



# DAVIDSON COLLEGE

## Commencement 2024

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IN THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR OF

# DAVIDSON COLLEGE

SUNDAY, MAY TWELFTH, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR  
AT TEN O'CLOCK

Douglas A. Hicks  
*President of Davidson College*  
Presiding

9:45 a.m. .... Prelude  
The North Carolina Brass Band and Davidson College Brass Ensemble Members  
William David Lawing '73, *Guest Conductor*

#### ACADEMIC PROCESSION FORMS

10:00 a.m. .... Processional  
*Festival Te Deum* .... Marc Antoine Charpentier  
arr. James Curnow

*Crown Imperial* .... William Walton  
arr. Phillip Littlemore

*The Earle of Oxford's March* .... William Byrd  
arr. Philip Sparke

(Audience stands as procession enters the back row of seats.)

#### OPENING BLESSING

Daniel Heath  
*Associate Chaplain and Director of the Davidson Forum*

#### A HYMN OF PRAISE

*Now in the Days of Youth* .... Walter J. Mathams

I.	III.
Now in the days of youth, when life flows fresh and free, Thou Lord of all our hearts and lives, we give ourselves to Thee; Our fervent gift receive, and fit us to fulfill, Through all our days, in all our ways, our Heavenly Father's will.	Teach us to love the true, the beautiful and pure, And let us not for one short hour an evil thought endure. But give us grace to stand decided, brave and strong, The lovers of all holy things, the foes of all things wrong.

II.	IV.
Teach us, where'er we live, to act as in Thy sight, And do what Thou wouldst have us do with radiant delight; Not choosing what is great, nor spurning what is small, But take as from Thy hands our tasks, and glorify them all.	Spirit of God, do Thou our first bright days inspire, That we may live the life of love and loftiest desire; And be by Thee prepared for larger years to come, And for the life ineffable within the Father's home.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Emma Hope Melton '24

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMARKS..... President Hicks

#### AWARDS

Algernon Sydney Sullivan Awards—Byron P. McCrae  
*Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students*

Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Awards—President Hicks

Honorary degrees—President Hicks  
Douglas M. Orr, Jr., Doctor of Letters  
Porter Alexander Halyburton, Doctor of Humane Letters

First Honors—Shelley E. Rigger  
*Vice President for Academic Affairs/Dean of Faculty and Brown Professor of Asian Politics*

Class Gift—Daisy Johanna Hoover  
*President, Class of 2024*

ANTHEM

*My Spirit Sang All Day* .....Gerald Finzi  
(1901–1956)

Davidson College Chorale  
Renata Berlin, *Director of Choral Activities*

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

President Hicks  
Alison Hall Mauzé  
*Chair of the Trustees*  
Fuji Lozada  
*Senior Associate Dean of Faculty*  
Donna Molinek  
*Professor of Mathematics*  
Kyra Kietrys  
*Chair & Professor of Hispanic Studies, Vice Chair of the Faculty, pro tem*  
Carole Kruger  
*Professor of French & Francophone Studies*  
Annie Merrill  
*Thomson Professor of Environmental Studies, Professor of English*

Degrees In Course

Charge to the Class                      Alison Hall Mauzé

THE ALMA MATER

Chorale Seniors  
*Davidson College Chorale*

All hail! O Davidson, our dear old Alma Mater,  
Thy Founders loved thee, gave their best to thee;  
We still today, thy loyal sons and daughters,  
Follow them on and pledge our loyalty.

CLOSING PRAYER

Julia Watkins  
*Chaplain of the College*

PEALING OF THE HATTAUER BELLS

POSTLUDE

*Fanfare and Flourishes* .....James Curnow

**Faculty Marshals**  
Daniel M. Boye, *Chief Marshal*

*Vice Marshals:*  
Katherine Bersch

John J. Corso-Esquivel  
Brittany C. Murray

Erland P. Stevens  
David R. Wessner

Note: Restrooms are available in Watson Life Sciences, Chambers, and Cunningham Theatre Center buildings.  
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# For the Degree of Bachelor of Science

Zaynab Ghazi Abuhakema

Isabella Andrea Acosta-Jimenez, *Cum Laude*

*Honors in Environmental Studies*

Abigail Margaret Adams, *Magna Cum Laude\**

Shahin Ahmadi, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Computer Science*

Konstantina Akritidou, *Magna Cum Laude*

Tristan Emmanuel Allen

Charles Michael Almeida, *Magna Cum Laude*

Porter Duane Alston, *Cum Laude*

Shawn An, *Cum Laude*

Adelyn Lilly Anderson, *Cum Laude*

Joshua Mark Anecelle, *Cum Laude*

Jacob Andrew Angstreich, *Magna Cum Laude*

Susannah Sipple Armstrong, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Chemistry*

Peishanika Rose Arnold, *Magna Cum Laude*

Tahmid Awal, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Physics*

Blake Middlebrook Baay

Micah Jon Baermann, *Magna Cum Laude*

Sarah Jane Baker, *Magna Cum Laude*

Anna Hope Baldwin

Jack Kensington Barnett, *Cum Laude*

Lyla Blue Barrett, *Magna Cum Laude*

Petros Basakis, *Magna Cum Laude*

Andrew Meyer Beamer, *Magna Cum Laude*

Jean Louis Beltran, *Magna Cum Laude*

Catherine Angelina Bennion, *Cum Laude\**

Abigail Mackenzie Bigley, *Cum Laude*

Natalie Grace Bivens, *Magna Cum Laude*

Cameo Willie Stevenson Blankenship

Pierce Talwani Bombard, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Chemistry*

Shea Lee-Anne Bonacci, *Cum Laude*

Isabella Patricia Brady, *Magna Cum Laude*

Ian Joseph Brann, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Chemistry*

Musa Oguzhan Budanur, *Magna Cum Laude\**

Megan Anne Burkholder, *Magna Cum Laude*

Jordan Elijah Burrell

Robert Allen Busching

Isaac Matthew Bynum

Meaghan Elizabeth Cadieux, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Chemistry*

Grace Roussanne Calvert, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Psychology*

Noelle Carol Cegielski, *Magna Cum Laude*

Pauline Wonhee Cha, *Cum Laude*

*Honors in Computer Science*

Ramsey Mansoor Chaaban, *Magna Cum Laude*

Chao-Yung Chen, *Cum Laude*

Caroline Elizabeth Clark, *Cum Laude*

Thomas Jackson Cleveland, *Cum Laude*

Jada Michele Coffey, *Magna Cum Laude*

Maeve Mullady Corcoran, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Psychology*

Kyle Christopher Costello

William Christopher Cox, *Cum Laude*

Emma Jordyn Cronan, *Magna Cum Laude*

Ever Free Cruz

Phillip Tyrus Cryan, *Magna Cum Laude*

Luke Benjamin Daley

Isaiah Branner D'Amato, *Magna Cum Laude*

Suzi-Rose Deegan

Gilbert Louis Deglau, *Cum Laude*

Jenna Lauren DeLucca, *Magna Cum Laude*

Sophia Alexis DeMayo, *Summa Cum Laude*

*FIRST HONOR*

Elizabeth Lawrence DePalma, *Magna Cum Laude*

Abigail Julia Dietrich, *Magna Cum Laude*

Brooke Olivia Ditcham

Jessica Erin Doyal, *Cum Laude*

Airen Leanne Ellis, *Cum Laude*

Ryan Albert Feczko, *Magna Cum Laude*

Joseph Jake Fernicola

Emma Grace Ficara, *Cum Laude\**

Tess Elisabeth Finke, *Magna Cum Laude*

Madeline Jean Fitzgerald, *Summa Cum Laude*

*Honors in Chemistry*

*FIRST HONOR*

Phoebe Jane Fowler, *Magna Cum Laude*

Ann Estelle Freyer, *Cum Laude*

Amanda Iris Fuenzalida, *Cum Laude*

Christopher Trey Gardiner, *Cum Laude\**

Katherine Gordon Gilman

Maria Karla Gonzalez Aguiar, *Magna Cum Laude\**

Kimaya Raeanne Gracias, *Cum Laude*

*Honors in Psychology*

Isabella Evelyn Grayson

Sarah Marie Green, *Cum Laude*

Olivia Milan Guarinello, *Magna Cum Laude*

Zhiqi Guo, *Magna Cum Laude*

Meredith Emily Haines, *Cum Laude*

Oma Mika Hameed, *Magna Cum Laude*

Rayed Nayyer Hamid, *Cum Laude*

Sarah Todd Hammer, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Psychology*

Joshua Timothy Hardin, *Magna Cum Laude*

Jaden Christopher Hardrick, *Magna Cum Laude*

Howard Larkin Harrell, *Magna Cum Laude*

Daniel Preston Harrington

Tiffany Ashlyn Haydt, *Magna Cum Laude*

Baoqi He, *Magna Cum Laude*

*Honors in Biology*

Emma Anne Heiderscheit, *Cum Laude*

Virginia Tumlin Heiser, *Magna Cum Laude*

Caree Shaquille Henry

Rachel Bethany Herrera, *Magna Cum Laude*

Hoi Yan Ian Heung, *Magna Cum Laude*

Jack Arthur Hicks, *Cum Laude*

David McMillan Hilton, *Magna Cum Laude*

Dang Duc Anh Hoang, *Magna Cum Laude*

Victoria Monroe Holdsworth, *Cum Laude*

Anders Mathison Holmes

Sophia Baker Hood, *Cum Laude*

Daisy Johanna Hoover, *Magna Cum Laude*

Olivia Rose Jenne Howard, *Magna Cum Laude*

Sophia Grace Hritz, *Cum Laude*

Chenruizhe Hu, *Magna Cum Laude*

Haoyang Hu, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Yuncong Hu, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Chemistry*  
Kathleen Elizabeth Hynes, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Safwan Islam, *Cum Laude*\*  
Belle Ange Cyuzuzo Itetere, *Cum Laude*  
Chale Mckinley Jacks, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Carlos Daniel Jaramillo Rodriguez  
Brynn Arden Jones, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Gabriel Octavian Jones, *Cum Laude*  
Mallory Claire Justis, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Malavika Kalani, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Mathematics*  
Patrick Stanislaw Kielb, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Tae Ree Kim  
Grace Day Wales Kingsbury, *Cum Laude*  
James Everett Kinsey, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Tavie Vera Kittredge, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
Anastasia Korre, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
*Honors in Sociology*  
Katharine Rose Kowalyshyn, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in German Studies*  
Evelyn Sarah Lake, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Connor Alan Latterman, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kaitlyn Marie Lazorchak, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
*Honors in Biology*  
Tramanh Lam Le, *Cum Laude*  
Bailey Grace Leaphart, *Cum Laude*  
Alinés Lebrón-Torres, *Cum Laude*  
Olivia Lee, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Psychology*  
Zihao Li, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Xin Lin, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Feiyang Liu, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Chemistry*  
*Honors in Music*  
Angelique Rose Lorenzo, *Cum Laude*  
Kiley Elizabeth Love, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Mary Hamilton Lowance, *Cum Laude*  
James Jordan Lundell  
Jacsen Carter Luthy, *Cum Laude*  
Niya Ma, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Daniel Robert Maddy, *Cum Laude*\*  
Matteo Torre Mallino, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Madeline Chelsea Marquardt, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kierra Nicole Marshall, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Neuroscience*  
Miriam Adania Martinez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Ava Soleil Mason, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Cameron Konstantinos Mateer, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Kara Lin Maxwell, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in French and Francophone Studies*  
Corryn Tyler McAfee, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Neuroscience*  
John Reed McCalpin, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Parker David McNamara  
Trey Alexander Messer, *Cum Laude*\*  
Alexis Nicole Moore, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Jeremiah Carl Andrew Morgan  
Mackenzie Hannah Morris, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Michael Paul Moulton II, *Cum Laude*

Marcelo Javier Munoz, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Chemistry*  
Sutton Elisabeth Murray, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Emma Grace Murtaugh, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Lizabella Nadelson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Delario Boyette Nance, Jr., *Summa Cum Laude*  
*FIRST HONOR*  
Alyssa Sandra Natoli, *Cum Laude*  
Ilina Navani, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Erika Dejesus Navarro  
Ann Nishida, *Cum Laude*  
James Brent Jaeyoon Noh, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Morgan Elizabeth O'Brien, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Catherine Anne O'Connor, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Biology*  
*FIRST HONOR*  
Chinedu Okeke  
Olusola Omolara Omonije, *Cum Laude*  
Sheridan Mitchel Page, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Biology*  
Jillian BoYu Paquette, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Biology*  
Kelley Marie Paris, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Ted Olivier Pasquette, *Cum Laude*  
Emily Ann Paton, *Cum Laude*  
Drew Bradley Patterson  
Christopher Andrew Paul, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Emma Jane Peddrick, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Katieanne Elizabeth Peterson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Madeline Remi Plank, *Cum Laude*  
Charis Qingrui Qi, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Nyja Imani Quash  
Rakin Rahman, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Cinthya Verenice Ramirez Ramirez, *Cum Laude*  
Patricia Raudales Calvario  
Aury Mike Remezo  
Andrew Armstrong Rice, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Olivia Rose Rittenhouse  
Johnny Rivera, Jr., *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Mathematics*  
Laila Kamille Robinson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Grace Elizabeth Rooker, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Annabelle Ellison Hume Ross, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Alexis Rei Roudencko, *Magna Cum Laude*  
LeeAnna Kate Russo, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
Garrett Patrick Ryan, *Cum Laude*  
Bryce Eric Sanderlin  
Sarah Bailey Schneringer, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Arthur Hudson Sellers, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Nadine Elisabeth Shannon, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*FIRST HONOR*  
Dvij Sharma, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*FIRST HONOR*  
Khwahish Sharma, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Chemistry*  
Shreya Bhringol Sharma, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Lillian Viola Sirover, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Biology*  
Christopher Robert Sosnik, *Cum Laude*  
Anthony Gerard Spera, *Magna Cum Laude*

\* January 2024 graduate

\*\* expected August 2024 graduate

Jack Stajos\*\*  
 Caitlin Olivia Stehn, *Cum Laude*  
 Garrett Howley Stewart, *Cum Laude\**  
 Sylvia Elise Stewart-Bates, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Bridgetmarie Jane Stiefel, *Cum Laude*  
 Ivy Keegan Stump, *Cum Laude*  
 Sarah Elizabeth Sweeting, *Cum Laude*  
 Jaden Joseph Sylvestre  
 Talar Victoria-Grace Terzian, *Cum Laude\**  
 Caroline Ransdell Thompson, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Environmental Studies*  
 Ronan Christopher Towell  
 Joshua Frederick Tripp, *Cum Laude*  
 Hailey McCullough Tsuda, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Umut Türk, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Computer Science*  
 Iitu Lisbeth Varis  
 Emilio Connor Villasana\*\*  
 Natalia Katja Velasco Vukotich, *Cum Laude*  
 Cole Nathan Vulpis, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Mathematics*  
**FIRST HONOR**

Kishan Jaykar Vyas, *Magna Cum Laude\**  
 Charles Eugene Waldner IV  
 Kamryn Janelle Walker, *Cum Laude*  
 Jerry Wang, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Katherine Elizabeth Ward, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Jayla Michelle Wheeler  
 Frances Lawson Whitworth, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Jack Douglas Wiese, *Summa Cum Laude*  
**FIRST HONOR**  
 Benjamin Harry Williams  
 Ella Grace Yayue Williams, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Emily Madison Williams, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Shane O'Riley Winner  
 Isabella Schossler Witherow  
 Abigail Lillian Woodward, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Tyler Gregory Connor Yandt, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Daniel Steven Yetsick  
 Michael William-Frank Zemanek, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Runtian Zhou, *Magna Cum Laude*

## For the Degree of Bachelor of Arts

Rachel Elizabeth Alexander-Lee, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Hunter Thomas Simon Anderson  
 Victoria Onyinyechi Anyanwu, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Sociology*  
 Thomas Campbell Athey  
 Nathanael James Bagonza, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
 Davis Ann Bailey, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Elizabeth Anne Bailey, *Cum Laude\*\**  
 Thomas Scott Baker, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Anika Reeti Banerjee, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Communication Studies*  
 Genevieve Kathleen Barge, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Nikhil Indro Basu, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics*  
 Claire Susan Begalla, *Magna Cum Laude\**  
 Quinn Alexander Bellone, *Cum Laude*  
 John Conley Bogan, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Chloe Amelie Boissy Stauffer, *Cum Laude\**  
 Chloe Grace Booker, *Cum Laude*  
 Philip Adam Borkowski  
 Barclay Hanks Briggs, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Roy Barrett Britt  
 Joseph Miles Brockman, *Cum Laude*  
 Ridley Tait Browder, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Sociology*  
 Sarah Renée Brown, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Religious Studies*  
 Emily Schaefer Bryant, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 William Luke Bryant  
 Emma Christine Buehrer, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Digital and Screen Media*  
 Ariane Elise Bryant Burt, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Nicholas Edward Calero

Michael Robert Callahan, *Cum Laude*  
 John Welles Campbell, *Cum Laude*  
 Jayden Leigh Carambot  
 Julianne Janus Carey  
 Andrew Philip Carlson  
 Eva Graybill Carter, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Richard Craven Carter IV, *Cum Laude\**  
 Nicholas Austin Cavallo  
 Michael Chi Chapin, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
 Kelsey Laughlin Chase, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Li Yin Chen, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Sociology*  
 Joseph Choe  
 Sandro Chumashvili  
 Joseph Ransom Claire, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Studio Art*  
 Ethan Thomas Clark, *Cum Laude*  
 William Emerson Clark, *Magna Cum Laude\**  
 Sampson Miller Cochran, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Art History*  
 Katherine Elizabeth Coetzer, *Magna Cum Laude\**  
 Allegra Pilar Colonna  
 Claudia Scott Craig, *Summa Cum Laude*  
**FIRST HONOR**  
 Daniel Scott Crane\*\*  
 Kate Elizabeth Cross, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Art History*  
 Logan Rockwell Cudlip\*\*  
 Owen Robert Curry  
 Robert Gingrich Cushman  
 Benjamin Robert Cutforth, *Cum Laude*  
 Gavin Cooper Damasco, *Cum Laude*  
 Henry Vito D'Amico\*\*



Mason Montgomery Davis, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
 Constantine Nicholas Desjardins, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Economics*  
 Nolan Daniel DeVos\*  
 Sean William Dick, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Communication Studies*  
 Stephanie Marie Didier, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
 William Tyler Douglas  
 Paige Vasilis Doyle, *Cum Laude*  
 Jake Oliver Dunagan  
 Taylor An Dykes, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
 Tom David Efird II, *Cum Laude*  
 Mason Henry Escobar  
 Courtney Michelle Fortunato, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Isaac Reece Franks  
 Clarence Leon Freeman IV  
 Virginia Holmes French, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Jack William Fuller, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Lixin Gao, *Cum Laude*  
 Ilya Yuri Garbuzov, *Cum Laude*\*  
 Lauren Elizabeth Garcia, *Cum Laude*  
 Kevin Xavier Garcia-Galindo, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Philosophy*  
 Grace Wakefield Gardner, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Alice Mei Li Garner, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
 Asela Gillis-Alonso, *Cum Laude*  
 James Robinson Gilreath III  
 Mary Lucinda Goar\*  
 Toshaani Goel, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Global Literary Theory*  
 Andie Lihuan Goetcheus, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Emma Elizabeth Goldfarb, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Caroline Claire Green, *Cum Laude*  
 Henry Lawrence Griffith, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Kari Elisa Gutmann, *Cum Laude*  
 Katherine May Haffke, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Jonathan Maxwell Hammond  
 Joseph Walker Haney  
 Sophia Anne Hanna, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 James Kase Harris, *Cum Laude*  
 Sydney Katherine Harris, *Cum Laude*  
 Kathryn Allred Hay, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Sociology*  
 Alexander Pierce Heffner  
 Elias David Petro Henderson, *Cum Laude*  
 John Douglas Henderson  
 Katherine Grace Herrema, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Economics*  
 Jacob David Hertzinger, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Elizabeth Campbell Hickman, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Annie Elizabeth Hirshman, *Cum Laude*  
 Madeline Rose Holleman, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*FIRST HONOR*  
 Aaron Mark Hopkins  
 Nicholas Braedon Horstkamp, *Cum Laude*  
 Grant Douglas Huffman  
 Molly Catherine Hughes, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Abdullah Hussain\*  
 Kyung-ah Hwang, *Cum Laude*  
 Kaylah Asatta Jacobs  
 Miles Gabriel Jamieson

Nasir Deori Jean-Paul, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Anna Christine Jepson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Public Health*  
 Collin Douglas Johnson  
 Maxwell Kachkarov  
 Marcus Jonah Kallor, *Cum Laude*  
 Benjamin Douglas Kellogg, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Philosophy*  
 Leen Ala' Mamoun Khasawneh, *Cum Laude*  
 Camran Khosravi, *Cum Laude*  
 William Joseph Rowen Kiernan, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in History*  
 Margaret Amelia Kinton, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Anthropology*  
 Beck Evan Kipperman, *Cum Laude*  
 Nora Renée Klein, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Calice Ellyn Koerner, *Cum Laude*  
 Cameron Charles Krakowiak, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Meghan Marina Lagoutine, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*High Honors in Political Science*  
 Kaia Agnès Larsen  
 Benjamin Peter Laumakis, *Cum Laude*  
 Meghan Grace Lawrence, *Cum Laude*  
 Connor James Leach, *Cum Laude*  
 MaKenzie Renee Leonard, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Helena Julieta Lessne, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
 McKinley Covington Lettre, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Lou Darwin Liedtka, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Katheryn Williams Livingston, *Cum Laude*  
 Ian Henry Steele Macel, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Heather Elizabeth Mansell, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in History*  
 Peter DeDea Martinez, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 John McLean Mason  
 John Thomas Matsudaira  
 Abigail Claire Matthews, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Julia Grace Matthieson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Caroline Wynn Maurano, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Music*  
 Harrison Cookke Mazurkie  
 Mark Daniel McCurdy  
 Henry Charles McGannon, *Cum Laude*  
 Charles Richard McGee  
 Maxwell Thomas McKenna  
 Cael Joshua McLaren  
 Cadie Beth McNaboe\*\*  
 Rosemary Claire McNiff, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Global Literary Theory*  
 Maximilian Robert Mears  
 Emma Hope Melton, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in History*  
 Dominic Benoit Mendelsohn  
 Jenna Breann Menetrier\*  
 Shuo Meng, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Sociology*  
 Marissa Annette Meyer, *Cum Laude*  
 Nicholas Jay Miller, Jr.  
 Christopher Dae-Hong Min, *Cum Laude*  
 Sarah Elizabeth Minges

\* January 2024 graduate

\*\* expected August 2024 graduate



Storm Duncan Monroe  
 Sophia Ann Monte, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Alexa Montgomery, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Caroline Grace Moran, *Cum Laude*  
 Benjamin Arthur Morehead  
 Abigail Paige Morris, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
 Daniel David Mulhern, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Kaitlyn Marie Muntzner, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Erika Faith Nagahashi, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Gabriela Lise Nahm, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Environmental Studies*  
 Annika Claire Narbut  
 Anya Nükheth Neumeister, *Summa Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Hispanic Studies*  
*Honors in Political Science*  
**FIRST HONOR**  
 Einstein Tafara Nhara, *Cum Laude*  
 Campbell Carey Nicholson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Daniel Alekseyevich Oukolov  
 Nikolaos Paramythiotis, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Sophia Isabelle Pardue, *Cum Laude*\*\*  
 Sophia Lucine Passalacqua, *Cum Laude*  
 Riley Elizabeth Patton, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 William Brown Payne, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Art History*  
 Casey Anne Planta, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Hollis Ann Plexico, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Erin Gray Price  
 Anna Bess Pridgen, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Anna Katherine Rahilly, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Anthropology*  
 Prithvi Singh Rai, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Economics*  
 Maddux James Reece, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Abigail Layne Regan, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Zoe Ahn Ren, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Jackson Grange Renfro, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Mia Riley Riffle, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Elizabeth Lane Riggs, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Cecile Frances Roberts  
 Cole John Robinson  
 Peter Thomas Rock, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
*Honors in Political Science*  
 Cato Röell  
 Bhunwish Nathan Ronnakiat  
 Daniel Mark Rosenfield  
 Benjamin Joyce Rosenthal, *Cum Laude*  
 Kathryn Mikaila Rummage, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
 Caroline Yun Ju Rydesky  
 Adam Kirkpatrick Saacke, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Art History*  
 Bernice Sarah Saladin, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Political Science*  
 Felix Bovard Sammons  
 Melissa Santos- Castañon  
 Raosaam SB Sharaheel\*  
 Vincent Reynolds Scauzzo, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Sydney Elise Schertz, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Sallie Grace Schutz  
 Charles Timothy Sellers, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in History*  
 Nicholas Michael Shedleski, *Cum Laude*

Amelia Craig Shields, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Studio Art*  
 Caroline Ashley Sillars, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Art History*  
 Ajay Prakash Singh, *Cum Laude*  
 Nora Jane Sjue, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Environmental Studies*  
 David Bradley Skogman  
 Matthew James Skolar  
 Clara Murrin Smith  
 Edward Connor Smith, *Cum Laude*\*  
 Ian James Smith, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Isabel Rose Smith, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in English*  
 Laegan Ansleigh Smith, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Molly Mackenzie Smith, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 William Leahy Smith  
*Honors in Economics*  
 Zoe Amelia Smithwick, *Cum Laude*  
 David Michael Sohn  
 Carlos Alejandro Solares, Jr.  
 Sierra Rene Sollars, *Magna Cum Laude*\*  
 Charlotte Adele Spears, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Katherine Anne Spencer, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Russian Studies*  
 Ellen Coleman Stewart  
 Hallie Virginia Stewart, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Hispanic Studies*  
 Cooper Stanley Strauss, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Breanna Angelina Suarez\*\*  
 Arella Victoria Szlapak, *Cum Laude*  
 Catherine Hsu-Lee Tadlock, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Sydney Marie Taormina, *Cum Laude*  
 Eleanor Claire Tatum, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Eleanor Sophia Taylor, *Cum Laude*  
 Victor Grainger Taylor III  
 Anthony Joseph Teixeira, *Summa Cum Laude*  
**FIRST HONOR**  
 Jack Harris Bratton Tendler, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Mary Nell McCullough Todd  
 Patrick Graham Trask, Jr., *Cum Laude*  
 Martha Eva Tripsa  
 Gabriela Pinto Tuncer, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Sociology*  
 Abigail Armistead Tutterow, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Samuel Ndichu Waithira, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Claire Jialin Wang  
 Kaiyan Wang, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Art History*  
 Seth Ryan Warner, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Aaron Mar'Caleb Warren  
 Thomas Paul Warren, *Cum Laude*  
*Honors in History*  
 Hartford Lee Watkins III  
 Luke Harrison Watson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Maxwell Kazuma Weaver, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Thomas Vaughan Wheeler, *Cum Laude*  
 Noah William Wieland, *Cum Laude*  
 Graham Harris Hall Wilder, *Cum Laude*  
 Jacob Dagenhart Wilhoit  
 Alexandra Lee Williamson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
 Owen Keller Williamson, *Magna Cum Laude*\*

Alana Katherine Li Wilson, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Studio Art*  
Page Helen Wolfenden, *Magna Cum Laude*  
Cecilia Jessica Woo, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in French and Francophone Studies*

Scout Elizabeth Yokley, *Magna Cum Laude*  
*Honors in Environmental Studies*  
Thomas Eliot Zehner, *Cum Laude*  
Ruby Rong Zhou, *Magna Cum Laude*

## 2023 Summer Graduates

Timothy Joseph Anastacio, *BS Cum Laude*  
Chase William Allen Coley, *BS*  
Jordan Elijah Eisenman, *BS Cum Laude*  
Konrad Gawain Hector, *AB Cum Laude*

Ryan Martin Kutz, *BS*  
Erin Grace Martin, *AB*  
Christopher Michael Panko, *BS*  
Sam Osamangunmwende Uwoghiren, Jr., *BS*

## Phi Beta Kappa

Shahin Ahmadi  
Konstantina Akritidou  
Rachel Elizabeth Alexander-Lee  
Andrew Meyer Beamer  
John Conley Bogan  
Pierce Talwani Bombard  
Ian Joseph Brann  
Meaghan Elizabeth Cadieux  
Sampson Miller Cochran  
Claudia Scott Craig  
Sophia Alexis DeMayo  
Tess Elisabeth Finke  
Madeline Jean Fitzgerald  
Courtney Michelle Fortunato  
Phoebe Jane Fowler  
Toshaani Goel  
Maria Karla Gonzalez Aguiar  
Henry Lawrence Griffith  
Olivia Milan Guarinello  
Jaden Christopher Hardrick  
Virginia Tumlin Heiser

Katherine Grace Herrema  
Madeline Rose Holleman  
Daisy Johanna Hoover  
Chenruizhe Hu  
Yuncong Hu  
Margaret Amelia Kinton  
Tavie Vera Kittredge  
Nora Renée Klein  
Kaitlyn Marie Lazorchak  
Helena Julieta Lessne  
Kara Lin Maxwell  
Corryn Tyler McAfee  
Rosemary Claire McNiff  
Alexis Nicole Moore  
Daniel David Mulhern  
Gabriela Lise Nahm  
Delario Boyette Nance, Jr.  
Ilina Navani  
Anya Nukhet Neumeister  
Catherine Anne O'Connor  
Jillian Bo Yu Paquette

Prithvi Singh Rai  
Zoe Ahn Ren  
Andrew Armstrong Rice  
Laila Kamille Robinson  
Nadine Elisabeth Shannon  
Dvij Sharma  
Shreya Bhiringol Sharma  
Lillian Viola Sirover  
Nora Jane Sjue  
Isabel Rose Smith  
Katherine Anne Spencer  
Hallie Virginia Stewart  
Sylvia Elise Stewart-Bates  
Anthony Joseph Teixeira  
Cole Nathan Vulpis  
Katherine Elizabeth Ward  
Jack Douglas Wiese  
Alexandra Lee Williamson  
Abigail Lillian Woodward  
Ruby Rong Zhou  
Runtian Zhou

\* *January 2024 graduate*  
\*\* *expected August 2024 graduate*

*Omni*  
**AD QUOS PRAESENTES LITERAE PERVENERINT**  
*Salutem in* **DOMINO** *Semper*  
**AD PRAESES ET PROFESSORES**  
**Collegii Davidsoniensis**  
*in Civitate Carolinae Septentrionalis.*  
*Auctoritate nobis commissa*

*renunciavimus et constituimus, atque ut virtute praesentis diplomatis, singulis iuribus  
et privilegiis, et honoribus, ad hunc gradum, ubique gentium pertinentibus fueretur, et  
gauderet iussimus*

*In cuius rei Testimonium* nostras manus, et sigillum  
*huius collegii apposuimus.*

*Datum ex Aedibus Academicis a. d. IV Id. Mai., Anno Domini MMXXIV*



*[Signature]*  
*Scilicet*

*Dy G. Ki*  
*Praeses Collegii*

*Alison Hae Mungé*  
*Praeses Curatorum*

# Davidson's Diploma in Translation

To All

To Whom the Present Document Shall Come:

Perpetual Greeting in the Lord.

We, the President and Professors

of Davidson College

in the State of North Carolina

by the authority entrusted to us,

have proclaimed and appointed

(Name of Graduate)

the degree of Bachelor of Arts or Science

in recognition of their merits

and have bidden that they, by virtue of the present diploma,

rejoice and enjoy the individual rights, privileges,

and honors pertaining to this degree anywhere in the world.

In witness of which action

we have affixed our signatures and the seal of this college.

Given at the college on May 12, 2024.

President of the College

Secretary of the Faculty

Chair of the Trustees

## The College Seal



In 1840, three years after the founding of Davidson College, the trustees of Davidson appointed a committee to draw a design for the college seal. The committee called on Peter Stuart Ney, an acclaimed scholar who was teaching the sons of the local planters in the absence of public schools. Mr. Ney was a legend in his day. He had arrived in America in 1818 and had taught in the Carolinas since that time. He was believed by many to be Napoleon's famous Marshal Ney, said to have survived a faked execution after the final defeat of Napoleon. There are today multiple books and articles on his identity, pro and con. Sufficient unto the Davidson committee was his reputation as a classical scholar, and it was in this capacity that he designed the seal and wrote the motto for the College's first diploma.

The seal consists of a hand grasping a sword piercing a serpent. Through the mid-point of the seal is a line inscribed *Ne Ultra* ("none higher") and around the circular boundary is the motto *Alenda Lux Ubi Orta Libertas*—"Let learning be cherished where liberty has arisen." The latter clause refers to the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. *Ne Ultra* divides the seal between the light of learning and the darkness (with serpent) of ignorance and sin.

The seal has appeared on every Davidson diploma from that of the first class (1840) to the present.

## Marshals' Regalia

From 1849 to the present, the two literary societies of Davidson College have provided marshals "to keep order" at commencement and other ceremonial events. As early as 1857, there is a record of money from the societies for "sashes," which evolved into elaborate regalias made of taffeta, ornamented with rosettes, ribbons, and silver fringe.

The blue and pink regalia worn by Student Marshals represent the Eumenean and Philanthropic Literary Societies and their historic role in official occasions of the College. The chief marshal, alternating between societies, wore white. Gold-headed canes for the marshals were added in the mid-1860s. Some of these originals are carried at contemporary events. Others have been replaced. The sashes of today are much more modest than those of the Victorian era, but the tradition endures.

## The Davidson College Bell and Mace

Commencement begins with the ringing of what is believed to be the first Davidson College bell. Cast in bronze in the early 1800s, this bell was found on the property of Arthur Edward Armour of Davidson and returned to the College by the descendants of Louisa Susan Armour Gudger.

The official Davidson College Mace was first carried on January 29, 1988, at the closing convocation of the College's Sesquicentennial. It was commissioned by the Board of Trustees and was carved of Honduran mahogany by Jack H. Ramseur '31 of Lincolnton, North Carolina, who gave it in commemoration of the Class of 1931 for presentation to the College by the Trustees as a special sesquicentennial gift.

The carving on the top of the mace represents the cupola of "Old Chambers," the center of the College's academic life from the late 1850s until the building burned in 1921. Immediately below the cupola is the eight-sided base of the dome of the present Chambers Building, built in 1931. Forming a circular band just below this base are the words *Ne Ultra* and *Alenda Lux Ubi Orta Libertas*.

Below this band the knob consists of eight panels, each representative of the College: the official seal, designed by Peter Stuart Ney; the Sesquicentennial logo, designed by James Burkey Belser '69; Eumenean and Philanthropic Literary Halls, built in 1849 and 1850; and various Christian and church symbols. The base has oak and elm leaves, representing the two early dormitory rows (1836–1837) on the old part of the campus. Maple and dogwood leaves indicate the present-day beauty of this historic campus.

# Academic Dress

The history of academic dress reaches far back into the early days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required that all “Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors” of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. In England, in the second half of the 14th century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade “excess in apparel” and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. Hoods seem to have served to cover the tonsured head until superseded for that purpose by the skull cap. This was itself displaced by a headdress more or less like one or another of those now recognized as “academic.” Both Cambridge and Oxford have made academic dress a matter of university control to the extent of even its minor details and have issued extensive regulations governing it.

When American colleges and universities desired to adopt some suitable system of academic apparel in the late 1800s, it seemed to them best to agree on a system which all might follow. Today, in both the United States and around the world, formal academic dress is often combined with local traditions or personal adornments. One might see detailed embroidery in Europe, medals in South America, patches in Asia, or cords from student organizations here at Davidson College.

## The Academic Code

There are no trimmings for the bachelor’s or master’s gowns. For the doctor’s degrees, the gown is faced down the front in black velvet with three bars of the same across the sleeves; or these facings and cross bars may be velvet of the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains, thus agreeing in color with the binding or edging on the hood appropriate to the particular doctor’s degree in every instance. Presidents of colleges and universities may wear four bars across the sleeves.

For all academic purposes, the colors associated with the different subjects are as follows:

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Medicine	Green
Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Drab	Music	Pink
Dentistry	Lilac	Nursing	Apricot
Economics	Copper	Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Education	Light Blue	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Engineering	Orange	Physical Education	Sage Green
Fine Arts, including Architecture	Brown	Public Administration, Foreign Service	Peacock Blue
Forestry	Russet	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Journalism	Crimson	Science	Golden Yellow
Law	Purple	Social Work	Citron
Military Science	Lemon	Theology	Scarlet

Hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree; more than one color is shown by division of the field color in a variety of ways, such as chevron or chevrons, equal division, etc. The binding or edging of the hood is of velvet.

Black caps are of cotton poplin, broadcloth, rayon or silk, to match gown; or, for the doctor’s degree, only velvet. A long tassel is fastened to the middle point of the top of the cap only and lies as it will thereon. The tassel is black or the color appropriate to the subject, except that the doctor’s cap may have its tassel of gold thread.



# *The Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Award*

*The Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Award  
seeks out and honors teachers whose way of life uniquely  
inspires the full potential of each student.  
This award is given to a Davidson College  
faculty member judged by their peers to  
display an exemplary love of teaching.*

Established in 1992 by Dr. James Pressly Hamilton and Grey  
Hunter Hamilton, in honor of their parents, Isabel Reid  
Hunter and Richard Moore (Tex) Hunter, lifelong devoted  
friends of Davidson College; and Frances Pressly Hamilton  
and Buford Lindsay Hamilton, servants of their Lord with  
forty-two years as missionaries in Pakistan.

*I can do all things through  
Christ who strengtheneth me.*

Phillippians 4:13



# Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Award

Teaching is at the heart of the Davidson experience. Alumni remember this; students feel it every day; the faculty makes it happen. The dynamic collection of faculty members who teach at Davidson come from the world over with academic credentials from institutions large and small. They are scholars who engage in the international academic conversation, publishing, presenting at conferences, and researching in their disciplines. While they are indeed scholars—they must be—each one believes that their primary place is in the classroom. It is a matter of focus, priority, mission, and preference. They come to Davidson because they love to teach.

In 1992, the late Charlotte physician Jim Hamilton, Davidson Class of 1954, and his wife, Grey Hunter Hamilton, established an award at Davidson to recognize the special joy and enthusiasm that are part of the teaching profession. Beyond the joy, the Hamiltons sought to identify and honor teachers whose way of life uniquely inspires the full potential of each student, to celebrate professors whose care and enthusiasm mold and change the lives of their students, and who continue to inspire their students long after college days are over. In addition to the honor it bestows, the Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Award carries a stipend of \$15,000, half of which goes directly to the recipient and half of which goes to an academic department or program selected by the recipient.

## Hunter-Hamilton Award Criteria

The Hunter-Hamilton Love of Teaching Award is given each year to two Davidson College faculty members judged by a committee of their peers to display an exemplary love of teaching. The selection committee seeks letters from a wide spectrum of students, faculty, and alumni nominating Davidson professors who exemplify the love of teaching. The testimonies expressed in these nominations serve as the basis for each year's selections. The winners are kept strictly confidential until they are announced each year during commencement.

### A Hunter-Hamilton candidate must:

- Be a full-time faculty member having taught at Davidson College for at least five years, including any sabbatical leave;
- Have established a record of contagious enthusiasm for classroom teaching and tutelage;
- Be dedicated and patient with students, with service to them being of highest priority;
- Have the ability to stimulate extraordinary accomplishments in students, including those with average abilities as well as those with exceptional abilities;
- Have an ability to clarify complex matters for students;
- Be able to develop self-esteem, self-reliance, and a desire to learn in their students;
- Treat students with dignity and respect, making every effort to know them by name.