (2 p.m. ceremony)

Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble Garrett L. Griffin *Director of Bands, Assistant Professor of Music*

Coastal Carolina University Army ROTC

Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble Jordan Taylor Senior, Vocal Performance Major

The Reverend David Neace Coastal Carolina University Spiritual Life Council

Michael T. Benson President

H. Delan Stevens '79 Chairman, Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees

Michael T. Benson

Daniel J. Ennis Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Brianna L. Martin President, Student Government Association

Michael T. Benson

Daniel J. Ennis

Michael T. Benson

J. Lee Brown III Dean, College of Graduate and Continuing Studies

Erika E. Small Interim Dean, E. Craig Wall Sr. College of Business Administration

Sara N. Hottinger Dean, HTC Honors College

Claudia Bornholdt Dean, Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Conferring of Degrees by Course

(6 p.m. ceremony)

Alumni

Alma Mater ~ Coastal Carolina

Benediction

Recessional Triumphal March from Verdi's "Aida" arr. B. Holcombe

Faculty Announcer

Faculty Marshals Bearer of the University Mace

Michael T. Benson

J. Lee Brown III Dean, College of Graduate and Continuing Studies

Michael H. Roberts Dean, Gupta College of Science

Sara N. Hottinger Dean, HTC Honors College

Holley E. Tankersley Dean, Spadoni College of Education and Social Sciences

Kevin Cox '01 (2 p.m. ceremony) President, Coastal Carolina University Alumni Association

Jennifer Page '11 (6 p.m. ceremony) First Vice President, Coastal Carolina University Alumni Association

Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble Jordan Taylor

The Reverend David Neace

Coastal Carolina University Brass Ensemble

Kristi R. McIntyre Lecturer, Theatre

Deborah Breede (2 p.m. ceremony) Professor, Communication

Dianne Mark (6 p.m. ceremony) Professor, Education

2021 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



MICHAEL T. BENSON, D.PHIL.

President, Coastal Carolina University

Michael T. Benson, a veteran of higher education administration, is the third president of Coastal Carolina University. He began his tenure on Jan. 1, 2021, and also holds the title of professor of history at CCU.

Benson previously served as the 13th president of Eastern Kentucky University from 2013 to 2020 and was named president emeritus of EKU in December 2019. While at EKU, he held an appointment as professor of government. He recently served as a visiting professor in the Department of History of Science and Technology in the Krieger School of Arts & Sciences at Johns Hopkins University.

Before serving as president of Eastern Kentucky, Benson was the 15th president of Southern Utah University, where he helped secure the designation for SUU as

the state's public liberal arts and sciences university; established the Hispanic Center for Academic Excellence; gained admission into the Big Sky Conference for all athletic teams; completed new residence halls, a teacher education facility, and a science and engineering center; and directed the development and implementation of SUU's largest and most ambitious comprehensive fundraising effort. This endeavor, named the "Future is Rising Campaign," raised a record \$105 million for SUU.

Benson previously served for five years as the 14th president of Snow College in Ephraim, Utah, where he helped raise more private money for the institution during his tenure than had been secured in the previous 115 years of the college's history combined. Appointed president of Snow College at age 36, Benson was the youngest college president in the history of the Utah System of Higher Education.

Benson's background includes membership on the Council of Presidents of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges, on the Presidents' Trust for the Association of American Colleges and Universities, and on the

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Task Force on University Partnerships of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. He has chaired multiple substantive change committees for universities in Texas, Georgia, Florida, and North Carolina for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

Active in intercollegiate athletics, Benson completed a four-year term as a member of the nine-person NCAA Honors Committee, the group charged with awarding the NCAA's highest recognitions each year. He is also a past chair of the Presidents' Council for the Ohio Valley Conference and was elected as representative for the Ohio Valley Conference on the NCAA Division I Presidential Forum.

Born in Utah and raised in Texas and Indiana, Benson has worked and studied abroad for seven years in Italy, England, and Israel. He earned his bachelor's degree cum laude from Brigham Young University in 1990 with a major in political science and double minors in English and history. He completed his doctorate in modern history from the University of Oxford (St. Antony's College) in 1995, where he was a Rotary Foundation Scholar and recipient of the Oxford Graduate Overseas Fellowship. He also earned a master's degree cum laude in nonprofit administration in 2011 from the University of Notre Dame Mendoza College of Business, where he was the recipient of the prestigious Father Theodore Hesburgh Founder's Award. Benson graduated with a Master of Liberal Arts from Johns Hopkins University in August 2021.

Benson's scholarly work has focused on the development of the research university and its impact on society. His upcoming book, *Gilman at Hopkins: The Birth of the Modern American Research University*, will be released by Johns Hopkins University Press in 2022.

An accomplished athlete, Benson played basketball at both Brigham Young and Oxford, and his best marathon time - 2 hours and 41 minutes - won his age division in the St. George (Utah) Marathon, one of the largest marathons in the U.S. He also finished among the top 15% of all registered runners in the 1984 Boston Marathon.

Benson and his wife, Debi, are the parents of three children - Truman, Tatum, and Talmage. He also has two older children from a previous marriage. Emma graduated from Brigham Young University and is a TV anchor in Idaho Falls, Idaho; and Samuel is a junior majoring in sociology and Spanish at BYU.

FACULTY RECOGNITION

DEBORAH C. BREEDE

Distinguished Professor



Deborah Breede joined the CCU faculty in 2005 and served as a professor of communication in the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts. She taught communication, women's and gender studies, and graduate courses. She was a co-founder of the communication major and was instrumental in the

development of the department, the undergraduate and graduate programs, and many of its courses.

Breede received multiple local, regional, national, and international recognitions for teaching and advising. Her primary research, teaching, and service interests focused on the formation, development, maintenance, and challenges of community within a variety of contexts, including interpersonal and familial relationships, educational and community collaborations, and other sites of community building.

Breede published in the areas of activism and advocacy, gendered and socially constructed performances, leadership studies, and end of life communication. She was published in some of the most respected qualitative academic journals in the world, including the Journal of Loss and Trauma, the Journal of Autoethnography, the Journal of Hate Studies, the Journal of Fandom Studies, and Space and Culture. Her scholarly contributions were contracted with some of the most reputable book publishers recognized within academia.

She earned a bachelor's degree in education from Old Dominion University, a master's degree in communication from Florida Atlantic University, and a Ph.D. in communication from the University of South Florida.

GEORGE W. LYERLY JR.

Emeritus Professor (Posthumous)



George William "Will" Lyerly Jr. joined the CCU faculty in 2009 and served as an associate professor of exercise and sport science in the Gupta College of Science. He passed away at age 44 on Nov. 1, 2020, following a lengthy battle with cancer. He taught eight different courses during his 11 years at CCU, covering such topics as exercise physiology,

strength and conditioning, biomechanics, cardiopulmonary rehabilitation, and exercise testing and prescription.

Lyerly was presenter or mentor of more than 60 different scientific research presentations throughout the country and published two dozen research articles and book chapters related to physical activity's positive impact on health; much of this work included CCU students. He took great pride in mentoring undergraduate student researchers.

He was very active in the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM), holding various positions at the national and regional level. In 2016, he was honored as a fellow of the ACSM.

Lyerly also presented numerous times in the local community about the importance of physical activity on health, and was active on committees at the departmental, college, and University level.

Lyerly earned all three of his degrees from the University of South Carolina: bachelor's and master's degrees in exercise science, and a Ph.D. in exercise physiology. He is survived by his wife, Erin, and their children, Connor and Caroline.

FACULTY RECOGNITION

DIANNE L. MARK

Distinguished Professor



Dianne L. Hall Mark joined CCU in Fall 2009 as the dean of the then Spadoni College of Education, where she became the first African American female dean in the University's history. Since 2011, she has taught undergraduate and graduate courses as a professor in the Department of Foundations,

Curriculum, and Instruction.

Her research focused on urban education as well as issues related to community, school, and family partnerships. She has been a reviewer for the *Journal* of *Teacher Education* and the *Urban Education Journal*, where she has twice been the guest editor and served on its editorial board. Her publications include several articles and the co-authored textbook, *Cultural Journeys: Multicultural Literature for Children and Young Adults*.

Prior to coming to CCU, Mark served as the dean of the College of Professional Studies at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania after serving almost 10 years at the College of Education and Human Services at Central Michigan University.

A native of Flint, Mich., Mark earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from Michigan State University; a master's degree in student personnel administration from Buffalo State College; and both a master's in education and a Ph.D. in educational administration from the State University of New York at Buffalo (SUNY-Buffalo). She and her husband, Eddie, live in Conway. They have two daughters and three granddaughters.





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. Bearing the Latin motto – Ex Libertate Veritas (from liberty, truth) – the seal refers to the Temple of Athene in ancient Athens where professors and students gathered. 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 University 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.

HISTORY OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

THE UNIVERSITY'S LEADERS

Michael T. Benson President • 2021-present

David A. DeCenzo President • 2007-2020

Ronald R. Ingle President • 1993-2007 Chancellor • 1992-1993

Ronald G. Eaglin Chancellor • 1985-1992

Frederick W. Hicks III Chancellor • 1983-1985 Edward M. Singleton Chancellor • 1963-1983

William C. Casper Director • 1961-1963

George C. Rogers Director • 1955-1961

Edward J. Woodhouse Director • 1954-1955

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 (HCHEC), a regulatory body to manage the college's county tax money. For more than 60 years, the Coastal Educational Foundation and the HCHEC 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 (USC) system, the beginning of a 33-year affiliation. (The deal was finalized at the Chat & Chew restaurant in Turbeville, halfway between Conway and Columbia.) The following year, a site was chosen for a permanent campus.

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 Clark and Marcia Parker Atheneum Hall Alumni Center 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 HCHEC 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 then Gov. Carroll Campbell signed the bill on the steps of the Edward M. 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

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in number and distinction; and the institution began attracting an increasingly diverse and gifted community of students.

In September 2003, the Chanticleers (our mascot, derived from *The Canterbury Tales*) won their inaugural football game in the brand-new Brooks Stadium. A founding member of the NCAA Division I Big South Conference, the Chanticleers have a proud history in 19 sports, winning the conference's Sasser Cup a total of 11 times.

In 2004, CCU 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.

In 2014, CCU established its first doctoral program - coastal and marine systems science. The enrollment milestone of 10,000 students was reached in Fall 2015.

CCU won its first-ever national championship on June 30, 2016, when the baseball program captured the College World Series title. The next day, Chanticleer Athletics officially joined the Sun Belt Conference, which also marked a move up to the Football Bowl Subdivision - the highest level in intercollegiate athletics. During Fall 2020, the University gained tremendous national exposure thanks to the unprecedented success of the Chanticleer football team, which was ranked in the AP Top 25 for a majority of the season and played in its first-ever postseason bowl game.

Coastal Carolina is the first institution in South Carolina to be recognized for meeting exceptional standards of inclusion by Strive for College.

On Jan. 1, 2021, Michael T. Benson began his tenure as the University's third president, assuming the role

previously held by David A. DeCenzo, who retired at the end of December 2020 after nearly 14 years of dedicated service at the helm. Among DeCenzo's many accomplishments were a \$300 million building program, augmented by a local penny sales tax for education-related construction.

The University welcomed its largest-ever freshman class during Fall 2021 - 2,519 students. Total enrollment is 10,473.

Coastal Carolina offers baccalaureate degrees in 95 majors. Among the University's graduate-level programs are 27 master's degrees, two educational specialist degrees, and two doctoral programs.



ACADEMIC REGALIA AND PROCESSION

The custom of wearing 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 bellshaped 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 HTC Honors College, the Wall Fellows, the Jackson Scholars, the Dyer Fellows, 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 Students
- 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
- Psi Chi: Psychology
- Sigma Tau Delta: English
- Triota: Women's and Gender Studies
- Upsilon Eta: Communication
- Upsilon Pi Epsilon: Computer Science

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The greatest degree of symbolism is represented by the hood. The size and shape of the American hood mark the college degree attained by the wearer. The lining of the hood is indicative of the college from which the degree was granted. If more than one color is used, one color is generally arranged as a chevron upon the other. The velvet trim of the hood indicates the major field of knowledge.

- Anthropology: Golden Yellow
- Business Administration: Drab
- Communication: Crimson
- Computer Science: Golden Yellow
- Divinity / Theology: Scarlet
- Dramatic Arts: Brown
- Economics: Copper
- Education: Light Blue
- Engineering: Orange
- English: White
- Fine Arts: Brown
- History: White
- Humanities: White
- Journalism: Crimson

- Jurisprudence: Purple
- Library Science: Lemon
- Mathematics: Golden Yellow
- Marine Science: Golden Yellow
- Medicine: Kelly Green
- Music: Pink
- Nursing: Apricot
- Speech: Silver Gray
- Pharmacy: Olive Green
- Philosophy: Dark Blue
- Physical Education: Sage Green
- Physics: Golden Yellow
- Political Science: Dark Blue
- Public Administration: Peacock Blue
- Public Health: Salmon Pink
- Science: Golden Yellow
- Social Science: Citron

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.

E. CRAIG WALL SR. COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Master of Accountancy

Andrew Charles Avery B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Megan Annabell Hendrick B.S., Clemson University, 2014 B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Sydni Anne Knight B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020 B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Olivia Anaïs Smith B.S., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2020

Master of Business Administration

Addison Ryan Blome B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

McKenzie Marie Brown B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2016

Kristina lliff Burch B.S., Meredith College, 1996

Alexis Holmes Ferrigno B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2017

Alexis Kierra Fogle B.S., Claflin University, 2020

Taylor Noel Freeman B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Timothy Scott Hanson B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2021

Rebecca Jacobs B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020 U.S. Navy

Tyler Vincent Keane B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2017 Silas James Kelly B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Kelsey Lynn Koss B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Jeffrey Mark Lippert Jr. B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Russell Ralph Luce B.A., Central Michigan University, 2003 M.A., Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, 2005

Jessica Marie Lutz B.S., Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 2008

Andrew Peter Mangano D.O.ME., Philadelphia College Osteopathic Medicine, 2007

Edward Sloan Neiswonger Jr. B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Robert Anthony Picano III B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Adam Ryan Pierce B.S., Pennsylvania State University, 2020

Preston Matthew Roberts B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2006

Caitlin Roche B.A.I., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Nicholas J. Taskalos B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

James Samuel Thompson B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Brooke Ann Vaught B.A., Pennsylvania State University, 2004

Certificate in Healthcare Administration

Lauren O'Conner Clark B.S., SUNY College at Plattsburgh, 2009 M.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2011

GUPTA COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Master of Science

Alberto Ciroi B.A., Baker University, 2019 CERT, Nova Southeastern University, 2021

Kamaria Melanda Elliott B.S., University of North Carolina at Pembroke, 2017

Antwine Cortez Loper Jr. B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Colten Reed Winter B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

SPADONI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Master of Education

Samantha Jo Asbury B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2018

Madison Alexandra Badurski B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2018

Steven Michael Bedosky B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2019 M.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Danielle Marie Bothe B.A., University of South Carolina at Beaufort, 2016

Sammie Reeves Carter III B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Jessica Taylor Craig B.S., Francis Marion University, 2018

Sheila Perry Deas B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2008 Elmer Nahum Diaz Ramirez B.S., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Ebony Shada Dixon B.A., John Jay College of Criminal Justice, 2010 B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2019 U.S. Army

Raegan Elyce Dore B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Taylor Marie Evans B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2015

Blakely S. Fields B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2016

Melanie Elizabeth Flatter B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2017

Kimberly Ann Franey B.S.E., West Virginia University at Morgantown, 1996

Marie Porco Girolamo B.S., St. John's University, 1986 B.S., Long Island University at Brookville, 2004

Grace Gretchen Good B.S., College of Charleston, 2007

Markesha Mynett Gross B.S., Austin Peay State University, 2014

Dawn Elizabeth Guinn B.A., University of South Carolina, 2012

Abria Owens Gunter B.S., Francis Marion University, 2003

Holly Lenae Hardee B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2018

Megan Lynn Harmon B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2014 M.ED., Coastal Carolina University, 2017

Charles Edward Hart Jr. B.S., Claflin University, 2015

Keeley Star Hindmarsh B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2010

Rebecca Pack Jones B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2014 M.A.T., Coastal Carolina University, 2015

Erin Dodd Knight B.A., Clemson University, 2005

Patty Ann Kramer B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2018

Caroline Lynn Lee B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Janette Heidi Lopez B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Courtney Jeanne Mahoney B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2018

Gloria Betancourt Martinez B.S., Universidad Autonoma de Columbia, 2011 M.S., Universidad Autonoma de Columbia, 2013

Tiffanie Leigh Mason B.S., East Carolina University, 1999 B.A., University of North Carolina at Charlotte, 2017

Brittany Webster Matthews B.S., Bob Jones University, 2019

Karlyn Denise McCray B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Cayleigh Nicole McNeely B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Hannah Leigh Mills B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2016

Maggie Louise Moore B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Reagan Ann Moore B.S., Fairmont State University, 2004 M.A., California University of Pennsylvania, 2013 M.S., California University of Pennsylvania, 2014

Gabriel Carey Moreland B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2010 Erin Marie Morris B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Christopher Alan Nelson B.S.E., Bowling Green State University, 2017

Charles Hollerith Ouverson B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2019 B.S.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2019 M.B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Kelsey Renee Pigati B.S., Millikin University, 2015

Kayla Wynne Prevatte B.A., Clemson University, 2012

Kayla E. Ross B.A., University of South Carolina, 2017

Michaela R. Ryhal B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2019

Ashley Taylor Schoenstadt B.A., Lycoming College, 2018

Tracci Oleria Scoville B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2020

Teresa J. Tedder B.S., Francis Marion University, 2009 M.ED., Francis Marion University, 2019

Elsa B. Thomas B.S., College of Charleston, 2017

Whitney K. Thompson B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2016

Matti Tyskewicz B.A., University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg, 2019 B.S., University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg, 2019

Taylor Westbury B.S., Charleston Southern University, 2019

Danyelle B. Wilson B.A., University of South Carolina, 2014

Lauren Elizabeth Yerardi B.A.E., Coastal Carolina University, 2018

Certificate in Online Teaching and Training

Amy Eddings Perry B.S.B., University of South Carolina, 2008 B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2011 M.A.T., Coastal Carolina University, 2013

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

Master of Arts

Daniel Joseph Grim B.A., Texas Tech University, 2019

Gertrude Hynes B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2015

Jeremiah Benito Johnson B.A., Coastal Carolina University, 2019



HTC HONORS COLLEGE

Neelie Faith Bailey B.S., Psychology ~cum laude

Alexandria Jack Banning ° B.A., Political Science ~magna cum laude

Annie Joy Burgess B.A., Sociology

Bridget N. Campbell B.S., Marine Science ~magna cum laude

Jacquilynn A. Chao B.S., Marine Science ~magna cum laude Hannah M. Darby ° B.S.B.A., Hospitality, Resort, and Tourism Management ~magna cum laude

Silver Alexandra Chanel Dawson B.S., Exercise and Sport Science

Lissett Guadalupe Diaz B.S., Biochemistry ~magna cum laude

Aspen Riana Fleming B.S.I., Interdisciplinary Studies ~magna cum laude

Ashlyn Faith Gray B.A., Intelligence and Security Studies ~cum laude

Katielynn Grace Holodook B.A., History ~summa cum laude Jayda Kindred B.S.B.A., Marketing ~summa cum laude

Brooke Myers B.A.E., Early Childhood Education ~magna cum laude

Joseph Benedict Salowitz B.S.B.A., Management ~cum laude

Arianna Renee Trapp B.S., Marine Science ~cum laude

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Megan Elizabeth Walter ° B.A., History ~summa cum laude

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summa cum laude cumulative GPA of 4.0

magna cum laude cumulative GPA of 3.75 to 3.999

cum laude cumulative GPA of 3.5 to 3.749

- Dual degree
- Honors College student
- † Posthumous degree
- ° Trustee Award

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Bachelor of Arts

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Madison Marie Abbs ~cum laude

Adam Allen ~summa cum laude U.S. Air Force Reserve

Adrian Troy Alston Jr. **DeAndre Alston Timothy Mason Bach** Abbey Louise Baker ~cum laude Kayla Taylor Baker Jared Kevin Barnes Frederic Joseph Barone Jr. Aubrey S. Beltran Alyson Marie Benzenhafer Louis John Bernard Holly Anne Bier Massimo Jacques Biscardi Shamia Elizabeth Blake Kevin John Boldrighini Joel Michael Boulanger ~cum laude Daniel Reid Bozell **Cole Thomas Branson Ryan Anthony Buontempo** Derick Lee Bush **Curtis Michael Canterbury**

~magna cum laude

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Byron Stewart Clark

Amryaunna Ronne' Cobb ~magna cum laude

Brianna Costagliola ~cum laude

Hannah M. Darby *° ~magna cum laude

Alexis Jordan Darchicourt

Danielle Nicole Dawson

Alex James Degenstein ~cum laude

Austin Michael DelBaggio ~cum laude

Matthew Joseph Dessena

Hunter Thomas DiMarino ~cum laude

Shiandra Nicole Dollard Matthew Duenas

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Tanner M. Dunn Blane Early

~cum laude

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GUPTA COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Science Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Tiffany Arafi ~magna cum laude Catherine Loranna Austin ~summa cum laude Wesley Spencer Ayen

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~cum laude

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SPADONI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Arts in Education

Bachelor of Science in Physical Education

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~cum laude

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– Bennie Lee Sinclair

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