



COMMENCEMENT

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024



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DIGITAL PROGRAM





Mount Mary University was founded in 1913 by the School Sisters of Notre Dame in Prairie Du Chien, WI, to provide an education exemplified by the strength of its academic programs and commitment to inspire students to transform the world.

The University moved to Milwaukee in 1929, opening its doors to 132 young women who filled the two Gothic-style buildings, Notre Dame Hall and Caroline Hall. It was the first Catholic four-year women's university in Wisconsin for laywomen who wanted to pursue an education. Today, Mount Mary University welcomes students of all faiths and backgrounds in more than 50 undergraduate and 12 graduate programs.

The strength of our historical University continues to lie, not in the grace of its architecture nor the beauty of its surroundings, but rather in the diverse lives of the students it serves and those who lead them. It is this power that forms the true cornerstone of Mount Mary, transforming the world around us, one graduate at a time.

MOUNT MARY UNIVERSITY

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

OPENING OF COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY	Karen E. Friedlen, Ph.D. Vice President for Academic Affairs
INVOCATION PRAYER	Ana Sofia Ocampo Hernandez May 2024 Art Therapy
WELCOME	Stephanie Russell, Ed.D. Chair, Board of Trustees
GREETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE SCHOOL SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME	Debra M. Sciano, SSND Provincial Leader, Central Pacific Province School Sisters of Notre Dame
PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE	Catherine Buck, MSN, RN
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Veronica Bethel Parker, M.Div. Class of 1983
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES	Karen E. Friedlen, Ph.D. Cheryl P. Bailey, Ph.D. Dean, School of Graduate Health and Professional Programs Kristen Carioti, Ph.D. Dean, School of Arts and Sciences Julie Maher, DNP, RN, C-EFM Dean, School of Nursing
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES	Isabelle Cherney, Ph.D. President
PRESENTATION OF SENIOR CLASS REPRESENTATIVE	Keri Alioto, Ed.D. Vice President for Student Affairs
COMMEMORATIVE ADDRESS, SENIOR CLASS REPRESENTATIVE	Drusilla Faikel May 2024 Merchandise Management
WELCOME TO THE ALUMNAE NETWORK	Jessica Mulligan, MBA '16 Vice President for Advancement
PRESIDENT'S CONGRATULATORY REMARKS	Isabelle Cherney, Ph.D.
CLOSING OF COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY	Karen E. Friedlen, Ph.D.

GRADUATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Candidates for the Degree of DOCTORATE OF PHILOSOPHY IN COUNSELOR EDUCATION AND SUPERVISION

Bonneka Tiffany Fann Seals

DISSERTATION TITLE:

The Relationship Between Childhood Trauma, Life Satisfaction, and Posttraumatic Growth in Adults with a History of Child Removal

Claire Anne Whetter

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Understanding Psychological Well-Being and the Impact of Mental Health Counseling in the Postpartum Period

Candidates for the Degree of PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Jennifer Coulson Anderson

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Pre-literacy Parent Education to Promote Kindergarten Readiness

Dawn Fries Brinkman

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Advancing Healthcare Provider Capacity for Lipedema Diagnosis and Rehabilitation

Sophia Bubrick

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Leisure Based Exercise and Wellness for Mothers of Young Children

Laura Elaine Bush

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Wellness Workshops to Enhance Quality of Life for Older Adults

Emily Anne Cabaltera

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Emotional Regulation Strategies for Use at Community Mental Health Pop-Ups to Improve Occupational Engagement and Well-Being

Heather Kay DeBruin

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Designing Learning Environments to Increase Access for Individuals with Neurocognitive Conditions within Educational Settings

Christina Del Gais

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Empowering Mothers in Crisis through Early Childhood Development Education

Kristen Harbeson Elliott

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Motor Activities to Improve Development for Children Waiting for Skilled Therapy Services

Jordan W Finkbeiner

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Promoting Self-Efficacy for Multidimensional Wellness in Individuals with Disabilities

Lauren Glasscock

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Building Resilience in Youth with Epilepsy to Increase Engagement and Well-Being

Chadia Guerrero

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Parent Education to Promote Occupational Engagement for Children Experiencing Sensory Challenges

Madison Hausherr

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Stress Management for Caregivers of Individuals with Acquired Brain Injury

Sarah Elizabeth Hoffman

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Building Self-Determination to Promote Independence and Well-Being Within a Population of Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Mary Elizabeth Karr

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Reducing Challenging Behaviors in Young Children by Increasing Parental Self-Efficacy

Camryn Belle Krawczyk

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Implementing Universal Design Learning Strategies for Young Adults with Intellectual Disabilities at their Workplace

Elizabeth Lawler

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Promoting Sleep Quality in Persons Living with Memory Impairment

Kathryn-Michelle O. Lehmann

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Enhancing Teachers' Competence and Confidence in Addressing Elementary Students' Mental Health Through a Teacher Education Program

Ashlyn Lester

DISSERTATION TITLE:

A Training Program for Volunteers Working with the Differently Abled in the Faith Community

Emily Hope McMurray

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Fall Prevention in Dementia Care: Promoting Occupational Engagement and Quality of Life Through A Holistic Movement Program

Lori Ann Miller

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Building Parent Capacity to Support Early Childhood Development

Ronald P. Miller

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Increasing Access to Assistive Technology for Older Adults and People with Disabilities

Rebecca C. Moore

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Mindfulness Education to Address Symptoms of Burnout in Healthcare Workers

Nicole Jean Mueller

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Wellness Strategies and Caregiver Education for Rural Older Adults Aging in Place

GRADUATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Melanie Marie Multhauf

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Wellness Strategies for Adults with Developmental Disabilities to Increase Self-Efficacy and Enhance Occupational Engagement

Ashley Marie Olson

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Mindful Motherhood: Finding Wellness in the Perinatal Period through Mindful Practice

Brittany L Ruvalcaba

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Self-Management Strategies to Manage Chronic Conditions for Older Adults in the Community

Kelly L. Sajdak

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Education of Home Health Occupational Therapy Practitioners to Improve Capacity for Service Delivery

Allison Ann Shippos

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Handwriting Performance Enhancement for Kindergarten Students Using a Co-Teaching Approach

Sara J Nalbert-Stanhewicz

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Ergonomic Education to Improve Health and Wellness in School Bus Drivers

Shauna Jean Wallace

DISSERTATION TITLE:

A Social and Emotional Learning Program for 4-5-Year-Old Children to Improve Occupational Performance

Marissa Dawn Wayne

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Leadership Training Program for Young Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to Increase Occupational Opportunities

Catherine A. Webster

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Promoting Participation in Life Enriching Activities with Adult Community Members Who Have Disengaged

Rechetta Annette White

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Enhancing Admission Practices of Community-Based Services for Persons Experiencing Homelessness

Sarah Renee Wittak

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Promoting Post-Partum Maternal Health and Wellness Through Injury Prevention Education

Angela Lunceford Wren

DISSERTATION TITLE:

Education and Strategies to Manage Screen Time Among Young Children to Improve Occupational Engagement and Performance

GRADUATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Candidates for the Degree of **MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION**

Armida Cervantez	Leonardo Omero Konewko
LaQuanda Clark	Halle Luksich
Rosa I Gonzalez De Vega	

Candidates for the Degree of **MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Jordan O Acker Anderson	Emily Marie Lancaster
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Lisa Marie Breitsprecker	Grace van Veldhuisen
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Alana Matia Hayes	

Candidates for the Degree of **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ART THERAPY**

Josie Elizabeth Beck	Eliana Jin Larkey
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Dannie Esterline	Gloria Briguite Martinez
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Carter Riley Gruber	Cathleen L Phillips
Autumn Rae Horn	Catrice Lantz Schoenfeldt
Yuliana Iniguez	Arion Thurmond
Rebecca Ann Janssens	Mackenzie Sommer Walter
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Candidates for the Degree of **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN DIETETICS**

Emily Ball	Olivia Hebbe	Katie Ann Radewahn
Abigail Ann Burns	Molly Hoffman	Brenda Esmeralda
Lola Rose Burton	Brianna L Jurss	Rivera Caro
Jayden Mae Clemetson	Ghaid Kamal	Paige Elizabeth Roesser
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Jessie Leigh Glanz	Kassandra Kuchenbecker	Alyson Nicole Wickemeyer
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Candidates for the Degree of **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY**

Katelyn Bailey	Sharon M Lasonde	Sagalle L Sand
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Carole Margaret Johnson	Courtney A Pilcher	Sharman Marschelle
Caroline Julien	Arielle Joy Pratt	Zollbrecht
Erin Kennedy	Amy Renner	
Tamara Latic	Karen Pascua Reyes	

GRADUATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Candidates for the Degree of **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING**

Shelby Elizabeth Behnke
Deanna Beatrice Bennett
Abigail Lorraine Bruno
Hannah Cappellini
Alexandria Cashmer
Matthew Colinelli
Ariana Cowart
Samantha Joyce Dahm
Alexa Decker
Jonathan Weis Drewsen
Samantha H Finn
Christine Ann Gallo
Sarah Gebel
Sarah Aurelia Groeschel
Amanda Harding

Mary Justina Hegeman
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Melissa Rebecca McDermott
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Jade Elizabeth Fowler
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BACCALAUREATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Candidates for the Degree of **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

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Ana Karen Martin Gomez***
Aliya Sherie Matzke
Ana Sofia Ocampo
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Mary Luisa Parlier***
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Jocelyn L Petersen
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Clara Bell Thompson
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Ariana Monet Walls
Hazel Victoria Wolf*
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BACCALAUREATE DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Candidates for the Degree of BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Veronica Marcela Andrade Gomez	Ka'Whyii Cincere Morris
Jensen Victoria Bacskai	Mai Vang Moua
Mary Elizabeth DeFore*	Jonisia R. Petty
Caitlyn R. Krell***	Justa Po
Miriam Berenice Lezama	Susada Thammavong
Brianna Lousie Lupa	

Candidates for the Degree of BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Maryam Aftab*	Micaelyn Barbara McCann
De'Ajha LeCresia Boyd	Jamy Jessy McClain
Mariana Contreras Garcia	Ashley Marie Minesal**
Cassidy Glisic	Adriana Patnode Fonseca
Misty J. Gray***	Leslie Ramirez
Keyzhana Dornise Griffin	Soha Sajid*
Latonya A Hudson	Ivana Milagros Torres
Celia Janowski	Maham Umar***§
Grace Ann Kidd***	Riley Weix
Sarah Lompa	

Candidates for the Degree of BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Yasmin Bazar	Selena Mercado
Delainie Casey	Madison Renee Miller
Rachel Yonah Cooper**	Oluwatumilara "Naomi" Olatunji §
Katie Colleen Everhard*	Sarita Presnal***
Yolanda E. Gallegos	Sarah Arwyn Shaffer
Marissa Danielle Heraly	Cindy Soria*
Sabrina Lynn Holland	Kaitlyn Mary Van Den Heuvel
Isnina A. Juma	Esperanza Vidales*
Jenna Jurrens*	Teunna Cheyanne Wallace
Tamara Love	Victoria L. Zautke
LaToya N Martin	

Candidates for the Degree of BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Aylin Stefanie Cardoso	Nina Kemille Rember
Daisy Guadalupe Gallegos	Mattison Nicole Taddei*
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Cynthia D. Perkins*	

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Krystal M. Hayes

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LATIN HONORS

* Cum Laude ** Magna Cum Laude *** Summa Cum Laude § Graduation in the Honors Program

Cum laude means “With Praise” and is indicated by the * symbol. This is awarded to students whose cumulative grade point record reflects a 3.6 or higher. Magna cum laude means “With High Praise” and is indicated by the ** symbol. This is awarded to students whose cumulative grade point record reflects a 3.8 or higher. Summa cum laude translates to “With Highest Praise” and is indicated by the *** symbol. This is awarded to students whose cumulative grade point record reflects a 3.9 or higher.

This listing of degree candidates and honor distinctions is preliminary for Spring 2024 candidates. Final honor distinctions does not constitute certification of degree conferral.

Degree conferral is certified by the official Mount Mary University transcript denoting degree completion and honor distinctions.

HISTORY

Academic regalia was inherited from the medieval universities of the 11th and 12th centuries. It is thought that the woolen gowns and hoods, worn by scholars for warmth in unheated quarters, evolved from the clerical practice of wearing a cape or mantle in religious processions. In 1895, American institutions of higher learning first produced a uniformity code for these vestments.

The cap worn almost universally in academic processions is the “Oxford cap,” better known as the mortarboard. The mortarboard, which is always black, is square to symbolize a book. A different style of academic headgear called the “Cambridge cap” resembles a large beret.

The tassel attached to the mortarboard is also typically black, although its color may be used to signify the field in which the degree is granted. Academic hoods, worn around the neck and down the back of the gown, signify the level of the degree, the field in which it was given and/or the institution that awarded it. The masters hood is moderate in length, and the doctoral hood is fuller and longer.

The gown’s exterior velvet panel color identifies the field in which the degree is awarded.

HOOD TRIM

Arts, Letters and Humanities:	White	Music:	Pink
Business:	Drab	Nursing:	Apricot
Education:	Light Blue	Philosophy:	Dark Blue
Fine Arts:	Brown	Science:	Golden Yellow
Journalism:	Crimson	Social Work:	Citron
Medicine/Health:	Green	Theology:	Scarlet

HONORS SOCIETY CORDS

Gold Medallion: Graduating member of Honors Program

Gold Cords: Graduating with Academic Honors

Brown and Ivory: Kappa Gamma Pi, Graduate Honor Society

Blue and Red: Phi Alpha Theta, History Honor Society

Blue and Silver: Psi Chi, Psychology Honor Society

Blue and Gold: Phi Alpha, Social Work Honor Society

Gold: Alpha Mu Gamma, Foreign Language Honor Society

Lavender and White: Sigma Theta Tau International, Nursing Honor Society

Maroon and Gold: Delta Epsilon Sigma, National Catholic Scholastic Honor Society

Navy and Gold: Pi Theta Epsilon, Occupational Therapy Honor Society

Pink and Silver: Kappa Mu Epsilon, Mathematics Honor Society

Red and Green: Beta Beta Beta; Biology Honor Society

Red and White: Lambda Pi Eta, Communication Honor Society

Red and Black: Sigma Tau Delta, English Honor Society

Scarlet: Theta Alpha Kappa, Theology Honor Society

Teal: Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociology Honor Society

Congratulations Class of 2024!



Welcome to the Mount Mary University alumni community. As new graduates, you continue to be part of the Mount Mary family as you now join over 15,000 proud alums transforming the world. We hope you will stay close and stay connected.

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