

BAKER UNIVERSITY

Spring Commencement

GRADUATE DEGREES

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

SCHOOL OF NURSING

SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND GRADUATE STUDIES

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND GRADUATE STUDIES

SUNDAY, THE NINETEENTH DAY OF MAY
THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR
FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON
LISTON STADIUM
BALDWIN CITY, KANSAS

Today's Commencement

THE UNIVERSITY

In the mid-1850s, a group of Methodist ministers sought refuge from the brutality of a territory torn by economic and social disagreement. It was decided that such a retreat could only be found in the presence of education. A sanctuary of culture and civility was planned, but it was not until the Palmyra Association made a considerable donation of land that Baldwin City was selected as the location for Kansas' first university. Named for Osmon C. Baker, the first American bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Baker University was granted a charter by the territorial legislature on February 12, 1858.

Throughout its history, the university has produced educated contributors to all fields. Baker boasts four Rhodes Scholars, a Pulitzer Prize winner, and countless others who have made a lasting impact as explorers, clergymen, politicians, writers, and academics.

In the 166 years since its inception, Baker has evolved from a small university and preparatory school to a comprehensive university with four schools and degrees ranging from associate to doctorate. From the first graduating class of three in 1866, Baker now serves students across campuses in Kansas and online around the world. The College of Arts and Sciences offers undergraduate degrees in more than 30 areas of study on the Baldwin City campus. The School of Professional and Graduate Studies serves working adults with numerous online programs. At the School of Nursing, Baker partners with Stormont Vail Health in Topeka to offer bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing. The School of Education offers bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in Baldwin City and online.

DESIGNATION OF SCHOLASTIC HONORS

These designations are applicable to baccalaureate degrees:

Summa Cum Laude – With Highest Honors

Magna Cum Laude – With High Honors

Cum Laude – With Honors

THE ACADEMIC REGALIA

The pageantry and dress of the academic procession have been inherited from the medieval universities of the eleventh and twelfth centuries where academic life began, first in the Church, then in the guilds. Principal features of academic dress are the gown, the cap, and the hood.

The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves. Sleeves of the master's gown are long and closed, with a slit at the wrist. Doctoral gowns have full bell sleeves with three velvet chevrons across them and are faced with velvet. University presidents usually wear academic regalia that represent the school.

The colors of the hood generally represent the school and discipline. Traditional colors associated with disciplines are Maize, Agriculture; White, Arts, Letters, and Humanities; Drab, Accounting and Business; Copper, Economics; Light Blue, Education; Orange, Engineering; Brown, Fine Arts; Russet, Forestry; Crimson, Journalism; Purple, Law; Lemon, Library Science; Green, Medicine; Pink, Music; Apricot, Nursing; Silver Gray, Speech; Dark Blue, Philosophy; Sage Green, Physical Education; Golden Yellow, Science; Citron, Social Work; Scarlet, Theology.

THE UNIVERSITY SYMBOLS

In 166 years, Baker has developed many rich traditions. Along with these traditions came a series of symbols holding special meaning to the university and its rituals.

The Presidential Medallion was first worn on April 22, 1967, by Baker President James E. Doty for his inauguration. A gift from Doty's alma mater, Mount Union College in Ohio, the sterling silver and gold medallion is worn by university presidents during ceremonial events, such as commencement and convocation, to signify the official authority and responsibility of the president.

The Baker University seal was added as a university symbol when the university celebrated its golden anniversary. Its Latin motto translates "Let him first be a man," adding to the display of three Greek words: mind, body, and soul. At the center is the lamp of learning on the open book of knowledge.

The Baker University mace symbolizes the power and authority of learning. Commissioned for the 1974 inauguration of Baker's 24th president, Jerald C. Walker, Walt Bailey, emeritus faculty member whose career at Baker spanned 42 years as a professor of art, created the mace from remnants of Baker's Centenary Hall and historic Parmenter Hall. Bearing the name of Baker's 29 presidents, the mace is carried in the procession of official university ceremonies by the Grand Marshal. The traditional symbol was derived from a battle instrument of the knights in the Middle Ages.

FLAGS

The flags represent countries of origin of our graduating students and faculty. This year we have flags representing Antigua and Barbuda, Colombia, Hungary, Nigeria, and Romania.



NEUENSWANDER OUTSTANDING DISSERTATION AWARD

The Dr. Bill Neuenswander Outstanding Dissertation Award was established in 2011 to recognize exceptional work by doctoral candidates and to encourage the highest levels of scholarship, research, and writing. Dr. Neuenswander, served Baker for 17 years in varied roles, including professor of undergraduate and graduate courses, director of teacher education, and dean of the School of Education. He held a key role in developing Baker's first doctoral program, Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership, in 2006, and was inducted into the Kansas Teacher Hall of Fame in 2004.

THE ALMA MATER

TO THE ORANGE

by Warren Shepard

arr. by Roger Kugler

Andante

To dear old Ba-ker un - to thee our grate - ful song we sing. In
6 tri - umph sound through out the land loud let thy prais - es ring. Our Al - ma Ma - ter
11 will _____ reign a - cross the vast fair Kan - sas plain. Hearts
14 to the Orange for e - ver true. We're child - ren of old Ba - ker U

THE PROGRAM

This program lists degree recipients together with candidates who plan to complete requirements in the near future. It is not an official list of graduates.

Exit procedure: In the event of an emergency, please remain calm and move to the exits in an orderly fashion. There are two gates that exit on the northeast side of the grandstand and two gates that exit to the west. Please move quietly and quickly to the nearest exit. In the event of lightning, please exit the stadium and return to your vehicle. We will communicate with graduates when it is safe to return to your seats or if the ceremony will be postponed.

Thank you.



Order of the Ceremonies

PRESIDENT LYNNE E. MURRAY
PRESIDING

*Processional Kansas City St. Andrew Pipes and Drums

*Invocation The Reverend Kevin Hopkins
University Minister

Welcome and Introductions Dr. Lynne Murray
29th President
Baker University

Authorization to Confer Degrees and
Bestow University Honors and Recognition Ms. Brenda Tuller Stasiulis
Chair of the Board of Trustees
Class of 1988

Presentation of University Recognition. President Murray

Presentation of the Dr. Bill Neuenswander
Outstanding Dissertation Award
to Dr. Stacye Williams Dr. Matthew R. Bice
Dean of Graduate and Online Education

Presentation of Candidates Dr. Darcy Russell
Vice President of Academic Affairs
and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

Conferral of Degrees President Murray

Presentation of Degrees Dr. Russell

School of Education Graduate CandidatesDr. Bice

School of Nursing Graduate CandidatesDr. Marlene Eicher
Associate Dean
School of Nursing, Graduate Programs

School of Professional
and Graduate Studies CandidatesDr. Bice

Assisted by Ms. Ramie Nation
University Registrar

President’s ChargePresident Murray

*The Alma Mater Led by Nguyen Nicholson
Junior, Music Education

To *The Orange* by Warren Shepard
arr. by Roger Kugler
Lyrics are available on page 3

*Benediction The Reverend Hopkins

**RecessionalKansas City St. Andrew Pipes and Drums

*All who are able will stand.

**Audience members please remain standing until the recessional is completed.

The University Marshals are Dr. Sara Crump – Head Marshal, Dr. Brian Henry,
Dr. Sherill Lambruschini, and Professor Amanda Schuster.

The Ed.D. advisors assisting with the hooding of the doctoral candidates
today are Dr. Regena Aye, Dr. Phyllis Chase, Dr. Tracy Cooper, Dr. Harold Frye,
Dr. Brian Henry, Dr. Tes Mehring, Dr. James Robins, Dr. Susan Rogers,
and Dr. Denis Yoder.



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