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*While every effort is made to ensure accuracy in the listing of graduating students, challenges such as late submission of graduation application, degree audit updates, and printing deadlines, may result in unintentional omission of some names of graduates, and the publication of the names of students who may not have met graduation requirements. Therefore, this program may not be used as evidence or documentation of degree awarded or honors earned. Final honors earned and degree awarded will be determined when final grades are posted and the Office of the Registrar has verified that all degree and honors requirements have been satisfied.*

# ORDER OF CEREMONY

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Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance"  
National Anthem  
Welcome and Introductions  
Golden Grad Recognition *\*morning ceremony only*  
Commencement Speaker  
Presentation of Class  
Conferring of Graduate Degrees  
Master's Hooding  
Conferring of Bachelor and Associate Degrees  
Presentation of Diplomas  
Introduction of Degree Candidates  
Announcement of Academic Honors  
MSSU Alma Mater (See page 16)  
Recessional "Fanfare and Flourishes"

**10:00 A.M.**

College of Arts & Sciences  
College of Business, Communication & Technology  
Bachelor of General Studies  
Golden Grads

**2:00 P.M.**

College of Health, Life Sciences & Education  
Bachelor of Applied Sciences

***Please remain standing until recessional is completed.  
Please turn off all cell phones.***

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

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### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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Mariann Morgan  
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Maddox Studdard

### PRESIDENT

Dr. Dean Van Galen

### PRESIDENT'S CABINET

Dr. Brad Hodson, Executive Vice President  
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Dr. Elke Howe, College of Business, Communication & Technology  
Lorinda Hackett, Interim, College of Health, Life Sciences & Education

### FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT

Dr. Michael Beilfuss

### STAFF SENATE PRESIDENT

Alicia Hughes

### ALUMNI PRESIDENT

Holley Goodnight

### REGISTRAR

Faustina Abrahams

### MACE BEARERS

Dr. Michael Beilfuss (10 a.m.)  
Dr. Susan Craig (2 p.m.)

### INTERPRETERS

Lisa Besant  
Daniel Walker

### ALMA MATER SOLOIST

Baylee Scribner, '21, Music Industry Graduate and Current Vocal Performance Major



A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT  
**DR. DEAN VAN GALEN**

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Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the entire university community, including the Missouri Southern State University Board of Governors, congratulations for earning a degree of high quality from Missouri Southern. This milestone in your life is a testament to your hard work and commitment, and to the great potential you have in the years ahead to make a positive difference.

I know you understand that this day is made possible not only by your own efforts, but also by the support of our outstanding faculty and staff, your family and friends, the citizens of Missouri who have invested in your education, and the many alumni of Missouri Southern who support the university through advocacy and charitable gifts. I encourage you to express gratitude to those special to you who have helped make this day possible.

You will always be part of the Missouri Southern family. Stay connected. Be an enthusiastic ambassador. Wear the green and gold with pride. Give back as you are able. Know that you will forever be a Lion. And, again, congratulations!

Lions Together,

Dr. Dean Van Galen  
*University President*



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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER  
**ALISSA OWSLEY**

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If you were to describe Alissa's experience broadly, you'd simply say "people are her jam." Known for her genuine warmth, natural curiosity, and infectious laugh, Alissa immediately connects with people.

Since graduating from Missouri Southern State University in 2000 with a B.A. in Communication, Alissa has engaged her abundant people skills in the field of talent development, first in the nonprofit world and then leading Talent Development at Leggett & Platt, Incorporated for more than a decade.

Alissa's deeply held belief that healthy people (in both life and work) make the strongest employees led her to co-found LifeWork Talent Consulting in 2021. LifeWork partners with organizations to build strong culture, leaders, and people processes. With clients throughout the United States, Alissa uses her wealth of talent development experience to help organizations craft unique, personalized strategies to empower their people to grow and thrive.

Alissa lives life to the fullest! She loves to travel the world, plan adventures with her beloved nieces and nephews, and take long walks through nature with her fur-babies Sookie and Rona.

# GRADUATE PROGRAMS

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## MASTER OF ARTS-TEACHING

**Brown, Cameron;** Master of Arts in Teaching; Joplin

**Krolman, Cortney Denise;** Master of Arts in Teaching; Joplin

**Locke, Carly Suzanne;** Master of Arts in Teaching; Baxter Springs, KS

**Milas, Clay Scott;** Master of Arts in Teaching; Maple Park, IL

**Quick, Lauren;** Master of Arts in Teaching; Joplin

**VanDorien, Hayden Adrin;** Master of Arts in Teaching; Joplin

## MASTER OF SCIENCE-EDUCATION

**Breeze, Josiah Caleb;** Administration; Joplin

**Cawood, Amy;** Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Englebert, April R.\*;** Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Massey, Stacey Dawn;** Administration; Carl Junction

**Oehrke, Lisa M.;** Administration; Florence

**Parker, Tawnee Rae;** Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Parrott, Lynnlee Ann;** Administration; Garden City

**Robertson, Matthew Ethan;** Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Sangston, Thomas William;** Administration; Neosho

**Simpson, Chelsea Lauren;** Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Taylor, Alyssa Marie;** Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**VanWinkle, Kelisa Breann\*;** Curriculum & Instruction; Neosho

**White, Glenda Kay;** Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Williams, Jayse Sue;** Administration; Webb City

**Woods, Sean Paul;** Administration; Joplin

## MASTER OF SCIENCE-MANAGEMENT

**Abbott, Andrew Randolph \*;** Human Resource Management; Joplin

**Beecham, Joshua Adam;** General Management; Webb City

**Collins, Heather L.;** Human Resource Management; Joplin

**Greenough, Sara Lynn;** Human Resource Management; Parsons, KS

**Hart, Lauren;** General Business; Dallas, TX

**Henry, Amanda;** Human Resource Management; Oronogo

**Lane, Steen T.\*;** General Management; Eucha, OK

**Lee, Tswvyim Christopher\*;** General Management; Neosho

**McKnight, Selena L.\*;** General Management; Granby

**Moore, Joshua Robert;** General Management; Joplin

**Morgan, Wyatt M.\*;** Management; Lenexa, KS

**Oxford, Casey Jo\*;** General Management; Monett

**Stadler, Kerry;** General Management; Joplin

**Watson, Dennis K.\*;** Management; Jasper

**Wright, Melynda R.\*;** Human Resource Management; Manor, TX

‡ 4.00 Average

† Honors Program Graduate

\*July Graduate

# CANDIDATES FOR HONORS & DEGREES

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## BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### **SUMMA CUM LAUDE** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.90 OR ABOVE

Steve Abraham ‡	Maya Dally †	Mira Khan	Elizabeth Reavest
Loran Atnip ‡	Ashley Dean ‡†	Haydon Kisling	Hannah Robinson
Natasha Austin	Amil Dudhia	Henry Kusiak	Madison Siegrist
Kayley Ball ‡	Rebecca Duggar	Kloe Locke ‡	Levi Spence
Jenah Baslee	Jamarion Eldridge ‡	Indira Madrigal	Eryn Wagoner ‡†
Emma Berry ‡	Turner Fehrenbach	Hailey McGatha	Alex Wilkerson
Makenna Bettis ‡	Maya Greenquist ‡†	Brenna Moya ‡†	Kendrick Wilson ‡
Lariah Boone	Alaina Hager ‡	David Oplotnik	Schuyler Winn
Asa Borup ‡	Leah Hilsenbeck ‡	Katelyn Patrick ‡	Pachia Yang
Sydney Chapman	David Hines ‡	Fanny Perez	
Elexa Dagnan ‡	Brendan Jewell	Ariel Quenneville	

### **MAGNA CUM LAUDE** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.80-3.89

Alyssa Barker	Matthew Hamilton	Barrett Lewis*	Jason Salter
Kayla Braden	Rocio Hernandez	Aaliyah Martin-Rubio	Charlton Watson
Sarah Clements	Anjelina Humphreys†	Gabriel McClain	Banner Williamst
Gavin Coleman	Corbin Hunter	Taylor McDown	
Hannah Crouch	Grace Johnson	Makenzie McGlothlin	
Peyton Grimes	Edward Kirkendall	Emma McQueen	

### **CUM LAUDE** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.70-3.79

April Sunshine Black* †	Jessica Eversole	Andrew Korth	Morgan Shields
Mya Bewley	Courtney Fordham	Trinity Kriegar	Briana Turnbull
Tammy Blotter	Jori Hays †	Katelyn Lett	Riley Vickrey
Kathriann Brown	Abigale Hoelscher	Hallie Sprengle	Samantha White
Shayla Cliffman †	Angela Hoodenpyle	Micha Peckham	
Victoria Crowder	Claire Howe	Mackenzie Scholtz	
Elena Durocher	Haadia Janjua	Olivia Scull	

## ASSOCIATE DEGREES

### **FIRST HONORS** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.90 OR ABOVE

Makenna Bettis ‡	Mira Khan	Kloe Locke ‡	Schuyler Winn
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### **SECOND HONORS** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.80-3.89

Brooke Dill	Lillie Jones	Destanee Terrill
Dushanka Ganepola Arachchige	Shayla Mckinzie	

### **THIRD HONORS** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.7-3.79

Abigale Hoelscher

*Latin honors are earned by completing all hours of the junior and senior years in residence at Missouri Southern State University, with a minimum of those hours equaling 60 or more. In addition, the cumulative GPA must be a minimum of 3.70. Latin honors cumulative GPA published is the last completed semester cumulative GPA.*

‡ 4.00 Average

† Honors Program Graduate

\*July Graduate

# COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

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## BACHELOR OF ARTS

**Austin, Natasha Sage ‡**; English-Literary Studies; Seneca  
**Brown, Rachel G.**; ML-Spanish; Diamond  
**Cagle, Segren Naomi**; Music; Joplin  
**Crouch, Hannah Rose**; English-Professional/Technical Writing; Joplin

**Dally, Maya †**; English-Literary Studies; Joplin  
**Hager, Alaina Lucia ‡**; Spanish; O'Fallon, IL  
**Johnson, Erin Lyn**; Sociology; Joplin  
**Provin, Hannah Rachelle**; History; Oronogo

## BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

**Amos, Kara Brooke**; Fine Arts-Design; Independence  
**Antillon, Margarita**; Fine Arts – Studio; Joplin  
**Brower, Chloe Rose**; Theater Performance; Joplin  
**Chambers, Kayla R.**; Fine Arts-Design; Joplin

**Dean, Ryan C.**; Fine Arts-Design; Carl Junction  
**Green, Zephre Catherine Joanna**; Theater Performance; Lamar  
**Lundien, Braden R.**; Fine Arts – Design; Carl Junction  
**Siler, Makenzie H.\***; Fine Arts – Studio; Joplin

## BACHELOR OF MUSIC

**Wadkins, William Henry\***; Instrumental Performance; Carthage

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

**Abruzzo, Anthony James**; History; Neosho  
**August, Grant E.**; Chemistry; Joplin  
**Bergen, Jessica Jo**; Criminal Justice Administration; Anderson  
**Blair, Melinda Lee**; Legal Affairs; Joplin  
**Bonds, Samariae Sharlene**; Criminal Justice Administration; Manor, TX  
**Boyd, Connor Patrick**; Criminal Justice Administration; Olathe, KS  
**Brewster, Audrey P.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Columbia  
**Carpenter, Meagan Renee**; Criminal Justice Administration; Tulsa, OK  
**Campbell, Katelyn Mae**; Chemistry – Forensic Science; Webb City  
**Dingerson, Justin Henry**; English – Literary Studies; El Dorado Springs  
**English, Zakary D.**; Physics – Engineering; Carthage  
**Fallis, Kyle Lee**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin  
**Franklin, Renika Dominique\***; Criminal Justice Administration; Alsip, IL  
**Hathcock, Jenna Leigh\***; Criminal Justice Administration; Drexel  
**Huber, Mallory R.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Sibley  
**Jansen, Darrissa Ilona M.**; Justice Studies; Willemstad, Curacao  
**Khan, Mira**; Criminal Justice Administration; Berlin  
**LaBatt, Morgan Alayne**; English – Literary Studies; Miami; OK  
**Locke, Kloe F. ‡**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin

**McCaulley, Matthew Curtis**; Criminal Justice Administration;  
Waynesville  
**McMaster, Jared David**; Chemistry – Biochemistry; Joplin  
**Mereness, Sierra Ann\***; Criminal Justice Administration; Ozark  
**Morgan, Jaren E.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin  
**Moring, Mackenzie Clare**; Criminal Justice Administration/CIS –  
Computer Forensics; Sheridan, AR  
**Rex, Sydney Ann**; History; Fayetteville, AR  
**Smith, Parker C.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin  
**Spence, Levi Thomas**; Chemistry – Biochemistry; Seneca  
**Spragg, Kendra J.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Frontenac, KS  
**Stevens, Aisley**; Physics; San Antonio, TX  
**Terrill, Destanee Berlin**; Criminal Justice Administration; Oronogo  
**VanWinkle, Brice**; Criminal Justice Administration; Neosho  
**Wilkerson, Alex W.**; Pre-Medical Chemistry; Pea Ridge, AR  
**Willis, Eric Lamont**; Criminal Justice Administration; Hazelwood  
**Wisener, Alice R.\***; Chemistry; Granby  
**Yang, Pachia**; Medical Laboratory Science; Granby

## BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

**Anderson, Brianna**; Social Work; Joplin  
**Barton, Julia**; Social Work; Springfield  
**Baslee, Jenah Alynn**; Social Work; Granby  
**Bearden, Nicole A.**; Social Work; Joplin  
**Biddle, Skylar Lee\***; Social Work; Joplin  
**Duke, Allison Paige**; Social Work; Webb City  
**Durham, Kaylee Jane**; Social Work; Springfield  
**Durocher, Elena Marais**; Social Work; Hudson, WI  
**Herron, Gabrielle Rose**; Social Work; Joplin

**Jackson, Amanda Christine**; Social Work; Miami, OK  
**Lett, Katelyn Dawn**; Social Work; Neosho  
**Nichols, Hazel H.**; Social Work; Diamond  
**Perales, Armyni TeNae Gissette**; Social Work; Houston, TX  
**Perez, Fanny Sheyli**; Social Work; Carthage  
**Peterson, McKinzie Luree**; Social Work; Diamond  
**Salter, Jason Lee**; Social Work; Bella Vista, AR  
**White, Samantha June**; Social Work; Gravette, AR  
**Whited, Faith Leilani**; Social Work; Joplin

‡ 4.00 Average

† Honors Program Graduate

\*July Graduate

## ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

**Bergen, Jessica Jo**; Law Enforcement; Anderson

**Boyd, Connor Patrick**; Law Enforcement; Olathe, KS

**Carpenter, Meagan Renee**; Law Enforcement; Tulsa, OK

**Fallis, Kyle Lee**; Law Enforcement; Joplin

**Hathcock, Jenna Leigh\***; Law Enforcement; Drexel

**Khan, Mira\***; Law Enforcement; Berlin

**Locke, Kloe F. ‡**; Law Enforcement; Joplin

**McCaulley, Matthew Curtis**; Law Enforcement; Waynesville

**Spragg, Kendra J.**; Law Enforcement; Frontenac, KS

**Terrill, Destanee Berlin**; Law Enforcement; Oronogo

**Mereness, Sierra Ann\***; Law Enforcement; Orzark

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS, COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY

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### BACHELOR OF ARTS

**Carlson, Lydia**; Communication – Mass; Carthage

**Enna, Francesca Elizabeth**; Communication – Public Relations; Kearney

**Fidler, Kristen Leah**; Communication-Mass; Joplin

**Linthicum, Linden Faith**; Communication-Public Relations; Afton, OK

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

**Abbott, Whittman Parker**; Industrial Engineer Technology;  
Fort Gibson, OK

**Agbeyegbe, Oritseweyinmi Emmanuel**; CIS – Information Technology;  
Joplin

**Allen, Weston**; Mathematics; Joplin

**Bettis, Makenna Janea ‡**; CIS – Criminal Justice Administration –  
Computer Forensics

**Bhasin, Divay**; CIS – Information Technology; Joplin

**Bhavsar, Yash Bhupesh**; CIS – Information Technology; Joplin

**Bruce, Joshua**; Industrial Engineer Technology; Osceola

**Crosby-Moore, Logan**; CIS-Criminal Justice Administration; Kansas City

**Dean, Ashley M. ‡ †**; Mathematics; Carl Junction

**Dessesow, Winston C.**; Communications – Mass; Baltimore, MD

**Doles, Josiah Lee**; CIS – Information Technology; Bentonville, AR

**Forbes, Amya**; CIS-Criminal Justice Administration; Raytown

**Harshaw, Ryan**; CIS- Information Technology; Reeds

**Hays, Jori †**; Mathematics; Alpine, CA

**Hidalgo, Codie Raven**; Industrial Engineering Technology; Joplin

**Hunter, Corbin Brian**; Industrial Engineering Technology; Webb City

**Jackson, Taris Vashaun**; CIS - Information Technology; Carthage

**Kioko, Meshack**; Industrial Engineering Technology; Lenexa, KS

**Kniec, Michael R.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Farlington, KS

**Moring; Mackenzie Clare**; CIS Criminal Justice Administration –  
Computer Forensics; Sheridan, AR

**Olds, Robert L.**; Industrial Engineering Technology; Carl Junction

**Pipkin, Malachi\***; Industrial Engineer Technology; San Antonio, TX

**Rea, Christopher K.**; CIS – Information Technology; Coffeyville, KS

**Shields, Morgan Rose**; Communications – Public Relations,  
Mass Communications; Lamar

**Smith, Parker C.**; CIS Criminal Justice Administration –  
Computer Forensics; Joplin

**Tenting, Lilith Gracemarie Doyle**; Industrial Engineer Technology; Joplin

**Tran, Giang T.**; Computational Math; Joplin

**Warren, Kya S.**; Health Science – Business; Rogers, AR

**Weber, Eric**; CIS- Information Technology; Joplin

**Williams, Banner Cheyenne†**; Mathematics; Lawrence, KS

**Winn, Schuyler Patrick**; CIS – Information Technology; Webb City

**Yang, Thomas T.**; CIS – Information Technology; Stark City

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**Ali, Muhammad Saad\***; Management; Joplin

**Barker, Alyssa Jade**; Management; Stella

**Beers, Brian T.\***; Accounting; Fayetteville, AR

**Bell, William Greyson**; General Business; Joplin

**Bennett, Briley\***; Human Resource Management; Oronogo

**Black, April Sunshine\***; Human Resource Management; Webb City

**Blotter, Tammy Lynn**; General Business; Diamond

**Brittenham, Jordan**; Management; Wagoner, OK

**Brubeck, Andrew Collision**; Management; Shawnee, KS

**Calderon-Juarez, Crishar Michelle\***; Management; Carthage

**Canedo Ostojic, Maria Fernanda**; Management; Bolivia

**Carrillo, Samantha C.**; International Business; Neosho

**Castilla III, Miguel; Management**; Bentonville AR

**Chase, Angel; Marketing**; Houston, TX

**Clemons, Maurion Antonio**; Management; St. Louis

**Cline, Ryan Lee**; Management, Human Resource Management; Aurora

**Conner, Jackson Hazzard\***; Marketing; Carl Junction

**Coonrod, Malani Jo**; Marketing; Nevada

**Cox, Kelyn D.**; Management, Marketing; Joplin

**Cummins, Garner Dean**; Management; Webb City

**Darnell, Darcy Jai**; Management, Human Resource Management;  
Webb City

**Davis, Jacob Worden**; Accounting, Finance; Jacksonville

**Dawson, Joseph M.**; Marketing; Webb City

**Duffy, Charles A.**; General Business; Saint Louis

**Dunaway, Kinzie Jaylynn**; Management, Human Resource Management;  
Webb City

**Engle, Josh**; Marketing; Joplin

‡ 4.00 Average

† Honors Program Graduate

\*July Graduate

**Ferguson, Tyler William**; General Business; Saint Peters  
**Fernandez-Cano Aldasoro, Iratxe**; International Business; Madrid, Algete  
**Fort, Micah E.**; Management, Marketing; Joplin  
**Frischenmeyer, Alyssa V.**; Management; Springfield  
**Gary, Dallas Wayne**; Accounting; Stark City  
**Gilbert, Joshua Joel**; Accounting; Carthage  
**Gillispie, Emily Kay**; Marketing; Ankeny, IA  
**Hampson, Dalton James**; Marketing; Monticello, IA  
**Harris, Trent N.**; General Business, Nashville IL  
**Hart, Lauren**; General Business; Dallas, TX  
**Holden, Evan J.**; Management, Human Resource Management; Galena, KS  
**Holly, Camryn M.\***; Marketing; Bentonville, AR  
**Hultine, Laif Angus**; Management, Marketing; Hastings NE  
**Jeffries, Nicole Ann Marie**; Management, Human Resource Management; Nevada  
**Jewell, Brendan Michael**; Finance; Joplin  
**Johnson, Breann M.\***; Marketing; Ozark  
**Keeling, Lexi B.**; Marketing; Purdy  
**Kirkendall, Edward L.**; Finance; Afton, OK  
**Madrigal, Indira Refujio**; Management; Carthage  
**Massey, Cooper Von**; Marketing; Sarcoux  
**Mitchell, Jacob B.\***; Marketing; Bentonville  
**Moore, Kyle**; Finance; Bolingbrook, IL  
**Newton, David Michael**; Management; Tulsa, OK  
**Nielson, Jordan Dalaney**; Management; Webb City  
**Northcutt, Evan Lee\***; Finance; Joplin  
**Odett, Christina L.**; Management; Joplin  
**Odom, Devon C.**; Finance; Joplin  
**Oplotnik, David Bradley**; Finance, Marketing; Fair Grove  
**Mendoza, Audrey Marcaill †**; Management; Neosho  
**Parker, Danielle Lorraine**; Management, Human Resource Management; Lebanon  
**Parker, Kalyn Jeanne**; Management; Oronogo  
**Patino, Erika M.\***; Marketing; Monett  
**Periman, Madison N.**; Accounting; Mount Vernon  
**Preddy, Michaela V.**; General Business; Cassville

**Presslor, Jeffrey D.**; Management; Joplin  
**Pruit, Whitney Lea**; Management, Human Resource Management; Midwest City, OK  
**Reinoso-Garcia, Rodimiro**; Management, Human Resource Management; Joplin  
**Reyes, Kevin A.\***; Accounting; Carthage  
**Rice, Garrett Leo\***; Marketing; Willard  
**Richwine, Patience L.**; General Business; Fort Scott, KS  
**Riddle, Ryan J.**; Finance, Management; Joplin  
**Rifenbark, Riley Mark**; Finance; Joplin  
**Rozier, Brendan Cole**; Management, Human Resource Management, Marketing; Jefferson City  
**Sanders, Shasta Shantel**; General Business; Washburn  
**Siebert, Simon Kanye**; Marketing; Cuba  
**Siegrist, Madison Nicole**; Management; Aurora  
**Skaggs, Kaylin L.\***; General Business; Seneca  
**Stoops, Elijah**; Finance; Willard  
**Studer, Emily A.**; Management, Human Resource Management; Webb City  
**Tate, Derek M.**; Management, Marketing, Human Resource Management; Damon, TX  
**Taylor, Jackson Tay**; Management; Webb City  
**Thompson, Patience Janae**; Management Human Resource Management; Carthage  
**Tito-Fualaau, Lepopeasenuu Leviticus**; Management, Marketing; Webb City  
**Toole, Taylor**; Accounting; Joplin  
**Tucker, Case H.**; Accounting, Finance; Lamar  
**Turnbull, Briana Shanae**; Accounting, Finance, Management; Miami, FL  
**Watson, Charlton Antonio**; Management; St. Charles  
**White, Cary**; General Business; Galena, KS  
**Whiteside, Caleb**; Finance; Lowell, AR  
**Williamson, Connor D.\***; Finance, Management; Joplin  
**Wilson, Kendrick L.**; Accounting; Nevada  
**Winter, Stephanie\***; Accounting; Nevada  
**Zepeda, Isabella Amy**; Human Resource Management; Neosho

## ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

**Agbeyegbe, Oritseweyinmi Emmanuel**; CIS – Information Systems; Joplin  
**Bettis, Makenna Jenea ‡**; CIS – Information Systems; Webb City  
**Bhasin, Divay**; CIS – Information Systems; Joplin  
**Bhavsar, Yash Bhupesh**; CIS – Information Systems; Joplin  
**Brewster, Audrey P.**; Law Enforcement; Columbia  
**Bruce, Joshua**; Manufacturing Engineering Technology; Osceola  
**Crosby-Moore, Logan**; Law Enforcement; Kansas City  
**Forbes, Amya**; Law Enforcement; Raytown  
**Harshaw, Ryan**; CIS – Information Systems; Reeds  
**Hidalgo, Codie Raven**; Manufacturing Engineering Technology; Joplin  
**Huber, Mallory R.**; Law Enforcement; Sibley

**Jackson, Taris Vashaun**; CIS – Information Systems; Carthage  
**Kioko, Meshack**; Manufacturing Engineering Technology; Lenexa, KS  
**Kmiec, Michael R.**; Law Enforcement; Farlington, KS  
**Morgan, Jaren E.**; Law Enforcement; Joplin  
**Moring, Mackenzie Clare**; CIS – Information Systems; Sheridan AR  
**Pipkin, Malachi**; Manufacturing Engineering Technology; San Antonio, TX  
**Rea, Christopher K.**; CIS – Information Systems; Coffeyville, KS  
**Smith, Parker C.**; CIS – Information Systems; Joplin  
**VanWinkle, Brice**; Law Enforcement; Neosho Winn, Schuyler Patrick; CIS – Information Systems; Webb City  
**Woehl, Brett Michael**; Manufacturing Engineering Technology  
**Yang, Thomas T.**; CIS – Information Systems; Stark City

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† Honors Program Graduate

\*July Graduate

# COLLEGE OF HEALTH, LIFE SCIENCES & EDUCATION

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## BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE

**Feltner, Andrew**; Environmental Health & Safety; Cincinnati, OH  
**Grider, Andrew Lane**; Environmental Health & Safety; Highlandville

**Sigmon, Vinson Terrell\***; Environmental Health & Safety; Canton, MI  
**Thomas, Colton Don**; Environmental Health & Safety; Muskogee, OK

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

**Donovan, Tatjana Annika**; Psychology; Joplin

**Fontanez, Nahil Jashire**; Psychology; Pittsburg, KS

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

**Abraham, Steve Mathew ‡**; Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine; Niles, IL  
**Ajith, Abisheka**; Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Joplin  
**Allen, Michaela Denise**; Healthcare Administration; Lamar  
**Alumbaugh, Jessica Lynn**; Nursing; Webb City  
**Alviar, Annamarie\***; Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Rogersville  
**Atnip, Loran Marie ‡**; Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Joplin  
**Baker, Carlie Joyce\***; Environmental Health & Safety; Diamond  
**Ball, Kayley Lynn ‡**; Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine; Joplin  
**Barton, Peyton G.**; Health Promotion and Wellness; Rocky Comfort  
**Bewley, Mya L.**; Healthcare Administration; Joplin  
**Bivins-Hance, Collins A.\***; Exercise Science; Baxter Springs, KS  
**Boggess, Abigail Nicole\***; Exercise Science; Altoona, IA  
**Bohannon, Tracee J.\***; Respiratory Therapy; Lowell, AR  
**Borup, Asa McIntyre ‡**; Biomedical Sciences Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Reeds Spring  
**Borup, Seven Leigh**; Nursing; Reeds Spring  
**Braden, Kayla Elizabeth**; Nursing; Carthage  
**Bradley, Jessica Dawn**; Psychology; Miller  
**Brogan, Brittney Nicole**; Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Webb City  
**Brown, Kathriann Gayle**; Nursing; Joplin  
**Buckridge, Tristan Korine**; Healthcare Administration; Webb City  
**Campa, Oscar Efrain**; Sports & Recreation Management; Carthage  
**Campbel, Kelsey Paige**; Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Owasso, OK  
**Carpenter, Noah Michael †**; Nursing; Carl Junction  
**Carr, Kylee Breann**; Health Science – Respiratory Therapy; Joplin  
**Carrier, Jack Hamilton**; Nursing; Joplin  
**Cliffman, Shayla B. †**; Psychology; Webb City  
**Coleman, Ethan David**; Psychology; Galena  
**Coleman, Gavin R.**; Biology-Pre-Optometry; Galena, KS  
**Cordischi, Ashley**; Nursing; Rogers, AR  
**Dalton, Shekinah Glory**; Nursing; Springfield  
**Davis, Andrew Thomas**; Health Promotion and Wellness; Pekin, IL  
**Davis, Mykell Leola**; Healthcare Administration; East Saint Louis, IL  
**Dill, Brooke M.\***; Respiratory Therapy; Elkland  
**Doneghue, Lillian G.\***; Exercise Science; Sherman, IL  
**Dudhia, Amil Dilish**; Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine; Arlington, TX  
**Duggar, Rebecca Lynn**; Health Promotion and Wellness; Neosho  
**Dunbar, Madison Anne**; Nursing; Seneca

**Englert, Drew Kinsley\***; Health Science – Radiologic Technology; Diamond  
**Evans, Elizabeth Marie-Calleen**; Environmental Health & Safety; Clarksville, TN  
**Evansco, Kara**; Nursing; Joplin  
**Eversole, Jessica Renee**; Health Science – Respiratory Therapy; Clinton  
**Farrell, Lorena Lynn**; Biology – Ecology Marine Conservation; Mount Vernon  
**Farren, Shayla J.**; Healthcare Administration; Joplin  
**Fehrenbach, Turner W.**; Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine; Springfield  
**Finley, Zachary Daniel**; Healthcare Administration; Joplin  
**Fordham, Courtney Marie**; Nursing; Bella Vista; AR  
**Freeman, Tikoya Tia**; Psychology; Miami, FL  
**Friend, Noah Drew\***; Exercise Science; Joplin  
**Gazaway, Mallory Ann**; Healthcare Administration; Liberal  
**Gilmore, Craig Matthew**; Psychology; Joplin  
**Goddard, Olivia P.**; Nursing; Sarcoxie  
**Greenquist, Maya Marie ‡ †**; Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine; Wisconsin  
**Grgurich, Jenna C.**; Health Science- Radiologic Technology; Kirksville  
**Guzman, Rocio Abigail**; Nursing; Carthage  
**Hancock, Lauren Gracie**; Psychology; Wichita, KS  
**Hembree, Preston B.\***; Sport and Recreation Management; Joplin  
**Henry, Jaclyn Ann**; Healthcare Administration; Bella Vista, AR  
**Hilsenbeck, Leah ‡**; Biology – Physical/Occupational Therapy; Carthage  
**Hines, David Corbin ‡**; Biology – Pre-Professional Dental; Independence, KS  
**Hoelscher, Abigale Renae**; Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Jefferson City  
**Humphreys, Anjelina Alexist†**; Biomedical Sciences Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; San Angelo, TX  
**Jackson, Madison Isobela**; Biology – Ecology Marine Conservation; Joplin  
**Jackson, Tyriqe Damon-Thomas**; Sports & Recreation Business; Lonoke, AR  
**Janjua, Haadia**; Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine; Murphy, TX  
**Johnson, Amanda Erin**; Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Carthage  
**Jungling, Collin R.**; Health Science – Radiologic Technology; Raymore  
**Kennedy, Jillian**; Health Promotion and Wellness; Carl Junction  
**Khan, Mira**; Psychology; Joplin  
**King, Ashley Nicole**; Healthcare Administration; Carl Junction

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\*July Graduate

**Kisling, Haydon R.;** Health Promotion and Wellness; Reeds

**Kohler, Teresa Jo;** Psychology; Columbus, KS

**Kusiak, Henry R.;** General Biology; Round Lake, IL

**Lacy, Kashonda Denise\*;** Health Science – Respiratory Therapy;  
Kansas City

**Landwehr, Kambry L.;** Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant;  
Prairie Grove, AR

**Lee, Abbie;** Nursing; Webb City

**Lee, Kayin;** Health Science – Respiratory Therapy; Verona

**Lewis, Barrett A.;** Biomedical Sciences Pre-Medical Physical Assistant;  
Neosho

**Long, Colton R.;** Health Science – Respiratory Therapy; Diamond

**Martin, Payton Alexandra;** Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Grove, OK

**Martin-Rubio, Aaliyah;** Exercise Science; Powell

**Maxwell, Bethany D.;** Dental Hygiene; Siloam Springs, AR

**McClain, Gabriel M.;** Biology-Ecology/Evolution/Conservation; Joplin

**Medrano, Izabella A.;** Healthcare Administration; Independence

**Meister, Maseasha Shayleen;** Nursing; Joplin

**Melius, Samantha Lyn;** Environmental Health & Safety; Saint Charles

**Moore, Grace Moriah;** Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Springfield

**Moya, Brenna Grace ‡†;** Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant;  
Fredonia, KS

**Myers, Jack Edward;** Health Promotion and Wellness; Joplin

**Neels, Amelia Grace;** Healthcare Administration; Arnold

**Nelson, Katlyn LeAnne;** Psychology; Neosho

**Newman, Elizabeth Ann;** Environmental Health & Safety; Rosamond, CA

**Nielson, Jordan Dalaney;** Healthcare Administration; Webb City

**O’Malley, Erika L.;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; Carthage

**Olinger, Mason M.;** Biomedical Science-PreMed/PA

**Oplotnik, Darin Arthur\*;** General Biology; Fair Grove

**Panella, Nicholas J.\*;** Exercise Science; Mansfield, TX

**Patrick, Katelyn Grace ‡;** Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine;  
Walnut Shade

**Phillips, Kohlton John;** Healthcare Administration; Joplin

**Powell, Sara Kay;** Nursing; LaRussell

**Purinton, Makenzie Ann;** Sports & Recreation Management; Jasper

**Quiroz, Grace Eileen;** Biomedical Sciences; Farmington

**Ralat Nazario, Anaid\*r;** Environmental Health & Safety; Pasadena, TX

**Reyes, Jennifer;** Psychology; Milwaukee, WI

**Rhoades, Darian R.;** Nursing; Seneca

**Riggs, Stormie V.\*;** Exercise Science; Webb City

**Rigsby, Scout A.;** Psychology; Joplin

**Rivas, Bianca Paola\*;** Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant;  
Springdale, AR

**Robles, Alejandra;** Conservation and Ecology; Neosho

**Rogers, Janine Janet;** Exercise Science; Springfield

**Rowden, Karlee M.;** Healthcare Administration; Joplin

**Rule, John E.;** Health Promotion and Wellness; Nixa

**Russell, Allyson L.;** Psychology; Ozark

**Saman, Christopher Nazar;** Biomedical Sciences, Pre-Medicine;  
Pittsburg, KS

**Sammons, James Edward;** Environmental Health & Safety; Neosho

**Sayles, Nikaia Rose;** Psychology; Joplin

**Scates, Chyenne Rachelle;** Environmental Health & Safety; Pineville

**Sexton, Karlie Danae;** Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Diamond

**Shakya, Romeena;** Nursing; Joplin

**Shaon, Jaclyn Marie;** Healthcare Administration; Ashland

**Shore, Jordan Danielle;** Biology – Pre-Professional Veterinary;  
Harrisonville

**Sisseck, Kaitlyn Marie;** Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Joplin

**Slinker, Colten Blaine;** Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Liberal

**Smith, Haylee M.;** Sports & Recreation Business; El Dorado Springs

**Stahl, Mariah;** Nursing; Oronogo

**Stinger, Kelsey;** Health Science-Radiologic Technology; Parsons, KS

**Strauss, Telea Ruth\*;** Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Lindsborg, KS

**Sullivan, Rebekka Gene;** Nursing; Joplin

**Sutherland, Olivea Leagsaidh;** Health Science – Paramedic;  
Centerton, AR

**Swoboda, Destiny Amour\*;** Health Science – Dental Hygiene; Monett

**Talley, Zachary Ryan;** Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Joplin

**Thomas, Jerod;** Biology – Ecology Marine Conservation; Seneca

**Thomas, Madison Taylor;** Health Science – Paramedic;  
Camp Lejeune, NC

**Trueblood, Ethan M.\*;** Exercise Science; Webb City

**Vargas, Yazmin Ivette\*;** Healthcare Administration; Garden City, KS

**Verscha, Paige;** Psychology; Joplin

**Vickrey, Riley Marianne;** Nursing; Florissant

**Wagner, Cassidy Dawn;** Healthcare Administration; Seneca

**Wagoner, Eryn ‡†;** Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Carthage

**Warrick, Sloan Elizabeth;** Healthcare Administration; Tulsa, OK

**Waterman, Faustina-Marie;** Psychology; Trinidad And Tobago

**Wilkerson, Alex W.;** Psychology; Pea Ridge, AR

**Williams, Hailey;** Biology – Pre-Medical Physical Assistant; Carthage

**Wisener, Alice R.\*;** Chemistry; Granby

**Wolf, Caleb Samuel;** Nursing; Kearney

**Young, Adrianna Dariella\*;** Exercise Science; Joplin

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† Honors Program Graduate

\*July Graduate

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

**Abbot, Ashley Kate**; Elementary Education – Special Education;  
Webb City

**Bergen, Ariana J.**; K-12 Education – Art; Joplin

**Berry, Emma Danielle ‡**; Middle School Education – Math; Riverton, KS

**Blair, Lori R.**; Elementary Education; Grove, OK

**Boone, Lariah Lillian**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Brooklyn Park, MN

**Burkhart, Emily Elizabeth**; Elementary Education – Special Education;  
Webb City

**Cartwright, Lindsey Marie**; Elementary Education; Gravette, AR

**Chapman, Sydney Rose**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Oronogo

**Churchwell, Carter C.**; Middle School Education – Math; Joplin

**Coble, Tucker Paul**; Secondary Education – Social Science; Columbus KS

**Crowder, Victoria Louceal**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Grove, OK

**Curry, Breanna Nichole**; Middle School Education – Language Arts;  
Willard

**Dagnan, Elexa R. ‡**; Elementary Education - English Language Learners

**Dixon, Katelyn**; Elementary Education; Wyandotte, OK

**Doran, Ryan**; Middle School Education – Social Studies; Harlan, IA

**Doyle, Jayme Lynn\***; Secondary Education – Speech and Theater;  
Carl Junction

**Eldridge, Jamarion ‡**; K-12 Education – Physical Education; Kansas City

**Fletcher, Miranda Lucille**; Elementary Education; Neosho

**Gage, Jady Ann**; Elementary Education; Joplin

**Garcia Gomez, Jesus Manuel**; Elementary Education; Monett

**Grimes, Peyton Leigh**; Elementary Education – Special Education;  
Carl Junction

**Hays, Jori †**; Secondary Education – Math; Alpine, CA

**Hernandez, Rocio Rubi**; Elementary Education – English Learners  
Language; Rogers, AR

**Hoodenpyle, Angelar Elizabeth**; Elementary Education; Vinita, OK

**Howe, Claire Elizabeth**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Phillipsburg

**Johnson, Grace Elizabeth**; Middle School Education – Language Arts,  
Secondary Education – English; Wyandotte, OK

**Koen, Kenzie N.**; Elementary Education; Kirbyville

**Korth, Andrew Perry**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Webb City

**Krieger, Trinity Lain**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood; Sarcoxie

**Lundien, Kailan E.**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Carl Junction

**Mayfield, Kelly**; Elementary Education – Special Education; Joplin

**McCrae, Tradgon Anthony**; K-12 Education – Physical Education;  
Plainville

**Mcdown, Taylor Renee**; Elementary Education – Special Education;  
Columbus, KS

**McGlothlin, Makenzie B.**; Elementary Education; Aurora

**McQueen, Emma Elizabeth**; Elementary Education – English Learners  
Language; Miami, OK

**Mitchell, Marissa Renee**; Middle School Education – Social Studies;  
Webb City

**Moennig, Daniel Lee**; Elementary Education – Special Education; Joplin

**Oneal, Grace E.**; Elementary Education; Carthage

**Ortiz, Jennifer Elizabeth**; Elementary Education; Rogers, AR

**Sprengle, Hallie Christine**; Elementary Education – Special Education;  
Carthage

**Peckham, Micha Arminta**; Elementary Education; Wheaton

**Penn, Kayla Renea**; Secondary Education – Business; El Dorado Springs

**Portillo, Kaylin Vanesa**; Elementary Education; Carthage

**Powell, Jasmine Lynn-Renee**; Elementary Education; Carthage

**Quenneville, Ariel M.**; Elementary Education – English Language  
Learners; Webb City

**Ramos, Katy Jaricsa**; Elementary Education; Centerton, AR

**Reaves, Elizabeth Erin†**; Secondary Education – English; Joplin

**Renner, Heather Mae**; Elementary Education; Anderson

**Rinker, Taylor C.**; Elementary Education; Mount Vernon

**Robinson, Hannah Marie**; Elementary Education – English Language  
Learners; Webb City

**Ryba, Emily Karin Christine**; Elementary Education – Special Education;  
Cheney, KS

**Scholtz, Mackenzie Diane**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Bucyrus, KS

**Shaw, Heaven**; Elementary Education – English Learner Language;  
Dallas, TX

**Snyder, Taylor Nichole**; Elementary Education – Early Childhood;  
Carthage

**Stockton, Kaitlyn Anne**; Education – Vocal; Cassville

**Williams, Banner Cheyenne†**; Secondary Education – Math; Lawrence, KS

**Wright, Paige Malynn**; Elementary Education – Special Education;  
Pea Ridge, AR

**Young, Hannah Elizabeth**; K-12 Education - Physical Education;  
Blue Springs

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† Honors Program Graduate

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## ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

**Alviar, Annamarie\***; Radiologic Technology; Rogersville  
**Arzet, Asenath J.**; Radiologic Technology; Joplin  
**Brogan, Brittney Nicole**; Dental Hygiene; Webb City  
**Burks, Lauren**; Dental Hygiene; Springfield  
**Campbell, Kelsey Paige**; Dental Hygiene; Owasso, OK  
**Carr, Kylee Breann**; Respiratory Technology; Joplin  
**Charbonier, Brooklyn Kimbrell**; Dental Hygiene; Waynesville  
**Couk, Laney R.**; Respiratory Therapy; Carl Junction  
**Dill, Brooke Malia**; Respiratory Therapy; Elkland  
**Drouin, Emmy Carol**; Dental Hygiene; Joplin  
**Eberhart, Claire Olivia**; Dental Hygiene; Raymore  
**Englert, Drew Kinsley\***; Radiologic Technology; Diamond  
**Ganepola Arachchige, Dushanka Chathurani**; Respiratory Technology; Webb City  
**Gooch, Makayla Elise**; Dental Hygiene; Olathe, KS  
**Hoelscher, Abigale Renae**; Dental Hygiene; Jefferson City  
**Hornbeck, Taygen Riley**; Radiologic Technology; Lamar  
**Jones, Lillie Catherine**; Dental Hygiene; Sarcoxie  
**Jungling, Collin R.**; Radiologic Technology; Raymore  
**Kirby, Kathryn Marie**; Dental Hygiene; Joplin  
**White, Kaci Sharee.**; Dental Hygiene; Nevada  
**Lasiter, Cheyenne Raynee**; Dental Hygiene; Carthage

**Lee, James A.**; Respiratory Therapy; Seneca  
**Long, Colton R.**; Respiratory Therapy; Diamond  
**Martin, Payton Alexandra**; Dental Hygiene; Grove, OK  
**McKinzie, Shayla R.**; Dental Hygiene; Webb City  
**Michel, Allison Jeanette**; Dental Hygiene; Nixa  
**Moore, Grace Moriah**; Dental Hygiene; Neosho  
**Oczkus, Jonathon Alexander**; Respiratory Therapy; Aurora  
**Poe, Eron Elizabeth Anne**; Dental Hygiene; Garland, KS  
**Ragan, Samantha R.**; Dental Hygiene; Garland, KS  
**Sexton, Karlie Danae**; Radiologic Technology; Diamond  
**Sisseck, Kaitlyn Marie**; Dental Hygiene; Joplin  
**Sledge, Nicholas James**; Radiologic Technology; Webb City  
**Smalley, Rylee M.**; Dental Hygiene; Harrisonville  
**Swoboda, Destiny Amour**; Radiologic Technology; Monett  
**Tapp, Lashunda**; Respiratory Therapy; Kansas City  
**Taylor, Moriah L.**; Dental Hygiene; Maysville  
**Tharp, Grayson**; Dental Hygiene; Joplin  
**Vicidomini, Payton**; Radiologic Technology; Joplin  
**Waggoner, Lakin Marie**; Dental Hygiene; Republic  
**Wright, Derek Neal**; Respiratory Therapy; Miami, OK  
**Young, Trenton Andrew**; Respiratory Therapy; Neosho

## BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES

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**Altman, Kelsey Elizabeth**; General Studies; Joplin  
**Beckett, Jessica\***; General Studies; Neosho  
**Belk, Howard Michael**; General Studies; Joplin  
**Bellis, Solomon N.**; General Studies; Webb City  
**Benning, Jaryn Armani-Marie**; General Studies; Topeka, KS  
**Blessing, Elizabeth**; General Studies; Sheldon  
**Bontrager, Sheila**; General Studies; Joplin  
**Choate, Mitchell**; General Studies; Mount Vernon  
**Clements, Sarah**; General Studies; Joplin  
**Clouse, Gavin T.\***; Bachelor of General Studies; Seneca  
**Coffelt, Kayla J.**; General Studies; Reeds Springs  
**Courtney, Halle Nicole**; General Studies; Galena, KS  
**Davis, Whitney Leigh**; General Studies; New Cambria, KS  
**Dermott, Brady Phillips**; General Studies; Fayetteville, AR  
**DeTar, Joshua Gipson**; General Studies; Joplin  
**Fry, Allie Jo**; General Studies; Quapaw, OK  
**Gonzalez, Odilia C.**; General Studies; Carthage  
**Green, Damon B.\***; General Studies; Rich Hill  
**Gross, Larah M.\***; General Studies; Collinsville, IL  
**Hamilton, Matthew P.**; General Studies; Joplin

**Hammond, Vrindavani Priya**; General Studies; Carl Junction  
**Jackson, Tynika Letisha**; General Studies; Joplin  
**Jarmin, Travis Luciano**; General Studies; Joplin  
**Jones, Amanda Kay**; General Studies; Springfield  
**Jones, Kryslyn Renee**; General Studies; Edmond, OK  
**King, Kaylyn Sue**; General Studies; Pella, IA  
**Lee, Amara L.**; General Studies; Lamar  
**Lechman, Michelle L.**; General Studies; Nevada  
**Ledet, Jordan Thomas\***; General Studies; Joplin  
**Lewis, Lucas D.**; General Studies; Galena, KS  
**Long, Parker Alan**; General Studies; Winfield, AL  
**Macenis, Martynas M.**; General Studies; Hickory Hills, IL  
**McGatha, Hailey Alyssa**; General Studies; El Dorado Springs  
**McNabb, Elise Nicole**; General Studies; Jasper  
**Ohu, Tayler Hana**; General Studies; Los Lunas, NM  
**Parker, Kalyn Jeanne**; General Studies; Oronogo  
**Rainey, Hannah**; General Studies; Sheldon  
**Randles, Chad.**; General Studies; Elkhorn, NE  
**Reynolds, Faith Danielle**; General Studies; Neosho  
**Rucker, Johnny Trey**; General Studies; Prescott, AR

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**Schweitzer, Eden Celeste;** General Studies; Springfield  
**Scull, Olivia K.;** General Studies; Seymour  
**Shannon, Shadon;** General Studies; Lincoln, NE  
**Sharp, Ashley N.;** General Studies; Joplin

**Solomon, Allie Nicole;** General Studies; Joplin  
**Stephenson, Tamara Lynne;** General Studies; Carthage  
**Swadley, Andrew James;** General Studies; Springfield  
**Whitmore, Manuel J.;** General Studies; Fayetteville, AR

## GRADUATES WHO HAVE STUDIED ABROAD

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### As provided by the Institute of International Studies.

Students who received MSSU Academic credit for studying abroad through an MSSU-sponsored or recognized program are wearing a sash today representing the country or countries where they studied. Since 1995, MSSU has sent more than 3,800 students abroad to reflect its statewide mission in global education.

**Abraham, Steve ‡ | Italy**

**Austin, Natasha ‡ | France, Portugal, Spain**

**Carlson, Lydia | Czech Republic**

**Carpenter, Noah † | Italy**

**Charbonier, Brooklyn | Italy**

**Cliffman, Shayla † | Spain**

**Coleman, Ethan | Austria**

**Crouch, Hannah † | Ireland**

**Crowder, Victoria | South Korea**

**Dally, Maya † | Ireland**

**Dean, Ashley ‡ † | Ireland**

**Dill, Brooke | Italy**

**Dudhia, Amil | Italy**

**Evansco, Kara | Ireland**

**Farrell, Lorena | Belize**

**Fehrenbach, Turner | Italy**

**Greenquist, Maya ‡ † | Italy**

**Hays, Jori † | Ireland**

**Humphreys, Anjelina † | Italy**

**Janjua, Haadia | Italy**

**Johnson, Grace | United Kingdom**

**Khan, Mira | South Korea**

**Kisling, Haydon | Italy**

**Landwehr, Kambry | Italy**

**Long, Colton | Italy**

**McClain, Gabriel † | Belize**

**McGatha, Hailey | Spain**

**Moore, Joshua | Germany**

**Moya, Brenna ‡ † | Italy**

**Oplotnik, Darin | Spain**

**Patrick, Katelyn ‡ | Italy**

**Peterson, McKinzie | Spain**

**Reaves, Elizabeth † | Ireland**

**Roberts, Bethany † | United Kingdom**

**Saman, Christopher | Italy**

**Siler, Makenzie | Ireland**

**Wagoner, Eryn ‡ † | Italy**

**White, Glenda | United Kingdom**

**Wilkerson, Alex | Spain**

**Williams, Banner † | Ireland**

**Yang, Pachia | Italy**

**Young, Hannah | Spain**

# ACADEMIC ATTIRE & HONOR CORDS

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The hoods represented in MSSU ceremonies are a combination of colors from each of the collaborating institutions.

## TRADITIONAL COLORS AND CORRESPONDING FIELDS OF STUDY ARE:

- Accountancy, Business, Commerce: Drab
- Criminal Justice: Purple
- Education: Light Blue
- Nursing: Apricot

## HONOR CORDS

- Athletics: Green and Gold
- Caduceus Society: Braided Gold and Royal Blue
- Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma: Royal Blue and Gold
- Dental Hygiene Honor Society, Sigma Phi Alpha: Purple and Gold
- Freshman Honor Society, Phi Eta Sigma: Black and Gold
- Honors Program: Green
- International English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta: Black and Red
- International Honor Society in Business, Delta Mu Delta: Braided Gold and Purple
- International Honor Society in Economics, Omicron Delta Epsilon: Braided Gold and Blue
- International Honor Society in Psychology, Psi Chi: Braided Platinum and Dark Blue
- Latin Honors: Double Braided Bright Gold, White, and Green
- National History Honor Society, Phi Alpha Theta: Blood Red and Sky Blue
- National Leadership Honor Society, Omicron Delta Kappa: Braided Blue, Black and White
- National Physics Honor Society, Sigma Pi Sigma: Dark Green and White
- Nursing Honor Society: Apricot
- RAW (Real About Well-Being): Rainbow
- Respiratory Therapy Honor Society, Lambda Beta: Navy Blue and Green
- Social Work Honor Society, Phi Alpha: Blue and Gold
- Student Success Center Tutor: Teal and Black
- Theatre Honor Society, Alpha Psi Omega: Antique Gold and Light Blue
- Veteran: Red, White, and Blue
- Women in Science: Orchid Pink

# ALMA MATER

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Our Alma Mater we honor thee, shaping and guiding our destiny. After we have parted as the years roll by; we'll keep each memory hail, hail to thee.





### ASHLEY DEAN NAMED 2024 OUTSTANDING GRADUATE

Another problem solver is in the world—Ashley Dean will be graduating from Missouri Southern with her Bachelor of Science in Mathematics this May, and she's been named the Outstanding Graduate this semester.

A Carl Junction native, most of Dean's family attended MSSU including her father and two older brothers who earned math degrees and her mother who minored in the subject. Both parents were in the Honor program as well.

"This influenced my decision to attend MSSU as I knew of how great these departments were," said Dean.

Dean has carried on the family tradition while also finding a way to forge her own path at MSSU.

She has studied abroad in Ireland, participated in several independent study courses, joined student organizations and teams like Esports and Chess Club, and has been a member of honor societies such as Kappa

Mu Epsilon, where she serves as president. Dean is also the recipient of the William P. Elrod Memorial Scholarship, the Technology Student Association Alumni Scholarship, and the Martha McCormick Math and Physical Science Scholarship.

Dean is best known for her tutoring. She has been an on-campus tutor for the Student Success Center since spring 2021 in addition to private tutoring for middle and high school students. Subjects range from trigonometry and calculus to physics and programming. With her talent and passion for math and teaching, it's no surprise that Dean will pursue her PhD in Mathematics at the University of Arkansas this fall with the plan to become a math professor.

"Helping students make connections and have less antagonistic relationships with the subjects that I love is really fun," said Dean. "I'm looking forward to learning even more math and obtaining the qualifications for my career."



### 33<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL GLENN DOLENCE LEADERSHIP-SERVICE AWARDS

38 students were recognized for their outstanding leadership skills during the 33rd annual Glenn D. Dolence Leadership and Service Award Ceremony held last month.

Named in honor of Dr. Glenn D. Dolence, a founding member of the Golden Crest Circle of Omicron Delta and former Vice President of Student Affairs, this award is to formally recognize senior students who have made a difference in campus organizations, student employment, student services or athletics.

Jamarion Eldridge, of Kansas City, Missouri, was recognized as Leader of the Year. Eldridge serves as president for the MSSU Student African American Brotherhood, president of the MSSU Esports Club, vice president of the MSSU NAACP, treasurer of the MSSU Black Student Alliance, and is a member of other student organizations.

#### 2024 Dolence Award Recipients

- **Anjelina Humphreys**, Biomedical Science
- **Armyni Perales**, Social Work
- **Brenna Moya**, Biology (Pre-Med)
- **Brieanna Anderson**, Social Work
- **Caleb Hatfield**, International & Political Affairs and Secondary Education
- **Claire Howe**, Elementary/Early Childhood Education
- **Dalton Hampson**, Marketing
- **Emily Ruiz**, Secondary Education in Social Science
- **Eryn Wagoner**, Biology (Pre-Med)
- **Fanny Perez**, Social Work
- **Haadia Janjua**, Biomedical Sciences
- **Halle Courtney**, Biology
- **Haylee Smith**, Sports & Recreation Management and Digital Marketing Communication certificate
- **Jamarion Eldridge**, Physical Education
- **John Rule**, Exercise Science
- **Jordan Danny Shore**, Biology
- **Julianna Washka**, International and Political Affairs
- **Kailan Lundien**, Elementary/ Early Childhood Education
- **Katelyn Patrick**, Biomedical Sciences
- **Kayley Ball**, Biology (Pre-Med)
- **Lydia Carlson**, Mass Communications
- **Mackenzie Moring**, Computer Forensics
- **Makenzie Purinton**, Sports & Recreational Management
- **Makinna Loftis**, Human Resources/Management
- **Marcel John**, Marketing
- **Maria Fernanda Canedo Ostojic**, Business Management and Finance minor
- **Matthew McCaulley**, Criminal Justice Administration
- **Maya Greenquist**, Biomedical Sciences (Pre-Med)
- **McKinzie Peterson**, Social Work
- **Oritseweyinmi Agbeyegbe**, Computer Information Science
- **Oscar Campa**, Sports & Recreational Management
- **Ryan Cline**, Business Management and Human Resource Management
- **Sloan Warrick**, Healthcare Administration
- **Tikoya Freeman**, Psychology
- **Tradgon McCrae**, Physical Education (K-12)
- **Zephre Green**, Theatre Performance



## CELEBRATING THE FUTURE: ROY BLUNT HEALTH SCIENCE INNOVATION CENTER GROUNDBREAKING

In just a few years, pre-med students will study anatomy in a brand-new cadaver lab, nursing students will experience real-life scenarios in a simulation hospital, and potential students will enter the Welcome Center to see their future at Missouri Southern.

All of this and more will be possible at the Roy Blunt Health Science Innovation Center, set to open in 2026. But to reach the future, we first had to break ground on Thursday, April 11 in Taylor Performing Arts Center. On stage donors, politicians and nursing students overturned the dirt in a trough, signifying the start of construction. One of these participants was Former U.S. Senator Roy Blunt, the building's namesake.

Blunt is a southwest Missouri native and represented the state from 2011 to last year. He has a remarkable history of dedicated public service during his time as senator and has been a proponent of higher education throughout his career. Blunt spearheaded \$2 million of federal support that included a \$2 million state match for the building.

"We are grateful to the State of Missouri and the many other partners who are investing in the Roybuilding rendering Blunt Health Science Innovation Center," said Dr. Dean Van Galen, president of MSSU. "This unique facility will provide wonderful opportunities for students and enable Missouri Southern to address critical workforce needs within the Four States."

The Roy Blunt Health Science Innovation Center will provide MSSU healthcare students with more immersive-learning opportunities and experiences to enhance their education in preparation for the ever-

changing field. Not only will the state-of-the-art facility provide students with unique, immersive experiences such as the expanded cadaver lab and virtual reality simulation, but it will also include a hospital setting featuring an NICU, labor and delivery unit, acute and critical care rooms, X-ray and CT scan suites, and more. Students will be integrated into a hospital scene without leaving MSSU campus.

With advanced health science technology and study spaces for students, the Roy Blunt Health Science Innovation Center will be a means of connecting campus across all disciplines. The center will be a preview into the future of healthcare for the region and beyond.

"The new building will positively impact the allied health programs in two ways: expansion of available spaces and access to advanced technologies," Dr. Sherry Whiteman, department chair of allied health at MSSU, said in her speech at the groundbreaking. "The Roy Blunt Health Science Innovation Center is an outward manifestation of all that I know to be true about Missouri Southern."

The building is a hub for innovation, a preview into the future of healthcare and education that will be shown here at Missouri Southern.

"The future is here," said Whiteman. "It's now, with the groundbreaking of the Blunt Health Science Innovation Center."



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