

LOCK HAVEN



FALL 2025

Commencement

CONVOCATIONS

Saturday, December 13, 2025

Price Auditorium

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, Associate of Science in Nursing

Zeigler College of Business — Associate of Science in Business, 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, 10:00 a.m.

Mace Bearer: Matthew Girton, Ph.D.

Marshals: Stephen Gitonga, Ph.D., Dain TePoel, Ph.D.

Reader: Matthew Girton, Ph.D.

PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Army ROTC Color Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM

PROVOST'S REMARKS

Michelle Kiec, Ph.D., Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

GREETINGS FROM THE TRUSTEES

Angela Smith, Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania Council of Trustees

PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

Stephen Lee, Ed.D., Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

School of Graduate Studies

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

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

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

ALUMNI WELCOME

John Newcomer, President Lock Haven Alumni Association, Class of 1984

ALMA MATER

RECESSIONAL

GRADUATE CANDIDATES

***Business Administration
(MBA)***

Elijah Alexandre
Janine Elaine Bachman
Sara Elizabeth Caldwell
Damir Thomas Green
James Price Jr.
Connor James Swope

***Curriculum & Instruction
(MED)***

Marissa Grace Bulkley
Trina Jean Davidson
Kayleigh Michelle Hadesty
Elizabeth Perkinson
Saddie M. Powers
Rachel Ann Schlecht
Aylin Sophie Yakut

Biology (MS)

Madison Janice Colella

***Clinical Mental Health
Counseling (MS)***

Elianna Altagracia Aguirre
Amber Renee Baum
Miranda Logan Cymbor
Dawn Marie Gibbons
Sarah Marie Gray
Caitlin Ann Guzikowski
Ashley Nicole Hershberger
Korren E. Hicks
Rebekah Lee
Ollie Earl Lumby
Katelyn Marie Marchand
Sheri R. Martin
Brendan Alexander
McWilliams
Sarah Elise Millay
Nicole R. Palman
Christina Marie Raley
Zoey Blaze Surovec
Erika Elizabeth Tabacsko
Brooke Madison Warner
Rebekah Grace Wheelock
Danielle R. Wimer
Amber Lynn Yevak
Kelsey L. Young
Mark A. Zellner

***Sport & Performance
Psychology (MS)***

Kylie Jane Auman
Christopher Lawrence
DeAmbrose
Emily G. Fasnacht
Isabella Josephine Forte
Maria Gabriela
Franco-Pepper
Joshua Gregory
Sally Higgins
Patrick Ross Hutchins
Benito Mendizabal
Ryan T. Millsap
Jeri Travelle Petite Jr.
Allison Marie Phanthavong
Kathleen Riordan

Sport Management (MS)

Devante Antonio
Elijah Embrey-Banks
Kelsey Marie Felix
Jason Anthony Labrador
Lillian Sky Sherer
Emma Williams

UNDERGRADUATE CONVOCATION

December 13, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

Mace Bearers: Matthew Girton, Ph.D.

Marshals: Erica Jones, Ph.D., Matthew McKeague, Ph.D., Peter Campbell, J.D.

Readers: Matthew Girton, Ph.D.

WELCOME

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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

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

GREETINGS FROM THE TRUSTEES

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

PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

Stephen Lee, Ed.D., Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

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

GREETINGS FROM THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Hunter Hartford, President, Lock Haven Student Government Board

APSCUF REMARKS

Erin Kennedy, Ph.D., President, Lock Haven APSCUF

ALUMNI WELCOME

John Newcomer, President LHU Alumni Association, Class of 1984

ALMA MATER

RECESSIONAL

HONOR GRADUATES

Summa Cum Laude

Katie Dianne Gingrich
Cassidy Lorraine Probst
Tori Briana Reichert
Paige Ryan Snyder
Emma Claire Stellfox

Magna Cum Laude

Megan Anna Borowicz
Gabrielle Grace Bowser
Chase Avery Long
Halie Elizabeth Marriott
John Gregory Miller
Eve Anna Ryan
Marcy J. Topper
Daytona M. Yarnell

Cum Laude

Harleigh R. Andrews
Maddison Ann Butler
Emma Elizabeth Finley
Kendra Leigh Harrison
Mya Lynne Dunkle MacIntyre
Sarah Elizabeth Osmun
Daniel Orion Stoner

COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SCIENCES

Communication (BA)

Markel Tyree Morgan

Criminal Justice (AS)

Alexander James Smith

Criminal Justice (BS)

Alex Thomas Barton
Jakai Jerome Boegertey
Riley Michael Hepner
Trisha R. Hinson
Aaliyah Elizabeth Matylewicz
Stefany Mary Steckel

Early Childhood Education (BSED)

Sarah Elizabeth Osmun

Early Childhood (PK-4 (BSED)

Megan Anna Borowicz

History (BA)

Katie Dianne Gingrich

Media and Journalism (BA)

Orion Daniel Stoner

Multidisciplinary Studies (BA)

Nyah Marie Charles
Bailee O. Fox
Noah Julien Glynn
Jacob Won Ki Heiney
Janelle Henderson
Alexander Samuel Rosenblum
Isaiah Jack Williams
Jacob C. Marchion
Michael A. O'Halloran

Political Science (BA)

Katie Dianne Gingrich

PreK-Grade 4/Special Education (BSED)

Harleigh R. Andrews
Bailey Jo Brungard
Caitlin Cierra Eirich
Cassidy Lorraine Probst

Psychology (BS)

Virginia Katherine Gavek
Destini Rashelle Hanley
Halie Elizabeth Marriott
Grayson Carter Rudy
Trent Whitfield Russler
Eve Anna Ryan
Emma Claire Stellfox
Daytona M. Yarnell

Social Work (BSW)

Donaja Ann Christmas
Alyssa Renee Dolby
Daphne Jayne Posey
Elva Mae Shaver
Sara E. Small
Alenah Rose Thomas

COLLEGE OF HEALTH, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

***Applied Computer Science
(BS)***

Derek C. Fisher
John Gregory Miller
Benjamin A. Murray
Jacob R. Packer

Biology (BS)

Cathrine Marie O'Brien

Biomedical Sciences (BS)

Emily Luann Binder

***Environmental, Geographic,
& Geologic Science (BS)***

Elizabeth M. Haak
Molly Grace McKee

Exercise Science (BS)

Kevin Jesus Magallanes
Mendoza

Health Sciences (BS)

Gabrielle Grace Bowser
Megan Marie Earley
Russel Maurer Fetter III
Wyatt McClellan Fox
McKenzie Elizabeth Hanna
Lillian Catherine Litrun
Chase Avery Long
Paige Ryan Snyder
River Adam Specht
Marcy J. Topper

Nursing (ASN)

Cheryl Weitoish

Nursing (BSN)

Emma Elizabeth Finley
Kendra Leigh Harrison
Whitney R. Stott

ZEIGLER COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Accounting (BS)

Daquan Buie
Mya Lynne Dunkle MacIntyre

Accounting (BSBA)

Salena Williams

***Business Administration
(BSBA)***

Maddison Ann Butler
Scott Gilbert
Cassandra Marie Hipps
Carson Stephan Nash
Bryce D. Ratliff
Emma Claire Stellfox

Economics (BA)

Salena Williams

Sport Management (BS)

Andrew Michael Kramer
Tori Briana Reichert
Tyler Edward Williams

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Lock Haven University Alumni Association congratulates all of today's graduates, and we welcome each of you as our newest members of the LHU Alumni Association.

Originally formed in 1886, the LHU Alumni Association consists of more than 37,000 living alumni and, provides programs, services and other engagement opportunities that complement, enhance and serve the university's strategic priorities and philanthropic goals.

All graduates are considered members of the LHU Alumni Association upon receiving their diploma. While your student experience at LHU has reached its culmination, we hope you'll always remember The Haven as your "Forever Home," and that you'll "Come Home to The Haven" for

Homecoming and reunions with friends often. We also encourage you to consider supporting future generations of Bald Eagles who become members of The Haven Family, and choose to make LHU their Forever Home too!

You can stay on top of all of the fun and exciting Haven Happenings throughout the year on the alumni webpage (www.lockhaven.edu/alumni), and be sure to check your email inbox for the Alumni Association's monthly e-newsletter, invitations to regional alumni events and exclusive networking opportunities, and information on career and professional development resources available to alumni through LHU's online career management system, Handshake. You can also follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube and LinkedIn (@LHUAlumni).

UNIVERSITY MACE

Derived from the French masse, or club, the mace was once a fierce battle weapon used during the Middle Ages. Over time it lost its war-like image and became a symbol of peaceful leadership when kings removed the spikes from their maces and encrusted them with jewels and precious metals for ceremonial use. Since then, the mace has been used in ceremonial processions as a symbol of authority.

Lock Haven has two maces fashioned from the wood from old Sullivan Hall, which once stood on the present site of Stevenson Library. Carried by co-marshals, the maces indicate that the activity is an official function of the University.

Kings used the scepter as a symbol of their power and authority, while warriors wielded the mace as a weapon to prove their strength and superiority on the battlefield.

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.

FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

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For transcripts please visit: www.parchment.com

LOCK HAVEN ALMA MATER

Where the crystal Susquehanna
Shimmers in the sun;
Where the mountains cast their shadows
When the day is done;
Where the hemlock pine and maple
Murmur in the night;
Beneath the starlight sky till dawning
Brings the morning light.
There's Lock Haven Alma Mater,
Cherished as in days long past!
May we be worthy sons and daughters
Long as life shall last!
Where the ivied tower measures
Time for work and plan;
Time for sports and songs and laughter
Through each pleasant day
Where enduring friendships flourish
Sturdy through the years;
Where learning leads to early wisdom
Substance of careers.
There's Lock Haven Alma Mater,
Cherished as in days long past!
May we be worthy sons and daughters
Long as life shall last!

Words by E.B. Hills



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