

Arkansas State University
Commencement



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“The listing of degree candidates and the announced honor distinctions are tentative and subject to final certification of graduation.”

Arkansas State University

History and Overview

Arkansas State University in Jonesboro enjoys a reputation as an excellent institution of higher education serving citizens throughout Arkansas and surrounding states. It is the only comprehensive public university located in this region. Dedicated to teaching, research and service, the university provides students with the broad educational foundations that help develop critical thinking and analytical skills, decision-making capabilities, and communication skills. Dr. Tim Hudson became chancellor of the ASU-Jonesboro campus on May 1, 2012.

This institution was founded in Jonesboro in 1909 by the Arkansas General Assembly as a regional agricultural training school. It began offering a two-year college program in 1918, then became "First District Agricultural and Mechanical College" in 1925. A four-year degree program was begun in 1930, then A & M College became "Arkansas State College" in 1933. The Arkansas Legislature elevated the college to university status and changed the name to Arkansas State University in 1967. Today, the institution has more than 73,000 alumni. ASU was designated a tier I Southern Regional institution of higher education by the editors of *U.S. News & World Report* in the 2012 edition of "America's Best Colleges." *Military Times Edge* magazine listed ASU among the top 10 most veteran friendly institutions of higher education, and the editors of *Military Advanced Education* listed ASU among the top military friendly institutions of higher education in 2010-11. More information about ASU-Jonesboro is available at its web site, www.astate.edu.

Degree Programs

Master degree graduate programs were initiated in 1955, and ASU began offering its first doctoral degree, in educational leadership, in the fall of 1992. Additional doctoral programs are now offered in environmental science, heritage studies, molecular biosciences, and physical therapy. Programs at the specialist, master, bachelor and associate degree levels are available through the various colleges: Agriculture and Technology, Business, Communications, Education, Engineering, Fine Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Nursing and Health Professions, Sciences and Mathematics, and University College. Classes also are offered through The Honors College and the independent Department of Military Science. More information about the various colleges and academic departments is available through the Office of Academic Affairs and Research.

Accreditation

Arkansas State University's commitment to excellence in higher education is demonstrated by its accreditation by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association, as well as 23 specialized accrediting organizations. In addition, the university holds membership in numerous national organizations which support the highest educational standards.

The ASU System

The ASU System includes campuses at Jonesboro (Craighead County), which offers degree programs through the doctoral level; Beebe (White County), Mountain Home (Baxter County), and Newport (Jackson County), where associate degree programs are offered; and at Heber Springs, Marked Tree and Searcy. Dr. Charles L. Welch is president of the Arkansas State University System, which was created by Board of Trustees resolution, effective July 1, 2006. Arkansas State University-Beebe became part of ASU in 1955. White River Vo-Tech at Newport became associated with ASU-Beebe in 1992; that campus is now Arkansas State University-Newport. The Mountain Home campus officially became ASU-Mountain Home on July 1, 1995. Delta Technical Institute at Marked Tree merged with ASU and became Arkansas State University Technical Center on July 1, 2001. ASU-Heber Springs operates as a sister campus of ASU-Beebe. Foothills Technical Institute at Searcy was merged with ASU-Beebe on July 1, 2003, and is now ASU-Searcy, a technical institute of ASU-Beebe.

ASU offers bachelor degree programs, master degree programs and upper level courses through ASU degree centers at ASU-Beebe, ASU-Mountain Home, and three other cities—Blytheville, Forrest City and West Memphis—where partnership agreements have been established in cooperation with the local community colleges. ASU also operates instructional sites at nearby Paragould in Greene County, and at Little Rock Air Force Base.

Enrollment Growth

ASU has grown significantly over the past three decades. The Jonesboro campus enrollment in the fall of 1981 was 7,448; in the fall of 2013, it was 13,552. Today, because of the close partnerships between the campuses, ASU reports a combined enrollment for the ASU System. Total ASU System enrollment in the fall of 2013 was 21,417.

Arkansas State University

Mission, Core Values, and Vision

Mission

Arkansas State University *educates* leaders, *enhances* intellectual growth, and *enriches* lives.
(ASU = e³)

Core Values

Arkansas State University values the following as central to our success:

- **Student-Centered:** We are committed to education, inquiry and service in order to meet students' changing needs. We foster lifelong learning, civic and social responsibility, leadership, and individual and career growth.
- **Learning-Centered:** We nurture intellectual flexibility, knowledge and skills by integrating teaching, research, assessment and learning to promote continuous improvement of our scholarly community.
- **Excellence:** We pursue excellence within the campus community through opportunities for achievement in teaching, research, scholarship, creative activity and service.
- **Diversity:** We embrace diversity in all of its dimensions realizing that mutual respect for individuality and the inclusion of all are vital for both personal and institutional success.
- **Service:** We support and recognize service at all levels of the university. We strive to contribute to the benefit of the university, the Delta, the state, the nation and the world.
- **Integrity:** We hold high standards of character and integrity as the foundations upon which the University is built.

Vision

Arkansas State University aspires to be an academic leader recognized for innovation and quality in teaching and learning, international standing in strategic research areas, and commitment to outreach and service to the Delta and beyond.

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Cherokee Village, Arkansas

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Paragould, Arkansas

Dr. Tim Langford
Little Rock, Arkansas

Mr. Howard Slinkard, Secretary
Rogers, Arkansas

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Dr. Charles L. Welch

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Chancellor

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Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs

Dr. Lynita M. Cooksey
Provost and Vice-Chancellor

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Vice-Chancellor for Finance and Administration

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Behavioral Science

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University College

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College of Business

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Graduate School

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College of Engineering

Dr. Lauri Umansky, Dean
College of Humanities and Social Sciences

OTHER CEREMONY PARTICIPANTS

Dr. D. Michael McDaniel
Mace Bearer

Mr. Michael Doyle
Procession Line Announcer

Ms. Julie Isaacson
President, ASU Faculty Association

Ms. Chelsea Patton
Graduating Senior

Mr. Rich Carvell, Jr.
President, ASU Alumni Association

Mr. William Gorum
Signer/Translator

UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS

Dr. Bill Roe	College of Business	<i>Grand Marshal</i>
Dr. Cherisse Jones-Branch	College of Humanities and Social Sciences	<i>Assistant Grand Marshal</i>

MARSHALS FOR STUDENT PROCESSION

Doctoral Degrees

Dr. Bill Roe	College of Business
Dr. Cherisse Jones-Branch	College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Specialist, Master, Baccalaureate and Associate Degrees

Dr. David Agnew	College of Agriculture and Technology
Dr. David Kern	College of Business
Dr. Patricia Robertson	
Dr. Amy Pierce	College of Education and Behavioral Science
Dr. Jacques Singleton	
Dr. Paul Mixon	College of Engineering
Mr. Curtis Steele	College of Fine Arts
Dr. Deborah Chappel Traylor	College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Dr. Chris Harper	College of Media and Communication
Ms. Nonie Wiggins	College of Nursing and Health Professions
Dr. Roy Aldridge	
Dr. Martin Huss	College of Sciences and Mathematics
Mr. Justin Smith	University College

MARSHALS FOR FACULTY PROCESSION

Dr. Jollean Sinclair	College of Business
Mr. Win Bridges	College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Dr. Warren Johnson	College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Ms. Valarie Hilson	College of Education and Behavioral Science

THE PROGRAM

SPECIAL MUSIC

Mr. Brian Henkelmann
Pianist

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

**Processional*Mr. Brian Henkelmann
Pianist

Order of Procession

Mace Bearer
Chancellor and Platform Party

Marshals
Graduating Classes

Marshals
Faculty of the University

OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM

**The Star Spangled Banner*.....Francis Scott Key
Ms. Cori Beasley
Vocalist

Mr. Brian Henkelmann
Pianist

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONSDr. Lynita Cooksey
Provost and Vice-Chancellor

REMARKS ON BEHALF OF THE FACULTY ASSOCIATIONMs. Julie Issacson
President, ASU Faculty Association

REMARKS ON BEHALF OF THE GRADUATING CLASSMs. Chelsea Patton
Graduating Senior

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATESDr. Gina Hogue
Associate Vice-Chancellor for Academic Services

CONFERRAL OF DEGREESDr. Lynita Cooksey

***Please stand for the processional and the anthem.**

INDUCTION INTO ASU ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONMr. Rich Carvell, Jr.
President, ASU Alumni Association

*THE ASU ALMA MATERMs. Cori Beasley
Vocalist

Mr. Brian Henkelmann
Pianist

Our Alma Mater A.S.U.
Your hallowed halls shall ring
With praise by daughter and noble son
Who proudly stand and sing.
Mem'ries of your stirring glory
And of youthful friends we knew
The red and black shall ever wave
on high for A.S.U.

ACADEMIC RECESSION

**Recessional

Mr. Brian Henkelmann

***Please stand for the Alma Mater.**
****Please be seated for the recession.**



CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATE!

P.O. Box 1990
State University, AR 72467-1990

The members of the ASU Alumni Association join me in congratulating you on successfully completing your academic efforts at Arkansas State University. Graduation signals the end of one era and the beginning of another as we welcome you to membership in the Association. Although this may seem like the end of your time at Arkansas State, it is actually the beginning of the rest of your life as a graduate and an alumnus of Arkansas State University.

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870-972-2586

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870-972-2039

You and the members of your class are important to the Alumni Association and the alma mater we serve. Much that you have enjoyed here at Arkansas State has been made possible by the generous support of graduates who have preceded you. As alumni, we are proud of the time, energy and resources that we have shared to help provide a quality institution for the current and future students at Arkansas State.

www.astate.edu
alumni@astate.edu
Jonesboro, Arkansas

We invite you to continue this tradition by participating in Alumni Association activities such as homecoming, class reunions and other alumni events scheduled in your area. The Cooper Alumni Center is always open to be your permanent home on the ASU campus. I invite you to stop by and see this wonderful place that was designed for you. Please keep us informed of your current address and your accomplishments so we can continue to keep you advised of University and Alumni Association events of interest. The friendships and associations you have built while at Arkansas State University will continue through your participation in these activities.

We look forward to serving you and working with you in your new role as alumni of Arkansas State University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard A. Carvell, Jr.".

Richard A. Carvell, Jr. '91
President
ASU Alumni Association

Everything we do strengthens ASU!



STATE OF ARKANSAS
MIKE BEEBE
GOVERNOR

August 8, 2014

It gives me great pleasure to join your friends and families in congratulating you as you graduate from Arkansas State University. In reaching this milestone, you have proven to yourself and others that education matters to you and that perseverance will be rewarded. I applaud your commitment and hard work in reaching this important moment in your life.

Living up to your potential requires an enormous amount of energy, determination, patience, and sacrifice. I hope that you will always possess the desire to seek knowledge, to expand your horizons, and to insist on accurate information. The future belongs to you, and that is a great responsibility with endless possibilities.

On behalf of the State of Arkansas, I wish you continued success and the best of luck in your future endeavors. Congratulations to all those graduating, and thank you to all those who helped you achieve your goals along the way. I hope that your journey forward will be a meaningful and satisfying one.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MB", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Mike Beebe

MB:jb

CANDIDATES FOR DOCTORAL DEGREES

Doctor of Education

David R. McKinney

B.S., Arkansas State University

M.A., Arkansas State University

S.C.C.T., Arkansas State University

DISSERTATION ADVISOR: Dr. David Cox

DISSERTATION TITLE: Goal Conflict and Goal Commitment Among Campus Parking Administrators
in Higher Education

DISSERTATION DEPARTMENT: Educational Leadership

Doctor of Philosophy

Muhsin Aydin

B.S., North Gujarat University

M.S., Mustafa Kemal University

DISSERTATION ADVISOR: Dr. David Gilmore

DISSERTATION TITLE: Development of a Bead-Based Suspension Array for Detection and Differentiation
of Salmonella SPP. in Poultry

DISSERTATION DEPARTMENT: Molecular Biosciences

Rachel M. Miller

B.A., University of Arkansas Little Rock

M.S., University of Arkansas Little Rock

M.A., Arkansas State University

DISSERTATION ADVISOR: Dr. Deborah Chappel Traylor

DISSERTATION TITLE: Our Town: Redefining Cultural Diversity Through Community Dynamics
in Eureka Springs, Arkansas

DISSERTATION DEPARTMENT: Heritage Studies

Siddique Imran Muhammad Aboobucker Siddique

B.T., Bharathidasan University

DISSERTATION ADVISOR: Dr. Argelia Lorence

DISSERTATION TITLE: Identification and Characterization of a Functional L-Gulonolactone Oxidase
in Arabidopsis Thaliana

DISSERTATION DEPARTMENT: Molecular Biosciences

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M.S., Mississippi State University

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M.S., Henderson State University

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B.A., University of Central Arkansas

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M.A., Austin Peay State University

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M.S., Longwood College

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M.S.E., Arkansas State University

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M.S., University of Mississippi

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B.A., University of Alabama
M.A., University of North Alabama

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M.S., Southwest Baptist University

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M.S., University of Phoenix

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M.S., Walden University

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B.A., Maryville College
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B.A., University of South Carolina
M.A., Furman College

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B.A., Flagler College
M.E.D., Grand Canyon University

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B.S., Williams Baptist College

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M.S.E., Arkansas State University

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M.S., Walden University

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M.A.T., Delta State University

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M.E.D., Union University

Dennis Dee Veal

B.A., University of Northern Colorado

M.S., Nova Southeastern University

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M.S.E., Arkansas State University

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M.S.E., Arkansas State University

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CANDIDATES FOR MASTER DEGREES

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY

Master of Science in Agriculture

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David Allan Johnson
B.S., University of Central Arkansas

Victor Joseph Hill
B.S., Arkansas State University

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Master of Accountancy

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B.S., Arkansas State University

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B.E., Northeast Normal University
B.A., De Montfort University

Master of Business Administration

Ammar Albaqali
B.I.T., Asia Pacific University College of Technology & Innovation

Aiyao Ouyang
B.S., South China Agricultural University

Rami Sulaiman S. Almohaimeed
B.L., King Saud University

Venkatesh Gajanan Patil
B.E., University of Pune

Paul Steyn Benade
B.S., Arkansas State University

Chi Phuong Pham
B.F.B., Hanoi University

Patrick Stephen Corder
B.S., Williams Baptist College

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B.E., Anna University

Ruofan Fang
B.E., Chongqing University of Technology

Jan Sommerfeld
B.A., Akademie Mode & Design

Maria Regina Gascon McCollum
B.S., Private University of Santa Cruz de la Sierra

William Francis Walker
B.S., Arkansas State University

Whitney Daneal Jacobson
B.A., University of Michigan

Lulu Wang
B.E., Xi'an Technological University North Institute of Information Engineering

Seyedeh Elnaz Kazemzadehvani
B.S., Staffordshire University

Li Zhou
B.S., Arkansas State University

Kien Trung Nguyen
B.S., Vietnam University of Commerce

Master of Science in Education

Mason William Campbell
B.S., Arkansas State University

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

Master of Science in Rehabilitation Counseling

Kimberly Nichole Randall
B.S., Arkansas State University

Master of Science

Brandon Dean Beamon
B.S., Mississippi College

Jason Jermell Brooks
B.S., Arkansas State University

Jarius Keith Cooper
B.A., University of Florida

Mark Dennen Cuthbertson
B.S., Arkansas State University

Jonathan Michael Ferguson
B.S., Southeastern Louisiana University

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Cum Laude
Damaris Montoya
Natalie Danielle McKinney
Laura Kathryn Meyer
Ryan Rachel Moritz
William Harvey Oliver, III
Adam L. Osborn
Christopher Dale Parham
Chelsea Maurita Patton
Summa Cum Laude
Justin Matthew Powell
William Hunter Richmond
Katilyn Ann Roberts
Magna Cum Laude
Daniel A. Rodely
Hunter Lynn Saffell
George Salazar, Jr.
Ethan Caleb Sandusky
Joshua Daniel Smith
Cum Laude
Shaquille Cortez Spearman
Kyle Stroup
Taylor J. Szypulski

Bachelor of Science (continued)

Kazuya Takata
Victoria Lee Taylor
Devyn Alyxandrea Walker
Adam O. Williams

Matthew Williams
Cody Tyler Woodhouse
Carlette M. Wyatt
Carlisha Wyatt

Bachelor of Science in Education

Lauren E. Bingham
Christy N. Boozer
Travis Carter Callahan
Megan Jessica Chiasson
Allen Taylor Cooper
Natalie Brooke Johnson
Cum Laude
Andrea Colleen Kemp

Andrew Michael Long
Missy Nicole McCord
Chelsea Deshey Mealer
Leigha Jordon Miller
Kirsten Leighann Seidel
Hannah M. Simpson
Richard A. Wulff

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Bachelor of Music

Barrett Daniel Kelley

Bachelor of Music Education

Landon Brett Miller

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts

Christopher Adell Branch
Katherine Nichole Burns
Courtney Leann Byrd
Justin Shane Carothers
Natalie Jade Cline
Tanya Jo Curry
Jorge Garcia
Bryanna R. Jones
Mika Savanna Lynn Mattes
Daniel Lloyd McCracken
Wendy Michelle McIntosh

Jacob George Mizell
LaTasha Talley Moore
Adam L. Naramore
Brandon Lee Perry
2nd Lt. Zachary Alec Robinson, Sr.
George Salazar, Jr.
Erin Victoria Swafford
Magna Cum Laude/University Honors
Justin Tucker Tyler
Richard Joel Williams
Jessica D. Woosley

Bachelor of Science in Education

Leonard Jones, III

Shaley Lynne Tolbert
Cum Laude

Associate of Applied Science

Christopher Lee Pigg

COLLEGE OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION

Bachelor of Arts

Barry Thomas Bir
Cyniswa Nateria Craigen
Lance Alan Henry Duncan
Michael Jovan Henson
Crystal LaDawn McNutt

Marie Sukegawa
Kirby Leanne Wagner
Magna Cum Laude
Brianna Nicole Williams

Bachelor of Science

Sarah Barnes Garner
Benjamin G. Fray
Robert M. Henley
Marina Alejandra Hernández
Zachary W. Morrison

Sharika Renea Nelvis
Carrington Allyse Pittman
Leigha Kathern Presley
Nathan Douglas Taylor
Jennifer Marie Wells

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Bachelor of Science

Jonathan Spencer Collum
Kelvin Denail Conner
Anna Elizabeth Flanrey
Elizabeth C. McDermott
Caleb Ross Mullis
Crissie Lea Overshine
Ashley L. Phillips

Shauna Marie Spurling
Cum Laude
Tiffany Dollar Sterling
Cum Laude
Clara Tefteller
Nikki Nicole Wright

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Vikki Kay Bennett
Rachel Erin Bickley
Kimberly Brooke Bobbitt
Ebony Monique Brooks
Sherry Lynn Brown
Vivian Alexandria Bryant
Chanel Dominique Bullock
Stephanie Nicole Cannon
Samantha Jo Carlton
James Dabney Carr
Megan LeAnne Cotten
Melanie A. Creighton
Samantha D. Dunigan
Tamara Maxine Fletcher

Joshua George Forni
Magna Cum Laude
Regina Lynn Gains
Ashton J. Glenn
Lisa Marie Hampton
Cassie Nicole Huffer
Rochelle L. Kelly
Bertha R. Kelly-Perryman
Cum Laude
Nicole Jean Kerperien
Jeremy S. Lawson
Jana Marie Lloyd
Andrea E. Mason
Carla Maria Matute
John F. Miles

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (continued)

Somer Nicole Miller
Ranotta J. Moser
Keechia Gean Muse
Virginia R. Nelms
Cristopher A. Phillips
Jessica Marie Rogers
Aimee Yambao Santos
Sherika Wynette Stegall-Pugh

Lorri Jean Strider
Meagan L. Thitoff
Tracy L. Thompson
Courtney Lennis Timko
Kimberly D. Weatherly
Karla L. Williams
Elizabeth Woodroof

Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Science

Kelly R. Adkerson
Abby L. Andrews
Isaac L. Ballow
Michelle N. Cobb
Cum Laude
William Braxton Crawford
David Anthony Domino
Kyle L. Hardy
Tyler M. Hooks
Magna Cum Laude

April M. Noel
Lauren ReaSean Postley
Betsy C. Skender
Amy C. Smith
Jonathan Boe Sullivan
Jonathan Dwayne Whipple
Heath James Yarbrough
Magna Cum Laude

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Bachelor of Arts

Jordan E. Babcock
Kera C. Flippo

Abbas Karouni
Kevin M. Pohl

Bachelor of Science

Tiara Ka'Trice Barton
Ruoshi Bei
William L. Blair
Jason A. Hawkins
Justin Andrew Howell
Kelsey Nicole Lambert

Jay Perritt Mayfield, Jr.
Cum Laude
Denzel D. McGregor
Christopher Lee Nicasio
Trevor Jordan Panhorst
Kim Chanel Raath
Summa Cum Laude/Honors Program

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Bachelor of Science

Cassie M. Abbott
Kim B. Adams, Jr.
Cory Grant Adcock
Ashley A. Armstrong
Kelley Christopher Blackwood
Benjamin A. Brinkley

Elroy Brown, Jr.
George Landon Bullard
Candice Ida Diane Burdyslaw
Justin Tyler Candler
Lashaunda Sharnell Casey
Joshua David Chambliss

Bachelor of Science (continued)

Olivia Asher Cline
Katie M. Collier
Byron Royce Collins
Melissa B. Credeur
Cum Laude
Emily K. Diggs
Nicole C. Edwards
Jessica D. Esquivel
Wesley T. Evans
Holly L. Foster
Bettye Jewel Gordon
Robert Neal Gordon
Jaime L. Hamerlinck
Jeanina Marie Harris
Samantha Elizabeth Harris
Michael A. Hattenhauer
Linda F. Hill
Cum Laude
Joel H. Hollis
Adam B. Holman
Heather D. Householder
Kevin H. Johnson
Melvin Johnson, III
Shalonda C. Johnson
Dustin S. Kent
Brandy Michelle Lacy
Cum Laude

Jonathan Stephens Lareau
Kimberley Anne Lindsey
Danielle L. Manning
Samantha Whitney Lani Markley
Matthew T. McClung
Joel Aaron McCracken
Mary S. McIlvoy
Justin R. Milam
Brittany E. Moseley
Cody D. Nickles
Cum Laude
Alyssa JeanMarie Pierangeli
Dezirae E. Plummer
Trinice Monique Powell
Jennifer Lynn Reynolds
Matthew G. Smith
Nicholas Neal Spencer
Diana Ho Tran
Brennan Fulton Tutor
Derek Lee White
Justin O'Mar Whitfield
Justin B. Whitley
2nd Lt. James Arthur Maranatha Wilkins
Rapaela Claudine Wright
Meagan Nicole Wynn

Associate in General Studies

Beverly Buggs-Hibbler
Victoria Lynn Carmack

Jessica J. Vick

Associate of Arts

Lara Rose Cooper
James Aaron R. Gossett
Molly Ann Jones

Leah Abigail Noyes
Taylor Robinson

Associate of Science

Bethany Nicole Anderson
Joshua Michael Baker
Samantha Jo Baxter
Linda Marie Bentley
Michael Wilson Blair
Ryan Tyler Brown
Jade Leanna Caldwell
Sarah Amber Cooper
Stacey Renee Creekmore Daffron
Traci LaRae Fortner

Bryce Abie Giddens
Hannah Noel Godwin
Paige Alexis Hackney
Brittany Nichole Hulsey
Carlee Alana Jones
Misty LeNese Mahan
Lindsay Nicole Mauldin
Denise Nicole Middleton
Cory Ryan Rieathbaum

HONORS SENIOR THESES

STUDENT: Kaleb Brown
THESIS ADVISOR: Dr. Brian Church
THESIS TITLE: Biomechanics, Injury Prevention and Rehabilitation, and Strength and Conditioning to Increase Throwing Velocity: A Review

STUDENT: Erin Swafford
THESIS ADVISOR: Dr. Kate Krueger
THESIS TITLE: The Effect of Oppression on Female Authors of the 19th Century

ACADEMIC APPAREL

The present-day academic costume probably originated at Oxford and Cambridge universities and is a survival of the ecclesiastical garb of the late middle ages. As the universities passed from ecclesiastical control, the academic gown used brighter colors to distinguish it from the totally drab clerical robe. Although colonial American universities used academic gowns based upon the British system, people continued to associate them with the clergy.

Late in the nineteenth century, a student movement centering in New England instigated the establishment of a "senior badge" to improve commencement week exercises and revive the traditions of university life. In the 1890's, American universities and colleges established a uniform code for caps, gowns, and hoods for the various degrees, thereby standardizing academic styles in this country. The gown, the cap, and the hood are the characteristic elements of academic apparel.

The gown is usually of black material. However, some doctors' gowns are of the school color. Bachelors' gowns have pointed sleeves; masters' have long, closed sleeves, with slits from which the arms protrude; the doctors' have wide, round, open sleeves. Doctors' gowns are faced with panels of velvet down the front and three bars of velvet across each sleeve.

The cap, the square mortar-board in American universities, but a round, soft, flat velvet hat in British, Canadian, and some European universities, bears a tassel which may be black for all ranks and degrees, or may be of gold thread for doctors and the color of the degree for bachelors and masters.

The hood, worn around the neck to hang down the back, is the principal emblem of the nature and source of the degree held. It is edged with velvet of the color of the degree, while its lining of silk bears the colors of the institution which granted the degree. Hoods may be worn only after the degree has been granted.

Originally, the hood had three uses: as a head covering, as a shoulder cape, and as a bag in which alms could be collected. When large wigs were in vogue in Britain, the cape part of the hood was split in front and a narrow neckband inserted. The entire cape and hood was allowed to fall back as it is today, and it was never restored to the original style.

The degree colors in the hood are appropriate to the category of the degree, rather than to the scholar's major subject. Appropriate colors for degrees:

Agriculture	
Agriculture	Maize
Business	
Accounting	Drab Brown
Business Administration	Drab Brown
Business Education	Light blue
Education	
Early Childhood Services	Golden Yellow
Education	Light Blue
College Student Personnel Services	Peacock Blue
Exercise Science	Sage Green
Mental Health Counseling	Golden Yellow
Physical Education	Sage Green
Rehabilitation Counseling	Sage Green
School Psychology	Light Blue
Sports Administration	Sage Green
Teaching	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts	
Music	Pink
Music Education	Pink

Humanities and Social Sciences	
Humanities	White
English Education	Light Blue
Criminal Justice	Golden Yellow
Political Science	Dark Blue
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Social Science Education	Light Blue
Heritage Studies — MS/PhD	White
Media and Communication	
Communication Studies	Crimson
Journalism	Crimson
Radio-Television	Crimson
Nursing and Health Professions	
Communication Disorders	Gray
Disaster Preparedness	White
Health Science	Sage Green
Nursing	Apricot
Physical Therapy	Teal
Social Work	Citron
Sciences and Mathematics	
Mathematics	Golden Yellow
Mathematics Education	Light Blue
Science	Golden Yellow
Science Education	Light Blue

Black tassels are correct for all degrees, but gold metallic tassels may be worn by holders of doctoral degrees or by presidents of universities and colleges. The tassel should be worn draped over the left front quarter of the cap.

THE MEDALLION

Medallions were used as adornments in biblical days and also served as symbols of authority. The Arkansas State University medallion, designed and cast by Robert Mitchell, a former member of the ASU art faculty, is made of sterling silver and bears the seal of the university. It is worn by the president of the university at official academic ceremonies.

THE MACE

Originally a weapon of the Middle Ages, the mace gradually became ceremonial in character. The mace was carried by church officials, guards of kings, and other high officials. Today it is used symbolically in academic ceremonies.

The Arkansas State University mace was designed and crafted by former faculty member Robert Mitchell. It was presented to the university on April 12, 1981 by the men of Arkansas Gamma Chapter, Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Arkansas State University.

The mace is composed of three parts: the head, the staff, and the finial. The three blades of the head symbolize the three diamond-shaped torches of the ASU seal, representing teaching, research, and service. The central core supports the seal, surrounded by the blades and protected by them. The contrast of the highly polished and shaped surfaces of the sterling silver blades with the hammered edges magnifies the dual roles of education—refinement of rational thought and strength of hard labor and intellectual work.

The staff is made of rosewood, a material commanding as high a place among woods as silver among metals. The finial, also of sterling, symbolizes the foundation of university excellence: students, faculty, and alumni. It also contains the crest of the donor.

The marks on the finial collar are quality marks of the maker. The sterling stamp attests to the metal's purity, and the "M" is the personal hallmark of the maker.

THE SEAL

The official seal of Arkansas State University has been designed for the purpose of authentication, and to both represent and build upon the impact of an education at ASU.

The current design of the Arkansas State University seal was adopted by the Board of Trustees in 1998. The new design incorporates current concepts and goals of the University.

The seal has three distinct characteristics:

- 1) The arch symbolizes a portal or entrance to new life, balance in form, and university tradition and was given as a gift by the Class of 1927.
- 2) The inset date of 1909 is the date the institution was established.
- 3) The laurel wreath signifies the high achievement of its attendees.

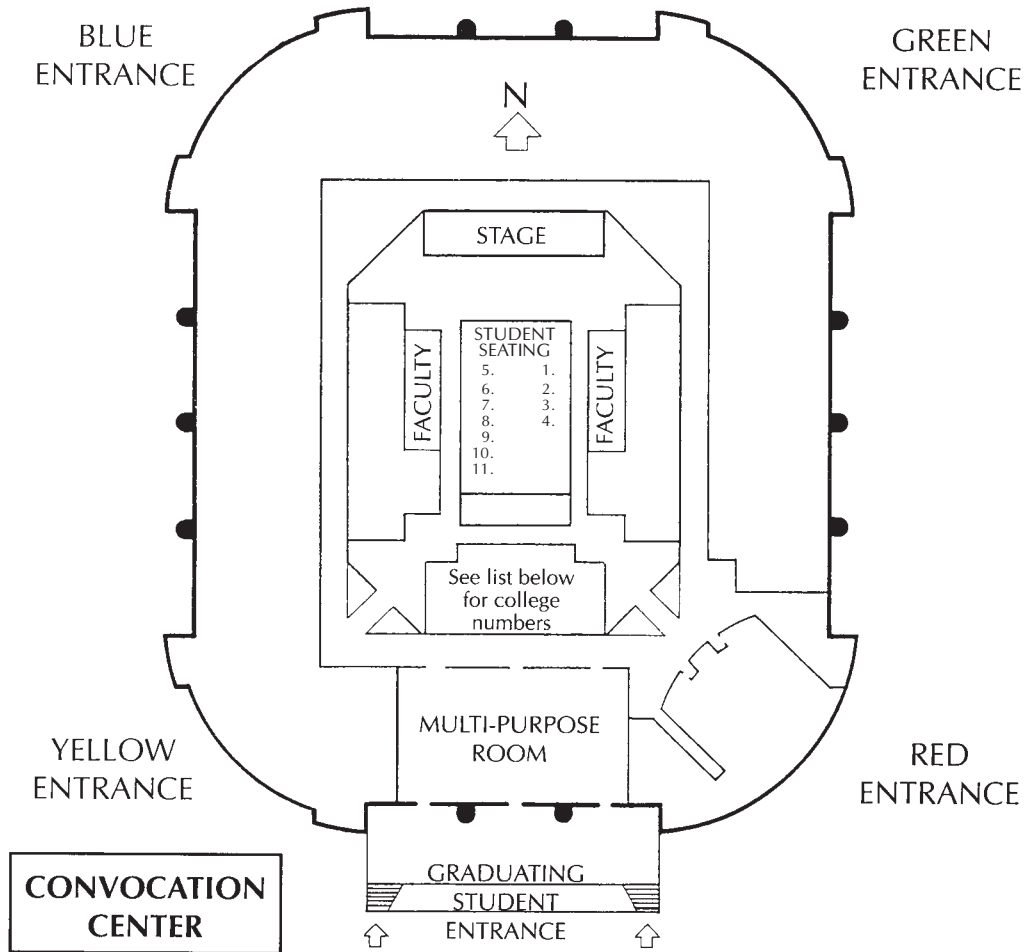
These three features represent qualities of tradition, authority, and integrity of the University.

GRADUATION WITH ACADEMIC DISTINCTION/HONORS

Arkansas State University recognizes the academic achievement of graduating baccalaureate-degree students in the following ways:

1. Students graduating *summa cum laude* (4.00 grade point average) will wear a gold cord.
2. Students graduating *magna cum laude* (3.80-3.99 grade point average) will wear a red cord.
3. Students graduating *cum laude* (3.60-3.79 grade point average) will wear a white cord.
4. Students who complete the Honors Program or the University Honors program shall be designated as graduating "In Honors" or "In University Honors." The ASU Honors Medal, developed in 2006, is a means of recognizing undergraduate students who graduate from The Honors College at Arkansas State University. The medal's design is taken from "The Scholar" character which is an architectural relief on Wilson Hall, the university's oldest building on campus. There are two separate medals, gold and silver. Students who graduate "In Honors" are awarded the silver medal. Students who complete an honors thesis and graduate "In University Honors" are awarded the gold medal. Students graduating "In University Honors" or "In Honors" will wear blue cords.

GRADUATING STUDENT SEATING (By College)



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| 5. Engineering | 1. Doctoral |
| 6. Fine Arts | 2. Agriculture and Technology |
| 7. Humanities and Social Sciences | 3. Business |
| 8. Media and Communication | 4. Education and Behavioral Science |
| 9. Nursing and Health Professions | |
| 10. Sciences and Mathematics | |
| 11. University College | |



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