

Augusta University
Spring Commencement

May 9-10, 2024
Augusta, Georgia

AUGUSTA UNIVERSITY

In 1828, eight ambitious doctors founded a medical academy in the heart of Augusta, Georgia. Little did they know the school they created, now the Medical College of Georgia, would go on to become part of a much larger university. Nor could the Academy of Richmond County founders have foreseen the impact of chartering the state's first junior college, the Junior College of Augusta, in 1925. Today, the legacies of these institutions continue to develop, grow and flourish together creating an experience like no other.

Augusta University provides a world-class academic and social community that is inclusive, diverse and positions students for opportunity and success. As Georgia's innovation center for education, health care and cybersecurity, Augusta University is training the next generation of innovators, leaders and health care providers in classrooms, communities and clinics on four campuses in Augusta and locations across the state.

Augusta University is at the forefront of groundbreaking research focused on improving and enriching the human experience and addressing the challenges of our world. The university's colleges and schools include the state's only public medical school, only dental school and only public academic health center, where our students are creating a safer, healthier and more prosperous Georgia. As the state's designated health sciences center of excellence, we offer students a well-rounded education preparing them for a lifetime of critical thinking, creativity and success.

Students choose Augusta for educational opportunities and experiential learning in art and humanities and the health sciences. Students from undergraduate to post-doctoral levels are mentored and inspired by a world-class faculty including prestigious scientists, clinicians, scholars and artists.

Augusta University is the home of the Jaguars' nationally recognized NCAA Division I men's golf team, the NCAA Division II national runner-up men's basketball team and many other men's and women's varsity sports.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

The keynote remarks to the AU graduating class are given by Dr. Brooks Keel, president of Augusta University, and Dr. Sonny Perdue, chancellor of the University System of Georgia.

Dr. Brooks A. Keel *President, Augusta University*

Graduate Hooding and Commencement Ceremony Keynote Speaker

Concluding a remarkably successful 40-year career in research and higher education, Augusta University President Dr. Brooks A. Keel announced he will retire in June 2024 after more than 14 years in the University System of Georgia. Keel served as president of Georgia Southern University before moving to Augusta University on July 8, 2015.

Keel arrived at Augusta University during a critical time in the institution's history. In 2013 the two legacy institutions, then known as Georgia Health Sciences University and Augusta State University, merged into the short-lived Georgia Regents University, becoming Augusta University in 2015 following Keel's appointment as president.

As Keel led a comprehensive, enterprise-wide rebranding campaign for Augusta University to unify the two main components of the institution and to regain alumni, donor and community support, the university achieved the first of what would become eight straight years of enrollment growth, averaging 3% per year and totaling 25% since 2015. In the fall of 2023, AU eclipsed the 10,000-student mark for the first time in the university's history.

During Keel's presidency, more than 18,000 students have graduated from Augusta University and gone on to success in job fields as varied as the 160-plus academic programs at the university, 40 of which were added since 2015, including cybersecurity engineering (Augusta University's first engineering degree), animation, biomedical systems engineering, neuroscience, digital and visual storytelling, and sports management, among many others.

Augusta University is the only university in the country that has more than \$50 million in annual NIH funding, while also being part of the U.S. Cyber Command's Academic Engagement Network and in the top 5% of universities that improve economic outcomes for students with low- and moderate-income backgrounds. The university is home to the state's only public academic medical center, anchored by the Medical College of Georgia, and is also home to the state's Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center, which opened during Keel's tenure as the largest single investment in cybersecurity of any state in the country.

Other significant additions to Augusta University during Keel's presidency include the founding of the School of Computer and Cyber Sciences, Augusta University Online, and the School of Public Health; the Transdisciplinary Research Initiative in Inflammaging and Brain Aging; the Immunology Center of Georgia; the four-year Medical College of Georgia Partnership Campus in Savannah; a new College of Science and Mathematics building; two on-campus residence halls; and a major expansion of research laboratory space in the M. Bert Storey Cancer Research Building.

Prior to returning to his home state of Georgia, Keel served in the top ranks of academia, research and economic development in successive appointments at Louisiana State University, where he served as vice chancellor for research and economic development, Florida State University and the University of Kansas School of Medicine–Wichita.

An internationally recognized expert in reproductive medicine, Keel is a member of the Society for the Study of Reproduction, the American Society for Reproductive Medicine, the American Association of Bioanalysts and the Society for Gynecologic Investigation, among others. He has also served on numerous boards, including the American Board of Bioanalysis, the American Association of Bioanalysts Board of Registry, the Oak Ridge Associated Universities, the Southeastern Universities Research Association, and the Executive Committee of the Council on Research Policy and Graduate Education of APLU.

Keel earned a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from Augusta College in 1978 and a doctorate in reproductive endocrinology from the Medical College of Georgia in 1982.

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Dr. Sonny Perdue *Chancellor, University System of Georgia*

Undergraduate Commencement Ceremonies Keynote Speaker

The Board of Regents named Dr. Sonny Perdue the 14th chancellor of the University System of Georgia (USG) on April 1, 2022. He oversees 26 public colleges and universities with a more than \$11.5 billion annual budget, 48,000 faculty and staff and more than 344,000 students.

The Georgia Public Library Service and the Georgia Archives are also part of USG, which has been recognized nationally for its efforts in cost savings and student attainment. The number of students annually earning degrees has increased 36% since 2011. And through support from initiatives such as Affordable Learning Georgia, students save over \$49 million annually using no-cost and low-cost online educational resources.

Prior to becoming chancellor, Perdue was the 31st secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) from 2017 to 2021. He also served two terms as the governor of Georgia, from 2003 to 2011, and was a member of the Georgia Senate from 1991 to 2001, where he chaired the Senate Higher Education Committee and eventually became Senate president pro tem.

As agriculture secretary, Perdue managed a workforce of 110,000 employees with the stated objective of being the most efficient, effective and customer-friendly agency in federal government. This included stabilizing the food supply chain during the COVID-19 pandemic and launching the Farmers to Families Food Box program to ensure the most vulnerable Americans were fed.

As governor, he reformed the state budget and focused on eliminating wasteful spending while Georgia faced unprecedented twin recessions. His fiscal management during those eight years prepared Georgia to excel when revenues returned and allowed Georgia to maintain its Triple-A bond ratings. During his term, high school graduates in Georgia posted the highest graduation rates and SAT scores in state history.

His tenure in the state legislature came at a time when lawmakers worked with Georgia Gov. Zell Miller to craft one of the most innovative higher education programs in the nation, the HOPE Scholarship. Perdue in his role as higher education chairman also helped recruit USG Chancellor Stephen Portch to Georgia. This work reinforced a passion for higher education that continues today, including a commitment to maintaining the connection between a world-class university system and economic success for the benefit of the state and all Georgians.

Born in Perry, Georgia, on Dec. 20, 1946, and raised on a farm in Bonaire, Perdue is a veterinarian and agribusiness owner who graduated from Warner Robins High School and earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from the University of Georgia. He is also a veteran, serving four years in the U.S. Air Force. He is married to the former Mary Ruff, also a UGA graduate. They have four children, 14 grandchildren and have served as foster parents for eight children awaiting adoption.

ABOUT THE STUDENT SPEAKERS

The student speakers were selected by their peers as representatives of the class of 2024.

Mrs. Stephanie Cheshire Jones

Graduate Hooding and Commencement Ceremony Speaker

Stephanie Jones graduated magna cum laude from Kennesaw State University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, began her career in the Neonatal ICU, and found her calling in the Pediatric Cardiac ICU. She later transitioned into health care and executive consulting and completed her Master of Business Administration in Healthcare Management. She graduates today with her Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Health Sciences, with a focus on Health Outcomes.

Stephanie has led health care organizations full-time while attending Augusta University. During her PhD studies, she worked with St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and led a team directing all legacy I.T. applications to serve clinicians and researchers. Currently, she is managing change at Stanford Medicine. She is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives and the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society. Stephanie has received several honors and awards, including the Elle Joyce Marks Award for Family Centered Care and the Georgia Minute Man Award. She was inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies.

Stephanie is loved and honored by her husband Cedric Jones and her children, Absalom, Zoe and Grace. A Georgia native, she embodies the hope of her grandmothers, Mrs. Hazel Anderson and Nurse Geraldine Cheshire.

Ms. Rakiyah Joyce Lenon

10:00 am Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony Speaker

Rakiyah Lenon is a first-generation college student and a graduate of Georgia Cyber Academy. She graduates today with a Bachelor of Arts in Communication, with a focus in journalism.

During her time at Augusta University, Rakiyah received several awards, including Most Promising Student and Champion of the First Amendment from the Department of Communication, and several others from the Society of Professional Journalists and Georgia College Press Association. She is a member of Lambda Pi Eta, the National Communication Association's official honor society. Rakiyah served as Editor in Chief of The Bell Ringer, Augusta University's student newspaper, for four years. She gained valuable experience interning with several local outlets, including WJBF News Channel 6, Augusta Business Daily, and Augusta Good News.

After graduation, Rakiyah plans to pursue a career in journalism, covering local news. She hopes to one day obtain a masters or doctoral degree to teach others.

A native of Augusta, Georgia, Rakiyah is the daughter of Reginald and Selena Lenon.

Mr. Luke Jarrod Anderson

2:00 pm Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony Speaker

Luke Anderson is a first-generation college student and graduate of McEachern High School. He graduates today with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Luke was an active student during his time at Augusta University and was involved in different organizations around campus including serving as president of the Black Student Union for two years, an 1828 Ambassador, Resident Assistant, Augusta University influencer, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society member, African American Male initiative program member, Jaguar Production Crew administrative assistant and social chair for his senior nursing class. He also joined Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated in the fall of 2023. Lastly, he was crowned Augusta University's Homecoming Duke for the 2022-2023 school year.

After graduation, Luke is going to work in Piedmont Hospital's Medical Intensive Care Unit as a nurse.

Luke is the youngest of five siblings. A native of Powder Springs, Georgia, Luke is the son of Daphanie Brantley and the late Kenneth Anderson.

GRADUATE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

MAY 9, 2024

Brooks A. Keel, Ph.D., President, Augusta University, presiding

PRELUDE	Augusta University Brass Quintet
CONVENING OF COMMENCEMENT	Provost Neil MacKinnon
PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS	Augusta University Jaguar Battalion
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Ms. Katelyn Woodsmall
INVOCATION	Mrs. Stephanie Jones
WELCOME	President Brooks A. Keel
JOHN F. BEARD AWARD PRESENTATION	President Brooks A. Keel
KEYNOTE ADDRESS	Dr. Brooks A. Keel <i>President, Augusta University</i>
PRESENTATION OF PROFESSIONAL CANDIDATES DENTAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA	Provost Neil MacKinnon Dean Nancy Young Dean David Hess
WELCOME FROM THE GRADUATE SCHOOL	Vice Dean Patricia Cameron
PRESENTATION OF HOODING	Vice Dean Patricia Cameron
PRESENTATION OF GRADUATE CANDIDATES THE GRADUATE SCHOOL COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLEGE OF NURSING COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS HULL COLLEGE OF BUSINESS PAMPLIN COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES SCHOOL OF COMPUTER & CYBER SCIENCES SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH	Provost Neil MacKinnon Vice Dean Patricia Cameron Dean Lester Pretlow Dean Judi Wilson Interim Dean Beth NeSmith Dean John Sutherland Dean Mark Thompson Dean Kim Davies Dean Alexander Schwarzmann Dean Teresa Waters
DEGREE CONFERRAL	President Brooks A. Keel
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WELCOME	Dr. John T. Baker Jr. <i>Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, '94</i>
ROTC OATH OF OFFICE	2nd Lt. Chheten Sherpa
GRADUATE STUDENT OATH	Ms. Ashley Pham
ALMA MATER	Ms. Katelyn Woodsmall
RECESSIONAL	Augusta University Brass Quintet

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PRELUDE	Augusta University Wind Ensemble
CONVENING OF COMMENCEMENT	Provost Neil MacKinnon
PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS	Augusta University Jaguar Battalion
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Ms. Madelyn Eden* Ms. Emma Kelley**
INVOCATION	Chaplain Henry Holt
WELCOME	President Brooks A. Keel
STUDENT SPEAKER	Ms. Rakiyah Lenon* Mr. Luke Anderson**
KEYNOTE ADDRESS	Dr. Sonny Perdue <i>Chancellor, University System of Georgia</i>
HONORS GRADUATE RECOGNITION	Provost Neil MacKinnon
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES	Provost Neil MacKinnon
COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES*	Dean Lester Pretlow
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT*	Dean Judi Wilson
COLLEGE OF NURSING**	Interim Dean Beth NeSmith
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS**	Dean John Sutherland
HULL COLLEGE OF BUSINESS*	Dean Mark Thompson
PAMPLIN COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES*	Dean Kim Davies
SCHOOL OF COMPUTER & CYBER SCIENCES**	Dean Alexander Schwarzmann
DEGREE CONFERRAL	President Brooks A. Keel
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WELCOME AND TASSEL TURN	Mr. Kyle Scott <i>Hull College of Business, '03</i>
ROTC OATH OF OFFICE	2nd Lt. Kwane Welcher* 2nd Lt. Jose Castro**
ALMA MATER	Ms. Madelyn Eden* Mr. Matthew Cooper**
RECESSIONAL	Augusta University Wind Ensemble

* 10:00 am ceremony

** 2:00 pm ceremony



Executive Leadership

Brooks A. Keel, President, Augusta University
Neil MacKinnon, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Provost
David Hess, Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs and Integration, Dean, Medical College of Georgia
Russell Keen, Executive Vice President for Administration, Chief of Staff to the President
Chris Melcher, Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel
Michael Shaffer, Executive Vice President for Strategic Partnerships and Economic Development
Yvonne Turner, Executive Vice President for Finance, Chief Business Officer

Academic Leadership

Marc Austin, Associate Provost, Dean, Augusta University Online
Kim Davies, Dean, Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Beth NeSmith, Interim Dean, College of Nursing
Lester Pretlow, Dean, College of Allied Health Sciences
Alexander Schwarzmann, Dean, School of Computer and Cyber Sciences
Jennifer Sullivan, Dean, The Graduate School
John Sutherland, Dean, College of Science and Mathematics
Mark Thompson, Dean, Hull College of Business
Brad Warren, Dean of Libraries
Teresa Waters, Dean, School of Public Health
Judi Wilson, Dean, College of Education and Human Development
Nancy Young, Dean, Dental College of Georgia

Other Platform & Program Participants

Luke Anderson, Degree Candidate, College of Nursing**
John Baker, President, Augusta University Alumni Association^
Patricia Cameron, Vice Dean, The Graduate School^
Jose Castro, Degree Candidate, School of Computer and Cyber Sciences**
Matthew Cooper, Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences**
Pamela Cromer, Professor, College of Nursing**
Tiana Curry-McCoy, Chair, Augusta University Faculty Senate; Associate Professor, College of Allied Health Sciences^
Susan Davies, Vice President of Enrollment and Student Affairs
Elena Dent, Assistant Dean, The Graduate School^
Madelyn Eden, Degree Candidate, Hull College of Business*
Alicia Elam, Vice Chair, Augusta University Faculty Senate; Associate Professor, College of Allied Health Sciences *
Sergio Gallardo, Creative Director, Communications & Marketing**
Karen Head, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs
Henry Holt, Spiritual Care Director * **
Stephanie Jones, Degree Candidate, School of Public Health^
Zach Kelehear, Vice Provost
Emma Kelley, Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences**
Rakiyah Lenon, Degree Candidate, Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences*
De'Andre Mallory, Degree Candidate, College of Science and Mathematics**
Amy Pizio-Moore, Research Operations Coordinator, Georgia Cancer Center
Sonny Perdue, Chancellor, University System of Georgia* **
Ashley Pham, Degree Candidate, The Graduate School^
Kyle Scott, President, Augusta University Summerville Alumni Society* **
Chheten Sherpa, Degree Candidate, Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences^
Kwane Welcher, Degree Candidate, Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences*
Katelyn Woodsmall, Degree Candidate, College of Allied Health Sciences^

^6:00 pm graduate ceremony

**10:00 am ceremony*

*** 2:00 pm ceremony*

DENTAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA

Doctor of Dental Medicine

Shaghayegh Afzal-Asr
Maria Ahmed
Dionne Eghosa Osariemen Aikhionbare
Ryan Keith Bare
Jacob Henry Bass
Isabella Sonia Batallas
Victoria Gaw Bernard
Shiv Shashikant Bhakta
Pari Bhat
Nick Charles Brodak
Lauren Burgess
William Huy Cao
Jeny Dominguez Castillo
Teresa Nicole Cerchiara
Lee Ellison Chapman
Drake Evans Childress
Travia Alexis Clemons
Braden William Clinebell
Kimberly Robinson Clough
John Martin Corbett
Keith Scott Crawford Jr.
Oana Crisan
Anna Foster Crowe
Cameron Michael Cushing
Tyler Day
Sarah Dickinson
Austin George Doyle
Samuel Dromsky
Lisa Uyen Duong
Corey Nicholas Eisner
Alejandro Feliciano
Miranda Fletcher
Dakota Garber
Bowen Halverson Gibney
Garret Nelson Gomez
Joshua Tyler Greenway
Robert Berra Griffitheth
Chandler Grove
Mureed Hamdani
Hung Xuan Ho
Jieun Hong
Christopher Michael Howard
Samuel Joseph Jackson
Kara Hester Johnson
Gracelyn Marie Jones
Roslyn Joseph
Bita Kargar
Elizabeth Ann Keller
Minseung Kim
Gray Rosson King
Reese Nelson King
Anjana Krishnan
Robert Allen London
John Christian Lowery

Kyle Manross
Thomas Baker Marchman
Caroline Griffin Marlin
Gregory Wayne Mccullough Jr.
Matthew Dean McMillin
Abigail Elizabeth Mincey
Carolyn Neumeister
Jennifer Lynn Nguyen
Emily T. Nguyen-Phan
Tori Neet Odhiambo
Mohyun Park
Dhruvi Rashmikant Patel
Simran Patel
Tejal Gopal Patel
Molly Pierson
Phillip William Prince
John Murray Ratchford
Diana Hope Rausch
Carina Arthisha Rojanaraj
Andrew L. Sanders
Rea Shah
Dalton Ryan Sircy
Ryan Anthony Smith
Christina Chudi Sun
Hiral Pritee Suthar
Michelle Tang
Ashley Katrice Tomlinson
Joanna Michelle Foley Torres
Cathy Vu Tran
Lina My Tran
Kendall Cook Tromp
Jason Tsai
Macy Elizabeth Unruh
David Watson
Tanner Clark Weeks
Nicole Widjaja
Alexis Willis
Miles Woodard
Shannon D. Xayaraj
Tigerwin Zheng Yang
Awaz Yaseen

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA

Doctor of Medicine

Pascal Joseph Acree
Mathew Tyler Albert
Sung Alexander
Ayesha Ali
Margaret Bailey Allen
Kendall Ansley Alsup
Teresa Sooil An
Lakshitha Anbazhakan

Britni Ashkinazy
Sruthi Athota
Andrew Baker Austin
Ryan Christopher Avidano
Aderemi C. Awe
Rehmat Babar
Joseph Martin Bailey
Jordan Bradford Baker
Kalyani Nagaraj Ballur
Justin Baman
Anastacia Marie Bankey
John Tyler Beauchamp
Sarah Beller
Reginald Dewayne Benson Jr.
Cayman Anderson Bickerstaff
Trina Golder Biswas
Faizan Boghani
Bryant Oliver Bolds II
Owen Robert Borawski
Michael Brackett
Natalia Brody
Pierce Aaron Brody
Christian Elizabeth Sascha Brown
Lauren Ashley Brown
Caitrin Carroll
Daniel Cha
Sarah K. Chappell
Frank Alexander Chavez
Rishab Chawla
Merry Chen
Po-Han Chen
Kyle Chesler
Dae Gun Chung Kim
Conner Ellsworth Clark
Forrest Benjamin Clark
Kayla Elizabeth Cooper
Zachary L. Corley
Naema Daino
Harris Scott Daniels
Oliver Quinn Campbell Davidson
Lillian Marie Day
Luke Alexander del Balzo
Thomas Edward Dickerson
Judy Dinh
Joshua D. Dolan
Sanya Dudani
Houston Tyner Earnest
Lauren Nicole Ellis
Sydney Renee Erickson
Jacob Eskew
Breanna Ethridge
Hayden Daniel Faith
Jerrell Fang
Matthew Ferguson
Mary Caroline Forester
Morgan Claire Franklin
Sahil Jignesh Gandhi
Nikhil Reddy Gangasani
Peter Garcia IV

Renie George
Langston Barrett Gilmore
Lauren Gilstrap
Liam Goldman
Mya Misuk Goodbee
Bethany Leigh Graulich
Sydney Renee Greenlaw
Josephine Guitton
Elizabeth Marion Hale
Scotty Lee Hall
Zachary Joseph Harrison
Saadia Hasan
Matthew James Heiken
Madison Leigh Horinek
Chase Alexander Horsager
Robert Drew Hulsey III
Alex Vincent Huynh
Shadman Hasan Ibnamasud
Harini Lavanya Indrakrishnan
Lilley Jack
Neesha Zulfikar Jahani
Eun Kyu Jeong
Cheng Jiao
Umasai Kandepu
Rachel Kaufman
Dillon Kemeness
Gurshney Samarah Kenol
Agnes Hyoju Kim
Scarlett H. Kim
Natalie Krapcho
Harun Krndzija
Anderson Krueger
Jacob Scott Kumro
Audrey-Ann Jeanne Lafontaine
Farhan Lakhani
Christian Reynald Laurent
Jenny Jeng-Yen Lee
Taylor Lee
Caleb Leung
Alice Ann Lever
Allison JoAnna Lewis
Sarah Lezaj
Cynthia Shengyan Li
Mason James Lin
Ivan Z. Liu
Katie Leigh Lively
Matthew G. Long
Patrick James Lorenz
Sarah Tran Lu
Anna Elizabeth Madia
Selvaganesh Maduraiveeran
Sharon Wanjiru Maina
Sarah Noor Malik
Camelia Malkami
Rajashri Manjunath
Thomas Hunter Manning
Elinor Caroline Mannon
Katherine Marino
Charles Thomas Martin

Omkar Nitin Mayur
Arthur Myles Mccarty
Joseph Quinn McDaniel
Chase Edward McIntosh
Mehul Mehra
Christopher Daniel Mejias
Alex Michael Mendoza
Frank N. Merlino
Nicole Eileen Micklus
Donnyell Da'Shayla Miller
Andrew Carter Mixson
Adir Mohaban
Tahmina Akhtar Mohiuddin
Leslie Ann Montag
Daley S. Morera
Shanee Mortley
Peter Robinson Muller
Anaïs Katerine Natal
Yelissa Navarro
Samantha Louise Newman
Andy Duc Duy Nguyen
Lina Nguyen
Wasef Yousef Nijim II
Edil Abdilahi Nour
Shirley Ijeoma Nwokike
Obadi Mohammed Obadi
Callie Faye O'Bryant
Princess Ihuoma Ogundu
Shant Ohanian
Tucker Austin Oliver
Niambh Saoirse O'Neill
Laurel Ann Parker
Alexander William Parsons
Dimple Manisha Nilesh Patel
Disha Manojkumar Patel
Tatiana Andrea Peduri
David Matthew Pichulik
Andrew James Pless II
Luke G. Qin
Natasha Teresa Lakshmi Ramaswamy
Janavi Ramesh
Andrea Paola Ramirez Olarte
Mario E. Ramirez
Naganavya Sree Ravoori
Sholeh Rezaee
Max Alexander Ribot
Summer Roberson
William Holtzclaw Roberts
Caleb Robertson
Rebekah Leigh Robinson
Bailey Marie Rodgers
Alexis Marie Ruppel
Victoria Sahar
Anish Sangari
Viktoriya Sapkalova
Faiz Ali Saulat
Julia Samantha Scher
Madeleine Schlafly
Kyli Ashton Schmitt

Anna Caroline Schramski
Samuel Zoua Segnou
Anand Shah
Joseph Christopher Shaver
Tiffany Alyssa Shields
Angela Jinah Shin
Kimberly Mercedes Shumaker
Harriera Siddiq
Daniel Hal Silcox IV
Ravjot Singh
Madeline Chloe Snipes
Nitish Sood
Nicholas Marius Sorensen
Vunya Srinivasa
Alexis Lynn Stephens
Stefan Stofberg
Rajeev P. Subu
Cortney Lynn Sugihara
Samantha S. Summers
Sahaana Sundar
Denean Taylor
Kometh Thawanyarat
Alvin Thomas
Abigail Elizabeth Thomas-Lemmon
Edie Brianne Threlkeld
Amelia Anne Tomei
Diana Lillian Toro
Eszter Toth
Diane Giahan Tran
Anna Julia Turlej
Roy Urum
Nimisha Vasandani
Sandya Valli Vikram
Amelia Anh Vu
Samantha Elizabeth Walker
William J. Walker III
Morgan Q. Wan
Ifrah Waris
Jacob Weiser
Ethan Welch
Madeline Martha Armstrong Wetterhall
Max Wieder
Shane Michael Wilson
David Edwyn Wolff
Samer Yassin
May Ye Mon
Kara Ye
Sarah Ye
Kristine Emmanuel Yhang
Samantha Zhan-Moodie
Jeremy Seth Zimmerman
Natalie Zink

***Master of Science
Medical Physiology***

Maria Monica Arango Mesa
James David Bunn II
Cameron Davis Cantwell
Alison Michelle Herrington

Krishna Nachiket Kolluri
Jacob Anthony LoRusso
Jessica Emilia Marshall
Colin George Lee Miller Jr.
Jordan Alexander Moratin
Katherine Pinkerton Richardson
Mikaela Kazimiera Whitman

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Philosophy

Amanda Yarberry Behr

Dissertation:

Design and Remote User Testing of a Hollow Bladder Simulation Model to Collect Evidence of Validity

Husam Eldin M. Mohamed Bensreti

Dissertation:

Endogenous Glucocorticoid Signaling During Skeletal Aging

Kendra Bernice Bufkin

Dissertation:

Validation of Neutrophil Gelatinase-Associated Lipocalin (NGAL) as a Biomarker of Diabetes-Associated Acute Kidney Injury

Stephanie Cheshire Jones

Dissertation:

Spinal Cord Stimulation During the Trial Period

Jacob Scott Kumro

Dissertation:

The Therapeutic Potential of Deep Brain Stimulation as a Treatment for Alzheimer's Disease

Elinor Caroline Mannon

Dissertation:

Effects of Sodium Bicarbonate on Glucose Homeostasis and Blood Pressure in Chronic Kidney Disease

Mahrma Parvin*

Dissertation:

Targeting CSF1R+ Myeloid Cells Using Engineered Therapeutic Exosomes to Target Tumor Microenvironment in Breast Cancer

Rebekah Leigh Robinson*

Dissertation:

Molecular Mechanisms of Interleukin-6 Trans-Signaling Mediated Effects on Endothelial Permeability, Muller Glia Dysfunction, and Vitreous Proteomic Alterations in Diabetic Retinopathy

Anik Tuladhar

Dissertation:

PRKD1 (PKC-MU) Regulates the Formation and Repair of Plasma Membrane Disruptions (PMD) in Osteocytes

*With Distinction

COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Patrick Allen

Allison Hampton Bell

Kevin Tyler Burnham

Treven Jakovon Cooper Cliatt

Mckenley Corbitt

Jonathan Thomas Dennany

Emily Futch

Nathan Galloway

Lindsey German

Cedric Jamal Guillaume

Ethan D. Hewell

Sarah Hislope

Jacob Howard

Grace June Hsu

Benjamin G. Hudson

Dalton Jansen

Michael Thomas Johnson

Seth Ryan Johnson

Joseph Robert Kendra

Tyler Kevin Kriewis

Kaitlin LeFevre

Jack Li

Trenton Neal Maddox

Eliot McPherson

Leeann Mussatt

Samuel Kevin Odum

Rebecca Paulk

Beau Nikolas Peregino

Madison Nicole Purse

Tyler J. Sanford

Isaac Shin

Brian Tromp

Aaron Wagoner

Lorin Weaver

Calvin Colston Wilbanks

Katelyn Shiley Woodsmall

Master of Health Science in Clinical Laboratory Science

Tiffany Benjamin

Eugene M. Chong

Courtney Faith Moon

Taylor McKenzie Moosman

Shaniece Rena Nelson

Madeleine Lee Stoffle

Kendra Ruth Williams

Master of Health Science in Occupational Therapy

Sydney Aitkens

Haleigh Brooke Allario

Kristin Barrett Allen

Sophia Barfield

Kealie Peyton Bennett

Courtney Leigh Berman

Madison Nicole Blessing

Avery Burchfield

Jazmine Calloway

Riley Carraher

Katelyn Elizabeth Clamp

Kaylee Clay

Olivia Rose Clements

Cassidy Lauren Clifford

Genna Ray Cooper

Elizabeth Cranford

Dylan Anthony Cruz

Maggie McWhorter Davis

Virginia A. Dilcher

Emily Edinger

Ashley Everett

Lauren Sarah Floyd

Caroline Cook Gray

Rheya Evelyn Gupta

Rose Maria Hadorn

Kathleen Elaine Kinslow

Leah Klima

Hannah Lawson

Sarah Lee

Cassidy Heath Mercer

Caroline Lee Mitchell

Melissa VanDeventer Morris

Skylar Marie Mortensen

Haley B. Murphy

Haley Parrish

Katie Parsons

Cassidy Jo Patrick

Shelby Kay Plooster

Anna Greer Routon

Zoe Sabatini

Taylor Kay Sanderlin

Kaitlyn T. Sandoz

Kimberly Zorn Shahan
Simarrie E'mone Smalls
Lindsey Strickland
Rachel Thompson
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Nicholas Low Harbison
Victor R. Haugen Jr.
Milton Hernandez-Flores**
Bailey J. Holbrook*
John Hua
Bryanna Jones*
Allison Rose Kruger**
Devin Long
Anastasya Marie Lubin**
Michael Vincent Mann
Kayla Renee Mazyck**
Gavin Michael McKean
Andrew C. McLendon
Robert Elmer Olander III*
Sasha Nigeria Parker*
Kaushini Ruwanthika Pathirana**
Graham Clifton Payne
Andrew Rochford
Rita Homaira Sakha
Daniel E. Sedzro
Collin Stewart Talley*
Tiana Janae Turner***
Kyle Wallace
Matthew Phillip Wash II

***Bachelor of Science
Cybersecurity Engineering***

Marcus M. Corulli***
Ryan B. Hoang***
Christopher Stickney**

***Bachelor of Science in
Information Technology***

Fortune Oluwatofunmi Akharia*
William Flanders**
Evan C. Hixon*
Kendall Lovett

Justin Lyons
Michael Poore
Spencer Linwood James Robinson
Celeste Nicole Sanchez
Zachary A. Small***
Thales Talton*

***Summa Cum Laude

**Magna Cum Laude

*Cum Laude

**SCHOOL OF PUBLIC
HEALTH**

***Master of Clinical and
Translational Science***

Nicholas Schoenmann

Master of Public Health

Brandi Elease Bell
Ryan F. Bloomquist
Grace Madison Carruth
Lindsay Ellen Chandler
Karen Leigh Dantzler
Teresa Elizabeth Fowler
Aneesha Gumjadi
Gabrielle Ciera Hunter
Lilley Jack
Kayla Keller
Marsha Kocherla
Tapanga Marie Langnehs
Giuliana G. Larosa
Amnor Bryce Markwalter
Mehul Mehra
Callie Faye O'Bryant
Natasha Teresa Lakshmi Ramaswamy
Sholeh Rezaee
Summer Roberson
Stevauney Erica Samuels
Zahid Shaikh
Samantha S. Summers
Michaela Victoria Treadway
Sandy V. Valli Vikram
Jessica Simone Walker
Morgan Q. Wan
Jacob Weiser

***Master of Science
Epidemiology***

Kristen D. Carver
Bermet Madieva
Abby Mitchell
Amber Nicole Sloan
Celestine Williams

AUGUSTA UNIVERSITY ARMY ROTC COMMISSIONEES

Graduates who successfully complete the military science program receive commissions as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army upon their graduation. They may be assigned to active duty, Reserve or National Guard.

2nd Lt. Edgar Alan Arceo
2nd Lt. Donnell Frederick Browne
2nd Lt. Jose Lorenzo Delantar Castro
2nd Lt. Kaitlynne Costain
2nd Lt. Chinonso Zita Ekwegh
2nd Lt. Robert Elmer Olander III
2nd Lt. Chheten Sherpa
2nd Lt. Jessica Steadman
2nd Lt. Armando David Tribby
2nd Lt. Kwane Emenike Welcher Jr.

HONORS PROGRAM

Honors program graduates are undergraduate students in a variety of majors who have achieved a grade point average of at least 3.3 while completing a program of work designed specifically for honors students.

Jonathan Austin Airey
Tate Allen
Tayler Mackenzy Barnes
Arion Brooks
Abby Bryant
Brooke An Shaohua Butler
Polly Elaine Champion
Marcus M. Corulli
Kolbe Edward Dolin
Olivia G. Feagler
Alexandra Bryn Finney
Diana Caroline Fowler
Colby John Gross
Mindy Vu Ho
Abby Huebsch
Barbara A. Idun
Kade Logan Johnson
Trinity Chante' Johnson
Sonia S. Jose
Kathryn Ko
Riley Summer Kublin
Tiffany June Oberther
Skyler Owens
Heer Patel
Kritika Pokharel
Rogelio Serrano-Lopez
Priyanka Varghese
Daniela Velez
Elyse Mireille Vincent
Noah R. Wiese
Maggie Wright

LEGACY GRADUATES

Generations of families have continued Augusta University's rich tradition, and we celebrate this unique relationship by listing graduates whose parent or grandparent graduated from Augusta University or one of her legacy institutions.

Sandra Appea Aboagye
Jonathan L. Acuna-Robles
Yusra Alam
Aleisa Baksh
Charity-Grace P. Barnwell
Adam M. Beale
Mason Elizabeth Beddingfield
Amanda Yarberry Behr
Allison Hampton Bell
Madison Nicole Blessing
Caitlan Dawn Boswell
Paige Nicole Botten
Mary Paige Boutwell
Shantell Lela Gearldine Boyd
Lina R. Bracci
Tyler D. Broadway
Isabella D. Bruggeling
Amelia Isabelle Butler
Madelynn D. Butler
Caroline Patton Carter
Stephanie Castillo
Polly Elaine Champion
Allie Lee Clayborn
Taylor Nicole Cliett
Mason T. Coleman
Kelsea Mae Collins
Corey R. Combs
Anastasia Noel Conner
Sarah Elizabeth Cook
Sophie Elizabeth Cooper
Shoniyah L. Davis
Tyra Monet Dennis
Christopher C. Duruh
Chinonso Zita Ekwegh
Layla Erb
Tochi Nicole Ezeokonkwo
Sophia G. Fernandez
Chaelys A. Flores-Tolentino
Ashley Flowers
Bryce Allen Floyd
Isabella Yasmin Garcia
Keri N. Garrett
Aubrey Lynn Gay
James Alexander Gill
Benjamin A. Goldman

Dean J. Gossett
Ramin Hakami
Seth Harbuck
Bria Arianna Hardeman
Britney Alexis Hardeman
Erica R. Hargis
Ashley B. Harper
Lucia Rosemarie Hatfield
Brycen T. Havens
Katlyn Morgan Hayes
Kayla McKenzie Henderson
Gerardo Hernandez
Kathryn Alyssa Herrington
Owen R. Herron
Clayton R. Hill
Harper McRae Hinson
Grace June Hsu
Alice Ann Hudson
Erin Miller Hurst
Alexis B. Irvine
Javon Douglas Jackson
Shirah Leigh Johnson
Amber N. Jordan
Kalioppe Leigh Jordan
Hari Prakash Kashyap
Joseph Kendra
Danautica Kendrick
Jared Lee Kent
Caroline Linda Kitchens
Janiequa Kittles
Lisa D. Laliberte
Alexandra C. Larson
Neco DeOndre Lawrence
Brionna N. Law
Allison M. Lewis
Kay Rosemary Lilly
Olivia Jean Little
Taylor N. Luckey
Trevor M. Maddox
Lyndsay Alaina Martin
Morgan A. Masters
India A. Matthews
Kayla R. Mazyck
Emma G. Meadows
Andrew C. McLendon
Caroline Lee Mitchell
Tinsley Ruth Mobley
Samantha L. Mooneyham
Camryn Leigh Murphy
Owen T. Navarre
Grace C. O'Neill
Kailyn Briana Owens
Jaylen N. Parker
Vanessa E. Pausa
Marlene Barrera Perez

Hannah Lauren Peterson
Nora C. Phillips
Allison Grace Pinkerton
Shelby K. Plooster
Bria C. Pogman
LeighAnna L. Poss
Benjamin Lee Prescott
Elizabeth Phillips Price
Lydia Patrice Prince
Phillip W. Prince
Cassidy Shea Rabun
Sariah Elizabeth Ramsey
Lainey Grace Renfroe
Brandi Frances Reynolds
Katherine P. Richardson
Tommy D. Rusch
Torrie G. Sauls
Chantal Schwarz
Lauren E. Sidow
Aleyia Elizabeth Sigler
Quatesha T. Smith
Sarah Neil Wexler Smith
Summerstar Lorraine Soto
Hillary Cobb Suggs
Hayley Alexis Sward
Daria Elise Terry
Felissa Rose Thomas
William Chase Thomas
David B. Timmerman
Amy Lynn Tornow
Armando D. Tribby
Veronica C. Tubalinal
Rahul Verma
Elyse Mireille Vincent
Rebecca Marie Walker
James C. Waller
Raven Alexandria Washington
Kwane E. Welcher
Allyson Williams
Justin D. Wilson
Mallorie N. Windsor
Oliver Samuel Woodlief
Christan Leigh Armour Yost

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The style of academic regalia worn in today's Commencement originated in medieval European universities and has undergone little modification since the 16th century. As in the Middle Ages, the attire denotes the wearer's academic accomplishment. In 1895, a code was adopted to specify design and appropriate colors for various degrees.

The modern dress consists of a gown or robe, headpiece and hood. The gown denotes the wearer's level of education, with the baccalaureate gown being the simplest in design. Usually black, it is distinguished by open, flowing sleeves, which end in a point. The master's gown is similar to the baccalaureate gown except that it has a closed or glove sleeve that is open at the wrist. The doctoral gown is full flowing and has bell-shaped sleeves. It is trimmed with velvet panels down the front and velvet chevrons on the sleeves. While black is still the predominant color, the color of the gown may denote the wearer's university. Augusta University follows the guidelines of the Intercollegiate Regalia Costume Code and has adopted the use of black gowns. The color of the trim denotes the wearer's discipline.

The headpiece in most American universities is a mortarboard. At Augusta University, mortarboards are worn by those attaining bachelor's, master's or specialist degrees while a soft tam is worn by candidates receiving doctoral degrees. The color of the tassel denotes the discipline in which the wearer's degree was earned.

It is the hood that adds meaning to the academic regalia. Changed little since the Middle Ages, the hood is worn falling from the shoulders down the back of the gown in a display of color. It is edged in velvet, which by its color denotes the discipline in which the wearer's degree was earned. It is lined in two colors of silk, which represent the university from which the degree was awarded. The hood lining of Augusta University graduates consists of blue and silver fields with a red saltire cross superimposed.

A partial listing of colors signifying disciplines as standardized in the 1895 Intercollegiate Code includes:

Arts and Letters – white
Commerce and Accounting – drab
Dentistry – lilac
Education – light blue
Kinesiology – sage green
Mathematics – science gold
Medicine – kelly green
Music – pink
Nursing – apricot
Philosophy – dark blue
Psychology – gold
Public Administration – peacock blue
Public Health – salmon pink
Science – golden yellow
Social Science – citron

A braided cord, worn draped from the neck on the front of the gown, designates the wearer as an honor graduate. At Augusta University, honor cords are silver and blue. Members of Phi Kappa Phi, an interdisciplinary honor society, are designated by medallions suspended from the neck by ribbon and bearing the society's insignia. Some disciplines may have their own honor society, which distinguishes its honor graduates the same way. Normally, the color of the ribbon is unique to the honor society.

THE AUGUSTA ARSENAL BELL

The Augusta Arsenal Bell was cast a century ago – in 1918 – by the famous Meneely and Company, a foundry in West Troy, New York. The bell was part of the U.S. Arsenal property acquired by the Junior College of Augusta in 1955. Many historic Arsenal structures, like Bellevue Hall and the Benet House, still stand today and serve as administrative offices on the Summerville Campus. The Augusta Arsenal Bell weighs 586 pounds and is topped by a hand-crafted wooden cap with an inset of the Arsenal Oak. This miniature version of the storied Oak was created using wood from the original tree. The bell was refurbished and capped by the skilled craftsmen in Facilities at Augusta University.

Bells peal at colleges, statehouses, churches, and corporate buildings throughout the U.S. and other countries. They ring for many reasons, and more commonly signal the time of day or announce the start of special occasions and celebrations. The Augusta Arsenal Bell is rung to begin the Commencement Ceremony and as it concludes. The bell and bell tower are part of the modern Augusta University brand, and the Arsenal Bell is part of its history. The ringing of the bell marks a resounding celebration of Augusta University's past, present, and future.

THE PRESIDENT'S MEDALLION AND CHAIN OF OFFICE

President Brooks A. Keel is wearing a medallion and chain of office during today's Commencement Ceremony. The medallion is a symbol of the Office of the President. The chain of office refers to the authority granted to the president by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents to confer degrees and lead the university.

The President's Medallion

The President's Medallion of Augusta University is a finely detailed silver medallion that hangs from the Chain of Office. Approximately three inches in diameter, it features the university's name and the date of its founding, 1828. Oak leaves are used on either side of the founding date and symbolize strength, endurance, eternity and honor. Above the date is the Latin phrase *Vivere Discere*, which means "live to learn."

Appearing on the shield are four images: the Arsenal Oak, the Lamp of Knowledge, the Rod of Asclepius, and the old Medical College of Georgia building. Atop the shield is the Unity Flame, an element representing the university.

In a circle surrounding the shield are words incorporated in the Vision Statement of Augusta University that denote the university as a destination of choice in health, innovation, discovery, creativity, and education.

The Chain of Office

The Augusta University Chain of Office symbolizes the authority vested in the Office of the President by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents. The sculpted medallions pay homage to the history of the Summerville and Health Sciences campuses and merge together at the presidential stone. The presidential stone is sapphire crystal quartz, and its color is representative of President Brooks A. Keel's discipline of philosophy. The stone also represents the president's role in uniting the legacy institutions.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

A mace is a symbol used to communicate and to designate authority. The era in which the mace came into use is not known, but the first recorded use was during the Middle Ages when maces, made wholly or partly of metal and often spiked, were used for breaking armor. Medieval bishops, who were forbidden to shed blood, carried maces instead of swords. Gradually, maces became ceremonial and were used symbolically as protection for the king. The use of maces extended into America by the middle of the 18th century, and they now are used principally in universities as traditional symbols of the authority of the president.

The Augusta University mace was designed and hand-carved in the spring of 2016. The mace features two medallions. The first represents the official Augusta University seal, and the other represents the seal of Georgia.

The mace and handcrafted wooden seal are made possible through a gift from the foundations.

GRADUATE OATH


As I embark on my career, now an alumnus of Augusta University, I pledge that I will represent my discipline honorably by conducting myself and my professional endeavors in a manner that is always above reproach. I will strive to show compassion, embrace diversity, and above all, uphold excellence that I should become a worthy role model and ambassador of Augusta University.

With this affirmation, I acknowledge and honor the contributions of those who have preceded me, while seeking truth and the advancement of knowledge in all my actions. I will always remember to act so as to preserve the finest traditions of my calling, and incorporate both the art and science of my profession in the products of my labor. I will incorporate ethical and moral principles that constitute integrity in all that I do, and faithfully ensure that the results of my professional activities ultimately benefit our world.

for Augusta University Past, Present and Future
AUGUSTA: THE BELL RINGS FOR ME
(Alma Mater)

by Robert W. Smith (ASCAP)

Solemn (♩ = 76) **With Warmth**
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mf In the shade of the might-y oak we forge our de - sti - ny. Through

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knowl - edge, truth and hon - or our jour - ney clear to see. We draw up - on the cour - age and

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guid - ance of the past. We bold - ly build our fu - ture with friends that ev - er - last.

Majestic
21 *poco rit.* *a tempo*



f Au - gus - ta Au - gus - ta, the bell rings for me. Au - gus - ta, Au - gus - ta, it

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tolls our his - to - ry Au - gus - ta Au - gus - ta, sound - ing to the world. With

28 *rit.*



vi - sion for the ag - es, Au - gus - ta, we are A - U!