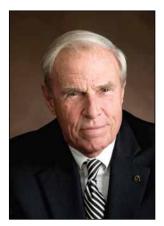
University of Colorado Colorado Springs



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FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY TO THE CLASS OF 2011



May 20, 2011

Dear University of Colorado Graduate,

Congratulations on earning your degree from the University of Colorado Colorado Springs.

I still remember the deep sense of pride I felt when I accepted my geology degree from the University of Colorado. My education has served me well over the years, and I am sure yours will, too. Welcome to the generations of alumni around the globe who carry that pride within them. Our collective legacy has been to leave a positive and meaningful mark on Colorado and the world.

Accepting your degree after years of self-sacrifice and dedication is one of life's greatest achievements. When you walk away from this exciting day, my hope is that you will do so with a passion to pursue your dreams. Never forget how the university shaped you and prepared you to face life's challenges. Expect nothing but the best from yourself and those who surround you on your journey through life.

Students who have passed through the campus's classrooms, laboratories, lecture halls and libraries have emerged with a greater understanding of their place in the world. The University of Colorado community is proud of you and your accomplishments. As you leave here to start careers, draw on your academic achievements at UCCS to help you succeed and inspire others.

Today is your day to shine and share your accomplishments with your family and friends. We wish you success, prosperity, happiness and good health in all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Bruce D. Benson President of the University of Colorado

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ORDER OF EXERCISES

CHARLES BENIGHT, COMMENCEMENT MARSHAL UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO COLORADO SPRINGS FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH – 2010

Prelude

Instrumental Music	Visual and Performing Arts Jazz Ensemble
	Directed by Instructor Brad Bietry

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance Military March No.1 in D, Op.39, No.1 – Arranged by Joseph Prostakoff Pianist Sara Mc Daniel

Ceremony

America the Beautiful (Lyrics on page 4) Visual and Performing Arts Graduate Donna Nunez
The National Anthem (Lyrics on page 2)Visual and Performing Arts Vocal Ensemble Directed by Instructor Stephanie Fisher
Address Chancellor Pamela Shockley-Zalabak
Remarks President Bruce Benson
Congratulations from 2011 Student Achievement Award Recipient Graduate Ben Jourdan
Honorary Degree Recipient
Conferring of Advanced Degrees (page 10)
Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees (page 16)
Initiation of Graduates into Alumni and Friends Association Alumni Chair Christy Sipsey
"On Rollercoasters, Global Renaissance, and the Meaning of Life"
Charge to the Graduates (page 3)
Alma Mater (Lyrics on page 4)
Recessional Music

HONORARY DEGREE



HONORARY DOCTORATE OF HUMANE LETTERS

DONALD BIRKELAND, PH.D.

Don Birkeland, professor, personnel expert, and executive, is known for his application of industrial and organizational psychology principles to the workplace.

As a member of the University of Colorado Colorado Springs faculty from 1971 to 1980, he taught courses in the Department of Psychology including organizational psychology. He served as department chair and as assistant dean of the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences.

A South Dakota native, he joined Minneapolis-based Personnel Decisions International, a firm that assists in the hiring, training and development of employees and corporate executives, following his service to the university.

In 20 years with the company, including more than a decade as its president, he helped grow the company

from a single office with a handful of employees to a world-wide organization with hundreds of team members across the globe. Under his leadership, PDI pioneered the use of behavior-based measurements and inventories as well as leadership development with clients that included prominent leaders in industries as diverse as oil and gas, retail and wholesale food, technology, manufacturing, and finance.

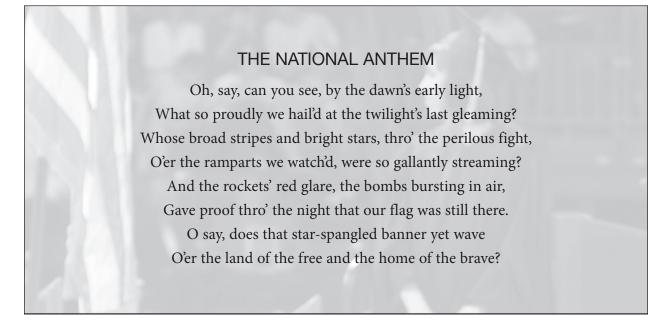
Though retired since 2000, he remains close to PDI and continues to deliver international assessment and development programs. As a consultant to the company, he continues to provide executive coaching to several of the company's long-term clients.

He remains close to members of the UCCS faculty and is remembered by many as an outstanding teacher willing to share his expertise and his passion with others.

In recognition of his dedication to his field and to the development of organizations and people across the globe, the University of Colorado Colorado Springs is honored to award Don Birkeland the Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters.

HONORARY DEGREE

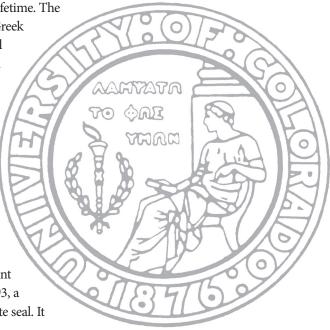
An Honorary Degree (Doctor of Humane Letters or Doctor of Science) is the highest award the University of Colorado can bestow. It is the policy of the Board of Regents to award Honorary Degrees in recognition of outstanding intellectual contributions, university service, and/or public service.



THE UNIVERSITY SEAL

The University of Colorado has used three seals in its lifetime. The present seal, adopted in 1908, depicts a classical male Greek figure seated against a pillar and holding a scroll. Laurel branches frame a burning torch beside him. The Greek inscription means "Let Your Light Shine." The seal's designer, Henry Reed of Denver, chose the classical motif because Greek civilization "stands as the criterion of culture." The laurel symbolizes honor or success, the youth of the figure suggests the "morning of life," and the scroll represents written language.

From 1893 to 1908, the university seal was a copy of Wyon's medallion, "Science Trims the Lamp of Life." The classical figure of a Greek woman knelt before a lamp and was flanked by mariposa lilies, which President Baker described as "a true Colorado flower." Before 1893, a seal was used which essentially copies the Colorado state seal. It was never adopted by the Regents.



The official seal of the University of Colorado is used primarily on official documents, such as diplomas and transcripts that have been issued on behalf of the university. The Board of Regents uses the seal in transmitting official business.

THE NORLIN CHARGE TO GRADUATES

(From the baccalaureate address by President George Norlin, of the University of Colorado, June 1935)

"You are now certified to the world at large as alumni of the university. She is your kindly mother and you her cherished sons and daughters.

This exercise denotes not your severance from her, but your union with her. Commencement does not mean, as many wrongly think, the breaking of ties and the beginning of a life apart. Rather it marks your initiation in the fullest sense into the fellowship of the university, as bearers of her torch, as centers of her influence, as promoters of her spirit.

The university is not the campus, not the buildings on the campus, nor the faculties, nor the students of any one time — not one of these or all of them. The university consists of all who come into and go forth from her halls, who are touched by her influence and who carry on her spirit. Wherever you go, the university goes with you. Wherever you are at work, there is the university at work.

What the university purposes to be, what it must always strive to be, is represented on its seal, which is stamped on your diplomas — a lamp in the hands of youth. If its light shines not in you and from you, how great is its darkness! But if it shines in you today, and in the thousands before you, who can measure its power?

With hope and faith, I welcome you into the fellowship. I bid you farewell only in the sense that I pray you may fare well. You go forth, but not from us. We remain, but not severed from you. God go with you and be with you and us."

THE PRESIDENTIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE

The Presidential Chain of Office was created in 1980 by Mary Sartor, M.F.A., University of Colorado Boulder, for the inauguration of President Arnold R. Weber. The chain was a gift to the university by Mr. and Mrs. David G. Hawthorn, Class of 1924.

Colorado gold and silver are used throughout the chain to symbolize the importance of those minerals to the history of the state. The gem stones chosen also consist entirely of minerals from Colorado.

Three pendants are suspended on the chain. The back pendant is the seal of the State of Colorado surrounded by a golden ribbon representing the golden "Circle of Knowledge." The top pendant in the front, the seal of the University of Colorado surmounted by an arch set with diamond and topaz, signifies the necessary link between the search for knowledge and its practical application to the world outside the university. The seal is supported at the bottom by the laurel wreaths found in the seal, emblematic of honor and success.

The bottom pendant is centered with a golden topaz indicating man's quest for knowledge. The surrounding ring is paved with fragmented cubes and diamonds which suggest fragments of knowledge with brilliant breakthroughs of understanding.

The chain surrounding these pendants symbolizes the endless but ever-changing cycle of human knowledge.

Joseph A. Sewell	1877–1887
Horace M. Hale	1887–1892
James H. Baker	1892–1914
Livingston Farrand	1914–1919
George Norlin	1919–1939
Robert L. Stearns	1939–1953
Ward Darley	1953–1956
Quigg Newton	1956–1963
Joseph R. Smiley	1963–1969
Eugene H. Wilson	1969
Frederick P. Thieme	1969–1974

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land C. Rautenstraus	1974–1980
nold R. Weber	1980–1985
lliam H. Baughn	1985
Gordon Gee	1985–1990
lliam H. Baughn	1990–1991
dith E. N. Albino	1991–1995
nn C. Buechner	1995–2000
exander E. Bracken	2000
zabeth Hoffman	2000–2005
nk Brown	2005–2008
uce Benson	2008-present





THE CHANCELLOR'S CHAIN OF OFFICE

A campus commencement tradition began in 2008 when the Chancellor's Chain of Office was created to recognize and celebrate the chancellors who have led the University of Colorado Colorado Springs since its founding in 1965. The chain was a gift to the university from Mrs. Kathy Griffith, who worked in the Chancellor's Office for 30 years, upon her retirement as chief of staff in 2008.

The chain is a traditional part of academic regalia that provides recognition at formal events to the person who currently holds the position of chancellor, as well as those who formerly filled the role.

The Chancellor's Chain of Office is connected with the interlocking CU to symbolize campus ties to the CU System. The words "Chancellor" and "Colorado Springs" surround the chain's medallion of the university's seal. The chain includes links denoting the university's six colleges and schools; it also includes individual links recognizing all UCCS chancellors. The chancellors listed are:

Lawrence Silverman	1974-1977	Dwayne Nuzum 1986-1993
Don Schwartz	1978-1982	Linda Bunnell Shade 1993-2001
Neal Lane	1984-1985	Pam Shockley-Zalabak 2002-present

ACADEMIC DRESS

The tradition of the academic costume began during the twelfth or thirteenth century in the early European universities. Since the clergy composed the majority of the educated class, academic dress is an adaptation of the cape or mantle which was usually of silk or wool and worn by church dignitaries in religious processions.

Through the years, great diversity in color and in style of cap, gown and hood developed. In 1896, the colleges and universities in the United States adopted a uniform code governing academic dress. Today, the black gown, hood, and mortar board worn by the graduates in most institutions follow this code.

While it is not apparent to the casual observer, the gowns worn by the recipients of the various degrees differ somewhat in design. The sleeves of the gown worn by the baccalaureate candidate are long and pointed, while the sleeves of the gown worn by the master's degree recipients are square at one end with a slit at the elbow. The doctor's gown has flowing sleeves with three bars of velvet, and facing of velvet down the front of the gown.

Those who receive a master's or a doctoral degree from the University of Colorado wear hoods lined with the school colors, silver and gold. The hood worn by the doctoral candidate differs in design from that of the master's as it has side panels and is slightly longer. The velvet border of the hood indicates the degree and usually follows the same code as the color of the tassels.

The oxford cap, usually referred to as a mortar board, is black and has a long tassel which is fastened by a button on the top. Candidates for the baccalaureate degree wear the tassel pendant over the right front of the cap before the degree is conferred, then it is worn on the left thereafter.

Cum Laude candidates wear bronze honor cords. Magna Cum Laude and honors candidates wear silver honor cords. Summa Cum Laude and special honors candidates wear gold honor cords. The color of the tassel on the bachelor's cap indicates the field of study, with the exception of the BA degree whose candidates wear white tassels indicating the arts.

DOCTORATE TASSEL COLORS

Doctor of PhilosophyOld Gold
Doctor of Nursing Practice Apricot
MASTER TASSEL COLORS
Master of Engineering/Science/SciencesGold
Master of Business Administration Sapphire
Master of Public Administration Peacock
Master of Arts (Education)
Master of Arts (LAS)

BACHELOR TASSEL COLORS

Nursing Apricot
Health ScienceGreen
Forensic Science
BusinessSapphire
Criminal Justice Peacock
Engineering Orange
Letters, Arts and Sciences White

HONORS DESIGNATIONS DESCRIPTIONS

Students having been awarded honors are noted in the program. Following is an explanation of the criteria required of the honors designations.

with honors with special honors

These terms denote students who have met criteria including, but not limited to, grade point average set by the
college from which they are graduating that demonstrate exceptional academic performance within the college.
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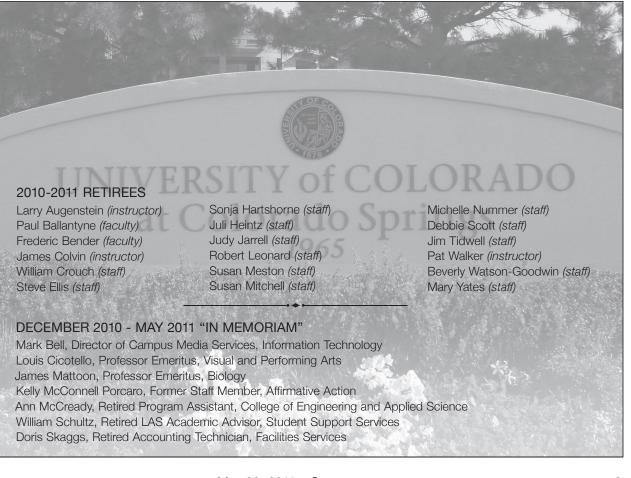
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*Lead Coordinators



The following list of candidates for degrees includes students graduating in May 2011. Students will receive their degrees by walking across the commencement stage in two lines in order of college or school listed in the program.

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Jenenne Nelson, Dean

PH.D. – EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP RESEARCH & POLICY

Glenda Carne "Coming Back to College: Middle East Veteran Student Involvement and Culture Shock"

Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi "Caught in the Crossfire": Effects of Policy Ambiguities and Inconsistencies on Higher Education Professionals Providing Support to Undocumented Students"

James Smith

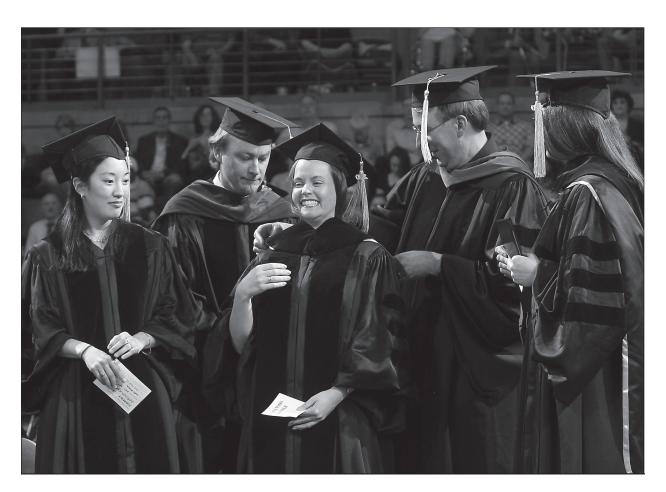
"Differentiated Instruction: Exploring Implementation at the Middle Level"

PH.D. – ENGINEERING

James Allen Wigle (emphasis in Electrical Engineering) "Advances in Microwave Metamaterials"

PH.D. – APPLIED SCIENCE

Tim Fal (emphasis in Physics) "Dynamic Magnetics: Microwave Interactions with Magnetic Structures on both a Macroscopic and Microscopic Scale"



DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE - CAPSTONE PROJECT

Outstanding Doctorate Student Award: Eileen Gray

Manjit Araich

"An Evidenced Based Palliative Care Protocol for Congestive Heart Failure (CHF) Patients"

Shauna Bigby

"Stress Management Program for Community College Students"

Lori Buns "Osteoporosis Incidence in Veterans with Alcohol-use Disorders: An Early Recognition and Intervention Program"

Sally Cadman "Does Passive Viewing Reduce Stress and Promote Wellness?"

Anne Charles

"A Programmatic Development that Focuses on Creating and Implementing a Protocol for Screening for Intimate Partner Violence in a Rural Primary Care Setting"

Mary Ann Dimberio "Resources for Caregivers of Dementia"

Dawn Galvez "Childhood overweight and obesity"

Eileen Gray "A Nurse Coordinated Support Group for Adolescents with Spina Bifida: A Pilot Study"

Jerelen Hancox "Kicking Butts: A Smoking Cessation Program for Cincinnati State College"

Mary LeDuc "New Graduate Nurse Residency Program Evaluation"

Kimberly Moore "Hepatitis Screening, Immunization, Education, and Referral of Veterans with Substance Use Disorders and Mental Illness"

Jose Rosales "Optimizing Diabetic Support and Education with Telephone Monitoring"

Thomas Sweeny

"DNP Leadership Opportunities to Implement Evidence Based Practice Guidelines to Improve Inpatient Glycemic control with the Use of Continuous Subcutaneous Insulin (CSII) Pump Therapy for Patients with Type I Diabetes"

Bryce Thacker "Cultural Competence to Improve Health Outcomes for Adults in the Latino Population with DM Type 2"

BETH-EL COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Nancy Smith, Dean

THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN FORENSIC SCIENCE OR IN SPORTS MEDICINE AND HEALTH PROMOTION

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Taryn Rebecca Bailey, Tessa Rose Goodwin, Kelly Marie Ping

Ian Ashton Almeyda Taryn Rebecca Bailey Jennifer Joann Best Ashley Marle Bethke Zanobia Michelle Bobb Casey Kelly Conley Ashley Lynn Domanski Tessa Rose Goodwin Kelley Wayne Millsap Ashley Marie Olson Kelly Marie Ping Jacqueline Denise Portillo Ian Andrew Richards Michelle Yolanda Ricketts

Braden Floyd Sczepanski Ashley Brooke Skarnes Anne Elizabeth Thorsen Kristen Lyn Williams Sara Rose Yackley Carissa Ann Ah Yo

THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Lea Ann Tyler

- Hedi Aguiar Elizabeth Wesley Arnold Billie Jo Baptiste Connie Darlene Edgar Peter Mark Granderson Danielle Norline Hain Amy Elizabeth Harp
- Kevin Ray Harsh Whitney Leigh Hernandez Amy Mary Johnson Mary Elizabeth Loomis Myrna Lee Mathers Lori Ann Minten-Verheyden
- Carrie Shanntel Platt Melissa Ann Primiano Carla Sue Querner Misty Deon Rios Christine Mary Sturgeon Lea Ann Tyler

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION

Venkateshwar Reddy, Dean

THE DEGREE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Charles Litchfield, Kokila Vasu Distinguished Graduate Academic Achievement Award: Charles Litchfield

Nobuvuki Arai Hilary Anne Archuleta Joseph William Bennett Heather Rae Bracken Michael Leroy Britt Marissa Kate Brown Jacob H. Busch Sharon Elizabeth Butts Danielle Marie Clapp Crystal Renee Cobb Katherine Pabst Colvin Jacob Anthony Costa Thomas James Cutshall Evelyn Elizabeth Dean Annette Katherine Dolley Joshua Joseph Eliason Christina Marie Espe Andrew James Fallon Lunita Lucretia Ferguson Megan Lee Fisher Burton Timothy Gray Brett Joseph Greiwe Paula Michelle Harman Sandra Ann Heller John F. Henning Spencer Leif Hooker William Edward Imhof Amber Leigh Jack Alex William Kephart Kimberly Marie Kingston Eric Edward Kneifel Julie Anne Eller Lafitte Timothy Michael Latzke Charles Evan Litchfield Matthew John Mast Jessica Rene May Tamarin Lynne Mc Cartin Darryl Edward Mc Daniel

Jason Michael Mc Dermott Glenn Richard Murray John Lawton Nichols Stacy Michelle Ortiz Breanna Lee Paderewski Sandra Pohlmann Leroy Albert Popowski Danielle Marie Redeker Aaron Clark Pedersen Rhoads Nicola Jayne Roark **David Michael Rogers** Michael Patrick Rossi Elizabeth Bauer Roth Nathaniel Floyd Searing Yongjoo Shin Krista Victoria Silecchia Michael Patrick Smith Glenn Clealand Rose Sommerfeld Amy Jo Spaulding

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SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Paul Teske, Dean

THE DEGREE MASTER OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: James Sheffield# Tessa Rose Goodwin Maurice Anthony Walsh

THE DEGREE MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Toni Selman David Isabel Arrambide Marina Connor Troy David Davenport Amy Onyx Driggers Tamika Chinue Ford Ava Fuqua Brent W. Gruver

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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

David Fenell, Interim Dean

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING AND HUMAN SERVICES

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Megan Bunka Ashtin Taylor Baxley Janna Henry Angela Kay Herron Robert Meade Bryant Carol Elizondo Hill Megan Tilney Bunka Juliana Hill Jessica Marie Childers Melody Elise Clark Debra Marie Hoke Teresa Ann Cole Kevin David Hornburg **Brian Philip Collins** Henry Roosevelt Jeffress, III Sarah Maurine Jensen George Michael Crowley Sameen Noorulamin Debard Blake Prescott Johnson Adam Richard Digerolamo Brandon Reid Johnson Kelvin Dwayne Dumas Jason Russell Kirkland Michelle Lindsay Kozimko Stephanie Ann Engler Rebecca Lynn Fleming Alexis Larrie Kubiak Stephanie Marie Kugler David Douglas Freeman Melissa Nicolette Freeman Crystal Bliss Lardy Lisa Jadalla Ghrayyeb Hannah Marie Larson Aysun Yasar Livingston **Daniel Christopher Gibbons** Joseph John Granistosky, Jr. Alexis Nicole Mable Eduardo Nocon Guevara, Jr. Lindsay Erin Massa Anne Butler Hadaway Erica Chantal Mbanda Mary Joyce Navin Nikki Linn Harding Sharon Ann Nickelberry Ruth Helen Henley

Wendy Palatinus Tabitha Faye Panariso Jessica Ngoc Pham Michelle Casserly Porter Lisa Dianne Rauk Jennifer Babcock Robbins Leeann Nicole Roberts Linda Elfrieda Santiago Suzanne Eve Simon Amy Theresa Sinjem Kristen B. Smith Jeremiah Bo Stahr Jesie Ann Steffes Felicity Dawn Taylor Stacy M. Vogel Brande Helen Walton Laurie Kim Warchol Matthew Richard Yeatter Lynsey Renee Yoder Sarah Lynn Young Amanda Victoria Ziemer

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THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: April Lanotte#

- Tateum Eileen Bowers Alan Curtis Earing Wendy Janell Franklund Kimberlee Haberkorn Brett Allen Humphrey Odette Mukaji Kasal
- Joshua Gerrard Kemp Jennifer Marie Mitchell Amanda Suzanne Nelms Yumaira De Lour Obando De Velez Sherille Aillene Patterson Petrita Gertrude Sanchez

Tommie Sue Spiers Richelle Kae Taylor Jennifer Alana Wilfong Jean Nicole Williams Haley Renee Wise-Cerda Huiquan Xu

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN LEADERSHIP, RESEARCH & FOUNDATIONS

- Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Talmage TrujilloNichole Lyn ChristensenVladislav "IzzyCrystal Sue CyrPradeepan JaBrian Joseph FaheyMitchell DougNicholas Paul GoodsellMelinda MarieRonald Patrick Hamilton, Jr.Lauren MarieJason William HardingLauren Marie
 - Vladislav "Izzy" Izboinikov Pradeepan Jeevamanoharan Mitchell Douglas Karstens Melinda Marie Kitta Lauren Marie Murphy

Amy Lynn Nelson Talmage Alexander Trujillo Tasha Lashay Wearren Sabrina E.E. Wienholtz Megan Kelly Woods

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Jennifer Sole#

- Laura Richards Atherton Amanda Jean Bandt Susanne Cheryl Gardner Justin Wesley Holmes
- Ashley Morgan Hubbard Emily Ann Mc Candless-Beard Nora Kathleen Mc Govern Katie Lynn Merritt
- Julie Anne Ray Diana Suzette Smith Richard Thomas

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE

Ramaswami Dandapani, Dean

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ENGINEERING

James David Bishop Stephanie L. Emelander Ronald James Erickson Michael Aaron Hausman Mark David Kelly Justin Charles Last Scott Goldie Middleton Megan Elizabeth Miller³ Steven Kent Moorhead Jared Landon Renshaw Eric James Smerkonich Brian Steven Thorpe Mindi Christine Updegraff

THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Erica Lynn Kirkbride	Sidney I. Rubey	Ryan Matthew Thomas
Jonathan Brian Metzgar	Benjamin Scott Stroud	Drew J. Walton

THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Adam Christopher Gruca Shane Russell Kirkbride

Luke Richard Morgan Hugh Alexander Shane Godwin Ikechukwu Ukazu

THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Julie Ann Horvath

Joseph Michael Klosinski

Ronald Kevin Lang

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COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS, AND SCIENCES Thomas Christensen, Dean

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN APPLIED GEOGRAPHY

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Ryan James Hollamby John Edward Davis, Jr. Ryan James Hollamby

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Adam John Saffer

- Jason Garry Bovee Erin Marlene Chmel Karen Jean Coyle³ Elizabeth Rose Fortune Brett Christen Garman Nicole Camus Grossling
- Angela Michelle Ibrahim Saundra Kaye Josephs³ Coral Marie Laski Bonnielou Marija Nephew Brandon Kieth O´ Dell³ Solomon Pudaite³

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY

Outstanding Graduate Student Av	vard: David R. Johnson	
Juana Myrna Abarca	Michelle Renee Johnson	Stephanie Ann Reese
Christopher William Bairn	Alexandra Shoun Mavelli	Kirsten Marie Scrantor
Jared Lee Benson	Daphne Denise Medina	Kay Smith
David R. Johnson		

THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Andrew James Smith		
Elizabeth Anne Crandall	Karla Priscilla Gomez ³	Whitney Nicole Piro ³
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THE DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Nicholas Branden Lee Lynda Diane Haley Nicholas Branden Lee Susan Marie Holmes Nicholas Carl Meyer

Jennifer Nicole Vchulek Chelsea Nicole Wyttenbach³

THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Outstanding Graduate Student Award: Richard Dwayne Neely Richard Dwayne Neely Markus Helmut Tyboroski

THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES

Sean Michael Langlais

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Melissa Marie Housey

Andreanna Soledad Romero Adam John Saffer Rudolf Adalbert Selitsch Cathryn Gail Supplee Scott Edward Swint³ Todd Spencer Waters

BETH-EL COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Nancy Smith, Dean

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH CARE SCIENCE

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Jason Robert Shaver

- Hogan Frederick Ahrens Kayli Renee Allen* Brittany Nicole Andrews Sara Jo Barela* Kristine Roca Bautista Lauren Marie Brien Andrea Marie Brodie*** Marie C Melanie Carpentier Michelle Rose Casias** Todd Joel Cofer Roman James White Cruz Julie Mae Emanuelson Laura French Fox** Sarah Kathleen Hankins Anna Marie Hanselman* Amy Hatch*
- Jaime Renee Hilligrass Haley Shamane Hines-Brickles Lauren Elizabeth Holm Katie Lynn Hunt Barbara Ann Janiszewski* Kallie Sierra Jiblits Kayla Rae Klipfel Patricia Lynette Kottaridis* Abigail Lucille Kruse*** Philippe Sergio Richard Lacroix Peggy Wykert Leidel* Mameni Vanaca Linga Megan Ashley Lowe*** Stefanie Karisa Luque* Jacob Daniel Magistrelli

Gillian Lane Patriquin Mallo Albert L. Marle, III** Jacob John Ortmeier* Kersten Rose Pollock-Nelson Maria Luisa Rosado Jason Robert Shaver** Elissia Bea Smith* Joseph Michael Stabley* Amanda Kay Sullivan Laura Beth Sutherland* Melissa Rose Swope Angela Katrina Torres Bernadette Lee Urioste Liann Jacqueline Weiner* Amanda Marie Wroth

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Kara Jo Marchel, Eugene Abad Fisco, Staci Lynn Ruddy

Hannah C. Adams Michael Alto Jessica Rose Benzel Elizabeth Ann Berardi** Jennifer Michelle Berry* Kyla Elaine Blouin** Karen Kay Boley Stephanie Lee Britton Darcie Gwenn Broady Robertson Elisabet Eufemia Buzo **Emily Ruth Carlson** Bethany Joy Caton** Hannah C. Chevarie Mary Catherine Star Christensen Carla Jean Clore* Lindsey Frances Close Alyssa Rose Colby Megan Amelia Conway* Jhoanna Luz Trinanes Cutaran** Bryana Olivia Davidson* Teresa Marie Davison* Christina Mersch DeMars** Jennifer Irene Dufour Adrianna Juliet Eubanks* Eugene Abad Fisco Randi Lynn Fisher

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Desiree Nicole Palmer Zeliko Paunic* Melissa Marie Pedigo* Danna Marie Pettit** Cassandra Marie Ragan Staci Lynn Ruddy** Haley Dawn Schlepp Jonathan Adam Scott* Courtney Elizabeth Simons Elizabeth Ashley Smith* Andrea Michelle Spangler Helen Lee St John* Heather Noelle Stannard Courtney Elizabeth Stenseth* Amanda Kay Stoesz Katherine Ann Sullivan* Alyssa Louise Turner* Annaliesa Marie Vance* Jillian Elizabeth Vance* Kaitlin Alexandra Veselicky Alan Renacia Villamil Maggie Ann Viskniskki Katie Alexis Wallace Andrea Michelle Wolf Philip Earl Wuthier*

Explanation of Honors: *Cum Laude - 3.5 - 3.74; **Magna Cum Laude - 3.75 - 3.89; ***Summa Cum Laude - 3.9 or above

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION

Venkateshwar Reddy, Dean

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Dana Elizabeth Corman Distinguished Undergraduate Academic Achievement Award: Dana Elizabeth Corman

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Jason Michael Conger* Calvin Joseph Cook

Austin Zachary Sills***

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS

Javier Alcaraz***, University Honors Bryan James Asher Cory Wellington Barnhart Ellen Elizabeth Beebe Austin Michael Bevere** Scott David Bingham Laura Terrell Black Amanda Leigh Blough** Christina Michelle Bochnak*** John Nicholas Borini Michael Shea Bowers Deanna Rose Bowling* Chelsey Marie Boyd Daniel Alan Bradley Samuel W. Brown Thomas Patrick Buesing Heather Michelle Carpenter Tara Lynn Carriker***, Chancellor's Leadership Class Kenneth Myers Carroll Brian M. Carruthers Adam Andrew Case³ Mark Allan Cassady Kevin Christopher Chan* Jennifer Renae Coffey Bryan Michael Collins³ **Drew Collins** Alexandra Marie Cominsky Jennifer Chavez Cooper³ Elin Marissa Corey Dana Elizabeth Corman*** Jonathan Mark Coyne** Elizabeth Marianna Cronin Rebecca Anne Dauenhauer Jeffrey Thomas Davis³ Christopher Ryan Dewey Alessandro Rocco Dipasquale, II** Laura Susanne Dry

Marie Anne Dumayac* Laurina Ann Esposito Benjamin T. Feilmeier Christopher M. Fernandez-Quevedo Michelle Lee Flynn** Michael Charles Fodor* Sarah Elisabeth Fogle*** Terence David Ford** Nicole Lynn Forster Erika Junette French Nikita Leigh French-Piggott Matthew A. Fryc Helen Nahjela Galega Daniel Galvez Rachel Nicole Gaul Amy Nicole Gonzalez Robert Troy Goodwater** Rebor Gozeh Nathan Alexander Granger Andre Griffin Jessica Grisham** Martha Grashiela Gurule Nicholas Phillip Gylling Ryan James Haas Camron Joseph Hadley Tierra Jean Hadley Ashlev Colleen Harris Jessica Christine Heffron Stephanie Lynn Helmick* Karissa L. Hengst Michael William Hicks Kerry Joseph Hilsabeck** Almir Hudzic Mathew Randolf Holdt, Jr. Diane Carol Holladay** Andrew Bernard Horn* Justin Tyler Hosler³ **Robert Maull Howe***

Lucas Peter Hristou Kai Phillip Huntsman Michael Timothy Huscher Justin Trent Hutcherson Catherine Ashley Jekel Chelsey Marie Johnson** Jade O. Johnson-Masuen Alexandera Lynn Jones Brent Eugene Jones³ Benjamin Mark Jourdan***, Chancellor's Leadership Class Nicholas McDonald Junker Sarah Jean Kaminsky Jacinda J. Kennedy James Randolph Kennedy**, Chancellor's Leadership Class Katelyn Mae Kingery** Catherine Amber Kinslow Michelle Louise Kissler Helen Kunz*** Jessica Louise LA Fave Elisabeth Ruth Lake** Bryan Wayne Le Doux* Mary Elizabeth Lile Stacey Lindsey* Joshua Aaron Lorenzen Mike Lukken Gregory Lee Lyon** Larina Breann Mangrum Brvan Martin Manson* Randall Michael Marchessault* Carlie Katherine Martin* Steven Michael Martinez Jacob Kendall McCloy David Scott Mc Dougall Ross William McLean³ Rebecca Morey Emily Jean Nelson*

Explanation of Honors: *Cum Laude - 3.3 CU GPA and 3.5 Business GPA;

Magna Cum Laude - 3.5 CU GPA and 3.7 Business GPA; *Summa Cum Laude - 3.7 CU GPA and 3.9 Business GPA #Degree was awarded at UCCS Summer/Fall Commencement, December 2010.

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Robert Daniel Rodriguez Americo Robert Rosario Joshua Michael Rowland Rachael Louise Rush* Anthony Ryan Savicki David Alan Schauer Matthew Porter Seav***. Chancellor's Leadership Class Brandon Christian Shaw Steven Scott Shilev** Seong Hwan Shin Tanya Ann Shipley Chris Ryan Shoop Austin Sills*** Chelsea Alyse Sintas David Jerry Smith³ Leighton Taylor Smith³ Kelli M. Spain Daniel Dean Stepec Andrew Jaron Stewart Doniphan Todd Stone Heather Lynn Stugen

Christopher Robert Thiele Dana Renee Thielke Frank Glen Thompson Madison Anne Tway Martin Howard Upton Jorge Luis Vazquez Ashley Shasta Venuti Timothy Michael Vigil Chad Clemente Weber Lilia Whiddon** Stephanie Danielle Whitmover Aaron Patrick Williams Sydni Anysia Williams** Bryan Jeffrey Willis³ Kimberly Anne Wolfe Samuel R. Woody Jaime Lynn Woyak Shaun M. Woyak* Tomas Hawl Wyatt Robert Ford Youngs Kathleen Rose Zahn

Explanation of Honors: *Cum Laude - 3.3 CU GPA and 3.5 Business GPA; **Magna Cum Laude - 3.5 CU GPA and 3.7 Business GPA; ***Summa Cum Laude - 3.7 CU GPA and 3.9 Business GPA

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Paul Teske, Dean

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Laurie Kathleen Buchanan

Matthew Alexander Batzel* Austyn Kristen Boudreaux Laurie Kathleen Buchanan** Nicholas Scott Driver Tiffany Lee Endres Aldys Fields Elyse Chelsey Grimes Daniel Earl Hartman, II Marcus Alexander Lasswell* Sandy Michelle Lewis** Tara Nicole Mason Joshua Adam McKenna Kimberly Muller* Jonathan Davis Munday* Janine Michelle Noel Ryan Robert Oettinger* Oscar Ramirez Rodriguez Tawny Nicole Saunders Felice Margo Sotelo Corey Martel Stewart Tiffany Anne Suazo Christopher James Witt Carrie Anne Marie Woodruff

Explanation of Honors: *Cum Laude - 3.5 - 3.69; **Magna Cum Laude - 3.7 - 3.89; ***Summa Cum Laude - 3.9 or above

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE

Ramaswami Dandapani, Dean

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF INNOVATION IN ENGINEERING

Michael Shane Ballard, Jr.	Nathan David Marrs
Christopher K. Malec	Charles Joseph Neville

Karl William Scheer

Explanation of Honors: Honors - 3.6 - 3.79; Special Honors - 3.8 - 4.0 [#]Degree was awarded at UCCS Summer/Fall Commencement, December 2010. ³Student walking through ceremony under assumption of requirement completion by the end of the following semester

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Russell Wade Dickson Ryan Forrest Hindley Philip Josiah Landry Brad Allen Lovell Nathan Andrew Shaffer Matthew Alika White Terri Dee Wilder

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Ryan James Cimera Randy Lee Cook Leigh Tera Gathings, *With Honors* Minh Thy Phuoc Nguyen Jonathan David Parris Sean Tulloch Pompea

Kathryn Johanna Soli Dylan Thomas Vaughn Daniel Albert Wellman

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Jose Jesus Alvarez Robert Everett Harvey Ewing Kalen Zachary Hayes

Liza Marie Resley

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Andrew Peter Bennett Jordana Ruika Beun Gus Henry Billot James Zachary Eken Elias Esteban Fierro Kyle Gregory Foster Benjamin Michael Gauvain Paola Patricia Genao Edward Kelly Geneva Joseph Charles Pius Griebel, Jr., *With Special Honors, Chancellor's Leadership Class* Steven Andrew Holstine Arianna Danielle Jakositz lavor Dimitrov Kostadinov Stephen Luke Larson Christina Marie Limon Matthew Ryan Martin, *With Honors* Kenneth Alan Pierce Joshua Lee Schmidt Brandy Nicole Sharb Joelle Ivy Suits Michael Christopher Suppes Justin Bradley Tome Andrew Drexel West Angelica Zepeda

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN MATHEMATICS

Norberto Noel Mercado

Explanation of Honors: Honors - 3.6 - 3.79; Special Honors - 3.8 - 4.0

COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS, AND SCIENCES

Thomas Christensen, Dean

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Amethyst Meagen Joy Davis

Laura Marie Araujo Brian C. Brockman Jennifer Louise Champlin Amethyst Meagen Joy Davis Jeffrey Daniel Embry Luis Jose Gonzalez Adam Henry Jensen** Avalon Almeda Manly Victoria Lynn Metcalfe** Kyle Andrew Miller Carrie Belva Reece** Cassandra Elizabeth Schissel*

Steve Andrew Smith Justin Christopher Sundling Emilygrace M. Tamayo, *Chancellor's Leadership Class* Erica Eleanor Ward Rachel Hannah Wolk

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIOLOGY

Eric James Bryant Mitchell Edward Fox-Rivera Laura Gorham** Ngoc-Bich Thi Lam* Rebecca Jean Murphy** Khanh VI Ngo Nari Park* Lauren Robison Josienne Christine Talbot** Bryce Alston Vance

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THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHEMISTRY

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Shauna Jones#

Vanessa Marie Alvarez Mitchell Edward Fox-Rivera Laura Gorham** Ngoc-Bich Thi Lam* Khanh VI Ngo Nari Park* Bryce Alston Vance

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

Marie Fe Deras Alano Christopher Allen Andrews April Rose Baillie Kevin James Beechwood³ Hannah Elizabeth Blodgett** Julia Anne Nicole Braum Samuel Jay Burns Hollie Susan Marie Butler Melody Esther Catarisano* Autumn Desiree Caton* Ashley Nicole Caviness Tara Justine Chastain Nicholas Chavez Paige Elizabeth Chromy Angelina Nadine Cillo Daniel Mark Cordova Ronald Russell Cree Kevin Antoine Cummings Jason Davis Aaron Joel De Pry Rachel Ann Denning Ashley Marie Downing Timothy James Druckenmiller* Michael Jason Durbin* Miranda Leigh Fairman Thomas Ryan Gartland*, Chancellor's Leadership Class Taggart Scott Gillespie

Natalie Marie Gober Aubrev Gonce Crystal Ashlie Gustin Jane Hackman Yonas Azanaw Hagos Kimberly Joy Hayes Marta Rae Hendershot Michael Henning Anna Aleksandrovna Hernandez Jezabel Herrera Lisa Marie Hoke. With Highest Distinction Brittany Marie Howland David Matthew James Lars Nicholas Johnson Diana Elizabeth Jones Douglas Adam Keller Amanda Lynne Knowles*, With High Distinction Dustin James Krohnfeldt Megan Lloyd Jessica Leigh Lynch* Kelly Anne Lynch* Avalon Almeda Manly Ayofini Ashley Mayberry Travis Lee Mc Gee Sharon McClellan Salvadore Munguia Mary Ann Naylor

Kari Elizabeth Neufeld*, With Distinction Brandon Phillip Ortega* Chan Soo Park Nicole Renee Pederson Jesse Rev Perez Ryan Stryker Piechowski Joshua Logan Pounders Charles Samuel Rigby Katelin Elizabeth Robinson Jon Michael Rodriguez Shaun James Rodvold Ashley Vaoita Salamo Jeffrey Schmitt Mike Bruce Seely Amanda Jo Stadler Aristides Antonio Staffieri Laura Elin Stout Nicole Rene Tropp Krystal Anais Tucker Brier Alexandra Van Valin Blaine Villanueva Aaron Kyle Wagner Nicholas Ryan Wall Nancy Kathleen Wells-Georgia* Patricia Ann Williams Daryl Bernardo Woods, Jr. Ross Paul Yanda** Jennifer Zwan

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN DISTRIBUTED STUDIES

Shauna Corinne Soltani

Morgan Elliott Stone

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ECONOMICS

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Joanna Rene Thorp, Kristine Swift#

Jeffrey Paul Burkhart Joel William Green William Jefferson Andrew Caleb Marchant Mark Anthony Martinez Timothy Ryan McDonnell, With High Distinction Andrea Kathryn Perry, With High Distinction Shahid Akhtar Rahman Joanna Rene Thorp**, *With Highest Distinction* Duane Andrew Zingale

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THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

Humanities, Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Faith Wilson Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Nathan Pogar[#]

Sarah Elizabeth Alder* Kyle Allen Alexandra Nicole Antonini Brandi Lynn Ballard**, With Highest Distinction Holly Jane Bennett Jennifer Joyce Benson Michael Betts*. With Highest Distinction Rebecca Ruth Bigler**, With Highest Distinction Jesseca Leigh Bills* Adam Sterling Blancas* Jessica Gail Briscoe Kayla Elizabeth Burmeister Kimberly Ann Caldwell* Whitney Hideko Carruth Rebecca Susan Chapman Rhiannon Admidas Conley-Pierson Dex Camron Cook***, With Highest Distinction Brittni Louise Darras***, With Highest Distinction

Nadine Theresa Douglass Tressa Michelle Eccher Lynn Elizabeth Elsberry Kaitlin Ann Frier** Tarren Fitzgerald Sara Jill Gardunio Donah Lvnne Grassman**. With Highest Distinction Ruth Ann Graves***, With Highest Distinction Rachel D. Hays* Irene Alexandra Hessner Susan Bleu Hulsopple Morgan Whitney Jerzak Lindsey Marie Kaszynski Veselka Dlaboha Kuzma**. With Highest Distinction Tabitha Lanning Erica Lisby Avalon Almeda Manly Jayde Yunique Matchem Rebecca Marie Mattocks**, With Highest Distinction

Brooke Ann McCarty Ashley Emma McCracken Jennifer Mitchell Esther Anne Mullett **Clinton Nicholson** Jaime Leah Obertubbesing John Kenneth Patterson Nicole Sherie Petrik Raquel D. Quint* Hayley Noel Raitz* Brandon Lee Schramek Ashley Anne Margaret Shovald Mackenzie Maltby Tamayo **David Torres** Melanie Rachel Trevena Allison Hastings Walker Lindsey Ann Walsh Joanna Ruth Watson* Gregory Alaric Williams* Faith Wilson* With Highest Distinction

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Crystal Salas

Charlotte Rose Allan Ana Belen Tania Anstedt Rebecca Jolene Bill** Hollie Brooks Melissa Marie Bryant³ Scott Andrew Callahan Nona M. Carlson Kaley Ann Carter** Timothy James Crosen Kathleen Lynn Cusimano Dustin Dally Sarah Katherine Fredrickson Paige Elizabeth Fulghum* Laurel Kirstin Gilmore Jacqie Nicole Groat Alicia Rose Hoppen

Derek Renko Hoshijo Jennifer Ellen Joern Robert Franklin Jones Mark Hitoshi Joto, Jr. Kevin Gregory Junod Audrey Jean Kalan James F. Kerns Larin McKee Lash Angela Kathleen Longwing* Susan Rebecca Maloney Matthew Stoakes Manka Dennis Bruce McGlothlen Frederick Lucas Mehner Evan Paul Menkhus Casey Lee Miller*³

Jesse Rey Perez Kelly Leigh Quinn Ursula Adrianna Reese** Christopher Michael Reynolds Kalee Dawn Ricks Dawn Digette Rinen Crystal Salas** Erin Melane Sawyer David Ross Schambach Chase Lee Simpson Mark Samuel Soifer Alex Joseph Somosky, Jr. Rebecca Ann Storaasli Justin Christopher Sundling Andrew Stephen Vigil

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THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Aimee Joan Morgado

Mason Alexander Armstrong Debra Lynn Bascom** Ian Garrett Bebow Wade McKee Becker Carly Lynn Bennett Jordan Collins Blake Christine Clair Braun**, With Highest Distinction Philip James Brotherton Meghann Frances Chavez Thomas Jacob Christison Christopher Karl Cockerham Tamara Lauren Coon Caitlin Lee Curro Lindsey Ann Duncan, With Distinction Kevin Kyle Edens, With Distinction Nicole Michelle DeV Emmons Jennifer Nicole Fisher Patrick Criag Gauch*, With Highest Distinction Colin Matthew Gordon** Joseph Charles Greene, With Highest Distinction

Christina Dawn Haller³ James Michael Hayes* Raquel Victori Hernandez Ledoux Christopher Jordan Herr Nathan Thomas Hill Ryan Nathan Hunt Crystal Lee Kossow* Mark Andrew Longstaff Steven Lee Luevane, With Distinction Greg Alan Mahoney, With High Distiinction Matthew Frances McHugh Joseph Burton Montgomery**, With Highest Distinction Aimee Joan Morgado Michelle Catherine Nolan James O'Neal Elizabeth Mary Ostendorf Christopher Ryan Patterson Casey Erin Pearce* Katherine Marie Pehoviack

Benjamin Word Phillips, With High Distinction Noah John Pogar**, With Highest Distinction Rachel K. Powers** Joseph Reilly Gavin Rogers Renee Nicole Rudolph Regan Lee Rutan Nicole Danielle Sedillo Matthew David Simpson Cole Jerome Smith Jennifer Leigh Skeen Kolby Stallings Armando Jose Tapia Brooke Jenessa Traylor**, With Highest Distinction Jennifer Jean Trimpey Kyle Garrett Wallis Charles Thomas Williams, Jr. Chanda Stormy Zazi

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN MATHEMATICS

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Andrew James KelleyChristopher Karl CockerhamKelsy Renee Kroeschen*Andrew James Kelley***,Roberto PadillaChancellor's Leadership ClassKelsy Renee Kroeschen*

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHY

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Katherine Spence#

Charles Dayhoff Linda Lee Eslinger Spencer Clayton Foote George Brandon Jeffery Steffani Denise McAllister Kent, *With Highest Distinction* Alexandra Sophia Laput, With High Distinction Timothy Ryan McDonnell, With Distinction Patrick loor McDavid**, With High Distinction Rebecca Joy Menkhus Rachel Joy Petersen***, *With Highest Distinction* Amber Lynn Phillips, *With High Distinction* Noel Najar Salas Brian Michael Wokurka

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THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Joshua Kistler

James Robert Anderson Inez Angulo, *With High Distinction* Christopher William Brown Alex Michael Bucher Jeffrey Paul Burkhart Estivins Campos Daniel Patrick Carey Samantha Ellen Carty**, *With High Distinction* Heidi Miriam Cintas**, *With High Distinction* Jonathan Christopher Corbett Attzje Corrine Deubach Daniel Garcia Joshua Adam Gates** Anna Madeline Johnston**, *With High Distinction* Joshua Kistler**, *With High Distinction*

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Social Sciences, Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Allison Douglas Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Allison Douglas

Kelli Allred **Riley Douglas Andrews** Lacee Ankenev* Caleb W. Baker Sarah Lena Batty Kirsten Noel Belaire Kirby Jo Beneventi Christina Marie Berroa Jesseca Leigh Bills*. With High Distinction Jasmine Danielle Breeden Bridget E. Buchen Alisha Corinne Buesing Susan Mc Donald Carroll** Matthew John Cavanaugh Heidi Miriam Cintas** Christopher Lee Cleveland Morgan Nichole Clinton*, With High Distinction Renee Coker Monique Marie Dixon Allison Douglas***, With High Distinction Michael Jason Durbin* Kaitlyn Marie Eller Leigha Kay Flynn* Amanda Jo Giganti

Lesa Goerner*** Shandi Lynn Gross Dakotah Lvn Guerrero Carmen Melinda Gutierrez*, With High Distinction Jordan Alexander Hacker Lee Allen Hand Latisha Chevon Hardy* Jessica Sally Heen** Tracy Hensinger-Long Rebecca Leigh Hensley** **Tiffany Horns** Miguel Alfredo Huerta Sunnie Joy Johnson Margaret Jorgensen Abbie Larae Kraemer* Ashley Kathleen Lade-Bergan Jenna Marie Leirmoe Justin Kyle Loa Annette Renee Lujan Danielle Elizabeth Lykins Donna Rae Marr Andrew James Marsh Maribeth Guadalupe Martinez Ashley Emma Mc Cracken Briann Cruz Medina Michael David Melton

Jack Ryan LA Motte James Edward Lamberti Joshua Paul Lindley**, *With High Distinction* Andrew Christian Luke* Gisa Brianca McCray Bryant Lamar Perryman Collin Walter Russ* Kyle Garrett Wallis Erika Mary Wynkoop

Melissa Anne Moffett Michal Jerzy Nieckarz Erik Phillips, With High Distinction Natasha Megan Quinn Patrick Ryan Rademacher Brandi Sue Reid Lynn Danbree Robles* Cassandra Lynne Santucci** Brian Karl Sargent Kody Seeley Chris Sheppard** Chelsea Sparger Kylie Brianne Sprague* Sabrina Anne Sprewer Tiffany Anne Suazo Tonya Rene Trujillo** Craig Ginger Van Pelt Marah Serene Visscher Jayme Lynn Waddington Martine Walker Victoria Lynne Wekamp***, With High Distinction Julee Gail Whaley* Jennifer Lynn Wheeler Jessica Lynn Williams Katie J Benjamin Wood Kathy Ann Woodring Suzane Stephane Zamora

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Kimberly Anne Chaltry

Fernanda Aispuro Sarah Elizabeth Alder*, *With Distinction* Pamala Jean Bauer** Martha Cordelia Berge

Cali Joan Bigari Brandon H. Bloodsaw Jessica Kathleen Boyce Jasmine Danielle Breeden

Kimberly Anne Chaltry*** Caitlin Jean Cochran Amethyst Meagen Joy Davis* Marcus Orlando Davis

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Kelley Lynn Dieter	A
Katherine Jean Doyle	H
Calissa Lynnette Fletcher	S
Julia Lee Francis	Ν
Jasmine Dionne Fuller	J
Robert Lee Goforth	Ν
Richard James Gonzalez, Jr.	C
Morgan Ashley Grimm	A
Adam Lee Jeffryes	F
Kylie Eileen Kelleher**, With Distinction	Ε

Ashlee Nichole Kennedy Hyung Joon Kwon Skyla Ann Lang Marcus Alexander Lasswell* Jolena Martinez Mark Anthony Martinez, *With Distinction* Danielle Lee Mestas Andrea Kathryn Perry Ryan Patrick Phillips Elizabeth Ashley Ramos Lauren Rene Sahhar Irene Antoinette Shamell Karen Ann Stanley Margaret Anna Swope, *With Distinction* Perle Melody Treguier* Luis Homero Vargas Linda Wiedel*** Carrie Anne Marie Woodruff

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SPANISH

Perla Abarca	William Jefferson	Jennifer Reyes
Ana Belen Tanja Anstedt	Ngoc-Bich Thi Lam*	Rebecca Jean Stedman**
Allison Douglas***	Aaron Sterling Miller	Talia Lois Stillman**
Jennifer Bree Evans***	Karenn Arias Montoya	Lorena Elizabeth Torres

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Emily Annette Giles, Austin Lee Richman, Jeffrey Douglas Phelps, Kevin Beechwood³, Iputu Hiran Mayena

Laura Marie Louise Bearl* Caitlin Marisa Cazares*** Sara Couture Emily Annette Giles***, *With Highest Distinction* Ericka Renea Hanlon Rice* Stephanie Jean Havens* Iputu T. Hiran Mayena Julia Elizabeth Hudson Amanda Danae Keller

- Amber Joanne Marchlowska Jacqueline Grace Mc Crimmon Clarianne Medina Megan Louise Moran Holly Morookian Dale Leona Mueller Donna Lee Nunez Kiersten Nichole Orr Christina Amelie Peterson*** Jeffrey Douglas Phelps
- Austin Lee Richman *With Highest Distinction* Jacqueline Joy Ross Erica Ashley Shirley Levi Garrett Smith Ashley Lynn Thompson** Annie Young Tuttle Nancy Kathleen Wells-Georgia James Reno Youngblood Debra Sue Zelenak

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN WOMEN'S AND ETHNIC STUDIES

Iris Hyacinth Ordanza Bulalayao

Alexandra Sophia Laput, With Highest Distinction Danielle Lee Mestas Melissa Anne Moffett

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY

Natural Sciences, Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Miguel Omar Caraballo Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Casey Quigley[#]

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THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHEMISTRY

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Jeffrey Agustin Canaria

Jeffrey Agustin Canaria Kyle Matthew Culhane	Shannon Gilkes Thomas Abelino Gonzales	Kirstin Alexis Knobbe**, With High Distinction
Kristin Damian*, With High Distinction	Brian Patrick Jacobs***	Roberto Padilla
-		Constance Quintero

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Allen Boartfield³, Garrett James Dean

Nathaniel Robert Brown Garrett James Dean** Clint Hunter

John Michael Webber

THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICS AND ENERGY SCIENCE

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Sara M. Goldman³

Armand Nathaniel Alexeev, *With Distinction* Caleb W. Baker Sara M. Goldman^{*3}, *With High Distinction* Clint Hunter Matthew Joseph Morisak**, *With High Distinction* Alexander Stockinger, *With Distinction* Simon Eliel Vollmer Connor Jacob Wood*, *With Distinction*

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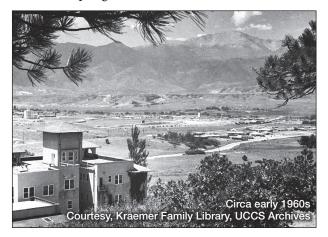
Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award: Ryan Nathan Hunt

Angelina Nadina Cillo Holly Marie Crownhart Thomas Abelino Gonzales Nathan Alexander Granger Ryan Nathan Hunt Kai Phillip Huntsman Mark Hitoshi Joto Jack Ryan La Motte Matthew Stoakes Manka Joseph Burton Montgomery Jonathan Davis Munday Desiree Nicole Palmer Anthony Ryan Savicki Haley Shamane Hines-Brickles

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UCCS SITE AND CAMPUS HISTORY

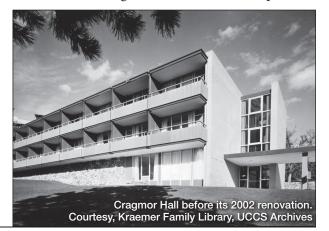
The University of Colorado Colorado Springs has a rich history as a site and campus. Many millennia before any students began studying here, a small group of ancestral American Indians set up camp overlooking an arroyo on the west edge of what is now the campus. Remains from approximately 30 sites used by Plains Indians from about 100 A.D. to 1400 A.D. dot the campus grounds.



Henry Austin, for whom the bluffs on campus were named, purchased a large part of what is now the campus in 1873 to graze herds of sheep. The first known building on the site was a cabin built by the world-famous physician, Dr. Edwin Solly. Dr. Solly suffered from tuberculosis and moved from England to the area, as the region was becoming known for its healthy climate. After years of planning for a sanatorium on the site, Dr. Solly was spurred into action in 1902 when General William Jackson Palmer (founder of Colorado Springs) gave him 100 acres of land on Austin Bluffs and \$50,000 towards the start of his sanatorium. Cragmor Sanitorium (now Main Hall) was officially opened in 1905, and thereafter became the most luxurious palace for well-to-do consumptives in the United States. Dr. Solly named the site Cragmoor (later shortened to Cragmor), reminiscent of the crags and moors he had left behind in Great Britain.

Cragmor became the health mecca for artists, writers, and corporate tycoons who found not only their health but also a new home in Colorado Springs. Laura la Tille (Broadway performer), Constance Pulitzer (Joseph Pulitzer's daughter), Murielane Pancost (concert soprano), and Jeanette MacCoil, (well-known New York musician) spent time and regained their health at Cragmor. As early as the 1920s, the University of Colorado offered courses at numerous Colorado Springs locations including Colorado College and various storefronts. By the mid-1960s, community leaders were pressing for a full-fledged CU presence in the community. In his negotiations with then-Governor John Love, Hewlett-Packard (HP) co-founder David Packard wanted a permanent CU campus in Colorado Springs to support the educational needs of company employees. The combination of the state's desire to attract HP to Colorado Springs and George J. Dwire's sale of the defunct 80-acre Cragmor Sanatorium property for \$1 led to birth of the Colorado Springs Center of the University of Colorado. In 1965, this Center was established on the south side of Austin Bluffs, an area which showcased a spectacular panoramic view of Pikes Peak and the Garden of the Gods; tuition was \$13 per credit hour. Professor offices in Cragmor Manor (now Cragmor Hall) were equipped with small kitchenettes and private bathrooms, due to the building's previous use as a nursing home, added to the Sanitorium in the 1950s. A few offices were still outfitted with this unique piece of history as late as 2002; Cragmor Hall was completely remodeled and reopened in January 2004.

From 1965 to 1972 the Colorado Springs Center operated as a division or extension of the Boulder campus. It became the first permanent home for a growing following of scholars. Colorado Constitutional Amendment 4, approved at the 1972 Colorado General Election, designated the Colorado Springs campus and two other centers as distinct campuses of the University of Colorado. Dwire Hall opened as the first solely academic building on campus in 1972; it was completely remodeled in 2007. In 1974, the University of Colorado reorganized into four campuses –



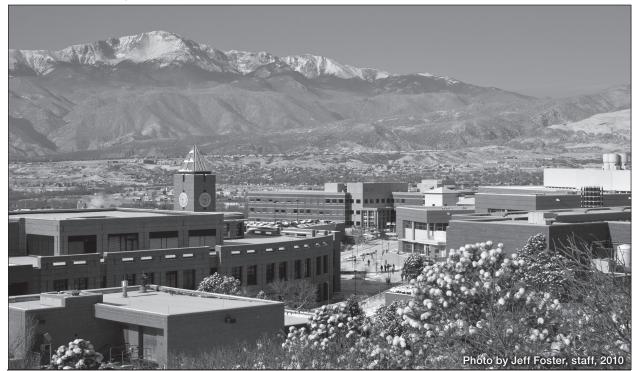
Colorado Springs, Boulder, Denver, and the Health Sciences Center in Denver. The two Denver campuses later consolidated administratively in June 2004. 1974 also marked the establishment of the first Chancellor of the Colorado Springs campus, with ties to the Boulder campus being changed to have the campus directly reporting to the President of the University. UCCS grew over the years, and in 1997 the first on-campus student housing opened. That same year a community referendum merged the city-owned Beth-El College of Nursing with the campus. During the 2010-2011 new branding campaign, "at" was removed from the official UCCS name – University of Colorado at Colorado Springs – to become University of Colorado Colorado Springs.

Because of the ties to HP, initial university programs focused on engineering and business. Today, 46 years after its beginning, UCCS offers 34 bachelor's, 19 master's, and five doctoral degrees in six colleges and schools. The initial university programs of engineering and business still serve as pillars of the university, and are joined by a broad range of degree programs offered in the liberal arts and sciences, as well as professional programs in nursing, education and public affairs to meet the needs of Colorado's second-largest metropolitan area and beyond. From its original 80 acres, UCCS has added 450 additional acres along Austin Bluffs Parkway and North Nevada Avenue. The



student population has grown significantly as well; as of spring 2011 almost 9,000 students are enrolled.

UCCS spring commencement ceremonies have been held at the old Broadmoor Ice Arena, a campus parking lot where the Osborne Center for Science and Engineering now stands, and the Colorado Springs World Arena. The first December commencement ceremony for summer and fall graduates was held on December 14, 2007 at the Pikes Peak Center. After only two years, the December graduates outgrew the Pikes Peak Center, and now both yearly ceremonies are held at the World Arena. Since the first UCCS commencement in 1975, approximately 32,000 students have graduated from the University of Colorado Colorado Springs.



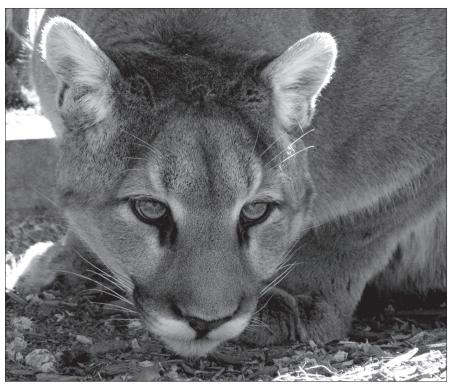
UCCS MASCOT

The University of Colorado Colorado Springs mascot is the mountain lion. It is visible across campus in a variety of ways — as the artistic logo on UCCS shuttles, the grand marble statue on the University Center Lower Plaza, and the costumed mascot who ignites crowds at athletic games and official campus events. The mountain lion is an integral part of campus life, but that has not always been the case.

As UCCS began to develop an intercollegiate sports program in the 1980s, it became necessary to establish team identity with official colors and a mascot. In 1986, the first UCCS mascot, the hawk, was chosen

and green and white sports uniforms were purchased. The Editor's Corner in The Scribe (student newspaper) was even renamed "The Hawk's Eye." Until this time, the campus was told it was part of the CU System, and as such, already had a mascot - the buffalo. NCAA rules stated that due to differences in division level sports played at the Boulder and Colorado Springs campuses that UCCS was not allowed to claim the buffalo as their mascot. At the June 18, 1987 CU Board of Regents Meeting, the "regents decided not to officially designate a school mascot and colors for UCCS, but instead opted to allow UCCS to choose its own mascot while still maintaining the official CU colors of gold, silver, blue and black" (The Scribe, August 1987, pg 1). "CU Gold" became the accepted identity of the sports teams in Fall 1987.

In 1991, the student body voted for the "Fighting Longneckers" – or giraffes – to become the unofficial spirit symbol. This was personified by "Stretch," a costumed giraffe obtained by former chancellor Dwayne Nuzum. Other options for a new spirit symbol considered by the Student Government Association (SGA) Committee were eagles, prospectors, gold diggers, golden avalanche, and pronghorns. Popularity of the

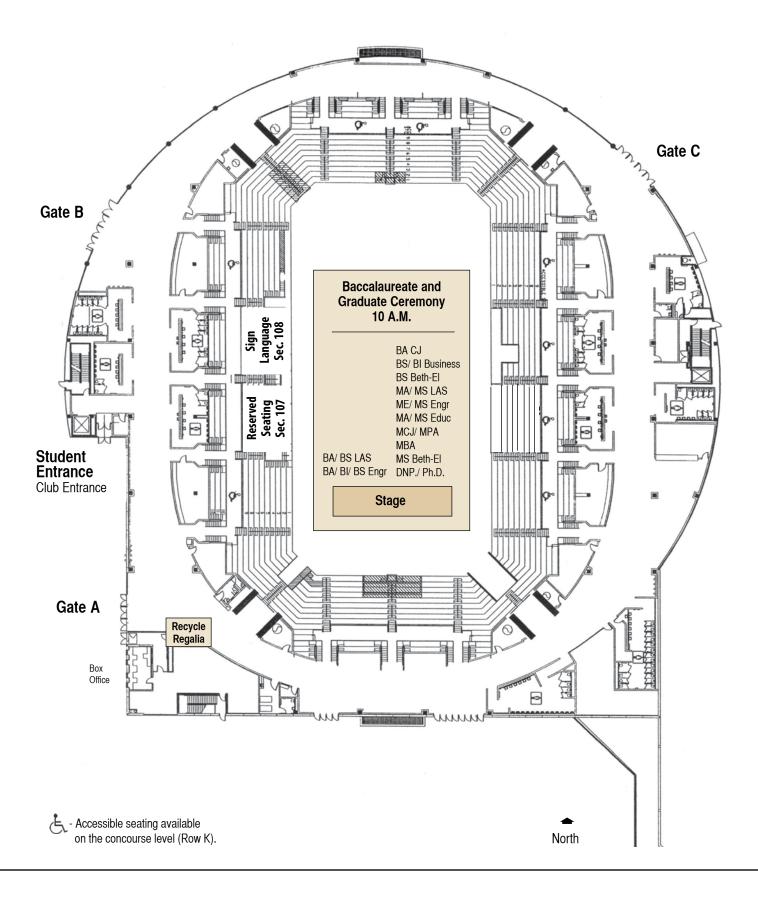


spirit symbol waned with time. Many did not connect the giraffe with "CU Gold" and wanted a stronger identity.

Not until 1997 did a new campaign for a UCCS mascot begin. Realizing a need for a credible mascot, the SGA created a suggestion box to collect nominees for an official mascot. The overwhelming suggestion was the mountain lion, which won by 86% of the student body vote in spring 1998. Since that time, it has been the officially recognized symbol of the University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Dakota, a 14-year-old mountain lion at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, was adopted by the student body in December 2002. Boomer, the costumed mascot, was named by the winner of the "Name the Mascot" contest in September 2003 and was officially introduced at Fall Fest (original name for Back to the Bluffs) that year.

In spring 2008, a 200-pound, three-year-old mountain lion, named "Clyde," became the university's first live mascot. He currently resides at the Serenity Springs Wildlife Center in Calhan, Colorado but can be seen making educational visits to the campus. In September 2010, the renovated pub on campus re-opened bearing his name: Clyde's.

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