



**COLLEGE OF  
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**  
2026 COMMENCEMENT

**PIU**

# 2026 Commencement Speaker

## Aaron Finley '09, Broadway Actor/Singer



Born and raised in Bozeman, Montana, Aaron C. Finley's career has spanned from coast to coast as a professional actor and singer. Educated at Pacific Lutheran University, he started his career in the Pacific Northwest, appearing in productions at The 5th Avenue Theatre, Village Theatre, ACT, Taproot Theatre, and many others. In 2013, he moved to NYC and began his pursuit of professional theatre at the highest level. He made his Broadway debut that same year as Drew Boley, the leading role in the musical *Rock of Ages*. His other Broadway credits include *It Shoulda Been You*, directed by David Hyde Pierce (Original Company). *Kinky Boots*, directed by Jerry Mitchell and *Moulin Rouge the Musical*, directed by Alex Timbers (Original Company).

You can also find Aaron performing pops symphonies celebrating the music of the 1980s and Phil Collins across North America, including the Seattle Symphony in 2018, as well as singing on feature films: Apple TV's *Spirited*, Disney's *Snow White*, *Lyle The Crocodile*, and most recent Oscar and Grammy-winning hit, *K-Pop Demon Hunters*. He currently resides in Montclair, NJ with his family.

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# 2026 Student Speakers

## Abigail Marie Brown



Abigail Brown is a candidate for the Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree. An Olympia native, she chose PLU because of its reputation for community. From the moment she stepped on campus, she felt welcomed and at home, knowing it was a place where she could grow, learn, and build meaningful connections. Her fondest memory of her PLU experience is dancing to the music at OMM with her fellow baristas, noting that they always had a blast together. Following graduation, Abigail has accepted a position as an Equal Opportunity Specialist in hiring at the University of Idaho.

## Sarah Lindsay Rushing



Sarah Rushing is a candidate for degrees in Elementary Education, with an Endorsement in Reading (BAE), and in Communication, with a Concentration in Film and Media Studies (BAC). A proud PLU student, she chose the university for its small class sizes and generous financial aid, which allowed her to build direct, meaningful relationships with her professors and classmates. Her fondest memories at PLU include the chaotic yet cherished print nights spent with the staff at The Mast, where she forged some of her closest friendships and found a true sense of community. Following graduation, Sarah plans to pursue a career in teaching or communication while continuing her passions for writing and dance.

# Commencement

OLSON AUDITORIUM  
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026, 7:00 PM

## Academic Processional

*(Audience is requested to be seated for the processional)*

“Processional of Joy”

Lawrence J. Meyer (1928-96), Former Professor of Music, PLU  
University Symphony Orchestra (Pre-recorded)

UNIVERSITY MARSHAL	Jeff Clapp, Associate Professor of Theatre
FACULTY MARSHALS	James Brown, Professor of Music
	Xiaohong Fan, Associate Professor of Business

## Invocation

The Rev. Jen Rude, University Pastor

## Greetings

Joanna Gregson, Provost, Professor of Sociology  
Allan Belton, President

## Faculty Retirements

Cameron Bennett, Dean of the College of Professional Studies, Professor of Music

FACULTY RETIREES

Ron Byrnes, Associate Professor of Education

## Reflections

PLU STUDENT SPEAKERS

Abigail Marie Brown

Sarah Lindsay Rushing

## Dean’s Awards For Excellence

Cameron Bennett, Dean of the College of Professional Studies, Professor of Music

## Commencement Address

Aaron Finley '09, Broadway Actor/Singer

## Conferral of Degrees

Allan Belton, President

### **GRADUATE DEGREES**

#### SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Allison Drago, Executive Director of Educational Leadership

John Wright, Associate Dean, Assistant Professor of Education

#### SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Juanita Reed, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Business

### **UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES**

#### SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Juanita Reed, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Business

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION, MEDIA & DESIGN ARTS

Heather Mathews, Chair, Associate Professor of Art History

#### SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

John Wright, Associate Dean, Assistant Professor of Education

#### SCHOOL OF MUSIC, THEATRE & DANCE

Brian Galante, Associate Dean, Professor of Music

Jeff Clapp, Artistic Director, Associate Professor of Theatre & Dance

## Closing Comments

Allan Belton, President

## Prayer and Benediction

The Rev. Jen Rude, University Pastor

## Recessional

*(Audience is requested to be seated for the recessional)*

“Processional of Joy”

University Symphony Orchestra (Pre-recorded)

## College of Professional Studies After Ceremony Celebration

*Immediately following the Commencement Ceremony*

This event is open to all College of Professional Studies graduates, their families, and special guests.

Foss Field

# Pacific Lutheran University

Pacific Lutheran University serves approximately 2,700 students through academically rigorous liberal arts and professional programs on a 156-acre woodland campus in Parkland, Washington. Founded in 1890 by Norwegian immigrants, PLU is a private university affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, committed to preparing students for lives of thoughtful inquiry, service, leadership, and care. PLU offers a range of pathways across more than 40 undergraduate majors, as well as graduate and accelerated programs, including a nationally-recognized nursing program.

At PLU, students learn in a highly personalized environment, with small class sizes and regular interaction with faculty. All classes are taught by faculty, fostering meaningful mentorship and collaborative learning. The university enrolls a diverse student body, with nearly half identifying as students of color and many first-generation college students, with students coming from 33 states and 37 countries.

Rooted in Lutheran higher education, PLU emphasizes the concept of vocation, encouraging students to explore

life's big questions and pursue work that is both fulfilling and impactful. PLU seeks to blend the classroom and community, facilitating unique learning experiences through undergraduate and graduate research, professional practice, internships, and community collaborations in the region and around the world.

The first American university to hold study away classes on all seven continents simultaneously, PLU is recognized for its leadership in global education, earning the prestigious Senator Paul Simon Award for Campus Internationalization. PLU is also named among the Best Colleges in the West for 2026 by The Princeton Review and earned the 2025 NWCCU Beacon Award for Excellence in Student Achievement and Success.

Campus life includes more than 50 clubs and organizations, 40+ intramural leagues, 12+ music ensembles, and over 100 concerts and theatre performances each year, alongside 18 NCAA Division III varsity teams. PLU also hosts an Emmy Award-winning MediaLab and a MacArthur Award-winning detachment of Army ROTC.

## 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.

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

The cradle bears a plaque with 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 of former President and Mrs. William O. Rieke and family, presented at Commencement 1976.*

## Symbol & Ritual

The Commencement ceremony is a celebration of the Pacific Lutheran University community and all it represents. It opens with a set stage, including banners and symbols representing aspects of the University.

When the Academic Procession begins, the University Marshal carries the PLU Mace, representing the academic

authority and independence of the University. The University Marshal is followed by the Graduates, the Faculty, and the distinguished members of the Platform Party.

The whole PLU community, in its rich diversity, participates in this celebration.

## Academic Dress

Academic dress has its origins in clerical dress of the medieval church. PLU adheres to the national standards of academic dress established in 1895 and maintained by the American Council on Education.

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

Hoods are lined with the colors of the institution from which the individual received their degree. The colored velvet border of the hood indicates the faculty or field to which the degree pertains.

The lining of the Pacific Lutheran University hood carries the black and gold institutional colors.

All cultural heritage adornments and objects of cultural significance are also welcome as approved regalia for ceremonies.

## The Centennial Bell



The Centennial Bell is located at the heart of the Pacific Lutheran University campus, across from the Karen Hille Phillips Center for the Performing Arts on the red-brick quadrangle known colloquially as Red Square and officially as Centennial Plaza.

Each year, on the first day of classes, the bell is rung to announce the arrival of the new class on campus and the beginning of the Convocation ceremony opening the new academic year. The ceremonial ringing of a replica of the Centennial Bell is repeated at the time of Commencement to announce the graduation of the class.

The Centennial Bell was dedicated on May 27, 1990, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Pacific Lutheran University. It was a gift from the 11th President, Dr. William O. Rieke, and his wife, Joanne Rieke. The Centennial Bell and its replica were created by sculptor Tom Torrens, former PLU Artist in Residence.

## University Seal



The Pacific Lutheran University Rose Window Seal was officially adopted by the Board of Regents on Oct. 14, 2012, replacing the seal that had been in use since September 1960. The PLU seal appears on all official documents, including the diploma. The Rose Window design is the iconic symbol of the university, and was designed by former Director of Communications Paul Porter in 1975. Porter drew his inspiration for the seal from the 8-foot-diameter stained-glass Rose Window located above the entrance to the Karen Hille Phillips Center for the Performing Arts that acts as a backdrop for the altar in the Ness Family Chapel. The distinctive Rose Window represents the history and tradition of the institution, speaks to its Lutheran heritage, and is seen as a recognizable symbol that connects the students of today with generations of alumni.

## Graduation Honors

Undergraduate Degree Candidates receiving graduation honors at Commencement wear the PLU Graduation Honors Cord (a single black, gold, and white cord). To earn graduation honors, a student must have a minimum of 32 hours at PLU and a cumulative PLU grade point average of 3.50 for *cum laude*, 3.75 for *magna cum laude* and 3.90 for *summa cum laude*.

Graduation honors, as listed in the Commencement bulletin, have been calculated on the basis of courses completed

through January Term 2026. 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.

# Ceremonial Banners

## THE LUTHER ROSE

Also known as the Luther Seal, this is the most recognized symbol of Lutheranism around the world. Martin Luther personally designed this coat of arms and used it from 1520 until his death in 1546. The banner symbolizes the University's Lutheran affiliation.



## PLU'S FIRST SEAL

This seal, with an image of Mount Rainier and the motto "Build for Character," was Pacific Lutheran College's first official seal. The 1942 catalog read: "The motto expresses succinctly the aim of the school."



## PLU'S SECOND SEAL

This seal was adopted when the institution resumed the name and status of a university in 1960; it appears on official university documents from 1960 to 2012. The design incorporates elements that symbolize the University's heritage and mission, including a "Chi Rho," an abbreviation of the first two letters of "Christ" in Greek; the book of knowledge; the lamp of learning; and an evergreen tree symbolizing the Pacific Northwest.



## THE CROWNED LION OF NORWAY

The rampant crowned lion bearing a golden axe with a silver blade on a red background is the central element of the coat of arms of Norway. Dating from the 13th century, it is among the oldest state coats of arms remaining in contemporary use. The banner symbolizes the University's Norwegian heritage.



## THE ROSE WINDOW SEAL

This is the official seal of Pacific Lutheran University. It represents PLU's historic Rose Window, located in the Ness Family Chapel at the top of the Karen Hille Phillips Center for the Performing Arts. The distinctive Rose Window represents the history and tradition of the institution, speaks to its Lutheran heritage and connects students of today with generations of alumni. The PLU Board of Regents officially adopted this seal on Oct. 14, 2012, replacing one that had been used since 1960. The banner symbolizes the authority of the University.

**DOCTOR OF EDUCATION**

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Thomas William Mark Adams  
 Kevin Martin Alfano  
 Jennifer Lynn Appel  
 Jonathan Bell  
 Mel Boyd  
 Julie Fairall  
 Chad Joseph Honig  
 Melissa Jean Kaasa  
 Deserae Jean Kuring  
 Paul Robert Marquardt  
 Lainey Mathews  
 David Kaina McColgan  
 Melissa Marie Munson-Merritt  
 Lysandra D. M. Ness  
 Bernadette Cecile Ray  
 Iva Scott  
 Julie Ann Shultz-Bartlett  
 Brent Douglas Whitmarsh

**DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE**

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Matthew Richard Anderson  
 Elizabeth Margaret Cardozo  
 Cathy S. Elder  
 Reya Marie Grossmann  
 Ellie R. Hendrickson  
 Carly Hodgman  
 Ameena Hoosein  
 Kendra Lyn Hoyt  
 Deborah Paula Lim  
 Marisa Dianna Mack  
 Bonface Maina Muniu  
 Alexandra Kate Rose  
 Shukri Nur Salah  
 Cecily Eunjung Stone  
 Anna-Marie Caitlyn Elizabeth Welle  
 Jamie Anne Wilson

**MASTER OF ARTS**

***Marriage & Family Therapy***

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Tuka Almusawi  
 Emily Ballew  
 Flannery Blair  
 Freda Chana Edwards-Rock  
 Chrissandra Ann Galipeau  
 Sara Udem Hale  
 Lexy Hansen  
 Sarah Hayes  
 Alyssa Marie Hilliker  
 Kylie Holt  
 Alexandra Joy Jacobson  
 Audrey Merete Huan Xiang Johnson  
 Jack B. Johnson  
 Anika Grace Teredesai Karp  
 Maya Maher Kattan  
 Anastasha Nicole Moreno  
 Whitley Marie Prater  
 Ashley Raburn

Priscilla Johnson Schwab  
 Stephanie Shunk  
 Chrysta Storm

**MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION**

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John Barrett Bollen  
 Kyle Johann Bradshaw  
 Maribel Consuelo Brady  
 John K. Bush II  
 Jesus Del Rosario Cardenas  
 Kate Marie Cendejas Thun  
 Nathaniel Edge  
 Blake Jun Evert  
 Jazmin R. Garcia Hernandez  
 Suzanne Rochelle Harmon  
 Braeden A. Hemphill  
 Shannon Haiey Jex  
 Kelly EG Johnson  
 Synterra Nylece Jones  
 Abigail Roucepha Kahl  
 Sean Patrick Kierce  
 Heather K. Kovacs  
 Drew Edward Kraft  
 Blake M. Leahy  
 Tristan Joy Leder  
 Cameron Michelle Lee  
 Oliver Mayberry  
 William C. Maze Jr.  
 Meghan Jane McKay  
 Gerrit R. Minnema  
 Bryan Joseph Mundell  
 Calvin Lynn Pederson  
 Darwin Dion Peters II  
 Hannelore Ruth Schreder Peters  
 Madeline Pimentel Diaz  
 Miguel Angel Plancarte Ceja  
 Titus P. Powers  
 Nataly R. Reynoso  
 Marisol Angelina Rivera  
 Kaytlynn Ivy Summer Storm Smith  
 Naomi Tanner Smith  
 Darek Allen Solomon  
 Audrey Elayne Williams  
 Evelyn Zuniga Morales

**MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

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Marquesa Allen  
 Abigail Marie Brown  
 Owen Patrick Brummel  
 Cedar Graham  
 Brandin J. Groat  
 Gregory James Hamilton  
 Connor J. Kaczkowski  
 Ethan Z. Keintz  
 Racquel Darlene McCullough  
 Seamus Christopher Miller  
 Jessica Nimtz  
 Prestin D. Reed

Mahayla Rae Richardson  
 Cole Patrick Sargent  
 Isabella Paulina Solorzano  
 Kenneth W. Sullivan  
 Keagan Graham Turner  
 Jonelle White

**MASTER OF FINE ARTS**  
***Creative Writing***

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Sharina Renee' Tanoy Black  
 Gloria D. Bromberg  
 Eric Callahan  
 Krista Lee Hanson  
 Kerry J. Heckman  
 Timothy Carl Johansson  
 Keana Marie Aguila Labra  
 Myrna C. G. Mibus  
 Tiffany Pate  
 Marnie Ritchie  
 Martin Alejandro Salgado  
 Milosz Konstanty Szyszka  
 Travis Timmons  
 Cheryl Jean Waitkevich

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING**

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Jude Joseph Pasion Aguon  
 Laki Ali  
 Claudia Kix Bintingier  
 Payton Hanna Brose  
 Judy Ann Caberto Cabico  
 Jenni Chang  
 Adriana Pachuca Cruson  
 Allison L. Dubbs  
 Madison D. Emery  
 Adam Haley  
 Alexia Hang  
 Tosha R. Hollingsworth  
 Tran Thuy Truc Huynh  
 Naomi Kayaro Jumba  
 Oredolapo Oyindamola Kartchner  
 Leanne Patrice Kehoe  
 Madison Elizabeth Martz  
 Huma Mohsinuddin Munshi  
 Jackline Mukami Muriithi  
 Monica O'Neil  
 Aaron Lee Powell  
 Bellul Samson  
 See Thao  
 Jessika Noelle Wynn  
 Johanna Zamora

**MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK**

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April Apo'l Abrizado  
 Valeria Alvarez  
 Mariah Anderson  
 Ashley Marie Blackwell  
 Audrey Lisa Bonn

**Pushpa Chandwaney**  
**Gabrielle Duncan Cleveland**  
**Tiffany May Cooney**  
**Lisa Lyn D'Andrea**  
**Logan Andrew Denen**  
**Brandon James Ducusin**  
**Sanna M. Gambish**  
**Zoneice Laleitha Grose**  
**Hailey A. Guerrero**  
**Gracie Marie Hansen**  
**Sara Elaine Hellums**  
**Karalee L. James**  
**Leah Livingston**  
**Maria Elena Lozano**  
**Levander Eldon Maertens**  
**Alondra Lizeth Mendoza Saavedra**  
**Alyssa Murphy**  
**Ilania Rhiannon Pacatte**  
**Lilyanna Angeli Reed**  
**Rowan Anthony Reininga**  
**Rebeca Geraldin Salinas Flores**  
**Victoria Christine Schultz**  
**Ariana Camille Tiangco**  
**Kathryn Margaret Tower**  
**Rayleah Trice**  
**Krystal Leigh VonGnatensky**  
**Derricka Watson Dockery**

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

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**Naufal Kamran Alavi**  
 Economics  
*summa cum laude*  
**Paige N. Almanza**  
 Chemistry  
**Maxwell David Anderson**  
 Global Studies, Hispanic Studies  
*cum laude*  
**Arelí Arauja Ruiz**  
 Global Studies, Political Science  
*magna cum laude*  
**Sofia Maryam Arif**  
 English, Psychology  
*summa cum laude*  
**Garrett Eugene Armbruster**  
 Earth Science  
**Keren Ashley Asanji Madison**  
 Biology  
*cum laude*  
**Sara Angela Atwood**  
 Criminal Justice  
**Jonathan Kawika-Likeke Bacos**  
 Criminal Justice  
*cum laude*  
**Fay D. Ballerino**  
 English/Writing  
**Olivia Hope Benitez**  
 Psychology  
**Christopher Jaiden Brice**  
 Computer Science  
**Skye Marie Brist**  
 Environmental Studies

**Reina Lei Domingo Buen**  
 Computer Science  
**Pearl Desiree Sampilo Bull**  
 English  
**Rowan Corisse Burk**  
 English  
*magna cum laude*  
**Karla Isabel Calixto**  
 Hispanic Studies  
*magna cum laude*  
**Keaton McClain Calvert**  
 Physics  
*magna cum laude*  
**Angel A. Campos-Ramos**  
 History  
**Adia Marie Carei**  
 Psychology  
*magna cum laude*  
**Abigail Jewell Francis Carr**  
 Religion  
*magna cum laude*  
**Presley Cheryl Clark**  
 Studio Arts  
*summa cum laude*  
**Rachel Elizabeth Cowman**  
 History  
*summa cum laude*  
**Gabriel J.W. Davis**  
 Interdisciplinary Studies  
**Wyatt Avery Davis**  
 Criminal Justice  
**Margaret Birkeland Dobbins**  
 Environmental Studies  
*cum laude*  
**Anelia Mae Ankova Draper**  
 Environmental Studies  
**Cristina Elguero-Mateo**  
 Criminal Justice  
**Kennedy Ann Elias**  
 Biology, Environmental Studies  
**Karsen Elizabeth Ferreira**  
 History, Religion  
*magna cum laude*  
**Susanne Finn-Taulango**  
 Interdisciplinary Studies  
*cum laude*  
**Calvin R. Fisk**  
 Earth Science  
**Ava Theresa Foley Helton**  
 Economics  
*magna cum laude*  
**Colby Jess Frazier**  
 Criminal Justice  
**Autumn Olivia Freeman**  
 Environmental Studies  
*summa cum laude*  
**Chloe Adele Froeschner**  
 Studio Arts  
*summa cum laude*  
**Taylor Mackenzie Galbreath**  
 Psychology  
*cum laude*

**Brennan Garate-Flores**  
 Criminal Justice  
*cum laude*  
**Constantina Maria Gianoulas**  
 Interdisciplinary Studies  
*summa cum laude*  
**Savannah Goble**  
 Psychology  
**Abbey Joan Goetz**  
 English  
*magna cum laude*  
**Raven Socorro Gonzales**  
 Religion  
**Kyle Wayne Gough**  
 Music  
**Katherine Margaret Gunter**  
 History  
*summa cum laude*  
**Brianna Nicole Haddenham**  
 Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies,  
 Psychology, Religion  
**Anna Haneda**  
 Economics  
*magna cum laude*  
**Kevin Bridger Hanis**  
 History  
**Kristen Nicole Hewett**  
 English  
*magna cum laude*  
**Katelyn Marie Hight**  
 Political Science  
*summa cum laude*  
**Bryan Scott Hockmuth**  
 Economics  
*cum laude*  
**Justice Rose Holmes**  
 Studio Arts  
**Emmett Holt**  
 Sociology  
*cum laude*  
**Corina Lee Houseworth**  
 Studio Arts  
*summa cum laude*  
**Micheal E. Hughes**  
 English/Writing  
*summa cum laude*  
**Sabrina Rose Humphrey**  
 Earth Science  
**Perla A. Ibarra Corral**  
 Psychology  
**Damaris Kaylene Ibrahim**  
 Interdisciplinary Studies  
*cum laude*  
**Donovan Malik Jefferson**  
 Biology  
*cum laude*  
**Andrew James Chapman Johnson**  
 Political Science  
*cum laude*  
**Morghana Johannah Jolley**  
 English  
*magna cum laude*

**Laneeka Lorene Jones**

English  
*magna cum laude*

**Grace Elizabeth Karns**

Criminal Justice  
*cum laude*

**Lereena Jae Kerley**

Criminal Justice

**Hannah Day Khatter**

Philosophy  
*magna cum laude*

**Pradeep Felix Krishna**

Biology

**Adi Chang Ping Kung**

English/Writing, Religion

**Erika Marie Tomiko LeBlanc**

Political Science  
*summa cum laude*

**Amanda Leigh Lee**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies,  
History

**Luana Elizabeth Le'Iato**

Economics, Environmental Studies

**Jaquie Nileen León**

English  
*magna cum laude*

**Natalia Marie Leuzzi**

Psychology  
*magna cum laude*

**Gus Maxwell Livermore**

History, Religion  
*cum laude*

**Ashley Arled Lopez Mora**

Hispanic Studies, Political Science  
*summa cum laude*

**Kendall Deanne MacDonald**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies,  
Psychology, Sociology  
*summa cum laude*

**Katherine Beatrice Marchant**

Psychology  
*summa cum laude*

**Issabella Rose Marchio**

Environmental Studies  
*summa cum laude*

**Jackson Henry Matthews**

Psychology

**Ellen Julia Maxfield**

Environmental Studies  
*summa cum laude*

**Benjamin Kirk McCarthy**

English  
*cum laude*

**Xyonia Lea McDonald**

Chinese Studies

**Katelyn Noelle McDougal**

English  
*cum laude*

**Emmalee McKenzie**

Biology

**Melanie Viktorovna Mikshanskaya**

Psychology, Religion  
*summa cum laude*

**Michael John Miller**

History  
*magna cum laude*

**Katherine Judith Moloney**

Art History, Studio Arts

*magna cum laude*

**Nataly Denise Morales**

Psychology

*cum laude*

**Destinie Morales Gonzalez**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies,  
Hispanic Studies

*cum laude*

**Sophia Helen Muir**

Global Studies, Hispanic Studies

*magna cum laude*

**Davine Mwithiga Mungai**

Computer Science, Sociology

**Shiori Nakayama**

Computer Science

*summa cum laude*

**Gairet Eugene Nason**

Environmental Studies, Geosciences

**Richard Nguyen**

Environmental Studies

*cum laude*

**Jessica Corrine Nichols**

History  
*summa cum laude*

**Maryjane Marie Norton**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies

**Adalia Rosi Olmos**

Criminal Justice

*summa cum laude*

**Gracielle Anne Osera**

Biology

**Michelle Lynn Owen**

English, Gender, Sexuality & Race  
Studies

**Ashlee Rose Owens**

Psychology

*cum laude*

**Meadow Lee Payne**

Criminal Justice

**Lyra Leavella Pennington-Davis**

Criminal Justice, Studio Arts

*magna cum laude*

**Dominic Joseph Perasso**

Psychology

**Cooper Garthwaite Perez**

History, Theatre

*cum laude*

**Emma Marie Peters**

Sociology

*summa cum laude*

**Alex Joy Petrovic**

Psychology

**Lorianne Kanani Price**

Environmental Studies

**Joseph Michael Quenga Jr.**

Physics

*cum laude*

**Ashna Sophia Ram**

Criminal Justice

*cum laude*

**Jaylene Ramirez Velazquez**

Hispanic Studies

*magna cum laude*

**Jaci Rae Raugust**

Criminal Justice

**Nirvana Reyes Aguirre**

Sociology

*cum laude*

**Nattalie Robatty-Llerena**

Hispanic Studies, Psychology

*magna cum laude*

**Beverly Rachel Romero**

Psychology

**Josue Raziel Rosas-Villarreal**

Criminal Justice

**Mia Meiyu Ruhoff**

Chinese Studies, English

*summa cum laude*

**Derek Victor Ruymann**

Criminal Justice

**Kurtis A. Sacksteder**

Economics

**Josie Mae Sanders**

Religion

*cum laude*

**Merret Mundorff Schaeperkoetter**

Biology

*cum laude*

**Stella Zoé Schena-Gordon**

Political Science

**Emma Shepard**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies

*summa cum laude*

**Patrick Lee Shephard**

English/Literature

**Ciera Pualani Simmonds**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies

*summa cum laude*

**Katlyne Annice Smith**

History

*summa cum laude*

**Marissa Marie Smith**

Biology

*cum laude*

**Sarah Gabriella Smith**

Psychology

*cum laude*

**Alisa Sokolova**

Economics

*magna cum laude*

**Robert Allen Ray Spicer**

Psychology

*cum laude*

**Nya Simone Spivey**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies,

Global Studies

*magna cum laude*

**Aj William Stepina**

Biology

**Mau Salota Tanielu**

Criminal Justice

**Sunny Marie Taylor**

Criminal Justice

*summa cum laude*

**Savannah Rose Thacker**

Interdisciplinary Studies, Psychology

**Dylan James Thompson**

History

*cum laude*

**Bridget Helen Tillery**

History, Interdisciplinary Studies

*summa cum laude*

**Jon Erik Tolo**

Physics

*magna cum laude*

**Leah Alizabeth Turner**

Criminal Justice

*cum laude*

**Madison Sergent**

Physics

**Dayana Valencia Soto**

Hispanic Studies, Psychology

**Logan James VanDenburg**

Biology, Philosophy

*summa cum laude*

**Joshua Robert Vetsch**

Sociology

**Taezha Kea-Marie Watson**

Gender, Sexuality & Race Studies

*summa cum laude*

**Jack Williams**

Physics

**Tyler Mekhi Williams**

Criminal Justice

**Catherine Elizabeth Winford**

Chinese Studies, English

*summa cum laude*

**Jaleigha Kevonna Winstead-Jackson**

Psychology

*cum laude*

**Solveig Thya Wolter**

History

*summa cum laude*

**Allen Deion Yee**

Psychology

*cum laude*

**Madison Elizabeth Zantello**

Music

**Rorie Leigh Zurfluh**

Criminal Justice

*summa cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

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**Darius Anthony Myles Chaffin**

Greysen Morris Dagsaan-Phillips

Chloe Adele Froeschner

*summa cum laude*

**Miram Joy Greer**

Kiana Monét Gutierrez

Lola Lillian Cuixia Hengst

*magna cum laude*

Abby Marie Jackson

*magna cum laude*

Andrew James Chapman Johnson

*cum laude*

Lance Bajeta Maligaya

*magna cum laude*

Issabella Rose Marchio

*summa cum laude*

Eric William Pommer

Adrian Restrepo

*cum laude*

Tiffany Sharron Riffey

*magna cum laude*

Sarah L. Rushing

*summa cum laude*

Benjamin Paul Lucky Shjerven

*cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

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Ashawna-Leigh Mealaha'ole Bicoy

*cum laude*

Kaleonahe Kalehuawehe

'Ualanakilame'ekupa'amekahaku

Bukoski

Blake J. Clausen

*cum laude*

Ahmira Marie Elyard-Jaeger

*summa cum laude*

Addisen Deighann Hering

*summa cum laude*

Joshua Michael Holder

Amari Prince Jackson

Jaden Judah Lash

*cum laude*

Maddison Nicole Mcknight

*summa cum laude*

Kayla Marie Ong

*summa cum laude*

Zina Ben-hail Palma Rosales

*magna cum laude*

Shaoraina Ann Powell

*cum laude*

Emma Prynne-Nance

*summa cum laude*

Gillian Hunter Renzullo

*magna cum laude*

Kristen Nicole Ronning

*summa cum laude*

Sarah L. Rushing

*summa cum laude*

Brianne Salgado

*cum laude*

Tyson Howard Shea

Sydney Shae Sparks

*magna cum laude*

Emalee Rae Wheaton

Taylor Lynne Wiggins

*summa cum laude*

Kalaiakea Aaron Yap

Iana Roman Zlipca

*magna cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF ARTS IN KINESIOLOGY

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Chana Erlinda Alonzo Miguel

Carson Tyler Burke

Jordan Ann Freer

Kekoa Hedeki Kaninau Ho'okala

Meyers

Saisha Morales

Braeden

Kamanaonapu'uwaiikahenapū

Samura

Rutger Owen Youch

## BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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Suhaib Hussein Ali

*cum laude*

Melody Nemenzo Ammons

*magna cum laude*

Mattias John Anderson

*magna cum laude*

Tobias Andrade

*cum laude*

Jonah Andrews

*magna cum laude*

Miguel Angel Bautista-Buys

Rochne Beecham

Coraima Y. Birrueta Samayoa

Audrey Blais

Julian Brown

Jaimee Ellen Cagle

Karissa Elisabeth Kim Capps

Vanessa Isabel Carrillo Retana

Joseph Michael Chastain

*magna cum laude*

Marqesse Miguella Christinia

Kayla Marie Contreras

Alexander Coope

Elizabeth Alexia Cruz Aguilar

Andrei Cruz Gonzalez

Alexie Ann Hailiopia Ayako

Domingo

Jalen Jermaine Edwards

Jase Kekoaui Okuhama Ellamar

Suli Elizabeth Fa'alogu

**Caleb Gienger**

*cum laude*

**Salina Saluse Gonzales**

**Mackinley Robert Hepper**

**Christopher Lowell Scott Hess**

*cum laude*

**Hoda Jalalediny**

*magna cum laude*

**Hayden Earl Kaiser**

*cum laude*

**Kaia Grace Kidd**

*magna cum laude*

**Carmen Nicole Kiewert**

*magna cum laude*

**Kseniya Konstantinovna Korrell**

**Seth Douglas Kramer**

**Logan Adam Krum**

**Yaritzel Leal**

*cum laude*

**Declan Chase Long**

**Braeden Wise Lundberg**

**Soraya Isabel Martinez**

**Bella Grace McGill**

**Daniele Giuseppe Meloni**

*cum laude*

**Christopher Ray Moreno**

**Hiro Nagahama-Sequera**

*magna cum laude*

**Miles Thomas Nash**

*summa cum laude*

**Keelie-Anne Sayuri Ohta**

*cum laude*

**Gabriel Thomas Ortiz**

**Marcus Andreas Otto**

*summa cum laude*

**Gabrielle Agaletaua Paopao**

*cum laude*

**Lucio Penalzoa Jr.**

*magna cum laude*

**Brody Legrand Phinney**

**Dirk Steven Plakinger**

*magna cum laude*

**Danielle Elise Poulin**

**Jacob Ryan Prewett**

*cum laude*

**Chase Jeffrey Pringle**

*cum laude*

**Liam M. Rasmus**

**Logan David Ready**

**Mark Ruprecht**

*magna cum laude*

**Kurtis A. Sacksteder**

**Brettalene Castro Santos**

**Jacob Eric Schuh**

*cum laude*

**Myha Anne Sirianni**

*magna cum laude*

**McKinsey Sissel**

*cum laude*

**Alisa Sokolova**

*magna cum laude*

**Kai Jacob Sorensen**

*magna cum laude*

**Ian Andrew Tiedeman**

**Sally Bernadette Timo**

*cum laude*

**Joseph Ryan Todaro**

*cum laude*

**Steve O. Ukpoma**

**Xianjue Zhang**

**Daniel A. Zimmer**

*summa cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

**Caden James Ankrom**

Studio Arts

*magna cum laude*

**Presley Cheryl Clark**

Theatre

*summa cum laude*

**Axel Johan Ericson**

Studio Arts

*magna cum laude*

**Addison Grace Keller**

Theatre

*cum laude*

**Kiana Lee Kendall**

Theatre

*cum laude*

**Kasey Nicole Fusayo Kindzerski**

Studio Arts

*magna cum laude*

**Erika Marie Tomiko LeBlanc**

Theatre

*summa cum laude*

**Kyra McCloud**

Theatre

*cum laude*

**Oscar Carl Erik Oberg**

Theatre

**Makayla I. Sterbick**

Studio Arts

*magna cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF MUSIC

**Devin Borinquen Bianchi-Rivera**

*magna cum laude*

**Evelina A. Bozhko**

*cum laude*

**Benjamin Noble Coats**

**James D. Gibson**

*summa cum laude*

**Sabien Lawrence Kinchlow-**

**McConnaughey**

**Kade Elisha Levien**

*summa cum laude*

**Emily Rose Morse**

*summa cum laude*

**Evan Nakanishi**

*summa cum laude*

**Marisa Hanul Robbins**

*cum laude*

**Josie Mae Sanders**

*cum laude*

**Claire Joy Schwartz**

**Cassidy Vernon Stanhope**

**Courtney Lynn Stark**

*cum laude*

**Anna Lucille Tangedahl**

*summa cum laude*

**Mariana Vargas**

*cum laude*

## BACHELOR OF MUSIC EDUCATION

**Janelle Ann Barlow**

*summa cum laude*

**Janelle Vichana Chin**

**Jude Faith Forrest Hornby**

*cum laude*

**Sabien Lawrence Kinchlow-**

**McConnaughey**

**Kaitlynn Cory Koehn**

**Paulina Helene Kormos**

*cum laude*

**Marisa Hanul Robbins**

*cum laude*

**Jenea Ruth Staples**

**Anna Joy Yee**

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

**Esmeralda Acuña Gaspar**

Biology

**Marlouie Lacuesta Aguilar**

Applied Physics

*cum laude*

**Naufal Kamran Alavi**

Applied Mathematics

*summa cum laude*

**Alyssa Kate Anderson**

Physics

*cum laude*

**Layne Manuel Barton**

Biology

**Yonatan Getaneh Bayeh**

Computer Science

*cum laude*

**Quinn Richard Bieber**

Chemistry

*cum laude*

**Peter Jack Binstock**

Biology

**Gavin Alexander Bonham**

Computer Science

**Michael William Brown**

Chemistry

**Meghan Rose Buchanan**

Applied Mathematics, Computer

Science

*summa cum laude*

**Jeffrey Nathaniel Buetow**

Chemistry, Physics

*summa cum laude*

**Keaton McClain Calvert**

Computer Science

*magna cum laude*

**Abigail Jewell Francis Carr**

Mathematics

*magna cum laude*

**Anna Elizabeth Chaffee**

Mathematics Education

*magna cum laude*

**Morgan Choate-Deeds**

Applied Physics

**Alexander John Chu**

Biology

**Steven T. Chu**

Biochemistry

*cum laude*

**Michael Angelo Diaz Cortes**

Biology

**Morgan Jean Dlhj**

Biology

*magna cum laude*

**Connor G. Douglas**

Biology

**Olivia Judine Gaebe**

Biology

**Paola Monique Garcia**

Biology

**Nancy Joanna Garcia Rodriguez**

Psychology

**Jaquelin Guzman**

Applied Physics

**Biniam Gebrewold Hailu**

Applied Mathematics, Computer  
Science

*summa cum laude*

**Toby Hartson**

Biology

*cum laude*

**Joseph Gerald Haugen**

Biology

*cum laude*

**Christian Kamakaala-Kenichi Hirata**

Biology

*summa cum laude*

**Ina Hong**

Biology

*magna cum laude*

**Angela Itzel Jimenez**

Psychology

**Nour Kaleia**

Psychology

**Evnika Andriyevna Kukhar**

Biology

**Megan Elizabeth Landes**

Biology

*summa cum laude*

**Vincent Cong An Le**

Applied Physics

*magna cum laude*

**Andrew Park Lee**

Applied Mathematics, Computer

Science

*magna cum laude*

**Abel Legesse**

Computer Science

*summa cum laude*

**Kade Elisha Levien**

Computer Science

*summa cum laude*

**Seane Yechiel Lopez**

Biology

**Maximiliano Lopez-Garibaldi**

Computer Science

*magna cum laude*

**David Luna Guitron**

Applied Mathematics, Computer

Science

*magna cum laude*

**Trislyn Kimi Maeda**

Psychology

*summa cum laude*

**Ellen Julia Maxfield**

Biology

*summa cum laude*

**Kira Marie Mettler**

Computer Science

*summa cum laude*

**Shiori Nakayama**

Applied Physics

*summa cum laude*

**Randy Van Nguyen**

Computer Science

*magna cum laude*

**Cody Dean Nutter**

Computer Science

*cum laude*

**Jonathan Rogelio Ochoa Franco**

Applied Physics, Computer Science

*cum laude*

**Cooper Irene Posada**

Biology

*cum laude*

**Joseph Michael Quenga Jr.**

Mathematics

*cum laude*

**Sydney Elizabeth Reisner**

Mathematics

*cum laude*

**Ralizza Michele Rosales**

Biology

**Shahida Roufai**

Biology

**Avigail Salazar-Martinez**

Biology

**Gabriel Earl Sanders**

Computer Science

*summa cum laude*

**Jannah Ruth Moral Santonil**

Psychology

**Yuta Shimazu**

Data Science

*magna cum laude*

**Lydianna Hope Smith**

Psychology

*magna cum laude*

**Marissa Marie Smith**

Psychology

*cum laude*

**Koen Maklane Solis**

Applied Physics

*cum laude*

**Sovanda Son**

Computer Science

**Allison Grace Tattar**

Biology

*cum laude*

**Ashley Marie Teague**

Psychology

**Benjamin Thompson**

Chemistry

*cum laude*

**Vivian Leakena Tra**

Biology

**James L. Tran**

Psychology

**Bryant Truong**

Computer Science

*cum laude*

**Emi S. Wada**

Biology

*summa cum laude*

**Abigail L. Winkler**

Biology

*summa cum laude*

**Marvin Noel Wocheslander**

Computer Science

**Viktoria Lyn Yeager**

Psychology

*summa cum laude*

**Lia Nichole Zabolski**

Biochemistry

*cum laude*

**Emiliano Zuniga**

Biology

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN KINESIOLOGY

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**Markus Larry Guieb Apolonio**

**Jovanna Campillo Matadamas**

**Noah Vaughn Childress**

**Aron Joshua Daley**

**Jacob Paul de Leon**

**Haley Kimiko Leilani Goto**

*magna cum laude*

**Aidan Ted Gunderson**

*magna cum laude*

**Katelyn K. Johnson**

**Amondre Jaishaun Knight**

**Hannah Kehaulani Miyasaki**

*cum laude*

Griffin Sean Montana  
 Jason Montes Padilla  
 Wyatt Dean Norris  
 Brigham Eric Novak  
 Hana Leeya Anderson Pinaula  
 Julianna Elizabeth Preciado  
 Rose Shan Shan Price  
 Emily Elizabeth Salgren  
 Zoe Cameryn Smithson  
 George Charles Stephen Sonko  
 Salena Arunee Suvannamethy Hansel  
 Chisanna Suzuki  
 Carlie Rebecca Svarthumle  
*magna cum laude*  
 Benjamin Tellez  
*cum laude*  
 Brittany Eason Vines  
*cum laude*  
 Jaspreet Singh Virdee  
 Syan Kai Ayame Yamamoto

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
 IN NURSING**

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Malak Amad Al-Jumaili  
*cum laude*  
 Sarah Taleb Al-maly  
*cum laude*  
 Felicia Lynn Rene Alvarez-Wagner  
*magna cum laude*  
 Holden Minjoon Lane Anderson  
*magna cum laude*  
 Michelle Lee Andresen  
*summa cum laude*  
 Jennifer Nicole Arnold  
*cum laude*  
 Rodelyn Baba  
*cum laude*  
 Shelby Lynn Babin  
*cum laude*  
 Haley Clara Barnesson  
*cum laude*  
 Khadra Hussein Barow  
*magna cum laude*  
 Angelo Pecaso Baylon  
*magna cum laude*  
 Jenna Christina Maria Becia  
*summa cum laude*  
 Samantha Beese  
*summa cum laude*  
 Emilee Faith Bell  
*cum laude*  
 Sara Margaret-Jean Bender  
*magna cum laude*  
 Blanche Marri Macabenta Berg  
 Thomas Akshay Blaszczak  
*magna cum laude*  
 Blaire John Aristt T. Bobila  
*cum laude*  
 Olivia Annalore Boehm  
*magna cum laude*

Annika Renee Bostrom  
*magna cum laude*  
 Kyra Anne Bovenkamp  
*summa cum laude*  
 Lauren Lee Bridston  
*magna cum laude*  
 Brianna Irene Brum  
*cum laude*  
 Mason Ryan Burkhart  
*cum laude*  
 Myra Delle Cabrera  
*summa cum laude*  
 Emily Amanda Cacallori  
*summa cum laude*  
 Kaitlin M. Carlson  
*summa cum laude*  
 Jacky Chan  
*summa cum laude*  
 Sokhak Chanh Chau  
*cum laude*  
 Vanessa Alexia Chavez Zamudio  
*cum laude*  
 Yamina Chibi  
*cum laude*  
 Rebecca Jihyun Chin  
*magna cum laude*  
 Myong Keun Chung  
*magna cum laude*  
 Mara Ann Clay  
*magna cum laude*  
 Vania Elizabeth Colin-Magana  
*magna cum laude*  
 Samantha Contino  
*summa cum laude*  
 Stephanie Cramer  
*magna cum laude*  
 Jessica Lynn Cromis  
*summa cum laude*  
 Tavarria K. Cunningham-Joseph  
*cum laude*  
 Dylan Trung-Hieu Dang  
*summa cum laude*  
 Jennifer Marie Davison  
*summa cum laude*  
 Chelsea Breanne Day  
*summa cum laude*  
 Naomi Delean  
*cum laude*  
 Suweyda Harbi Diriye  
*magna cum laude*  
 Micah Magtoto Dizon  
*magna cum laude*  
 Emily Eaton  
*cum laude*  
 Jhovana Escamilla  
*cum laude*  
 Geniveve De La Luz Espinoza  
*magna cum laude*  
 Eleni Getnet Fentie  
*cum laude*  
 Tia Susan Flora  
*magna cum laude*

Jordan Michael Flynn  
*cum laude*  
 Sabrina Marie Foley  
*magna cum laude*  
 Katelyn Elizabeth French  
*magna cum laude*  
 Olivia Joyce Gabelein  
*summa cum laude*  
 Emma Megan Gassman  
*summa cum laude*  
 Kristina Gattozzi  
*summa cum laude*  
 Baila Goldshmid  
*magna cum laude*  
 Nazar Y. Golub  
*magna cum laude*  
 Yajaira Gonzalez-Aparicio  
*cum laude*  
 Paola Gonzalez-Rodriguez  
*summa cum laude*  
 Autumlace Grasman  
*summa cum laude*  
 Jennifer McPhate Green  
*magna cum laude*  
 Paige Elizabeth Gregory  
*cum laude*  
 Alicia Lei Gwerder  
*cum laude*  
 Anne Margaret E. Haines  
*cum laude*  
 Therese Christine Hansen  
*magna cum laude*  
 Connor Hanson  
 Lara Jasmine Hartwig  
*magna cum laude*  
 Tasha Julia Hartwig  
*summa cum laude*  
 Ashley Lynn Harvey  
*summa cum laude*  
 Karlie Jaidyn Hatch  
*magna cum laude*  
 Natalie Ann Hedlund  
*magna cum laude*  
 Genaya Candace Lenae Herbert  
*summa cum laude*  
 Johnny Hernandez-Perez  
*summa cum laude*  
 Cassandra Hicks  
*summa cum laude*  
 Savannah Jade Highfill  
*cum laude*  
 Kate Patricia Hildenbrand  
*magna cum laude*  
 Claire Elisabeth Hindman  
*cum laude*  
 Riley S. Hoffman  
*magna cum laude*  
 Lottie Lisa Hoover  
*magna cum laude*  
 Maria Guadalupe Huante Tapia  
*cum laude*

**Alexandra Gloria Huapaya**  
*cum laude*  
**Anna Maria Teresa Huffman**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Madeline Mary Huynh**  
*summa cum laude*  
**My-Phi Thi Huynh**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Jevon Ryan Hernandez Ignaco**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Kalila Lea Jackson-Sinha**  
*cum laude*  
**Jessica Whitney Jacobs**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Ellen Jajewski**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Ramatoulie Jallow**  
*cum laude*  
**Viola Ann M. Jimiera**  
*cum laude*  
**Jonathan Jin**  
*cum laude*  
**Bailey Ann Johnson**  
*cum laude*  
**Kelsey Jones**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Melinda Jukic**  
**Melina Karadzic**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Manpreet Kaur**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Navjot Kaur**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Stephanie B. Kemp**  
*cum laude*  
**Magdalene Kihara**  
**Isabelle Joy Kilgallon**  
*cum laude*  
**Esther Kim**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Sung Min Kim**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Ann Hildah Gatakaa Kinyua**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Katelynn N. Kondra**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Bryn Traub Kunkel**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Kristopher Wyatt Lanser**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Naomi Ellen Larson**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Chuc Ngo Minh Le**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Irene Lee**  
**Laura Elizabeth Lee**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Nicole Shima Napeahi Lemon**  
*cum laude*  
**Ahna Lisa Lenderman**  
*summa cum laude*

**Clara Lagoni Lepolo**  
*cum laude*  
**Esther Jieun Lim**  
*cum laude*  
**Kana Lin**  
*cum laude*  
**Cassandra Rose Lindgren**  
*cum laude*  
**Emily Loehmer**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Stacy Elizabeth Long**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Noelani Isabel Lopez Alvarado**  
**Maria Isabel Lunder**  
**Heather Luong**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jaime Lynch**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Rhona Skye MacHaffie**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Damaris Mamburiani Maina**  
*cum laude*  
**Marc Lorenzo Mabunga Malate**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jeffrey M. Maloney**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Elisabeth A. Mandyna**  
*cum laude*  
**Alexia Yzavelle Mangubat**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Kylie Martin**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Cara Beth Mathison**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Javeria Mazhar**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Olivia Cheryl McBride**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Yesenia Lizeth McBride**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Hannah M. McDonald**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Tyler David McDowall**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Alexis McGuinness**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Sarah Elizabeth McIntyre**  
*cum laude*  
**Danait Mehari**  
*cum laude*  
**Amanda Renee Meyer**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jackson Reed Moore**  
*cum laude*  
**Sarah Megan Moran**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Michele (Mike) Morelli**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Claudia Aria Morse**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Gilbert Kimuhu Muiruri**  
*summa cum laude*

**Estefani Alejandra Muniz Rodriguez**  
**Elida Muratbegovic-Sehovic**  
*cum laude*  
**Tracy Tabu Mwangoti**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Bailey Yuka Nagai**  
*cum laude*  
**Virginia Arthur Neff**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Nhu Tran Quynh Nguyen**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Thy Nguyen**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Vincent Viet Nguyen**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Emily Rose Oden**  
*cum laude*  
**Claudia Elizabeth Oliveira**  
*cum laude*  
**Precious Sharda' Oliver-Millsaps**  
*cum laude*  
**Mari Kimiko Oyer**  
**Savannah K. Paeth**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Adrian Alexander Palomares-Gutierrez**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jasleen Kaur Pamma**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Martina Isabel Callelero Pangilinan**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Chasty Maureen Pascua**  
*cum laude*  
**Ericka Liliana Perry Rodriguez**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Amanda Joy Peters**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Andrew D. Phillips**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Thien Huu Phu**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Audrey R. Poirot**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Kendra Maris Powell**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Madison Marie Pritchard**  
*cum laude*  
**Anastasiia Pupkova**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Gabriel Alexander Pygott**  
*cum laude*  
**Hannah Ruth Meyer Quiton**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Zachary Andrew Rector**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Christian Hugo Renteria**  
*cum laude*  
**Mary Pearl Veloso Repunte**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Hayden Zane Reskey**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Colin Edward-George Ries**  
*summa cum laude*

**Marguelle Rios**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Samantha Jo Rivard**  
*cum laude*  
**Regina Roberts**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Abigail Synclaire Romine**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Kaitlyn Victoria Ronsse**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Katherine Anne Ruiz**  
*cum laude*  
**Jason Edwin Sabol**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Kloe Amina Salazar**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Kriz Anne S. Sales**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Rachel Montgomery Sandland**  
*magna cum laude*  
**April Aracely Sandoval-Garcia**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Sybrina Nicole Schley**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jessica Alyce Scholl**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Ava Score**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Clayton Brian Secora**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Emily Michael Shaw**  
*cum laude*  
**Ciera Pualani Simmonds**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Deneeka Mae Smith**  
*cum laude*  
**Manvir Singh Sohal**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Anissa M. Somoza**  
*cum laude*  
**Anida Molina Sou**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Lucy Spiro**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Michaela Dania Springs**  
*cum laude*  
**Hallie Ann Steffensen**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Claire Mina Steiner**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Brittanie A. Summers**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Angel Rita Swamy**  
*cum laude*  
**Tamber S.S. Sylvestal**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Kelsi Syverson**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Faailo Tali**  
*cum laude*  
**Ahlam Tamraysa-Hassan**

**Tyler Hiromi Tanaka**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Winly Tang**  
*cum laude*  
**Mitra Ashti Tate**  
*cum laude*  
**Catarina Papagni Claxton**  
*cum laude*  
**Gabrielle Marie Thomas**  
*cum laude*  
**Erin Alicia Tracer**  
*cum laude*  
**Rachel Treves**  
*cum laude*  
**Emmanuel J. Treviño**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Nicole Lynn Tross**  
*cum laude*  
**Tamdin Tso**  
*cum laude*  
**Charmidale De Leon Tuazon-Walker**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Kaitlyn Marie Tyler**  
**Manaia Vaifale**  
*cum laude*  
**Aaron Ronald Valley**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Alessandra Guerrero Valmonte**  
*cum laude*  
**Anne Pauline Delima Velasco**  
*cum laude*  
**Janis Nicole Malabed Villaflores**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Sierra Esguerra Vivar**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Taytum M. von Melville**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Anna Vu**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Christine Leona Wagner**  
**Nicole L. Wagner**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Marden D. Warner**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Joan Njeri Warui**  
*cum laude*  
**Sarah Nicole Wehrer**  
*magna cum laude*  
**John Theo Weldon**  
*cum laude*  
**Cassidy Wells**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Dillon Scott Wells**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Tiara Curilan Wetzal**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Melissa R. White**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Tiffany Whitford**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Rebecca Shea Williams**  
*summa cum laude*

**Mackenzie Kristin Wolfe-Harrington**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Ella Ann Midori Wong**  
*cum laude*  
**Lois Yoo**

## BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

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**Karla Isabel Calixto**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Eric Adam Canel**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jordan Canevari**  
*cum laude*  
**Ashley Castaneda Guzman**  
*cum laude*  
**Nathan Alexander Fowler**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Raven Socorro Gonzales**  
**Maddison Alexis Hendrix**  
*cum laude*  
**Ciara Destiny Iton**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Landon Regan Walker Karnes**  
*cum laude*  
**David Anthony Madrigal**  
**Lance Bajeta Maligaya**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jordan Sky Miller**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Ella Michelle Ramirez**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Jaylene Ramirez Velazquez**  
*magna cum laude*  
**Emanuel Ruiz**  
*cum laude*  
**Yailyn Gabriela Salais-Arenas**  
**Emma Shepard**  
*summa cum laude*  
**Kathleen Alexis Swankowski**  
*cum laude*

## Honors and Awards

Special Recognitions of Commencement Participants



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# ONCE A LUTE, ALWAYS A LUTE

Alumni automatically receive a **\$5,000 PLU ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP** for their PLU graduate program.

## **MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA)**

Designed for working professionals with classes in afternoons and evenings, choose from two MBA pathways: business administration or management science and quantitative methods. Length: 9-21 months

## **MASTER OF FINE ARTS IN CREATIVE WRITING (MFA)**

With specialties in poetry, fiction, and creative non-fiction, our MFA offers year-long individualized mentorships with faculty and 10-day on-campus summer residencies. Length: 2-3 years, low residency

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CYBERSECURITY (MS - Cybersecurity)**

Our new MS in Cybersecurity is a technical degree centered on building, testing, and securing systems to protect people, communities, and organizations. The hybrid format offers evening and weekend classes. Length: 18 months

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION (MAE)**

Earn your master's degree and teaching certificate from one of the most respected education programs in the region. PLU also offers an Alternative Routes to Certification program. Length: One year, full-time

## **MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.Ed.)**

For current educators and related professionals ready to earn their master's and advance their career to serve P-12 students. You'll choose from one of five offered specializations in a hybrid format. Length: 15 months

## **MASTER OF ARTS IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY (MA - Marriage and Family Therapy)**

The program prepares you to become a systemically-oriented, contextually sensitive professional with training in individual, couple, and family therapy. Length: 2 years

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN)**

PLU offers two pathways: One for students who have their BSN (15 months), and the other for students with a non-nursing bachelor's, known as an Entry-Level MSN (27 months).

## **MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (MSW)**

With an emphasis on health care and behavioral health, our MSW offers two pathways: Advanced Standing for students with a social work bachelor's degree (14 months) or Regular Standing (24 months).

## **DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE (DNP)**

PLU offers pathways for RNs with a BSN or MSN degree to earn their doctorate and choose either a Family Nurse Practitioner or Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner specialty. Length: 3-5 years

## **DOCTOR OF EDUCATION IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (EdD)**

The program is designed for working school leaders and includes job-embedded applied projects. Our EdD includes an option to earn a Washington Superintendent Certification. Length: 3 years

## **GUARANTEED GRADUATE ADMISSION**

PLU offers guaranteed admission to PLU alumni for the MBA, MS - Cybersecurity, M.Ed., MAE, MSN, MSW, and DNP programs, upon meeting select requirements.



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## GREETINGS FROM PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

Congratulations to the graduates of 2026 and welcome to your family and friends. We thank the graduates for learning with us, for challenging us to think in new and different ways, and for their commitment to making the world a better place for all of us and for those who come after us. The founders of PLU envisioned a University of the First Rank, and they would be very proud of the students we celebrate with today.

## HILSEN FRA PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

Gratulerer til de ferdigutdannede studentene av 2026 og hjertelig velkommen til deres familier og venner. Vi vil takke de ferdigutdannede studentene for at de har lært sammen med oss, utfordret oss til å tenke i nye og ulike retninger, og har forpliktet seg til å skape en bedre verden. Grunnleggerne av PLU så for seg et universitet av første rang, og de hadde vært veldig stolte av studentene vi feirer sammen med i dag.

*Translation courtesy of Vince Adams '19.*

太平洋路德大学向2026届毕业生致以衷心祝贺，真诚欢迎你们的家人与朋友参加毕业典礼。感谢你们同我们并肩苦读，开拓思维，携手共创美好世界。太平洋路德大学的创始者们初衷在于打造一流大学，而今天的毕业生们，必会使他们感到无比骄傲。

*Translation courtesy of Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Wang Ying.*

## SALUDOS CORDIALES DE PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

Les felicitamos a los graduados de la clase del 2026 y les damos la bienvenida a sus familiares y amigos. Les agradecemos a los graduados por aprender con nosotros, por desafiarnos a pensar de nuevas y distintas formas y por comprometerse a crear un mundo mejor. Los fundadores de PLU imaginaron una universidad de primer rango, y estarían muy orgullosos de los estudiantes con quienes celebramos hoy.

*Translation courtesy of Kaitlyn Hall '17 and Elmer Coria-Islas '19.*

Because of our Lutheran heritage...

We inquire.

With a sense of purpose, rooted in tradition.

We critically question, reflect and reform.

Because we're PLU...

We serve.

Seeking justice, loving our neighbors, engaging the world – sustainably.

Because we're PLU...

We lead.

With discernment and empathy.

Leadership that listens.

Leading in large and small ways, every day.

Because we're Pacific

Lutheran University...

We care.

Actively and intentionally.

We bring our whole selves.

We welcome all and work towards equity and inclusion.

Our heritage is the foundation for a lifelong journey of thoughtful inquiry, service, leadership and care.

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## PLU'S FOUR ACADEMIC COLLEGES

Pacific Lutheran University organizes its programs into four colleges: the College of Health Professions, the College of Liberal Studies, the College of Natural Sciences, and the College of Professional Studies.

### COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

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Kinesiology  
Marriage and Family  
Therapy  
Nursing  
Social Work

### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL STUDIES

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Anthropology  
Chinese & Chinese Studies  
Economics  
English  
French & Francophone  
Studies  
Gender, Sexuality & Race  
Studies  
Global Studies  
Hispanic & Latino Studies  
History  
Holocaust & Genocide  
Studies  
Individualized Major  
Master of Fine Arts  
Native American &  
Indigenous Studies  
Philosophy  
Political Science & Pre-Law  
Publishing & Printing Arts  
Religion  
Sociology & Criminal  
Justice

### COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES

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Biology  
Chemistry  
Computer Science  
Data Science  
Earth Science &  
Environmental Studies  
Mathematics  
Physics  
Psychology  
STEM Education Minor

### COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

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Business  
Communication, Media &  
Design Arts  
Education  
Innovation Studies  
Music, Theatre & Dance