



UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTH ALABAMA

FALL COMMENCEMENT
DECEMBER 15, 2018

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

FALL COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, December 15, 2018

Processional..... Pomp and Circumstance No. 1
The USA Commencement Band
William H. Petersen, D.M., Conductor
Director of Bands and Assistant Professor of Music

Presentation of Colors.....The USA Color Guard

The National Anthem Samantha L. Anselmo
Graduate Music Major

Invocation Michael A. Mitchell, Ph.D.
Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students

Welcome Tony G. Waldrop, Ph.D.
President

Commencement Address Frye Gaillard

Conferring of the Baccalaureate DegreesPresident Waldrop

Introduction of the Deans..... G. David Johnson, Ph.D.
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Conferring of the Master's and
Educational Specialist DegreesPresident Waldrop

Conferring of the Doctoral DegreesPresident Waldrop

Remarks Grace M. Newcombe
President, Student Government Association

Remarks Patrick Dungan '06
President, National Alumni Association

RemarksPresident Waldrop

The Alma Mater Samantha L. Anselmo
The USA Commencement Band

Recessional Coronation March
The USA Commencement Band

The audience is requested to stand during the Processional, Presentation of Colors, National Anthem, Invocation and USA Alma Mater.



The program contains the names of candidates for degrees and tentative honors for those who may be eligible. Inclusion in the program does not constitute evidence of completion of the required program of study for awarding the degree, certification or honors.

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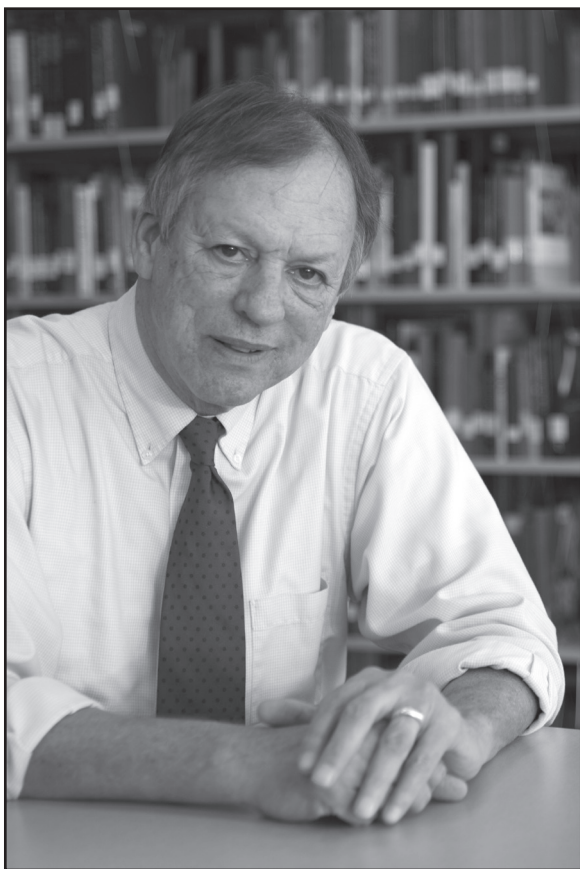
TONY G. WALDROP

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FRYE GAILLARD

SPEAKER



University of South Alabama Writer-in-Residence Frye Gaillard, a critically acclaimed author, journalist, historian and songwriter, has lived through some of the most challenging and interesting history of our time, sharing his insightful observations and thoughts along the way.

The popularity of his latest book, “A Hard Rain: America in the 1960s, Our Decade of Hope, Possibility and Innocence Lost,” has resulted in a second printing with publisher New South Books. The book is a personal history that intertwines with the social justice changes and resulting turmoil of the turbulent 1960s. He recalls as a 16 year old, during a trip to Birmingham, he was within a few feet of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who was being arrested. The sight of King’s dignity as he was roughly taken to jail stayed with Gaillard and focused his future as he “came of age” during the decade “in an area I loved very much, but it was also deeply flawed.”

Gaillard grew up in Mobile’s Spring Hill neighborhood on Old Shell Road in a little house next door to his grandfather. He left the area after high school to attend Vanderbilt University, coming home for summers to work as an intern at the Mobile Press Register. Before long, Gaillard landed a job covering race relations for the Charlotte Observer, where he wrote about Charlotte’s landmark school desegregation controversy and eventually covering social changes throughout the South, leading to the title of Southern editor for the newspaper. While he covered the demise of the Old South of the Lost Cause, he reported on the New South of the Sun Belt, including the funeral of Elvis Presley, the rise and fall of televangelist Jim Bakker and the campaign and presidency of Jimmy Carter.

In his 40s, Gaillard sensed changes in the news business – including the growing reluctance to commit resources to in-depth reporting – and his growing dislike of “the daily deadline grind.” As a result, he left to write a weekly column for an alternative newspaper and to write nonfiction books that utilized his varied experiences with Southern race relations, politics and culture.

He has written or edited more than 25 books, and his award-winning titles include “Go South to Freedom,” “Cradle of Freedom: Alabama and the Movement That Changed America,” “The Dream Long Deferred: The Landmark Struggle for Desegregation in Charlotte, North Carolina,” “Watermelon Wine: The Spirit of Country Music,” and “If I Were a Carpenter: Twenty Years of Habitat for Humanity.”

Gaillard returned to Mobile in 2004 and began teaching at South a short time later. As writer-in-residence, he teaches classes across a variety of disciplines, focusing on history, writing and Southern politics. He also serves as interdisciplinary faculty of the University’s Center for the Study of War and Memory, which studies the collective memory of war and its impact on society.

Recently, he has branched out into songwriting and participated in documentaries. One based on his book, “In the Path of the Storm,” won a regional Emmy for how Hurricane Katrina in 2005 and the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in 2010 devastated the fishing village of Bayou La Batre in south Mobile County.

PLATFORM PARTY

DEANS

Kathy J. Cooke, Honors College

Gregory H. Frazer, Pat Capps Covey College
of Allied Health Professions

Heather R. Hall, College of Nursing

Andrea M. Kent, College of Education
and Professional Studies

J. Harold Pardue, The Graduate School

John W. Steadman, College of Engineering

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and Sciences

Bob G. Wood, Mitchell College of Business

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SPEAKER

Frye Gaillard

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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

A BRIEF HISTORY

The University of South Alabama was founded in 1963 without a single building to call its own. More than 55 years and quite a few buildings later, USA is a vibrant university that continues to serve as a catalyst for transformational change in the city, the state and the Gulf Coast region.

USA's story began in the early 1960s, when Mobile's civic leaders saw the need to improve access to higher education in southwest Alabama. Realizing the region had outgrown the small extension program that operated out of a building downtown, they

formulated plans for a four-year, degree-granting institution. On May 3, 1963, a bill creating a new, independent university successfully passed the Alabama Legislature, and USA was born.

Classes began in June 1964 at a new, \$1 million building in west Mobile. Initial enrollment totaled 276. The extent of the pent-up demand for education became obvious when the first fall semester began. Enrollment leaped to 928 — and it continues to grow. Today, USA enrolls more than 15,000 students annually and has awarded more than 85,000 degrees.

The first campus building is now named the Frederick Palmer Whiddon Administration Building, after USA's first president. Whiddon helped establish the University and remained at its helm until retiring in 1998. His successor, longtime faculty member and administrator V. Gordon Moulton, oversaw a new era of growth into the 21st century. Dr. Tony G. Waldrop, selected in 2014 as USA's third president, continues the USA tradition of visionary leadership focused on discovery, health and learning.

As new programs attracted more students, the University's footprint and facilities expanded. Almost from the moment USA accepted its first students, its leaders began ambitiously working toward establishing a medical school. The College of Medicine charter class began in 1973, and USA's focus on health education was later complemented by the College of Nursing and the Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions.

Today, USA provides high-quality education in business, the liberal arts, education, engineering, computing, the sciences and health care. It offers more than 100 undergraduate, graduate and doctoral degrees through its colleges and schools. The University campus includes USA Technology & Research Park, an incubator of economic development and technological innovation. On the east side of Mobile Bay, USA's Baldwin County Campus provides Eastern Shore residents convenient access to educational programs.

The University of South Alabama includes a comprehensive health system composed of two hospitals — USA Health University Hospital and USA Health Children's & Women's Hospital — along with the USA Health Mitchell Cancer Institute and the USA Health Physicians Group. This network of advanced health care services has improved the lives of countless residents throughout the region.

A charter member of the Sun Belt Conference, USA fields 17 Division I sports teams, including baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, volleyball, tennis, golf, cross country and track and field. The Jaguars football program, established in 2009, played in its first bowl game, the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl, in 2014.



ACADEMIC REGALIA

Academic regalia can be traced back to European universities and ecclesiastical practices of the Middle Ages. As early as 1321, costumes identified the status of the wearer. In addition to signaling differences of degree, the garments had functional purposes, providing necessary warmth in sparsely heated buildings.

Regalia differentiate among the three degree levels used by our University; bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. Common to all three levels is the headwear; the familiar square black mortarboard, although soft velvet tams may be worn by those holding doctorates. The gowns appropriate to the three ranks differ in the shape of the sleeves and in the special trim found on the doctoral gown. The bachelor's gown, which is unadorned, has wide sleeves that are pointed at the bottom. The master's gown has curiously designed sleeves, which are elongated at the rear and reach downward to the gown's bottom hem. The doctoral gown has bell-shaped sleeves and is distinctively trimmed with velvet facings down the front and three velvet bars on each sleeve. These trimmings may be black or the color appropriate to the discipline in which the degree was awarded.

The hoods worn by those holding the master's and doctoral degrees provide the color of the academic procession. These garments are draped over the shoulders and back of the wearer to display the linings, which present the colors of the university awarding the degree. Those holding degrees from the University of South Alabama wear hoods lined with chevrons of red, white, and blue. The hoods also have velvet binding, three inches wide for the master's degree and five inches for the doctorate, in a color designating the discipline.

THE MACE

Originally used as a medieval weapon, the mace evolved as a symbol of academic dignity and authority by colleges and universities in the 16th century. Traditionally, the mace is carried as a part of formal academic processions. The University of South Alabama mace, carried by the president of the Faculty Senate acting as chief marshal of commencement ceremonies, was designed by Dr. James Conlon, a professor of art at USA from 1967-1997.

In Conlon's words, his goal was to create a design that captured "an open form which symbolizes the primary functions of the University — that of support and protection for the growth of knowledge and scholarship represented by the golden orb." The engraved attributes of Responsibility, Virtue, Charity, Dedication, Fidelity, Fortitude, Honor, and Industry surround and uphold the symbol of knowledge.



UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE GONFALONS

The students will proceed to their respective places behind gonfalons. Gonfalons are the flags or banners, hung from crosspieces on poles, used since medieval times in the republics of Italy as symbols of state or office. The top portion of each college's gonfalon is the designated color for each unit; white is the background color for each of the colleges' symbols, as well as one of the University's colors. To help identify each college gonfalon, a description of each follows:

University Gonfalon

The University of South Alabama's colors of red, white and blue predominate with the University's official seal in the center of the white section.

College Gonfalons

Arts and Sciences: The globe in the College of Arts and Sciences' gonfalon symbolizes study of human societies, cultures and behaviors. The microscope represents the scientific study of nature. The paintbrush, palette and lyre connote artistic performance and appreciation of the arts, and the book is symbolic of a life informed by learning.

Education and Professional Studies: The flourishing flame blazoned with red and light blue signifies the burning zeal of the three missions of education - teaching, research and service. The hands hold the spiritual, social and intellectual flame of education.

Engineering: The Earth is the ground stability, a foundation for life and for the structure of humanity and nature. The College of Engineering invites discovery and investigation into the realm of ever-changing worldwide technologies. The bridge is a symbol of engineering design. It is the essence of learning, the container of intellect and the spirit of wisdom that creates destinies.

Medicine: The caduceus is a wing-topped staff intertwined by two snakes and was carried by Hermes, Greek messenger of the gods. In early cultures the intertwined snakes symbolized healing. The caduceus has been a symbol of medicine since the 16th century.

Mitchell College of Business: The Mitchell College of Business uses the symbol of a club which is associated with money, wealth, work and luck. The color purple symbolizes the rank of authority. The gold lozenges represent the flow of order.

Nursing: Three blue stars blazoned with gold symbolize caring, innovation and empowerment. The two shafts of wheat represent nourishment and strength, while the globe illustrates the universal presence of nursing. The burning lamp of Florence Nightingale and the red cross signify the history and origins of nursing.

Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions: This symbol depicts the many health care professions that make up the health care team. The supporting hands and the red center represent the caring nature and the heart of the various professions represented in the Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions.

School of Computing: The design of the School of Computing is made up of two symbols appropriate to the School; the flame of knowledge and the globe. The flame of knowledge is derived from three distinct disciplines: Science represented by the blue, Engineering represented by the orange, and Business represented by the tan. The globe symbolizes both the wide reaching effect of the discipline and the diversity of the School's population.

The Graduate School: The columns are indicative of the pursuit of advanced knowledge built on the strong foundation of earlier educational attainments. The earth represents the wide range of studies pursued in graduate studies and their broad applications for the betterment of the world. The oak spray represents strength and endurance in pursuit of goals.

DEGREE CANDIDATES

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

College of Arts and Sciences

Mitchell College of Business

College of Education and Professional Studies

College of Engineering

School of Computing

Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions

College of Nursing

Academic Honors

Undergraduate students graduating with distinction receive academic honors based on grade-point average: 3.90 – 4.00, summa cum laude; 3.70 – 3.89, magna cum laude; 3.50 – 3.69, cum laude. Gold honor cords will be worn to designate academic honors. A distinction will be noted in the commencement program, on the academic transcript and on the diploma. Students who have completed an Honors Senior Project and Thesis and have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.5, graduate with “Departmental Honors” and it is so noted in the commencement program, on the academic transcript and on the diploma.

Honors College

Students who complete all Honors College requirements including Honors course work, community service, Honors Senior Project and Thesis, and who maintain a minimum grade-point average of 3.5, graduate with “University Honors.” A distinction will be noted in the commencement program, on the academic transcript and on the diploma. In the commencement ceremony, University Honors students wear a distinctive undergraduate hood.

MASTER’S AND EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST DEGREES

College of Arts and Sciences

Mitchell College of Business

College of Education and Professional Studies

College of Engineering

School of Computing

Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions

College of Nursing

The Graduate School

DOCTORAL DEGREES

Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions

College of Nursing

Mitchell College of Business

College of Education and Professional Studies

College of Engineering

College of Arts and Sciences

College of Medicine

School of Computing

The Graduate School

CANDIDATES FOR THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Andrzej Wierzbicki, Ph.D., Dean

Bachelor of Arts

Hodhaifa Ibrahim Alalawi	Shelbey Lynn Esculano	Lacey Victoria Newman
Jessica Erin Allen	Karneisha Rochelle Evans	Nyny Nguyen
Ibraheem Alsinan	Jessica Renè Finneman	Myesha Ayana Noble
Eric Hunter Anderson *	Timothy Caleb Flowers ***	Megan Renee Okuly *
Rachel Andrews ***	George Edward Fowler III * ‡	Denise Nicole Pace
Onyekachukwu Angela Anwah	Heather T. Frederick *	Natasha Noelle Patronskey
Corie Logan Ballard	Haley Elizabeth Garrison	Eliza Jane Peterson
Donald R. Bankhead III	Megan Elizabeth Gibert * ‡‡	Sarah O. Porter
Brittony Barrett Baumunk	Samuel Taylor Gochev *	Andrew Cole Presley
Erin H. Bennett	Shaunna Ashley Goetz *	Sterling Alexandra Pryor *
Hannah Susan Blackburn	Josie Melissa Golden *	Johana Carmen Ramirez **
Mary Blackburn **	Mary Ashley Goodson *	Anna Katherine Reeves
Kiley Elizabeth Blair	Morgan Elizabeth Grissett * ‡	Savannah Marie Riley
Kyle Lee Bland	Christopher D. Guyton	Keegan Danial Robinson
Cameron Semmes Bosarge	Paisley Joy Henning	Zachary Roman
Aprica Shantelle Bradley	Alexandria Grace Hill	Kellie Marie Ryan *
Garrett R. Brown	Dekondra M. Holland	Nelson Lucas Santiago
Kathryn Grace Brown	Katlyn Michelle James	Mikaila E. Scott
Trace Alexander Busby	Tunyong Jaroensriwanit	O'Neal Taylor Session
Grace Deanna Byrd ***	Elizabeth Ann Johnson	Myia Ladasha Smiley
Abigail Victoria Carlson	Terrell A. Jones	Kendall Smith
Alivia Leigh Carter	Kayla Marie Kelley	Sonya Cynethia Smith
Antonia A. Carter	Ainsley N. Kinder	Candise Lynn Spafford
Nicholas Thomas Casperson	Kyler Douglas King	Alyssa Jo Stanek
Erica Breana Chambers	Brooke Gabrielle Koller *	Kaylie Marie Sternberg
Jireh A. Chambers *	Elizabeth Louise Lambert	Patricia Ann Stewart
Arissa Leigh Chappell	Jennifer Ngoc Tuyet Le	Kenneth Stitt, Jr.
Kayleigh Tristan Clark	Alexis Shaiane Lewis	ArJaela Summerlin
Tyler Stephen Monroe Clevenger	Jamesha Meshae Lewis	Kenley Sweet
Callye Anne Cobb	Alaura Katlyn Macpherson	Craig Lamar Taite
Stephen Ellis Cochran, Jr.	Horacio Martinez Gallo	Emily Claire Talbert ** ‡‡
Carly M. Cole	Estaffon D. McCall	Sara Lauren Thomas
Justin M. Crawford	Katie Caroline McClenny	Corliss Leendert Waitman
Aaron James Davey ***	Marissa Nichole McCraney *	Brittany Victoria Warren
Chelsia Ivey Douglas	Jessica Lauren Miller	Danyellia M. West
Sarah Katherine Dvorak **	Curtis Maurice Morgan	Candace Machalene Wilkerson
Abby Alexandra Elkins	Benjamin Paul Morris **	Davina E. Williams
	Traci Denese Nelson **	Melvin Levelle Williams, Jr.
	Stephen Trevor Newhouse II	Kaitlan Renee Wilson

* cum laude

** magna cum laude

*** summa cum laude

‡‡ University Honors College

‡ Departmental Honors

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Carolyn Renee Burkholder *
Katlyn Elizabeth Eller
Chase Joseph Foreman
Katelyn Ashley Gaines
Kenley Madison Havard **
Kayla Leanne Johnson
Lois A. Turner *

Bachelor of Music

David M. Collins *
Olivia R. Drake
Christopher Dean Lebatard
Dustin L. Miller
Cody Lane Morrison *
Carlos Amando Vizoso, Jr. *
Curtis E. Williams **

Bachelor of Science

Kristina Alabastro
Elizabeth Lynn Baker
Kaylyn Cecile Bellais **
Mariah Jean Bennett
James Donald Brunson
Randy J. Bumpers

Laura Ashley Chase
Mark Alan Cochrane, Jr.
Vanessa Johnneigh Dillard
Timothy P. Feeney
Kayla M. Graves
Collin Destin Harris
Jaquanda Monique Harris
Sarah Elizabeth Hogan
Wraychel Renee Hudson
Holly Jill Kilgore *
Shannon Marie Kimmy
Horacio Martinez Gallo
Parker Raley Mason
Kevin Patrick McKeown
Anna Lee McKinney
Carolyn Nichole Mullins
Madison Melissa Murphy
Kim Phuc Nguyen
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Anuar N. Sahori
Brianna D. Santallana
Megan Chestina Seward
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William Alexander Swann *
Misha Natoria Tanner
Edwin Torres

Huy Q. Tran *
My V. Tran
Sharlissa Alisabeth Truett
Jessica Faith Walroth **
Tammie Mersadiez Valenthia Ward
Robert Jordan Wescovich **
William Hunt Westbrook *
Brittney Jewel Yates

Bachelor of Social Work

Toni Kristina Belle
Joslyn Loretha Bilbo
Steffany Louise Brown *
Thezora Vonchelle Cheatham
Reagan Caroline Frost **
Sophia Grant
Jeffrey Lamar Hall
Alanna Irene Johnson **
Miesha G. Lee *
Karla Marie Isabel McCarthy *
Jessica Cearra Ogle
Keandra Elaine Smith **
Stephanie Alise Steele ***
Nicole Marie Turner *
Larry Lane Vahle *
Elizabeth Zezulka-Byers

* cum laude

** magna cum laude

*** summa cum laude

‡‡ University Honors College

‡ Departmental Honors

MITCHELL COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Bob G. Wood, Ph.D., Dean

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Shawn Patrick Adams
Kyle Thomas Allen ***
Namareq Almutairi
Fares Khalifa Alneyadi
Jonathan Bradford Ashley
Jere Austill IV *
Tia L. Austin
Nicholas J. Barton
Brandon Jacob Beaugez
Angela Boloni *
Christopher Barron Bowman, Jr.
Ebony J. Bradley
Jenna Kimberly Brown
Matthew Simon Campbell
Hayley R. Carlton
Steven S. Cates
Tucker S. Chandler *
Xuan Thanh Chau
Dianne J. Crachy
Wells Braddock Davis
Diven R. Desai *
Molly Marie Dixon
Madison L. Douville ***
Anna Michelle Dudley
Derrick Phillip Ervin, Jr.
Benjamin Chase Fillingim
Daniel H. Fillingim
George Edward Fowler III *

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Parker Anderson Godwin
Jacquelyn Rachelle Goff
Hailey Nicoel Golden
Kyle William Goldsmith
Amanda Marie Goodwin
James Allen Gosnell
Amy Leigh Griffis
James R. Hall IV
Major LaQuan Harris
Samuel Lisle Harris
Johne Rashelle Hunt
Mohammad Rakibul Islam
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Jessica Cecelia Mims

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Ryan Naif Moore
Carolyn Nichole Mullins
Gregory Keith Murphy, Jr.
Kabira Amatun-Nur Mustafa
Hunter O'Neil Newburn
Grace C. Ouwenga ***
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Caroline Elizabeth Peevy
Mignone Abigail Perry ***
Sarah Gayle Peters
Joseph Pledger
Lauren L. Quinley
Jakaria Janiece Ramjus
Haley Brianna Rodriguez
Dallas C. Russell
Matthew William Scelsi **
Deanna M. Slater
Charlie L. Staten, Jr.
Taylor Brooke Sullivan
Elizabeth Grace Taylor
Rochelle Y. Thompson
Katelyn Nicole Tilton
Ashton Taylor Tucker
Phu Tuong Vo
Tamaren J. Ward
Anthony Philip Wilson
Chengkun Zhuo

* cum laude

** magna cum laude

*** summa cum laude

** University Honors College

‡ Departmental Honors

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Andrea M. Kent, Ph.D., Dean

Bachelor of Arts

Mychella Sharell Armstead
Sofia Coleman
Jennifer Ann Filkins
Heather L. Heiskell
Lisa Shawnette Johnson
D'Tavleus D'Neil Taylor
Jena Marie Turner
Tyree Montel Vines
Sara J. Wade

Bachelor of Science

Jada N. Allen
David Louis Anderegg III
Victoria Marie Armstrong
Janie Renae Arnold *
Carlysia V. Barren
Ashtyn Marie Bellais *
Hayleigh Renae Bosarge
Ashley Nicole Brown
Megan Elizabeth Brown ***
Madeline McCain Browne
Kristie Lynn Bullock **
Alana Morgan Chasteen **
Rebecca Ann Cook
Emorie Marie Côté
Shamond Antonio Curtis
Claudia Susana David
Danielle N. Davidson ***
Calley Amber Davis
Makenzie Rose-Lynn Dunning **
Jasmine Tioni Easley
Marilyn R. Edwards
Benjamin Elmore
Anthony Joseph Esposito, Jr.
Allison Noel Fain
Megan Baird Finley
Marice Devon Fluellen II
Maaseiah Francis

Reid Frazier
Barbara Annette Friedrich *
Alexandra Katlin Gambaro *
Caleb Christopher Gorum
Carla Renea Gover *
Harris Green
Joshua A. Grove
Nina Maria Hannah-Wansley
James Blakely Herman
Kristen Brooke Herman
Devyn Raine Heuer
Jaleigha Symone Hightower
Sarah-Margaret Freeman Hill
Lauren Kaye Holsenbeck ***
Haley Nicole Hrabovsky **
Elizabeth Ann Hunter
Edward Dewayne Jackson
Tasheena Jacques *
Tiombe Ollamaria James
Anna Elizabeth Jennings
Jeannine Frances Johnson
Terence Teray Jones
Hudson Monroe Jordan
Justen H. Kinder
Courtney Amanda King
Katie Nicole Landry ***
DeAsia Monet Lee
Alexandra M. Lilly **
Marcus Arnez Linson
Katelyn Karole Lochner **
DJaKayla Madise
Jaylin Alexandra Marchman
Ashley Paige Mathis
Stephanie McBride *
Holly Brooke McCraney ***
Sarah Michelle Milbrath *
Kandise Miller
Darian J. Mills
Trhae Maurice Mitchell
Gayle King Moore
Allison Marie Morgan **

Rhyanna Motter
Lauren Collier Munday
Kristin Sheree Nolan
Katherine Marie O'Leary ***
Kathleen Kirkpatrick Ollis
Sequoyah Chanel Padelford *
Brianna Nicole Parker **
Troy Paulson
Glisa Lou B. Peralta
Alexandra Paige Pinzone
Shanette Desiree Pritchett
Shaniqua Dy shee Rabb
Olivia Camille Ralston
Ramone D. Reed
Cheyenne Rudowski **
Mary Victoria Schumann
Elizabeth Ann Seaman *
Baylea Elizabeth Seymour **
Dejha Brianna Shack
Ashley McKenzie Shields
Shelby Katlynn Smith
Andrew William Smith, Jr.
Savannah Erin Stein
Kaitlyn Joy Stewart **
Kenton L. St. John
Philip Daniel Tait
Jahmmir Taylor
Alona Nicole Thompson
Jessica Nicole Thompson
Abby Rose Tincher
Kaleigh Morgan Todd *
Payton Louise Vaughan **
Sean Joseph Vidensek
Melissa Warren
Crystal Nicole Washam
Danna M. Whitehead
Lindsey Jane Whitehead
Rylee Katen Williams
Alexis Jordan Worrell

* cum laude

** magna cum laude

*** summa cum laude

‡‡ University Honors College

‡ Departmental Honors

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

John W. Steadman, Ph.D., Dean

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

John M. Bell
Melanie Clare Olsen

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Martín Antonio Aguirre
Ali Al Hashil
Ali Gasem Alshehri
Leanne Elizabeth Bass
Hamad Alyami
Hunter Allen Franklin
Jennifer L. Johnson
Cory A. Judkins
William Mark Knesal
Khahlil M. Williams

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

Abdulrahman Badawy Alzubaidy
James Saribot Chan
Jordan Day
Jon W. Hagwood
Spencer K. Massey *
Billy J. McAllister
Kysa A. Robinson
Matthew Alan Strobel
Nicholas Burke Strong **
Jason Paul Utesch, Jr.
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Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Hamad Rakan H. Al Jafer
Rami Mohammed Alhaddad
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Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Mauricio Douyon Cole
Slater Allen Dozier *
Alexander Kenneth Ferguson **
Hayden Michael Fulwood
John Michael Gash, Jr.
Sherman E. Hill, Jr.
Erin M. McKee
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enduring throughout time,
Upward, onward may your fame
continue in its climb.*

*So with thy blessings now send us
pray that highest be our aim,
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