

Commencement

# LENOIR-RHYNE UNIVERSITY

2025

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Lenoir-Rhyne University was founded in 1891 and is a private, Lutheran, coeducational university with its primary campus in Hickory, North Carolina. Academic programs include more than 50 undergraduate majors and 20 graduate programs. Other campus locations include the Center for Graduate Studies of Asheville, North Carolina; and the Center for Graduate Studies of Columbia, South Carolina. Today, more than 2,200 undergraduate and graduate students are enrolled across all campuses. Lenoir-Rhyne is affiliated with the North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and welcomes students from all religious backgrounds. The website is **www.lr.edu**.

### Purpose

In pursuit of the development of the whole person, Lenoir-Rhyne seeks to liberate mind and spirit, clarify personal faith, foster physical wholeness, build a sense of community and promote responsible leadership for service in the world.

As an institution of the North Carolina Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the University holds the conviction that wholeness of personality, true vocation and the most helpful service to God and the world are best discerned from the perspective of Christian faith.

As a community of learning, the University provides undergraduate, graduate and continuing study programs committed to the liberal arts and sciences as a foundation for various careers and guidance for a meaningful life.

### The Presidential Medallion and Chain of Office

The Presidential Medallion and Chain of Office were updated for the Inauguration of Lenoir-Rhyne's twelfth president, Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D. The Medallion is the University seal engraved in antique brass incorporating the University colors. The Presidential Medallion hangs from a 36-inch chain that reflects the history of Lenoir-Rhyne University. Attached to the chain are engraved seals of Lenoir College as well as Lenoir-Rhyne College. In addition, the Chain of Office includes gold leaflets with four engraved curved banners below the historical seals reflecting the core values of the University, which are Integrity, Curiosity, Care and Excellence. Four engraved curved banners are located above the historical seals and reflect the leadership principles of President Whitt, and include Compassion, Engagement, Trust and Faith.

Katherine F. McKenzie '69, former Lenoir-Rhyne University Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, provided the gift to the University for the new Presidential Medallion and Chain of Office. The Medallion and Chain of Office are part of the academic regalia worn by the President of the University.

### The Academic Mace

The Academic Mace, a traditional symbol of authority and immunity from outside interference at colleges and universities worldwide, descends from the medieval battle mace and the regal scepter. The two ancient instruments were combined to form a ceremonial staff symbolizing the "immortal dignity" of academic institutions and are traditionally carried by the school marshal.

The Lenoir-Rhyne University Mace, 28 inches long, is fashioned of North Carolina's state wood, black walnut. Topping the mace is the University seal in gold plate framed by four extensions of sterling silver which symbolize a cross and the institution's relationship to the church. Below the seal and cross is suspended in sterling silver a flame-like sphere representing learning and knowledge. At the base of the mace is mounted a cross, also of sterling silver.

The mace is a 1974 gift from two Lenoir-Rhyne professors, Laura B. Clayton and William H. Shuford.

### The Academic Regalia

Of all the traditions associated with collegiate education, the wearing of academic regalia is one of the oldest and perhaps least understood. Formal academic dress has been worn, often required daily, in European colleges and universities since 1321. In contrast to today, the regalia may have provided needed insulation against the damp cold of unheated medieval classrooms and libraries. The first code on academic costumes in America was devised at a conference at Columbia University in 1895 and was based upon the academic costume in use at Oxford University. The American Council on Education appointed committees to review this code in 1932 and again in 1959. The academic regalia seen on campus today meets the requirements of the Academic Costume Code published in 1960.

Gowns for those with bachelor's degrees have pointed sleeves, those with master's degrees wear oblong sleeves, and holders of doctoral degrees wear bell-shaped sleeves. Most gowns are black, but there are some exceptions: those with degrees from Columbia University are authorized to wear blue gowns; Dartmouth College, green; Harvard, Cornell and others, red. Gowns of those with doctoral degrees have velvet facing on the front and three velvet stripes on each sleeve. This velvet may be black or colored to indicate the field of study in which the doctorate was awarded. The most common ones are listed below:

Arts & Letters / Humanities	White	Library Science	Lemon
Business Administration	Drab	Medicine	Kelly Green
Communication / Journalism	Crimson	Music	Pink
Counseling / Education	Light Blue	Nursing	Apricot
Divinity / Theology	Scarlet	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Economics	Copper	Physical Science	Sage Green
Fine Arts	Brown	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Law / Jurisprudence	Purple	Science / Mathematics	Gold
Occupational Therapy	Slate Blue		

The most informative part of the regalia is the academic hood worn around the neck. The hoods of those receiving or holding bachelor's degrees are three feet in length. Master's hoods are three and one-half feet long, while doctoral hoods are four feet in length with panels on each side. The edge of the hood is bound with velvet in the color appropriate to the subject in which the degree was earned (as listed above). The lining of the hood shows the official colors of the institution which granted the degree.

The standard academic cap is appropriately known as a mortarboard. Some American universities award caps used by foreign universities that have varied appearances. The tassel may be black, colored as above, or gold in the case of those with doctoral degrees.

#### **Commencement Stoles**

In addition to the cap and gown, Lenoir-Rhyne undergraduates are wearing a stole in LR red, embroidered with the official seal of the University. The stole was created in 2017 for the Inauguration of Lenoir-Rhyne's twelfth president, Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D. It was used figuratively at the Inauguration Prayer Service at Grace Chapel to bind the hands of the President to the University. The first graduates to wear this stole were members of the Class of 2018.

### The University Bell

The "Old Bell" was first used at Lenoir-Rhyne in 1891 to call together the campus community for dinner. It was last used for its original purpose in 1961 by P.W. (Elsie) Deaton. We again use the "Old Bell" to ring in each new year and to ring out each graduating class. Five tolls of the bell symbolize the five academic classes: Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior and Graduate.

### Honorary Degree

Each year, following a nomination process, the Lenoir-Rhyne Board of Trustees approves awards to be bestowed on persons of outstanding character and service at Commencement. Honorary doctorate degrees are awarded to persons who have a) distinguished themselves for scholarship or literary achievement, b) won professional or other distinction, or c) rendered conspicuous service in a particular field.

#### Madeleine S. Dassow

Doctor of Humane Letters

A 1975 graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne University with a Bachelor of Education, Madeleine Dassow has dedicated her life to education and service. As a student at LR, she was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority and the Student North Carolina Association of Educators. Following her master's degree in education from UNC-Greensboro, Madeleine excelled as an educator in North Carolina for many years.

Madeleine has always found time for extensive volunteer work. She has made significant contributions to the Girl Scouts Tarheel Council, the Greensboro Preservation Society, and her alma mater, Lenoir-Rhyne University. At LR, Madeleine has served as a member of the Board of Trustees for 10 consecutive years and has served as the chair of the board for the past seven years. During her time as chair, she provided oversight for the university's strategic plan, supported the university through the COVID pandemic, and played an instrumental role in the plan to relocate Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary (LTSS) to the Hickory campus.

Madeleine recently chaired the search committee for LR's 13th president, Dr. Summer McGee, and was a member of the search committee that hired President Whitt in 2016. In addition, Madeleine is co-chairing the committee for LR's comprehensive campaign, which is in the silent phase of a \$90 million goal. Madeleine also has served as a member of the Alumni Board and the Board of Visitors.

Iin 2018, Madeleine and her husband, Duane, whom she met at LR, made the lead gift for the Dassow University Commons, a vital space housing the Alumni House and the President's Residence. Madeleine and Duane reside in Greensboro, North Carolina, and are the proud parents of two adult children, Patrick and Kelly, and two grandchildren.

### Fritz Honors College

LR's new Fritz Honors College, founded in fall 2023 with a generous gift from Rob '76 and Kathy Fritz, is a collaborative, diverse, and inclusive community of motivated learners and doers pursuing high-level innovative intellectual, personal, and professional development. The Fritz Honors College unites current Engaged Scholars, Honors Academy members, and Lineberger Fellows, and in fall 2024 will welcome its first new cohort of incoming students. Fritz Honors College members are recognized in the program by an asterisk (\*) after their names.

### Bear Bucket List

Started in 2024, the Bear Bucket List encourages students to make the most of their time as an LR Bear. The list consists of 20 items that students may encounter organically as they journey through Lenoir-Rhyne. For every five items completed, students can select a special Bear Bucket List pin. Completing all twenty items earns them the exclusive Bear Bucket List medallion, which features an engraving of "The Charge" statue, a symbol of Bear pride on campus. The Office of Alumni Engagement proudly welcomes the graduates of this class to the Alumni Association and extends special congratulations to those who completed the Bear Bucket List, as they exemplify high engagement, participation, and the true essence of being a Lenoir-Rhyne Bear.

### For the Audience

#### **Inclement Weather Protocols**

If weather interrupts the event on the field after it has begun:

- An announcement will be made if it becomes necessary to delay the ceremony.
- If severe weather occurs, the ceremony may need to be canceled.

#### Additional Announcements

Members of the audience are requested to stand as the academic procession enters and remain standing until after the prayer.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, you are requested to remain in place until the academic procession has exited.

Photos / videos may be taken from individual seats and from the designated area to the left of the stage. At the Hickory commencement, Photo Specialties will photograph each graduate receiving their diploma, and photos will be posted online at **photospecialties.com**. Once the images are processed, the company will send every graduate an individual link to view the photos and place an order. There is no obligation to buy. If there are questions or concerns, please contact Photo Specialties at 919.967.9576 or info@photospecialties.com.

Students, who are confirmed by the University Registrar to have six hours or less to complete degree requirements and who have met all other requirements for graduation, may participate in Commencement. In these cases, the actual conferral of the diploma is withheld until all degree requirements are completed. Students who participate in the ceremony prior to degree completion are not recognized for any academic honors that require final completion of degree requirements.

The Commencement ceremony can be livestreamed at lr.edu/commencement.

Each graduate will receive an email a few days following the ceremony with a personalized video of them walking across the stage. This will be sent to your LR email address.

### Student Marshals

Alexa Allison	Hannah Jones	Lauren Reid
Dani Jaida Ansari	Connor Lachesky	Anna Russell
Chasity Atwell	Madison Marlowe	Zachary Salo
Karagen Bailey	Citlalli Martinez-Guerrero	Taylor Sawyer
Cem Bedward	Makenzie McConnell	Dallas Seagle
Lydia Boone-Crowley	Mason Mitchell	Madalyn Shepherd
Kara Bryant	Emily Moose	Homer Drexel Short
Jeremiah Cockman	Laura Moose	Avery Webb
William Dunaway	Jada Norris	
Maggie Hudson	Avelyn Paulino	

### Asheville Faculty Representatives

Jordan Austin, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Counseling

Laura Hope-Gill, MFA Associate Professor of Writing, Director of Thomas Wolfe Center for Narrative Tunay Oguz, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Economics MBA Coordinator

John Brzorad, Ph.D. Professor of Biology Director of Reese Institute

### Columbia Faculty Representatives

Lesly James, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy

### Hickory Faculty Representatives

Julie Covington, Ed.D. Associate Professor of Nutrition and Dietetics Director of the Dietetic Internship Program

Neal Gray, PhD Professor of Counseling

Keith Leiting, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Health, Exercise and Sport Science

Kimberly Price, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Public Health & Director of the Master of Public Health Program

Tunay Oguz, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Economics MBA Coordinator Paula Swindle, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Counseling Chair-School of Counseling and Human Services

Kerry Thompson, PhD Dean-College of Health Sciences

Tabitha Toney, PhD Associate Professor of Nursing Chair, School of Nursing

Christina Walker, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Leadership

Stephanie Woodard, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Education

Lenoir-Rhyne University confers degrees three times per year – August, December and May – but only has one commencement ceremony. The celebration program is meant to be a guide to the ceremonies. Although every effort has been made to ensure its accuracy, the program is not an official record of an individual's degree status. The Office of the Registrar of the University maintains the official list of all graduates.

# Lenoir-Rhyne University Columbia Graduate Commencement Program Class of 2025 May 8, 2025, 10 a.m.

Prelude	"Night Watch"	Anthony Holborne from Pavanes, Galliards, Almaines and other Short Airs
*Processional	"Trumpet Tune and Ayre"	Henry Purcell arr. Timothy Phillips
		<b>Christopher Nigrelli, DMA</b> Professor of Music Brass Ensemble Conductor
*Ringing of the University Bell		<b>Lesly James, Ph.D.</b> Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy
Special Music	"For Good"	Stephen Schwarts (b. 1948)
		Alexandria McNeely '19, Soprano
		<b>Jeana Borman, M.M.</b> Accompanist and Collaborative Artist of Piano
*Scripture and Prayer	The R	everend Todd Cutter '96, M.A. '00, M.Div. '04 University Pastor, Director of Spiritual Life Director of Counseling Services
Greetings and Remarks		<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President
Introduction of Speakers		<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President
Remarks from Graduates		Georgia Summer, M.S. '25
Presentation of Graduates		<b>Jennifer L. Burris, Ph.D.</b> University Provost
Hooding and Conferring of Degrees		<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President
Assisted By		<b>Harry Titus, Ed.D.</b> Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Dean of Students

#### Madeleine S. Dassow '75 Board of Trustees Chair

Michael McGee, Ed.D. Assistant Provost of Graduate Education

> Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D. University President

\*Lenoir-Rhyne Alma Mater

**Closing Comments** 

"Fair Star of Caroline"

John C. Seegers, Jr. / Frederick Stanley Smith

Alma Mater Fair star of Caroline, our college glorious, Our college loved by all, to thee we sing. May she forever shine, clear and bright, victorious. To her our song of loyalty we bring.

(Refrain) Fling wide the red and black, O sing aloud her praises! This is the song we sing, Lenoir-Rhyne, to thee!

Fair star of Caroline, our Alma Mater, Our college best of all in this broad land. Thou best beloved of every son and every daughter, Thy children hail thy name on every hand. (Refrain)

\*Closing Prayer

#### The Reverend Todd Cutter '96, M.A. '00, M.Div. '04

University Pastor, Director of Spiritual Life Director of Counseling Services

\*Recessional

"Seventeen Come Sunday"

Ralph Vaughan Williams arr. Jari Villanueva

# Lenoir-Rhyne University Hickory Undergraduate and Graduate Commencement Program Class of 2025 May 9, 2025, 6 p.m.

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Prelude	"AYO"	Katahi Copley	
*Processional	"Crown Imperial"	William Walton arr. Jay Bocook	
		Spirit of LR Percussion and Herald Trumpets Christopher Nigrelli, DMA Professor of Music	
University Mace Banner		<b>Joshua Ring, Ph.D.</b> Professor of Chemistry 2024–2025 Roediger Distinguished Service Professor	
University Banner Bearer	2024-	<b>Judy Moore, Ph.D.</b> Retired Professor of Biology -2025 Raymond Morris Bost Distinguished Professor	
*Ringing of the University Bell		Jose Rico Martinez, B.A. '25 Senior Class Representative	
*Invocation		The Reverend Timothy M. Smith, D.Min. Bishop of the North Carolina Synod, ELCA	
*National Anthem		LR Wind Ensemble	
Special Music	"Good Trouble"	Music by Thomas Keesecker	
		The Lenoir-Rhyne College Singers	
		<b>Ryan Luhrs, Ph.D.</b> Associate Professor of Music, Conductor	
Greetings and Remarks		<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President	
Introduction of Speakers		<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President	
Remarks from Graduates		LeAna Barlowe, M.S. '25 Daniel Dominguez, M.A. '25 Isaac Riggs, B.S. '25	
Presentation of Graduates		<b>Jennifer L. Burris, Ph.D.</b> University Provost	

**Conferring of Doctoral Degrees** 

Conferring of Master's Degrees

**Conferring of Bachelor's Degrees** 

Assisted By

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Jennifer L. Burris, Ph.D. University Provost

Dawn Behrend, MLS

Dean of University Libraries Faculty Senate Secretary

Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.

University President

Several graduates are distinguished academically by a cord worn around their necks. The various colors signify the following: white - Honors Academy; maroon - program honors; gold - summa cum laude; silver - magna cum laude; bronze - cum laude

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Dmitri Shostakovich

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		<b>Christopher Nigrelli, DMA</b> Professor of Music Brass Ensemble Conductor
*Ringing of the University Bell		<b>Michael McGee, Ed.D.</b> Assistant Provost of Graduate Education
Special Music	"For Good"	Stephen Schwarts (b. 1948)
		Alexandria McNeely '19, Soprano
		<b>Jeana Borman, M.M.</b> Accompanist and Collaborative Artist of Piano
*Opening Prayer	The Reve	e <b>rend Todd Cutter '96, M.A. '00, M.Div. '04</b> University Pastor, Director of Spiritual Life
Greetings and Remarks		Director of Counseling Services <b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President
Introduction of Speakers		<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President
Remarks from Graduates		Haley McGuinn Edwards, M.A. '25
Presentation of Graduates		<b>Jennifer L. Burris, Ph.D.</b> University Provost
Conferring of Degree Posthumously	Kirk Watson, M.A. '25	<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President
Hooding and Conferring of Degrees		<b>Frederick K. Whitt, Ed.D.</b> University President

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# IK DOCTORAL DEGREE CANDIDATES

### DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

EGGERS, SIERRA MICHELLE (HKY) Morganton, NC

GRIMM, HALEY TRIVETTE (HKY) Mocksville, NC

HALL, JESSICA CHANDLER (HKY) Kannapolis, NC

HUBBARD, CLAIRE (HKY) Asheville, NC

(HKY) Charlotte, NC

Hickory, NC

LINENS, AUTUMN BROOKE HALL (HKY) Morganton, NC

MACCHIA, MAKENZIE YOUNG (HKY) Hudson, NC

MALLARD, ALYSSA (HKY) Valdese, NC

MARCO, KATHLEEN (HKY) Salt Lake City, UT

MCDOWELL, LOGAN A. (HKY) Connelly Spg, NC

STEPHENS, MADISEN (HKY) Hickory, NC

STRICKLAND, BETTY KAYLA (HKY) Pembroke, NC

SWANN, JAHNIS LAMASIA (HKY) Concord, NC

TRUESDALE, KELLYE RAJA (HKY) Charlotte, NC

WHEELER, KENLEA (HKY) Morganton, NC

ADAMS, CHELSEY BROOKE (HKY) Morganton, NC

BRYAN, SHARON HOLLIFIELD (HKY) Salisbury, NC

DI NATALE, MELISSA ANN (HKY) Statesville, NC

FRALEY, CAROLINE ANNETTE WATTS

OGRODOWCZYK, KERRY DAVIS (HKY)

#### MASTER OF ARTS

### Christian Ministry

BURKE, KEVIN (HKY) Irmo, SC South Carolina Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

HNIN, LAI CUNG (HKY) Yanngon, Myanmar Baptist

MCSPADDEN, LYNETTE (HKY) Front Royal, VA Virginia Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

WATSON-SUMMEROUR, BROOKE (HKY) Charlotte, NC North Carolina Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

### Clinical Mental Health Counseling

ALEXANDER, VICTORIA (HKY) Harmony, NC

ANDERSON, JULEE MAE (HKY) Sherrills Ford, NC

ARCHER, BRADLEY JAMES (AVL) Asheville, NC

BAKER, ALEX (AVL) Asheville, NC

BERNATH, JULIE ANNE (HKY) Charlotte, NC BERNER, LAURA (AVL) Asheville, NC

BUSTLE, ADRIANNA JOLIE (HKY) Harmony, NC

CARPENTER, CHIARA (AVL) Albemarle, NC

COATS, EMILY SUZAN (AVL) Asheville, NC

COBY, JENNIFER ANNE (AVL) Fairview, NC

COLBERT, LAUREN (AVL) Asheville, NC

**CROWDER, JOSH (AVL)** Weaverville, NC

DAVIS, LEAH D. (AVL) Fairview, NC

DEHART, M. TODD (AVL) Asheville, NC

DOMINGUEZ, DANIEL LUCIO (HKY) Winston-Salem, NC

DRIVER, ANN MARIE (AVL) Weaverville, NC

DRIVER, W. TRAVIS (HKY) Salisbury, NC

EASON, JORDAN (HKY) Charlotte, NC

EDWARDS, HALEY MCGUINN (AVL) Asheville, NC ENGEBRETSON, MARK JOHN (AVL) Barnardsville, NC

FELTNER, JESSICA TAYLOR (AVL) Mauldin, SC

FERGUSON, EMILIE (AVL) Arden, NC

FIELDS, DEVIONNE (HKY) Huntersville, NC

FREIBURG, CONRAD (AVL) Hendersonvlle, NC

GARCIA, ROSARIO BESAIDA (HKY) Conover, NC

GELIN, KD (AVL) Woodfin, NC

GIBSON-MOFFETT, KENDA JAMELL (HKY) Troutman, NC

HAMILTON, ROBERT (HKY) Springfield, VA

HARRISON, JULIA (AVL) Ashevile, NC

HATTON, SARAH A. (AVL) Asheville, NC

HEATH, SHELLEY (AVL) Brevard, NC

HELTON, HEATHER TENNILE (HKY) Granite Falls, NC

HIOTT, EMMA DANIELLE (HKY) Locust, NC

HOWE, SIERRA SKY (HKY) Winston-Salem, NC

HUFF, JESSICA MICHELLE (HKY) Statesville, NC

JACOMET, JOSH (HKY) Durham, NC

JONES, STEVIE (AVL) Asheville, NC

JORDAN, HARRISON (HKY) Mooresville, NC

KIRKLEY, NATHAN DALE (AVL) Black Mountain, NC

KLUTTZ, MADISON HOPE MCSWAIN (AVL) Marion, NC

LANGSTAFF, BEX (AVL) Asheville, NC

LEAPLEY, SYDNEY ELIZABETH (HKY) North Wilkesboro, NC

LENAU, KAYLA (COL) Greenville, SC

LIPFORD, QUILISHA (HKY) Lenoir, NC

MATTHEWS, MARISSA (HKY) Charlotte, NC

MOHLER, LANDRA JEAN (HKY) Statesville, NC MORRIS, SCOTT (AVL) Asheville, NC

MURRAY, LINDSAY (AVL) Asheville, NC

OLBERZ, KRISTEN (AVL) Asheville, NC

PARKER, SANDRA (COL) Conover, NC

PEARCE, MARY ELLEN (AVL) Charlotte, NC

PHILLIPS, BART (AVL) Arden, NC

PRICE HUNT, HOLLY (HKY) Conover, NC

QUERIAPA, ASHLEE LAURA (AVL) Marion, NC

RAUSCH, TRINITY (HKY) Hickory, NC

ROHE, KYLA KATHLEEN (AVL) Cbyde, NC

SACHS, KATHERINE (AVL) Asheville, NC

SIGMON, GETTYS ROSE (HKY) Hickory, NC

SIPPERLY, EDEN MARIE (AVL) Asheville, NC

**ST. JOHN, ETHAN (AVL)** Asheville, NC STRAUSS, HOLLY MARIE (HKY) Hickory, NC

SUDDRETH, WHITNEY DANELLE (HKY) Statesville, NC

TOWE, INGLIS (AVL) Asheville, NC

VINZANT, KOLTON (AVL) Greeley, CO

WATSON, KIRK (AVL) Asheville, NC

WEBER, GRETA (AVL) Asheville, NC

WILLIAMS, SHARON LYNN (HKY) Charlotte, NC

YAWN, ASHLEY (AVL) Arden, NC

ZULAK, KANDACE LECHEL (AVL) Mars Hill, NC

#### Human Services

BARES, DAVID FRANKLIN (HKY) Hickory, NC

BOLICK, HUNTER (COL) Hickory, NC

BURNS, PEYTON LYNAE (AVL) Hildebran, NC

HILL, MARZ (COL) Berkeley, CA

JOHNSON, DENNIS O. (HKY) Gastonia, NC

JOHNSON, LATOYA WILMORE (HKY) Gastonia, NC

KOLE, JUSTIN (COL) Hendersonvlle, NC

LANE, JOANNE WELLS (COL) Germanton, NC

MILLER, MARIA LYNN (COL) Hickory, NC

PETER, KALEE (COL) Carroll, IA

QUINN, LAURA (AVL) Hickory, NC

#### Leadership

CARRILLO, MARTHA MARIANA (AVL) Hickory, NC

CAUSBY, ASHLEY (AVL) Lenoir, NC

CLIFFORD, DAWSON ELIZABETH (AVL) Hickory, NC

DUVAL, REAGHAN ALEXIS (AVL) Waxhaw, NC

LOGAN, MORGAN ASHLEY (AVL) Hickory, NC

MARSHBURN, JAMES CLAYTON (AVL) Butner, NC

SAVAGE, JR., DAMIEN (HKY) Orlando, FL SCHREIBER, CORIE CHRISTINE (AVL) Hudson, NC

SHERRILL, MARY ELLEN STEPHENS (HKY) Hickory, NC

STRATEMEYER, CAITLIN NICOLE (AVL) Hickory, NC

#### **School Counseling**

ALEXANDER, VICTORIA (HKY) Harmony, NC

ANDERS, ZACHARY (HKY) Hickory, NC

CARPENTER, AVERY LAUREN (HKY) Hickory, NC

CRUZ-NAVA, MELISSA (HKY) Hickory, NC

DEAN, LOGAN ABERNETHY (HKY) Lincolnton, NC

FERRO, MATTHEW (HKY) Cherryville, NC

FREDRICKSON, ANNA (AVL) Hendersonville, NC

HARRELL, NANCY E. SILLS (HKY) Cary, NC

ORANTES FORERO, SARA (HKY) Hickory, NC

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## **GRADUATES WITH HONORS**

#### Academic Distinctions

Students with cumulative averages of 3.9 or higher (where A equals 4.0) graduate summa cum laude. If the average is at least 3.6 but less than 3.9, the degree is granted magna cum laude. Those students with cumulative averages of at least 3.4 but less than 3.6 graduate cum laude. One gold cord is worn around the neck by summa cum laude graduates, one silver cord is worn by magna cum laude and one bronze cord is worn by cum laude graduates.

#### Broyhill Institute for Leadership

The Broyhill Institute for Leadership fosters and develops the skills necessary for students and graduates of Lenoir-Rhyne University to become effective leaders in business and professional communities with the ability to adapt to future innovations. Students who have solid academic accomplishments and leadership interests and aptitudes are identified to become members of the Broyhill Leaders student organization. Students are expected to use their leadership skills responsibly and ethically to make a positive difference in the world.

#### **Engaged Scholars**

The Engaged Scholars Program promotes undergraduate students' participation in forms of academic development, active learning and leadership development that extend beyond the traditional classroom. An engaged scholar is recognized for achieving specified levels of attainment over a series of specific learning activities — some curricular and some co-curricular — that substantially involves serious experiential learning designed to promote greater self-ownership and personal understanding of learning. The Engaged Scholars wear a bronze engraved medallion with a maroon ribbon.

#### Honors Academy

As invited members of the Honors Academy Program, academy graduates have maintained the highest academic standards while serving as leaders on campus and in the community. They are recognized for their creativity, commitment to service and scholarly achievements by wearing a white cord.

#### **Program Honors**

Degree recipients who graduate with honors in their major are those who, at faculty invitation, have engaged in special honors course study and have written and successfully defended an undergraduate thesis in an oral examination. In some majors, the thesis requirement is satisfied in the form of a play written or directed, or a recital performed, for which there are audio or videotapes as permanent record. They are recognized by wearing a maroon cord.

#### Lineberger Fellows

The Lineberger Fellows program recognizes, supports and celebrates the many achievements of highly motivated and talented Lenoir-Rhyne University students. The program, which invites students in their first year, accomplishes this by preparing Lineberger Fellows to become more competitive applicants for post-graduate fellowships, awards and exceptional employment opportunities. They wear a bronze engraved medallion with a maroon ribbon.

#### **Teaching Scholars**

The Teaching Scholars program is a university-wide scholarship initiative which supports the recruitment, retention and development of future teacher leaders. Students selected for the program are recognized for their academic excellence, leadership ability and commitment to the profession of teaching. LR Teaching Scholars participate in comprehensive educational and service experiences to enhance their preparation as public-school educators. Teaching Scholars wear light blue cords.

### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETIES

#### Alpha Lambda Delta

The Alpha Lambda Delta national honor society's purpose is to encourage superior academic achievement among students in their first year in institutions of higher education, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning and to assist students in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their roles in society.

#### Mortar Board

Mortar Board is a national honor society that recognizes college seniors for their achievements in scholarship, leadership and service; provides opportunities for continued leadership development; promotes service to colleges and universities; and encourages lifelong contributions to the global community.

These awards and others were previously announced at the Academic Awards Ceremony.