

Albion College Commencement May 4, 2024

Program



Prelude Scenes of Albion

*Processional "Pomp and Circumstance, March No. 1" Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

arr. Clare Grundman

Albion College Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Matthew Clarke, conductor

Flag Bearers Emily Abramczyk '24

Andrew Cameron '24 Avery Campbell '24 Alyvia Fondren '24 Mackenzie Gillette '24 Rana Huwais '24 Sheridan Leinbach '24

Sneridan Leinbach 24 Quinn Natschke '24 Leslie Rivas '24

James Storey '24

The Academic Processional

The Platform Party
The Roard of Trustees

The Board of Trustees The President's Cabinet The Faculty and Faculty Emeriti

Invocation Laura Todd

Assistant Director for Spiritual Wellness

Greeting in Spanish Stephanie Ledezma '24

Welcome Address Dr. Wayne P. Webster

President

Honor of Retiring Faculty Dr. Lisa B. Lewis

Provost

Symphonic Wind "Russian Sailor's Dance" Reinhold Gliere (1874-1956)

Ensemble Selection Mackenzie Rundell, soloist arr. Anthony Susi

Albion College Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Matthew Clarke, conductor

Sounding of the Senior Class Horn Mackenzie Rundell '24

Eddie Cardew '24

Video Presentation Perspective

Senior Class Speakers Sheridan Leinbach '24

Rodney Mitchell '24 Aminaa Injinash '24 Lauren "Lolo" Reed '24

Honorary Degree Presentation Dr. Wayne P. Webster

President

Dr. Lisa B. Lewis

Provost

^{*}The audience will please stand.

Commencement Address

Dr. Mauri Ditzler
16th President of Albion College (retired)

Choir Selection "Omnia Sol (Let Your Heart Be Staid)"

Z. Randall Stroope (b. 1953)

Albion College Concert Choir Tate Nelson '24, student conductor

Nicholas Laban '11, pianist

Presentation and Conferral of Degrees

Dr. Wayne P. Webster
President
Dr. Lisa B. Lewis

Dr. Lisa B. Lewis Provost

Joanne (Joey) Edwards Miller '75 Chairman, Board of Trustees

Faculty Farewell David Reimann

Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science

Video Presentation Reflections from the Class of 2024

Presentation of the Senior Class Gift Emily Abramczyk '24

Rodney Mitchell '24 Hollie Ballentine '24 Savannah Waddick '24 Katherine Simpkins '24

Video Presentation From Alumni Ted Everingham '61

President, Alumni Association Charles (Chuck) Coutteau '16 Incoming President, Alumni Association

*College Hymn "Albion, Dear Albion" Ruth and Louis Rowland

Albion, dear Albion, hear our song to thee!
Let our joyous praise be heard
Over land and sea.
Of thy noble college halls,
of thy campus fair
Sing we with gladness
Here and everywhere.

Albion, dear Albion, let thy pure light shine In the hearts of noble ones Radiantly sublime— All who in thy college halls learned thy precepts rare, Let them sing praises to Alma Mater fair.

Albion, dear Albion, fondest memories
Light our pathway far from home
Through the distant days.
So we now our homage bring, breathe this fervent prayer:
Father in heaven,
Keep our Albion fair.

Albion College Concert Choir

Clayton G. Parr '80, professor of music and director

Albion College Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Matthew Clarke, conductor

Closing Remarks Dr. Wayne P. Webster

President

Recessional "La Réjouissance from Music G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

for the Royal Fireworks"

Fyte Onne arr. TJ Wolfgram

Albion College Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Matthew Clarke, conductor

^{*}The audience is invited to join in the singing.

Student Speakers





Sheridan Leinbach '24

Sheridan Leinbach '24 is a political science and history double major from Lansing, Michigan. She has served as president of Student Senate for the last two years and president of College Democrats for two years. She is actively involved

in the Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program and the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Leadership in Public Policy and Service. She is a member of several oncampus organizations, including Kappa Delta, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Students for Reproductive Justice, Diversability, Pi Sigma Alpha, Phi Alpha Delta, and was recently inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. She also works as an assistant in the Office of Admission. Sheridan will be attending American University in the fall, pursuing a master's degree in public policy.



Rodney Mitchell '24

Rodney Mitchell '24 is a psychology major with a concentration in neuroscience and a minor in biology from Saginaw, Michigan. His leadership on campus includes serving as chair of engagements for Student Senate and chair of the

Senior Class Gift fundraising initiative. Rodney is an active member of the men's varsity basketball team, Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program, and Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine. He is a member of Psi Chi honor society, Student Volunteer Bureau, and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. He is also an Albion College Community Collaborative (AC3) fellow. For the past two years, he has worked in the Office of Institutional Advancement. After graduation, Rodney plans to attend the University of Michigan Medical School as a post-baccalaureate student in preparation for medical school. He will also serve on the Board of Trustees as a recent graduate trustee.



Aminaa Injinash '24

Amina Injinash '24, is a selfdesigned mathematics / economics major and data analytics minor, graduating with honors from Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. She is actively involved in the Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program,

is a Foundation for Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (FURSCA) Ambassador, and recipient of the Vernon and Gladys B. Lawson Endowed Research Fellowship. She was selected to present her research at the Midwest Economic Association's Annual Conference twice during her time at Albion. Aminaa has worked on campus as a tour guide, peer tutor for mathematics and economics, and client service assistant and student supervisor at the circulation desk in Stockwell Library. She has also taken on leadership roles, including as director of funds and director of new members for Delta Gamma Sorority. Her campus memberships include the Asian Cultural Engagement group, Omicron Delta Epsilon Economics honors society, Student Volunteer Bureau, International Student Union, and the Albion College Dance Team. She is also an Albion College Community Collaborative (AC3) fellow. After graduation, Aminaa will be working as a data analyst on the Client Success Team at Revela, a property management software company.



Lauren "LoLo" Reed '24

Lauren (LoLo) Reed '24 is a biology major from Saginaw, Michigan. Lolo conducted electrochemical research alongside Dr. Metz in the summer of 2021, sponsored by the Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine, and served

as a teaching assistant for organic chemistry during the 2022-2023 academic year. She is actively involved in Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., serving in a variety of roles such as vice president, treasurer, chaplain and historian. She is also a member of the Black Student Alliance and EMS Club. Lolo participated all four years on the Women's Basketball team, serving as captain in her final season. During her time on the squad, Lolo earned First Team All-Conference in 2022-2023, Second Team All-Conference during the 2023-2024 season, and was the Albion College Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) "Breakthrough Athlete of the Year" for the 2021-2022 academic year. After graduation, Lolo plans to travel to Africa as a medical volunteer in Kenya and Tanzania. Upon returning, she will be taking the MCAT in preparation for applying to a HBCU medical school.

Faculty Farewell Speaker





Dr. David ReimannProfessor of Mathematics and
Computer Science

David Reimann is a professor of mathematics and computer science at Albion College. In addition to teaching standard courses in

mathematics and computer science, he has also taught interdisciplinary courses on mathematics and art. Next year, he will spend his sabbatical working as a visiting professor at the National Museum of Mathematics in New York City. He will focus his time there on mathematical outreach through mathematical art and writing a book on the mathematics of symmetry.

His scholarship focuses on the applications of mathematics and computer science to art and he frequently gives talks at professional conferences and writes about related topics. He is also an artist. He uses a wide variety of media and incorporates mathematical elements such as symmetry, geometry, and numbers in his art. Professor Reimann's work is frequently included in juried art exhibitions. You can see and read about his artwork at drMathArt.com.

He earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics from the University of Toledo, a master's degree in mathematics from Wayne State University, and a doctoral degree in computer science from Wayne State University. Prior to joining the faculty of Albion College in 1996, he spent 10 years as a medical imaging researcher at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

Professor Reimann has a special connection to the Class of 2024, having also served as the speaker for their Fall 2020 Matriculation Convocation.

Faculty

Faculty Marshals Jocelyn McWhirter Andrew Christopher Craig Bieler Tammy Jechura

Anthropology/Sociology

Allison Harnish, chair Brad Chase Blake Darling Allison Jendry James Scott Melzer Kaitlyn Sanders Lynn Verduzco-Baker

Art & Art History
Ashley Feagin, chair
Nancy Demerdash-Fatemi
Michael Dixon
Shauna Merriman
Emmeline Solomon
Bille Wickre

Biology

Sheila Lyons-Sobaski, chair Roger Albertson Abigail Cahill Marcella Cervantes Daniel Goldberg Ola Olapade Bradley Rabquer Marc Roy Kenneth Saville Joanna Sblendorio

Chemistry & Biochemistry

Kevin Metz, chair Craig Bieler Cliff Harris Lisa Lewis Vanessa McCaffrey Jennifer Reeves Christopher Rohlman Craig Streu

Communication Studies

Megan Hill, chair Katie Broekema Karen Erlandson Jasmine LaBine Dan Lake Katey Price

Earth & Environment

Mick McRivette, chair Nels Christensen Mohamed Elhebery Allison Harnish Joe Lee-Cullin Madeline Marshall Carrie Menold Kevin Metz Thomas Wilch

Economics & Management

Vicki Baker, chair Carrie Adamczyk Kelsey Earle Jon Hooks Seolah Kim Zhen Li Connie O'Brien Leah Parker-Roth Stephen Young

Education

Suellyn Henke, chair Jillian Mortimer Betty Okwako-Riekkola Kyle Shanton Professor

English

Danit Brown, chair Lauren Brown Nels Christensen Ian MacInnes Helena Mesa Ashley Miller Krista Quesenberry Jessica Roberts Catherine Vinopal

Ethnic Studies

Eric Hill, chair **Dominick Quinney** Lucia Soriano Lynn Verduzco-Baker

History

Marcy Sacks, chair Laura Brade Joseph Ho Abigail Meert Christopher Riedel

International Studies

Bindu Madhok, chair

Midori Yoshii

Kinesiology

Bradley Rabquer, chair Heather Betz Julie Cousins Ahalee Farrow Collin Garner Holly Hill Keelin Severtson Anna Stinson

Mathematics & Computer Science

Mark Bollman, chair Paul Anderson **April Grow** Christopher Grow Mauricio Marengoni S. Darren Mason David Reimann Yuming Zhang

Modern Languages & Cultures

Kalen Oswald, chair Elizabeth Barrios Federico Fridman Edana Kleinhans Perry Myers Marcie Noble Emmanuel Yewah

Music

David Abbott, chair Maureen Balke Cory Champion Matthew Clarke **Emily Dierickx** Robert Dovle Cvnthia Duda Pant Lia Jensen-Abbott Matthew Kav Ji Hyun Kim Nicholas Laban Robert Livingston Daniel Palmer Clayton Parr Jenny Ribeiro John Robinson Elizabeth Rodeck Nathan Salazar Morgan Schulte Elena Solero Daniel Tressel Philip Wharton Bochi Zhang

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Daniel Mittag, chair Sean Kermath Jeremy Kirby Bindu Madhok

Physics

Nicolle Zellner, chair Demian Cho Moataz Khalifa Pierre Nzabahimana

Political Science

William Rose, chair Milkessa Gemechu Eliska Schnabel Dawid Tatarczyk

Psychological Science

Mareike Wieth, chair Andrew Christopher Holger Elischberger Jerry Fisher Andrea Francis Karen Groth Eric Hill Tammy Jechura Cathy Luzadder Shanti Madhayan-Brown

Religious Studies

Ron Mourad, chair Jocelyn McWhirter Peter Valdina

Theatre

Zach Fischer, chair Stephanie Henderson Mark Hoffland Kiah Kayser

Women's, Gender & **Sexuality Studies**

Trisha Franzen, co-chair Bille Wickre, co-chair Scott Melzer Lucia Soriano

Commencement Speaker





Dr. Mauri A. Ditzler 16th President of Albion College

Dr. Mauri A. Ditzler served as the 16th president of Albion College from July 2014 through June 2020. His career in higher education has spanned more than 40 years,

including two college presidencies, 11 years as an academic administrator, and 15 years as an esteemed and national-award-winning chemistry professor.

His return to Albion's campus for Commencement is bittersweet as the COVID-19 pandemic kept him from presiding over his final Commencement in May 2020 as president. As part of his farewell, Albion faculty, staff, and students coordinated a socially distanced parade in his honor in summer 2020 that included handmade signs displaying the community's deep affection for its outgoing leader. Hannah Street was renamed Ditzler Way in his honor.

A passionate advocate for the liberal arts, Ditzler created new opportunities for Albion students, significantly increased diversity of the student body, and worked to foster deeper connections between the campus and local community. Some of the highlights of his tenure at Albion include raising \$100 million for new programs and scholarships, expanding the academic curriculum to include classes in business and pre-medicine, finalizing a gift to establish the Cutler Center for Student Success, securing TRIO grant funding, and creating a partnership with the city of Albion to invest in critical downtown redevelopment. The partnership with the city brought a new hotel in downtown Albion, as well as additional restaurants and shops. Ditzler also moved the president's residence to Albion's campus from outside the city limits.

Ditzler joined Albion after serving as president of Monmouth College in Illinois from 2005 to 2014, where he led initiatives to innovate the curriculum, improve enrollment trends, increase diversity, strengthen the college's relationship with its home community of Monmouth, and orchestrate a \$75 million fundraising campaign—the largest capital campaign in the college's history. He guided fundraising efforts for the construction of

a \$40-million center for integrated programs in science, agriculture, and business; two residence halls and athletic facility improvements were also completed during his presidency.

Before Monmouth, Ditzler enjoyed six years as dean at Wabash College in Indiana, his undergraduate alma mater. At Wabash, he was a champion of immersion learning and undergraduate research, developing and helping to raise more than \$20 million in initial funding for a national Center of Inquiry in the Liberal Arts and playing a key role in the design and construction of many academic facilities. At Wabash and elsewhere, he hired and/or mentored faculty and staff who are now serving as presidents, provosts, and deans.

From 1994 to 1999, Ditzler served as dean of arts and sciences at Millikin University in Illinois. He advanced significant curricular reforms, promoted undergraduate research, and helped envision and secure funding for a new science building.

Preceding his move into administration was a 15-year tenure as a chemistry professor at the College of the Holy Cross in Massachusetts. At Holy Cross, Ditzler was widely published—often with students as co-authors—and attracted a series of major grants that allowed him to assemble and lead a team that developed Discover Chemistry (an early example of Project Oriented Guided Inquiry Learning), which became widely adopted and earned him a national teaching award.

An Indiana native, Ditzler graduated summa cum laude from Wabash College, majoring in chemistry and speech. In 2019, he received an honorary degree from Wabash. He earned a Ph.D. in analytical chemistry from Duke University and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the science honorary Sigma Xi.

He and his wife, Judith Ditzler, have three grown children, Meggan, Mark, and Lorin. Together, the Ditzlers own a fruit farm in west central Indiana.

Degree Candidates



Emily R. Abramczyk

Political Science, History, (Philosophy), Gerald R. Ford Institute for Leadership in Public Policy and Service Concentration Summa Cum Laude With Albion College Honors Phi Beta Kappa

Aiden J. Adams

Accounting-C.P.A. Emphasis, (Communication Studies) Cum Laude

Michael D. Adanti, Jr. **Business**

Gabrielle G. Ahnen Anthropology and Sociology

Laura A. Alcaraz

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Olivia L. Alexander

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, (Psychological Science), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Magna Cum Laude

Navaisha M. Alexander Edmond Psychological Science,

(Religious Studies)

Anthony E. Allen, Jr.

French, Kinesiology-**Exercise Science**

Tania G. Almanza

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, (Psychological Science), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Cum Laude

Rory J.M. Angott

Finance, (German) Cum Laude

Madilyn M. Archambeau

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Mikayla M. Armour

Mathematics, (Educational Studies), Carl A. Gerstacker Institute for Business and **Management Concentration**

Colette N. Askins

Kinesiology-Exercise Science

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Anthropology Cum Laude With Albion College Honors

Henry A. Bacolor

Anthropology and Sociology, History Summa Cum Laude

Nicholas D. Baidoon

Economics and Management Cum Laude

Sabrina A. Baima

English: Creative Writing, (Sexuality Studies)

Guillermo D. Baird

Biology

Rae L. Baker

Biology, Departmental Honors in Biology Cum Laude

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Marketing Management, Carl A. Gerstacker Institute for **Business and Management** Concentration, James L. Curtis Institute for Race and Belonging

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Computer Science, Physics, (Applied Mathematics) Magna Cum Laude With Albion College Honors

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Communication Studies, (Sociology)

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History Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

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Integrated Marketing Communication Summa Cum Laude

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Social Studies-Secondary Education, Secondary **Education Program** Summa Cum Laude

Alvin Bonner, Jr.

Biology, (Psychological Science), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Logan J. Bonner

Economics and Management, (Sports Communication)

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Business, (Communication
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English Literature with Education Concentration, Lower Elementary Education PK-3 Concentration

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Magna Cum Laude

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Sociology, (Educational Studies)

Mateo Diaz

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Nayarit Diaz

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Music, English: Creative
Writing, (Spanish)
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Psychological Science Cum Laude

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Matthew H. McGann

Kinesiology-Exercise Science

Sydney M. McGurn History

Logan M. McLaughlin

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Cum Laude With Albion College Honors

Conor W. McPartlin

Sports Communication, (English) *Cum Laude*

Chloe G. Miller

Integrated Marketing Communication

Owen M. Miller

English Literature with Education Concentration, Lower/Upper Elementary Education PK-3/3-6 Concentration

Cesar D. Miranda

Biochemistry

Dylan J. Mitchell

Marketing Management, Carl A. Gerstacker Institute for Business and Management Concentration

Rodney D. Mitchell

Psychological Science, (Cell and Molecular Biology), Neuroscience Concentration, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Cum Laude With Albion College Honors Sigma Xi

Sandy B. Montes De Oca Theatre

Matthew W. Montgomery Marketing Management Cum Laude

Ezra R. Moore

Philosophy, (Economics)

Cum Laude

Aria T. Morgan

Economics and Management

Alexis G. Moss

Biochemistry, Departmental Honors in Biochemistry, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Magna Cum Laude Sigma Xi

McKenna P. Mullen

Sociology, (Psychological Science)

Karina E. Muñoz

Physics, Mathematics, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Enrique R. Murillo III

Communication Studies

Derrelle J. Murray, Jr.

Communication Studies, (Economics)

Bilguun Narmandakh

Computer Science, (Economics)

Cum Laude

Quinn A. Natschke

English Language Arts:
Elementary Education, Elementary
Education Program
Summa Cum Laude

Tate S. Nelson

Music: K-12 Education, (Applied Music: Secondary Education), PK-12 Education Program Concentration, Secondary Education Program Cum Laude

Jared N. Newsom

Accounting-C.P.A. Emphasis, (History)

Cum Laude

KaBriya L. Newton

Biology, (Anthropology and Sociology), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Kaylynne M. Nicholson

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, (Psychological Science), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Cum Laude

Delia R. Nieves

Environmental Studies, (Environmental Biology), Center for Sustainability and the Environment Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

Nigel K. Onwere

Communication Studies

Camden P. Orlando

Communication Studies, (Economics)

Kora E. Orosz

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, (Psychological Science), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Braylen S. Padilla

Political Science, (Educational Studies)

Eric K. Pates

Communication Studies

Diamond T. Patrick

Political Science

Mara E. Pilgrim

Marketing Management, (English) *Cum Laude*

Gregory G. Piscopink III

Communication Studies

Larry L. Platt

Sports Communication

Aaliyah M. Poole

Sociology, (Psychological Science)

Marrissa M. Price

Sports Communication, (Kinesiology-Exercise Science) Cum Laude With Albion College Honors

Kaylan J. Privett

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Ronald A. Puczkowski

Kinesiology-Exercise Science

Madeleine G. Rais

French, Spanish Magna Cum Laude With Albion College Honors

Cynthia Ramirez

Business, (Spanish), Gerald R. Ford Institute for Leadership in Public Policy and Service, James L. Curtis Institute for Race and Belonging

Mitchell Raphael

Psychological Science, (Cell and Molecular Biology), Neuroscience Concentration, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Magna Cum Laude

Matthew R. Record

Mathematics: Actuarial Emphasis, Finance, (Data Analytics)

Sathwik V. Reddy

Biology, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Sigma Xi

Vedha P. Reddy

Biochemistry, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Cum Laude Sigma Xi

Alura D. Reed

English: Secondary Education, (Psychological Science: Secondary Education), Secondary Education Program Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

Ashlynn R. Reed

English, Environmental Studies, Center for Sustainability and the Environment Summa Cum Laude With Albion College Honors Phi Beta Kappa

Lauren L. Reed

Biology, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Erika V. Reghanti

Communication Studies, (Educational Studies)

Hayden L. Rentschler

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

Jadlyn N. Riley

Communication Studies, (Marketing Management)

Luke D. Rivard

Music: Performance Emphasis Summa Cum Laude With Albion College Honors

Leslie E. Rivas

English Summa Cum Laude

Noelle A. Robert

Biochemistry, Psychological Science, Neuroscience Concentration, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude With Albion College Honors Sigma Xi

Kylie L. Roberts

Biology, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Magna Cum Laude

Watchen S. Roberts

Communication Studies. (Data Analytics), Departmental Honors in Interdisciplinary

Da'Von M. Robinson **English**

Juara'e D.D. Robinson Finance

Shaelyn E. Robinson Sociology Cum Laude

Juan G. Rodriguez Garcia

English: Creative Writing, (Political Science)

Mackenzie E. Rogers

Psychological Science Cum Laude

Nautica I. Rogers

Business

Vanessa Rojo-Merida

Psychological Science, Human **Services Concentration** Magna Cum Laude

Noah V. Rollison

Biochemistry, Biology, Departmental Honors in Biochemistry, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude Sigma Xi

Monika M. Rosas

Psychological Science, Human Services Concentration

Abigail A. Rose

Biology, (Anthropology and Sociology), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

Mark G. Rothman

Environmental Studies

Ethan D. Rottell

Business

Mackenzie M. Rundell

Biology, (Psychological Science), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Aidan W. Ryan

History, Earth Science Cum Laude

Deema H. Saeed

IDV: Biomedical Chemistry, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Cum Laude

Timothy M. Salinas

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, (Sports Communication) *Cum Laude*

Marcus L. Sanders-Dean

English: Creative Writing

Daniel E. Saunders

History, Philosophy, Gerald R. Ford Institute for Leadership in Public Policy and Service Concentration Magna Cum Laude

Jenna G. Schienke

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, (Cell and Molecular Biology), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude

Alexander E. Shaheen

Business, (Sports Communication)

Vaughn G. Shewell

Marketing Management, (Sports Communication)

Uma S. Shuford Williams

Environmental Studies, Earth Science, (Management), Center for Sustainability and the Environment Magna Cum Laude

Katherine C. Simpkins

Sociology, (Educational Studies)

Jocelyn M. Singer

Psychological Science, Communication Studies, (Art)

Ayaina A.E. Singletary

Psychological Science, (Theatre), James L. Curtis Institute for Race and Belonging

Nieya R. Singleton-Anderson

Art, (Art History), Center for Sustainability and the Environment

Chase A. Smith

Marketing Management, Communication Studies, Carl A. Gerstacker Institute for Business and Management Concentration

Malena A. Solis

Sociology, Psychological Science, Human Services Concentration, Carl A. Gerstacker Institute for Business and Management Concentration, James L. Curtis Institute for Race and Belonging Cum Laude

Jacson C. Stanton

Integrated Marketing Communication, (History) *Cum Laude*

Sarah R. Starkey

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Elijah D. Stayner

Economics and Management, Psychological Science Magna Cum Laude

Austin W. Stoll

Environmental Studies, (Educational Studies)

Sarah E. Stone

Art

James M. Storey

Biology, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

Sarah M. Stovall

Biology, Communication Studies, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

Tiffani M. Stribling-Washington Psychological Science, Human

Services Concentration

Hannah J. Stutler

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Brett A. Swaton

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, (Psychological Science) Magna Cum Laude

Samuel B. Swift

Mathematics, (History) *Cum Laude*

W. Colby Taylor-Browning

Business, Sports Communication

Ya'ziana N. Terry

Ethnic Studies, (Educational Studies)

Griffin L. Thompson

Business, (Communication Studies)

Brooklyn A. Tripp

Art, Philosophy

Binderiya Tumurchuluun

Computer Science, (Statistics) *Magna Cum Laude*

Jordan B. Tutt

History, (Educational Studies)

Alyce S. Vermilya

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude

Arielle E. Vermilya

Biology, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude

Nathan S. Vesper

Integrated Marketing Communication, (Psychological Science)

Michaley P. Vieau

Biology
Summa Cum Laude

Brandon M. Villanueva

Psychological Science, (Sociology)

Vaughn L. Vinson

Psychological Science, (Marketing Management)

Paul D. Volesky

Biochemistry, Departmental Honors in Biochemistry, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Summa Cum Laude Sigma Xi

Savannah T. Waddick

Biology, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine Cum Laude

Cassidy L. Wakula

Biology, (Sociology), Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Audrey N. Waldo

Psychological Science Cum Laude

Lindsey A. Walicki

English Literature with Education Concentration, Lower/Upper Elementary Education PK-3/3-6 Concentration Cum Laude

Nathan R. Ward

Accounting-C.P.A. Emphasis, Carl A. Gerstacker Institute for Business and Management Concentration

Shawn A. Wells

Business

Kameron J. Williams

Communication Studies, Law, Justice and Society Concentration

Robert S.W. Willis

Economics and Management

Dontae-Turrell A. Wilson

Psychological Science, Human Services Concentration

Jaylen A. Woodfork-Rogers

Integrated Marketing Communication, James L. Curtis Institute for Race and Belonging

Damarco K. Wright

Communication Studies, (Educational Studies)

Donovan E. Wright

Finance

Brock R. Yabs

Marketing Management

Vanessa E. Ybarra

Art

Alexander J. Zako

Marketing Management, (Communication Studies), Carl A. Gerstacker Institute for Business and Management Concentration

Thony N. Zandanga

Kinesiology-Exercise Science, Lisa and James Wilson Institute for Medicine

Andrew W. Zauner

Finance, (Data Analytics), (Computer Science) Summa Cum Laude Phi Beta Kappa

Riley A. Zoll

German, (Teaching English as a Second Language), (Educational Studies) Cum Laude With Albion College Honors

Ceremony



Ceremonial Flag Bearers

The flag bearers for today's ceremony are the students with the highest academic achievement in their graduating class earning a 4.0.

Albion College Fellows

Albion College Fellows include students who attain a 3.7 grade point average for three successive semesters, while carrying four units of credit and being graded in at least three of those courses. This honor is given only once during a student's Albion career.

History of the Senior Class Horn

In 1877 the twelve members of Albion College's senior class launched the senior class horn tradition. The horn was to "remain in the possession of the class that could best rally to its rumbling blare" (*Pleiad*, May 29, 1923). The large tin megaphone, seven feet long and painted with Albion's school colors, was then passed on to the Class of 1878 with a warning never to let an underclassman handle the horn. In 1896, the senior class surrendered its rights to the horn and presented it to the Albion College Oratorical Association. For years, it was then used as a trophy for the class who had provided the winner of the prestigious class oratory contests. For each contest, a metal plate bearing the name of the winner was mounted on the horn. After the discontinuation of the oratory contests in the mid-1950s, the horn was abandoned and stored in the Albion College Archives. The horn was refurbished in 2000 and was dedicated, along with a new showcase and plaque, in 2003 as the senior class gift. The class horn tradition now continues as the horn is sounded by graduating seniors prior to the student speaker's remarks at the commencement exercises.

Academic Honors

At the time of commencement, we honor those graduating seniors whose excellence in scholarship warrants special recognition. Thus, the commencement program makes a permanent record of the outstanding achievement of those seniors whose names are listed with honors.

On a grading system in which 4 points represents an "A" and 3 points represents a "B," the conferring of *Summa Cum Laude* signifies that the graduating senior achieved an accumulative average of 3.9 or better. *Magna Cum Laude* signifies an average of 3.75 to 3.889. *Cum Laude* signifies an average of 3.5 to 3.749.

For Albion College graduates receiving the Honors described above, special cords are worn around the neck of the gown. Gold signifies *Summa Cum Laude*, purple indicates *Magna Cum Laude*, and white represents *Cum Laude*.

Departmental honors means that the student has been invited by his or her major department to write a senior thesis and that this was of such merit that the department and the Faculty Honors Coordinator have unreservedly approved departmental honors for that graduating senior.

The designation, *With Albion College Honors*, means that the student has participated in the four Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program Great Issues Seminar courses, has maintained a minimum 3.5 GPA, and has culminated the academic experience with a major thesis project.

Academic Costume

The pageantry and color at Albion College's commencement exercises reveal the academic achievement of the participating faculty, administration, and students. Gowns, hoods, head coverings, and even tassels provide a convenient means of determining academic degrees, as well as the institution conferring the degree.

There are three types of gowns. Those worn by the bachelors are black with long, pointed sleeves. Gowns worn by masters are also black and have oblong sleeves. Neither gown has any trimmings. Doctors' gowns are usually black, trimmed on the front with velvet. Each sleeve has three velvet bars which may vary in color, depending upon the type of doctoral degree. At some institutions the gowns may be in the school's colors, rather than black. Hoods are made of material identical to the gown and are lined in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. Colors of the velvet edging indicate the subject of the degree. Caps come in several versions—usually squaretopped—including the flat mortarboard and the soft fabric cap. A long tassel is usually fastened to the middle point of the cap's top. The tassel is black for bachelors, while masters and doctors have color appropriate to their academic disciplines. Albion's graduating seniors may move the tassel from right to left upon conferral of their degrees.

Albion College Symphonic Wind Ensemble Matthew Clarke, conductor

Mackenzie Rundell - Trombone Connor Ganzel - Trombone Damion Gehres - Percussion Kathleen Quimby - Percussion Jordan Cowan - Percussion Max LaPonsie - Bari Sax Ethan Thomas - Euphonium Louis Kramer - Euphonium Julia Schnicke - Horn Lucas Kinney - Tenor Sax Maddy Davis - Alto Sax Shianne Hunter - Alto Sax Honor Slocum - Alto Sax Emmanuel Rostro-González - Alto Sax Victoria Wooley - Alto Sax Tara Cannon - Alto Sax Anjanette Eck - Piccolo Margaret Gilbert - Flute Abigail Hoskey - Clarinet

Susanna Doss - Clarinet

Robert Cornwell - Clarinet

Albion College Concert Choir

Clayton Parr ³80, professor of music, conductor Tate Nelson '24, student conductor Nicholas Laban '11, pianist

Kara Anderson Makayla Bailey Haileystar Castañeda Adrian Christianson Elizabeth Dicks Skye Dickson Abigail Dombrowski Nateavah Garner Naomi Gut Benjamin Harkness Brandon Harrell Abigail Hubbard Teresa Lopez Ian MacDonald Allison Mayo-Moyle Miranda McKee Karsen Mellado Maggie Mills Carter Munn Tate Nelson Kaen Patton Jeremy Romero Lucia Scouten Dan Sheahen Faith Shook

Uma Shuford Williams Amariah Tallev-Woodson

Adriana Viscomi