



COMMENCEMENT

DECEMBER 15, 2007

COMMENCEMENT

OLSON AUDITORIUM
PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2007
10:30 AM

PROGRAM

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

(Audience is requested to be seated for the procession.)

First Suite in E-Flat "Intermezzo", Gustav Holst
University Wind Ensemble
Edwin C. Powell, *Assistant Professor of Music*, conducting

UNIVERSITY MARSHAL: Norris A. Peterson ('75), *Dean, Division of Social Sciences*
FACULTY MARSHALS: Colleen M. Hacker, *Professor of Movement Studies & Wellness Education*
Richard N. Louie, *Associate Professor of Physics*

INVOCATION

Nancy J. Connor, *University Pastor*

GREETINGS

Loren J. Anderson, *President*
Robert Gomulkiewicz ('83), *Chair of the Board of Regents*

UNIVERSITY FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Patricia O'Connell Killen, *Provost*

REFLECTION

Troy J. Andrade, *Bachelor of Arts, Economics & Political Science*

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Erin McKenna, *Faculty Chair, Professor of Philosophy*

*Guests are asked to remain seated during the ceremony.
No one will be permitted on the auditorium floor for photos.
Please take a moment to make sure that all cellular phones & electronic
devices are switched off. Thank you.*

MUSICAL SELECTION

Overture to “Candide”, Leonard Bernstein

CONFERRAL OF MASTER’S DEGREES

President Anderson

Assisted by Provost Killen

William V. Frame, *Interim Dean, School of Business*

John Y. Lee, *Dean, School of Education & Movement Studies*

CONFERRAL OF BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

President Anderson

Assisted by Provost Killen

CLOSING COMMENTS

President Anderson

Prayer and Benediction

Dennis G. Sepper, *University Pastor*

Recessional

First Suite in E-flat “March”, Gustav Holst

(Audience is requested to remain seated until the graduates have exited the auditorium.)

You are cordially invited to a reception in the Field House immediately following the commencement program.



MASTER'S DEGREES

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

MASTER OF ARTS

Dane Michael Christensen
(Tacoma, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

Charles Lorenzo Crane
(Puyallup, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

Jennifer Creaney Davis
(Yelm, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

Jenelle Marie Duerkop
(Puyallup, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

Selena Hsiu Li Kwik
(Seattle, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

Lindsey Wilson Nickell
(Auburn, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

AnnaMarie Pedersen
(University Place, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

William Lee Woehl
(University Place, WA)
Marriage & Family Therapy

MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Josephine Emmons Turner
(Laguna Beach, CA)
Creative Writing

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Gustavo Alberto Silva Contreras
(Norway)

Daniel D. Fenton
(Tacoma, WA)

Lisa Ann Henderson
(Tacoma, WA)

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND MOVEMENT

STUDIES

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

Terese Maureen Emry
(South Prairie, WA)

Lana Rae Jones
(Tacoma, WA)

Michael John Kraft
(Tacoma, WA)

Camille Anne Sullivan
(Dupont, WA)

Jennifer Jean Moore
(Olympia, WA)

Jamie Leigh Temple Smith
(Puyallup, WA)

Emmy Veripi Tjiramba
(Namibia)

Jessica Joy Wallace
(Puyallup, WA)

Janna Elizabeth White
(Tacoma, WA)

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Jonna Marie Allen
(Everett, WA)
German, History
summa cum laude

Troy John Ho'onani Andrade
(Waipahu, HI)
Economics, Political Science
magna cum laude

Marlena Irmgard Anspach
(Tacoma, WA)
Psychology

Jacob Paul Beranek
(Kalispell, MT)
Political Science

Karolina Gabriellsson Bergl6f
(Sweden)
Political Science

Nathan Robert Burley
(Kent, WA)
Physics

Monica Jean Champney
(Puyallup, WA)
French
magna cum laude

Hsiang-Yun Chen
(Taiwan)
Physics

Margaret Brooks Cox
(Louisville, KY)
History, Women's & Gender Studies
magna cum laude

Kaylee M. Davis
(Tacoma, WA)
Individualized Major
cum laude

Ryan Patrick Donaldson
(Oak Harbor, WA)
History

Miriam Noel Ellison
(Orting, WA)
Spanish

Jennifer Ann Faupel
(Bonney Lake, WA)
Psychology

Lana Jean Gibbins
(Tacoma, WA)
Biology

BACHELOR'S DEGREES *(continued)*

Jens Abram Gilbertson

(Prosser, WA)
Political Science

Robertalee Shawn Gomez

(Tacoma, WA)
Psychology

Mikaela Marie Hanson

(Fort Collins, CO)
Biology

Christopher Steven Hodge

(Federal Way, WA)
Biology

Kristi Lynn Hohn

(Tacoma, WA)
Psychology

Lauren Marie Holly

(Seattle, WA)
Political Science
magna cum laude

Ericka Marie Hummel

(University Place, WA)
German
cum laude

Tamara Ann Iverson

(Enumclaw, WA)
Psychology
cum laude

Matthew Richard James

(Puyallup, WA)
Political Science

Nicole Marie Johnson

(Olympia, WA)
Social Work

Adam Lynn Ladage

(Washougal, WA)
History

MaryMichelle Anne Londravage

(Beaverton, OR)
Political Science

Kristi Ann Long

(Spanaway, WA)
Biology

Justin Todd Marsh

(Puyallup, WA)
Psychology

Jeffrey Haddon Martin

(Eugene, OR)
English/Writing

Candace Monique McMullen

(Auburn, WA)
Psychology

Andrew Charles Mehalechko

(Post Falls, ID)
Economics

Kyamarie Jean Miller

(Rochester, WA)
Social Work

Benjamin Charles Monte Calvo

(Darrington, WA)
Religion

Nichole Marie Carol Ramos

(Kenmore, WA)
English/Writing
cum laude

Jacob Schonau-Taylor

(Newport, OR)
Spanish

Nicole Analise Smith

(Tacoma, WA)
Psychology

Aya Sowa

(Japan)
Psychology

Kali Justine Thomas

(Orting, WA)
Biology, English/Literature

Robert Kenneth Thomsen

(Olympia, WA)
Economics

Takashi Tsuchiya

(Japan)
Physics

Kristina Ann Ufer

(Lakewood, WA)
Biology, Philosophy

Mark Douglas Van Gilder

(Great Falls, MT)
Economics

Melanie Nichole Watkins

(Lakewood, WA)
Political Science

Matthew Carl Wuerffel

(Tacoma, WA)
Physics
cum laude

John Morrison Yu

(Anaheim, CA)
Chinese Studies

Barbara Louise Zettel

(Tacoma, WA)
Communication Studies
magna cum laude

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**Erika Lynn Berg**

(Vancouver, WA)
Biology

Jordan Christian Brott

(Bremerton, WA)
Psychology

Andrew George Eisentrout

(Olympia, WA)
Biology

Christopher James Hamre

(Tacoma, WA)
Chemistry

Neil Alexander Holden

(Tacoma, WA)
Mathematics
magna cum laude

Anne Marie Jacobson

(Aberdeen, WA)
Biology

Sarah Laurie Lake

(Bremerton, WA)
Psychology
cum laude

Kelli Kay McAbee

(Southworth, WA)
Biology
cum laude

Anthony George McCarthy

(Tacoma, WA)
Mathematics

Bradley Joseph Mize

(Lakewood, WA)
Computer Science

Douglas Aaron Mozeika

(Normandy Park, WA)
Computer Science

Sabrina Pauline Osborn

(Olympia, WA)
Biology

Shereen Kaleiwaiheawela

Perreira
(Honolulu, HI)
Psychology

Carrie Ann Lucille Resnik
(Bellevue, WA)
Computer Science

Paul Allen Taladay
(Lakewood, WA)
Computer Engineering, Computer
Science

Scott Robert Taladay
(Lakewood, WA)
Computer Engineering, Computer
Science

Christina Lynn Waldroupe
(Tacoma, WA)
Psychology

Michelle Dawn Woods
(Lakewood, WA)
Chemistry

Matthew Carl Wuerffel
(Tacoma, WA)
Computer Engineering, Computer
Science
cum laude

**SCHOOL OF ARTS
AND COMMUNICATION**
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN
COMMUNICATION

Bennett Otto Gillespie
(Federal Way, WA)

Jacquelyn Michelle Graybill
(Seattle, WA)
summa cum laude

Amanda Ann Leenhouts
(Bellingham, WA)

Sean Thomas McIlraith
(Orting, WA)

Jason Daniel Simonetti
(Tacoma, WA)

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Caroline Renee Ridgeway
(Santa Monica, CA)
Art
cum laude

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Tomoko Numa
(Japan)
cum laude

Novalee Luwanna Richard
(Puyallup, WA)

BACHELOR OF MUSIC
EDUCATION

Shannon Marie Clapp
(Federal Way, WA)
cum laude

Joseph Paul Lindquist
(Tacoma, WA)
magna cum laude

Lauren Elizabeth Whitham
(Tacoma, WA)
summa cum laude

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION

Logan Alan Andrews
(Rainier, OR)

Tabatha Ann Bronson
(Eatonville, WA)

Ashley Jones Brosius
(Dupont, WA)

Craig Thomas Chiado
(Albuquerque, NM)
cum laude

Christopher Daniel Clark
(Camas, WA)

Claudia Davila
(Peru)
magna cum laude

Chris Dale deVries
(Puyallup, WA)

Andrea Dunham
(University Place, WA)

Amber E. Fisk
(Gig Harbor, WA)

Eric Christopher Hargrave
(Washougal, WA)

Kieu-Oanh Le Hoang
(Vietnam)
summa cum laude

George Nicholas Hollingbery
(Olympia, WA)

Daniel Eivind Kolstad
(Norway)

Jenna Marie Labourr
(Brier, WA)

Arttu Ilmari Larkka
(Finland)

Aaron Leon Morbioli
(Kent, WA)

Lars-Erik Paul Nesvig
(Tacoma, WA)
magna cum laude

Kyle William Nowadnick
(Monroe, WA)

Kurt Lowell Oliver
(Highland, CA)

Shane Whitney Richins
(Tigard, OR)

Daniel Aaron Rosales
(Anacortes, WA)

Jessica Lynn Rush
(University Place, WA)

Jovan Anthony Schwarz
(Lakewood, WA)

Jonathan Gabriel Snyder
(Puyallup, WA)

Katherine Loretta Toop
(Yakima, WA)
cum laude

Kelly Horace Totten
(Tacoma, WA)
cum laude

Mark Douglas Van Gilder
(Great Falls, MT)

Jiaqi Yuan
(People's Republic of China)

**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
AND MOVEMENT
STUDIES**
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN
EDUCATION

Rachel Elizabeth Aeby
(Salem, OR)
Elementary & Special Education
cum laude

BACHELOR'S DEGREES *(continued)*

Nicole Szücs Carleton

(Tacoma, WA)
Elementary Education

David Robert Christal

(Kenai, AK)
Elementary Education

Jessica Danae Hinders

(Amarillo, TX)
Elementary Education
summa cum laude

Brittany Johanna Stella Johnson

(Brier, WA)
Elementary & Special Education

Nicole Faye Kringle

(Tacoma, WA)
Elementary & Special Education
cum laude

Marie Olevia Laban

(Tacoma, WA)
Elementary Education

Sharon Kay McKay

(Milton, WA)
Elementary Education
cum laude

Kayla Nicole Rodriguez

(Tacoma, WA)
Elementary Education

Gwen Michelle Sorem

(Steilacoom, WA)
Elementary & Special Education
cum laude

Heather Marie Starkey

(Puyallup, WA)
Elementary Education

Tracie Lillian Thompson

(Centennial, CO)
Elementary Education

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN
PHYSICAL EDUCATION****Karl Ray Christophersen**

(Shoreline, WA)

Kara Michelle De Armond

(Puyallup, WA)
summa cum laude

Joel Andrew Starr

(Yakima, WA)

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
PHYSICAL EDUCATION****Clare Renee Gahan**

(Tacoma, WA)

Amy Michelle Greenwood

(Longview, WA)

Kaelen Douglas Moore

(Tacoma, WA)

**SCHOOL OF NURSING
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
NURSING****Julie Anne Alexander Abalahin**

(Lakewood, WA)
cum laude

Carol Ann Baker

(Puyallup, WA)
summa cum laude

Kelly Lynne Besett

(University Place, WA)

Aaron Kelly Bradley

(Springfield, OR)

Patricia Lee Bradley

(Tacoma, WA)
cum laude

Darcy Danielle Copeland

(Puyallup, WA)
cum laude

Deborah Marie Csonka

(Graham, WA)
summa cum laude

Melissa Anne de Borja

(Gig Harbor, WA)

Jill Nicole DeBusk

(Tacoma, WA)

Jessica Layne DeMoss

(Enumclaw, WA)

Megan Kathleen Ekiss

(Federal Way, WA)

Rebecca Ann Emlet

(Puyallup, WA)

Erin Lee Farquhar

(Shoreline, WA)

Kara Ann Gjesdal

(Harrisburg, SD)

Katie Lynn Gribble

(Buckley, WA)

Ericka Reneé Hazen

(Ilwaco, WA)

**Charlotte Noel Hinchcliffe-
Niemi**

(Olympia, WA)

Misty Lilinoo Napualokelani

Hug-Smith
(Olympia, WA)

Tamara Ann Iverson

(Enumclaw, WA)
cum laude

Leslie Anne Johnson

(Tacoma, WA)

Ryan Loren Kearney

(Auburn, WA)

Colleen Lucille Kniffen

(Spanaway, WA)
magna cum laude

Biyeun Kweon

(Republic of South Korea)

Kaye Lynn LaFauci

(Lacey, WA)

Genevieve Monet Lawrence

(Federal Way, WA)

Mark Edward McConnell

(Tacoma, WA)

Tiffany-Rose Peralta Mendoza

(Kent, WA)

Karen Gail Montejano

(Federal Way, WA)

Elizabeth Bernice Pearson

(Shelton, WA)
cum laude

Abigail Ann Quintanilla

(Puyallup, WA)
cum laude

Lorraine Ruth Rees

(Yelm, WA)
summa cum laude

Martha Julia Reneau-Jackson

(Fort Lewis, WA)

Callie Lynn Rhee

(Spanaway, WA)

Charity Anne Ridgley
(Steilacoom, WA)

Jana Beth Rinchart
(Lynden, WA)

Laurie Jean Robblee
(Edmonds, WA)
magna cum laude

Alison Noelle Roberts
(Puyallup, WA)
cum laude

Renee Lynn Schuler
(Puyallup, WA)
magna cum laude

Rebeca Maureen Spaulding
(Tacoma, WA)

Nataliya Pavlovna Stavkovy
(Kent, WA)

Cynthia Mae Struckman
(Lakewood, WA)

Pamela Karol Taft
(Fircrest, WA)
magna cum laude

Amy Sarah Werfelmann
(Auburn, WA)

Emily Anne Wilhelm
(Clackamas, OR)
cum laude

Heather Rose Zachara
(Benton City, WA)

GRADUATION HONORS

To earn graduation honors, a student must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 for *cum laude*, 3.75 for *magna cum laude*, and 3.90 average for *summa cum laude*. Graduation honors as listed in the commencement bulleting have been calculated on the basis of courses completed through Summer Term 2007. Final graduation honors, listed on a student's official

transcript and diploma, will be recalculated following the completion of the student's final term.

Participation in a commencement ceremony and/or inclusion of a student's name in the commencement bulletin does not indicate that a degree will be awarded. All degree requirements must be successfully completed by the term deadline for a degree to be awarded.



AWARDS AND HONORS

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS OF GRADUATING STUDENTS

HONOR SOCIETIES

ARETÉ SOCIETY PLU LIBERAL ARTS

Jonna M. Allen
Oanh L. Hoang

BETA ALPHA PSI ACCOUNTING

Craig T. Chiado
Christopher D. Clark
Claudia Davila
Lars-Erik P. Nesvig
Shane W. Richins

BETA GAMMA SIGMA BUSINESS

Claudia Davila
Oanh L. Hoang
Lars-Erik P. Nesvig

OMICROM DELTA *EPSILON* ECONOMICS

Troy J. Andrade

PSI CHI PSYCHOLOGY

Jennifer A. Faupel
Tamara A. Iverson
Sarah L. Lake

SIGMA THETA TAU NURSING

Julie A. Abalahin
Carol A. Baker
Patricia L. Bradley
Darcy D. Copeland
Deborah M. Csonka
Tamara A. Iverson
Colleen L. Kniffen
Elizabeth B. Pearson
Abigail A. Quintanilla
Lorraine R. Rees
Laurie J. Robblee
Alison N. Roberts
Pamela K. Taft
Emily A. Wilhelm

AWARDS & HONORS

Jonna M. Allen
Peter & Lydia Beckman Scholarship

Christopher D. Clark
Margaret Shipley Scholarship

Margaret B. Cox
Peter & Lydia Beckman Scholarship

Kara M. De Armond
*Major of the Year, National
Association for Sport & Physical
Education*

Andrea Dunham
*Bank of America Foundation
Scholarship; Ralph & Celeste Yoder
Scholarship*

Amber E. Fisk
Loren Hildebrand Scholarship

Oanh L. Hoang
*Ernest M. Ankrim/Lutheran
Brotherhood Endowed Scholarship;
Wang Grant Recipient*

Lars-Erik P. Vesvig
Bob Carroll Scholarship

Paul Taladay
Philip G. & Alice Kayser Scholarship

Emmy V. Tjiramba
Wang Grant Recipient

Katherine L. Toop
Margaret Shipley Scholarship

Mark D. Van Gilder
George Davis Scholarship

Matthew Wuerffel
*Paul Liebelt Scholarship; Philip G. &
Alice Kayser Scholarship*

PINNACLE SOCIETY

Troy J. Andrade
Darcy D. Copeland
Sarah L. Lake
Kyle W. Nowadnick
Jacob Schonau-Taylor
Kelly H. Totten
Matthew C. Wuerffel

WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Troy J. Andrade
David R. Christal
Sarah L. Lake

PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY SEAL

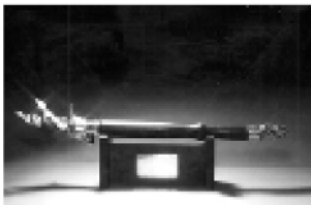


The Pacific Lutheran University Seal was adopted for use when the institution became a university in September 1960. The PLU seal appears on official university documents, including the diploma. The design incorporates elements that symbolize the university's heritage and function. The elliptical shape symbolizes the close relationship between the university and the church, which owns and encompasses the school. The ellipse is an ancient Christian sign that indicates the relationship between God and human. The name of the institution and the date of its founding are appropriately placed along the border.

Central to the design is the ancient

“Chi Rho,” a sign designating Jesus as the Christ and drawn from the cross of the Calvary. The “Chi Rho” is planted in the book, which stands for both the Bible and for the chief tool of the student. Such signs were in common use in the early development of the Christian community. The lamp of learning is traditional in the Western civilization that is our heritage and symbolizes the human search for free knowledge and wisdom. The flame of the lamp illuminates the book. The evergreen tree, perhaps the greatest natural resource of the Pacific Northwest, ties the university to its locale and is symbolic of the abundance of the natural surroundings, as well as our dependence upon it.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY MACE



For centuries, in academic and ecclesiastical processions, a mace has been carried by the marshal to symbolize the official opening and closing of a formal event.

At the base of the walnut staff is a silver pine cone, made from a casting of a cone found on the PLU campus. Its head has a descending dove, representative of the harmonious presence of the Holy Spirit within the learning community.

The cradle bears a plaque which will carry the names of the current and subsequent presidents, as well as the following inscription from Proverbs 4:7, “Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore, get wisdom; Yea, with all thy getting get understanding.”

Designed and created by Tom Torrens, former PLU artist-in-residence.

The Mace was a gift from President-Emeritus and Mrs. William O. Rieke and family, presented at Commencement, 1976.

CEREMONIAL BANNERS



CHALLENGE. SUPPORT. SUCCESS.
At PLU students are challenged to perform at the peak of their ability, given the support they need to meet that challenge and, as a result, they find success to excel in college and in life.

LAMP OF KNOWLEDGE
Symbolic of PLU's commitment to academic excellence and the freedom of inquiry, this graphic was developed in celebration of the university's centennial in 1990.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY
An image representative of the unity of the PLU campus, founded on a commitment to the values of Lutheran higher education.



GENERATIONS OF OAK
Signifying PLU's heritage and tradition, this image depicts the oak sculpture on lower campus dedicated in 1995 by Their Majesties King Harald V and Queen Sonja of Norway.

ELCA GLOBE
This represents PLU's global commitment, and is an adaptation of the logo of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

ROSE WINDOW
A graphic representation of PLU's historic Rose Window located in Eastvold Hall. This logo serves as the university's signature.

ACADEMIC APPAREL

THE COLOR CODE FOR THE MASTERS AND DOCTORAL LEVELS IS AS FOLLOWS:

Agriculture	Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Nugget
Dentistry	Lilac
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts, including Architecture	Brown
Forestry	Russet
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Medicine	Green
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Optometry	Sea Foam Green
Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Pharmacy	Olive Green
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration, including Foreign Service	Peacock Blue
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Science	Cream
Social Work	Citron
Theology	Scarlet
Veterinary Science	Gray

HONORARY DEGREE HOODS:

Doctor of Divinity	Red
Doctor of Law	Purple
Doctor of Humane Letters	White

The chevron on the Pacific Lutheran University honorary degree hood carries the black and gold institutional colors.

The significance of the apparel is indicated especially by the sleeves and hoods. The master's gown has long, closed sleeves and the doctor's gown has bell-shaped sleeves and velvet trimmings.

The master's hood is three and one-half feet in length and the doctor's hood is four feet in length. Hoods are lined with the color or colors of the institution from which the individual received his or her degree.

The colored velvet border of the hood, which is three inches for master's degrees and five inches wide for doctor's degrees, indicates the faculty or field to which the degree pertains.

POST COMMENCEMENT RECEPTION

*Colored banners will designate divisions and schools.
Please greet graduates and their faculty near the appropriate banners.*

DIVISION OF HUMANITIES

White

DIVISION OF NATURAL SCIENCES

Golden Yellow

DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Cream

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND COMMUNICATION

Brown

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Sapphire Blue

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND MOVEMENT STUDIES

Light Blue / Sage Green

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Apricot

