



## COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

SUNDAY, MAY 4 *at* 2:30 P.M.

RICHARD L. JANTZ STADIUM

THE SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE

*Alma Mater*

*Far above the Walnut Valley  
On a lofty height,  
Stands our noble Alma Mater,  
Bathed in golden light.*

*Chorus*

*Lift the chorus, speed it onward,  
Over hill and dale,  
Hail to thee, beloved Southwestern,  
Alma Mater, Hail!*

*Far above the stir and bustle  
Of the busy town,  
Reared against the arch of heaven,  
Looks she calmly down.*

*To the heights she calls us daily,  
Alma Mater, dear,  
Heights of knowledge, hope, and courage,  
Free from doubt and fear.*



# The Class of 2025

## ORDER OF COMMENCEMENT

- \* Processional** ..... *Pomp & Circumstance, Edward Elgar*  
*Led by Junior Marshals, Ms. Sarah Akin and Mr. Matthew Holthusen*
- \* Invocation** ..... Mr. Dre'Shaun Flowers  
*Student Foundation President; Class of 2025*
- Welcome** ..... Mr. Scott C. Hecht  
*Chair, Board of Trustees; Class of 1990*
- Awards Presentation** ..... Dr. Elizabeth Frombgen  
*President*
- Student Awards ..... *Professor Fran Jabara Leadership Award*
- Faculty Award ..... *Charles H. and Verda R. Kopke Distinguished Teaching Award*
- Faculty Address** ..... Dr. Tamara McEwen  
*Professor of Biology; Chair, Division of Natural Sciences*
- Recognition of Honorary Degree** ..... President Frombgen  
Dr. Kim Moore, *Trustee Emeritus; Class of 1971*  
*Mr. Scott C. Hecht, Doctor of Laws*
- Recognition of Student Academic Honors** ..... Dr. J.K. Campbell  
*Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty*
- Conferring of Degrees** ..... President Frombgen
- Presentation of Graduates ..... Dr. Campbell
- Graduate Hooding .....
- Doctor of Education. .... Dr. Mark Whitener and Dr. Jackie Glasgow
- Master of Education ..... 1885
- Master of Business Administration ..... Dr. Kristen Pettey and Dr. Kurt Keiser
- Master of Arts; Sports Management. ....
- Master of Science: Leadership. .... David Youland and Anne Thompson
- Master of Science: Management .....
- Presentation of Diplomas ..... Ms. Adrienne Wyatt  
*Vice President for Student Academic Success*
- \* Alma Mater** ..... Ms. Lauren Henderson  
*Class of 2025*
- \* Benediction** ..... Pastor Charles McKinzie  
*Grace United Methodist Church*

# *The Class of 2025*

## **Valedictorian**

Melody Lynne Snively Brinigar

## **Saludictorian**

Trey Parker Topham

## **Doctorate of Education in Leadership**

Ryan M. Bodensteiner, Leavenworth, Kansas  
Anjah Rashida Clemons-Williams, Kansas City, Missouri  
Travis John Pike, Dallas, Oregon  
Tiffany Janee Reeves, Wichita, Kansas  
Alissa LeAnne Sheppard, Wichita, Kansas  
Kevin Lee Warner, Ulysses, Kansas  
Anne Marie Werth, Sedgwick, Kansas

## **Master of Education**

Darren Hicks Jr., Haughton, Louisiana  
Jessica Nicole Lacey, Fort Bliss, Texas  
Gabriella Ali Murchison, Port Isabel, Texas  
Drew Rockley Smith, Paola, Kansas

## **Master of Arts in Sport Management**

McKenna B. Beeler, Marshall, Missouri  
Jacob Bremmon, Heber Springs, Arkansas  
Conner Evan Cheney, McCloud, Oklahoma  
Demitria M. Heard, Houston, Texas  
Mark Anthony Smith Jr., Stillwater, Oklahoma  
Cody M. Wittenberg, El Dorado, Kansas  
Jacob S. Woodburn, Eureka, Kansas

## **Master of Business Administration**

Blake William Andrews, Winfield, Kansas  
Joshua Elijah Beck, Wichita, Kansas  
Blake A. Crawford, Wichita, Kansas  
Hasaan Divers, Detroit, Michigan  
Brian Patrick Doran Jr., Waldorf, Maryland  
Gannon Dow, Lake Forest Park, Washington  
Joshua G. Edson, Newton, Kansas  
Caitlin Leann Estrin, Palm Springs, California  
Brian Sherard Felder, Perry, Georgia  
Eduardo Gonzalez, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
Braden Andrew Howell, Wichita, Kansas  
Trevor James Jager, Muskegon, Michigan  
Martez D. Jones II, St. Louis, Missouri  
Ram Nutah Keller Jr., Monrovia, Liberia  
Kenneth Maldonado, Vallejo, California  
Marcus J. Meyer, Tampa, Florida  
Shawn Ellen Pratt, Tampa, Florida  
Jaden H. Reniker, Salt Lake City, Utah  
Dylan H. Templeman, Princeton, Texas  
Mason R. Thiessen, Inman, Kansas  
Dalton James Ward, Claremore, Oklahoma  
Corbin Joseph Williams, Haysville, Kansas  
Caleb Rhys Worsham, Medicine Lodge, Kansas  
Kiare K. Worth, San Diego, California

## **Master of Science in Leadership**

Michael Phillip Fiyalko, Saint Petersburg, Florida  
Micah Gabler, Mishawaka, Indiana  
Denise Y. Mitchell-Everett, Miami, Florida

## **Master of Science in Management**

Benjamin James Griggs, Billings, Montana  
Daniel E. Kuhnen, Cleveland, Oklahoma  
Raquel Resendiz, Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico  
Broderick Lee Stewart, Emporia, Kansas  
Brandy L. Sweeny, Maramec, Oklahoma

## **Master of Science in Security and Emergency Studies**

Brian Saling, Charleston, South Carolina  
Robert C. Tatum-Wilder, St. Louis, Missouri

## **Bachelor of Arts**

Trey Abasolo, Magna Cum Laude, Sport Management, Minor  
in Business Administration, Mulvane, Kansas  
Ryan C. Auten, Business Administration, Basehor, Kansas  
Jacob A. Baer, Elementary Education, Clanton, Alabama  
Sarah Bagnati, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Bridgeton, New  
Jersey  
Wyatt Bell, Summa Cum Laude, Business Administration  
with Emphasis in Finance, Keller, Texas  
Zachary Daniel Boone, Cum Laude, Business Administration,  
Larkspur, Colorado  
Joshua C. Boyanton, Business Administration, Yukon,  
Oklahoma  
Dante Bravo, Sport Management, Kingman, Arizona  
Melody Lynne Snively Brinigar, Summa Cum Laude,  
Communication, Winfield, Kansas  
Darrell Wade Brown Jr., Business Administration with  
Emphasis in Management, Midwest City, Oklahoma  
Caden Buoy, Business Administration with Emphasis in  
Construction Management, Collinsville, Oklahoma  
Jordan Marie Burford, Magna Cum Laude, Psychology,  
Minor in Music, Andover, Kansas  
Jarius Z. Burnette, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Warner Robins,  
Georgia  
Nina Cresten Celestino, Cum Laude, Psychology, Minor in  
Criminal Justice and Legal Studies, Pflugerville, Texas  
Caitlyn Paige Clark, Summa Cum Laude, Elementary  
Education, McAlester, Oklahoma  
Micah Ty Cleveland, Business Administration, Albany,  
Louisiana  
Kayla Craythorn, Magna Cum Laude, Elementary Education,  
Junction City, Kansas  
Malieokekai Pei-ye DaMate, Psychology, Haleiwa, Hawaii  
Cameryn N. Decker, Summa Cum Laude, Psychology, Minor  
in Criminal Justice and Legal Studies, Alva, Oklahoma  
Justice Alana Unique Duncan, Business Administration,  
Fayetteville, Arkansas  
Corey D. Durham Jr., Psychology, Minor in Business  
Administration, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma



Ketura Amariah Arnetta Earl, Magna Cum Laude,  
Elementary Education, Minor in Psychology,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

James W. Ethridge, Business Administration, Mineral Wells,  
Texas

Preston Fansher, Summa Cum Laude, Business  
Administration with Emphasis in Finance, Piedmont,  
Oklahoma

Dre'Shaun Deon Flowers, Summa Cum Laude, Business  
Administration, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Jerrod Thomas Gillett, Cum Laude, Business Administration  
with Emphasis in Finance, Esbon, Kansas

Avree N'Kole Goolsby, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Norman,  
Oklahoma

John A. Greer III, Business Administration, Mulvane, Kansas

Madison Marie Hall, Business Administration, Winfield,  
Kansas

Isabel Harrold, Business Administration with Emphasis in  
Management, Augusta, Kansas

Beatriz Harth, Elementary Education, Vallejo, California

Lauren Elizabeth Henderson, Cum Laude, Psychology,  
Minors in Business Administration and Criminal  
Justice and Legal Studies, Douglass, Kansas

Kyah Keana Anita Hill, Business Administration, Dallas,  
Texas

Austin D. Hilton, Business Administration, Belle Plaine,  
Kansas

Chadlee Eugene Humphries, Cum Laude, Psychology,  
Minor in Business Administration, Midwest City,  
Oklahoma

Sommara Malik Hunter, Accounting, Business  
Administration with Emphasis in Marketing, Allen,  
Texas

Gimarion Leon Hutson, Communication, Richmond,  
California

Addison Paige Johnson, Business Administration, Minor in  
Biology, Andover, Kansas

Ashlee Kendall Johnson, Magna Cum Laude, Psychology,  
Minor in Political Science, Lewisville, Texas

Justyne Marie Johnson, Magna Cum Laude, Psychology,  
Minor in Computer Science, Reno, Nevada

Kaitlin J. Kendel, Liberal Arts and Sciences, El Dorado,  
Kansas

McKenlie Kirkhart, Elementary Education, Douglass, Kansas

Jason A. Kramlich, Sport Management, Littleton, Colorado

Wilber Landaverde, Business Administration, Emporia,  
Kansas

Landen Lehenbauer, Business Administration with Emphasis  
in Management, Norman, Oklahoma

Jayden C. Leonhardt, Communication, Inman, Kansas

Elisa Llamas, Cum Laude, Communication with Emphasis  
in General Communication, Minor in English, New  
Braunfels, Texas

Joseph T. Mars, Business Administration, Piedmont,  
Oklahoma

Kayden Brant Martinez, Accounting, Business  
Administration, Natoma, Kansas

Trayvon Tibebe Martinez, Business Administration,  
Houston, Texas

Easton Lee Mayo, Cum Laude, Psychology, Minor in  
Business Administration, Whitehouse, Texas

Audell Lewis McCullough, Business Administration,  
Wichita, Kansas

Nicole McDonald, Psychology, Bethany, Oklahoma

Adeline G. McIntire, Summa Cum Laude, Elementary  
Education, Paola, Kansas

Bridget Kathleen Melvin, “”, Elementary Education,  
Wichita, Kansas

Chanda Mwale, Philosophy and Religion, Lusaka, Zambia

Carson Q. Olmstead, Cum Laude, Business Administration  
with Emphasis in Management, Derby, Kansas

Tyler D. O'Quinn, Sport Management, Wichita, Kansas

Vincent J. Parlante, Business Administration, Houston, Texas

Connor Reed Peck, Business Administration, Westminster,  
Colorado

Trevor Ray Peterson, Summa Cum Laude, Business  
Administration, Minors in Youth Ministry, Christian  
Discipleship Studies, and Philosophy and Religion,  
Salina, Kansas

Cody Aaron Potter, Business Administration with Emphasis  
in Management, Pikeville, Kentucky

Jordan Taylor Proscia, Accounting, Selma, Texas

Andrez Ramirez, Psychology, Minor in Biology, Bowering,  
Oklahoma

Cindy Rodriguez, Magna Cum Laude, Psychology, El Paso,  
Texas

Tia Rachelle Saunders, Cum Laude, Elementary Education,  
Wichita, Kansas

Dawson D. Schoning, Middle Level Mathematics Education,  
Minor in Leadership, Wichita, Kansas

Ivy E. Sellers, Elementary Education, Wichita, Kansas

Haley Jordyn Shaw, Cum Laude, Psychology, Syracuse, Utah

Hayden Smith, Cum Laude, Accounting, Derby, Kansas

Teagan D. Smith, Accounting, Sand Spring, Oklahoma

Blake Lee Stafford, Cum Laude, History, Secondary  
Licensure in American History, World History, and  
Political Science, Stroud, Oklahoma

Emerson Everette-Lee Talkington, Music, Arkansas City,  
Kansas

Ronnail Tape, Cum Laude, Business Administration, Fort  
Myers, Florida

Gabriel Francis Theut, Biology, Columbus, Texas

Grace C. Whisenant, Magna Cum Laude, Psychology,  
Wichita, Kansas

Sophia Wicker, Mathematics, Secondary Licensure in  
Mathematics, Woodstock, Illinois

Baylee S. York, Magna Cum Laude, Business Administration,  
Ponca City, Oklahoma

Rubye Zuniga, Cum Laude, Business Administration,  
Winfield, Kansas

### **Bachelor of General Studies**

Sharma D'Ann Castillo, General Studies, Euless, Texas

Dustin W. Hundley, General Studies, Ponca City, Oklahoma

## **Bachelor of Philosophy**

Samuel Shook, Summa Cum Laude, Philosophy, Wichita, Kansas

## **Bachelor of Science**

Loretta Sfeir Oppong Agyei, Healthcare Administration, Robbinsville, New Jersey  
Daniel AJose, Information Systems Management, Canton, Georgia  
Chelsea Kaitlyn Allaire, Organizational Psychology, Arlee, Montana  
Tymber John Allen, Business Administration, Wichita, Kansas  
Hue Alzate, Cum Laude, Health Science, Worthing, West Sussex, United Kingdom  
Tucker C. Andersen, Strategic Leadership, Kalispell, Montana  
Joshua James Ano, Information Systems Management, Durhamville, New York  
Hollis R. Armstrong, Information Systems Management, Cumming, Georgia  
Azania T. Arnold, Security Management, Minneapolis, Minnesota  
Justin DeLaine Bahner, Cum Laude, Business Quality Management, Operations Management, Rock, Kansas  
Michele Elaine Baker, Cum Laude, Computer Science, Port Angeles, Washington  
Ryan James Barker, Business Quality Management, Maize, Kansas  
Aaron Barr, Strategic Leadership, Zachary, Louisiana  
Shawn Evan Barrett, Cum Laude, Security Management, Carbonate, Colorado  
KenQuara Marshay Battle, Human Resource Management and Development, Milledgeville, Georgia  
Roel Bedford, Computer Science, August, Georgia  
Scott A. Bennett, Operations Management, Riverside, California  
Kyle S. Black, Strategic Leadership, Merced, California  
Monica Lynn Bowlin, Cum Laude, Human Resource Management and Development, Strategic Leadership, El Dorado, Kansas  
Michelle L. Bresson, Magna Cum Laude, Business Administration, Great Falls, Montana  
Adam Brotherton, Summa Cum Laude, Physical Education, Minor in History, Mustang, Oklahoma  
Clinton Edward Brown, Computer Science, Sedgwick, Kansas  
Darion Marquel Brown, Information Systems Management, Frederick, Maryland  
Mathew J. Brown, “”, Criminal Justice, Spokane, Washington  
Christopher Rex Burris, Security Management, Huntsville, Arkansas  
Jacob Manuel Burton, Operations Management, Twin Falls, Idaho  
Curtis I. Cain, Magna Cum Laude, Business Administration, Colorado Springs, Colorado  
Osvaldo Carela, Information Systems Management, Kempner, Texas

Sergio A. Casillas Jr., Magna Cum Laude, Operations Management, El Paso, Texas  
Jordan Chiang, Cum Laude, Human Resource Management and Development, Orlando, Florida  
Natisha Clark, Business Quality Management, Collinsville, Virginia  
Daniel S. Clarke, Magna Cum Laude, Computer Science, Las Vegas, Nevada  
David Michael Close, Human Resource Management and Development, Wichita, Kansas  
Edwin D. Clott, Computer Programming Technology, Portland, Indiana  
Ashley Lynn Cockram, Marine Biology, Wichita, Kansas  
Ashley N. Cook, Accounting, Pratt, Kansas  
Khary Macio-Kyle Cook, Magna Cum Laude, Business Administration, Brooklyn, New York  
Monica T. Cox, Strategic Leadership, Phoenix, Arizona  
Tanya Joan Cox, Business Quality Management, El Dorado, Kansas  
Haden Crawley, Physical Education, Jenks, Oklahoma  
Jarred Alan Crecraft, Summa Cum Laude, Information Systems Management, Operations Management, Cleveland, Ohio  
Rosanna Dees, Information Systems Management, Bronx, New York  
Justin M. DeMaria, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, New Paltz, New York  
Luca Luciano Dincola, Magna Cum Laude, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Lakewood, Colorado  
Lisa M. Doman, Security Management, Huachuca City, Arizona  
Gerard Doran Jr., Human Resource Management and Development, Benton, Louisiana  
Destiny S. Duckett, Business Administration, Phoenix, Arizona  
Blake Austin Dunn, Cum Laude, Business Administration, Waterford, Ontario, Canada  
Elizabeth C. Ebenkamp, Information Systems Management, Derby, Kansas  
Jennifer Elaine Edwards, Accounting, Krum, Texas  
Stephon W. Edwards, Strategic Leadership, Bronx, New York  
Joseph Tyler Eidson, Summa Cum Laude, Strategic Leadership, Douglasville, Georgia  
Caleb James Gonzales, Cum Laude, Computer Digital Arts with Emphasis in Digital Arts, Houston, Texas  
Micah Ericson, Summa Cum Laude, Business Administration, Junction City, Kansas  
Steven Esworthy-Jones, Summa Cum Laude, Business Administration, Cadiz, Kentucky  
Jesus Fernandez, Strategic Leadership, Salinas, California  
Leah C. Filipkowski, Human Resource Management and Development, Blackshear, Georgia  
Joseph J. Flores II, Computer Science, Miamisburg, Ohio  
Faith Gabrielle Fondoble, Magna Cum Laude, Biology, Minor in Leadership, Ellis, Kansas  
Derrick Franklin, Business Administration, Piedmont, Oklahoma

Marwan S. Gadallah, Strategic Leadership, St. Louis, Missouri  
 Hunter Marie Garcia, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Minor in Psychology, San Felipe Pueblo, New Mexico  
 Whitney Kristine Garcia, Business Administration, Strategic Leadership, Yorktown, Virginia  
 Daniel James Goodman, Magna Cum Laude, Computer Science, Spokane, Washington  
 Scott W. Greco Jr., Strategic Leadership, Long Branch, New Jersey  
 Prantik Noel Gupta, Information Systems Management, Poughkeepsie, New York  
 Rashaad M. Hammonds, Strategic Leadership, Riverdale, Georgia  
 Meliah Renee Hanna, Health Science, Cedar Rapids, Iowa  
 Branden M. Hansen, Information Systems Management, North Platte, Nebraska  
 Jacardon C. Hardemon, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, West Palm Beach, Florida  
 Andrew Gordon Hardie, Computer Science, Warner Robins, Georgia  
 Jared Cole Harger, “”, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Prairie Grove, Arkansas  
 Paige Harrington, Accounting, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
 Stephen Hecht, Magna Cum Laude, Computer Science, St. Charles, Missouri  
 Gabriella C. Herrera, Summa Cum Laude, Biochemistry, Minor in Psychology, Arkansas City, Kansas  
 Colt C. Hewitt, Operations Management, Wilmington, Ohio  
 Hannah Nicole Hlavenka, Health Science, West, Texas  
 Chris Hockenbury, Organizational Psychology, Shawnee, Oklahoma  
 Alexander M. Holms, Magna Cum Laude, Computer Science, Bargersville, Indiana  
 Jace M. Horn, Computer Digital Arts with Emphasis in Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics, Derby, Kansas  
 Shania C. Humphrey, Summa Cum Laude, Information Systems Management, Henderson, Nevada  
 Mercedes M. Ibarra, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Sanger, Texas  
 Kelvin D. Jackson-Stanley, Summa Cum Laude, Operations Management, Wichita, Kansas  
 Elisea June’ Jones, Human Resource Management and Development, Alexandria, Louisiana  
 Robert Adrian Jones- Coleman, Strategic Leadership, Hampton, Georgia  
 Anzhelany M. Jordan, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Edinburg, Texas  
 Micah Dean Jump, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Kingman, Kansas  
 Paul Kahl, Summa Cum Laude, Computer Science, Wichita, Kansas  
 Dawit Tesfay Kahsay, Cum Laude, Computer Science, Charlotte, North Carolina  
 Chad Kearney, Summa Cum Laude, Computer Science, Castle Rock, Colorado  
 Jason Louis Kendrick, Accounting, Stone Mountain, Georgia  
 Destinee Marie Kennedy, Computer Science, Fitchburg, Massachusetts  
 Mayson Kile, Cum Laude, Human Resource Management and Development, York, Pennsylvania  
 Donovan Kinney, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Arlington, Texas  
 Taylor May Korte, Marine Biology, Minor in Psychology, Iola, Kansas  
 Jacob Cameron Lambert, Information Systems Management, Cabot, Arkansas  
 Allison Taylor Langley, Operations Management, Jackson, Georgia  
 Kyle Andrew Lee, Magna Cum Laude, Strategic Leadership, Murphysboro, Illinois  
 Jordyn Makenzie Loftis, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Dallas, Texas  
 Estefania Mahon, Human Resource Management and Development, Fairfield, California  
 Keith Allen Manning, Cum Laude, Computer Science, Salina, Kansas  
 Christopher Lee Martinez, Cum Laude, Business Quality Management, Wichita, Kansas  
 Braxton C. McDonald, Business Quality Management, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
 Mark Anthony McDowell Jr., Information Systems Management, Chicago, Illinois  
 Spencer Black McGraw, Summa Cum Laude, Criminal Justice, Springville, Alabama  
 Kellie Ann Means, Criminal Justice, Pepperell, Massachusetts  
 Angelique Shanks Michael, Healthcare Administration, Gillette, Wyoming  
 Emmanuel Midi, Computer Science, Carlisle, Pennsylvania  
 Trevor Allen Myers, Business Quality Management, Waskom, Texas  
 William I. Nesmith, Business Administration, Mount Olive, Alabama  
 Avery Lyn Norman, Magna Cum Laude, Health Science, Minor in Leadership, Shawnee, Kansas  
 Nickolas A. Oakley, Strategic Leadership, Navarre, Florida  
 Richard C. Okeke, Operations Management, Minneapolis, Minnesota  
 Frederick Dozie Okparaocha, Health Science, Chatsworth, California  
 Frank Nathan Oliver-Henry III, Computer Science, Minden, Louisiana  
 Andre Christopher Paradiang, Cum Laude, Business Quality Management, San Diego, California  
 Taylor Cruz Patterson, Healthcare Administration, Lake Dallas, Texas  
 Chris Plunkett, Information Systems Management, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
 Nathan A. Poirier, Information Systems Management, Siler City, North Carolina  
 Hailey N. Preslar, Criminal Justice, Salisbury, North Carolina  
 Sheree S. Prosser, Accounting, Wichita, Kansas

Lisa Annette Ramirez, Business Quality Management,  
 Lawrence, Kansas  
 Bryan Reed, Business Quality Management, Oliver Springs,  
 Tennessee  
 Christopher Jason Reed, Operations Management, Des  
 Moines, Iowa  
 Cooper Dean Reeves, Biochemistry, Derby, Kansas  
 Kaitlyn N. Reynolds, Business Administration, Lincolnton,  
 North Carolina  
 Jacob Andrew Rial, Magna Cum Laude, Computer  
 Programming Technology, Houston, Texas  
 Charlotte M. Roberts, Cum Laude, Business Administration,  
 Indianapolis, Indiana  
 Lorraina P. Robles, Organizational Psychology, Wichita,  
 Kansas  
 Allen Rolfe, Business Administration, Coopersville, Michigan  
 Becky A. Rush, Healthcare Administration, Douglass, Kansas  
 Anthony M. Sackreiter, Summa Cum Laude, Human  
 Resource Management and Development, Rapid City,  
 South Dakota  
 Dianet Santos, Cum Laude, Security Management, Bowie,  
 Maryland  
 Landon R. Scaife, Human Resource Management and  
 Development, Auburn, Alabama  
 Rochelle Dominique Scali, Computer Science, Lancaster,  
 Pennsylvania  
 Callie R. Scott, Health Science, Tulsa, Oklahoma  
 Brayden M. Sevilla, Biology, Antelope, California  
 Shanice L. Shackelford, “”, Information Systems Management,  
 Organizational Psychology, Lancaster, South Carolina  
 Maximus Shannon, Cum Laude, Biology, Winfield, Kansas  
 Abigail Sherbondy, Magna Cum Laude, Criminal Justice,  
 Underwood, Iowa  
 Ilya D. Shuklov, Summa Cum Laude, Computer  
 Programming Technology, Jacksonville, Florida  
 Janai Shanel Singletary, Healthcare Administration, Columbia,  
 South Carolina  
 Roxanne Ashley Sommersville, Human Resource  
 Management and Development, Marrero, Louisiana  
 Evan James Sprague, Cum Laude, Computer Science,  
 Winfield, Kansas  
 Jillian Rose Stark, Computer Digital Arts with Emphasis in  
 Digital Arts, Leon, Kansas  
 Jared Stoffel, Cum Laude, Physical Education, Douglass,  
 Kansas  
 Matthew Wade Stone, Security Management, Saint Robert,  
 Missouri  
 Nicholas Barrett Strong, Magna Cum Laude, Mathematics,  
 Dallas, Texas  
 Deago Stubbs, Physical Performance and Sport Studies, Las  
 Vegas, Nevada  
 Alfredo Suarez, Computer Digital Arts with Emphasis in  
 Computer Science, Minors in Business Administration  
 and Mathematics, Houston, Texas  
 Nathan E. Teetzel, Cum Laude, Information Systems  
 Management, Fountain, Colorado  
 Gavin Lee Tegeler, Physical Education, Battle Creek,  
 Nebraska  
 John Stephen Thomas, Strategic Leadership, Astoria, Oregon  
 Trey Parker Topham, Summa Cum Laude, Biochemistry,  
 Minor in Leadership, Valley Center, Kansas  
 Wendi Marcela Torres- Ortega, Healthcare Administration,  
 Sterling, Virginia  
 Ronnie J. Treaster, Strategic Leadership, Midwest City,  
 Oklahoma  
 Bradley Loc Truong, Summa Cum Laude, Computer Science,  
 Lawrenceville, Georgia  
 Allison Joy Turner, Strategic Leadership, Wichita, Kansas  
 Harsh Vaidya, Computer Science, Roanoke, Virginia  
 Steven Bailey Voth, “”, Computer Science, Wichita, Kansas  
 Mary-Beth Lorraine Ware, Physical Performance and Sport  
 Studies, Winfield, Kansas  
 Ja’Mya Etera Washington, Physical Performance and Sport  
 Studies, Minor in Business Administration, Dallas, Texas  
 Stephanie M. Washington, Healthcare Administration,  
 Strategic Leadership, Wichita, Kansas  
 Devon K. Watkins, Cum Laude, Physical Performance and  
 Sport Studies, Minor in Business Administration,  
 Arkansas City, Kansas  
 Amanda M. Waugh, Business Administration, Derby, Kansas  
 Hannah Weber, Summa Cum Laude, Health Science, Minor  
 in Leadership, Goddard, Kansas  
 Denzel J. Whittick, Computer Science, Melbourne, Florida  
 Eric Wickstrom, Computer Science, El Paso, Texas  
 Christy Wiebe, Physical Performance and Sport Studies,  
 Copeland, Kansas  
 Ronald Keith Williams Jr., “”, Business Quality Management,  
 Wichita, Kansas  
 Kyl R. Williamson, Operations Management, Wichita, Kansas  
 Kylee Lynn Woffinden, Physical Performance and Sport  
 Studies, Piedmont, Oklahoma  
 Brent Zembas, Human Resource Management and  
 Development, Rio Rancho, New Mexico  
 Christopher Kurt Zeutschel, Physical Performance and Sport  
 Studies, Spokane, Washington







# 2025 *Order of the Mound*

Melody Brinigar, *Valedictorian*

Trey Topham, *Salutatorian*

Wyatt Bell

Adam Brotherton

Caitlyn Clark

Cameryn Decker

Dre'Shaun Flowers

Paul Kahl

Chad Kearney

Adeline McIntire

Trevor Peterson

Samuel Shook

Ilya Shuklov

Hannah Weber

*The Order of the Mound is the official Honor Society for Southwestern College graduates. Although the society was formally organized in 1917, membership in the Order of the Mound includes graduates from 1889 onward. The Order of the Mound recognizes students graduating in the top 10% of the class. It is celebrated annually with a ceremony held at Cole Mound Plaza the morning of graduation. Order of the Mound members wear bundled purple and gold cords indicating their status.*

# 2024-2025 *Student Leadership*

## ***Student Government***

### ***Association Executive Team***

Hannah Weber, President - Fall  
Jaylen Spencer, President - Spring  
Rylee Frager, Vice President  
of Organizations  
Karla Lopes, Vice President  
of Finance  
Hannah Brown, Vice President  
of Student Concerns  
Corbyn Clement, Vice President  
of Communications

### ***Class Presidents***

Senior – Audell McCollough  
Junior – Jaylen Davis  
Sophomore – Abigail Webb  
Freshman – Abegale Denly

### ***Student Foundation***

Dre'Shaun Flowers, President  
Vanessa Mendoza, Vice President  
of Community  
Aunestee Gonyaw, Vice President  
of Traditions  
Saherena Williams, Vice President  
of Education  
Ethan Nava, Vice President of Sports

### ***Senate***

At-Large Senators:  
Keigan Good  
Zach Hidalgo  
Corey Durham  
Natural Science:  
Abigail Eckert  
Jack Titgemeyer  
Business:  
Perla Hernandez  
Communication/Computer Science:  
Eva Navrat  
Performing Arts:  
Pio Hernandez  
Social Science:  
Elician Diaz  
Chris Collier-Surly  
Graduate:  
Dalton Ward

### ***MasterBuilders***

Trey Abasolo  
Ketura Earl  
Dre'Shaun Flowers  
Lauren Henderson  
Nicholas Strong  
Hannah Weber

### ***Dawn Pleas Student Affairs Leadership Award***

Kyah Hill

### ***Residence Hall Staff***

Marcus Anderson III  
Ketura Earl  
Dre'Shaun Flowers  
Keigan Good  
Aunestee Gonyaw  
Lauren Henderson  
Tiara Henry  
Chadlee Humphries  
Capranzine Hunguana Jr.  
Addison Johnson  
Taylor Korte  
MaKaylin Kuchar  
Samantha Lobosco  
Vanessa Mendoza-Ramos  
Jaylen Spencer  
Jack Titgemeyer  
Mateus Varotti  
Saherena Williams

### ***Beta Beta Beta***

#### ***Biology Society***

Lauren Broz  
Faith Fondoble  
Taylor Korte  
Jack Titgemeyer  
Hannah Weber

### ***Pi Gamma Mu***

#### ***International Honor***

#### ***Society Seniors***

Trevor Peterson  
Grace Whisenant

### ***United Methodist Scholar***

Vasty Kabongo Ntumba

### ***UM foundation Scholar***

Vasty Kabongo Ntumba

### ***Louis McNeil Gullerud***

#### ***Endowed scholarship***

David Koller

### ***Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society***

Hannah Brown  
Jaycee Clark  
John Moberly

### ***Teachers of Promise***

Adam Brotherton  
Caitlyn Clark  
Adeline McIntire  
Blake Stafford

### ***Pillars Academic Scholarship***

Faith Fondoble  
Gabriella Herrera  
Ashlee Johnson  
Eva Navrat  
Edward Reeder  
Avery Riedel  
Emma Willesden

### ***Moundbuilder***

#### ***Spirit Scholarship***

Ashley Cockram  
Rylee Frager  
Pio Hernandez  
MaKaylin Kuchar  
Alejandra Pippit  
Matthew Pryce

### ***Campus Players***

Colton Adams  
Sarah Bagnati  
Jordan Burford  
Ethan Green  
Lauren Henderson  
Samantha Joyner  
Alexis Kersten  
Makaylin Kuchar  
R.J. Mader  
John Moberly  
Emmett Murphy  
Jack Titgemeyer  
Saherena Williams

### ***Graduating Members of DECA***

Corey Durham  
Trevor Peterson

## *General Information*

**Graduation with Honors** General honors are awarded to those members of the graduating class who have completed their degrees and have attained a high level of scholastic achievement. *Graduates with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.85 or higher graduate **summa cum laude** (with highest honors); a 3.70 is required for **magna cum laude** (with high honors), and a 3.50 for **cum laude** (with honors).* For students who have transferred hours to Southwestern, both the resident and cumulative GPAs must meet the standard.

**Order of the Mound** Southwestern College honors those members of the graduating class who have completed their degrees and whose academic work has been outstanding by naming them members of the Order of the Mound. After calculation of their final grades, these seniors are the top 10% of the graduating class. Students must have 60+ graded hours completed at Southwestern College to be eligible. A purple and gold cord denotes this honor.

**Valedictorian/Salutarian** The graduating senior with the highest grade point average is recognized as valedictorian. The second highest ranking student is named salutarian. If two or more persons are ranked equally for valedictorian, all are named such and no salutarian is recognized. A purple and gold neck ribbon with a medallion denotes this honor.

**Sashes and honor cord color designations** Membership in honor societies is denoted as follows: Beta Beta Beta (biological honor society), red and green sashes; Pi Gamma Mu (social science honor society), royal blue and white cords; Sigma Theta Tau (nursing honor society), purple and white cords; Kappa Mu Epsilon (mathematics honor society), pink and white cords, pins; and Phi Beta Delta (international honor society), medallions with red and yellow ribbon. Education graduates are wearing light blue and white cords; gold, purple, green, and red cords denote membership in Campus Players. Southwestern College Honors Program Scholars are wearing an Honors medallion.

**Professor Fran Jabara** Professor Jabara earned his undergraduate degree from Oklahoma State University and completed his graduate studies at Northwestern University. He was an advocate of the American free enterprise system and founded the Center for Entrepreneurship at Wichita State University in 1977. A nationally recognized leader in entrepreneurship, Mr. Jabara, received numerous recognitions, awards, and honors during his lifetime. He died in 2015 at the age of 90. Two students are honored with the Fran Jabara Leadership Award each year at commencement.

**Charles H. Kopke '44 and Verda R. Kopke** Charles and Verda Kopke have endowed the Distinguished Teaching Award at Southwestern College to annually recognize members of the college's faculty who exemplify Southwestern's commitment to excellence in teaching. The Kopkes, who have both passed away, left a philanthropic legacy – their strong support of Southwestern and of outstanding educators is made visible through the award presented today.

**Professor Emeritus** One of the most significant honors a college can bestow on a professor is the title of emeritus. This status serves as a marker of the ending of a time of excellent service, denotes separation from the institution, and allows the honoree to retain the rank they have achieved throughout the rest of their lives whether they serve in academia again or not. At Southwestern, this honor requires a minimum of ten years of distinguished service and is approved only by vote of the Board of Trustees.

**Junior Marshals** Junior marshals lead the procession of graduates and are garbed in ivory robes with purple stoles. They are chosen from Main Campus students who are of junior status and maintain the highest GPAs.

**Late May and Summer Graduates** Late May and Summer Graduates Students who plan to complete their degrees in late May or during the summer of 2025 are invited to process in this ceremony. Since their degrees are not yet conferred, their honors are not reflected in this publication.

## *Academic Regalia*

On formal academic occasions, the faculty appears in academic dress that originated in the Middle Ages. This dress includes the gown, the hood, and the mortarboard (cap). The gown distinguishes holders of the three degrees—doctorate, master's, and bachelor's. The doctoral gown is faced with velvet and has bell-shaped sleeves, on each of which are three velvet chevrons. The master's gown has sleeves which reach nearly to the knees and are slit above the elbow. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and lacks the velvet trimming of the doctoral gown.

The hood indicates, by the color of its velvet edging, the area of study in which the wearer's degree was taken, and its silk lining displays the color or colors of the institution that conferred the degree. (For instance, Southwestern College's colors are purple and white.) On most campuses the most common degrees are in arts, letters, or humanities (white); business administration or accounting (drab); economics (copper); education (light blue); fine arts (brown); journalism (crimson); library science (lemon); music (pink); nursing (apricot); philosophy (dark blue); physical education (sage green); science (golden yellow); social science (citron); speech (silver gray); and theology (scarlet).

The mortarboard tassel of the faculty holding bachelor's or master's degrees is usually black. Gold tassels are worn only by holders of doctoral degrees and by heads of institutions.

Academic dress that differs from this description usually indicates a degree from a university abroad.

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## *Guest Services*

**Official photographs** Genesee Photo Systems is taking official commencement photographs. After graduation, order online at [www.geneseephoto.com](http://www.geneseephoto.com) or call 405.624.1002. An institutional gallery of images from commencement weekend ceremonies along with the video recording of this afternoon's ceremony will be available at [sckans.edu/commencement](http://sckans.edu/commencement). An area has been provided for family and friends to take individual pictures. Please observe the restriction of areas that should not be used.



**Alternative viewing location/Live Stream** Commencement may also be viewed by way of live streaming at [YouTube.com/SouthwesternBuilders](https://www.youtube.com/SouthwesternBuilders). The campus location screening the live stream is Richardson Performing Arts Center (RPAC) in Christy Administration Building. RPAC offers a comfortable and climate-controlled viewing environment that may be more suitable for some guests.

**Restrooms** Restrooms are located in the main level of the Stewart Field House near the lobby and in the lower level of Stewart Field House, accessed from Farney Family Plaza. Additional restroom facilities are available on the main level of Christy Administration Building.

**Assistance/Medical Care** Should you require assistance during your time on campus, please contact a member of staff, identified by white Southwestern College name badges or call Campus Security at (620) 229-0012. The Emergency Assistance tent is located in the north parking lot of Christy Administration Building.

**Video and photos from today's ceremonies will be archived at [sckans.edu/commencement](http://sckans.edu/commencement)**

