

184th COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

DECEMBER 10, 2022

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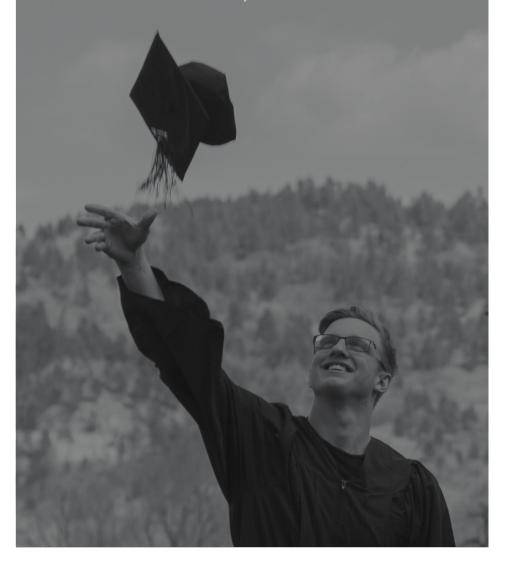
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A BLACK HILLS STATE UNIVERSITY DEGREE

is defined by student success, academic excellence, innovation, and authenticity. Congratulations on this momentous day and best wishes for your next adventure!



President's Message

BHSU President Dr. Laurie S. Nichols

Congratulations, graduates!

Today you make the transition from student to alumni. As you receive your diploma, I hope you feel a great sense of accomplishment and excitement. We are proud of you. Not only have you achieved much, but today you start a new chapter of life. I trust you will find---like I did---that your degree will open doors both professionally and personally. I encourage you to use your education wisely and take advantage of every opportunity that comes your way. If you do, there is no doubt that you will experience great success.

Please know that you will always be a Yellow Jacket; we want you to stay connected to BHSU. Come back often, keep in touch with friends and faculty, and offer your assistance to the next generation of Yellow Jackets who will follow you. A trait of a great university is an active and engaged alumni---be one!

Again, on behalf of the administration, faculty and staff of Black Hills State University, our most hearty congratulations. We can't wait to see all you accomplish!

Janin S. Nichols

Dr. Laurie S. Nichols, President





HISTORY OF BHSU

As the only comprehensive university in western South Dakota, BHSU serves the entire region through outreach and service. BHSU has 3,425 students from 66 counties in South Dakota, 44 states, and 33 countries. Drawing upon our unique location and deep connection with the community, BHSU remains committed to ensuring academic excellence and an exceptional educational experience for all students.

The Dakota Territorial Legislature, meeting in 1881, passed an act establishing a Normal School in Spearfish. The school officially opened in 1883.

Over the next two decades, the curriculum expanded with the purpose of training teachers for the public schools. By 1924 the college was authorized to adopt a four-year curriculum leading to a bachelor's degree in education. Spearfish Normal School became informally known as Black Hills Teachers College. In 1941 the Legislature formally approved the name change to a teachers college.

During World War II, the college served as a training center for the U.S. Air Force. In the years following, the college achieved accreditation from the North Central Association, expanded its curriculum, began offering graduate work, and began a long-range building program. On July 1, 1964, the South Dakota State Legislature officially changed the name to Black Hills State College.

Enrollment grew throughout the following decades and the college received national accreditation. Construction of a new library and expansion of the academic program offerings established the college's future direction. On July 1, 1989, the State Legislature authorized a bill granting university status. Today the school is known as Black Hills State University and offers over 60 master's, bachelor's and associate's degrees.

The campus consists of 123 acres and 23 main buildings. The most recent additions to campus are the Joy (Proctor) Krautschun Alumni-Foundation Welcome Center, Bordeaux Residence Hall and Schallenkamp Amphitheater.

BHSU continues to seek opportunities for innovation, education, and research in conjunction with the Sanford Lab, in the former Homestake Mine in Lead, S.D. The BHSU Underground Campus is used by students and faculty at the 4,850-foot level of Sanford Lab. The Sanford Science Education Center, on the BHSU campus, serves as a direct link to the Sanford Lab.

The University has a second location, BHSU-Rapid City, which offers daytime, evening, and weekend courses in the state's second-largest city. BHSU also offers classes to the service members and their families on site at Ellsworth Air Force Base in Box Elder.

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COMMENCEMENT DELEGATION

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THE UNIVERSITY MACE

The mace, which was commissioned during the University's Quasquicentennial year, was constructed by Lynn Fox, a carpenter at the University. The mace is made from the African mahogany wood salvaged from the bleachers in the former Cook Gymnasium that was built in 1953. Cook Gym, previously located south of the Library, was removed in 2003.

The BHSU Mace includes a metal inscription of the BHSU logo on either side. The top is a four-inch, flame-shaped glass finial with the green and gold colors of the University.

Historically, a mace is a symbol of authority dating from medieval times when knights carried them during processions with their kings. The mace later became a ceremonial symbol of leadership at academic processions.

THE PRESIDENT'S MEDALLION

The President's Medallion, first worn in 2014, preserves and honors our legacy while looking to the future. The medallion features the University's seal which includes the iconic Arches that have become synonymous with BHSU's determination and "can-do" spirit.

The Arches are all that remain of one of the first campus buildings, Normal Hall, originally built in 1887 and nearly destroyed by a fire in 1925. The former entrance to Normal Hall, the Arches remain intact and are now part of Ida Henton Park. This sandstone archway is a link to our past and a symbolic entrance to the future for students as they embark on educational experiences that forever change them and their path in the world.



The outside circle of the seal goes even further into history to honor the Lakota people. The circular movement of the Medicine Wheel is divided into four gradient colors to signify the four directions (West, North, East, and South) and also represent the stages of life, seasons of the year, and elements of nature. The inner circle showcases the name of the University in bold text on green hue, the University's official color. The founding year, 1883, is placed in the center of the seal.

The links comprising the neck chain for the bronze President's Medallion are engraved with the names of all previous BHSU presidents.

COMMENCEMENT DESIGNATIONS

The history of academic dress reaches far back into the earliest days of the oldest universities in Europe.

In modern times, academic attire serves a ceremonial and symbolic purpose. The design and colors of gowns and hoods reveal the degrees and the degree-granting institutions.

The square black mortarboard cap, worn flat on the head with one corner facing the front, has a tassel which may be either black or of the color assigned to the field of study, except that doctors in all fields may elect to wear a tassel of gold threads. Some institutions have adopted the use of the biretta.

The standard color of the robe is black. The bachelor's gown is a simple, unornamented robe with long pointed sleeves. The master's gown is more elaborate and many styles have slits in the oblong sleeves. The doctor's robe includes velvet and is ornamented with three bars on the bell-shaped sleeves.

The hood is lined with the official color or colors of the university that conferred the degree. The hood is bound or edged with velvet in widths of two, three, and five inches for the bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees, respectively. The color of the binding or edging indicates the subject area of the degree: brown for business; light blue for education; and golden yellow for science.

UNIVERSITY HONORS SCHOLAR

Students graduating from the University Honors Program have met the highest standards of achievement, enrichment, and service. Graduates complete one of three tracks: the Research Scholar, focusing on undergraduate research and creative scholarship; the University Scholar, a four-year comprehensive Honors program with an emphasis on undergraduate research and creative scholarship; and the International University Scholar, which requires a significant international experience in addition to the full curriculum. University Honors Scholars are recognized with a medallion on a green and gold ribbon.

EXPLANATION OF HONOR ORGANIZATION DESIGNATIONS

wear with academic regalia as follows:

Alpha Kappa Delta _____ Sociology _____ Teal Honor Cord
Kappa Delta Pi _____ Education ____ Green and Purple Honor Cord
Beta Gamma Sigma ____ Business ____ Royal Blue and Gold Honor Cord
Phi Kappa Phi _____ All Disciplines ____ Blue and Gold Honor Cord
Psi Chi ____ Psychology Blue and Gold Honor Cord

Military/Veteran Red, White, and Blue Cord

Certain honor organizations have approved designated accessories for

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Donald E. Young Sports and Fitness Center

Saturday, December 10, 2022, at 10 a.m.

BHSU President Dr. Laurie Stenberg Nichols, Presiding

PROCESSIONAL

"Fanfare and Processional" by Edward Elgar, arr. James D. Ployhar The BHSU Commencement Wind Ensemble

Dr. David Berberick, Associate Professor of Music and Director of Bands

Kirsten Johnson and Anastasia Sharp, flute

Sebastian Penning and Jordan LeBeaux, clarinet

Blake Jones, bass clarinet

Emily Sosa-Alvarado, alto saxophone

Ainsley Nelson, tenor saxophone

Jared Smith, baritone saxophone

Jayden Martin and Layton Stenkamp, trumpet

Dr. Skye van Duuren, Assistant Professor of Music and Maralee Rischling, French horn

Ashton Legerski, euphonium

Dr. Jonathan Nero, Professor of Music and Ayden Reed, tuba

Ethan Garrido and Josh Alden Grinnell, percussion

Paul Carriveau and Hannah Stading, trombone

Audience is requested to stand for the processional and remain standing for the presentation of colors.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Ayden Reed, student

INTRODUCTIONS

Dr. Laurie Stenberg Nichols, President

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

CHARGE TO THE GRADUATES

Ms. Marissa Danforth, Student Senate President

GREETINGS FROM THE REGENTS

Mr. John Bastian, Ceremonial Representative, Board of Regents

MUSICAL SELECTION

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" traditional, arr. Randall D. Standridge The BHSU Commencement Wind Ensemble

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

President Nichols assisted by Ms. April Meeker, Registrar

As a courtesy to the graduating students, please remain seated until the program has concluded.

BHSU ALUMNI GREETINGS

Ms. Jodi Garcia, BHSU Alumni Association President

ALMA MATER

"*Hymn to BHSU*" by E.L. McCollum, arr. Skye van Duuren Led by the BHSU Chamber Singers

Audience is requested to stand and join in the singing of our Alma Mater. The words are in the back of your program.

RECESSIONAL

"Fanfare and Processional" by Edward Elgar, arr. James D. Ployhar The BHSU Commencement Wind Ensemble

Audience is requested to be seated during the recessional.

THE GRADUATES

DEGREE ABBREVIATIONS

MASTER DEGREES

Barr, Riley	MS	Sustainability
Burton, Bryan	MS	Integrative Genomics
Clark, Jessie	MS	Integrative Genomics
Harpham, Kielar	MBA	Applied Management
Hoglund, Morgan	MED	Reading Education
Hooper, Aubrey	MS	Sustainability
Moraga, Joseph	MBA	Applied Management
Nabers, Daniel	MBA	Applied Management
Wekesser, Amanda	MS	Strategic Leadership

UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM MEDALLION CEREMONY

UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR

*	Haisch, Joshua	BS	Composite Music
***	Lunde, Sydney	BS	Political Science
	Misegadis, Payje	BS	Biology, Chemistry
	Schultz, Erika	BSED	English

RESEARCH SCHOLAR

Pullen, Orion BS Biology

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BACHELOR DEGREES

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND NATURAL SCIENCES

**	Aberson, Rachel	BS	Business Administration-Accounting
	Adam, Stefanie	BS	Business Administration-Accounting
	Albrecht, Mathew	BS	Biology
	Arnold, Nikolas	BS	Business Administration-Management
	Blair, Sheridan	BS	Business Administration-Management
	Carlson, Amber	BS	Business Administration-Management
*	Cerrone, Kindra	BS	Biology
	Cordell, Brandon	BS	Business Administration-
			Economics and Finance
	Dobbin, Harold	BS	Business Administration-Management
	Fields, George	BS	Business Administration-Management
	Finias, Taylor	BS	Business Administration-Management
	Gallagher, Caleb	BS	Business Administration-Management
***	Gingerich, Allison	BS	Business Administration-Economics
	Goetzinger, Nicole	BS	Business Administration-
			Economics and Finance
	Gross, Molly	BS	Environmental Physical Science
	Hanneken, Katherine	BS	Business Administration-
			Human Resource Management
	Hauck, Haylee	BS	Business Administration-Management
**	Highland, Colin	BS	Business Administration-Accounting
	Hovdenes, Angela	BS	Business Administration-
			Entrepreneurial Studies
	Johnson, Trevor	BS	Business Administration-Management
	Kelii, Sarissa-Lee	BS	Biology
**	Koenen, Jordyn	BS	Business Administration-Management,
			Marketing
	Lahren, Molly	BS	Business Administration-Accounting
	Larvie, Emalynn	BS	Biology
	Leber, Delaney	BS	Business Administration-Accounting
**	Leiss, Macy	BS	Business Administration-Marketing
	Light, Kylie	BS	Biology
	Long, Lorenda	BS	Business Administration-Management
**	Marx, Karly	BS	Biology
	Mousseau, Deanna	BS	Business Administration-
	N. 1 N. 1	D.C.	Human Resource Management
	Nnabuo, Noah	BS	Biology
*	Palu, Daxton	BS	Business Administration-Management
n.	Peterson, Nicholas	BSED	Biology
**	Pi, Dane	BS	Business Administration-Accounting
-1-4	Purvis, Melissa	BS	Business Administration-Management
	Rehms, Megan	BS	Business Administration-Accounting

THE GRADUATES

	Rhoades, Taten	BS	Business Administration-
	ratoudes/ rater	20	Management
	Robidoux, Michael	BS	Biology
	Roland, Andrew	BS	Business Administration-Accounting
***	Rolando, Anne-Marie	BS	Professional Accountancy
	Seaboy, Mason	BS	Business Administration- Management
	Sealey, Alyssa	BS	Business Administration- Management,
			Human Resource Management
	Speckman, Austin	BS	Business Administration- Management, Accounting
	Trapp, Emily	BS	Business Administration- Management
**	Wiford, Latosha	BS	Biology, Environmental Physical Science
*	Wilcox, Kaylei	BS	Biology, Chemistry
	Willard, Aidan	BS	Business Administration- Management
	Williamson, Mandee	BS	Business Administration- Management

BACHELOR DEGREES

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

	Alderson, Telscha	BS	Human Services
*	Anderson, Cassidy	BSED	Elementary Education
	Barber, Heather	BS	Human Services
	Berkey, Teaghan	BS	Human Services
	Buehler, Holly	BS	Human Services
	Burtschi, Adam	BSED	Physical Education
*	Cordell, Hope	BSED	Elementary Education
	Crow, Hannah	BSED	Elementary Education
**	Cundy, Clay	BS	Outdoor Education
**	Dahlke, Jena	BSED	Physical Education
	Dolney, Dawson	BS	Exercise Science
**	Ducheneaux,		
	Wambli Wacinhin	BS	Psychology
	Farmer, Keyshawn	BS	Exercise Science
	Garner, Shayla	BS	Human Services
	Glynn, Riley	BSED	Physical Education
***	Hanks, Kaci	BS	Outdoor Education
	Hort, Breann	BSED	Elementary Education
**	Jaycox, Katelyn	BS	Human Services, Sociology

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	Jones, Brock	BS	Outdoor Education
	Joyce, Natalie	BS	Exercise Science
**	Keegan, Raymie	BSED	Elementary Education, Special Education
	Kennedy, Nicolette	BSED	Elementary Education
***	Klug, Paxton	BS	Psychology, Human Services
	Lage, Taylor	BS	Psychology,
			Communication Studies/Theatre
**	Laughlin, Audra	BSED	Special Education
***	Lesmeister, Chloe	BS	Psychology
	Lewis, Alexandria	BS	Exercise Science
	Maher, Sydney	BS	Human Services
*	McCann, Olivia	BSED	Elementary Education
***	McKenzie, Katie	BSED	Elementary Education
*	Mendoza, Jakways	BSED	Physical Education
*	Neigel, Harley	BSED	Physical Education
	Nistler, Maura	BSED	Elementary Education
	Robinson, Mariah	BS	Exercise Science
*	Rueschhoff, Kalyn	BS	Sociology
	Rypkema, Aubree	BSED	Elementary Education
	Schaeffer, Kiley	BS	Human Services, Psychology
	Schafer, Elsie	BS	Psychology
***	Teasley, Kori	BS	Psychology
	Tuberquia, Emylie	BS	Psychology
*	White, Josie	BSED	Elementary Education
	White, Lexy	BS	Human Services
*	Whiteley, Darby	BS	Psychology
*	Williams, Jayce	BSED	Elementary Education,
	-		Special Education

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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

	Andre, Jory	BS	Mass Communications
	Arneson, Tanielle	BS	English
*	Cook, David	BS	Communication Studies/Theatre
	Dooley, Chance	BGS	General Studies
	George, Joshua	BS	Corporate Communication
	Hamm, Rayne	BSED	English
	Harvey, Nichole	BGS	General Studies
**	Hertz, Gabriella	BS, BSED	Communication Studies/Theatre,
			Speech Communication,
			Psychology
**	Huseby, Chase	BSED	History
*	Jones, Kathryn	BFA	Photography

THE GRADUATES

*** ** *	Kamrath, Nicole Keats, Christina Kerr, Zachary Klungness, Nicole Krogman, Alexis Leadon, Sarah	BSED BS BGS BFA BS	Mathematics English General Studies Graphic Design English Psychology,
**	Legerski, Ashton Linseman, Jacob Logan, Anna	BSED BS BS BFA	Communication Studies/Theatre Music Education History Mass Communications
***	Marcinkowski, Aidan Montero, Isabella Mooney-Denny, Anthony Norman, Michael Nuckles, Leslie Pheko, Troy Quaschnick, Eric	BS BS BS BS BFA BSED	Photography History Political Science English History Graphic Design Music Education
* * * * * ** **	Roth, Emalee Russell, Madison Scott, Whitney Smith, Elizabeth Snyder, Hannahlynn Tegethoff, Averi Thormahlen, Sarah VanderTuin, Ashleigh Winegar, Mercedes	BSED BS BFA BGS BSED BSED BSED BSED BS	Mass Communications History, Political Science Graphic Design General Studies English English English Mass Communications Music Education

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

• •	Baxter, Cassandra	AS	Applied Health Sciences
	Bice, Makayla	AS	Human Services
	Briseno, Eric Jr.	AA	General Studies
•	Combs, Shayne	AS	Applied Health Sciences
	Coppe, Kathleen	AS	Human Services
	Demma, Michelle	AA	General Studies
	Gonzales, Jazelle	AS	Applied Health Sciences
	Hamm, Elizabeth	AA	General Studies
	Hulsman, Thea	AS	Applied Health Sciences
•	Ives, Zena	AS	Human Services
	Johnson, Ashley	AS	Business Administration
• •	Kenton, Lillian	AS	Business Administration
	Lyons, Kari-Anne	AA	General Studies
	Magelky, Niklaus	AS	Applied Health Sciences

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McCraw, Lenora	AS	Tourism and Hospitality Management
Mickelson, Megan	AS	Business Administration
Pourier, Taylor	AA	General Studies
 Rodgers, Hadley 	AS	Applied Health Sciences
Schmitt, Danielle	AS	Applied Health Sciences
••• Schoon, Ciarra	AS	Applied Health Sciences
Tonderum, Katelyn	AS	Applied Health Sciences

ASSOCIATE DEGREE HONOR DESIGNATIONS

••• With Highest Honor Gold Cords •• With High Honor Silver Cords • With Honor White Cords



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