



SEVENTY-EIGHTH  
COMMENCEMENT

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*While every effort is made to ensure accuracy in this program, graduation filing deadlines, printing deadlines and degree audit adjustments can prevent inclusion of graduates' names or may result in publishing names of individuals not completing degree requirements. This program, therefore, should not be used to determine a student's official academic or degree status.*

# ORDER OF CEREMONIES

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Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance"  
National Anthem - Presentation of Colors  
Welcome and Introductions  
Golden Grad Recognition *\*morning ceremony only*  
Commencement Speaker  
Presentation of Class  
Conferring of Graduate Degrees *\*morning ceremony only*  
Master's Hooding *\*morning ceremony only*  
Conferring of Bachelor and Associate Degrees  
Presentation of Diplomas  
Introduction of Degree Candidates  
Announcement of Academic Honors  
MSSU Alma Mater (See page 18)  
Recessional "Alleluia! Laudamus Te"

**10:00 A.M.**

Robert W. Plaster College of Business  
College of Education

**2:00 P.M.**

College of Arts and Sciences  
College of Health Sciences  
Bachelor of General Studies

***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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Dr. Benjamin Rosenberg

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Dr. Dean Van Galen

### PRESIDENT'S CABINET

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Ms. Lorinda Hackett, Interim, College of Education  
Ms. Erica Wight, Interim, College of Health Sciences  
Dr. Jeffrey Zimmerman, Robert W. Plaster College of Business

### FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT

Dr. David Locher

### STAFF SENATE PRESIDENT

Mr. Michael Opfer

### ALUMNI PRESIDENT

Ms. Lisa Sweet

### REGISTRAR

Ms. Faustina Abrahams

### MACE BEARERS

Dr. Holly Hackett (10 a.m.)  
Dr. David Locher (2 p.m.)

### INTERPRETERS

Interpreters provided by Associates in Sign Language

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dean Van Galen". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of a horizontal line that starts under the word "Lions Together" and extends across the page.

**Dr. Dean Van Galen**  
*University President*

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

# KATIE (GARISS) MARSH, '02

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Katie (Gariss) Marsh remembers what it felt like to sit in the Leggett & Platt Athletic Center during commencement at Missouri Southern State University.

“There was a little fear and hesitation,” she says of her own commencement ceremony in 2002, when she graduated with her bachelor’s in biology. “You’ve gone through the rigors of school; you’re going out on your own to carve out a new life for yourself.”

Today, Marsh returns to speak to students following in her footsteps as they receive their degrees and prepare for the next steps in their journey.

Marsh graduated from College Heights Christian School, “just a quarter mile down the road,” she says. She was recruited to play basketball at Missouri Southern and was a three-year starter on the team.

She was in the Honors Program, graduating with a 4.0 GPA. In 2002, she was named Academic All-American of the Year in 2002 by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Marsh also served as president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and was a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She was also a two-time Academic All-American, a two-time MIAA Presidential Scholar, and a three-time MIAA Academic Honor Roll honoree.

In 2012, she was inducted into the Missouri Southern Athletics Hall of Fame.

After graduating from Missouri Southern, she continued her education and earned her master’s degree in physician assistant studies. She has worked as a physician assistant in orthopedics for the past 17 years, and lives in Joplin with her husband, Josh, and four children – Kinley, Hunter, Will and Campbell.

Marsh says she’s honored by the opportunity to return to her alma mater as commencement speaker.

“I received so much support from my professors, my teammates and the Joplin community,” she says. “Playing basketball and continuing my education here was one of the highlights of my life. I couldn’t have asked for a better college experience.”

# GRADUATE PROGRAMS

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## MASTER OF ACCOUNTANCY

**Swagerty, Clifton Kyle**; Accounting; Neosho

## MASTER OF SCIENCE-EDUCATION

**Case, Jonathan\***; Curriculum & Instruction; Webb City

**DeGruson, Carry Stewart**; Administration; Carthage

**Dugas, Soley**; Administration; Poplar Bluff

**Garnett, Mark Matthew**; Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Gloyer, Phillip Earl**; Administration; Joplin

**Graves, Felicia**; Curriculum & Instruction; Joplin

**Gray, Jennifer M.**; Curriculum & Instruction; Elgin, IL

**Gripka, Austin**; Administration; Carl Junction

**Navarro Miller, Mili Nelson**; Curriculum & Instruction; Springfield

**Pyle, Jill Suzanne\***; Curriculum & Instruction; Carl Junction

**Rogers, Hope Kristin**; Curriculum & Instruction; Webb City

**Snyder, Kaleigh Ruth**; Curriculum & Instruction; Webb City

**Thompson, Joshua Todd**; Administration; Joplin

## MASTER OF SCIENCE-MANAGEMENT

**Bartlett, Kelsey L.\***; Human Resource Management; Lockwood

**Bausinger, William Paul\***; General Management; Springdale, AR

**Cade, Janette Montano\***; General Management; Joplin

**Davis, Malarie Sue**; Human Resource Management; Noel

**Davis, Melissa Ann\***; General Management; Springfield

**DeCarlo, Ronni Denise**; Human Resource Management; Neosho

**Greenough, Sara Lynn**; Human Resource Management; Saint Paul, KS

**James, Nicolas Geoffrey\***; General Management; Carl Junction

**Johnson, Rylie Grace\***; General Management; Oceano, CA

**Logan, Kandace Dawn\***; Human Resource Management; Miller

**Mitchell, Adam James\***; General Management; Jackson

**Mitchell, Wyatt Phillip\***; General Management; Conway

**Morris, Holly Sue\***; General Management; Carthage

**Musgrave, Sunny Lynne\***; General Management; Seneca

**Smith, Madyson P.**; General Management; Joplin

**Sockwell, Seth Parker\***; General Management; Joplin

**Weed, Melissa\***; General Management; Pittsburg, KS

**Welch, Kaylin Paige\***; Human Resource Management; Joplin

**Williams, Paul Lavern\***; General Management; Sarasota, FL

**Williams, William Joseph\***; General Management; Fenton

# CANDIDATES FOR HONORS & DEGREES

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## BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

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

Gracie Allan ‡	Stormy Grindstaff	Hope Moran	Mary Schad
Marady Anderson	Katelynn Guess ‡	Lily Motti ‡	Kayleigh Sewell
Alexis Black	Symone Hall ‡	Madison Nagel	Julie Sherrod ‡ †
Shayla Blair ‡	Hunter Hames ‡	Carson Neal ‡	Garrett Smith*
Peter Bledsoe	Samantha Hargis †	Brent Olson	Morgan Smith
Taygan Brant ‡	Darin Hays ‡	Kelsey Ordonez ‡	Keegan Strahl ‡
Emily Brown ‡	Kelie Henderson	Madeline Phillips	Rebekah Sweyko ‡
Bryan Candrl	Marissa Holzrichter	Taylor Plumb ‡	Alex Tackett ‡
Jared Carper †	Kevin Krishnan ‡	Noah Pool ‡	John Wallace ‡
Erica Craig	Marlee Lett ‡ †	Taylor Powell	Gabriel Wooden
Audrey Dieckhoff	Sophie Mader	Olivia Rogers	Logan Yates
Alice Evans ‡ †	Margaret Moore*	Brittney Rothwell ‡	

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

Zahra Alsaffar*	Chloe Hendrich	Syeda Mustafa	Evangeli Sweet
Madison Barlow	Dayana Hernandez	Emma Nordstrom †	Adele Thompson
Tori Brown	Kyle Keller	Ashlyn Pope	Amanda Taulman*
Scott Duensing †	Mikayla Kiest	Nitin Potturi	Taylyn Wampler
Alyssa Farney-Poteet	Chloe Lett	Elizabeth Robinson	Kylie Wilhelm
Delayna Gardner	Brayton Link	Joyce Ross	Islam Younis
Addyson Greek	Mauricio Luna	Lily Spikereit	
Sydney Griffin	Joseph McGuire †	Lanie Stair	

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

Ayomikun Adeyeri	Abigail Casper	Robert Logue	Abby Rodgers
Sarah Alyousif	Emma Daniels	Kristin Lucas	Austin Rose
Nathanael Barnard	Olivia Dill†	Regan Markley	Madison Saenz
Marissa Baugh	Kaycie Gibson	Samantha Martin	Logan Seigel
Tyler Bellairs	Corinne Gould-Cleveland	Joseph Mitchell	Hannah Silvey
Abby Brower	Shania Hardin	Daniel Painter	Grace Thielemier
McKenzie Burns †	Bryant Heckart †	Haylee Pyburn	Hunter VanValkenburg
Brooklyn Cady	Laken Lee	Kelsey Roberts	

## ASSOCIATE DEGREES

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

Samantha Hargis †	Logan Yates
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### **SECOND HONORS** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.80-3.89

Joseph McGuire †	Ashley Pollock	Hannah Reed	Kylie Wilhelm
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### **THIRD HONORS** | GRADE POINT AVERAGE 3.70-3.79

Emma Daniels	Justice Grubbs	Samantha Martin	Dylan Smith
Corinne Gould-Cleveland	Shania Hardin	Lauren Richenburg	Mackenzie Tabares

*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

\* December or July Graduate

# COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

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## BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE

**Bennett, Christina M.;** Environmental Health and Safety; Carthage  
**Gandara, Christina L.;** Environmental Health and Safety; Lewiston, CA

**Holtry, Amanda;** Environmental Health and Safety; Shippensburg, PA  
**Tupper, Jarren;** Applied Science; Joplin

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

**Amundson, Joseph Patrick Arthur;** History; Webb City  
**Baugh, Marissa Kay;** English-Literary Studies; Rushville  
**Berryhill, Alexandria Marie;** Communication-Mass; Joplin  
**Borr, Michelle Noelle †;** English-Literary Studies; Bella Vista, AR  
**Cady, Brooklyn Nicole;** Communication-Mass, Communication-Public Relations; Webb City  
**Carper, Jared †;** Political Affairs; Grove, OK  
**Cobb, Dylan F.;** Music Industry; Neosho  
**Gray, Tempest;** Communication-Mass, Communication-Public Relations; Joplin  
**Griffin, Sydney Alexandra;** Theatre Production; Chouteau, OK  
**Kellogg, Damon Scott;** Theatre; Joplin  
**Leon, Alicia M.;** Spanish; Joplin  
**Navarro, Adrian M.;** Spanish; Carthage  
**Overby, Jack Wesley;** Music-Instrumental; Joplin

**Pool, Noah Joseph ‡;** Music-Instrumental; Webb City  
**Sbravatti Cotrim, Chiara;** Communication-Mass, Communication-Public Relations; Joplin  
**Schuber, Isabella H.;** Communication-Public Relations, Communication-Mass; Joplin  
**Schuerger, April;** History; Springfield  
**Siebenthal, Adeline Grace;** International Affairs, Political Science; Webb City  
**Silvey, Hannah Marie;** History; Joplin  
**Starchman, Trenton L.;** Music Industry; Webb City  
**Sturgis, Sierra Lynn;** Chemistry; Columbus, KS  
**Underwood, Wesley Cooper;** Communication-Mass; Webb City  
**VanValkenburg, Hunter RaeAnn;** English-Professional/Technical Writing; Joplin

## BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

**Broadus, Adrain Demtrius;** Fine Arts-Graphic Design; Bentonville, AR  
**Brower, Abby Lynn;** Theatre Performance; Joplin  
**Cobb, Dalton C.;** Theatre Performance; Neosho  
**Curtis, Brianna Ebony;** Fine Arts-Graphic Design; Joplin  
**Hosp, Michaela;** Fine Arts-Studio; Joplin  
**Kiest, Mikayla Nicole;** Fine Arts-Graphic Design; Protem

**Luna, Mauricio J.;** Fine Arts-Graphic Design; Joplin  
**McNary, Gabrielle Hope;** Fine Arts-Studio; Appleton City  
**Patterson, Alexandra Leigh;** Fine Arts-Studio; Joplin  
**Rector, Curtis Wayne\*;** Fine Arts-Graphic Design; Wyandotte, OK  
**West, Michaela Ann;** Theatre Performance; Joplin

## BACHELOR OF MUSIC

**Dicharry, Douglas P.;** Instrumental Performance; Webb City  
**Fry, Joseph William\*;** Music-Instrumental; Joplin  
**Gasche, Dylan Truly;** Instrumental Performance; Joplin

**Little, Jarrett M.;** Vocal Performance; Joplin  
**Munson, Tanner Layton\*;** Vocal Performance; Springfield

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

**Allan, Gracie Ann ‡;** Biology; Belton  
**Ames, Connor Edward;** Physics-Engineering; Joplin  
**Anderson, Marady;** Political Affairs; Carthage  
**Asher, Wyatt Andrew\*;** Criminal Justice Administration; Boss  
**Baker, Logan Matthew;** Communication-Mass, Communication-Public Relations; Joplin  
**Banks, Brian Anthony;** Biology; Joplin

**Banks, Jaylon Nathaniel;** Communication-Public Relations; Oswego, IL  
**Beiter, Chase Jordan;** Criminal Justice Administration; Defiance  
**Bellairs, Tyler C.;** Legal Affairs; Carthage  
**Bethel, Kristian Hope;** Theatre Performance; Joplin  
**Black, Alexis A.;** Biology; Carthage  
**Bonham, Kasey;** Criminal Justice Administration; Pottersville  
**Brant, Taygan Breeanne ‡;** Biology; Erie, KS

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**Buck, Jedidiah Cody**; History; Lamar

**Buller, Jennipher L.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Ocala, FL

**Burns, McKenzie J. †**; Biology; Stockton

**Campbell, Brenna**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin

**Carper, Jared †**; Political Affairs; Joplin

**Choate, Lillian Kylene**; Biology; Joplin

**Cooper, Kati Hope**; Criminal Justice Administration; Lamar

**Cordero, Daniela**; Criminal Justice Administration; Rogers, AR

**Crockett, Tracy**; Sociology; Miami, OK

**Crowder, Summer Lauren**; Criminal Justice Administration; Grove, OK

**Doelling, Madelyn C.**; Biology; Affton

**Dooley, Bonnie Joyce\***; Criminal Justice Administration; New Haven

**Duensing, Scott Garrett †**; Biology; Overland Park, KS

**Fair, Gage T.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin

**Farney-Poteet, Alyssa**; Biology; Joplin

**Farris, Brooke**; Biology; Purdy

**Felder, Alexia M.**; Biology; Neosho

**Frazier, Sara Renee**; Biology; Coffeyville, KS

**Frazier, Tori Danielle**; Biology; Neosho

**Gould-Cleveland, Corinne J.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Oak Grove

**Grindstaff, Stormy Mia Ezoo**; Political Affairs; Carl Junction

**Harding, Marissa B.**; Theatre Performance; Joplin

**Hargis, Samantha J. †**; Biology; Nixa

**Hautala, Janna Kristiina**; Communication-Mass, Communication-Public Relations; Joplin

**Heckman, Allison Jane**; Biology; Mount Vernon

**Heller, Dakota Ryan**; Criminal Justice Administration; Carl Junction

**Hendrich, Chloe Jannelle**; Biology; Turpin, OK

**Hicks, DeAlan**; Criminal Justice Administration; Bel Aire, KS

**Holzrichter, Marissa Lynne**; Biology; Webb City

**Humphrey, Robert Lawrance**; Theatre Production; Owasso, OK

**Jaro, Kelsee Michelle**; Criminal Justice Administration; Bella Vista, AR

**Johnston, Skyler R.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin

**Keller, Kyle Thomas**; Chemistry; Wentzville

**Koenig, Carli**; Environmental Health and Safety; Florissant

**Krishnan, Kevin Chandran ‡**; Biology; Richardson, TX

**Kuehl, Alexis Marie**; Biology; Spring Hill, KS

**Landwehr, Josephine K.**; Biology; Corinth, TX

**Leon, Alicia M.**; Biology; Joplin

**Lightfoot, Alyssa Beth\***; Criminal Justice Administration; New Baden, IL

**Link, Brayton J.**; Mathematics; Neosho

**Lopez, Alexis Abigail**; Criminal Justice Administration; Springdale, AR

**Loy, Claire**; History; Carthage

**Luciano, Irizarry Mario Andre**; Environmental Health and Safety; Weston, FL

**Mader, Lexis Rose**; Biology; Nowata, OK

**Mai, Phung\***; Biology; Joplin

**Markley, Regan Michelle**; Chemistry; Rantoul, KS

**Markus, Mikayla Darlene**; Criminal Justice Administration; Aviston, IL

**Marquez, Brianna Isabel\***; Biology; Carthage

**McCaulie, Chauncey**; Criminal Justice Administration; Dallas, TX

**McNally, Randall Glenn**; Criminal Justice Administration; Carl Junction

**Mercer, Joshua Paul**; Sociology; Joplin

**Middleton, Devon L.**; Chemistry; Sarcoxie

**Mitchell, Jessica\***; Environmental Health and Safety; Gainesville, VA

**Mitchell, Zachary T.**; Communication-Mass; Joplin

**Mullin, Joshua Robert**; Criminal Justice Administration; Nevada

**Mustafa, Syeda Insia**; Biology; Frisco, TX

**Nagel, Madison Rae**; Biology; Pittsburg, KS

**Neal, Carson Hays ‡**; Biology; Nixa

**Nichols, Jamell C.**; Environmental Health and Safety; Saint Louis

**Nordstrom, Emma Greer †**; Chemistry; Webb City

**Ocampo, Kimberly Chantal**; International Affairs; Webb City

**Ohu, Tayler Hana**; Biology; Bennett, CO

**Ozee, Jarod William**; Criminal Justice Administration; Ozark

**Painter, Daniel James**; Biology; Joplin

**Pappas, Hailey Nicole**; Criminal Justice Administration; Monett

**Patrick, Scott Martin**; Biology; Joplin

**Peoples, Sarah Kate**; Chemistry; De Soto

**Pollard, Samantha M.**; Communication-Mass; Orange Park, FL

**Potturi, Nitin Varma**; Biology; Frisco, TX

**Powell, Taylor P.**; Biology; Springdale, AR

**Profitt, Kyra**; Criminal Justice Administration; Road Town, Tortola

**Read, Brandee L.**; Sociology; Joplin

**Rogers, Olivia Shaye**; Communication-Mass, Communication-Public Relations; Joplin

**Rothwell, Brittney L. ‡**; Biology; Neosho

**Ruark, Kyle R.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Cassville

**Russell, Abigail Fern**; English-Literature Studies; Webb City

**Saenz, Madison**; Biology; Joplin

**Schad, Mary M.**; Biology, Chemistry; Purdy

**Schancer, Robert J.**; History; Joplin

**Schuber, Asa\***; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin

**Shober, Kennedy Marie**; Communication-Mass; Inman, KS

**Slavens, Joshua Ray**; Criminal Justice Administration; Fort Riley, KS

**Smith, Baron**; Criminal Justice Administration; Aurora, IL

**Smith, Carrie J.\***; Criminal Justice Administration; Springfield

**Smith, Kallie**; Criminal Justice Administration; Independence, KS

**Spence, Samuel Ryan**; Environmental Health and Safety; Joplin

**Stapleman, Alexander Paul**; Criminal Justice Administration/CIS-Computer Forensics; Joplin

**Staus, Nicholas Joseph**; International Affairs, Legal Affairs, Political Affairs; Joplin

**Stotts, Mikayla Kristeen**; Biology; Neosho

**Surratt, Stephanie L.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Neosho

**Sweyko, Rebekah Elizabeth ‡**; Biology; Fort Scott, KS

‡ 4.00 Average

† Honors Program Graduate

\* December or July Graduate

**Swofford, Braden Michael**; Communication-Mass, Communication-Public Relations; Ava  
**Thao, Ghaozhong**; Biology; Stark City  
**Thind, Harsimran Kaur\***; Biology; Carl Junction  
**Torrice, Victor James**; Environmental Health and Safety; Austin, TX  
**Tyson, Kelsea Marie**; Biology; Osceola  
**Vailes, Tabetha Jean**; Biology; Oronogo  
**VanLue, Hunter Neil**; Biology; Joplin  
**Wallace, John M. ‡**; Biology; Neodesha, KS  
**Warner, Kelsey A.**; Criminal Justice Administration; Manhattan, KS  
**Watts, Deajuane Dominique**; Criminal Justice Administration; Rockwall, TX  
**White, Kloie Grace**; Criminal Justice Administration; Monett

**Whitehead, Nicki M.**; International Affairs, Political Affairs; Seneca  
**Wilson, Justin Wayne**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin  
**Withers, Leighton Mackenzie**; Biology; Benton, AR  
**Wolf, Nathan Doyal**; Environmental Health and Safety; Jacksonville, NC  
**Wooden, Gabriel Armoni**; Biology; Joplin  
**Yates, Logan Robert**; Criminal Justice Administration; Joplin  
**Young, Christopher D.**; Environmental Health and Safety; El Dorado Springs  
**Zabel, Preston William**; Biology; Carl Junction  
**Zapletal, Thomas More**; Biology; Joplin  
**Zepeda, Pedro Maurilio**; History; Neosho

## BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

**Arteaga, Lizet Guadalupe**; Social Work; Neosho  
**Barlow, Madison Leigh**; Social Work; Seymour  
**Burch, Savannah Ray**; Social Work; Joplin  
**Castro, Katelyn D.**; Social Work; Florence, SC  
**Cooper, Madison Breanne**; Social Work; Centralia  
**Crockford, Sheila Renee**; Social Work; Carthage  
**Fuller, Karrington Kristine**; Social Work; La Grange, IL  
**Gibson, Kaycie Ann Marie**; Social Work; Carthage  
**Hays, Darin James ‡**; Social Work; Joplin  
**Hernandez, Fabiola**; Social Work; Rogers, AR

**Herring, Stephanie Michelle**; Social Work; Webb City  
**Jordan, Carissa L.**; Social Work; Carthage  
**Lichtenberg, Rebecca Rodrigues**; Social Work; Joplin  
**Logue, Robert Scott**; Social Work; Sarcoxie  
**Maggard, Alexis Dawn**; Social Work; Webb City  
**Moran, Hope Kynady**; Social Work; Joplin  
**Petersen, Mackenzie June\***; Social Work; Asbury  
**Pontillas, Katrina Alvaro**; Social Work; Grove, OK  
**Prewett, Hannah R.**; Social Work; Neosho  
**Sluder, Cana**; Social Work; Webb City

## ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

**Bonham, Kasey**; Law Enforcement; Pottersville  
**Buller, Jennipher L.**; Law Enforcement; Ocala, FL  
**Campbell, Brenna**; Law Enforcement; Joplin  
**Cooper, Kati Hope**; Law Enforcement; Lamar  
**Cordero, Daniela**; Law Enforcement; Rogers, AR  
**Dooley, Bonnie Joyce\***; Law Enforcement; New Haven  
**Fair, Gage T.**; Law Enforcement; Joplin  
**Farage, Danny Owen**; Law Enforcement; Joplin  
**Gould-Cleveland, Corinne J.**; Law Enforcement; Oak Grove  
**Heller, Dakota Ryan**; Law Enforcement; Carl Junction  
**Hicks, DeAlan**; Law Enforcement; Bel Aire, KS  
**Jaro, Kelsee Michelle**; Law Enforcement; Bella Vista, AR  
**Johnson, Skyler R.\***; Law Enforcement; Webb City  
**Lightfoot, Alyssa Beth\***; Law Enforcement; New Baden, IL  
**Lopez, Alexis Abigail**; Law Enforcement; Springdale, AR  
**Markus, Mikayla Darlene**; Law Enforcement; Aviston, IL  
**McCaulie, Chauncey**; Law Enforcement; Dallas, TX

**McNally, Randall Glenn**; Law Enforcement; Carl Junction  
**Ozee, Jarod William**; Law Enforcement; Ozark  
**Pappas, Hailey Nicole**; Law Enforcement; Monett  
**Ruark, Kyle R.**; Law Enforcement; Cassville  
**Schulte, Zachariah James**; Law Enforcement; Old Monroe  
**Smith, Baron**; Law Enforcement; Aurora, IL  
**Smith, Carrie J.\***; Law Enforcement; Springfield  
**Smith, Dylan G.**; Law Enforcement; Carthage  
**Smith, Kallie**; Law Enforcement; Independence, KS  
**Stapleman, Alexander Paul**; Law Enforcement; Joplin  
**Surratt, Stephanie L.**; Law Enforcement; Neosho  
**Warner, Kelsey A.**; Law Enforcement; Manhattan, KS  
**Watts, Deajuane Dominique\***; Law Enforcement; Rockwall, TX  
**White, Kloie Grace**; Law Enforcement; Monett  
**Whiteman, Phillip H.**; Law Enforcement; Neosho  
**Wilson, Justin Wayne**; Law Enforcement; Joplin  
**Yates, Logan Robert**; Law Enforcement; Joplin

‡ 4.00 Average

† Honors Program Graduate

\* December or July Graduate

# COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

**Adams, Esther M.;** Healthcare Administration; Joplin  
**Adams, Jack Israel;** Nursing; Joplin  
**Adams, Mason Layne;** Health Science-Business Life; Mount Vernon  
**Alyousif, Sarah Abdulaziz;** Nursing; Webb City  
**Barnard, Nathanael Alexander;** Healthcare Administration; Carl Junction  
**Bartle, Bethany Marie;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; Trafalgar, IN  
**Blisard, Raeghan;** Health Science-Radiologic Technology; Bentonville, AR  
**Broome, Tessa Kay;** Nursing; Clever  
**Christman, Amanda Hope;** Healthcare Administration; Rocky Comfort  
**Conness, Kenzie Shenae;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; Carthage  
**Cook, Aubry Jewel;** Nursing; Webb City  
**Crawford, Aaron M.;** Nursing; Springfield  
**Daniels, Emma Grace;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; De Soto  
**Dees, Madalynn B.;** Nursing; Broken Arrow, OK  
**Dill, Olivia Rose †;** Nursing; Elkland  
**Dollins, Heather Marie;** Nursing; Neosho  
**Earp, Lisa;** Health Science-Respiratory Therapy; Grove, OK  
**Eshel, Etai;** Health Science-Paramedic; Summerville, SC  
**Eubanks, Krystal;** Health Science-Respiratory Therapy; Joplin  
**Evans, Alice M. ‡ †;** Nursing; Holden  
**Gannaway, Gabrielle Elizabeth;** Healthcare Administration; Webb City  
**George, Kayla Nicole;** Health Science-Business Life; Merriam Village  
**Gietzen, Elise Maylynn;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; Pryor, OK  
**Glerup, Payton Diana;** Healthcare Administration; Miami, OK  
**Graddy, Bryan Thomas;** Nursing; Joplin  
**Greenlee, Teri Marie;** Health Science-Business Life; Humansville  
**Grider, Katelyn R.;** Healthcare Administration; Joplin  
**Hardin, Shania Alexis;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; Portageville  
**Harding, Reid Anthony;** Health Science-Radiologic Technology; Pea Ridge, AR  
**Hayes, Emma LeAnn;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; Poplar Bluff  
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**Henry, Slyva Neecole;** Nursing; British Virgin Islands  
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**Hicks, Ashley Semora;** Health Science-Respiratory Therapy; Springfield  
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**Holt, Anna K.;** Health Science-Dental Hygiene; Carl Junction  
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**Jackson, Jesse;** Healthcare Administration; Saint Louis  
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**Eubanks, Krystal**; Respiratory Therapy; Joplin  
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**Pannier, Dalana Marie**; Respiratory Therapy; Mackinaw, IL  
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- Criminal Justice: Purple
- Education: Light Blue
- Nursing: Apricot

### REGALIA 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
- Education Honor Society, Kappa Delta Pi: Purple and Green
- Freshman Honor Society, Phi Eta Sigma: Black and Gold
- Hispanic Honor Society, Sigma Delta Pi: Spanish Gold and Red
- 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
- Society for Human Resource Management: Navy Blue, Light Blue, and White
- 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

‡ 4.00 Average

† Honors Program Graduate

\* December or July Graduate

# 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.

## POINTS OF PRIDE

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### TIM PTERNELL NAMED 2022 OUTSTANDING GRADUATE



"Opportunity" ... it's a word mentioned more than once when Tim Pternell talks about his time at Missouri Southern.

Pternell, who participated in the December commencement ceremony, has been named the 2022 Outstanding Graduate by the Alumni Association's Board of Directors. He graduated with his bachelor's in environmental health and safety, and a minor in Biology with a 4.0 GPA.

He says he's always had an interest in science and protecting the environment, and was excited to join the Environmental Health and Safety program at Missouri Southern.

During his time at MSSU, he and fellow environmental health major Avery Cozens undertook a research project that confirmed the presence of microplastics in the Spring River Watershed. It was one of the first studies in the Midwest to examine freshwater sources for traces of microplastics – most have focused on ocean and marine environments.

"The opportunity to do this was groundbreaking because it had never been done in this area before," he says. The students were able to present their findings last year at the Missouri Academy of Science Conference in Columbia, Mo. Their work, he says, is currently being advanced by other student researchers at MSSU.

"There are a lot of great students here at Missouri Southern," Pternell says of the Outstanding Graduate recognition. "Knowing that all of the hard work over the last few years has paid off and been recognized, it means a lot to me."

This fall, Pternell will begin work on his master's degree in environmental health at Utah's Brigham Young University. For those students following in his footsteps, he has two words of advice – "Get involved."

"What you get out of (the college experience) depends on what you put into it," he says. "There are a lot of great opportunities here. Put in the work, and don't be afraid to reach out and ask for help if you need it, whether it's your professors or other students."

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### MISSOURI SOUTHERN HONORS STUDENT LEADERS

Thirty-two students were recognized for their outstanding leadership skills during the 31st annual Glenn D. Dolence Leadership and Service Award Ceremony held last month.

Sponsored by the university's Student Affairs office and Omicron Delta Kappa (the national leadership honor society), the awards are presented to graduating students for demonstrating leadership on campus and who have made a difference in areas such as campus organizations, student employment, student services or athletics.

Madison Nagel, of Pittsburg, Kan., was recognized as Leader of the Year. A member of Missouri Southern's Advanced Medical School Acceptance Program, Nagel has served as president of ODK, vice president of Student Senate and co-vice president of Women in Science. She is also the outreach coordinator for the Society of Physics Students/Chemistry Club and a teaching assistant for the advanced human dissection course.



The awards are named in honor of Dr. Glenn Dolence, former vice president for Student Services at Missouri Southern, who retired in 1996 after 27 years of service. He was a founding member of the Golden Crest Circle of ODK. He later served as mayor of Webb City, Mo., and held a variety of other posts in the community.

**The 2022 honorees are:**

- Josalyn Alvarado
- Alexis Black
- Michelle (Roman) Borr
- Abigail Casper
- Alice Evans
- Corinne Gould-Cleveland
- Addyson Greek
- Emma Hayes
- Megan Hibbard
- Tess Hultman
- Christine Ibeagi
- Mikayla Kiest
- Josephine Landwehr
- Brittany Lowery
- Claire Luallen
- Gabby McNary
- Kasidy McNeill
- Maggie Moore
- Syeda Insia Mustafa
- Brent Olson
- Dalana Pannier
- Sarah Peoples
- Madeline Phillips
- Sara Portell
- Taylor Powell
- Haylee Pyburn
- Elizabeth Nicole Robinson
- Austin Rose
- Rebekah Sweyko
- Hunter VanValkenburg

**BEACON OF HOPE AWARDS HONOR STUDENT SERVICE**

The recipients of the annual Dr. Al Cade Beacon of Hope Service Awards were announced this spring.

Named in honor of Dr. Al Cade – the former dean of the College of Education who passed away in 2015 – the awards honor an individual student and a student group who have contributed an extraordinary level of dedication and demonstrated superior leadership through volunteer service on or off campus. The 2022 recipients are Riley Laver and the Missouri Southern women’s softball team.



Laver is a senior international business major. Her volunteer efforts have included work at Soul’s Harbor, Petco, Watered Gardens, the Joplin Humane Society and at local churches. On campus, she is an Honors Program student who also serves as a Lion Ambassador, captain of the women’s soccer team, a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and vice president of the Student Athlete Advisory Council.

This is the second year in a row the Missouri Southern Softball team has won the award. Collectively over the 2021 spring and fall semesters, the softball program racked up 350 hours of

community service that averaged out to 19.4 hours per student-athlete.

The team helped clean up the Grand Falls, helped with the Walk to End Alzheimers and the Ronald McDonald House Big Red Shoe Run, as well as many other events within the Joplin Area.





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