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THE SCOT PIPERS

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THE CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES IN COURSE

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Music
Bachelor of Music Education

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The Reverend Thomas H. Quigley

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The Scot Pipers

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DEGREES

Doctor of Humanities
LOWELL WILLIAM COOLIDGE

Doctor of Laws
STANLEY C. GAULT

Doctor of Science
HELEN MURRAY FREE

Doctor of Science
SAMUEL PROCTOR MASSIE

Bachelor of Arts

HAYES CARROLL ABRAMS  Winnetka, Illinois  Psychology
HEATHER KATHLEEN ADAMS  Washburn, Maine  Theatre
HENRY EZRA ADAMS II  Akron  Economics
KAREN LYNN AEBERLI  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  History
HUMAYUN MOIN ALAM  Karachi, Pakistan  Chemistry
DAVID SCOTT ALBERT  Princeton, New Jersey  Communication
CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL ALGHINI  Chicago, Illinois  Business Economics
ARICA BETH ALLEN  Yorktown Heights, New York  Psychology
JENNIFER MARIE AMTMANN  K.I. Sawyer A.F.B., Michigan  Russian Honors
CLAUDIA KARLA ANDERSON  Hiram  Art
DAVID M. ANDERSON  Chardon  English Honors
JULIE MARIE ANDERSON  Wooster  Communication
KEVIN BERNARD ANDERSON  Baltimore, Maryland  Philosophy
FRANK HENRY ANDORKA, JR.  Bay Village  History Honors
GOKCE ZEYNEP APAYDIN  Adapazari, Turkey  Economics
AHMET ARINC  Istanbul, Turkey  Economics
ELENA SOPHIA ARROJO  Bloomfield, Connecticut  Art
TAMI ANN AUGUSTINE  Ridgewood, New Jersey  History
KATHRYN ELIZABETH AULT  Shaker Heights  Spanish Honors
KRISTIN SUE BACON  Salem  Psychology
LAURA LOCKARD BAGLEY  Chagrin Falls  Sociology
JENNIFER LYNN BALBO  Canton  English
KIMBERLY JANE BANKS  Taylor, Michigan  Psychology
ROCHELLE DENISE BARNES  Akron  Sociology
DORSEY WOODWARD BARNETT  Reston, Virginia  English
ELIZABETH OLSON BARNEY  Heidelberg, Germany  Economics Honors
ANDREW CHARLES BARTON  Mohegan Lake, New York  Geology
JILL MATHESON BAUMEISTER  Newton, Massachusetts  History
JEFFERSON ANDREWS BECK  Edwardsville, Illinois  Biology
AARON RAY BECKER  Jeromesville  Psychology Honors
JOHN HOWARD BECKER  Delaware  History
ERIC WILLIAM BELL  Akron  Special — Economics of Intercollegiate Athletics
JEFFREY ALLYN BELL  Alexandria, Virginia  Economics Honors
ALEX BENCHIMOL  Phoenix, Arizona  History/English Honors
KATHERINE JEAN BENSON  Austin, Texas  Psychology Honors
AMANDA JANE BERNEKING  Wayzata, Minnesota  Special — Child Development
PETER LEE BERRY  New Canaan, Connecticut  History
TIMOTHY DAVID BERRY  Lexington, Kentucky  History Honors
ELIZABETH KENT BLAKEMORE  Golden, Colorado  English
JULIE CHRISTINE BLOSSER  Spencer  English
JENNIFER BOND  Stony Brook, New York  Psychology
LILLIAN MARIE BOND S  Capitol Heights, Maryland  Theatre/Black Studies Honors
JACQUELINE M. BOULANGER  Toronto, Ontario, Canada  Sociology
RICHARD KEITH BOYER  Olmsted Falls  Computer Science
WALTER JERRY BOZENTKO  Westport, Connecticut  International Relations
ANN ELIZABETH BRAVERMAN  Independence  Communication
JON WILLIAM BREITENBUCHEr  Lakeville  Mathematics Honors
KIMBERLY AMES BRICKELL  Sykesville, Maryland  Economics
JONATHAN PHILIP BRICKER  Rochester Hills, Michigan  History Honors
TAMMY LUCILLE BROOKS  Akron  Urban Studies
CHRISTINA LYNN BROWN  Lodi  Biology
KATRINA LOUISE BROWN  Wooster  English
DOUGLAS DAVID BROWNE  Denver, Colorado  History Honors
DIANE CHRISTINE BRYANT  Evanston, Illinois  Psychology
MARGARET ELIZABETH BRYANT  Baltimore, Maryland  Sociology
CHERYL LYNN BUCHWALTER  Wooster  Chemistry Honors
WALTER MATTHEW BURDETT  Cuyahoga Falls  Business Economics
LAURA MARIE CALIGUIRI  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  Philosophy
LAWRENCE BRUCE CALLAHAN*  Stow  Political Science
MICHELE LEE CAMMARATA  Buffalo, New York  English
MARK DAVID CAMPBELL  Upper Arlington  History
CHRISTINE CHAMBERLIN Bethel Park, Pennsylvania English Honors
CHRISTOPHER HAROLD CHAMBERLIN Brookfield, Connecticut Religion
THOMAS GORDON CHAMPION III Grosse Pointe, Michigan English
LAURA ANN CHARVAT Rocky River English
COREY RANDALL CHOATE McMurray, Pennsylvania Communication
AMY BETH CHRISTNER Powell Mathematics Honors
KELLY ELIZABETH CHUR East Amherst, New York Art
AMY ADELE CHURBA* New Rochelle, New York English
SHERRIE DENISE CLAYBORNE Warrensville English
JOHN MATTHEW CLOUSE Potomac, Maryland International Relations
SCOTT DANIEL CODY New Castle, Pennsylvania Economics
DOUGLAS ROBERTS COEN Canton History
MICHAEL ANDREW COMSTOCK Swarthmore, Pennsylvania Music
CARISSA SENSITIVA CONNER Yarmouth, Maine English Honors
ELLEN PAIGE CURFMAN CONRAD Wooster Sociology
NANCY LYNN COOK* Euclid Music
KAREN SUZANNE CORDRICK Seven Hills Philosophy Honors
ALEXANDER ETHAN COYLE Cullowhee, North Carolina History
AMY LYNN CREIGHTON* Cortland Communication
SUSAN MARIE CRESSMAN Pennsburg, Pennsylvania Communication Honors
HEATHER ELISABETH AMALEE CROCKER* Wooster Art
MATTHEW BENJAMIN MCDONALD CRUMMEY Urbana, Illinois Art
TODD ALLEN CUSHING* Grosse Pointe, Michigan English
PAUL THOMAS D’ADDARIO Forest Hills, New York Theatre
AMY MARIE DANA Norton English Honors
ZEDFORD DUANE DANCEY Peoria, Illinois English
SALLY ANN DECAROLIS Rochester, New York International Relations Honors
LARA MICHELLE DE COURTIVRON Sarasota, Florida History Honors
LISA L. DEFENDIEFER Louisville Sociology
KENDRRA ALISA DENSNER Webster, New York Psychology
HENRY CHARLES DEPEW Toledo Business Economics
KRISTIN MARIE DeVIVO Irvington, New York Psychology
GARY MELVIN DeVORE, JR. Greensboro, North Carolina Archaeology
DYLAN BLACKWOOD DeVRIES Winston Salem, North Carolina History
KERI SUE DILLION Wooster History Honors
SCOTT ROY DIXON Ludlow, Massachusetts Theatre/English Honors
CONYA DOSS  Cleveland  Chemistry
PERCEFONI DOUFOU  Thessaloniki, Greece  Chemistry
KIM NANNETTE DOUGLASS  Falls Church, Virginia  History
KRISTEN IRENE DOWNER  Greenville, Pennsylvania  German
MISTY MICHAEL EDE  Canton  Art
HEATHER SWINGLE EPPLЕН  New York, New York  Sociology
KATHERINE WILEY ERDMAN  Little Compton, Rhode Island  Art
LISA CAROL ESCUE  La Porte, Indiana  Special — Modern Foreign Languages (Spanish/German) Honors
BRADLEY VAUGHN EVANS  Hudson  History
CHRISTY JO EVANS  West Lafayette  English Honors
ERIK WILLIAM EVANS  Columbus  Biology
JENNIE LEIGH FABENS  Cleveland Heights  History
PETER JOSEPH FALCONE  Utica, New York  Sociology
MARGARET ELLEN FARRAR  Independence  Political Science Honors
JOSH RANDALL FARTHING  Maumee  Computer Science
JANE AUDREY FEATHERMAN  West Chester, Pennsylvania  English
KELLEY LYNETTE FERGUSON*  Cleveland  Psychology
ANTHONY CHRISTOPHER FERNANDEZ  Naples, Florida  History
REGINALD FERNANDEZ  Karachi, Pakistan  Mathematics/Economics
TERRANCE FIELDS  Akron  Economics
LAURA RANKIN FIELTZ  Roswell, Georgia  History
HEATHER MARIE FINCK  Piermont, New York  Religion
MYRIAM KATI FIZAZI  Casablanca, Morocco  Political Science Honors
CAREY LEE FORAN  Bethlehem, Pennsylvania  History
JOELLEN BETH FOWLER  Nashville, Tennessee  Urban Studies
JASON ANDREW FRANKHOUSER*  Kent  Biology
WENDY RUTH FREEBURN  Columbus  English
STEFAN PAUL FREY  Canton  Business Economics
CHRISTIAN DANIEL FULLER  Akron  English
ELIZABETH ANNE FULLER  Akron  Philosophy Honors
JOHN PAUL GALEGO  Granville, Massachusetts  English
ALYSSA GANOBISKI  Elyria  International Relations
MUSTAFA SHABBIR GARBADAWALA  North Canton  Chemistry
DEBORAH LYNN GARDNER  Kirtland  Communication
GEORGE ANDREW GARDNER  Willoughby  Communication Honors

The William A. Galpin Award, 2nd
BETH CHRISTINE GARRISON  Wooster  Psychology
DAVID ALAN GEORGE  Cincinnati  Sociology
ARIC LEE GIBSON  Cadiz  Political Science
HOLLY TOWNSEND GIDEZ  New Canaan, Connecticut  English
CHRISTOPHER DELBERT GLASER  Fairview Park  English
MARTHA ELIZABETH GRAHAM  Newport, Rhode Island  Religion
BRIAN LEE GRANDISON  Akron  Business Economics
ROBERT JASON GRAY  Washington, D.C.  History
MELISSA VALISKA GREGORY  Indianapolis, Indiana  Art/English Honors
KELLY NORINE GRIGSBY  Wooster  Economics
JEREMY GRISTINA  Larchmont, New York  Economics
PAUL SHUMWAY GUNNING  Cleveland Heights  Black Studies
ELIZABETH KATHARINE GUROFF  Chevy Chase, Maryland  Psychology
NEIL THOMAS HAGAN  Rocky River  History
ELIZABETH ANN HAHNE  Midland, Michigan  Biology
ALEXANDER BRUCE HAIGHT  Manchester, New Hampshire  History
CHRISTOPHER HAMILTON  Cleveland  Physics
NANCY ANN HAMILTON  Bratenahl  Business Economics
JAMES CARLE HARRELL  Columbus  Political Science
JENNIFER ANN HARRISON  Saegertown, Pennsylvania  History
SYED ASIM HASAN  Karachi, Pakistan  Business Economics
THOMAS WHITE HAYES  Fairport, New York  Chemistry
JAY F. HENDERSON  Seattle, Washington  Art
KATHERINE MA CLAY HENDERSON  Ithaca, New York  History
KATHLEEN JOY HEPPNER  Chagrin Falls  Chemistry
ANDREA LYNN HESS  Orrville  Special — Pre-Physical Therapy
JASON WARREN HICKMAN  New Wilmington, Pennsylvania  English Honors
ERIC FRED HICKS  Newark, New York  Biology Honors

The William A. Galpin Award, 1st

ROBERT TOWNSEND HIDER, JR.  Reston, Virginia  Computer Science
JANE ELIZABETH HILLIER  Scituate, Massachusetts  English/History Honors
DEBORAH SUE HIRST  Palatine, Illinois  Urban Studies Honors
KAREN DIANE HODGES  Murrysville, Pennsylvania  History Honors
AMY S. HOLLANDER  Dunkirk, New York  English
BRIAN LEWIS HOOD  Rochester, New York  Chemistry
WILLIAM FRANK HOOVER  Canton  Business Economics
GREGORY DAVID HORNE   Oak Ridge, Tennessee  Music
PETER BAILE HORTON   Wilton, Connecticut  English
GREGORY DENNIS HOSKINS   Tacoma, Washington  Philosophy Honors
TRACEY LYNN HOWERTON   Shelby  History
MEGHAN SUE HOWES   Canton  English
DANIEL TODD HOWITT   East Grand Rapids, Michigan  Philosophy
CHRISTOPHER CHAN HUH   McLean, Virginia  Biology
ERICA IMMENSCHUH   Mission Woods, Kansas  Women's Studies
FATIH INAL   Bursa, Turkey  Economics/International Relations
ERICH PETER IPPEN   Belmont, Massachusetts  Physics Honors
FATHIMA NAADIA ISMAIL   Colombo, Sri Lanka  Communication
JULIE IO JAMESON   Bethesda, Maryland  Psychology Honors
MAITHRI MAHESH KADURUWANE JAYASEKERA   Colombo, Sri Lanka  Chemistry
LISA MARIE JENCKA   Irwin, Pennsylvania  Geology
BRENT WILLIAM JOHNSON   Maryville, Tennessee  English
HANS PETER JOHNSON   Galesburg, Michigan  Spanish/English Honors
JENNIE DUNHAM JOHNSON   Buchanan, Michigan  Sociology
MEREDITH LYNN JOHNSON   Chelsea, Michigan  Economics
ROBERT BRUCE JOHNSON   Uhrichsville  History
CORETTA DENISE JONES   Mansfield  Sociology
DAVID EDWARD JONES   Indianapolis, Indiana  Art
CHERYL DAWN JUENGEL   Strongsville  Mathematics Honors
SANDRA BABIRYE KABUYE*   Nairobi, Kenya  Biology
JENNIFER DIANNE KANNEY   Canton  Psychology
F. WILLIAM KANZINGER   Russell  History
CRAIG MICHAEL KAUFFMAN   Birmingham, Michigan  Religion Honors
ANDREW ROBERT KEAR   Cold Spring, Kentucky  Geology Honors
BURT PAUL KEIPER   Akron  Biology
WILLIAM MARK KELLY   Dunwoody, Georgia  History
MOHLABANI MOJAKI KGOSANA   Dar-Es-Salaam, Tanzania  Biology
RAVEENA KHEHAR   Nairobi, Kenya  Sociology
DAVID HOWARD KIME   Dalton  Special — Geophysics
BRYAN DOUGLAS KING   Granville  History Honors
ELIZABETH RUTH KIRKPATRICK   Louisville, Kentucky  Sociology Honors
TODD MARTIN KLEINMAN   Ann Arbor, Michigan  Political Science
KEVIN CHRISTOPHER KLYBERG   Lincoln, Rhode Island  History Honors
PAUL KOREMAN  Birmingham, Michigan  English
KIMBERLE KAY KREBS  Huron  Psychology  Honors
KIRSTIE MICHELLE KUHLS*  Akron  Business Economics
ALISSA MARIE KULOW  Rocky River  Biology
RICHARD JOHN LAIRD*  Ashtabula  Economics
DAVID MARTIN LAMBERGER  Dayton  Biology
MARTHA LOUISE LANGE*  Etna, New Hampshire  Special — Sports Medicine
HEATHER LARENE LARKIN  Nashville, Tennessee  Cultural Area Studies
KATHLEEN MARY LECHMAN  Cleveland  Sociology
CAROL DIANE LEONARD  Norton  English
EILEEN NELLES LEONHARDY  Washington, D.C.  International Relations
LEIGH ANN LESHOCK  Greensburg, Pennsylvania  Political Science
ANNE ROYCROFT LEWELLEN  Wooster  Geology
JEAN-PAUL LILLISTON  Rochester, Michigan  English
ALLEN KIRK LINCOLN  Princeton, New Jersey  English
JANNETTE MICHAELLE LINK  Crestline  Business Economics
IAN EMERSON LOCKWOOD  Dhaka, Bangladesh  Special — Political Economy
ANNE GREYBILL LONGSWORTH*  Williamsburg, Virginia  English
AMY JO LOSER  Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania  Psychology  Honors
SUSAN ELIZABETH LOUIS  Kent  Political Science/English  Honors
MARY ELIZABETH LUCAL  Sandusky  Women's Studies/English  Honors
AERON JAMES LUCAS*  Wooster  Business Economics
MARGARET SHERIDAN LUTZ  Old Greenwich, Connecticut  Art
CRIS BETH LYON  Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania  German
TIMOTHY MARK LYONS  Cuyahoga Falls  Business Economics
JENNIFER LYN MABIE  Mahwah, New Jersey  Psychology
MACHIE ANNE MADDEN  Tacoma, Washington  Communication
BENJAMIN ASIIMWE MANYINDO  Harare, Zimbabwe  International Relations
MARK FRANCIS MARANDO  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  Business Economics  Honors
ERIC JOHN MARTIN  New Castle, Pennsylvania  English  Honors
REBECCA SUE MASON  Wooster  Biology
QUINTON JOHN MASSEY*  Cleveland  Business Economics
CONSTANCE LEE MATHEWS  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  English
JOHN BLEWETT MCCORY  New York, New York  English  Honors
HOLLY LYNN McCULLOUGH  Burgettstown, Pennsylvania  History
JOHN WILLIAM McDONOUGH  Worthington  Biology
COLLEEN DIANNE McFARLAND  Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin  German/History  Honors
CLARKE CAMERON McFARLANE  Princeton, New Jersey  Psychology
WHITNEY LOCKE McGOODWIN  Duxbury, Massachusetts  History
ESTHER EDMUNDS McKEAN  Grosse Pointe, Michigan  Religion
PATRICK JOSEPH McKENNA  Olmsted Township  Economics
RACHEL ANN McKINNEY  Poland  Biology  Honors
LYNN MARIE McMASTER  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  Psychology
JAMES SCOTT McMILLEN  Wadsworth  Biology
LORI L. McNEELY  Avella, Pennsylvania  Sociology
BRYAN LEE McPHERAL  Gambier  Urban Studies
MARGARET ANN MEKER  Hudson  English
LISA ANN MEURER  Westwood, Massachusetts  English
JON SCOTT MIKESCH  Norton  Mathematics  Honors
GARY DEAN MILLER  Silver Lake  History
HARRY JERROLD MILLER  Trooper, Pennsylvania  Chemistry
LAURA ALANE MILLER  Napoleon  Art
STEPHEN DENNIS MILLER  Canton  Business Economics
KATHLEEN NORRIS MILLICAN  Willoughby Hills  Sociology  Honors
JENNIFER RUTH MILLS  Durango, Colorado  Cultural Area Studies
CLARA ELLEN MITCHELL  Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania  Psychology
SEEMA MOHIUDDIN  Karachi, Pakistan  Communication
SHEHRYAR MOHIUDDIN  Karachi, Pakistan  Economics  Honors
ELIZABETH A. MORAN  Grand Forks, North Dakota  Theatre  Honors
DEBORAH SUE MORISON  Deerfield, Illinois  Biology
JOHN RIDDLE MORROW III  Stevenson, Maryland  History  Honors
DAVID TODD MOTTICE  Garrettsville  Sociology
TRAVIS SCOT MOYER  West Worthington  Sociology
SUSAN S. MULVANEY  Canandigua, New York  English
BRIAN CAMERON MUNCHISON  Blacksburg, Virginia  Women's Studies  Honors
KARA ANN MURRAY  Wilmette, Illinois  History
SHANNON LEIGH MURRAY  Louisville, Kentucky  English
TODD COCHRAN MUSGROVE  Worthington  Psychology
LAURIE ELIZABETH NARANCH  Triadelphia, West Virginia  Political Science  Honors
LORENZO EDUARDO NAVARRO  Rockville, Maryland  Biology
ANDREW E. NELSON  Marblehead, Massachusetts  Communication
JESSAMYN ANNE NEUHAUS  Portage, Michigan  Religion  Honors
GEOFFREY J. O’BRIEN  Summit, New Jersey  English
JENNIFER TYANN O’KEEFE  Silver Spring, Maryland  Urban Studies
KATHERINE ANNE O’ROURKE  Chevy Chase, Maryland  English
JODI ANNETTE OBUCHOWSKI  Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania  English
ELIZABETH ANNE PADWE  McLean, Virginia  History
ANDREW DONALD PAGE  Nashua, New Hampshire  English
JAMES SANFORD PALMER  Grand Rapids, Michigan  Psychology Honors
STEPHEN ERNEST PALMER  Westerville  History
ASHESH PAREKH  Calcutta, India  Computer Science/Mathematics Honors
ROBIN MARIE PARKER  Cleveland  History
ERIC ALAN PARKS  Lancaster  Classical Studies Honors
KATHRYN MELISSA PARKS  New Milford, Connecticut  Psychology
TRACY ALLYSON PAUL  Garrettsville  Business Economics
ROBERT MARSHALL PAULSEN, JR.*  Akron  Biology
MICHAEL ROGERS PEPPER  River Forest, Illinois  History
BRIDGET DOREEN PERRIN*  Cleveland  Psychology
TAMARA B. PETERSON  New York, New York  Art
ERIC R. PFEFFINGER  Indianapolis, Indiana  English Honors

The William A. Galpin Award, 2nd

MARY ELIZABETH PIEKARSKI  Marietta  Biology
JENNIFER ELIZABETH PILDNER  Cleveland Heights  Sociology
NICOLE MARIE PODGorny  Arlington, Virginia  Psychology
KAREN MARIE POHLMAN*  Longmeadow, Massachusetts  Art
ALAN HOWARD POHORYLES  Bethesda, Maryland  History
SHARON TAYLOR POWELL  Bensalem, Pennsylvania  History
TIMOTHY JAMES POWERS  Darien, Connecticut  Political Science
KATHERINE LEE PRESLAN  Bay Village  Psychology
MARY CHRISTINA PRESTON  Holland Patent, New York  Art
ROBERT EVAN PURVIS  Rolling Hills Estates, California  History
CHRISTINE AMY QUIGLEY  Dallas, Texas  Sociology
KATHLEEN MARIE QUINN  Culpeper, Virginia  Classical Studies/Archaeology Honors
MICHAEL JOSEPH RACHITA  Massillon  Chemistry Honors
NISHA SARIT RAM  Geneva, Switzerland  Business Economics
STEPHEN ELLIS REMLEY*  Clairton, Pennsylvania  Business Economics
JOHN WADE RENNER  Shaker Heights  English
ANNA LINCOLN RIANHARD  Lutherville, Maryland  Art
SUSAN KATHERINE RICHMOND  Pottstown, Pennsylvania  French
ERICH JEFFREY RIEBE  Wooster  Communication
KENNETH ADRON RIESTER  Selkirk, New York  Economics
KARIN ELIZABETH RIGGS  Boston, Massachusetts  History
DAWN FELITA RILEY  Warrensville Heights  Psychology  Honors
MEGAN ANNE ROBERT  Warwick, Rhode Island  French
ERIC LAMAR ROBERTS  Cleveland  Chemistry
JESSICA BEBB ROBERTS  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  Cultural Area Studies  Honors
ANDREW L. ROBERTSON  Battle Creek, Michigan  Chemistry  Honors
SHANE CAMERON ROBSON  Hinckley  Russian
DANIEL EDWARD ROSENBAUM  Washington, D.C.  Art
MARK ERIC ROTHMAN  Meadville, Pennsylvania  Psychology
VICTOR DANIEL ROWCLIFFE  Caledonia, New York  Economics
DAVID MICHAEL ROYSE  Louisville, Kentucky  History  Honors
CHRISTIAN LOCKRIDGE RUCH  Indianapolis, Indiana  English  Honors
TIMOTHY GLENN RUSSELL  Lancaster  Classical Studies/Art  Honors
GERALD WILLIAM SAGERMAN  Olmstead Falls  Economics
KATHARINE ANNE SALZMANN*  Champaign, Illinois  English
KATHERINE SUSAN SANDERSON  Paoli, Pennsylvania  History
MOUSUMI SARKAR  Calcutta, India  English
DOUGLAS EDWARD SAUER  Rittman  Philosophy  Honors
MICHAEL JAMES SAUER  Wooster  History
GREGORY PETER SAVIDGE*  Princeton, New Jersey  Sociology
KEVIN ALLEN SCHECHTERLE  Gill, Massachusetts  English
CATHERINE ANN SCHELLHAMMER  Aurora  Business Economics  Honors
ANNA KIRSTEN SCHERZER  Berea  Biology
JOHN PAUL SCHMELZEIS  Cary, North Carolina  Economics
ANDREW CARL SCHULZ  Columbia, South Carolina  English
JOHN BENJAMIN SCHWENDENER  Kalamazoo, Michigan  English
ELIZABETH BALDWIN SCOTT  Cheshire, Connecticut  History
THEODORE ANDREW SCOTT  Delmar, New York  Political Science
ERIKA BETH SEYFRIED  Hudson  English
HELEN MARIE SHEPARD  Paducah, Kentucky  Sociology
MICHELE LYNN SHOUP  Florham Park, New Jersey  History
SARA MARIE SHUMAR  Kent  Business Economics
JUSTIN MONTGOMERY SMITH  Wooster  Economics
MELISSA CAMILLE SMITH  Fairfax Station, Virginia  Sociology
JANE MARIE SOPER  Merritt Island, Florida  German
AMY MICHELLE SPICER  South Bend, Indiana  History
JENNIFER LEE SPILBURG  Sylvania  English  Honors
STEPHEN GREGORY SPITZER  Webster, New York  History
JEANENE DIANE SPOHN  Lexington, Kentucky  English
SIMON EDWARD SPRINGETT  Rochester, New York  Geology
PATRICIA ELLEN STAREK  Chapel Hill, North Carolina  Art
DANIEL MICHAEL STEFANIUK  Polk  Russian
KEITH DOUGLAS STEIGBEGEL  Pittsford, New York  Special — Physiology of Sport and Fitness
CHARLOTTE EVA STIMPSON  Weston, Massachusetts  Psychology
EMILY JANE STOLTZFUS  Potomac, Maryland  Sociology
SHERI ANN STOUT  Dalton  English
AMY STROUD  Aurora  History
TASHA MARIE STUART  Louisville, Kentucky  English  Honors
EMILY ELIZABETH SULLIVAN  Carmichael, California  Art  Honors
NICOLE JANINE SULLIVAN  Veazie, Maine  English
ANDREA LYNN SWEAZY  Stoutsville  Biology
KARA SHAWN SWINEHART  Canton  Religion
KENNETH MICHAEL SWOPE, JR.  Eastlake  History  Honors
CATHERINE ANNE TAYLOR  Buffalo, New York  Theatre
STEPHANIE DANIELLE TEEMER  Jacksonville, Florida  Physics
GERMAINE REN TEMPLE  Columbus  Sociology/Political Science
CHARLES ROBERT TERRY  Ann Arbor, Michigan  Psychology
FITZGERALD PARKER THOMAS  Nashville, Tennessee  Computer Science
ROBERT THATCHER THOMAS*  Moreland Hills  Biology
CHRISTINE LEE TIFT  Macon, Georgia  History
TYRIA JERONE TIPPS  Hyattsville, Maryland  Sociology
SUSAN MILLER TROWBRIDGE  Glastonbury, Connecticut  Communication
PETER WELDON TRUMMEL  West Hartford, Connecticut  History
JILLIAN CARA TRUSCOTT*  Santa Fe, New Mexico  Religion
PETER EMMANUEL OFASUHENE TURKSON  Mansfield  Political Science
SAMANTHA BRADBURY TWEEDY  Bedford, New York  Sociology
SARA UEHLEIN  Alexandria, Virginia  History
CIONA SUZANNE ULBRICH  Worcester, Massachusetts  German/Political Science  Honors
  The William A. Galpin Award, 2nd
AMY JO VANDERKOOI  Akron  Biology  Honors
RHONDA JANE VANDEWORP  Louisville  International Relations  Honors
DOROTHEA J. VERBRUGGE  Grand Rapids, Michigan  Special — Pre-Health Sciences  Honors
  The Jonas O. Notestein Prize
  The William A. Galpin Award, 1st
  The Dan F. Lockhart Outstanding Senior Award
BRIAN ROBERT VEREB  North East, Pennsylvania  Special — Sports Science
KIMBERLY LAUREL WACHTER  Vero Beach, Florida  Sociology
PAUL REID WAGSTAFF  Carmel, California  International Relations
TODD ALAN WAID  Meadville, Pennsylvania  Business Economics
RACHEL FRAUTSCHI WAILES*  Bloomington, Indiana  Religion
CHRISTOPHER CHASE WALKER*  Cleveland Heights  English
KIMBERLY MARIE WALKER  Ann Arbor, Michigan  English
WENDY JO WALKER  Tallmadge  Psychology
JAMES ANDREW WALLACE  Melville, New York  English  Honors
WENDY LEE WALLAND  Fairview Park  English
MELISSA LOUISE WALMSLEY  Pittsford, New York  Art
SIOBHÁN ELLEN WALSH  Charlestown, Massachusetts  Art
PETER MACARTHUR WALThER  Winnetka, Illinois  History
LAURA EDWARDS WARD  Rochester, New York  Religion  Honors
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ELLEN HOPE WESTON  Loveland  Art  Honors
EMILY REBECCA WHARTON  Washington, Pennsylvania  Music
JAMES VAN BENSCHOTEN WHITE  Chapel Hill, North Carolina  Geology
JULIE EUNICE WHITEAKER  Strongsville  Business Economics
KEVIN CROSBY WILKIN  Wooster  Music
DAVID ROSS WILKINS  Bethesda, Maryland  History
NICOLE ESTELLE WILKINSON  East Providence, Rhode Island  History
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LAUREN MICHELLE YONT  Fredonia, New York  Biology  
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Bachelor of Music  
LAURA GRACE SHOUHA  North Royalton  Oboe  

Bachelor of Music Education  
GWEN ANN BEYER  Parma Heights  Music Education  ⚫  
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Bachelor of Arts

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ERIK BENJAMIN DAHMS  St. Louis, Missouri  Sociology
LESLIE BLAIR DRENT  New London, New Hampshire  English
G. BRENT DUNCAN  Wadsworth  History
CATHERINE ANN GALLAGHER  Bethesda, Maryland  Sociology
AKSHITA ANANT GANDHI  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  Business Economics
DAVID LEE HAMILTON  Northport, New York  English
ANN MARIE MARSHALL  Columbus  Urban Studies  Honors
CHRISTOPHER ALLEN OWENS  Hebron, Connecticut  International Relations
ROBERT SCOTT PETERSON  Mansfield  English
JOSEPH BERNARD PHILIP  Cleveland Heights  Economics
JOSEPH ROLLIN PORTER  Mt. Vernon  Philosophy  Honors
DIANA ELIZABETH RUEHL  Rochester, New York  History
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SHOAEB SHAMS  Lahore Cantt, Pakistan  Computer Science
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Flowers for the 1992 Commencement have been given in memory of ESTHER MAE GRABER '34, Director of Food Service 1947 to 1970, and at the time of her retirement in June 1977, Manager of The Wooster Inn.
About Academic Costume

The gathering of the College family this May morning is the present expression of a living tradition and thus forms the visible symbol of four years of joint partnership in the continuing search which is education. That we respect the past by using its form and regalia at the moment of transition to the future is simply our witness to the world that 'what is past is prologue.'

The wearing of caps and gowns is basically an old English custom. The custom still used today has its origin in the type of dress worn during the twelfth century by all classes. The cloak, with its attached hood, was worn over a long, flowing robe for protection from the weather. In the 13th century the hood appeared as a separate article of dress, a kind of pointed bag with an oval opening for the face, the long point hanging down behind.

Scholars in the medieval universities, during the early years after their founding, wore the same type of clothing as everyone else — gowns, cloaks with hoods attached or separate, and caps. Over the years the apparel of scholars changed in detail to differentiate the degrees of learning and the various faculties. As general public styles changed, scholars retained their own styles, which were established by university rules. As an Oxford enactment of 1358 put it, 'it is honourable and in accordance with reason that clerks to whom God has given an advantage over the lay folk in their adornments within, should likewise differ from the lay folk without.'

The hood, while serving as a badge to distinguish the degree held by the scholar, also served some practical function as an article of dress — 'whereas reason bids that the varieties of costume should correspond to the ordering of the seasons. . . . it is henceforth allowed that from Easter to All Saints' Day graduates may wear silken hoods instead of fur ones.'

The origin of the use of the cap as part of the degree ceremony is not clear, but at Oxford the M.A. cap was the sign of a scholar's independence, as under Roman law a slave was freed by being allowed to put on a cap. There is no agreement on the reason for the shape of the square 'mortarboard' style used today, but The Ballad of the Caps (1564) has it that 'Tis square like scholars and their books: The rest are round but this is square, To shew that they more stable are.'

The English heritage has been reflected in American academic costume from colonial times, particularly at Columbia (King's College), Yale, and a number of others. Around 1885 a widespread student movement introduced the wearing of caps and gowns at commencement ceremonies. Present practice largely follows the code of an intercollegiate commission of 1895, as revised over the years.

The mortarboard cap is standard. The tassel may be black for any degree, or in the color of the major field of learning in which the degree has been granted. Gold tassels are worn only by doctors.

Gowns are black and fall in straight lines from a fairly elaborate yoke. The masters gown has long closed sleeves with openings at the wrist. The doctor's gown has velvet panels down the front and around the neck, with three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves. Harvard permits a crimson doctor's gown, Yale allows blue for both the masters and doctors, Princeton uses a black gown with orange hashmarks and sleeve lining, and other institutions likewise have special gowns.

The hood shows by its size, width of trimming and shape the level of the degree held. The area of learning in which it was given is indicated by the color of the velvet trimming — white for Arts, Letters and Humanities; green for Medicine; pink for Music; dark blue for Philosophy; golden yellow for Science; scarlet for Theology, etc. The institution granting the degree is identified by the color and pattern of the satin lining which drapes outward from the center of the hood. Foreign universities follow their own systems, e.g., the Sorbonne (Paris) designates its doctor's degree by a scarf trimmed in white fur.