

# OF COLORADO at Colorado Springs

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### **PROJECTIONS**

One of the most significant developments in education during the past decade has been the growth in the use of the computer as an instructional and research tool. Some educators would even equate the human brain with a highly sophisticated computer, believing that if the brain could be "plugged into" a terminal the possibilities for knowledge would be limitless.

The computer represents a potentially revolutionary change in education. It enables us to amass and display quantities of information that were never before thought possible. Because of its ability to store, retrieve and analyze information, computer assisted instruction and research have far-reaching implications for advancements in engineering, the health sciences, business and a variety of other disciplines. The computer revolution should, however, be viewed with the same perspective as other revolutions in education — as a phenomenon rather than a panacea. For it is a mistake to equate information with wisdom, and the ability to amass and manipulate information does not necessarily guarantee understanding or the wise use of the information.

A primary goal of the University should be to provide students with an educational background which enables them to translate information into knowledge and wisdom. To do this, students must be equipped with certain qualities, among the most important of which are intellectual perspective, critical thinking and effective communication. Intellectual perspective can best be attained by a broad exposure to the arts, sciences and humanities. The ability to think critically and communicate effectively is developed through rigorous practice. All of these qualities are by-products which emerge gradually from a good education; they cannot be facilely "programmed" into students.

The University's response to the computer revolution must, therefore, balance the need to respond to changes in technology and the need to provide students with an education in the broadest sense. We recognize the importance of the computer in education, and will continue to press its expanded use in instruction and research. At the same time, we will reconfirm our dedication to those traditional aspects of education which will assure that students will use what they have learned wisely.

Arnold R. Weber President

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### ORDER OF EXERCISES

Dr. William J. Curtis, Presiding

Processional\*

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Dr. Joan M. Fairchild

The National Anthem

Dr. A. Paul Ballantyne

Welcome

Chancellor Jack E. Sherman

Address

President Arnold R. Weber

Conferring of Honorary Degree Frank Waters

Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa

University of Colorado Medal Dr. George J. Dwire

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Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees Recognition of Outstanding Graduate

College of Letters, Arts and Sciences

College of Business and Administration

School of Education

College of Engineering and Applied Science

Jean A. Ocken

Audrey G. Akers

Patricia A. Beatty

Parag S. Patel

Conferring of Advanced Degrees

Initiation of Graduates into Alumni and Friends Association

Charles Small

Charge to Graduates

President Arnold R. Weber

Alma Mater

Dr. A. Paul Ballantyne

Hail, all Hail our Alma Mater!
Ever will our hearts be true
You will live with us forever,
Loyal we will be to you.
We will sing forever your praises,
Ever more our love renew,

Pledge our whole devotion to you,

Dear old C.U.!

Recessional\*

<sup>\*</sup>The audience will please be seated during the processional and the recessional.

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION

W. H. Baughn, Dean, John A. Miller, Resident Dean THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BUSINESS)

Jarl D. Aalbu\*\* Audrey G. Akers Magna cum laude Bryan Alvey Cum laude Philip C. Anthony Bonnie L. Apodaca\*\* Dennis M. Atkinson Paul D. Avila\*\* Sherri A. Basse-Wilkinson Alana K. Beckman Mary A. Bena Magna cum laude William J. Bockstahler Com land Paul L. Carter, III Robert A. Clarke\*\* Terrence P. Clune Keith A. Collard\*\* Mark D. Colvard\*\* Anne M. S. Cuny\* Magna cum laude James A. Curcio Marie E. Daley Karen E. Daugs Cum laude Marian S. Davant Bruce J. Davidson and and Vickie L. Dreher Jose A. Duran\*\* John L. Elmen\*\* Debra S. Enright\*\* Donna J. Enright\*\* Cum laude Daniel J. Ernster James L. Ewing Tammra L. Fallis\*\* Simone T. Fiscella\* Fredric L. Fletcher Patricia D. Forte Janet L. Funk Cum laude Jennifer J. Gamble Gregory L. Gandy Linda L. Garner\*\* Steven C. Gehring\*\* Douglas E. Gilman\*\*

Joseph M. Gregorio\* Desiree L. Grim\*\* Steven M. Gurnett Glenn E. Gustafson\*\* Robert P. Guy\* Samir H. Hanna\*\* Hans J. Hanson\*\* Timothy J. Hoffman\*\* David L. Hosteland Judith A. Howerton\*\* Gail S. Hull magna Cum laude Kim R. Hulsey Albert J. Johnson, Jr. Cum laude Vivian M. Johnson\*\* Eileen L. Johnston Brenda T. Jones Paul E. Jones Magna cum laude James F. Judiscak, Jr. John R. Kalgren Kent R. Kelley\*\* Donald L. Killen Malinda S. Knight\* Mark W. Koenig Claudia D. Kotecki\* Randy A. Kuykendall David S. Lane magna Cum laude James M. Lipp Ann L. Liverman\*\* Cum laude Lewis J. Lomas Magna cum laude Jennifer L. Lovelace\*\* Steven E. Malmberg Patricia A. Mammenga\*\* Judy W. Matsuyama\*\* Cum laude Lorrie A. McClellan Kenneth W. McClelland Jane E. McDowell\*\* Cum laude Susan A. McGee\*\* Bruce A. McPeek\*\* Morris J. Miller, Jr. \*\* Colleen M. Moore Magna cum laude James L. Morton

David L. Niles Joan C. O'Brien Magna cum laude Lynn E. Olesky Jeanette E. Olivo Magna cum laude Jeanne I. Paling Cum laude Ben Payami Anna M. Perez Jeffrey A. Pettibone Magna cum laude Joan E. Pierce\* Cum laude Laura L. Phillips magna Cum laude Toni S. Piazzon Donna J. Plunkett Patricia J. Porter Magna cum laude Deborah J. Poss Michael R. Quinlisk Friedrich G. J. Rehrl Deborah R. Reinhardt Anthony F. Rowland\*\* Mindy K. Ruth\*\* James R. Sackett Kathryn A. Sedlachek\* Gregory O. Senior Magna cum laude Annamarie T. Smith\*\* Robert W. Smith\*\* William S. Speer Jeffrey R. Stewart Wilma F. Stockman\*\* Kristin L. Temple Magna cum laude Randy E. Tornes Sharon A. Treadwell\*\* Cum laude Jay B. Twomey Kent W. Von Loh Lorraine A. Ward Magna cum laude Mark D. Warns James L. Wentz\*\* Henry A. Williams\* Debra R. Williamson Barbara D. Winkler\*\*

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Patricia A. Beatty
With special honors
Valerie K. Beckel\*
Lesley R. Billiard
Sharon M. Bojarski
Tammy S. Campbell\*\*
Cosette Y. Cather
Linda A. Charles
Paula S. Clifton

Joyce B. Gilmer

Michael E. Gleason\*

Michael D. Granberg

Brett P. Goldberg

Susan G. Grady

Cum laude

Janet S. Cook
With honors
Betty J. Dearden
Maureen A. Flynn
Rebecca A. Frazier
Richard E. French
Barbara A. Furlong
With honors
Diane H. Gajewski
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David K. Olk
Diane R. Padgett

Carmen J. Perkins Robyn R. Rice Anton G. Schulzki Mary E. Smith Stacey M. Stewart Teresa R. Valier Brenda G. Wallace Orla A. White Marilyn K. Woodyard

David L. Yard\* Michele R. Younker

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Farid Akbari, Electrical Engineering\*\* Farid Akhbari, Electrical Engineering Harold R. Bagley, Jr., Electrical Engineering Mark D. Barnes, Computer Science Bradley M. Barney, Electrical Engineering Albert A. Brouillette, Computer Science Michael S. Buttenwieser, Applied Mathematics Joe R. Costanza, Computer Science James J. Devoy, Electrical Engineering Martha E. Disch, Computer Science Carol S. Fukumoto, Computer Science\*\* Philip G. Gage, Computer Science 1 honors Jamshid Golabi-Khoozani, Electrical Engineering\*\* Lise M. Guay, Computer Science Farzad Hashemi, Electrical Engineering\*\* Hans D. Heinzer, Computer Science John B. Herrington, Applied Mathematics Celeste M. Hobbs, Electrical Engineering Gary St. Jackson, Electrical Engineering\*\* Debra S. Johnson, Electrical Engineering/Computer Science Leonard V. Koop, Jr., Electrical Engineering\*\* Jeffrey W. Krinsky, Electrical Engineering

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G. Joseph Kraudelt
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Gregory Marinski

Susan L. Myers\*\*
Yvonne V. Rodrigues
Robin A. Satterwhite
William V. Schleicher
Stephen P. Schreifer
Emily M. Tracy
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### THE DEGREE MASTER OF BASIC SCIENCE

Laurie L. G. Hein

Jonnene D. McFarland

Martha M. Osborn

### THE DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE

David L. Granteer, Electrical Engineering\* Kim W. Harper, Electrical Engineering\*\*

Mark N. Robins, Electrical Engineering Rodney T. Schlater, Electrical Engineering

Mark H. Hellbusch, Electrical Engineering

\*Graduated August 1982

\*\*Graduated December 1982

The preceding lists of candidates for degrees and honors are not an official record that such candidates have been awarded such degrees or honors.

### CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSION

Second Lieutenant, United States Army

### HONORARY DEGREE

### FRANK WATERS

FRANK WATERS, a native of Colorado Springs where he was born in 1902, is, in the words of one of his literary colleagues, "the greatest writer of fiction and non-fiction that Colorado has produced."

In a writing career that spans more than 50 years, his impressive life work includes 20 volumes of fiction, anthropology, history and biography. He has explored and written of the myths, legends and wisdom of ancient cultures of the American West and Mexico for more than 40 years. His "Masked Gods" is the standard work on Navajo and Pueblo Indian ceremonialism. His book "The Man Who Killed the Deer" is acclaimed as the finest novel that has yet been written of the American Indians.

He has a profound dedication to our native Americans and to the belief that we might still achieve a balanced relationship with our environment.

Among his non-fiction books of classic dimensions are

his "Midas of the Rockies," the biography of Winfield Scott Stratton, and "The Colorado," in the Rivers of America series.

In Europe, Frank Waters is one of the most admired of American writers. His books have been issued in Dutch, Swedish, French and German translations.

His first three novels were based on the experiences of his family in Colorado Springs and in Cripple Creek, and comprise the recent reprinting as a trilogy, "Pikes Peak."

His writing has a purity of conception, an authenticity, and a human understanding that is rare indeed.

Mr. President, in recognition of his accomplishments and for the major contributions he has made to the American treasury of literature, I am pleased to have the privilege of presenting Frank Waters for the degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa.

# University of Colorado Medal DR. GEORGE J. DWIRE

DR. GEORGE J. DWIRE, a man of warm spirit, unlimited vision, and generous nature will be long remembered as the person most responsible for location of the University of Colorado campus at its Colorado Springs location, nestled against Austin Bluffs in the northeast section of the city.

His persuasive leadership that directed the Cragmor Foundation, of which he was president, to donate the land and buildings of the Cragmor Sanatorium to the University of Colorado in 1964 was only one of the many generous accomplishments of this concerned and considerate man, who himself had been a patient at the sanatorium for more than 20 years.

Despite the rigors and demands of his professional career as a dentist, Dr. Dwire always found the time and energy to work on behalf of others and for community causes and activities, including the acquisition of higher education facilities in the Pikes Peak area.

His outstanding service in the promotion and support of public health earned him the Florence R. Sabin Public Health Award and the Waring Award of the Colorado Conference of Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Workers.

He served as managing director of the Cragmor Sanatorium for more than 20 years, and was instrumental in development of the Sanatorium as a center for the treatment of Navajo Indians, who were afflicted with tuberculosis.

His concern for the development of higher education in the Pikes Peak area led to the decision by the Cragmor Foundation to offer the sanatorium buildings and land to the University of Colorado.

This gift was heralded by the then president of the University as a "development which leads us across a threshold of bright promise and of new and challenging opportunity."

For having made that opportunity possible for the University and for the contributions he has made to the generations of students who have benefited and will continue to benefit from the educational oportunities the campus offers, the Board of Regents is honored to present the University of Colorado Medal to the late Dr. George J. Dwire.

The medal will be received on behalf of Dr. Dwire's family by his granddaughter, Ms. Karen Meizner.

### University of Colorado Distinguished Service Award SISTER MYRA JAMES BRADLEY

SISTER MYRA JAMES BRADLEY in her capacity as administrator of a major hospital complex exemplifies the best in leadership and service, and the entire community has benefited from the presence of this remarkable person.

As president of Penrose Hospital for the past 17 years, she had been responsible for some of the most innovative forms of health care available. These include the development and expansion of the Penrose Cancer hospital, the establishment of a burn unit at the hospital, institution of an emergency telephone receiving service for the deaf, inauguration of a "life line" for the elderly who live alone, and support groups for persons who suffer from various and prolonged diseases. She was instrumental in providing financial support from Penrose hospital to the Pikes Peak Hospice to help this organization provide home care service to patients in the area, who are suffering terminal illness.

Her distinctive style of leadership has been in demand by many local, state and national health care organizations and committees. She has served as president of the Colorado Hospital Association and on the national committee of the Council of Community Hospitals in addition to other hospital boards in Colorado.

She has been tireless in her service to others, selfless in her giving, and inspirational in her leadership.

The growth and development of Penrose Hospital is a tribute to her foresight and management skills.

In appreciation of her compassionate and sensitive service to her fellow human beings, the Board of Regents is honored to present this University of Colorado Distinguished Service award to Sister Myra James Bradley.

### 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 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, not 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 shine not in you and from you, how great is the darkness! But if it shine 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 '24

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 framents of knowledge with brilliant breaksthrough of understanding.

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

### THE UNIVERSITY SEAL

The University of Colorado has used three different seals in its lifetime.

The present seal, adopted in 1908, depicts a male Greek classical figure seated against a pillar and holding a scroll. A burning torch framed in laurel is placed beside him. The Greek inscription means "Let your light shine."

According to Denver designer Henry Read, the classical design was used 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, a seal was used which copies Wyon's medallion, "Science Trims the Lamp of Life." The classical figure of a kneeling Greek woman 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 only by the Regents in transmitting official business.

### ACADEMIC DRESS

The tradition of the academic costume apparently 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 cope 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 vary 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 recipient are square at

one end with a slit at the elbow. The doctor's gown has flowing sleeves with three bars of velvet, and a facing of velvet down the front of the gown.

Those who receive a master's or a doctor's degree from the University of Colorado wear hoods lined with the school colors, silver and gold. The hood worn by the doctor's 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 indicated 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 side.