



97th Commencement

BOB JONES UNIVERSITY
FOUNDER'S MEMORIAL AMPHITORIUM

May 3, 2024

PRELUDE: Concerto in A Minor, BWV 593, from Vivaldi RV 522 Johann Sebastian Bach
Prelude and Fugue in C Major, BWV 553 Johann Sebastian Bach
Liebster Jesus, wir sind hier, BWV 731 Johann Sebastian Bach

*Kenon D. Renfrow, organist
Professor, Division of Music*

FANFARE

PROCESSIONAL: Crown Imperial Coronation March William Walton/arr. Herbert Murrill

WELCOME Alan Benson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

UNIVERSITY CREED Bob Jones III
Chancellor

I believe in the inspiration of the Bible (both the Old and the New Testaments); the creation of man by the direct act of God; the incarnation and virgin birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ; His identification as the Son of God; His vicarious atonement for the sins of mankind by the shedding of His blood on the cross; the resurrection of His body from the tomb; His power to save men from sin; the new birth through the regeneration by the Holy Spirit; and the gift of eternal life by the grace of God.

INVOCATION Gary Weier
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

SCRIPTURE READING AND REMARKS Alan Benson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

PRESENTATION OF DOCTORAL DEGREE CANDIDATES Neal Cushman
Dean, BJU Seminary

CONFERRING OF DEGREES Alan Benson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

RECOGNITION OF DOCTORAL DEGREE GRADUATES Neal Cushman
Dean, BJU Seminary

(Please withhold your applause for individual graduates until all recipients have been presented.)

BJU Seminary Doctor of Ministry and Doctor of Philosophy

PRESENTATION OF MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES Jessica Minor
Dean, School of Health Professions
Brian Carruthers
Dean, School of Education and Human Services

CONFERRING OF DEGREES Alan Benson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

RECOGNITION OF MASTER'S DEGREE GRADUATES Dan Olinger
Professor, School of Theology and Global Leadership

(Please withhold your applause for individual graduates until all recipients have been presented.)

School of Health Professions Master of Arts

School of Fine Arts and Communication Master of Music Education and Master of Arts

School of Education and Human Services Master of Science and Master of Education

BJU Seminary Master of Arts and Master of Divinity

SENIOR CLASS PRESENTATION Katelyn Ashmore and Peyton McGinnis
Class Representatives

PRESENTATION OF ASSOCIATE AND BACHELOR'S DEGREE CANDIDATES Richard Stratton
Dean, School of Business
Renae Wentworth
Dean, College of Arts and Science

CONFERRING OF DEGREES Alan Benson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

RECOGNITION OF ASSOCIATE AND BACHELOR'S DEGREE GRADUATES Dan Olinger
Professor, School of Theology and Global Leadership
Brenda Schoolfield
Professor, College of Arts and Science
Jeffrey Miller
Professor, School of Fine Arts and Communication

(Please withhold your applause for individual graduates until all recipients have been presented.)

College of Arts and Science, School of Health Professions, School of Theology and Global Leadership,
School of Fine Arts and Communication, School of Education and Human Services, and
School of Business Associate of Arts and Associate of Science

College of Arts and Science Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts

School of Health Professions Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science in Nursing

School of Theology and Global Leadership Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts

School of Fine Arts and Communication Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Fine Arts,
Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Music Education and Bachelor of Arts

School of Education and Human Services Bachelor of Science

School of Business Bachelor of Science

School for Continuing, Online and Professional Education Bachelor of Science

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND REMARKS Alan Benson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

HYMN: Bob Jones University Hymn text, Bob Jones Jr.
music, Harriette S. Parker

(The audience will stand.)

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Wisdom of God, we would by Thee be taught;
Control our minds, direct our ev'ry thought.
Knowledge alone life's problems cannot meet;
We learn to live while sitting at Thy feet.

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Great King of kings, this campus all is Thine,
Make by Thy presence of this place a shrine;
Thee may we meet within the classroom walls,
Go forth to serve Thee from these hallowed halls.
Amen.

BENEDICTION Alan Benson
Acting Chief Executive Officer

RECESSIONAL: Chorale Fantasia on "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" arr. Kenon D. Renfrow

(The audience will exit after the recessional.)

College of Arts and Science

Associate of Arts

Jelcy Abraham ◊
Reese Justin Banman ◊
Faith Victoria Champ +
Seth Jackson Cordes +

Lucas Matthew Darling
Scott Michael Goff *
Hannah Elizabeth Guell +
Jenna Orpha Hanson *

Rosanna Bray Jarvis +
Olivia Grace Madison
Kendall Marie Pilarski Rogers ◊*

Associate of Science

Joshua Stephen Rogers

Joshua Matthew Ruddy

Bachelor of Arts

John Robert Baddorf +
Gabrielle Serafina Baer
summa cum laude
Lydia Katherine Campbell
Aya Cathey +
Robert Edward Daulton III +
cum laude
Kathryn Renae Donnelly ◊
summa cum laude
Beyheena Geimalda Eliacin ◊
cum laude
AnnaRose Adelle Enjaian
summa cum laude

Alaura Ying Fleischman ◊
summa cum laude
Gabriela Cassidy Gonzalez
cum laude
Gloria Joy Gustafson
summa cum laude
Erin Grace Hall
magna cum laude
Bailey Noelle Holtz
magna cum laude
Johanna Katarina Huescher
cum laude
Audrey Rose Huffman
summa cum laude

Olivia Grace Kirschbaum ◊
cum laude
Katherine Elizabeth Lilly
summa cum laude
Stevenson Jacob Napier *
Johnny Pierre Jr.
Katherine Elena Vermiglio +
Mia Ella Walker
summa cum laude
Sarah Elizabeth Whiteley ◊
summa cum laude
Madelyn Abigail Wokaty

Bachelor of Science

Paul Robert Alger ◊
Sean Yang Allen
Joseph Seldon Beach
Daniel Michael Bell
cum laude
Christa Irene Bill
Kayleigh Rose Billett
Josiah Isaac Bowman
Alison Krysia Bradley
Christian Harry Broadwell
Phillip Ryan Carbaugh
cum laude
Sara Elizabeth Cassady
Hannah Cathey ◊*
Conner Paul Christ
Drake Riley Christensen ◊
Ethan Michael Collins
cum laude
Abby Llewellyn Covington
cum laude
Rachon Scott Crump
Kaylah Timbre Cruz
Caleb Steven Deets
John Michael Dill
cum laude
Shouyu Du
summa cum laude
Jeremy Baker Edwards
cum laude
Emmaline Grace Few
Dylan Samuel Finch +
Andrew Philip Fisher
Joseph Matthew Forbush
Luke Andrew Fressel
magna cum laude
Reid James Giggelman
Skylar Brook Goonan ◊
magna cum laude
Isaac Robert Graham

Joseph Parker Grengs
Micah Gabriel Guay +
Daniel Paul Haase
magna cum laude
Jianan He
Levi Harrison Heaton +
cum laude
Ashley Victoria Henderson
Ethan Benjamin House ◊
summa cum laude
Clayton Wesley James
Case Stephen Johnston ◊*
magna cum laude
2 LT Noah Kim
Kevin Randall Kuhn ◊
magna cum laude
Peter Clark Labadorf
Adrian Julio Lasval
Daniel Alexander Lawton
cum laude
Selena Pan Li
Jiayi Lin ◊
Shane Kenneth Lott
Hunter Paul Mai
Peyton Cole McGinnis
summa cum laude
Joshua Mark Meals +
Patrick Benjamin Menking +
Marcus Bruner Moffitt III
summa cum laude
Victor Olawale Oladipo ◊
Caleb Andrew Page ◊
cum laude
Matthew Kreg Parker ◊
magna cum laude
Nathaneal Byron Pettyjohn ◊
magna cum laude
Trent David Potter
cum laude

Ryan Thomas Raddatz
cum laude
Friedrich Brown Rathert
cum laude
Mary Elizabeth Reverski
magna cum laude
Deborah Faith Rocha
cum laude
Sarah Genevieve Rodekohl
Zarina Jade Marie Rodriguez
Benjamin Pierce Rogers
Matthew James Rose
Ethan Aaron Roth
cum laude
Daniel Wayne-Anton Schieder +
Lukas Daniel Shelton +
Dabin Song ◊
Lindsey Victoria Strom
cum laude
Madison Elaine Thomas +
Eric David Townsend
Amanda Marie Treaster
summa cum laude
Tabitha Rose Varnell
magna cum laude
Nicolas James Welling
cum laude
Daniel Benjamin Williams
Josiah Daniel Williams +
Dylan Robert Winnberg
Hyeon Uk Woo ◊*
magna cum laude
Ethan Christopher Wood
Mikayla Ann Ybarra
cum laude
Yuhua Yue
summa cum laude

School of Health Professions

Associate of Science

Anna Makayla Fleming ◊*
Ian Riley Parker

Liliana Xiyun Grace Taylor ◊
Claire Marie Wisenborn ◊*

Bachelor of Science

Braden Kylee Adams
Kaitlin Michelle Amaya-Oliva
Aaron Jeffrey Andrews
Katherine Elizabeth Bergeron +
Hannah Grace Broadworth
cum laude
JessieAnne Buchanan Brunson
Alexandra Noelle Camfield
Hayden Jackson Cherry
summa cum laude
Madyson Paige Conner +
Hannah Elyse Davis
cum laude
Richard Wayne Dickens II +
cum laude
Ellie Kathryn DiMalanta
summa cum laude
Emily Joy Drown
summa cum laude
Jackson Keith Dukeshier +
Emily Alene Epperly
magna cum laude
Emily Laurel French ◊
cum laude
Hollie Elizabeth French
magna cum laude
Kenneth William Garrick Jr.
Casandra Victoria Gollihar
Erica Kate Guell +
summa cum laude
Miguel Angel Guerrero +
Emily Joy Hansen
magna cum laude
Madison Elizabeth Harmon ◊
Kameron Jeffrey Hazen
Timothy Andrew Jackey
cum laude

Ariana Alejandra John ◊
magna cum laude
Ashton Marie Jones
magna cum laude
Bradley Thomas Koons
cum laude
Joshua Heyward Legnard
magna cum laude
Paulina Lopez Guevara +
Stefhani Joana Lopez-Lopez
Anjolie Lulanaj ◊
summa cum laude
Julia Grace Majmunder ◊
Karis Joy Martin
summa cum laude
Caleb Emerson Matthews
summa cum laude
Isabel Marie May
Mark William Millar
Sarah Joy Miller
magna cum laude
Elizabeth Leigh Moffitt
magna cum laude
Emma Claire Mukenschnabl ◊*
cum laude
Christian Robert Murray
Kayleigh Anna Payne
summa cum laude
Deeanna Renee Perry ◊
cum laude
Pierson Reed Plew
Gabriel James Proctor
Boyoung Pyo
Ashley Nicole Rivera Morales +
Theodore Raymond Romeiser
summa cum laude
McKaela Rose Rowland +
magna cum laude

Lauren Taylor Russ
magna cum laude
Josiah Robert Schweitzer
magna cum laude
Yebeen Seong
Jane Alexandria Shuler
Catherine Marie Skebo
Ashley Anne Smith
Timothy Dean Smith
Eli Gladstone Solomon
Matthew David Spencer ◊
cum laude
Aaron Edward Stewart
summa cum laude
Morgan Elizabeth Stewart
summa cum laude
Andrew Gary Thompson
cum laude
Josiah Walter Thompson
Karsyn Leigh VanDeventer
cum laude
Isaac John Vera Cruz
cum laude
Todd Jeffery Ward
magna cum laude
Olivia Gabrielle Waters +
magna cum laude
Mikayla Brooke Whiteford ◊
Matthew James Wiley
cum laude
Timothy Alan Wilkinson
summa cum laude
Rebekah Xuan Wood
Kyla Dawn Worley
cum laude
Teng Zhang

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Adesuwa Sharon Awo-Osagie
Ruth Patrice Baribeau
cum laude
Olivia Nicole Berard
Madeline Rose Brazeal
summa cum laude
Travis Simpson Carpenter
cum laude
Sophia Calista Carreker
Jason Andrew Crawford ◊
Kindsay Judith Culwell
Ivy Rose Curlee
Stephanie Kathryn Dersch
magna cum laude
Samuel Christian Dollens ◊*
Danielle Esther Dunphy
Mary Elizabeth Ervin
Jennifer Diane Glade
Amanda Paige Hallman
Tristen Marie Haus
Liesl Martina Heinz
magna cum laude
Kara Suzanne Heying
Rachel Pattisall Jacobs ◊*

William Alan Johns
summa cum laude
Evangelina Anastasiya Kovalchuk ◊
Kylah Grace Laird
magna cum laude
Annika Jean Leffew ◊
Lydia Joy Loescher
cum laude
Emma Grace Lynch
magna cum laude
Alaina Joy Marinelli
Elizabeth Kate Matthews ◊
Megan Alexandra McKinley ◊
cum laude
Lauren Brooke Murray ◊
Naomi Grace Myers ◊
magna cum laude
Katie Lynn Nelson
Tina Marie Njeri Njoroge *
Maria Danielle Oakley
Liberty Ruth Elise Pagliarini
magna cum laude
Wesley D J Panten
Yunji Park ◊
Faith Marie Rahn ◊*

Maressa Claudia Rodriguez-Barley *
Solomon David Shafer
magna cum laude
Lylia Pavlovna Sinenko ◊
Gabrielle Elisabeth Smith
Alexandra Grace Klink Solomon
Trey Bryant Stanley
cum laude
Tisha Lynn Stille
summa cum laude
Jacqueline Alena Elizabeth Templeton
Noelle Lauren Thomas ◊*
cum laude
Madison Noelle Ward
cum laude
Katherine Isabel Wells
Blake Michael Whitney
cum laude
Taylor Michelle Wright
cum laude
Rachel Macdonald Yang
Josiah Michael David Zakariasen
Jessica Beltran Zimmerman ◊*
Nickolas Ransford Zukowski ◊

Master of Arts

Macy Lynn Baldwin ◊

Tamrah Emily Konieczka *

School of Theology and Global Leadership

Associate of Science

Nathan Vaughn Pulliam
Sang Sang

Liliana Xiyun Grace Taylor ◊
Bethlee Ann Von Bokern

Christiana Joy Lynn Von Bokern

Bachelor of Arts

Eui-Shin Choi ◊
summa cum laude
Samuel Jackson Daniel +

Samuel Aaron Henry
summa cum laude
Stephen Addison Roland +
cum laude

YeJoon Ryu ◊
Matthew Richard Smith
Grace Katherine Welsh
summa cum laude

Bachelor of Science

Brandon Keith Augustus ◊
cum laude
John Chase Baggett
cum laude
Ethan Rockwell Bowen +
Rebekah Joyce Bryant ◊
David Paul Bush +
Spencer Dean Cable
Bryan Alejandro Cardenas Terrazas
Michelle Joy Chiesa
summa cum laude
Matthew James DalPorto
Halle Autumn Dragon
magna cum laude
Andrew Jonathan Fletcher ◊
cum laude
Erica Nicole Hartzler
summa cum laude
Mary Lisette Hawks
cum laude

Ana Hazim Pimentel
summa cum laude
Jonathon Adam Holden ◊
Alyssa Katherine Hubbard
summa cum laude
Kimberlee Erin Hutchison
cum laude
Dian Jin
Ann Rylee Johnson ◊
cum laude
Enoch William Korver
cum laude
Tyler Alan LaFlamme ◊
Lisa McGill LaFontaine
Katelyn Dianne Landkrohn ◊
cum laude
Madalyn Anne LaRoche +
Mackenzie Ruth LeViere
summa cum laude
Solomon Lian Jr.

Parker Haywood Mallard ◊
Sarah Elizabeth McClurg
summa cum laude
RuthAnn Marie Mezzullo
Felicia Hope Moline
magna cum laude
Peyton Tanner Moore
Kirby Lynn Murdaugh
Jason Sydney Patton ◊
Ryan Nathanael Roland
cum laude
Joshua Isaiah Seymour
Landon Radford Smith +
cum laude
Lianna Frances Stewart +
Caden Bradley Stille
Blake Steven Von Bokern ◊
Emily Nicole Walters
cum laude
Vincent James Waltz

BJU Seminary

Master of Arts

Jonathan Ward Allen ◊
Natalie Eileen Arter ◊
Emily Madison Bocci
Allison Jenna Burak +
Sijuan Chen
James Allen Cross ◊*
Heather Jeanne Curless +
Robert Andrew Curless +
Christi Lynn Darling
Chantel Alyssa Dewar ◊
Jonathan Holbrook Ensley
Nicole Joy Hardin

Zhi Hui Anna Joy Khng
Daniel Stephen Lehman +
Tobin Jared Lehman
Matthew David Leys
Lauren Elizabeth Lough +
Aleksy Sergeevich Marchenko *
Carl C Miller
Hannah Elizabeth Moody
Cooper Theodore Morter
David William Partin ◊
Christine Elliott Peters +
Craig Alan Sick

Benn Edward Silveira
Priscilla Jean Smith +
Daniel James Smitley
Adriel Solis Pineda
Mikayla Elizabeth Steele
Janet Timm Steen ◊*
Karissa Mae Stouffer
Brandon Karl Teske *
Nathan Tyler Titus
Jeremy James Waltho
Franklin Douglas Woodberry III

Master of Divinity

Ethan Samuel Augustus
Timothy Richard Endean ◊
Kent Wilson Hobi +
Jared Mark Jenkins +
Kyoungjun Na

David Allan Natte Jr.
Benjamin Evan Peeler *
Wency Pierre-Louis
Justin Christopher Porter +
Nathaniel Curtis Schweitzer

Benjamin David Smith *
Joshua William Till *
Reinaldo Enrique Useche Sanchez
Sookhyun Yoon
Nobuyori Yoshimoto

Doctor of Ministry

Matthew John Collier ◊

Doctor of Philosophy

Nicholas James Claxton
Gabriel Flores Tornez

Etienne Philippe Jodar
Mikael Joakim Romer

School of Fine Arts and Communication

Associate of Science

Garrett Isaiah Bundy
Alexander Peyton Carithers

Joshua Aaron Spenner
Micah Ethan Stouffer

Peter Sinding van Reijn

Bachelor of Music Education

Abimbola David
Sarah Ruth Harris +

Anna Lynn Myers
summa cum laude

David Khalil Washer
summa cum laude

Bachelor of Music

Benjamin Bradley Beam ◊
Susan Randi Kapekapomaikai Dunn

Leeann Grace Floyd
summa cum laude
Matthew Bryson Lehman ◊
summa cum laude

Hannah Joy Wenger
cum laude

Bachelor of Arts

Ana Rebeca Aguirre Siles ◊
Hannah Kathleen Allen
Andrew James Bianco
cum laude
Gabrielle Alexis Boyd
Stephen James Clater +
Carissa Rachelle Cockrell
cum laude
Andrew Jonathan Fletcher ◊
cum laude

Trenton Josiah Goldsmith ◊
Joshua Michael Gradwell
Maleeke Tylei Harrison
Brayden Joseph Holland +
Timothy Paul Hulbert
Bryce Wayne Johnson
Victoria Mae Martin
Andrew Gustav Nelson
Michael Alan Pement
summa cum laude

Paulina Alexandra Perez ◊
magna cum laude
Lillianna Christine Pliska
Eden Noelle Rowland
cum laude
Joshua Paul Stauff ◊
magna cum laude
Andrea Emelia Villaverde
Steven Thomas White

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Casey Mae Campbell
SaRenna Lee Carr
magna cum laude
Sophia Victoria Chiesa
Luke David Christian +
Jessica Anna Rose DiLucia
Victoria Grace Glaze ◊
Uriel Isai Gomez ◊*
Andrea Nicole Gwillim
Sarah Elizabeth Henson
magna cum laude

Sarah Elisabeth Howell
summa cum laude
Joy Annelise Jaeger
cum laude
Thomas Graham Kennedy +
Lauren Elizabeth McCaffery
Kirsten Marie Meers
summa cum laude
Ragan Elizabeth Phillips
Sarah Ruth Proett ◊
Alexander Ryan Rouse
magna cum laude

Prince Juliegh Sarnicula +
Rachel Fairman Seanor
cum laude
Isaac Alfred Stephens
Olivia Annlin Thompson
magna cum laude
Miranda Trabal Campusano ◊
cum laude
Kaitlyn Hope Williams

Bachelor of Science

Lauren Elaine Albert
Bethany Jo Anderson ◊
cum laude
Sophia Barbara Bayer ◊*
Jordyn Rose Britton
magna cum laude
Drew Patrick Brown ◊
Rebecca Mae Craddock
Zachariah William Davidson
cum laude
Kristen Virginia Davis
summa cum laude
Rosalyn Ficklin
Michaela Marie Gonzales
Cynthia Smith Griffith *
Ryan Zachary Gunther ◊
Johanna Katarina Huebscher
cum laude

Maria Nicole Izzi
David Lowell Janowski ◊
Dian Jin
Emilee Renee Johnson
Erica Adelyn Jones
summa cum laude
Andrea Joy Lawrence
Wesley Allen Layton
cum laude
Katie Rose Soo-Kyung Lee
Hannah Miriam Lively
cum laude
SiYuan Ma ◊*
Janet Leigh Malaska
Myra Melilit Mayer
Robert Ray Mayes III ◊*
Taylor Dianna Moreno
summa cum laude

Anastasia Joy Noonkesser +
Madeline Elisabeth Peters
cum laude
Rebekah Charis Reyes
cum laude
Megan Elizabeth Robertson
Luis Felipe Rosario McCabe +
Tyler Drew Scott
magna cum laude
Rose Leanne Sheard
Wyatt Allen Smith +
JoAnna Ruth Stevens ◊
magna cum laude
Maleah Grace Stouffer
2 LT Braden Dennis Thacker
Amanda Rose Townsend +
Haven Denaé Visser
Lue Xiong ◊

Master of Music Education

Stephanie Knight Kook +
Marianne Morgan Mills

Emily Katherine Moeller +
Marcos Lorenzo Sanchez +*

Master of Arts

Madison Faith Avery
Lily Martha Fonte

Karie Larue Jensen
Alyssa Whaley Marks

Paul Meyer
Jewel Joy Schuurmans

School of Education and Human Services

Associate of Science

Jaquelyn Margarita Garcia +*

Jailese Kamilion TyNell Murphy

Katrina Esperanza Tabora +

Bachelor of Science

Katelyn Marie Ashmore
Karah Rylee Bilyeu
magna cum laude
Anna Joy Perrott Binns
Pierce Kevin Carpenter
Isaac Robert Chisholm
magna cum laude
Karilyn Jane Christmas ◊+
Maria Angelina Coco
cum laude
Charity Whitlock Collins
magna cum laude
Caitlyn Marie Craig
Abigail Marie Davis
cum laude
Zachary James Davis +
Grace Olivia Duez
Megan Alyce Failor ◊
cum laude
Courtney Marie Gatlin
Alaina Joy Groff
cum laude
Caroline Grace Hamilton +
Amelia Herrera Tavares
Alisa Inez Hiers
Molly Makenli Hotchkin

McKel Victoria Howell ◊
cum laude
Kelsie Michelle Jaquith
cum laude
Jocelyn Grace Johns
Rachael Elaine Johnson
magna cum laude
Paul Steven Sinopera Kamibayashiyama
summa cum laude
Nicole Joy King
Anderson Carlyle Kirkland
cum laude
Sophia Jane Klaich
cum laude
Katelyn Dianne Landkrohn ◊
cum laude
Seunghyeon Lee +
Annika Emilie Lipski
summa cum laude
Emory Ann McDowell +
Juliana Marie Mendoza
cum laude
Matthew Scott Meroff
Samantha Kaye Moore +
cum laude
Madison Elizabeth Morin
summa cum laude

Libby Grace Orrs ◊
cum laude
Mackenzie Jean Palmer
magna cum laude
Reshi Shamarel Pasupuleti ◊
magna cum laude
Daniela Christina Paul
magna cum laude
Emily Grace Peyton ◊
Cara Nicole Shelton
magna cum laude
Emily Faith Skala +*
Haley Renee Speight ◊
Hallie Blythe Sterling
cum laude
Emily Lauren Stock
Ruth Camila Urraca Mata ◊
Amanda Grace Vinson
cum laude
Emily Nicole Walters
cum laude
Harmony Wallace Waters ◊*
Kylie Marie West ◊
Danielle Miriam Willey ◊
cum laude
Kevin Chia-Yeoh Yang
magna cum laude

Master of Science

Daniel Ray Bybee ◊*
Sara Leigh Campbell ◊*
Stephanie Ann Gossack *
Andrew Keith Hobbs *
Gregory Scott Jenkins +*
Lauren Florajean Kamibayashiyama

Katheryn Jeane King ◊
Rachel Jean Ladygo *
Jessica Pierce Marshburn *
Erica Nicole Pait
Paul Martin Smith *
Denise Nicole Thompson *

Katie Jane Venti ◊*
Karen Jenkins Whitley ◊*
Mirai Yi *
Jiani Zhu ◊

Master of Education

Anamie Marron Carandang ◊*
Kenan Walkup Granger ◊
Sarah Elizabeth Hayhurst ◊
Shelby Ann Hicks*

Ryan Eric Kliewer*
Crystal Lynn Magnan*
Nicole Lynn McGuire
Timothy Paul Salayog Samson*

Imelda Marie Sierra-Velazquez
Shawn Delores Smith ◊*
Cassandra Lee Steele
Priscilla Anneke Woods

School of Business

Associate of Science

Cyler Drake Adams +
Meagan Grace Bair
Kara LeAnne Baker ◊*
Brielle Rose Binkley
Brianna Lynn Blalock +
Ester Christine Broccolino
Hayden Elijah Bundy
Phoebe Diane Bussard
Micah Lynne Chilson

Luz Maria Garcia Hamblen
Sara Hazim Pimentel
David Patrick Hughes +*
Noah Christian Jackey
Kitoria Jean Johnson
Elizabeth Ann Juhl
Joshua Enoch Kumar +
Tyler Alan LaFlamme ◊
Charity Mae Lawton

Addyson Joy Lenhart
Angel David Noboa Daniels
Grace Elizabeth Pollock
Kayla Ramos
Abby Rebekah Ray
Grace Alma Rose
Joshua Daniel Vandonkelaar ◊
Elijah Matthew Walker ◊*

Bachelor of Science

Jesse Aaron Abels
cum laude
Ana Rebeca Aguirre Siles ◊
Erin Rebecca Albert
cum laude
Rebecca Kate Aldridge +
Blake Frederick Alexander
Faith Isabella Alvarez +
Logan John Amatangelo
Andrew Thomas Arrowood ◊
summa cum laude
Jessica Lynn Augustus ◊
summa cum laude
Adam Henry Banks
summa cum laude
Dillon Douglas Battles ◊
Chad Ellis Bayne ◊
William Ethan Bond
Julianne Marie Boutchia
Andrew Gray Bradley ◊
Micah Paul Emmanuel Brink ◊
cum laude
David Paul Bush +
Courtney Renee Campbell ◊
summa cum laude
Samuel Brooks Casillas
Frank Abel Castillo Lachapelle +
John Elden Cofer IV
Andrew David Conn
Elijah Troy Cupples +
Sarah Elisabeth Daulton
Zachariah William Davidson
cum laude
Stephen Douglas DeVore ◊
Mark Daniel Dickerson III ◊
cum laude
Ethan Chase Endres ◊
Jose Daniel Espinal Torres +
Noah Andrew Forbush
summa cum laude
Francine Mercedes Francis ◊

Preston Edward Goff ◊
summa cum laude
Joseph Henry Grassmid ◊
Rosemary Eileen Grimble ◊
Jia Guo ◊*
cum laude
Jeremy Luke Hamann ◊
Brian Richard Hand ◊
summa cum laude
Cynthia Grace Hand
summa cum laude
Aston Randall Harrel ◊
Harris Christopher Hendereson
Micah Thomas Hennegan
Elijah Marshall Hill +
summa cum laude
Twishime Hodari
Sofia Horta
cum laude
Rebecca Ashley Isaman
Joshua Daniel Jackey
cum laude
Pearson Lee Johnson IV ◊
cum laude
Selah Jannae HuiYi Kaminski
Zawadi Kashindi +
Emily Nicole King
cum laude
Carter Smith Kirkland
magna cum laude
Alexander Vitaliy Kiryak
Matthew Alexander Lamberth
summa cum laude
Anthony Lawrence Lawton III
Michael Louis Leasure
Hakyeoung Lee
Tessa Lyn Leffew
Logan Thomas Lemmonds +
Diego Eduardo Leon Vilanova +
Cassandra Dawn Martin +
Rebecca Colleen Matesevac
James Walton McCarty
Wade Anthony McCollum +

Thomas Robert McKenzie +
Izabella Celeste Mora +
Gracyn Maretta Nott ◊
summa cum laude
Shane Daniel O'Donnell ◊
magna cum laude
Nathan Braden Parker
magna cum laude
Melannie Esther Piel
Johnathan Andrew Poore ◊
Tyler Johnathan Pope
Riley Scott Ramsey +
Adam Patrick Regan
magna cum laude
Megan Joy Ring +
Hallie Elizabeth Ritter
Carlos Daniel Rivera
Anthony Alexandre Rosil +
Connor Bryson Rygh ◊
Robert Joseph Sanders Jr.
Conner Matthew Smith ◊
Blake Evan Stephens
Ashur Benjamin Stevens
cum laude
Josiah Richard Sturgis
summa cum laude
Josiah Daniel Swaffar
Lily Mae Testi
Bailie Ann Thomson
Paul Nathaniel Emerson Vosburgh ◊
Mark Georg Washer
John Braxton Weigle
Lauren Judith Weniger +
magna cum laude
2.LT William Luke Wess
Jessica Elizabeth Whiffen +
Caleb James Worpell
cum laude
Charles Ethan Wright
cum laude
Esther Marie Young ◊
cum laude

School for Continuing, Online and Professional Education

Bachelor of Science

Molly Josephine Alexander +*
summa cum laude
Janna Chastine Barnes +
Katie Anne Brayton *
Barry Shane Cater +*
Abigail Jordanne Graber
cum laude

Ricky Lee Hale
Carmellita Anne Maxfield
Grant Avery Meeks +
Stacy Gooden Murray +
Bryan Alfonso Nunez-Lima +*
Ariana Danielle Pare

Alyssa Rojas-Mejia ◊*
Tina Bryant Ruocco ◊*
cum laude
Robert Avery Spurlock
James Daniel Tripp +
cum laude

History of Bob Jones University

Evangelist Bob Jones Sr. founded Bob Jones College in 1927 after his travels across the United States convinced him that Christian students were losing their faith at secular colleges. He had a vision for a college distinguished by academic excellence, refined standards of behavior and opportunities to appreciate the arts — and at the same time, a place where Christ would be the center of all thought and conduct.

Beginning with 88 students in College Point, Florida, the college offered degrees in Bible, music and speech. Students participated in activities such as literary societies, sports, weekly Vespers, and the Classic Players — but the highlight of each day was the chapel service.

Although the college survived the initial years of the Great Depression, a lack of funds forced a move in 1933 to Cleveland, Tennessee, where the college established additional academic programs and a work scholarship program to help students pay their expenses. After World War II, the GI Bill helped double the size of the student body, requiring another relocation to larger facilities.

In 1946, construction began on the 210-acre campus in Greenville, South Carolina. The first 2,500 students arrived the following year. Concurrently, with the addition of six academic colleges, Bob Jones College became Bob Jones University, and the Board of Trustees elected Bob Jones Jr. president. The move to Greenville provided the space and finances for BJU to start its own radio station, a Christian film studio and the Museum & Gallery.

In 1971, Bob Jones III assumed the responsibilities of president. Under his leadership, additional academic programs were offered. In 1973 the 7,000-seat Founder's Memorial Amphitheater was completed. In 1974 BJU Press was founded to provide educational materials with a biblical worldview for precollege schools and homeschooling families.

In the 1980s BJU's new outreaches included summer mission teams for students, the support of church planting ministries and the creation of the WORLD Fund to assist international students who return to minister in their home countries.

In the 1990s BJU launched BJ LINC and BJ HomeSat satellite programs, constructed the Bob Jones Jr. Memorial Seminary and Evangelism Center, and began *Living Gallery*, a presentation of the Gospel through music, drama and live works of art.

In the 2000s, major improvements were made to the campus, including the construction of the Davis Field House and the redesign of the main entrance. In 2004 BJU began the process of becoming an accredited member of the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools. The University achieved full accreditation during the tenure of Stephen Jones, who was installed as president in 2005. In 2017 the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges granted Bob Jones University regional accreditation.

In 2012, BJU reinstated intercollegiate athletics, competing as a Division II school in the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA). University teams compete in soccer, basketball, cross-country, track and field, women's volleyball, golf and baseball.

Evangelist Steve Pettit became president in 2014 and served through May 2023. He focused on enhancing the student life and discipleship experience. He led in the addition of academic programs and other growth-driving initiatives; the application for regional accreditation; the addition of the School for Continuing, Online and Professional Education and the School of Health Professions; the establishment of the Center for Biblical Worldview; the

emphasis on experiential learning; the securing of tax exemption; the expansion of intercollegiate sports, and increased University and student involvement in the community.

In May 2023, the Board of Trustees asked Alan Benson to serve as Acting Chief Executive Officer until a new president is named.

What was once a college of 88 students and three majors is now a university with 2,500 resident students — from 49 states and 36 countries — and over 100 undergraduate and graduate programs. BJU has long had a reputation for challenging academics, as evidenced by graduates' success. For example, BJU graduates' medical school acceptance rates average from 80 to 100%, double the national average. Last year nursing graduates earned a 97.8% pass rate on the NCLEX-RN exam and engineering students a 86% pass rate on the national Foundations of Engineering exam.

Opportunities for students include choirs and instrumental groups, a student newspaper, academic-related associations, a community service council, a student leadership council and intramural and intercollegiate athletic competition in a number of sports. Every year BJU continues its tradition of producing high-quality Shakespearean plays, operas and other fine arts events.

BJU maintains a vibrant chapel program. Each semester a different theme is covered. Students also take 15 credits in Bible during their college experience. Many students participate regularly in outreach ministries and community projects.

BJU offers students a total student experience package known as the BJU Premium — learning and living experiences focused on experiential learning and student success and rooted in our Christian liberal arts mission and our cultural emphasis and relevant to current ministry and workplace opportunities. BJU is also committed to an education designed to inspire a lifelong pursuit of learning, loving and leading.

Bob Jones University Crest

The scales represent the proper balance of life and the fact that man weighed in God's balances is always found wanting, the cross speaks of Christ and our redemption, the book is the Word of God, the lamp is the light of Truth, and the rampant Bruin represents the uniqueness and unity of our university family. The BJU motto, *Petimus Credimus* ("we seek, we trust"), underscores the University's foundation and purpose. We seek to inculcate into our students a desire for knowledge of the arts and sciences, and we seek to satisfy that desire. We trust the Bible as the inspired Word of God, the Lord Jesus Christ as the only hope of the world and His Gospel as the solution to the problems of our day.

Chain of Office

The Chain of Office symbolizes the ranking officer of Bob Jones University and is part of his academic regalia worn at commencement and other academic ceremonies. The medallion is the university crest designed by Bob Jones Jr. in 1938. The links of the chain alternate with the crest and the letters "BJU."

Bob Jones University Mace

Dating from medieval times, a mace was originally a weapon used most often to protect a king or governing official. By the 16th century, colleges and universities had adopted the mace as a ceremonial symbol of authority. Today nearly all U.S. colleges and universities use a mace at commencement and other formal academic occasions. An ornamental staff of metal or wood embellished with symbols unique to the university, the mace is carried by the president or a high academic official.

The Bob Jones University mace consists of two parts. The base is a walking stick presented to Bob Jones Jr. by friends of the University, Elizabeth and the late Victor Sadaka of Beirut, Lebanon. Made from rare African Blackwood, the base features a silver inlay of the Ten Commandments in Arabic. At the juncture of the base and upper portion is engraved, "Bob Jones University — Founded 1927." On the four sides of the upper portion are the university crest, shield, creed and the first and last verses of the University Hymn. Engraved around the top of the upper portion is the university motto, "Bob Jones University is determined that no school shall excel it in the thoroughness of its scholastic work and, God helping it, in the thoroughness of its Christian training." Topping the mace is a silver lamp symbolizing the light of Truth.

The mace is carried by Gary Weier, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs.

AN EXPLANATION OF THE BOB JONES UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC REGALIA

CAPS: The standard cap is mortarboard.

HOODS: The length of the hood and the width of the velvet indicate the level of the degree.

The doctor's hood is quite long, has two tails and has a five-inch-wide velvet.

The master's hood is shorter than the doctor's and has a three-inch-wide velvet.

The bachelor's hood is shorter than the master's and has a two-inch-wide velvet.

The associate's hood has its own distinctive styling in black velvet with a chevron design.

GOWNS: The distinguishing feature of the master's gown is the tippet sleeves.

The doctor's gown is much fuller than the bachelor's or the master's gown and has velvet panels on the sleeves, around the neck and down the front.

COLORS: The colors of the tassels and the velvet on the gowns and hoods indicate the field of study in which the degree was earned. The colors in the lining of the hood are the colors of the university that conferred the degree.

Degree & Program	Tassel	Hood
AA or AS	royal blue	black
BS in accounting or business	drab	gold
BS in criminal justice or political science	citron or dark blue	gold
BS in health sciences or premed/preudent	dark green	gold
BS in education	light blue	gold
BS in mathematical sciences	maize	gold
BS in biology, chemistry, engineering or physics	maize	gold
BS in textiles	maroon	gold
BS in health, exercise & sport science	sage	gold
BS in ministries	scarlet	gold
BS in communication disorders	silver gray	gold
BS in film, journalism or professional studies	white	gold
BSN	apricot	gold
BFA, BS in visual studies	brown	brown or gold
BMus, BME or BS, BA in music	pink	pink, gold, or white
BA in history or international studies	citron	white
BA in counseling	maize	white
BA in religion	scarlet	white
BA in communication, humanities, interdisciplinary studies, language, theatre or writing	white	white
MS in education	light blue	gold
MA in sport administration, communication, theatre, counseling or religion	sage, white, maroon or scarlet	white
MEd or MME	white or pink	light blue
MDiv	scarlet	scarlet
DMin or PhD	black	scarlet or dark blue

HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

Graduating with Honors

A candidate for the baccalaureate degree graduating with honors will be wearing one of the following ribbons: **White** — *cum laude* — 3.50 to 3.74 **Red** — *magna cum laude* — 3.75 to 3.90 **Gold** — *summa cum laude* — 3.91 to 4.00 The grade-point average is based on the student's entire college program.

Academic or Special Recognitions

Candidates with a medallion on a blue ribbon or cord awarded through professional organizations or Air Force and Army ROTC.

First-generation Graduation Cord

Candidates with a blue cord are the first in their immediate family to graduate from any college or university (other than BJU).

First-generation BJU Legacy Graduation Cord

Candidates with a blue and white cord are the first in their immediate family to graduate from BJU.

Alumni Legatee Graduation Medallion

Candidates with a bronze medallion on a green ribbon have parents or grandparents who graduated from BJU.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Special recognition and honor were given to the following at the Awards Ceremony or previous events.

SOCIETY AND ASSOCIATION

Sports.....	Theta Sigma Chi Colts, Theta Kappa Chi Stallions
Sportsmanship.....	Zoe Alethia Wildcats, Epsilon Zeta Chi Tornadoes
Scholastic Bowl.....	Kappa Sigma Chi Knights
Team.....	Peter Clark Labadorf, Marcus Bruner Moffitt III, Zachary Jonathan Smith
Highest Scholarship.....	Chi Theta Upsilon Gators
Service.....	Theta Kappa Chi Stallions
Leadership.....	Chi Alpha Pi Cavaliers
Society of the Year.....	Theta Kappa Chi Stallions
Association of the Year.....	Public Policy Organization

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Extemporaneous Writing Contest.....	Caleb Woodrow Williamson
English Language and Literature.....	Gloria Joy Gustafson
World Languages and Cultures.....	Robert Edward Daulton III
Biology.....	Yuhua Yue
Chemistry and Physics.....	Hyeon Uk Woo
Engineering.....	Marcus Bruner Moffitt III
Mathematics.....	Ethan Benjamin House
Computer Science Programming Contest.....	Joshua John Steel
Computer Science — Worthwhile Company.....	Peyton Cole McGinnis
History.....	Mia Ella Walker
Government and Social Science.....	Audrey Rose Huffman

SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Exercise and Sport Science.....	Morgan Elizabeth Stewart
Health Sciences.....	Kayleigh Anna Payne
Nursing.....	Madeline Rose Brazeal

SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND GLOBAL LEADERSHIP

Evangelism Award — The Master's Foundation Scholarship.....	Kirby Lynn Murdaugh
Missions Award.....	Grace Katherine Welsh
Ministries Award.....	Mackenzie Ruth LeViere
Preaching Award.....	Landon Radford Smith
Chancellor's School of Theology and Global Leadership Award.....	Bryan Alejandro Cardenas Terrazas

BJU SEMINARY

Outstanding Master's Student in Bible and Theology.....	Franklin Douglas Woodberry III
Holding Forth the Word of Life Scholarship.....	Kent Wilson Hobi
Great Commission Scholarship — Gospel Fellowship Association Missions.....	Hannah Ruth Lovegrove

SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS AND COMMUNICATION

Art Contest.....	Sophia Victoria Chiesa
Design Contest.....	Alexander Ryan Rouse
Art and Design.....	Olivia Annlin Thompson
Bowed and Plucked String Contest.....	Anna Grace Ervin
Brass, Percussion, and Woodwind Contest.....	Noah David Orr
Piano Contest.....	Sophia Jaime Tzitzikas
Voice Contest.....	Michael Earl Adams
Concerto and Aria Competition.....	Elizabeth Esther Dorey, Rebecca Elizabeth Ong, Lydia Anne Scroggins, Natalie Kristine Thorson, Hannah Joy Wenger
Vocal Studies.....	Hannah Joy Wenger
Keyboard Studies — Marguerite Nagle Berry Scholarship.....	Amber Rose Bates, Rebecca Elizabeth Ong
Instrumental Studies — William McEver Scholarship.....	Elizabeth Esther Dorey, Alexa Julia Winnberg
Music Education.....	Sarah Ruth Harris
Communication Studies.....	Paulina Alexandra Perez
Journalism and Mass Communication.....	Trenton Josiah Goldsmith, Johanna Katarina Huebscher
Cinematic Arts.....	Jireh Japhet Volmar Irizarry
Theatre.....	Steven Thomas White

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Teacher EducationAnderson Carlyle Kirkland
Educational, Child and Family StudiesSeunghyeon Lee

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Accounting — Martin Smith and Company CPAs Scholarship..... Sydney Meiying Tipton
Management — Jackson Marketing Group Scholarship Erin Rebecca Albert
R.K. Johnson School of Business Award.....Cynthia Grace Hand

PERSONAL

Highest Scholastic Average Award
Academic YearTaylor Dianna Moreno
Four-Year Average.....Taylor Dianna Moreno
American Legion Award Andrew Jonathan Fletcher, Sarah Elizabeth Whiteley
Society Leadership Award Erin Rebecca Albert, Charles Ethan Wright
Founder’s Discipleship Group Leader Award Emma Grace Lynch , Nathan Vaughn Pulliam
Reveal Soulwinning Award Lydia Joy Loescher, Lukas Daniel Shelton
Christian Discipleship Award Jessica Lynn Augustus, Wil Tyler Mincy, Michael Allen Pement,
Ryan Thomas Raddatz Ryan Thomas Raddatz, Cara Nicole Shelton, Grace Katherine Welsh

EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

Recipient..... Brian Vogt

FACULTY AND STAFF 10-YEAR SERVICE

Shirley Anderson, Steve Cruver, Neal Cushman, Pam Cushman, Pearson Johnson, Jordan Jueckstock,
Ai Kato, Renee Krepfle, Yuriy Leonovich, Chris McCarnan, Jessica Minor, Billie Na, Kathi Reeder,
Melanie Schell, Denny Scott, Greg Stiekes

FACULTY AND STAFF 20-YEAR SERVICE

Jeff Bryson, Ann Carruthers, Brian Carruthers, Lauralyn Fitch, Laurilyn Hall, Heather Hancox,
Nancy Jones, Michael Moore, Richard Stratton, Layton Talbert, Jeremy West

FACULTY AND STAFF 25-YEAR SERVICE

Bill Davis, Brenda Hansen, Rob Hansen, Sundae Isgett, Ted Miller, Wyatt Parker, Wendy Williams

FACULTY AND STAFF 30-YEAR SERVICE

Jon Daulton, Krystal Godwin, Angela Jezowski, Wayne Rutherford, Amy Streeter, Sherri Vick,
Renaë Wentworth

FACULTY AND STAFF 40-YEAR SERVICE

David Brown, Roy Hulehan, Paul Overly, David Parker

FACULTY AND STAFF RETIRING

Chris Boone, Mike Buitter, Charlie Johnson, Roy Hulehan, Tammy McGinnis, David Parker, Ron Pyle, Brian Vogt

The Commencement ceremony will be available on BJU webcast archives. We request that personal communication devices be silenced during the program. After the program has begun, guests will be readmitted in the back.

