

THE COLLEGE OF ST. SCHOLASTICA
COMMENCEMENT



DULUTH, MINNESOTA



Mother Scholastica Kerst, founding prioress of St. Scholastica Monastery, purchased the land that would be home to The College of St. Scholastica. “My dream,” she said, “is that someday there will rise upon these grounds fine buildings like the great Benedictine abbeys. They will be built of stone; within their walls, higher education will flourish.”

Since the College offered its first classes in 1912, generations of dedicated faculty, staff and students have made Mother Scholastica’s dream a reality. Though the College is now independent, the Duluth Benedictines remain its inspiration.

Congratulations to the graduates who receive their degrees today. The College is proud of their accomplishments, and confident in their capability to benefit their communities and the world.

MISSION STATEMENT

Shaped by the Catholic Benedictine heritage, The College of St. Scholastica provides intellectual and moral preparation for responsible living and meaningful work.

VISION STATEMENT

The College of St. Scholastica aspires to be a diverse and inclusive academic community of excellence, grounded in the rich Catholic Benedictine heritage, sending forth thoughtful leaders sharpened and sensitized by the liberal arts, who are prepared and committed to serve and transform the world.

VALUES FROM OUR BENEDICTINE HERITAGE

COMMUNITY

Sharing responsibility to create and support community. Creating a climate which promotes a sense of community while valuing the uniqueness of the individual. Manifesting an ability to adapt to circumstances without compromising our values.

HOSPITALITY

Creating a welcoming atmosphere personally and institutionally. Listening and responding sensitively to all. Extending warmth and acceptance to all. Welcoming new ideas and being open to change.

RESPECT

Cherishing and promoting the worth of all human life. Treating all persons with dignity and reverence. Honoring and supporting the spirituality of each person. Valuing the dignity of all work. Promoting participation of all persons in the decisions affecting their lives.

STEWARDSHIP

Utilizing human resources responsibly. Providing wise and respectful use of all material and monetary resources. Promoting prudent use of natural resources and energy. Finding time for work, play and prayer in daily life which will promote physical, mental and spiritual growth.

LOVE OF LEARNING

Preserving the intellectual and material heritage entrusted to us by past generations. Transmitting the treasures of human culture to new generations. Creating scholarly, artistic and scientific works that enrich and enlarge human life. Integrating thought and action as complementary aspects of a full human life.



ORDER OF VIRTUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Saturday, December 17, 2022

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance

Processional Marshals

Amos Restad, Class of 2010, Assistant Professor
Nursing

Carolyn Jahr, DMSc, MS, PA-C, Associate Professor
PA Medicine

Benedictine Cross

Rachel Praught, Class of 2023

Registrar

Jeri Collier

Deans

Master of Ceremonies

Nathan Dehne
Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs

Invocation

Jessica Ellingson, Campus Ministry Director (Morning)
M. Hakes, Campus Ministry Assistant Director (Afternoon)

Greetings

Barbara McDonald, Ed.D.
President

“Courante, Cello Suite No. 1”

Composer: J. S. Bach
Taylor Vyskocil (Morning)

“Trois Morceaux pour Piano, II. D’un Jardin Clair”

Composer: Lili Boulanger
Samantha Dignan (Afternoon)

The Conferring of Degrees

Ryan Sandefer, Ph.D.
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees

Barbara McDonald, Ed.D.
President

Alumni Welcome

Jennifer Alaspa, Class of 2000, MBA 2015
President, Alumni Association Board of Directors

Benediction

Soukkham (Sue) Ziebell, Class of 2022
Master of Science in Health Informatics
(Morning)

Grace Billman, Class of 2022
Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education
(Afternoon)

Alma Mater

“Vivat! Vivat, St. Scholastica!”

Arranged by Mina Kaiser and Michael Buck
Emily Valine and Derek Bromme (Morning)
Jessica Schroeder and M. Hakes (Afternoon)

Verse 1:

*Vivat, Vivat, St. Scholastica
To thy fame a tribute raise
Fount of learning, forge of friendship
Home of happy college days*

Chorus:

*Pledge we our faith to alma mater
Pledge to her our heart and hand
Where e're we bide she'll be our guide
We will praise her throughout the land*

Verse 2:

*Lakes and hills and spreading campus
All thy nat'ral charms we love
And we glory in thy greatness
Blessed with favors from above*

Verse 3:

*When, in faith and knowledge grounded
Enter we the world of strife
May thy counsels, strong and holy,
Aid us in our course through life.*

Reception

Please join us for the reception immediately following the ceremony in the Reif Gymnasium.

CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE

WEBSTER SCHOLAR

Ryan Josie Gray, Accounting, Finance **
Riley Gordon Leslie, Biology ***
Hannah Rose Loewen, Biology ***

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Sherry Del Able/Carlson, Psychology
LaNaya Marie Allen, Accounting
Mae N. Barnes, Psychology **
Alexis Brooke Beckett, Social Work
Paige Jacquelyn Bjerkness, Organizational Leadership
Ericka Susan Heidemann Blanchard, Social Work
Daniel Alejandro Bly Laguna, Social Work
Jamie M. Broman, Psychology
Brianna Jul Brooks, Social Work
Wing Chambers, Social Work
Quinton John Chervinko, Accounting
Katelyn Mary Chromy, Psychology **
Melanie Malisha Clemmer, Social Work
Jonathan Paul Cleveland, Business Management **
Stacy Ann Clingman, Social Work
Gabriel A. Delmont, Biology
Alcia K. Draper, Business Management, Marketing **
Tyler Anthony Duhaime, Business Management
Brigitte Eckwood, Social Work
Jules Edwards, Accounting
Marissa Lydia Erstad, Social Work
Cody Garret Farrell, Natural Sciences
Erin Ernestine Forsman, Computer Information Systems
Ernest Robert Fox, Business Management ***
Scott Austin Friese, Marketing **
Hannah R. Garcia, Biology ***
Chloe Kay Goebel, Biology
Makenzie J. Gustafson, Psychology
Diego Francisco Hernandez-Woods, Organizational Leadership
Karlee Rese Hudacek, Accounting, Finance **
Samantha Ray Hvidsten, Business Management, Marketing
Alexa L. Ickert, Biology, Spanish **
Peyton Elizabeth Jernberg, Psychology ***
April Jespersen, Organizational Leadership

January Marie Johnson, Social Work
Krystal Jeannette Johnson, Social Work
Alexis Opal Jones, Social Work
Lacey J. Karsjens, Social Work
Shawnee Kaseman, Social Work
Kristie Mae Kielsmeier, Social Work
Alyson S. Koivisto, Social Work
Annika Kristine Kovar, Organizational Leadership *
Jack Stephen Kronzer, History
Caroline J. Langevin, Social Work **
Gabriella M. Larson, Biology
Maia Larson, Educational Studies
Amanda Elise LaVoix-Stanton, Peace and Justice Studies *
Emily Laverna Liebl, Marketing
Julie A. Long, Accounting ***
Kelli L. Loscheider, Biology ***
Jordan Elizabeth Malley, Psychology ***
Ariel Danielle Martin, Social Work
Chantell Elizebeth Rachal Martin, Psychology, Organizational Leadership **
Marah Magdaline May, Social Work
Abbey Darlene McDonald, Psychology **
Carter Jackson Meints, Biology ***
Jaden Lynn Meyer, Biology **
Buffy Ann Moncel, Psychology
Dou Lou Moua, Psychology *
Cody A. Neitzke, Business Management
Hannah Marie Niles, Accounting **
Sadam Abdirisak Noor, Social Work
Kerry A. Olson, Business Management
Carson Trent Passer, Accounting **
Ashley Lynn Peltier, Organizational Leadership
Nicholas Charles Allen Pfeifer, Business Management, Organizational Leadership ***
Zachary Donald William Pfeifer, Business Management, Organizational Leadership **
Benjamin Patrick Plzak, Biology
Emily E. Primus, Business Management **
Cindy Marie Raney, Social Work
Jessica Ruth Remer, Humanities **
Adolfo Rivas Sobero, Business Management
Samantha D. Robbins, Accounting, Business Management
Jayden G. Roberts, Psychology

HONORS: * Cum Laude ** Magna Cum Laude

*** Summa Cum Laude

+ Sister Beverly Raway Scholar

(CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE CONT.)

Thomas Joseph Robinson, Organizational Leadership
Ryan Rubinstein, Biology **
Mackenzie Mae Rugland, Biology
Ryan Randall Rusnak, Social Work
Nicole Elizabeth Sagstetter, Psychology ***
Paige Phoebe Schillinger, Social Work
Cody A. Schneider, Mathematics *
Morgan Dee Schuchard, Psychology
Carlos Scott, Marketing
Madison Nicole Seguin, Psychology
Beth D. Shefchik, Social Work
Dedra Ann Shuler, Social Work
Tassondria Sharletta Singer, Social Work
Jamie Lea Smith, Social Work
Krista Marie Smith, Organizational Leadership,
 Psychology ***
Oliver Joseph Smith, Psychology
Zachary D. Sova, Business Management, Accounting *
Elizabeth Rose Stanaway, Psychology ***
Brenda Jean Strom, Accounting
Madison Rae Tadych, Psychology ***
Alexandra Rae Thiebault, Psychology
Maurya Lyn Torgerson, Social Work
Kaley Elizabeth Towers, Psychology
Victoria M. Tracy, Educational Studies
Andrew John Turnboom, Psychology, Organizational
 Leadership ***
Kaitlyn Nicole Uecker, Social Work **
Kaleb Lloyd Victor Ullan, Sustainability Studies and the
 Environment, Natural Sciences
Patrick F. Vanderbeek, Business Management
Marre L. Welinski, Psychology **
Andrew Richard Williams, Business Management,
 Marketing **
Taylor Julia Williams, Psychology
Ashley Christine Wilshusen, Accounting
Olivia Lynn Wright, Marketing, Business Management
Sherri Rae Wuollet, Social Work
Carlie Sophia Wyant, Biology *
Cindy Khue Xiong, Social Work
Jasmine Mai Hlau Yang, Psychology
Mackenzie J. Zamzow, Psychology

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Saido Abdirahman Abdulle, Nursing

Sandra Agbeko Koami, Nursing
Claire Lorraine Almich, Nursing
Alice Altbaum, Nursing
Jolene Jean Amundson, Nursing
Grace Eileen Andersen, Elementary Education
Kaylee D. Anderson, Nursing
Breanna Archer, Exercise Physiology
Samantha Jo Argir, Nursing
Vanessa Katrina Avellaneda-Chevrier, Nursing **
Grace Lenora Aysta, Nursing
Sonja Carlette Barr, Nursing
Sonja Barthel, Nursing
Lynette Cora Belch, Nursing ***
Shelby M. Benkofske, Nursing *
Robert Joseph Benson, Nursing
Riley Beskar, Nursing ***
Bushra S. Bihi, Nursing
Grace Ruby Billman, Elementary Education
Angela Elizabeth Birch, Nursing **
Doranna Marie Blascyk, Nursing
Emily Boegeman, Nursing
Michael Anthony Boston, Nursing
April Ida Bourdage, Nursing +
Allison Marie Brayden, Nursing
Annamarie Elizabeth Brennhofner Pleski, Nursing
Shelby Rae Burg, Nursing
Patrick-John Allen Carey, Nursing ***
Julia Rose Cheasick, Nursing *
Rhianna Marie Chelstrom, Nursing
Sherika Nicole Clark, Nursing
Matthew James Clarke, Exercise Physiology *
Sara A. Collins, Nursing
John M. Creegan, Computer Information Systems ***
Nathan J. Crotteau, Nursing +
Michelle S. Cuno, Nursing **
Denise Elizabeth Daley, Nursing
Emily Ann Danielson, Nursing
Ahmed H. Daud, Nursing
Kathryn Rose Davidson-Paton, Nursing
Brandi Lynn DeLeonardis, Nursing
Samira Deq Derie, Nursing
Braeden Diffendorfer, Nursing
Cheslyn Jean Dilbeck, Nursing
William R. Dixon Jr., Computer Information Systems ***
Marisa Kay Dosedel, Nursing **

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McKenna Lee Birdsall Ellena, Nursing **
Tina Louise Erickson, Nursing
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Alexander Michael Faber, Nursing
Deqa Abdulqadir Farah, Nursing ***
Samsam Said Farah, Nursing
Ashley L. Fechner, Nursing
Abigail Rose Fleck, Nursing
Amanda Michelle Folberg, Nursing *
Hana France, Nursing
Breanna L. Friesen, Nursing
Hannah Rae Fuchs, Nursing
Haley Fuerst, Nursing
Emily L. Gertken, Exercise Physiology ***
Lembi Binyuy Lizzy-Daphne Ghanka, Nursing
Adam D. Gindt, Computer Information Systems **
Connor J. Girard, Nursing *
Thomas Joseph Goonan, Nursing
David Alan Griffiths, Nursing
Casey Hass, Nursing
Abbie Elizabeth Hatlestad, Exercise Physiology *
Emmet J. Heck, Exercise Physiology ***
Wanda M. Heitzman, Nursing
Renee Jill Heltunen, Health Informatics and Information Management ***
Morgan Elizabeth Herold, Nursing
Mindy Lynn Herrick, Nursing
Joshua John Hill, Computer Information Systems **
Taylor Lynnette Hobbs, Nursing
Maggie Brynn Hoeg, Nursing
Nicholas John Hosch, Elementary Education
Danielle Melissa Hronoski, Nursing **
Mitchell M. Hughes, Nursing
Mayson Grace Huhner, Nursing **
Jennifer Mae Hurinenko, Nursing
Fartun Mohammmed Idris, Nursing
Mona Ladan Igale, Nursing
Stacy Ann Jager, Nursing *
Christopher Robert Johnsen, Nursing +
Annabell Rose Johnson, Elementary Education *
Danielle Zejdlik Johnson, Nursing *
Katrina Joanna Josephson, Nursing *

Katherine Morrow Kallevig, Nursing
Amanda Lynthia Kaunonen, Exercise Physiology
Killian James Keaveny, Nursing
Kiley Delores Keeney, Nursing
Jacqueline Florence Keul, Nursing **
Kadiatu Khan, Nursing
Ashley Rebeckah Kittelson, Nursing *
Melanie Renee Knosalla, Nursing
Katie Koebele, Nursing
Rachel Kranitz, Nursing **
Rebecca Ellen DuFresne Krause, Nursing
Lillian Jane Krysinski, Nursing **
Marat Yergazyevich Kudaibergenov, Computer Information Systems
Thomas Joseph Kunkel, Exercise Physiology ***
Leanna Marie Laing, Nursing
Dana Langlee, Nursing
Emmarae Grace Lasart, Health Informatics and Information Management
Gerald Lazaro Leonard, Nursing *
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Kayla Magnan Reiner, Nursing
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Katherine Alyce Moen, Nursing
Osob Mohamed, Nursing
Cailee Christine Monroe, Nursing
Elise Ann Moore, Nursing
Lindsay Ann Morson, Nursing **
Savannah Xee Moua, Nursing +
Kidus Yohannes Negash, Health Informatics and Information Management
Tashia Diann Nicholson, Nursing
Briannan Linnæ Nielsen, Nursing
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Sunshine Rose Walker Norby, Nursing

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Abigail Audene Nygren, Nursing *
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Carli Ann Olson, Nursing
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Taylor R. Pietersen, Nursing
Georgia Porter, Nursing
Brittany Ann Price, Nursing
Cassandra Jean Prochaska, Nursing *
Cord Joseph Reno, Nursing
Caroline Elizabeth Reynolds, Nursing
Aaron Robinson, Nursing
Dulcia Marie Roue, Nursing
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Margaret M. Ruelle, Nursing
Sarah Elizabeth Skubal Ryan, Nursing
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Madison C. Savage, Nursing
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Alison Grace Shulstad, Nursing
Abigail Jean Simpson, Nursing
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Jake Swemle, Nursing ***
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Sarah Elisabeth Trejo, Nursing
Jordan James Turnquist, Nursing *
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Megan LeeAnn Vogelsang, Nursing
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Monique Maria Weber, Nursing
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Emily A. Wiesner, Nursing
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MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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MASTER OF SCIENCE

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Afton Patrice Dunsmoor, Health Informatics
Ashley Jo Emery, Occupational Therapy
Sofia Kathryn Engebretson, Teaching
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Ashley Fargo, Health Informatics
Cortney Ann Forgette, Occupational Therapy
Hannah Elizabeth Frey-Hawkins, PA Medicine

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Kinzi Rae Peterson, Teaching
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Zachary David Praus, Occupational Therapy
Annicia Marie Prince, Health Information Management
Annika Elizabeth Putman, Occupational Therapy
Mitchell Jeremy Quevedo, Occupational Therapy
Morgan Rae Quinlan, PA Medicine
Mahir Sadman Rahat, Health Informatics
Emily Reddan, Occupational Therapy
Anna Frances Ribich, Occupational Therapy
Dennis Joseph Robbins, Health Information Management
Molly Ann Ruvelson, Teaching
Martin Rolando Salgado, Health Information Management
Kevin Patrick Scahill, Health Information Management
Heather L. Schierloh, Health Information Management
Kelsey Schultz, Occupational Therapy
Dehlia Clair Johnson Seim, Teaching
Melissa Joanna Selman, Health Information Management
Christopher Senger, PA Medicine
Gunnar Shipley, Occupational Therapy
Allison Taylor Sivanich, Occupational Therapy
Aliyah Stephens, PA Medicine
Austin Brooke Stephenson, Teaching
Jenna Marie Stilwell, PA Medicine
Melinda Lee Suelflow, Teaching
Gina Anne Sundeen, Health Information Management
Gufaran Ali Syed, Health Informatics
Jolene LaMae Sypniewski, Teaching
Cayla Jeanne Tousignant, Health Informatics
Jeffrey Scott Tyson, Teaching
Katherine Anne Orcino Veluz, Occupational Therapy
Tanner Jesus Verduzco, PA Medicine
Scott Andrew VonBank, PA Medicine
Nancy S. Weber, Health Informatics
Brianna Hope Westendorf, PA Medicine
Andrea Renae Wynands, PA Medicine
Serena Pheng Xiong, Health Information Management

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Georgina Fathi Youssef, Health Information Management
Abby G. Zelinske, Teaching
Megan Jo Zerfas, PA Medicine
Joanna Zheng, Health Information Management
Soukkham Ziebell, Health Informatics

CERTIFICATE

Sandra Noell Alibozek, Computer Science Education
Daniel A. Badhwa, Teaching
Jennifer Budenski Behnke, Literacy Instruction
Laurie Jeanne Bisila, Culturally Responsive Practice
Fredrica U. Dike, Health Informatics

Bethany Anne Faber, Culturally Responsive Practice
Jill Annette Fox, Literacy Instruction
Deborah Anne Gargano, Computer Science Education
Deidra Ann Hiltner, Special Education
Dennis Hjort, Computer Science Education
Jill Ann Houghton, Literacy Instruction
Jessa Lyn McCarthy, Literacy Instruction
Nicole M. Nelson, Health Care Administration
Kristin Rochelle O'Brien, Culturally Responsive Practice
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Rio Faith Severson, Special Education
Julie Ann Speikers, Change Leadership
Ellie Swanson, Literacy Instruction



CANDIDATES FOR THE DOCTORAL DEGREE

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Zada Jane Dunaiski, Healthcare Leadership
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Tolulope I. Atama
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Karen Gayle Bayate
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Christine Cuenca
Sejal Damania
Paul Dawson
Thomas Reed Dougherty
Matthew Porter Fain
Linda Elisabeth Fieback
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Jennifer Nicole Gilmore
William Todd Gross
Jenylyn Reyes Guevarra
George H. Houle
Minjun Jang
Anjanette Lim Javellana
Manpreet Kaur
Krista L. Keck
Patricia Anne Kissko

Malgorzata Klatt
Kathleen G. Laird
Stacia Ann Lee
Mona-Lesa Hyacinth Lennon
Jennifer Brackett Lewis
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Quinn Andrew McArthur
Sarah Lynn McGaughey
Tina Elaine Mclean
Disha P. Mehta
Iris Linn Morris
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Nikita Tejaskumar Patel
Samay Nimesh Patel
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Leori Cruz Quintos
Digpal Singh Takhat Singh Ranawat
Sujeong Ryu
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Leona Renee Sharman
Patricia Skarulis Stallone
Gregory Alan Sonntag
Kaye Lois Terrelonge
Elizabeth John Thomas
Jogi Victor Thomas
Mary Ann Walker
Kimberley Elizabeth Watkins
Michele Lynn Wensman
Blaine Yoshioka



VIVAT! VIVAT, ST. SCHOLASTICA! – OUR ALMA MATER

The song lyrics were written by Sister Loretta Sheehan and selected in an all-school contest in 1931. Around 1950, the melody was changed by Sister Wilfrid Jordan of the music faculty; that version was used until 2011. Gradually, the song fell from favor and was no longer sung. The Dean's Council reinstated it in 1999, but it was only used for ceremonies - primarily Convocation, Commencement, and Reunion. In 2011, a new arrangement of the song was created by Mina Kaiser and Michael Buck in honor of the College's Centennial year. The launch of the new arrangement has been accompanied by the incorporation of Vivat St. Scholastica into more College activities.

THE HONOR SONG TRADITION

The College honors its long partnership with the Indigenous community of the region. Our continuing commitment to American Indian students and communities is expressed by starting our commencement ceremony with a traditional Honor song.

The drum is the center of our being and the heart of our existence as Indigenous people. When the drum reverberates, it echoes in all corners of creation. When the songs are sung, the voices of the people are heard throughout creation. The drum is a gift of communication and prayer from the Creator. The name of The College of St. Scholastica's drum is Odagaaki-bines (O- da- gay- k- bin- es); it means "Thunderbeing on the Hill."

DESCRIPTION OF THE BENEDICTINE CROSS

The Benedictine Cross is four-directional, but it is contained within the circle of life, which has no beginning or end. At any point of the circumference all are equal. The crossbars reach out north, south, east and west, encompassing the whole earth, the whole universe. Our Benedictine Cross calls us to embrace all of life and to be centered in peace. It is displayed in various prominent places in the College and in the Monastery. The cross is carried forth as part of commencement's academic procession.

THE SHIELD OF THE COLLEGE

The field is blue. Upon this field is a lily, blooming with three flowers symbolizing the three Persons of the Blessed Trinity. The base of the lily is enclosed by a crescent, the heraldic symbol of the Virgin Mary, and likewise, the purity of Christian teaching. A golden crown of the medieval regal shape in heraldry encircles the lilies above, recalling the dedication of the Chapel to the Queen of Peace.

The heraldic indication of a college is always a book. Hence, a book occupies the center of the field. On its open pages is the motto of St. Scholastica. It is taken from the third chapter of the Book of Proverbs, and in reference to Wisdom it reads: "Her ways are ways of beauty, and all her paths are peace." In keeping with the traditional Benedictine motto, "Pax," St. Scholastica has chosen the second part of the verse for her motto. It reads in Latin: "Omnes semitae eius pacificae."



THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The traditional academic procession introduces many of the more formal and significant events at St. Scholastica as it does on most college and university campuses. Although the history of wearing distinctive apparel as an indication of scholarship and academic rank dates to the Middle Ages, the practice was not adopted in the United States until around 1900.

The cap worn almost universally in academic processions is the Oxford cap, commonly known as the mortarboard. It is almost always black.

The use of a dark robe in academic processions is thought to have arisen from the clerical practice of wearing a cape or mantle in religious processions in the 12th and 13th centuries when universities developed from cathedral schools. Traditionally, gowns are also black. However, a number of universities have adopted alternate colors.

The academic hoods, worn around the neck and down the back of the gown, are lined with the official colors of the college or university that conferred the degree. A blue and gold cord identifies faculty members who have received the Max H. Lavine Award, the College's highest award for teaching excellence.

HONORS FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

A student whose cumulative grade point average is 3.90 or above graduates with highest honors (summa cum laude). These students are wearing a blue and gold honors cord.

A student whose cumulative grade point average is between 3.70 and 3.89 graduates with great honors (magna cum laude). These students are wearing a blue double honors cord.

A student whose cumulative grade point average is between 3.50 and 3.69 graduates with honors (cum laude). These students are wearing a gold double honors cord.

Students achieving honors have met all degree requirements and have earned a minimum of 48 graded credits at The College of St. Scholastica.

SISTER BEVERLY RAWAY SCHOLAR

Our RN to BS academic honors program is named in tribute to Sister Beverly Raway, OSB. As a nursing faculty for over twenty years, Sister Beverly exemplified scholarship and academic excellence in her teaching and mentoring of students and as chair of the research and scholarship committee for Sigma-Theta Xi Chapter, an International nursing honor society. Sister Beverly shared her expertise in evidence-based practice with fellow graduates of the RN to BS program. Sister Beverly currently serves as Prioress of St. Scholastica Monastery. A student whose cumulative grade point average in RN to BS program courses is 3.90 or above will graduate as a Sister Beverly Raway Scholar. In order to earn this honor students must also successfully pass their nursing portfolio. Sister Beverly Raway Scholar recipients are awarded an apricot colored honor cord.

THE WEBSTER SCHOLAR

The title of Webster Scholar is awarded to students who have successfully completed the requirements for The College of St. Scholastica Honors Program. These requirements include earning a B or better in the requisite number of Honors courses and maintaining an overall GPA of 3.5 or higher. Honors courses require the students to become actively involved in their own learning. The Webster award is named after Lee Webster, a much-beloved faculty member, whose untimely death from cancer deeply affected the College community. Webster epitomized the love of life and learning, and Honors Program graduates proudly bear his name. Webster Scholars are awarded a medallion and a gold diploma cover.

HONORS FOR GRADUATE DEGREES

Due to the academic standards required in the graduate programs at The College of St. Scholastica, all doctoral and master's students graduate with high academic achievement.

HONOR SOCIETIES

ALPHA ALPHA ALPHA

Alpha Alpha Alpha honor society recognizes the academic achievements of first-generation college students. Induction into Tri-Alpha is earned by exceptional academic achievement and lasts for a lifetime. Students are awarded a pin and wear blue and grey double honor cords.

GAMMA OMICRON

Gamma Omicron recognizes students who demonstrate academic excellence, contribute to the profession of occupational therapy through their scholarships, and show promise for professional leadership. Students are awarded blue and gold double honor cords.

PHI ALPHA, OMEGA ALPHA BETA CHAPTER

Phi Alpha Honor Society is an undergraduate national honor society for social work. Its purpose is to provide a closer bond among students of social work and promote humanitarian goals and ideas. Phi Alpha fosters high standards of education for social workers and invites into membership those who have attained excellence in scholarship and achievement in social work. Students are awarded a blue and gold honor cord.

PSI CHI

Psi Chi is the undergraduate national honor society in psychology. There are nearly 1, 000 chapters at colleges and universities throughout the United States. The College of St. Scholastica was approved as a chapter in the 2000-01 academic year. Psi Chi membership criteria include a declared psychology major or minor, at least nine semester hours of psychology college courses, an overall GPA that places students in the top 35 percent of their class and at least a 3.0 psychology GPA. Students who have met the above criteria are identified by their platinum and dark blue double honor cords.

SIGMA THETA TAU INTERNATIONAL, THETA XI CHAPTER

This International Honor Society for Nursing was officially established through the Department of Nursing in 1986 with a mission of supporting learning, knowledge and professional development of nurses committed to making a difference in health worldwide. Student membership eligibility criteria include: completion of at least one-half of the nursing program curriculum; achieve academic excellence; rank in the upper 35 percentile of the graduating class; and meet the expectation of academic integrity. STTI student inductees are awarded purple and white double honor cords.

CO-CURRICULAR AND LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) empowers, advocates for, and supports eligible students in their pursuit of an undergraduate degree. SSS graduates are awarded a red and black honor cord.

TRIO MCNAIR SCHOLARS

Students recognized as TRIO McNair Scholars have completed a rigorous co-curricular program including educational seminars, research internships, and scholarly activities that support enrollment and success in graduate study. McNair Scholars are awarded a McNair Scholar white stole.

SAINTS LEADERSHIP HONOR

Students who graduate in the Saints Leadership Program develop values, strengths and interpersonal skills as a leader that may proactively affect communities and systems. Students who completed the multi-year, four-part program are awarded a blue single honor cord.

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