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COMMENCEMENT

E.A. DIDDLLE ARENA

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
Order of Exercises

President Gary A. Ransdell, Presiding

Grand March .................................................................. Mr. Eric Smedley, Conductor (Audience seated)
(WKU Chamber Wind Ensemble)

Chief Marshal
Professor J.W. Thacker

Presentation of the Colors ............................................ ROTC Color Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM and STATE SONG .................................. Mr. Aundrey Ligon
-The Star Spangled Banner, Frances Scott Key
  My Old Kentucky Home, Stephen C. Foster
  Graduating Graduate Student

Welcome ........................................................................ President Ransdell

Recognition of College Outstanding Graduate Students .................. Dr. Barbara G. Burch
-Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Recognition of Recipient of the John D. Minton Award
for Outstanding Contributions to Western Kentucky University ........ President Ransdell

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees ................................ Provost Burch

Conferring of Degrees .................................................. President Ransdell
  and Mr. Earl Fischer
  Chair, Board of Regents

Congratulatory Remarks ............................................... President Ransdell

Hooding of Degree Candidates and Presentation of Diplomas .......... Provost Burch, Graduate Faculty,
-Department Heads and College Deans

Alma Mater .................................................................... Mr. Ligon
-College Heights, Mary F. Bradley

Recessional ..................................................................... Platform Party
  (Audience seated)
Leadership and Governance

Board of Regents
R. Earl Fischer, Chair
Gallatin, Tennessee

Lois W. Gray, Vice Chair
Vine Grove

Yevette Haskins
Campbellsville

Judi A. Hughes
Bowling Green

Jeanne L. Johnson
Marion, KY

Jim Meyer
Bowling Green

Forrest Roberts
Owensboro

LaDonna G. Rogers
Glasgow

Tamela Smith
Bowling Green

Laurence J. Zielke
Louisville

Administrative Council
Gary A. Ransdell
President

Barbara G. Burch
Provost and Vice President
for Academic Affairs

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Assistant Vice President
for University Relations

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Vice President for
Institutional Advancement

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Vice President for
Information Technology

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Assistant to the President
for Economic Development

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for Campus Services

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Director of Athletics

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Assistant to the President
for Governmental Relations

Gerald E. Tice
Vice President for
Student Affairs and Campus
Services

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General Counsel

University Deans
Howard Bailey
Student Life

Michael B. Binder
Libraries

John A. Bonaguro
College of Health and Human
Services

Richard G. Bowker
Interim Dean
Graduate Studies and
Research

Sam Evans
College of Education
and Behavioral Sciences

Blaine R. Ferrell
Ogden College of Science and
Engineering

David D. Lee
Potter College of Arts
and Letters

Sherry M. Reid
Dean
Bowling Green Community
College

Donald Swoboda
Extended Learning and
Outreach

William J. Tallon
Gordon Ford College of
Business
Academic Heraldry

History of Academic Attire

A time-honored tradition of great dignity, the wearing of academic attire is a survival of the ecclesiastical garb of the late Middle Ages. The academic gown, necessary for a scholar’s warmth in unheated stone colleges, and the hood to protect his shaven head, were first adopted in the thirteenth century at the University of Cambridge.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King’s College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied, as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council on Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, and it was again reviewed and revised in 1959.

Gown, Cap and Hood

All candidates for degrees and those who hold degrees, including university officials, faculty and visiting dignitaries, are attired in traditional cap and gown. Recipients of the associate degree and the bachelor’s degree wear black gowns and caps, and recipients of master’s, specialist and doctoral degrees wear black gowns and caps with hoods of various colors.

Bachelors’ gowns have pointed sleeves; masters’ gowns have long closed sleeves with slits at the elbow for the arms; the doctors’ gowns have wide, round open sleeves. Doctoral gowns are faced with panels of velvet down the front and three bars of velvet across each sleeve.

The mortar board is the headpiece most often worn at American universities for formal occasions. It is appropriately worn with the board flat on the top of the head. Degree candidates wear the tassel falling from the right quarter of the board, while graduates wear the tassel on the left. The tassel may be black or the color of the scholarly field of the degree held, with the short gold tassel reserved for those holding doctoral degrees.

It is the hood which adds meaning and dimension to the academic costume. Changed little since medieval times, the hood is worn falling from the shoulders down the back of the gown in a display of vivid color. The hood is edged in velvet which by its color denotes the academic discipline in which the wearer’s degree was earned, and it is lined in two colors of silk which represent the college or university from which the degree was earned. Hence, the Western Kentucky University hood contains one white chevron on a field of bright red and is edged with the appropriate discipline color.

The following is a partial list of colors adopted by the American Council on Education that represent the various academic disciplines:

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The Mace

Originally used as a weapon during the Middle Ages, a mace was carried to protect a ruler. Eventually this sceptor-like instrument became an emblem of authority and became popular for ceremonial purposes. Maces are now carried at the beginning of academic processions at many universities throughout the world, representing each institution’s authority to confer degrees.

Western Kentucky University’s Mace contains several elements that are symbolic of Western’s history. Hand-carved from Kentucky cherry, the top portion of the Mace is a representation of the lantern on the dome of Cherry Hall and is a tribute to Western’s founder, Dr. Henry Hardin Cherry. The University Seal contains the University’s motto, and carved bands around the shaft include significant dates in the evolution of the institution. Gems embedded in the lower portion of the Mace represent the colors of the academic disciplines offered by the University. The round ball at the base is symbolic of Western’s alumni around the globe.

The Mace, carried by the University’s most senior faculty member, was dedicated to the University on May 7, 1998 during the Inaugural Week activities for President Gary A. Ransdell. It was designed by John Warren Oakes of the Department of Art and was crafted by Terry Leeper and Frank Pittman of the Department of Industrial Technology.

The Seal

The University Seal features our treasured motto “The Spirit Makes the Master” and Western’s ideal defined by Dr. Henry Hardin Cherry as “Life, More Life.” First adopted by Dr. Cherry in 1911, the Seal has evolved as the institution grew to university status. Western’s President Emeritus, Dr. Kelly Thompson, gave leadership to designing the present version of the Seal, which was approved by President Paul Garrett and first used in 1948. It was altered in 1966 to include the appropriate wording when Western attained university status.

The University Medallion

Medallions, as worn in higher education, represent the evolution of a practice arising in the Middle Ages and the very early beginnings of universities in the Western World. The Medallion identifies the wearer as the designated leader of the university. Representing both the authority and the responsibility of the person who wears it, the Medallion is worn by the president of the university at formal academic occasions. The face of the sterling silver medallion is a replica of the seal of the university.

Gonfalons

Another symbol used in commencement ceremonies is the academic banner, or gonfalon. A gonfalon is a flag or banner that hangs from a crosstree or frame and originated in the medieval states of Italy as an ensign of state or office.

Gonfalons are used in the commencement ceremony to designate the university’s various colleges and academic units. The university seal is prominently displayed on each gonfalon, and the band of color at the top reflects a color symbolic of each academic division of the University. The gonfalons were designed by Matt Tullis of WKU’s Department of Art for initial use during the Centennial year.
History of WKU

On March 21, 1906 the Kentucky General Assembly approved legislation to establish two teacher training institutions, or "normal schools," in the state. A locating commission chose Bowling Green to be the site of one, and the Western Kentucky State Normal School was created.

The new state-supported school took over the building and student body of the privately owned Southern Normal School. The owner of the Southern Normal School, Henry Hardin Cherry, had been actively involved in the campaign to establish teacher training schools and became Western's first president. Classes began on January 22, 1907.

On February 4, 1911 the school moved to its present site on "the Hill," approximately 125 feet above downtown Bowling Green and formerly the site of The Pleasant J. Potter College. Over the next decade, the curriculum focused on teacher training and certification. Students received practical experience at the Training School, and a model one-room Rural School was opened on campus in 1924. In 1922 the state renamed the institution Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College and authorized it to grant four-year degrees. The first such degrees were awarded in 1924.

The campus expanded in 1927, when it merged with Ogden College, a private young men's school located on the east side of the Hill. Western's name was shortened to Western Kentucky State Teachers College in 1930, and the following year the master of arts degree was first offered. President Cherry died in 1937 and was succeeded by Dr. Paul Garrett.

As the College's mission broadened, its name was shortened in 1948 to Western Kentucky State College. Dr. Garrett died in 1955, and Kelly Thompson became Western's third president.

Under Thompson, both the curriculum and the campus underwent major reorganization and expansion. In June 1963, Western merged with the Bowling Green College of Commerce, formerly the Bowling Green Business University. Along with the Graduate School, the Bowling Green College of Commerce became a separate college within Western's structure. In 1965, the Board of Regents approved the formation of three more colleges: the Potter College of Liberal Arts, the College of Education, and the Ogden College of Science and Technology.

On June 16, 1966, Western Kentucky State College became Western Kentucky University. The University's Colleges are now:

- Bowling Green Community College
- College of Education and Behavioral Sciences
- Gordon Ford College of Business
- Ogden College of Science and Engineering
- Potter College of Arts and Letters
- College of Health and Human Services

Since 1969, Dero G. Downing, John D. Minton, Donald W. Zacharias, Kern Alexander and Thomas C. Meredith have served as WKU's presidents. Our current president, Gary A. Ransdell, was elected on September 12, 1997. A century of growth has made WKU a respected center of learning where qualified students may receive general and specialized higher education at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Today, the university proudly serves the educational needs of 18,664 students from Kentucky, 45 other states and 53 foreign countries.
History of Graduate Studies

In April 1931, the Board of Regents authorized the President, Dean, and Faculty of Western Kentucky State Teachers College to offer graduate work. A month later, the faculty agreed that graduate work would begin in the summer of 1931. With the approval of the Normal Executive Council, a predecessor of the Council of Postsecondary Education, Western's curricular offerings were expanded to include graduate courses leading to the Master of Arts degree. According to President H.H. Cherry, "The need to offer graduate work was urgent. The demand for trained leadership in education, as well as in other professions, was increasing at an accelerated rate."

In 1935, the master's degree became a requirement for permanent certification for teachers and school administrators. During the next two decades, options under the Master of Arts became more advanced and specialized to meet State Department of Education requirements for teaching at different levels, for broadening areas of certification, and for meeting rank and salary standards.

In the early 1960s, many changes occurred in Graduate Studies, including implementation of the second master's degree (Master of Science in Engineering Physics), initiation of the graduate assistantship program, and the appointment of Dr. John D. Minton as the first graduate dean. With attainment of University status in 1966, academic departments responded with proposals for graduate programs, resulting in master's degree programs in most academic departments. The Specialist in Education was added to meet program requirements that extended beyond the masters. For many years, Western has participated in cooperative doctoral programs with the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville. The evolving mission of Western Kentucky University has opened the door of opportunity for offering doctoral programs.

During the seventy-five year history of Graduate Studies, new programs have been developed, old programs have been revised or dropped in response to changing educational and societal needs. Today, some fifty plus programs serve approximately 2,700 graduate students from Kentucky, other states, and countries throughout the world.
2006 Graduate Student Awards

The University annually recognizes outstanding graduate student contributions within each academic college. Graduate faculty in each program area nominates students for recognition as the outstanding graduate student in the specific program. Those students are then considered for the outstanding graduate student from the academic college. The following students have been selected by each of the colleges for the Outstanding Graduate Student award.

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences ............................. Shawnboda Johnson
College of Health and Human Services ....................................... Sonya House
Gordon Ford College of Business ............................................ Bradley Bolinger
Ogden College of Science and Engineering .................................. Yan Zhang
Potter College of Arts and Letters ............................................ Amanda Fickey-Field

John D. Minton Award

for Outstanding Contributions
to Western Kentucky University

The John D. Minton Graduate Student Award for Outstanding Contributions to Western Kentucky University is an award that recognizes a graduate student for outstanding contributions to the academic discipline while pursuing a graduate degree at Western Kentucky University. The award is designed to embrace the broader dimensions of the graduate experience including sharing knowledge through teaching, research and creative activities, and meeting the needs of others through service activities. The award recognizes the graduate student's extension and application of discipline knowledge within and beyond the University.

Dr. John D. Minton, a native of Cadiz, Kentucky, received the Bachelor of Arts degree in education and the Master of Arts degree in history from the University of Kentucky. He earned his Ph.D. degree in history from Vanderbilt University. He served as principal of Trigg County High School before becoming a faculty member at Western in the Department of History. He was appointed as Western's first graduate dean in 1962. Dr. Minton became Vice President for Administrative Affairs where he gave supervision to a broad range of University responsibilities. On January 8, 1979, Dr. John D. Minton was appointed as the fifth president of Western Kentucky University. After completion of that assignment, Dr. Minton returned to his faculty appointment in the History department until his retirement. Dr. Minton has exemplified the University's values, vision, and service mission in both his professional and personal life. The John D. Minton Graduate Student Award is presented to students who demonstrate those ideals and values.

The 2007 John D. Minton Graduate Student Award for Outstanding Contributions to Western goes to the following recipient.

Jeffery L. Osgood, Jr.
Candidates for Degrees

The following list of candidates for graduation was prepared before final grades were reported and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. The listing of a name in this program should not be construed as an indication that the person will in fact receive a degree from Western Kentucky University at this commencement. Conversely, the absence of a student’s name from this list does not necessarily mean that the person will not be awarded a degree. The students whose names appear below made formal application for graduation by the date specified in the Academic Calendar.

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Dr. Sam Evans, Dean

Cooperative Doctoral Degree with University of Louisville

Lonnie E. McKinney, Jr.
Ph.D. in Educational Administration
Leitchfield
Dissertation: Leadership, Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability Scores: Evidence from Kentucky Scholastic Audits
Dissertation Chair: Dr. Stephen K. Miller, Associate Professor, University of Louisville

Charles L. Pride
Ph.D. in Educational Administration
Bowling Green
Dissertation: Group Differences in Psychological Development of Undergraduate Students
Dissertation Chair: Dr. John Keedy, Professor, University of Louisville

INTERDISCIPLINARY

Master of Arts in Education

Aundrey Z. Ligon
Education & Behavioral Science Study
Bowling Green

Thomas W. Williams
Education & Behavioral Science Study
Bowling Green

Eric J. Angeli
General Education
Manassas, Virginia
COUNSELING AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Specialist in Education

Verna H. Clifford
Counselor Education
Gallatin, Tennessee

Master of Arts in Education

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CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Master of Arts in Education

Kelly A. Biggs
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Shane D. Brown
   Elementary Education
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Emily N. Cassady
   Elementary Education
   Brownsville
Angela L. Cottrell
   Elementary Education
   Ekron
Lori M. Cundiff
   Elementary Education
   Owensboro
Kathryn L. Decker
   Elementary Education
   Bowling Green
Johnny D. Duncan
   Elementary Education
   Elizabethtown
Michelle W. Falloway
   Elementary Education
   Owensboro
Gena P. Jeffries
   Elementary Education
   New Haven
Michelle L. Johnson
   Elementary Education
   Portland, Tennessee
Laura A. Kees
   Elementary Education
   Bowling Green
Heather L. Lasley
   Elementary Education
   Bowling Green
Holly A. Milliner
   Elementary Education
   Leitchfield
Lindsey V. Molohon
   Elementary Education
   Bowling Green
Whitney L. Moore
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Christi J. Morel
   Elementary Education
   Bowling Green
Ellen D. Raifsnider
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Kimberly L. Roach
   Elementary Education
   Hardinsburg
Allison J. Shepherd
   Elementary Education
   Glasgow
Sara E. Smith
   Elementary Education
   Bowling Green
Paula G. Strain
   Elementary Education
   Alvaton
Mary L. Suggs
   Elementary Education
   Bowling Green
Lori B. Tabor
   Elementary Education
   Scottsville
Lindsay G. Thomas
   Elementary Education
   Russellville
Stephanie M. Wheeldon
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   Bowling Green
Christy S. Whitis
   Elementary Education
   Beaver Dam
Rachel L. Will
   Elementary Education
   Cecilia
Christie L. Willis
   Elementary Education
   Clarkson
Robert L. McLellan
   Middle Grades Education
   Olmstead
Brenda L. Neal
   Middle Grades Education
   Hartford
Christy R. Stahl
   Middle Grades Education
   Bowling Green
Michael E. Ayersman
   Secondary Education
   Bowling Green
Maria Barcenilla
   Secondary Education
   Elizabethtown
Ibbie K. Cecil
   Secondary Education
   Hodgenville
Adam T. Dobbs
   Secondary Education
   Franklin
Tonya R. Epley
   Secondary Education
   Bowling Green
Tonda M. Mullins
   Secondary Education
   Hodgenville
David B. Reliford
   Secondary Education
   Columbia
Lora D. Wellman
   Secondary Education
   Philipot

EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION,
LEADERSHIP AND RESEARCH

Master of Arts in Education

Theresa M. Barnard
   Instructional Leader-Principal
   Owensboro
Jeffrey D. Blythe
   Instructional Leader-Principal
   Tompkinsville
Mickey W. Brangers
   Instructional Leader-Principal
   Cecilia
Edward M. Bushelman
   Instructional Leader-Principal
   Scottsville
Suzanne M. Cecil
   Instructional Leader-Principal
   Owensboro
Terry W. Ekbumdit
   Instructional Leader-Principal
   Owensboro
JASON M. FISCHER  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Rockport, Indiana

LARA A. LIM  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Bowling Green

JASON D. MARTIN  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Tell City, Indiana

JOSEPH M. MASON  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Owensboro

SARA S. MATTHEWS  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Glasgow

KIMBERLY M. MYERS  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Whitesville

NATHAN E. PHELPS  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Greenville

DANIELLE D. RANDLE  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Louisville

KENNETH M. RAYMER  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Sweden

BETHANY G. SANDERS  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Bowling Green

STEFANIE L. SKIMEHORN  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Calhoun

JOHN W. THOMAS  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Glendale

ERIKA D. WALKER  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Louisville

MARK A. WELLS  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Rineyville

STOYE W. YOUNG  
Instructional Leader-Principal  
Franklin

PSYCHOLOGY

Specialist in Education

AMY L. Beld  
Psychology  
Franklin, Tennessee

LINDY G. CUNNINGHAM  
Psychology  
Gallatin, Tennessee

CASEY A. DAWSON  
Psychology  
Webster

MONTE GANNON  
Psychology  
Owensboro

JOHN M. LAMANNA  
Psychology  
Youngstown, Ohio

LAUREN B. MARTIN  
Psychology  
Greenville

ALAYNA R. MCDADE  
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Spirit Masters of Western Kentucky University
The Star-Spangled Banner
Francis Scott Key, 1931
arr. John Stafford Smith

Oh Say! can you see, by the dawn’s early light
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight’s last gleaming
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro’ the perilous fight
O’er the ramparts we watch’d were so gallantly streaming
And the rocket’s red glare, the bombs bursting in air
Gave proof thro’ the night that our flag was still there
Oh, say, does that Star-spangled Banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave

My Old Kentucky Home
Stephen C. Foster, 1853
arr. John Martin, 2002

The sun shines bright in the old Kentucky home
’Tis summer the people are gay
The corntop’s ripe and the meadow’s in the bloom
While the birds make music all the day
The young folks roll on the little cabin floor
All merry, and happy and bright
By’n by hard times come a knocking at the door
Then my old Kentucky home, good night
Weep no more my lady, O weep no more today
We will sing one song for the old Kentucky home
For the old Kentucky home far away
College Heights

Mary F. Bradley, 1930
arr. John Martin, 2002

Voice

College Heights on hill-top fair with beauty all thine own.
College Heights with living soul and purpose strong and true,
College Heights thy noble life shall e'er our pattern be,

CHORUS

lovely jewel far more rare than graces any throne.
serve, serve is thy goal, thy spirit e'er new.
teaching us through joy and strife to love humanity.

We hail Thee.

We shall never fail Thee.

falter never, live forever

Hail!

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