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**FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2015
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FORTY-THIRD COMMENCEMENT ORDER OF EXERCISES

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HAILE/US BANK COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
9:00 A.M.

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC

NKU Symphonic Winds
Brant Karrick, conductor

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

Steven Weiss
President, NKU Faculty Senate
Grand Marshal

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Francis Scott Key

Brittany Berry
Kaitlyn Kelley
Calvin Horner
Quintin Bonds
Students in the Department of Music

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

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RECOGNITION OF FACULTY

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CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE

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Fred Hersch
Doctor of Musical Arts

ADDRESS

Fred Hersch

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER

Sue Ott Rowlands

Ryan Lenihan
Marketing

INVITATION - ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Janet Brinkman '95, '98, '09
Vice President, NKU Alumni Association

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Alone
Arr. Robert Curnow

NKU Jazz Ensemble
William Brian Hogg, director

CHARGE TO GRADUATES

Geoffrey S. Mearns

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

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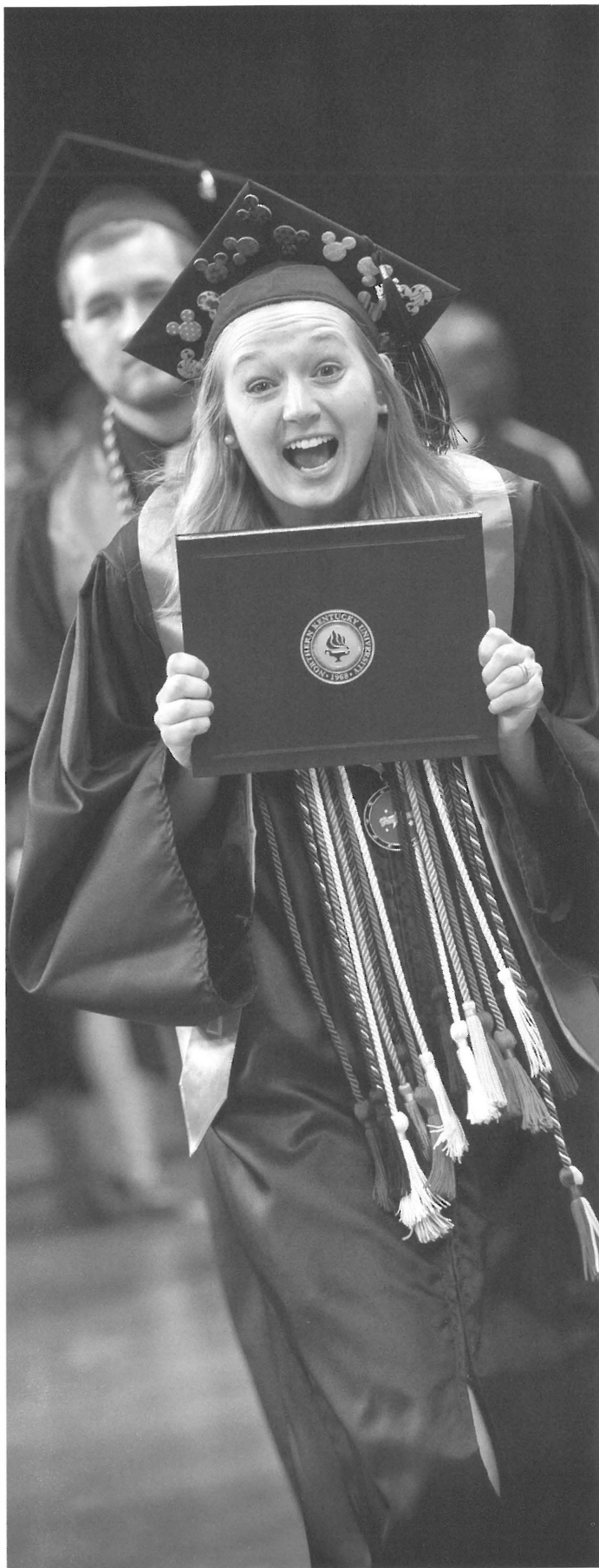
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Original lyrics and melody Charles Wiley
rev. Carolyn Hagner/harm. Kurt Sander

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RECESSIONAL MUSIC

NKU Symphonic Winds
Brant Karrick, conductor



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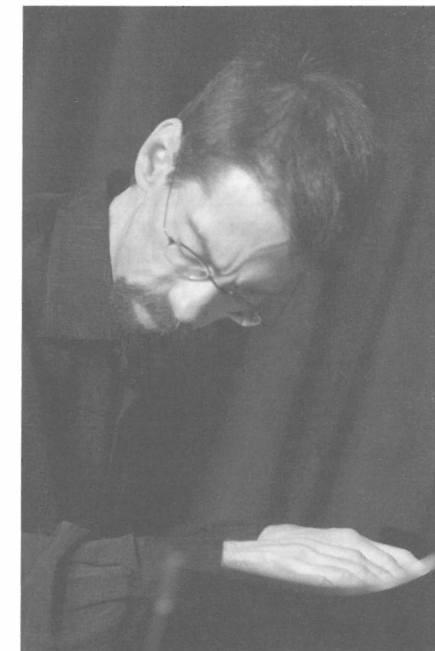
STUDENT SPEAKER



RYAN LENIHAN
Marketing

Ryan Lenihan is a graduating senior in the Haile/US Bank College of Business earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing. For all four years of his college experience, Ryan has earned either Dean's List, President's Honors or Scholar's List academic achievements. In his junior year, Ryan received the honor of being selected to join two marketing "Dream Team" groups which collaborated as team members to present new marketing strategies to an established business as well as a start-up company. As a result of these presentations and experiences, Ryan was nominated for the 2015 Cincinnati American Marketing Association Pinnacle Award and participated in the NKU's 2015 Celebration of Student Research and Creativity. Ryan was also named as NKU's 2014-2015 Outstanding Student in Marketing. With assistance from NKU faculty, in the spring of 2014 Ryan received an internship with DeanHouston, a Cincinnati-based marketing firm. Based on Ryan's performance, the internship was extended through the fall and spring of 2015, resulting in an offer for a full-time permanent position with DeanHouston upon graduation. Ryan is engaged to be married to Taylor Bowmann, his high school sweetheart, in November of this year. Ryan would like to thank the faculty and staff at NKU for their assistance through his college years which resulted in his wonderful and successful college experience.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER AND HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT



FRED HERSCH

The Board of Regents at Northern Kentucky University is pleased to award an honorary degree to Fred Hersch.

DOCTOR OF MUSICAL ARTS

Proclaimed by *Vanity Fair* "the most arrestingly innovative pianist in jazz over the last decade," Fred Hersch balances his internationally recognized instrumental and composing skills with significant achievements as a bandleader, collaborator and theatrical conceptualist. In 2006 he became the first artist in the 75-year history of New York's legendary Village Vanguard to play a weeklong engagement as a solo pianist. His second solo run at the Vanguard was documented on the 2011 release *Alone at the Vanguard*, which received Grammy Award nominations for Best Jazz Album and Best Improvised Jazz Solo—two of the eight Grammy nominations Hersch has earned in his more than three dozen recordings as a leader and co-leader.

Hersch's latest trio CD with bassist John Hebert and drummer Eric McPherson, *Floating* (Palmetto) was nominated for two 2015 Grammy awards in the Best Jazz Album and Best Jazz Solo categories. It reached No. 1 on iTunes Jazz, No. 2 on Amazon Jazz and No. 5 on Billboard Jazz after its release in July, 2014. "Mr. Hersch has been making acclaimed trio releases since his debut album as a leader, 30 years ago," wrote Nate Chinen of *The New York Times*. "He hasn't

made one better than this...an extravagantly beautiful new album." The trio's two-CD set *Alive at the Vanguard* was awarded the 2012 Grand Prix du Disque by the Académie Charles Cros in France and named one of the year's best CDs by *Downbeat*. *Whirl*, in 2010, also appeared on numerous best recordings lists.

An artist of unbounded imagination and ambition—"one of the small handful of brilliant musicians of his generation," as *Downbeat* put it—Hersch has gained great acclaim for his solo work. In 2006, Palmetto released *Fred Hersch In Amsterdam: Live at the Bimhuis* and 2009 welcomed his eighth solo disc, *Fred Hersch Plays Jobim*, cited as one of the year's Top Ten jazz releases by NPR and the *Wall Street Journal*. *Alone* won the Coup de Coeur de l'Académie Charles Cros in 2011, when the Jazz Journalists Association named Hersch its Jazz Pianist of the Year. His solo disc, *Fred Hersch SOLO*, a live recording, will be released in early September of 2015.

Composing has been a vital and indelible part of Hersch's live concerts and CDs. In 2003 he created *Leaves of Grass* (Palmetto Records), a large-scale setting of Walt Whitman's poetry for two voices (Kurt Elling and Kate McGarry) and an instrumental octet; the work was presented to a sold-out Zankel Hall at Carnegie Hall in 2005 as part of a six-city U.S. tour. Hersch's 2010 theatrical project, *My Coma Dreams*, has been performed in Montclair, N.J.; New York City; San Francisco and Berlin. Based on visions Hersch had during a two-month coma in 2008, it includes full-evening work for an actor/singer, 11 instrumentalists and animation/multimedia; Palmetto has released a DVD of the Columbia University performance from November 2014 (available on Amazon). A *New York Times Sunday Magazine* feature before the debut of *My Coma Dreams* praised Hersch as "singular among the trailblazers of their art, a largely unsung innovator of this borderless, individualistic jazz—a jazz for the 21st century."

Hersch and numerous other artists have recorded more than 80 of his jazz compositions. A disc of his through-composed works, *Fred Hersch: Concert Music 2001-2006*, has been released by Naxos Records. The prestigious firm Edition Peters published these compositions.

In 2014, Hersch garnered his sixth Grammy nomination for his solo on "Duet" from *Free Flying*, a duo album with guitarist Julian Lage that received a rare 5-Star rating from *Downbeat*. Hersch has collaborated with an astonishing range of instrumentalists and vocalists

throughout worlds of jazz (Joe Henderson, Charlie Haden, Art Farmer, Stan Getz, Bill Frisell); classical (Renée Fleming, Dawn Upshaw, Christopher O'Riley); and Broadway (Audra McDonald). Long admired for his sympathetic work with singers, Hersch has joined with such notable jazz vocalists as Nancy King, Norma Winstone and Kurt Elling. Hersch has featured himself as either a solo performer or at the helm of varied small ensembles, which in addition to his trio include a quintet and as his Pocket Orchestra, an unconventional lineup of piano, trumpet, voice and percussion.

Born in Cincinnati on Oct. 21, 1955, Hersch began playing the piano at age four; he was composing at eight. His awards include a 2003 Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship for composition; a Rockefeller Fellowship for a Bellagio residency; grants from Chamber Music America, The National Endowment for the Arts and Meet the Composer; seven composition residencies at The MacDowell Colony; and commissions from The Gilmore Keyboard Festival, The Doris Duke Foundation, Roomful of Teeth, The Miller Theatre at Columbia University, The Gramercy Trio and The Brooklyn Youth Chorus. Hersch has been a featured guest on *CBS Sunday Morning* with Dr. Billy Taylor as well as on a variety of National Public Radio programs, including *Fresh Air*, *Jazz Set*, *Morning Edition*, *Studio 360* and *Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz*.

For two decades Hersch has been a passionate spokesman and fund-raiser for AIDS services and education agencies. He has produced and performed on four benefit recordings and in numerous concerts for charities including Classical Action: Performing Arts Against AIDS and Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS; his efforts have raised more than \$300,000. He has also been a keynote speaker and performer at international medical conferences in the U.S. and Europe.

A committed educator, Hersch has taught at The Juilliard School, The New School and The Manhattan School of Music, and conducted a Professional Training Workshop for Young Musicians at The Weill Institute at Carnegie Hall in 2008. He is currently a member of the Jazz Studies faculty of The New England Conservatory and of Rutgers University. Hersch's influence has been widely felt on a new generation of jazz pianists, from former students Brad Mehldau and Ethan Iverson to his colleague Jason Moran, who has said, "Fred at the piano is like LeBron James on the basketball court. He's perfection."

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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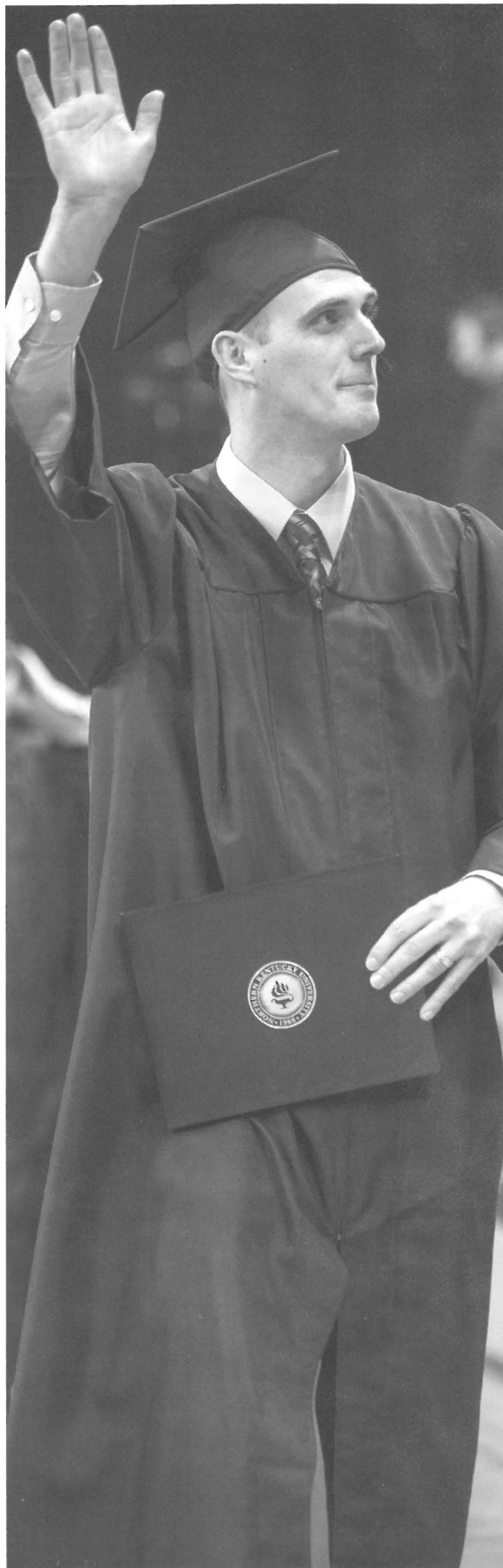
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PROCESSIONAL MUSIC NKU Symphonic Winds Brant Karrick, conductor	MUSICAL INTERLUDE <i>Snakes</i> Bob Berg Arr. William Brian Hogg NKU Jazz Ensemble William Brian Hogg, director
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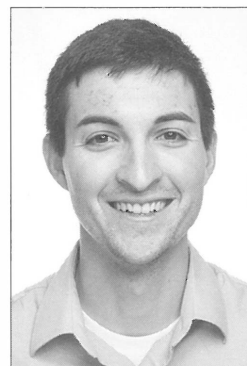
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STUDENT SPEAKER



BENJAMIN ROMITO
*Computer Information
Technology*

Benjamin Romito is graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree with majors in computer information technology and mathematics and a minor in computer science. In the beginning of his time at NKU, Benjamin was not sure what he wanted to study but he knew he enjoyed the challenge of mathematics. During his junior year he discovered his love for technology and computers and added a second major of computer information technology. His strong interest in problem solving and puzzles led to the perfect combination of the two majors: web application development. This is the area in which Benjamin earned an internship at Great American Insurance Company.

Benjamin's passion doesn't just lie in numbers and programs, but also learning in general. He has a strong desire for gaining knowledge and experiences in subjects of all kinds. Whether it is rock climbing, music, or home-brewing beer, Benjamin loves to share those activities with family and friends.

Throughout his time at Northern, Benjamin has organized a number of events with his fraternity, presented leadership topics to incoming students, tutored students in various subjects, participated in intramural sports, and volunteered all across the tri-state area. His college experience at NKU has been well rounded and rewarding.

Looking towards the future, Benjamin plans to keep up with new web based technologies. The field of technology is ever changing and Benjamin is up for the challenge. Post-graduation he will begin his full time position with Great American Insurance Company's IT department.

POSTHUMOUS DEGREE RECIPIENT



GARY WEBB

The Board of Regents at Northern Kentucky University is pleased to award a posthumous degree to Gary Webb.

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN JOURNALISM

Gary Webb was an investigative reporter who got his start working as a student reporter at Northern Kentucky University's independent student newspaper, *The Northerner*. Mr. Webb didn't finish college, electing instead to become a full-time reporter for *The Kentucky Post* in 1978, where he developed a taste for investigative reporting.

His work at *The Post* was recognized with a national Investigative Reporters and Editors Award for a 17-part series examining the murder of a coal company president with ties to organized crime. He then moved to the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, where his investigation into problems with Ohio's State Medical Board earned more accolades.

Mr. Webb won more than 30 journalism awards during his career. Many of those were earned during his time at the *San Jose Mercury News*

where his work focused on government and private-sector corruption. He was one of six reporters at the *Mercury News* to win a 1990 Pulitzer Prize for General News Reporting for a series of stories on the collapse of the Cypress Street Viaduct during northern California's 1989 earthquake. He also received the 1997 Media Hero Award from the Institute for Alternative Journalism and in 1996 was named Journalist of the Year by the Bay Area Society of Professional Journalists.

In August 1996 the *Mercury News* published Mr. Webb's "Dark Alliance," a 20,000-word, three-part investigative series which alleged that Nicaraguan drug traffickers had sold and distributed crack cocaine in Los Angeles during the 1980s, and that drug profits were used to fund the CIA-supported Nicaraguan Contras. "Dark Alliance" received national attention. According to the *Columbia Journalism Review*, the series became "the most talked-about piece of journalism in 1996 and arguably the most famous – some would say infamous – set of articles of the decade."

Mr. Webb reported that many African Americans who had never connected to the Internet before began using the Internet to read his story. "Dark Alliance" created a great controversy and three of America's largest newspapers – *The New York Times*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and *The Washington Post* – followed up with reports questioning his conclusions. As a result, the *Mercury News* came under considerable pressure for publishing and supporting the "Dark Alliance" series. Mr. Webb was effectively forced out of his job after the *Mercury News* decided to retract its support for the series.

"Authentic journalism is telling people something that the government doesn't want them to know," Mr. Webb once said. He took that responsibility seriously, and others noticed. In a review of the "Dark Alliance" series printed in the *Baltimore Sun*, former executive director of Investigative Reporters and Editors Steve Weinberg wrote that, "Despite some

hyped phrasing, 'Dark Alliance' appears to be praiseworthy investigative reporting." The Northern California branch of the national Society of Professional Journalists agreed, voting Mr. Webb its "Journalist of the Year" for 1996.

After leaving the *Mercury News*, he worked as an investigator for the California State Legislature and then the Legislature's Office of Majority Services. He also continued to do freelance reporting.

In 1998, Mr. Webb expanded the controversial series into a book he published titled "Dark Alliance: The CIA, the Contras, and the Crack Cocaine Explosion." The book won the Pen Oakland Censorship Award and a Firecracker Alternative Book Award the following year.

His story gained new notoriety in 2014 with the release of the feature film "Kill the Messenger," based on his book. The movie, starring Jeremy Renner as Mr. Webb, takes place during his *Mercury News* days and documents the pressure he faced not to publish the "Dark Alliance" series and the personal attacks he faced after its publication. The film was released to critical acclaim.

Mr. Webb was married to Susan Bell from 1979-2000 and they had three children, Ian, Eric, and Christine.

In a chapter he contributed to "The Mighty Wurlitzer Plays On," Mr. Webb wrote about the "Dark Alliance" controversy. "If we had met five years ago, you wouldn't have found a more staunch defender of the newspaper industry than me..." he wrote. "And then I wrote some stories that made me realize how sadly misplaced my bliss had been. The reason I'd enjoyed such smooth sailing for so long hadn't been, as I'd assumed, because I was careful and diligent and good at my job...The trust was that, in all those years, I hadn't written anything important enough to suppress..."

After struggling with depression after the controversy, Mr. Webb committed suicide in 2004.

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Christopher Vincent Angulo
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COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Commencement exercises today at Northern Kentucky University give special attention to the pageantry of the ceremony. The counterpart of this pageantry is enacted each year on campuses all over the world. It is the solemn climax and recognition of the graduates' years of study and preparation for increased responsibility.

HISTORY OF ACADEMIC COSTUME

The history of academic dress reaches far back into the early days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required that all "Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors" of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. In England, in the second half of the fourteenth century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade "excess in apparel" and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. It is still unknown whether academic dress finds its sources chiefly in ecclesiastical or in civilian dress. Gowns may have been counted necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings frequented by medieval scholars. Hoods seem to have served to cover the tonsured head until they were superseded by skull caps. These were themselves displaced by a headdress somewhat like those now recognized as "academic." Both Cambridge and Oxford have made academic dress a matter of university control to the extent of minor details and have repeatedly issued revised regulations governing it. In seventeenth-century Oxford it was prescribed that any tailor who departed from the authorized design "by a nail's breadth" in the making of any article of collegiate costume was to be punished by the vice-chancellor of the university.

European institutions continue to show a great diversity in their specifications of academic dress, while American colleges and universities have adopted, through the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume and the American Council of Education, a standard code of dress for academic ceremony. Created in 1902, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume serves as a source of information and guidance in such matters and, through occasional review by the American Council of Education, these standards have been adopted and followed by hundreds of colleges and universities in the United States.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctor's gowns, edgings of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the colleges and degrees at NKU are as follows:

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Master of Arts in English (white)
Master of Arts in Integrative Studies (white)
Master of Public History (white)
Master of Science in Industrial-Organizational Psychology (old gold)
Master of Public Administration (peacock blue)

HAILE/US BANK COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (DRAB)

Master of Accountancy
Master of Business Administration
Master of Science in Executive Leadership and Organizational Change

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Master of Arts in Education (light blue)
Master of Arts in Instructional Leadership (light blue)
Master of Arts in School Counseling (light blue)
Master of Arts in Teaching (light blue)
Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (light blue)
Master of Social Work (citron)
Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership (light blue)

COLLEGE OF INFORMATICS (COPPER)

Master of Arts in Communication
Master of Science in Computer Information Technology
Master of Science in Computer Science
Master of Science in Health Informatics
Master of Science in Business Informatics

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS (APRICOT)

Master of Science in Nursing
Doctor of Nursing Practice

HONORS SYMBOLS

+++ SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.90 to 4.00 are graduated Summa Cum Laude.

++ MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.75 to 3.899 are graduated Magna Cum Laude.

+ CUM LAUDE

Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.50 to 3.7499 are graduated Cum Laude.

*** WITH HIGH DISTINCTION

Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.80 to 4.00 are graduated With High Distinction.

** WITH DISTINCTION

Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.50 to 3.799 are graduated With Distinction.

† Bachelor degree honor

* Associate degree honor

¥ ALPHA CHI NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

ACADEMIC ATTIRE

Today, all candidates for degrees and those who hold degrees, including college officials, faculty, and visiting dignitaries, are attired in traditional cap and gown. The formal color for most caps and gowns is black. However, holders of different degrees wear distinctive tassels on their caps (called mortarboards). Hoods of various hues drape down the back of the gowns. Recipients of the associate and bachelor degrees at Northern Kentucky University wear black gowns and black tassels; recipients of the master and doctoral degrees wear black gowns and tassels that correspond to the color of their particular discipline; and recipients of the degree of Juris Doctor wear black gowns and purple tassels.

Those wearing academic costumes wear caps in the academic processions and throughout the ceremony. Men may remove their caps during prayer or at other specified times.

Members of the University governing body are entitled to wear doctoral gowns. The Regents regalia is a gold gown with three black chevrons and trim and an eight-sided tam with gold tassel. This attire is distinctive of the Board of Regents of Northern Kentucky University.

INTERNATIONAL SASHES

Different flags are displayed on colorful sashes worn by international students and those students who studied abroad during their time at NKU. The sashes display the flag or emblem commemorating a student’s favorite study abroad location or the original country of birth or citizenship of an international student.

HONORS CORDS

The gold and white Honors Cords worn by bachelor degree graduates signify that they have achieved at least a 3.5 cumulative overall grade-point average on a 4.0 scale for their academic careers. The black and white Honors Cords are worn by those associate degree graduates with at least a 3.5 cumulative overall grade-point average.

Purple and silver cords are worn by members of the Norse Leadership Society, a board of student leaders who plan leadership and personal development opportunities for the campus and students in the community. Membership is limited to students who have demonstrated leadership ability on the campus and in the community and who have maintained a required cumulative grade-point average.

GRAND MARSHAL

The Grand Marshal is the President of the Faculty Senate, or his/her designate, and represents the faculty. President Steven Weiss holds this honor today.

STUDENT MARSHALS

The students in gold gowns are Student Marshals. They have been selected on the basis of outstanding records of scholastic achievement.

PRESIDENTIAL AMBASSADORS

Student ushers are Presidential Ambassadors. They are selected on the basis of their records of scholastic achievement and their ability to serve the University.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

The mace, which traces its roots to medieval weaponry, has become a symbol of scholarship and integrity for universities since the eleventh century. Today, the University’s Grand Marshal carries the mace to indicate the solemnity of the occasion and the confirmation of the academic process.

Northern Kentucky University’s mace is rich in symbolism. The spiral base, made of walnut-stained mahogany, suggests growth, evolution and higher achievement. The gold-leaf flame, inspired by NKU’s official seal, the lamp of learning, symbolizes eternal light and learning. The gold and white braided cords flowing from the base of the flame represent purity as well as Northern’s school colors.

The mace was presented as a gift to the University from the Northern Kentucky University Foundation, Inc. It was designed by Kari Messner ’91 and was sculpted by local artist Jack True.

THE DISPLAY OF
INTERNATIONAL FLAGS

Northern Kentucky University is proud of its diverse student body including students representing 60 countries. International flags displayed on stage today represent those countries:

Antigua and Barbuda	Korea
Argentina	Kuwait
Australia	Lebanon
Austria	Libya
Bangladesh	Mali
Belarus	Mauritania
Benin	Mexico
Bosnia	Morocco
Brazil	Nepal
Bulgaria	Nigeria
Cameroon	Palestine
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2015 SENIOR CHALLENGE

Northern Kentucky University is pleased to acknowledge the following members of the Class of 2015 who contributed to the NKU Senior Challenge. Their gifts will directly benefit future Northern Kentucky University students. The university wishes to thank them for making a difference in the lives of their fellow students. The list below reflects gifts received up to April 20, 2015. The following gifts were made “In Honor Of” a special person or with a dedicatory message on a brick paver.

CATHERINE ARNOLD

Thank you Mom and Dad for always being my rock. I appreciate all you’ve both done for me and couldn’t be more blessed to have you both in my life. I owe this all to you!

WILLIAM ATCHLEY

Thanks for all the support I have received through my family and friends in my 4 years here at NKU! I could have never completed this journey without this great support system! A special thanks to Papaw for paving the way for this great opportunity I have received here!

JOY BRASHEAR

Thank you Dr. J. McKenzie and Dr. B. L. McClure! Enjoyed the many challenging Political Science and Pre-Law courses. I finally made it after all these years of part-time and full-time course load.

CHRISTIAN CAMPBELL

Thank you memah for always encouraging me to do my best! MAC, love you young shawty! Lastly thank you to all of the amazing faculty, Wes, Chris, Bill, Travis, Tracy, Jeanne, Leah, Sarah, Kajsa. I made it! Peace, Love, & Best Buddies

REBECCA COFFMAN

Thanks to all my family and friends for supporting me and believing in me during these challenging years. God has truly blessed me. I love you all very much.

CASEY ALEXA CHESNUT

Thank you Mom and Dad for supporting me during my 4-year journey at NKU! I could have never achieved my dreams without your love and support! I love you!

ASHLEY CLAY

To my family, I want to thank you for being supportive through my journey at NKU. Also, I want to thank my Granny Alice for being my guardian angel and guiding me through my senior year. She would’ve been proud. RIP Alice E. Underwood.

MARISSA CORKEN

Thank you Mom and Dad for all your support! I couldn’t have done it without you. I MADE IT!!

JON CREEK

To my wife: Thank you for your encouragement, support, and the untold sacrifices you have made for me during this journey. You have made this day possible and have been “by my side” for 15 years. I love you! It’s DEBITAND CREDIT SEASON!

TYRA DAWSON

I would like to thank my 4ever crew: my husband Glenn, my son Amyas and my daughters Amari and Amyll for loving and supporting me through this journey. To my friends and family for their encouragement and to the staff and faculty for helping me realize my dreams. You all are truly appreciated.

SAMANTHA DEITZ

I am so thankful for all of the supportive people in my life! I would not be where I am without the continued support of my family, fiancé, friends, and faculty here at NKU. Congrats Class of 2015, we did it!

JODI B. DISSELKAMP

To my “Goldilocks and three bears”, I love you to the moon and back! Thank you so much for your patience and understanding!! Thank you to all of my family and friends for your love, encouragement, and support! With your help, I DID IT!!!

RACHEL DIXON

Thanks so much Mom and Dad for all of your love and support, and for making it clear to my sisters that I have been and always will be the favorite child. Also a huge thanks to my chub nugget, Chase, for shaping me into the person I am today. I love you so much! #IDFWU #GEDBLG

TIFFANY JOY FREYTAG

I would like to thank my family for supporting me. It really means a lot that you are here today! I would also like to thank our program director, Dr. Brian Hackett for your guidance and support. Our class made a positive impact on many local museums in our community and we couldn’t have done it without you.

KIM VICTORIA GAULDING

A special thank you to my wonderful husband, Michael. Thank you for your amazing support! I could not have fulfilled this dream without your words of encouragement. To my children, Steven and Jewell, thank you for your love and support!

TAMARA GROSS

Thank you Clint for all your support and love. Thank you to all of my NKU Professors, and the COI staff. Thank you Mama, Papa, Oma and Maria. Thank you Gross family, for making me feel home, while away from home.

BARBARA ZEEK HENRY

Thanks to my parents, Clyde & Margaret Zeek, for teaching me the value of higher education and perseverance. Thanks to my daughter, Margo Henry, for her support during many years of higher nursing education studies!

FELICIA DON HENRY

I want to say thank you to my family for all of the love and support they have given me through this journey. I wouldn’t have made it without you guys. Love You.

TREY HOPE

To my biggest supporters, I thank you so much for all of your help and aid. Without you all, I wouldn’t be walking across this stage. Mom, Dad, Brie, and Granny, I love you guys from the bottom of my heart.

ANGELA HORNSBY

It might have taken 33 years but I finally finished my degree!

KEITH JONES

Thank you Carly for supporting daddy in his return back to school. Thank you Lynda for everything and being my favorite editor. LOL!! I couldn’t have done this without my family’s support, prayers and understanding. Glory goes to God! I have finally made it!

PHILIP KRINSKY

Thank you to my parents and grandparents for their never ending love, support, and encouragement. Thank you to my Uncle Bob for his support and assistance in allowing me to fulfill my college education. Go confidently in the direction of your dreams!

CHRISTINA KNUCKLES

Thank you so much to my incredible Mom and brilliant husband David- I could not have done it without you! Also a big thank you to my new in-laws for your support. I made it!

CHRISTINE A. LAWHORN

Special thank you to Professor Christopher Gulinello for encouraging me to pursue a Master’s degree; to all the NKU professors who guided me through the MAIS Graduate Program; and to my husband for encouraging me to finish my degree when I wanted to quit.

KATIE HURIER-LIPPS

To my entire family who has been such a huge support system these past 7 years!! Special thanks to Mom, Dad, Jason, Jamie, Carrie, Ben and my amazing husband, Phil!! I FINALLY MADE IT!!!!

M. ROSE LEISRING

Thank you to my family who has supported me on this journey. I am so grateful for everything you all have done for me – and continue to do for me! I love you!

SHELBY LOYD

Every day I think about how you all have always encouraged me to follow my dreams and be who I want to be. Thank you all so much for helping me live my dreams and thank you for being with me here today. Love, SKL

JENNIFER MARKS

Thank you Mom, Jules, and XOXO for everything you do for me! I wouldn't be here without you! Thank you for your continued support through the ups and the downs, and everything in between! Love you all more than anything in the world!

JOSEPH MARTIN

I would like to thank my parents for giving me the guidance, support, and motivation to complete my degree, also thank you for sacrificing so much for me to let me be standing where I am today. I couldn't have done it without you.

MICHELLE MCMULLEN

My mom always told me I could do anything I put my mind to. I know she's looking down from heaven today with a great big smile and I know she's proud of me. For those that believed in me when I didn't, thank you.

EMILY MEADORS

I want to thank my parents, Marvin and Terry for all their love and support. I love you and couldn't have done it without you.

AMANDA MEEKER

Thank you, Mom/Dad, for inspiring my love of education and Matt, for your love and support throughout the last 4 (10?) years!! THANK YOU, STACIE, for inviting me to join you for the MPA program. It would not be the same without you! You are an awesome student and an even better friend!!

ROBIN MIDDLETON

Thank you to my husband for reading my papers countless times over. I love you! Thanks to my mom & daughter, too, I love you both! Dad, I miss you! Heaven gained an angel in 2013. This is BAX 2 (1995-Criminal Justice & 2015-History).

CECILIA MOORE

I'd first like to thank my Mom and Dad for always supporting me and encouraging me to do my best! I couldn't have done it without you guys! I'd also like to give a shout out to the rest of my family and friends for believing in me. Today is a special day for me and I want to thank you all for being present to cheer me on. I love you!

CASSANDRA NEFF

Thank you to all my friends and family for their support through the years! A special thanks to Charlie, Anita, Carlee, Brandon, and Jerry for standing by me, I couldn't have done it without you! I DID IT! Happy Mother's Day MOM!

JENNIFER C. NOEL

Thank you Professors, Donors, Mom, Dad, Sister, Family and Friends for all of your support! I couldn't have done it without you! I did it! You all rock!!!

MARITZA OZEPEY

Thanks to my family and friends. I want to specially thank my advisor, teachers, classmates and the entire staff of the Latino Programs and Services. Go Norse!

ASHLEY PADGETT

Thank you Mom and Dad for your support. Without your encouragement, I wouldn't be here today. I love you both. Thank you to all the professors at NKU for the knowledge and support.

VICTORIA GRACE PLEMMONS

Thank you so much to my family, my friends, my Delta Zeta sisters and my professors and advisors for your support, encouragement and teaching. A very special thank you to my Dad for always being there. I am where I am today because of you.

TIMOTHY RIEMAN

Thank you mom and dad for all your support. I couldn't have done it without you guys! LOVE YOU!

TIMOTHY RIEMAN

Thank you Grandma O'Shaughnessy and Grandma and Grandpa Rieman for all your support growing up. You are the best grandparents in the world. Thank you Emily for being a great sister! Love you guys!

REBECCA SALYERS

With God all things are possible. (Matthew 19:26) Without God and the mother He blessed me with I would not be here today. Although I have the GREATEST family and friends anyone could ask for, my mom has truly been my backbone through everything.

CARRIE SAWYERS

I'd like to thank my family and friends for all the support and encouragement you've shown me over the past few years. I hope you know just how much you mean to me. Thank you all for everything!

ABBEY SCHERER

I made it!! And I couldn't have done it without you Mom and Dad! Thank you for supporting me in everything I do and helping me reach my goals! You too Ryan, without you I wouldn't have had the sanity to keep moving forward. Love you all!

ASHLEY ST. JOHN

To my family and friends, Thank you for believing in me when I didn't believe in myself. I couldn't have done it without you! Your continued love and support mean more to me than you will ever know. I love you! Love, Ashley

ASHLEY STOKES

I wanna thank my Mom and Dad for always supporting me and my son, Chance, for inspiring me to be the best I can be.

COREY WALLER

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SHAWN WHITE

Thank you to my family and friends for sticking with me until the end.

LAUREN M. WILSON

I'm thankful for the journey and those I met along the way. I couldn't have done this without the love and support of my parents, the CJ faculty and my friends.

ALLISON WOLL

Thank you family and friends for all your support through college! #collegegraduate #futureteacher #ldidit!

ZACHARY WONG

Thank you Mom and Dad for all of your support. Mom, I am dedicating today to you. I know you are smiling down from heaven above. I will make you proud.



UNIVERSITY AWARDS



REGENTS' AWARD

Benjamin Michael Bratton

The Regents' Award is given to a senior student who has demonstrated professionalism and leadership within the University community and who has an emphasis on continuation of studies at the graduate level. A minimum grade-point average of 3.3 is required. The student may show evidence of the intent to pursue further educational opportunities. This

award will be presented upon completion of degree requirements. This award is sponsored by the Northern Kentucky University Board of Regents. This year's recipient is Benjamin Michael Bratton, Music.

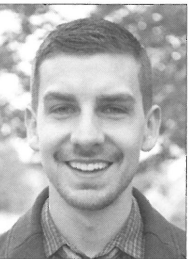


PAUL J. SIPES AWARD

Jason Merrick

The Paul J. Sipes Award is presented to an outstanding senior student who displays (through documentation provided by the nominator and nominee) the personal qualities of honesty, character, and industry and who has actively participated in community affairs. The person will also be strong academically and, although a specific grade-point average is not required, the

individual's academic record should be given equal weight along with the listed personal qualities and community involvement. This award will be presented upon completion of degree requirements. This award is sponsored by the Northern Kentucky University Alumni Association. This year's recipient is Jason Merrick, Social Work.

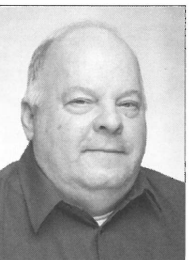


UNIVERSITY SERVICE AWARD

Kevin Edward Schultz

The University Service Award is given to a senior student who has provided outstanding service to the University through: (1) student involvement in such areas as sports, fraternity/sorority affiliations, intramurals, student government, student organizations, the *Northerner*, etc.; (2) student involvement in civic organizations or agencies such as

Easter Seals, Redwood School, Boys Club, YMCA, Boy and Girl Scouts, Welcome House, etc.; and (3) academic achievement such as student publications, student presentations, grade-point average, etc. While a minimum grade-point average of 3.00 is required, the individual's academic record should be given equal weight with student involvement in both university and community activities. This award will be presented upon completion of degree requirements. This award is sponsored by the Northern Kentucky University Alumni Association. This year's recipient is Kevin Edward Schultz, Journalism.

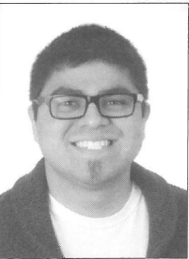
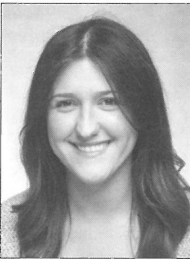


EXCELSIOR AWARD

Glen Hoffmann

The Excelsior Award is presented to an outstanding senior student who has overcome great obstacles to achieve his/her academic pursuits. These obstacles may be physical, emotional, financial, age-related, etc. A minimum grade-point average of 3.0 is required. This award will be presented upon completion of degree requirements. This award is sponsored by the

Office of Student Affairs. This year's recipient is Glen Hoffmann, Political Science and Criminal Justice.



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Anela Hadzic and Arturo Minera

The President's Award is given to a senior student who has greatly contributed to the development of a strong sense of community at

Northern Kentucky University through special efforts to break down barriers of discrimination, increase international awareness, further interaction between traditional and non-traditional students, promote diversity, or improve handicap access and awareness. A minimum grade point average of 2.5 is required. The award will be presented upon completion of degree requirements. This award is sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Students. This year's recipients are Anela Hadzic, Political Science, and Arturo Minera, Electronic Media and Broadcasting.



FACULTY SENATE AWARD

Stefania Guglielmi

The Faculty Senate Award is given to a senior student who has demonstrated exceptional skills and productivity in an independent study project. An independent study project is defined as a faculty-supervised research or scholarly work which has as its goal the publication, presentation, and/or exhibition of results. The project should be conducted outside

of a formal classroom and last at least one semester, preferably longer. This award will be presented upon completion of degree requirements. This award is sponsored by the Faculty Senate. This year's recipient is Stefania Guglielmi, Environmental Science.



NKU FOUNDATION STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Colton Johnson

The NKU Foundation Student Leadership Award is given to a student leader who has provided outstanding service to the University through student government or another significant student leadership role. Although a specific grade point average is not required, the individual should be strong academically, as their academic record will be

considered. Sponsored by the NKU Foundation, this award was created to honor Cliff Borland, John Brooking and Henry "Bud" Pogue for their leadership roles in creating the Foundation and for their many years of service to the Foundation and the University. This year's recipient is Colton Johnson, Organizational Leadership.

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