## BLOOMSBURG



# FALL 2025 Jommencement

CONVOCATIONS

Friday, December 12, 2025 Saturday, December 13, 2025 Haas Center for the Arts

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Please be informed that all candidates for degrees and all honors designated for degrees earned are determined according to the academic record that includes the student's last semester which becomes official once all grades have been submitted and posted. A student's receipt of degree and the declaration of related honors must be confirmed and validated by the final transcript.

In all cases, the actual awarding of a degree by the university is subject to verification by the registrar. Time limitations associated with commencement make such verification before this ceremony impossible. Therefore these exercises are to be considered as ceremonial only.

The views or opinions expressed by the guest speakers at today's commencement are their own and do not necessarily represent the views or opinions of Commonwealth University.

College of Arts, Humanities, Education and Social Sciences — Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Education,

Bachelor of Social Work, Associate of Science

College of Health, Science and Technology — Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Zeigler College of Business — Associates in Business Administration, Bachelor of Applied Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Education

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# GRADUATE CONVOCATION

December 12, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

#### **School of Graduate Studies**

Mace Bearer: Patricia Dorame-Holoviak, Ph.D. Marshals: Amanda Stutzman, Ph.D. and Craig Young, Ph.D Reader: Michael Shapeero, Ph.D.

#### PROCESSIONAL

#### WELCOME

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Eli Hosler, Student Soloist

#### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Jeffery L. Osgood Jr., Ph.D., Interim President, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania

#### GREETINGS FROM THE TRUSTEES

John E. Wetzel, Chair, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania Council of Trustees

#### PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

Michelle Kiec, DMA, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

#### **School of Graduate Studies**

Heather Feldhaus, Ph.D., Associate Provost and Dean of Graduate Education

#### **CONFERRAL OF DEGREES**

Jeffery L. Osgood Jr., Ph.D., Interim President, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania

#### ALUMNI WELCOME

Cathy Zavacki, Bloomsburg Alumni Association Board of Directors, Class of 1999

#### RECESSIONAL

# SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

#### Master of Accountancy

#### Accountancy

Cody William Fink Jacklyn Marie Karoly Jordyn Marie Prediger Lauren Ann Sauers

#### Master of Business Administration

#### **Business Administration**

Ashley Marie Carnuccio Stephen Cretella Jr. Heidi Ann Crissinger Timothy Freligh Ava Catherine Grippin Ian David Laessig Jacob Niewinski Siara M. Valentine Connor Weaver Savannah Hope Yudt

#### Master of Education

#### **Business Education**

Joseph Francis Damiano Christopher Scott McBride Shelby Lee Moon Jessica O'Donnell Sarah Elizabeth Ringo Tyler W. Sechrist Greta Stevens Stark Michaella Rosemary Wallace

#### Curriculum & Instruction

Kathleen Marie Dunlap Laken C. Hergert Rebecca Kaschak Johanna Marie Kiska Kaitlyn Anne Oberholtzer Shawna Lynn Schroy Sarah Catherine Schultheis Katelyn Estelle Tolomay

#### **Educational Leadership**

Emma E. Bressler Chelcea Buck Brittany Marie Grzywacz Connor Lynn Sees Stephen Albert Stopper Cassandra Jade Walkowiak Susan Kay

Westwood-Denenberg Steven Austin Wolfgang Amanda M. Zwalkuski

#### Reading

Elaine Renee Rauch Rachel Renn

#### Special Education

Kaeley E. Blair Cayle Rae Spencer

#### Special Education PK-12

Emily Rae Bixler Mackenzie Kathryn Glosek Kaitlin Leffler Megan E. Lichtel Michael Roberts

#### Master of Science

#### Applied Exercise Physiology

Austin David Reed

#### **Biology**

Hannah Albers Amanda R. Getz Alicia Brooke Hunter Elizabeth Lee

#### Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Zebediah W. Sellers Emily A. Volkar

#### Information Technology

Matthew E. Cummins Eric Michael Hoover Oleh Krupko

#### Instructional Design & Technology

Deyana Evette Bailey
Patrick Boland
Morgen Lee Foley
Emily Sue Greeninger
Mallory Gray Hoffman
Sara Beth Lechner
Schellera Essence-Lee
Murrell
Chelsea Rae Phillips
Zoe Claire Soderquist
Abigail Marie Vettese

# SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

#### Sport Management

Nicholas Robert Madey

## Sport & Performance Psychology

Danyel S. Noss Greg Schnittker Steven Jacob Talbot

#### **School Counseling**

Brianna Rae Duncan Amber Chardé Hall Jessica Ariel Ferguson Hulslander Sondra Humenansky Ceoila McCullagh Elaine Waldron Stauder Kaitlyn Marie Zechman

# Master of Science in Nursing

#### Nursing

Darby Jane Brock
Gina Carsia
Elizabeth Lauren Cudo
John R. David
Brooke Lynn Dietz
Sarah Michelle Kierys
Nadiya Anisa Latif
Natalie Shifler
Brianna Elizabeth Smoke
Abigail Sproehnle
Nicole Varano
Jensen Noel Wary
Natalie M. Wasko

### ACADEMIC REGALIA

he traditional academic regalia worn at commencement exercises is a record of the academic achievement of that individual. Its use originated at English and European universities during the twelfth and thirteenth centuries.

The long gown evolved from the monk's habit. The hood evolved from the cowl that the monks wore over their heads. Today's mortarboard can be traced to the skull caps worn by the churchmen.

The colorful hoods designate the degree of the wearer, the subject in which the degree is held, and the institution that awarded the degree. The color of the velvet band on each hood and robe represent a scholar's field of learning, while the official colors of the school awarding the degree always are shown in the lining of the hood and, sometimes, by the distinctive color of the gown. Bloomsburg University colors are maroon and gold.

As institutions of higher learning were established in America, beginning with Harvard College in 1636, the universities followed the English precedent in which each developed its own version of academic dress. As has been the case with the British universities, there was virtually no conformity from one institution to another and sometimes not even within institutions. College and university administrators, sensing a need for uniformity, convened in 1895 to develop a uniform

code of academic regalia. Still in use by most American institutions, the code has been reviewed and revised only twice.

The colors for academic fields established by the American Council on Education include:

AgricultureMaize
Arts, Letters, HumanitiesWhite
Commerce, Accountancy, Business Drab
DentistryLilac
EconomicsCopper
EducationLight Blue
EngineeringOrange
Fine Arts, including Architecture Brown
ForestryRusset
JournalismCrimson
LawPurple
Library ScienceLemon
MedicineGreen
Music Pink
NursingApricot
Oratory (Speech)Silver Gray
PharmacyOlive Green
PhilosophyDark Blue
Physical EducationSage Green
Public Administration,
including Foreign Service Peacock Blue
Public HealthSalmon Pink
ScienceGolden Yellow
Social WorkCitron
TheologyScarlet
Veterinary ScienceGray

# UNDERGRADUATE MORNING CONVOCATION

December 13, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

#### College of Health, Science & Technology Zeigler College of Business

Mace Bearer: Michael Shapeero, Ph.D.

Marshals: Allison Maloney, Ph.D., Patricia Lawton, Ph.D.,

David Sedlack, J.D., Marianna Wood, Ph.D.

Reader: Jennifer Peteya, Ph.D.

#### PROCESSIONAL

#### WELCOME

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Eli Hosler, Student Soloist

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Jeffery L. Osgood Jr., Ph.D., Interim President, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania

#### GREETINGS FROM THE TRUSTEES

John E. Wetzel, Chair, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania Council of Trustees

#### PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

Christopher Podeschi, Ph.D., Interim Dean of the Eileen G. Jones Honors College

#### **CONFERRAL OF DEGREES**

Jeffery L. Osgood Jr., Ph.D., Interim President of Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania

#### GREETINGS FROM STUDENT TRUSTEE

Jessica Dodge, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania Council of Trustees, Bloomsburg

#### ALUMNI WELCOME

Cathy Zavacki, Bloomsburg Alumni Association Board of Directors, Class of 1999

#### RECESSIONAL

# Undergraduate Afternoon Convocation

December 13, 2025, 2:00 pm

#### College of Arts, Humanities, Education & Social Sciences

Mace Bearer: Joseph Tloczynski, Ph.D.

Marshals: Neil Strine, Ph.D., Christina Francis, Ph.D., Ethan Krupp, M.F.A.

Reader: Carolyn Reid–Brown, Ph.D.

#### PROCESSIONAL

#### WELCOME

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Eli Hosler, Student Soloist

#### PROVOST'S REMARKS

Michelle Kiec, DMA, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

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#### GREETINGS FROM STUDENT TRUSTEE

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Cathy Zavacki, Bloomsburg Alumni Association Board of Directors, Class of 1999

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## HONOR GRADUATES

Summa Cum Laude (3.95 - 4.0 overall average)

Layla Breanne Andreuzzi
Crissa Marie Andrew
Gabrielle Anne Degler
Deja Albani Engle
Alex Guffey
Kristin Nicole Heckman
Daniel Bruce You Jie Hoppes
Brittany Ann Jacobs
Jeffrey Allen Luke Lyons
Zoe M. Reese
Dylan Jared Smith
Amanda Evelyn Williams

Magna Cum Laude (3.75 – 3.94 overall average)

> Emily Elizabeth Allen Alexander Warren Aquila Jordi Lyn Attick Matthew C Bierly Julianna Bongiovanni Iu Casamitjana Badies Joe Lucas D'Arrigo John Paul D'Arrigo Kirsten Grace Deckert Shannon Vail Drexel Josiah Minh Du Sierra Marie Duardo Sean Catherine Dunne Kelly Anne Eberly Ryan Mackenzie Green Erin E. Hess Andrea M. Magaro Elise Antoinette Makowski Lorena Marie Marquardt Meadow Renee Mead Myah Elizabeth Merrill Anna Campbell Palm Antonio J. Perilli Leah Claire Ruiz-Velasco Alainya Avery Sherwood Alexander Michael Schmick Gehrig Robert Stellato Wyatt John Steltz Kayla Ann Tanney Hunter Cole TerHorst Brady M. Thompson Christina Doris Villalonga Ashley Ann Villano Abigail G. Waltman Andrew David Wasilewski Francesca Adele Webb Alix Wojcik Jianna Mae Woods Kirsten Ann Elaine Yoder Nathan Michael Yohn

Cum Laude (3.5 – 3.74 overall average)

Vladimir Acosta Jr. Angel Manuel Alonso Samantha Andreuzzi Olivia Paige Baldwin Nathan D. Barnes Sydney R. Bauer Gracie M. Brosious Imani Chavarria Abigail Regina Day Paul Dovidio Emma Alyse Herrold Chase Richard Higgins Gary Hoskins Lily Marie Kachel Megan Ann Kovacs Shelby Nicole Livingstone John Thomas Mannarino Morgan Lynn McAndrew Andrew Steven Murray Abigail Elizabeth Nickel Maggie Oberly Annalise J. Presti Matthew William Pyle Marley Rae Roadarmel Shannon Marie Ruby Carly Alexis Rupert Cassandra Lynn Sarnicky John Michael Seibert Benjamin J Shaffer Caroline Hope Stallard Novalea Faith Verno Kassidy Hope Wagaman Austin M. Wyatt

# COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### Anthropology

Jace Lauder Jade Mallin

#### Art Studio

Christiphor Haynes

#### ASL/English Interpreting

Julianna Estrella Vega

#### Communication Studies

Maria Lourdes Cerra Gaetano Dominick Fontana Mackenzie Nicole Reich Eliot Nicholas Simonette Caroline Hope Stallard Emilee Wanamaker Connor J. Williamson Owen Joseph Zulli

#### **Criminal Justice**

Liam T. Church Gabrielle Anne Degler Kate Amanda Dengler Ava Grace Hollenbush Kelly Johnson Daniela Jorge Emily Louise Krajnak Zackary Davis Lanning Alexis Liberatore Emme Alison McDonough Corine N. Moebius Caitlyn Mariah Murhon Calista Evelyn Nohai-Seaman Keishla Marie Rodriguez Joseph Max Short Nicholas J. Squires Payton Faith Stoeckl Knocer Casmir White

### Early Childhood Education PK-4/Deaf Hard of Hearing

Jennifer Castillo

#### Early Childhood Education

Layla Breanne Andreuzzi Jordi Lyn Attick Gracie M. Brosious Ryleigh Karen Cain Kennedy Cannon Megan Bridget Carroll Imani Chavarria Sierra Marie Duardo Connor Steven Fitzgerald Emma Alyse Herrold Erin E. Hess Chase Richard Higgins Brittany Ann Jacobs **Emily Sue Kesler** Hannah Mary Kleman Jaden George Leiby Genevieve Rose Lightstone Shelby Nicole Livingstone Lorena Marie Marquardt Morgan Lynn

McAndrew Trevor Matthew McDonald Morgan Louise Merrifield Ashley Dorothea

Mieczkowski
Abigail Elizabeth Nickel
Isabella Marie Ramirez
Marley Rae Roadarmel
Madison Layne Rodkey
Mercedes Dominique Santos
Savana Marie Serfass
Alainya Avery Sherwood
Gabrielle May Slimm
Kayla Ann Tanney
Abigail G. Waltman
Tori Lauryn Watkins

#### **English**

Sydney Elizabeth Butters Sean Catherine Dunne Maverick David Hughes Lily Marie Kachel Andrea M. Magaro Wyatt John Steltz

#### History

Izabella Ganic David Ernest Post Gehrig Robert Stellato Gianna A. Tarity

#### Languages & Cultures

Angel Manuel Alonso Jeffrey Allen Luke Lyons Jessica Lichelle Mowery Michael Arman Rafizadeh Jill M. Zima

#### **Mass Communication**

Emily Elizabeth Allen Miss Nicholas A. Copenhaver Leah Middleton Corbett Caitlyn Marie Marcellino Adhiraj Barkha Miskin Aasim Muhammad Novalea Faith Verno Ashley Ann Villano

#### Media & Journalism

Anne Kastelein Jeremy Leonel Pleites-Magana

# COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### Middle Level Education

Kristin R. Gantz Madison R. Klinger Macy Elizabeth Schnatter Emma Grace Stover Nathan Michael Yohn

#### **Multidisciplinary Studies**

Keegan M. Kerstetter Phoebe Sara Kishbaugh Anastaisa E. Kormos Joseph Morrone Rita Nuss Destiny Marie Smith Eric Tloczynski Rhian Alexis Ward-Moody Alix Wojcik Walker A. Yaple

#### **Political Science**

Brianna Alexandra Cormier Aspen Stearling Fors Christopher John Horan Brayden Andrew Pierce Alex Levi Morgan Rohland Dylan Jared Smith Novalea Faith Verno

#### **Psychology**

Khaliem Nasir Carter
Nevada Lea Dehn
Sheridan Jean Downing
Katlin Brook Eppley
Luis X. Estrada
Alyssa Romaine Ianni
Corey Lim
Jennifer Brooke Maurer
Olivia Ann Ney
Gianna Marie Rivera
Brinley Morgan Shellenberger
Mikayla Marie Sofchak
Hugh Armani Soltau
Ashley Jordyn Stetson
Payton Faith Stoeckl

#### **Secondary Education**

Maverick David Hughes Sydney Nikol Hunsinger Andrea M. Magaro Antonio J. Perilli David Ernest Post Gianna A. Tarity

#### Sociology

Calista Evelyn Nohai-Seaman Kirsten Ann Elaine Yoder

#### Social Work

Loina M. Bello Gomez Samantha Lyn Benner Abigail Regina Day Alanna Elizabeth Dooley Morgan Hayes Erdley Natalya Onteryo Heard Brianna Elizabeth Hunter Sophia Sarah Koschoff-Rapkin Taylor Nichole Pagliaro

# Anna Campbell Palm Janie L. Smith Amber Rosemarie Stoodley Maritza Amarilis Williams

#### Special Education PK-12

Samantha Andreuzzi

# Special Education PK-12 & Early Childhood Education PK-4

Sydney R. Bauer
Patrick J. Cooney
Trent Davis
Kirsten Grace Deckert
Kelly Anne Eberly
Ryan Mackenzie Green
Meadow Renee Mead
Myah Elizabeth Merrill
Lyndsay N. Mulholland
Zoe M. Reese

#### Theatre Arts

Tyliq Quadir Holmes Gibryl Ashwyn James Livingston # Francesca Adele Webb

# COLLEGE OF HEALTH, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

#### Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology

Crissa Marie Andrew

#### **Biology**

**Emily Ruth Gardner** Katelynn Patricia Miller

#### **Biomedical Sciences**

Alicia J. Fox Caitlyn T. Hosler Genevieve K. Johnson Megan Ann Kovacs Hannah Owusu-Afriyie Grace Carol Marie Reighard Tanner Kurtis Shenk

#### Chemistry

# Lauren Nicole Boyer Annalise J. Presti

#### Computer Science

Travis W. Hahn Justin C. Peasley Jessica Lynn Ruehle

John Michael Seibert

#### **Digital Forensics** & Cybersecurity

Vladimir Acosta Jr.

Denise Fay Akada Sebastian Babon Nathan D. Barnes Max Christopher Barrett Dakota K. Blanchard # Elijah Brady Dowell Shannon Vail Drexel Henry Gonzalez Jr. Daniel Bruce You Jie Hoppes Gary Hoskins Artem D. Lubashev

Paul C. Malone Michael Arman Rafizadeh Benjamin J. Shaffer Hunter Cole TerHorst Isaiah K. Trutt Brendan M. Wells

#### **Electronics Engineering** Technology

Joseph Michael Gola Duncan Ulysses Gothie Alex Guffey George Stephen Hudock Anton Imere Lott John Paul Singleton

#### Environmental, Geographical, & Geological Sciences

John Elliot Brokenshire Pierce Bradford Feite Ian Mitchell Hufnagel Izabelle Currie Hultman Dominick Autry Parker Zachary Keith Poust Koda James Whalen

#### Exercise Science

Jacob P. Coffman Austin Andrew Cole John Paul D'Arrigo AnnMarie Elizabeth Davenport Nahyrah Anyae Davis # Deja Albani Engle Sierra Louise Grohowski Lauren McManus Tahlia Milagros Pilozo Christerpher Lee Pringley Kassidy Hope Wagaman Mary R. Washlick

#### **Health Sciences**

Zoe Carolyn Betz Trevor Reece Effen Victoria Haley Herrschaft Wade Lewis Kerstetter Madison Kohlmeir Elise Antoinette Makowski Julia Marie Mondragon Nicholas J. Vest

#### **Mathematics**

Iu Casamitjana Badies # John Michael Seibert Andrew David Wasilewski

#### **Medical Imaging**

Jena Nicole Boyce John Thomas Mannarino Shannon Marie Ruby

# COLLEGE OF HEALTH, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

#### Nursing

Mikenzie R. Accetta Roberto Arturo Aliaga Sukurat Abimbola Alimi **Emily Dennis** Taylor A. Dodge Kylie D. Figard Daniel James Forster Alexandra Frederick Amber Lauren Gross Carole Lyn Hinkle Stacy Diane Lykens Atheana Thach Thao Nguyen Haley Nicole Paul Hayley Elizabeth Phillips Clare Christian Seibert Zachery R. Taylor Christina Doris Villalonga Nicole D. Westwood Michael Allen Zimmerman II

#### Speech Pathology & Audiology

# Julianna Bongiovanni Chloe F. Mitchell Leah Claire Ruiz-Velasco

# ZEIGLER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

#### Accounting

Alexander Warren Aquila Matthew C. Bierly Jeremy Buzak Nina Rae Capacchione Josiah Minh Du Wyatt M. Faust Benjamin Matthew Kahler Andrew Steven Murray Carly Alexis Rupert Aubree Nichole Wolf Austin M. Wyatt

#### **Business Administration**

Luke T. Barnes Jackson Robert Bender Haleigh Bergen Anthony J. Bernieri Mark Bitar Owen N. Brindisi Gabriel John Brower Eric Michael Bubrowski Nate Isaiah Capers Colby Patrick Carmichael Madalyn Elizabeth Chappell Gina Ditalia Paul Dovidio Damon Daniel Dowkus James Anthony Duckworth Joey Edward Englar Aron Louis Esterly Daniel Patrick Gabriel Grace Elizabeth Green Jerry Lamar Griffen-Batchler Fidel Inglis Emily Elizabeth Lawrence Austin Edward Leiby Ryan Addison Mohar Maggie Oberly Brandon Marcus Powell Hannah Elisabeth Robson Cole Michael Stewart Brady M. Thompson Jianna Mae Woods Cameron J. Yelland

#### **Economics**

Luke C. Boyle

#### International Business

Hannah Elizabeth Albro Adam Sam Garraoui Destiny Marie Rosario

#### Professional Sales & Marketing

Olivia Paige Baldwin Sean Ryan Blatz Joe Lucas D'Arrigo Mia Adriana Hussmann Brandon J. Lucas Kyle Vincent Nahf Brielle Paige Tasher

#### Supply Chain Management

Katelyn Elizabeth Kramer Randolph John Steigerwalt

#### Sport Management

Madison Rosemary Lafranc Malik McLaurin Jr.

#### **Technical Leadership**

Esteffani Alcantara Joseph Beya Kristin Nicole Heckman Gordon A. Long Jr. Matthew William Pyle Cassandra Lynn Sarnicky Alexander Michael Schmick Amanda Evelyn Williams

## HONORARY DOCTORATES

Beginning in 1983, the Council of Trustees of Bloomsburg University granted approval to award honorary degrees by the university. The policy provides that recipients of honorary degrees will be people who have made noteworthy contributions to Bloomsburg University, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to society, or to a particular academic discipline and have demonstrated meritorious achievement or scholarship in the arts and humanities, the social sciences, science and technology, education, the health professions, commerce and trade, or industry.

It further provided that such degrees will be awarded only to those women and men whose lives and works exemplify excellence, service, and integrity. It also is expected that the honorary degree recipient, through deeds and performance, will be an exemplary model for graduates of this and other institutions of higher learning.

Bloomsburg has awarded honorary degrees to:
Howard F. Fenstemaker, Doctor of Pedagogy
John Heinz, Doctor of Laws
Frank C. Laubach, Doctor of Humane Letters
Grace M. Hopper, Doctor of Science
Roger Tory Peterson, Doctor of Letters
Edwin M. Barton, Doctor of Letters
Louise B. Mitrani, Doctor of Humane Letters
Thomas C. Royer, Doctor of Humane Letters
Hugh O'Brian, Doctor of Humane Letters
Henry Hood, Doctor of Humane Letters
Curtis R. English, Doctor of Pedagogy
Ann M. Verville, Doctor of Commercial Science
The Most Reverend Desmond M. Tutu.

Doctor of Humane Letters
Rick Santorum, Doctor of Laws
Ervin S. Duggan, Doctor of Humane Letters
Pat Mitchell, Doctor of Letters
Susan McDowell, Doctor of Humane Letters
Steph Pettit, Doctor of Humane Letters
Kerby Confer, Doctor of Commercial Science
Ronn Cort, Doctor of Commercial Science

## University Medallion

he university medallion is worn by the president of the university during academic convocations as a symbol of the leadership responsibilities vested in that office.

The Commonwealth University medallion is depicted on the cover of the program. The chain the medallion is suspended from incorporates the names each campus was identified by and the dates those names were used.

At Bloomsburg, replicas of the Bloomsburg University medallion have been given to individuals who have performed exemplary service to the university:

Marco Mitrani, Louise Mitrani, Richard Benefield, Helen and John Lanning, Eda Bessie Edwards, Daniel Bauman, James Magee, Ted Stuban, Anthony Lanzone, Walter F. Vorbleski, Robert "Doc" Warren, Jack Mertz, Barbara B. Hudock, and Terry and JoAnn Zeigler.

## University Mace

Boomsburg's mace made its first appearance at a commencement ceremony in August of 1963. The history of the ceremonial academic mace can be traced back to the fourteenth century when it developed as a composite of two ancient objects, the royal scepter and the battle mace.

European universities combined these two symbols into an academic mace or ceremonial staff that demonstrated the authority and right of academic institutions to grant degrees to candidates who had earned that privilege. Colleges and universities in the United States gradually adopted this tradition, and in early 1963, the Dean of Students at Bloomsburg State College, J. Alfred McCauslin, proposed the school adopt one as well.

Academic maces are usually carried by a marshal who precedes the institution's president in the ceremonial procession.

## THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

he Bloomsburg Alumni Association congratulates today's graduates, the newest members of the association.

The Alumni Association was formed in 1871 by members of the classes of 1870 and 1871. These graduates wanted to remain connected to their alma mater and preserve and celebrate relationships with classmates, faculty, and staff. Thanks to their vision, 150 years later the association provides programs and services to nearly 76,000 alumni. Through events and programs, the alumni association fosters relationships that engage alumni in the university's strategic priorities and philanthropic goals.

While your time as a student at Bloomsburg University has concluded, never forget your alma mater and plan to come back to BU, virtually and in person, often. As the newest members of the BU Alumni Association, we invite you to become actively engaged alumni and consider supporting future generations of Huskies.

Visit www.commonwealthu.edu/alumni and subscribe to receive communications from the association, through monthly alumni e-newsletters, invitations to alumni events and exclusive networking opportunities, and access to career and professional development resources through Bloomsburg's online career management system, Handshake. The alumni webpage also provides information about regional alumni networks and volunteer opportunities to stay engaged with Bloomsburg.

The alumni association, led by 15 volunteer members of the board of directors representing a wide range of class years, geographic locations, and interests, is here for you. Please reach out any time to share your ideas, provide input, or ask for support.

You can visit the Alumni Association on the third floor of the Greenly Center, 50 East Main St., in downtown Bloomsburg or contact us at 1-800-526-0254 or bloomsburgalumni@commonwealthu.edu. GO HUSKIES!

## FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

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## CAMPUS EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

CU-Bloomsburg is excited to welcome you to campus, your safety is a priority, please read the below emergency plan to assist prepare you for an enjoyable ceremony. CU-Bloomsburg University strives to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for all attendees during commencement activities. To this end, the University collaborates with the Town of Bloomsburg, Columbia County Emergency Management, state agencies and the private sector to support the event. Many of these resources work behind the scene, both inside and outside the venue.

#### **Report a Public Safety Issue**

To report a public safety issue, call CU Bloomsburg Police at 570-389-2211 or 911 if it is an emergency. The public may also report a concern in person to any law enforcement officer. Make sure to provide the section, row, and seat number.

#### **Public Address Announcements**

Should an emergency occur, instructions will be provided through public address system. Public safety personnel dispersed throughout the auditorium may also provide instructions to guests. It is important for people to remain calm and follow the instructions.

#### Medical

If medical attention is needed, please call 911 or 570-389-2211 to request assistance. If telephone service is unavailable, ask or direct someone to contact the nearest usher or police officer. Police & security personnel are deployed throughout the auditorium. If public safety personnel cannot be immediately located but other University support personnel are available, ask them to request assistance. Medical personnel are stationed at the venue.

Remember to provide the location (section, row, and seat number) and nature of the emergency.

Persons with mobility impairments who need assistance evacuating will be assisted by event staff and emergency responders.

#### **Lost Child**

Parents or a designated responsible adult should advise children to seek a law enforcement officer if they are lost or become separated. Parents or a designated responsible adult may call BUPD at 570-389-2211 or report their lost child to the nearest police officer or security personnel. It is important to provide a description (clothing, age, last known location, etc. Parents should carry a photograph or have an electronic picture of their children. Parents may also want to (1) photograph their children with a cell phone before commencement, (2) leave their contact information in their children's pocket, and (3) have a designated meeting location should they become separated.

#### **Power Failure**

If the power fails, instructions will be provided through the public address system. Please remain

calm and in your seat until instructions are provided. Consider bringing a small penlight to assist you while the power is out.

#### **Evacuation**

Under special circumstances for safety purposes, guests may be required to evacuate the venue. Should this occur, please follow the directions provided through the public address system and leave in a calm, orderly fashion through the nearest exit. (This may not be the entrance you entered.) Please continue to move away from Haas Auditorium so that those behind you have room to exit and are not hindered.

Keep in mind that it will take some time to evacuate. Please do not push the crowd but try to keep moving. This will permit a quicker and more efficient evacuation. Guests who need more time may want to leave the auditorium before a foreseeable event (such as weather) arrives.

Please watch out for and help people with special needs. If an evacuation were ordered, in most cases it is recommended that guests return to their vehicles and leave the area. In some situations, such as severe weather, it may be advisable to leave the auditorium and seek nearby shelter.

#### Weather

Should a weather event develop, information and warnings will be provided through the public address system.

#### **Explosion**

Call 911 or notify the nearest police officer if an explosion occurs. Guests should move away from the area, exit the auditorium, and return to their vehicles.

#### **Fire**

To report a fire, the public should call 911 or notify the nearest police officer or security personnel. Alert others and move away from the area. Please help persons with special needs.

#### Suspicious Behavior/Package

As a preventive measure, guests are asked to call 570-389-2211 or notify the nearest police officer or security personnel of a suspicious package or person. Police personnel will pursue an appropriate response based on the circumstance.



A member of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education