VITERBO UNIVERSITY

Commencement



Saturday, December 17, 2022 2 p.m. Viterbo University Fine Arts Center Main Theatre



Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love.

Where there is injury, pardon.

Where there is doubt, faith.

Where there is despair, hope.

Where there is darkness, light.

And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console.

To be understood as to understand.

To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Program

PROCESSIONAL

SAN DAMIANO CROSS BEARER

Janet Holter, DSW

Associate Professor, Program Director, Social Work

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Tonya Wagner, EdD

Interim Vice President, Academic Affairs and Institutional Effectiveness

INVOCATION

Janet Holter

WELCOME

Richard Trietley, EdD

President

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ADDRESS

Nathan Janzen '22

MUSICAL SELECTION

I'm Gonna Sing 'til the Spirit Moves in My Heart by Moses Hogan 9th Street Singers James Wilson, DMA, Director

GRADUATE STUDENT ADDRESS

Rebecca Roble '22

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DIPLOMAS

Megan Smith, PhD

Associate Professor, Associate Dean, School of Nursing

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

Richard Trietley
John McHugh

Chair, Board of Trustees

HOODING OF GRADUATE CANDIDATES

Daisy Figueroa, PhD

Assistant Professor, Assistant Dean, School of Education

Tom Thibodeau, MA

Distinguished Professor, Servant Leadership, Master of Arts in Servant Leadership

Dale Krageschmidt, PhD

Associate Professor, Business

Kelsey McLimans, PhD

Assistant Professor, Program Director, Nutrition and Dietetics

Debra Murray '90, PsyD

Professor, Director, Counselor Education Programs

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Richard Trietley

CONGRATULATORY REMARKS

Paul Mueller, MD Board of Trustees

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mary Ellen Stolder, Ph.D.

Dean, College of Nursing and Health

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Kathy Duerwachter, MBA '10 Director, Alumni Engagement

ALMA MATER

BENEDICTION

Fr. Conrad Targonski, OFM University Chaplain

RECESSIONAL

As a courtesy to the graduates, all guests are requested to remain in their seats during the ceremony and during the recessional until all graduates and faculty have left the theatre.

Commencement Marshals

Christine Hardie '22 Jennifer Hedrick-Erickson '95 Deb Murray '09 Laura Nettles, FSPA

Commencement Committee

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Kori Salaski
Barbara (Bobbi) Schamberger '90
Sheila Severson '20

Acknowledgements

9th Street Singers James Wilson, DMA, Director

Rhiannon Baasch Carson Carter Maddie Gartrell Briar Haring Tom Hartl Brynn Hofmeister Grace Iacobson Nathan Janzen Ellery Larson Samuel Larson Deacon Leer Matthew Lind Sophia Niblock Kylie Olsevich Matthew Olson Anika Philips Greta Schwandt Kieran Sween Emma Tolzmann Dylan Woodman

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Helen Elsbernd, FSPA '65, '04, '22
Daniel Gelatt
Kourtney Gibson
Margaret Hammell '87

Cynthia Hougum '88
Theresa Keller, FSPA '79
Jane Kirschling '80
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John Lyche
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Mission

The Viterbo University community prepares students for faithful service and ethical leadership.

Identity

Founded by the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, Viterbo is a Catholic, Franciscan University in the liberal arts tradition.

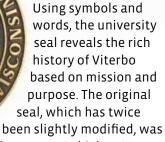
Viterbo Alma Mater

Words and music by Joyce Grill



Academic Regalia





created in the early 1960s by Imogene Thiele, FSPA, a member of the art department.

Designed according to the science of heraldry, the shield located in the center of the seal contains a wealth of information. Clockwise from upper right: the cross symbolizes Christian identity; the wavy lines portray the Black, La Crosse, and Mississippi Rivers, which join forces in La Crosse to provide Viterbo with its unique geographic location; the torch of learning symbolizes the chief function of the university; the rose honors St. Rose of Viterbo, the

patron saint of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, the founders of Viterbo.

Beyond the shield, the word "knowledge" is retained from a very early Viterbo motto taken from the Bible: "Teach me goodness, discipline, and knowledge" (Ps. 118:66). Later "faith" and "service" were added to complete the virtues to be embodied in a liberal arts education.

The final elements contain basic information specific to Viterbo's location, in La Crosse, Wis., where the mission of Viterbo University began in 1890. Two small tau crosses are to be found in the outermost ring, proclaiming the Franciscan heritage of Viterbo. The tau was the standard cross in the days of St. Francis, and it is formed by the Greek letter "T."

With its rich symbolism, the university seal is a constant reminder of Viterbo's past as well as a guide to the future for all who are here today.

Honors

Honor medallions are worn by bachelor degree students who have achieved a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or above and will have earned a minimum of 45 letter-graded credits at Viterbo University upon completion of all requirements.

Candidates for graduation wearing the cardinal stoles have completed the Viterbo University Honors Program. The military stoles are being worn by candidates for graduation signifying their service in the United States Armed Forces.

In addition, candidates for graduation may qualify to wear cords signifying contributions or achievements to a university organization or academic honor society. The organizations are represented by the following colors:

- Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Academic and Professional Honor Society (mental health counseling) blue and white
- National Society of Leadership and Success black and platinum
- · Phi Alpha (social work) blue and gold
- · Pi Lambda Theta (education) yellow
- Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology — platinum and dark blue
- Sigma Theta Tau (nursing) purple
- Student Government Association cardinal and silver
- Tri-Beta (biology) red and green
- Veterans of Armed Services red, white, and blue

Academic Regalia

The San Damiano Cross

In lieu of the university mace, which is often the traditional symbol used by institutions of higher learning, the San Damiano Cross has come to represent Viterbo.

The San Damiano Cross is the sacred symbol before which Francis of Assisi prayed and heard God's commission to "rebuild the church." This icon was painted sometime shortly after the first millennium, at a time when the authentic humanity of Jesus was becoming more appreciated in the faith life of the people. In the early centuries of the Christian communities, the divinity and royal priesthood of Jesus was emphasized. The San Damiano Cross pictures the luminous figure of the resurrected Christ radiating out from a dark and deathlike background. He presides over an all inclusive cloud of witnesses: companions and friends, souls who have gone before him, and heavenly spirits. All of these figures have the hand of God pictured over them in a blessing. The crucifix is a distinctive art

piece used by those who practice a Franciscan spirituality. The San Damiano Cross is a symbol of the Franciscan heritage and identity of Viterbo. It attempts to stress the promise by God of a future that will respond to human hope. It affirms the continuity between the exercise of human freedom in this world and the final state of things. It draws all into the reality of God's life. The San Damiano Cross offers a true and contemporary symbol for Franciscan higher education.

History

The academic dress worn today for ceremonial occasions originated in the universities of the Middle Ages when classrooms were unheated and the academic gown and hood kept scholars warm. It became a distinctive symbol of academic pursuit, setting the academic apart from the non-academic, hence the phrase "gown versus town."

The gown was standardized in the U.S. in 1894 when the American Intercollegiate Commission determined that all robes would be black. The master's robe is distinguishable by long, closed sleeves; the doctor's gown by a facing of black velvet from the hem to the neck and back, with three velvet bands around each sleeve above the elbow.

The traditional hood, also black, displays significant colors. The lining represents the colors of the university granting the wearer's highest degree. The color of the hood facing signifies the individual's academic discipline or school of study.

Although there has been much innovation in gown and cap design in recent years, the standard colors representing the various academic disciplines have remained the same: white (arts and letters), purple (law), scarlet (theology), dark blue (philosophy), yellow (science), brown (fine arts), pink (music), copper (economics), lemon (library science), light brown (business), light blue (education), citron yellow (social work), white (mental health counseling), white (nutrition sciences), and apricot (nursing).

Academic Regalia

Flags

The colored flags displayed on stage represent the academic disciplines offered by Viterbo University. The international flags also displayed on the stage today represent the home countries from which

candidates for graduation have come. The displaying of flags is intended to show Viterbo University's commitment and respect for a diverse community.

Viterbo History

In 1871, the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration established a flourishing community in La Crosse and began to concentrate on preparing their members to teach in parochial and mission schools throughout the area. This act ultimately led to the founding of what is known today as Viterbo University. Viterbo University is named after the city of Viterbo, Italy, the home of St. Rose of Viterbo. St. Rose of Viterbo is the patron saint of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration.

The sisters' efforts evolved into the St. Rose Normal School, accredited by the state in 1890. Since then, the university has enjoyed a long and rich tradition of excellence. Eventually, the normal school evolved into St. Rose Junior College (1932), Viterbo College (1939), and, finally, Viterbo University (2000).

In 1943, lay women were admitted to Viterbo, and accreditation by the University of Wisconsin occurred in 1952. Two years later, the university earned accreditation by the North Central Association of Schools, the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, and the National Association of Schools of Music Programs. The health sciences were added in the 1960s, and accreditation by the National League for Nursing, American Medical Records Association, and the American Dietetics Association soon followed. In 1967, lay persons were invited to join the board of directors, and a baccalaureate nursing program was initiated. In 1970, Viterbo became coeducational, and, in 1972, the first male student received a degree.

In the '90s, Viterbo expanded its curriculum again, gradually adding 10 graduate programs, beginning with the introduction of a Master of Arts in Education. In 2013, Viterbo achieved another milestone when the university was granted approval to offer a doctorate in nursing practice (DNP). While Viterbo's academic programs were undergoing change, the landscape of the campus was also changing. The 1970s and '80s were decades of growth for Viterbo, as the enrollment climbed and new buildings were dedicated (the Fine Arts Center in 1971, Brophy Center in 1983, and the Student Activities Center in 1987).

During the '90s and well into the new millennium, this expansion continued in an effort to keep pace with growing enrollment and to provide students with the best possible facilities. Changes to the landscape included construction of the D.B. and Marge Reinhart Center for Ethics, Science, and Technology, the Amie L. Mathy Center for Education and Recreation, the School of Nursing Building, Clare Apartments, and the major renovations of San Damiano Chapel, and Brophy Center, which houses the Dahl School of Business.

Appreciative of its past, confident in the present, and optimistic about the future, Viterbo remains committed to its unique Catholic and Franciscan mission of preparing students for faithful service and ethical leadership.

The following candidates have or will meet the requirements for their degrees and have been recommended for graduation by the faculty.

BACHELOR DEGREE CANDIDATES

Bachelor of Arts

Nathan Robert Janzen

Sparta, Wis. *Music*

Bachelor of Business Administration

Leighton Ikaika Amaral

Holmen, Wis.

Business Leadership

Brad Baumgartner

Dakota, Minn.

Business Leadership

Emilee Jo Bergman

Onalaska, Wis.

Business Leadership

Kirsten Rose Betancurt

Black River Falls, Wis.

Health Care Management

Joyce Carol Brueggeman

Sparta, Wis.

Accounting

Robert Fulton Faucher Jr.

Bedford, Va.

Management and Leadership

Kenneth W. Gilmore

Tomah, Wis.

Accounting

Drake David Ingold

Monroe, Wis.

Business Administration Minor in Marketing Nathan Robert Janzen

Sparta, Wis.

Finance

Debra Lynn Lash-Stangel

La Crosse, Wis.

Business Leadership

Anna Lisowski

Hudson, Wis.

Business Administration Minor in Marketing

Kristina Marie Mangene

Eagle River, Wis.

Health Care Management

Kayley Sue Olson

Preston, Minn.

Health Care Management

Kerri J. Oratch

Niagara, Wis.

Business Leadership

Jacob Benjamin Pinc

Saint Paul, Minn.

Sport Management and Leadership

Adrianna Rose Reinhart

Caledonia, Minn.

Business Administration Minor in Marketing

Hannah Ray Richardson

Milton, Wis.

Business Administration

Gabriel Paul Rodriguez

Cashton, Wis.

Business Leadership

Nicole Lynn-Wapp Sawyer

La Crosse, Wis.

Business Leadership

Ashley D. Schild

La Crescent Minn.

Organizational Management

Abigail Elizabeth Steffen

Pulaski, Wis.

Business Administration

Stephanie Stouffer

Richland Center, Wis.

Accounting

Renee Michelle Stroinski

Rochester, Minn

Accounting

Cassandra Ann Utke

Warrens, Wis.

Business Leadership

Bachelor of Music

Matthew David Olson

La Crosse, Wis.

Music Performance

Sunny Lyn Rufsholm

Black River Falls, Wis.

Music Education

Bachelor of Science

Calvin Carlisle Brown

Marshfield, Wis.

Biology

Minors in Engineering and

Environmental Science

Angelica Rose Carter

Plain, Wis.

Ethics, Culture, and Society Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Darrian Michael Escobar-Winter

Colorado Springs, Colo.

Criminal and Community Justice

Evan Christopher Espelien

Holmen, Wis.

Engineering

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Miah Jessup Garant

Fort Atkinson, Wis.

Ethics, Culture, and Society

Andrew Connor LePage

Rockland, Wis.

Social Studies Education

Travis R. Reedich

Cross Plains, Wis.

Engineering

Makayla Lee Volkmann

Plover, Wis.

Criminal and Community Justice

Bachelor of Science in Education

Michelle Elizabeth Brockway

Reedsburg, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Semaj Eamon Christian

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Beth Nichol Cooksey

Grand Blanc, Mich.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Emma Dieter

Janesville, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Laverne Dillard

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Regina L. Franklin

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Jennifer Ann Geier

Sparta, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Doneta A. Hammer

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Gina Marie Hillmann

Edgerton, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Clara Lee Horn

La Crescent, Minn.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Carla Hugill

Drummond, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Kali M. Lien

Alma Center, Wis.

Elementary Education

Kelly Lockett

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Iuanita Matias

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Amanda Jo Pehler

La Crosse, Wis.

Elementary Education

Kissha Aradala Riley-Hendricks

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Haleigh Corrine Scheunemann

North Saint Paul, Minn.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Fducation

Rokenda Y. Smith

Chicago, III.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Tiffany Latoya Nichole Stephens

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Tracy Alondra Swan

Glendale, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Nicole Monique White

Milwaukee, Wis.

Elementary Education

Minor in Cross-categorical Special

Education

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Cari Lee Altmann

Farmington, Minn.

Mackenzie Christine Bakken

Madison, Wis.

Brielle Ann Baliff

Cassville, Wis.

Leanna Marie Becker

River Falls, Wis.

Brigid Danaher Berns

Waukon, Iowa

Minor in Family Studies

Haley Brommerich

Winona, Minn.

Marissa Margaret Brosig

Winona, Minn.

Hannah Catherine Cayler

Onalaska, Wis.

Hayley Alissa Chapman

Eau Claire, Wis.

Anja Marie Dauk

Apple Valley, Minn.

Braiden Judy Decker

Dakota, Minn.

Anna Jo Douglas

Reedsburg, Wis.

Minor in Psychology

Viktoria Katherine Droegkamp

Cedarburg, Wis.

Jessica Christine Duffy

Sparta, Wis.

Liam Michael Franken

Red Wing, Minn.

Tayler Ann Garves

Onalaska, Wis.

Erin Elizabeth Govier

Fennimore, Wis.

Alexandra Marie Hable

Decorah, Iowa

Morgan Justine Hanson

Oregon, Wis.

Sarah Christine Hauert

Eau Claire, Wis.

Lauren Elizabeth Herzog

Gillett. Wis.

Minor in Family Studies

Elise Ione Higley

Galesville, Wis.

Ryleigh Alexa Honadel

Kiel, Wis.

Claire Marie Huss

Weston, Wis.

Kristine Ziganubari Jorbedom

Burnsville, Minn.

Minors in Family Studies and

Spanish

Kiarra Lane Keenlance

Viroqua, Wis.

Logan Nicole Larsen

Tomah, Wis.

Anne Elizabeth Lefevre

La Crosse, Wis.

Camryn Vera Lillie

Clear Lake, Wis.

Julia Katherine Lindquist

Amery, Wis.

Minors in Sociology and Family

Studies

Kayla Nicole Melhouse

Cannon Falls, Minn.

Taylor Nicole Collins Monroe

Holmen, Wis.

Elizabeth Anne Norén

Superior, Wis.

Anne Marie Rinzel

Naperville, III.

Andy Xay Roungtakoun

Rockford, III.

Megan Sue Rowe

Tomah, Wis.

Minors in Physics and Gerontology

Lorinda Faye Schwartz

Hixton, Wis.

Gillian Diane Servais

Arcadia, Wis.

Madelyn MacKenzie Siech

Tipton, Iowa

Emily Kay Steele

West Salem, Wis.

Chase Kenneth Thompson

Racine, Wis.

Minor in Criminal Justice

Alexis Jean Wang

Genoa, Wis.

Abbie Lee Weber

La Crosse, Wis.

Madison Joy Werle

Rochester, Minn.

Xingzi Whitson

La Crescent, Minn.

Siera Michelle Wiedemann

West Salem, Wis.

Emily Kate Wiemer

Arcadia, Wis.

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GRADUATE DEGREE CANDIDATES

Master of Arts in Education

Deborah Denise Alexander

Des Moines, Iowa

Jackson D. Culp

Williamsburg, Iowa

Michael Alan Ferch

Mason City, Iowa

Evonda Yvette Hamm

Milwaukee, Wis.

Lisa Hesse

Runnells, Iowa

Thomas Demetrius McClern

Bradenton, Fla.

Master of Arts in Servant Leadership

Shawna Joy Marquardt

Baraboo, Wis.

Iulie Ann Nelson

Dover, Minn.

Valerie Ann Savage

Melrose, Wis.

Nicole Schweitzer

Black River Falls, Wis.

Master of Business Administration

Allison J. Bragger

Independence, Wis.

Mariah Kennedy Calkins

Sun Prairie, Wis.

Abigail Katherine Deyo

La Crosse, Wis.

Beau J. Elston

La Crosse, Wis.

Rachael Sue Julson

Whitehall, Wis.

Lauryn Mattea Sobasky

Inver Grove Heights, Minn.

Braden Nissen

La Crosse, Wis.

Michael Adhiambo Ohana

Nakuru, Kenya

Sarah Kaylyn Pesch

Racine, Wis.

Pamela Diane Phillips

West Salem, Wis.

Keith Bernard Purnell

Holmen, Wis.

Shane Alan Rhoades

Hudson, Iowa

Fengan Yang

Shanghai, China

Master of Science in Community Medical Dietetics

Angelica Hurtado

San Diego, Calif.

Iohanna Christine Parker

Vancouver, Wash.

Master of Science in Mental Health Counseling

Tracy Lynn Essa

Decorah, Iowa

Robin Marie Grosch

La Crosse, Wis.

Christine Lorraine Huggett

Onalaska, Wis.

Rebecca Mary Roble

La Crosse, Wis.

Jack Schilling

Prairie du Chien, Wis.

Bianka Jean Wilkins

La Crosse, Wis.

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