

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

*Spring
Commencement*

MAY 5 AND 6, 2023

JAMES A. RHODES ARENA



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SPRING 2023 COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

May 5 at 6:00 p.m.

May 6 at 9:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Gary L. Miller, PH.D., *President of The University of Akron, Presiding*

PRELUDE MUSIC *(All preludes begin 30 minutes before the ceremony.)*

Sonata No. 12 Johann Pezel
Psalm 19 Benedetto Marcello
Londonderry Air Percy Grainger
Alleluia G.F. Handel
The University of Akron Brass Choir
Christopher Blaha, *Conductor*

FANFARE AND PROCESSIONAL *(The audience will remain seated.)*

Procession of the Scholars William Harbinson
The University of Akron Brass Choir

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM *(The audience is invited to stand and sing.)*

Led by K. Cordell Weaver
Student, School of Music
performed by The University of Akron Brass Choir

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION . . . Gary L. Miller, PH.D.

President, The University of Akron

GREETINGS Member

Board of Trustees

STUDENT ADDRESS May 5, Evening

Caitlin E. Croston

May 6, Morning

Sarah R. Meade

May 6, Afternoon

Nadine J. Salem

May 6, Evening

Andrew C. Biegner

ADDRESS TO THE CANDIDATES Gary L. Miller, PH.D.

President, The University of Akron

In the May 5 ceremony, there will be a presentation of candidates for the College of Business.

In the May 6 morning ceremony, there will be a presentation of candidates for the Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences.

In the May 6 afternoon ceremony, there will be a presentation of candidates for the College of Engineering and Polymer Science.

In the May 6 evening ceremony, there will be a presentation of candidates for the College of Health and Human Sciences.

2023

THE PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES	The presentation of candidates for doctoral degrees The presentation of candidates for master's degrees The presentation of candidates for baccalaureate degrees The presentation of candidates for associate degrees
WELCOME OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO THE CLASS OF 2023	William Kollman '08, '10 <i>Assistant Vice President, Alumni Relations</i> <i>Executive Director, The Alumni Association</i>
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Gary L. Miller, PH.D. <i>President, The University of Akron</i>
THE ALMA MATER	<i>(The audience is invited to stand and sing. See Page 43.)</i> Led by K. Cordell Weaver <i>Student, School of Music</i> performed by The University of Akron Brass Choir
RECESSIONAL	<i>The Akron Blue and Gold</i> Fred Waring <i>Pomp & Circumstances March No. 1</i> Edward Elgar <i>Pomp & Circumstances March No. 4</i> Edward Elgar performed by The University of Akron Brass Choir

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL & CEREMONIAL CUSTOMS

The ceremonial customs of commencement, rooted in centuries-old tradition, are described below.

Processional

The academic processional is an official prelude to the commencement ceremony. University marshals lead the procession, followed by the assembled degree candidates, marching in order of degree earned. Following the candidates are the members of each represented college's faculty. Next come the platform party, including Trustees, administrative officers, and recipient(s) of honorary degrees. Finally, the University Marshal, bearing the University Mace, which represents the authority of both the University and the state, is immediately followed by the president of the University.

Academic Attire

The academic regalia worn at commencement are of medieval origin. The scholars of Bologna, Paris, Oxford, Cambridge and Heidelberg dressed in a manner to distinguish themselves from the merchants and other townspeople. When the universities first arose in the 11th century, "learned clerks" robed themselves in gowns, caps and hoods, thus signifying the distinction between "town" and "gown." As additional universities came into being, professors adopted distinctive forms of the gown and hood for bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees.

These customs are reflected in today's commencement attire. In Europe, a professor generally wears the type of garment customary in the university where he or she is lecturing. In the United States, professors wear the gown and hood of the university where they earned their highest degree. All commencement ceremony participants at The University of Akron are attired in the appropriate academic apparel. University marshals are distinguished by their blue and gold robes and Elizabethan caps.

Caps and Tassels

The cap, also called the mortarboard, may have been derived from the squarish cap worn by the masons of the Middle Ages, or perhaps was suggested by the shape of the books which occupied so much of the scholar's time. In the United States, the cap is usually flat and square in shape. In Europe, one sometimes sees caps of other varieties. Attached to a button atop the mortarboard is a tassel.

Gowns

Originally, the gown may simply have been a type of overcoat to protect the teacher from the cold in unheated buildings. The cut or style appears to derive from ecclesiastical attire and most often is black. The associates and bachelor's gowns generally have a closed front and open sleeves. The master's gown more often has long, closed sleeves, from which the arms extend through a slit at the wrist. The doctor's gown is faced down the front with velvet panels and has bell-shaped sleeves adorned with three velvet bars.

Hoods

A triangular fold of cloth worn over the back of the gown, the hood is faced with colors which denote the field of study represented by the wearer's degree. The colors of the lining indicate the college or academic discipline in which the degree is granted.

Colors

The various colleges and academic disciplines of The University of Akron are represented by the following hood and tassel colors:

Apricot	Nursing
Drab	Business
Gold	Doctoral
Light Blue	Education and Counseling
Orange	Engineering and Polymer Science
Peacock	Disaster Science and Emergency Services
Pink	Music
Purple	Law
Silver	Arts and Sciences Associate's
Teal	Health and Human Sciences
White	Arts and Sciences Bachelor's
Yellow	Social Work and Child and Family Development

The University Seal

A seal is an emblem, symbol or word that certifies or authenticates a document. The use of official seals dates back to the Norman Conquest in 1066. During the next century, seals were used throughout England to authenticate documents. Persons of rank had unique seals befitting their status. Most seals were circular or oval-shaped with heraldic designs embossed on their faces.

The use of seals became part of academic tradition in the medieval university and continues to the present. The University of Akron, for example, displays its seal on diplomas presented to its graduates.

The coat of arms shown on the University's seal includes an open book and quill, representative of the University's original liberal arts curriculum. A lamp of learning shown against a city skyline depicts the University's metropolitan setting. Three diagonal bars represent the private, municipal and state stages of the University's history. The phoenix, a mythical bird that is consumed by fire and rises from its ashes to achieve greater glory, is a tribute to the University's rebirth following the devastating fire of 1899. The seal also displays the original Buchtel College motto, *Fiat Lux* (let there be light).



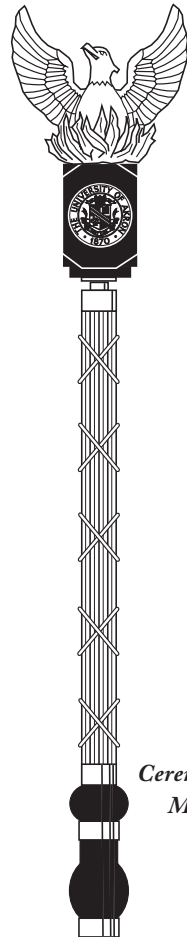
University Seal

The Ceremonial Mace

The Ceremonial Mace was presented to The University of Akron by the Alumni Association on Founders Day 1970, in recognition of the University's founding 100 years earlier as Buchtel College.

Since ancient times, maces have been symbols of authority for many academic and governmental bodies. The University of Akron's Ceremonial Mace is carried by the University marshal at all formal academic occasions.

The most distinguishing feature of the Ceremonial Mace is the aforementioned rising phoenix, an apt symbol for the University, which was rebuilt, through the generous support of alumni and the community, from the ashes of Buchtel College after it burned down in 1899.



Ceremonial Mace

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**Honorary Degree*

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Deans

Mitchell S. McKinney, PH.D.
Buchtel College of Arts and Sciences

Craig C. Menzemer, PH.D.
*College of Engineering
and Polymer Science*

Robert J. "R.J." Nemer, J.D. '90, '95
College of Business

Timothy M. McCarragher, PH.D.
*College of Health and Human Sciences
(Interim)*

Emily Janoski-Haehlen, J.D.
School of Law

Aimée L. deChambeau, PH.D.
University Libraries

Fedearia Nicholson-Sweval, PH.D.
'95, '97, '18
*The Drs. Gary B. and
Pamela S. Williams Honors College*

UNIVERSITY MARSHALS

May 5
Evening

Marshal

Sucharita Ghosh, PH.D.
*Chair and Professor of Economics,
Department of Economics*

Associate Marshal

Steven Jacobson
Office of the University Registrar

May 6
Morning

Marshal

Matthew Kolodziej, MFA
*Distinguished Professor of Art,
Myers School of Art*

Associate Marshal

Steven Jacobson
Office of the University Registrar

May 6
Afternoon

Marshal

J. Alexis De Abreu-Garcia, PH.D.
*Professor of Electrical and
Computer Engineering
Department of Electrical and
Computer Engineering*

Associate Marshal

Steven Jacobson
Office of the University Registrar

May 6
Evening

Marshal

Susan A. Scheks, M.A.
*Administrative Assistant,
School of Speech-Language
Pathology and Audiology*

Associate Marshal

Steven Jacobson
Office of the University Registrar

UNIVERSITY INTERPRETER

The commencement ceremonies will be interpreted by Gregory Lawson, Julie Pavlich, and Bethany Svoboda.

May 5
Evening

Matthew Brenn, MBA
 Suzanne Gradisher, J.D.
 Lauren Houser, MBA
 Julianne Jones, J.D.
 Erin Makarius, PH.D.
 Deborah Owens, PH.D.
 Taufiq Quadria, PH.D.
 Mark Welfley, MBA
 Danyang Zhang, PH.D.

May 6
Morning

Brian Bagatto, PH.D.
 Carolyn Behrman, PH.D.
 Toni Bisconti, PH.D.
 Sujay Darta, PH.D.
 Daniela Jauk-Ajamie, PH.D.
 Karl Kaltenthaler, PH.D.
 Jutta Luettmmer-Strathmann, PH.D.
 Insun Park, PH.D.
 Janice Troutman, M.A.
 McKenna Vietmeier, M.A.
 Charles Waehler, PH.D.
 James Wallace, M.A.

May 6
Afternoon

Joan Carletta, PH.D.
 Scott Dilling, M.S.
 Malik Elbuluk, D.Sc.
 Andrew Milks, ED.D.
 B. Audrey Nguyen, PH.D.
 Anil Patnaik, PH.D.

May 6
Evening

Yue Dang, PH.D.
 Marc Haas, M.S.
 Todd Houston, PH.D.
 Judith Juvancic-Heltzel, PH.D.
 Linda Kerr, M.S.N.
 Timothy Meyers, PH.D.
 Scott Palasik, PH.D.
 Leann Schaeffer, PH.D.
 David Tefteller, PH.D.
 Robert Terry, MSSA
 Stacy Willett, ED.D.
 Carrie Wissmar, D.N.P.

GRADUATION WITH HONORS

Graduation With Distinction

To graduate with distinction, students must have maintained specified levels of academic achievement directly related to quality points earned for all undergraduate courses taken. The maximum quality point ratio possible is 4.00.

To qualify for these honors distinctions, students must be receiving a baccalaureate degree, having earned a minimum of 60 credits at The University of Akron; or an associate degree or baccalaureate degree, having completed a minimum of 30 credits at The University of Akron.

The honors levels for each group are described as follows.

Baccalaureate Honors Designation

60 or more credits earned

Summa Cum Laude—
quality point ratio of 3.80 to 4.00

Magna Cum Laude—
quality point ratio of 3.60 to 3.79

Cum Laude—
quality point ratio of 3.40 to 3.59

Associate or Baccalaureate Honors Designation

30 or more credits earned

With Highest Distinction—
quality point ratio of 3.80 to 4.00

With High Distinction—
quality point ratio of 3.60 to 3.79

With Distinction—
quality point ratio of 3.40 to 3.59

Williams Honors Scholars

Williams Honors Scholars have completed the graduation requirements of their baccalaureate majors and of the Williams Honors College with cumulative quality point ratios of at least 3.40. The Williams Honors College encourages and assists exceptionally talented students to achieve high distinction in academic work from freshman through senior levels and fosters respect and appreciation for superior intellectual achievement. Williams Honors Scholars have completed honors courses, an honors colloquium sequence and individually designed senior honors projects.

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Joseph M. Gingo will receive the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree

JOSEPH M. GINGO

Joseph M. Gingo has served with historic distinction as chair of The University of Akron's Board of Trustees for five terms, from 2018 to 2023, the most since the University became a state institution in 1967. Having been appointed to the Board by Governor John R. Kasich on March 25, 2016 for an abbreviated term ending on July 1, 2023, he achieved this leadership milestone over seven years versus the standard nine-year appointment. A member of every Board committee during the course of his term, he participated in the search for the 18th President of The University of Akron and ultimately presided over the appointment of Dr. Gary L. Miller.

An Akron native, Gingo is an alumnus of the University, having earned his Juris Doctor degree in 1971. He also earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering in 1966 from Case Institute of Technology (now Case Western Reserve University) and a master's degree in business management in 1983 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he was a Sloan Fellow. His remarkable professional career encompassed nearly a half-century, including 41 years with The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company where he progressed from a design and development engineer to executive vice president, quality systems and chief technical officer; then with A. Schulman, Inc. as president, CEO and chairman from 2008 until his retirement in 2014 and, subsequently, as CEO and president from 2016 to 2018.

Gingo and his wife, Linda, have committed their generous philanthropic support to multiple University initiatives since 1999, most recently through a bequest estate gift of \$5 million to establish the Joseph M. and Linda L. Gingo School of Law Dean's Chair Endowment and, in 2019, a \$50,000 gift to establish the Joseph M. and Linda L. Gingo Endowed Scholarship to support UA engineering students.

He also has served on the boards of The University of Akron Foundation and The University of Akron Research Foundation, as well as on the School of Law Advancement Council, President's Advisory Council, College of Business Institute for Global Business Advisory Board, College of Business Advancement Council and College of Engineering Advisory Council.

He has served as a trustee or board member with such area organizations as the Akron Symphony, the Ohio Ballet, the Northeast Ohio Technology Coalition, Omnova Solutions Inc., OM Group Inc., PolymerPlus LLC, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University Foundation.

The Gingos have extended their profound generosity to give back to the community through a planned estate gift of \$5 million to the neonatal intensive care unit of Akron Children's Hospital in recognition and gratitude for the life-saving care provided to them as a young family.

Gingo will hold the title of chair emeritus of the Board of Trustees upon expiration of his term, effective July 2, 2023.

CANDIDATES FOR MASTER'S DEGREES

May 5, 2023
Evening

College of Business

Founded 1953

Dean Robert J. Nemer

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Alexis N. Adleta
Business Interdisciplinary

Jaime R. Alcorn
Business Interdisciplinary

Kevin J. Allen
Business Interdisciplinary

Alan M. Arslanian
Business Interdisciplinary

Justin W. Barr
Business Interdisciplinary

Kelly A. Bialek
Business Interdisciplinary

Brady L. Biglin
Business Interdisciplinary

Unique L. Brown
Business Interdisciplinary

Christian M. Caporaso
Business Interdisciplinary

Heather Chapman Lalli
Business Interdisciplinary

Alexandra M. Cucaita
Business Interdisciplinary

Adetutu Daranijo
Business Interdisciplinary

Patrick A. Davis
Business Interdisciplinary

Alexa M. Difeo
Business Interdisciplinary

Baktash Eskandary
Business Interdisciplinary

Joshua P. Fabri
Business Interdisciplinary

Milena M. Garay Tovar
Business Interdisciplinary

Spencer B. Geraghty
Business Interdisciplinary

Zacary A. Granger
Business Interdisciplinary

Blake High
Business Interdisciplinary

Bradley T. Irwin
Business Interdisciplinary

Kaylin A. Kavanaugh
Business Interdisciplinary

Drina Kearns
Business Interdisciplinary

Brelynne Y. Majeed
Business Interdisciplinary

Alekhya Mannava
Business Interdisciplinary

Teagan J. Ochaya
Business Interdisciplinary

Jacob M. Ondash
Business Interdisciplinary

Eric J. Paskert
Business Interdisciplinary

Charles L. Pierce Jr.
Business Interdisciplinary

Andrew B. Pisorn
Business Interdisciplinary

Amanda R. Shaffer
Business Interdisciplinary

Yash Thakkar
Business Interdisciplinary

Hawa Traore
Business Interdisciplinary

Peter Weigand
Business Interdisciplinary

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTANCY

Zachary Bezon
Accounting – Accelerated

Jhena Lynn Fajt
Accounting

Davendra C. Goswami
Accounting – Financial Forensics

Omar Hemdanie
Accounting

Victoria C. Horoschak
Accounting

Rachel A. Muckley
Accounting

Justin W. Terrell
Accounting

Destiny U. Threatt
Accounting

Courtney Marie Weese
Accounting

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT

Nicolas O. Arrivo
Business Analytics – Supply Chain

Zakaria Azzam
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Zachary R. Gruccio
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Aadi D. Gurav
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Karunesh Kumar Karn
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Ian A. Laidlaw
Business Analytics – Supply Chain

Martine Mumararungu
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Rashmi Patel
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Krutika Sunil Sarve
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Namrudha Venkatathiri
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Nicole A. Winkel
Business Analytics – Supply Chain

Vichiry K. Yan
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

Aishwarya M. Yerpude
*Business Analytics –
Information Systems*

MASTER OF TAXATION

William M. Crone
Taxation – Accelerated

Nevar W. Guy
Taxation

Mitchel R. Neidenthal
Taxation

Xul Perez
Taxation

Tami H. Peterson
Taxation – Accelerated

CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

College of Business

Founded 1953

Dean Robert J. Nemer

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Kile Byington
Cum Laude

Sarina Franceschi
Magna Cum Laude

Sekou L. Kaba
Samuel J. Smith
Cum Laude

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Jenin M. Abdelaziz

Olivia C. Allio
Cum Laude

Sarah Archual
Summa Cum Laude

Emilian S. Ardeljan
Cum Laude
Honors Scholar

Sophia R. Ashley

Carley J. Auten
Cum Laude

Casey A. Bachowski
Magna Cum Laude
Honors Scholar

Leila B. Bailey
Magna Cum Laude

Ryan Beckman

Xander R. Beltz

Matthew D. Berczel

Ava M. Beskitt
Summa Cum Laude

Joshua S. Blankenship

George T. Bogner

Alexis Bragg

Isaac J. Bushen
Magna Cum Laude

Zachary A. Campbell

Justin R. Carson

Mitchell D. Case

Dustin J. Chambers

Thomas R. Chhay

Nathan A. Coard

Jonathan M. Consiglio
Cum Laude

David J. Consiglio

Lindsey J. Corcoran

Anthony J. Corra
Cum Laude

Noel Costa

Brianna M. Cox

Caitlin E. Croston
Summa Cum Laude

Amanda M. Cruse

John M. DeLuca

Elizabeth S. Dempsey*

Korey J. Dillon

Evan Doherty
Cum Laude

Greyson A. Droste
Summa Cum Laude
Honors Scholar

Eden A. Dukamo II
Magna Cum Laude

Breanne Edwards

Keegan P. Emery

Alexandria A. Evans

Megan E. Fern
Cum Laude

Michael A. Fetsko

Lauren A. Fletcher
Magna Cum Laude

Kimberly A. Folta

Anthony M. Fraelich

Andrew Franz

Nathaniel J. Franz

Mikayla E. Gaiter

James P. Garchar
Cum Laude
Honors Scholar

Rachael R. Gilmore
Cum Laude

Mikayla L. Gladieux

Leah Gluck
Cum Laude

Antonio Gonzalez Luevano

Caitlyn M. Gow
Magna Cum Laude

Kyle G. Griebe

Rocco E. Grossi
Cum Laude

Dominic A. Hahner

Mia Hamilton
Summa Cum Laude

Samuel J. Hanna

Cum Laude
Honors Scholar

Kaito P. Hara
Cum Laude

Avalonn T. Harper

Alexandra S. Hay

Mica Heffner
Summa Cum Laude

Jacob T. Heflin

Makenna G. Heimlich
Magna Cum Laude

Caleb J. Herring

Jacob A. Hetzel

Kendall R. Hill

Tyler H. Hines
Cum Laude

Zachary S. Hutson
Summa Cum Laude

Nicholas S. Joyner
Summa Cum Laude

Matthew Kappler

Brooke Kelley
Magna Cum Laude

Logan A. Klicman
Summa Cum Laude

Dustin R. Knapp

Peter Kocsis

Ryan M. Kolesar*
Summa Cum Laude

Katya Z. Kovalak

Milos Kulina

Aaron C. Lee

Andrew F. Leffler

Jenna R. Lehoty Sr.

Jeffrey P. Lewinski

Matthew S. Logan

Blake Lucius

Nyan M. Lwin
Magna Cum Laude

Honors Scholar

Caleb M. Mabins

Kiev A. Mack

Niyah M. Malone

Michael D. Mandato
Magna Cum Laude

Sophia M. Marcum*
Magna Cum Laude

Honors Scholar

Kenneth C. Marshall

Rachel D. Martindale
Magna Cum Laude

Jamie N. Matheson

Adam J. Matras

Nicole V. McFadden
Cum Laude

Christian Mcphail
Magna Cum Laude

Lindsay M. Metzger*
Summa Cum Laude

Jered J. Miller

Julie M. Milstead
Summa Cum Laude

* Separate Baccalaureate Degrees
in Two Disciplines

Ainiwaer Misirang
 Desmond M. Mitchell
 Brennan A. Moll
Magna Cum Laude
 Blake M. Molnar
 Dominic Mongiardo
Cum Laude
 Kathryn I. Montgomery
 Mark Montgomery
 Owen P. Murphy
 Irina A. Nagirnyak
Cum Laude
 Benjamin E. Nagy
Summa Cum Laude
Honors Scholar
 Annamarie N. Nedeljkovic*
Summa Cum Laude
Honors Scholar
 Maxwell F. Nixon
Magna Cum Laude
 Connor P. O'Brien
Magna Cum Laude
 Jasmine R. O'Neal
Cum Laude
 Cameron J. Oakley
 Bryce A. Owen
Summa Cum Laude
 Max J. Plentovich
 Bhagat Pokhrel
 Brayden Potter
 Patrick R. Pyett
Magna Cum Laude
 Peyton A. Rajchel
 Michael J. Ramer
 Sarah R. Rech
 Meredith K. Red
 James C. Reger
Magna Cum Laude
 Matthew M. Riggs
Magna Cum Laude
 Patrick M. Roberts
 Alexandra Roshon*
 Alexis A. Rossilli
 Cade J. Ruehrmund
Magna Cum Laude
 Matthew S. Saliga
Cum Laude
 Michael L. Sandt
 Tygue J. Saunders
 Rachel M. Schiffli
Summa Cum Laude
Honors Scholar

Dylana J. Schneider
 Tyler J. Schramm
 Thomas E. Schrenk
 Kailey Schwartz
Magna Cum Laude
 Andrea Schwind
 Prachi S. Shah
Summa Cum Laude
 Leila J. Sims
 Gurtej Singh
 Alexander K. Smith
Cum Laude
 Randall J. Smith
 Brady E. Stang
 Alexander J. Steinlechner
 Evan A. Stewart
 Alexys R. Stoltz
Cum Laude
 Samantha M. Strohfus
 Stacey Renée Stuhldreher
Cum Laude
 Olivia G. Tarr
 Corey R. Thomas Jr.
 Garrett M. Traver
Cum Laude
 Megan E. Tripp
 Tyler Truong
Cum Laude
 Chris Valenzky
 Cameron M. Vonseggern
Cum Laude
 Arjun Waling
 Cade T. Walker
 Joseph T. Walsh
 Raymond Walter
 Olivia R. Waugh
Magna Cum Laude
 Michael C. Weaver
 Connor C. Wendt
 Lindsey N. White
 Melise L. Williams*
Magna Cum Laude
 Gabrielle M. Williams
 Tiyanca C. Woodruff
Magna Cum Laude
 Abigail L. Workman
Magna Cum Laude
 Xavier A. Zup
Summa Cum Laude
Honors Scholar

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ACCOUNTING

Tyler Adams
 George T. Bogner
 Luke V. Caruso
Magna Cum Laude
Honors Scholar
 Catherine G. Centea
 Jared V. Cossel
Summa Cum Laude
 Lashanti Davis
 Sydney M. England
 Oluwafisayo O. Falokun
Summa Cum Laude
 Cole A. Freidly
Cum Laude
 Alexis E. Fricker
Summa Cum Laude
 Matthew D. Galek
Cum Laude
 Ryan J. Graber
Magna Cum Laude
 Jacob P. Harr
Summa Cum Laude
 Larissa L. Huff
Magna Cum Laude
 Khafre S. Irby
 Blake Kucinski
 Jason Liu
Magna Cum Laude
 Rachel L. Martinelli
 Cameron R. Merle
 Bradley Mullen
Summa Cum Laude
 Micah D. Protich
Summa Cum Laude
 Logan M. Reeves
 Caleb D. Ressler
Summa Cum Laude
 Joshua L. Rice
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STATUE OF JOHN R. BUCHEL



This statue of John R. Buchtel stands in the middle of the campus he helped found in 1870.

THE ALMA MATER

Close be-side Cuya - ho-ga's wa-ters, Stream of am-ber hue,

O'er old Buch-tel Sum-mit's glo-ry Waves the gold and blue.

Chorus

Hail we Ak-ron! Sound her prais-es, Speed them on the gale,

Ev - er stand our Al-ma Ma-ter, Ak - ron hail, all hail!

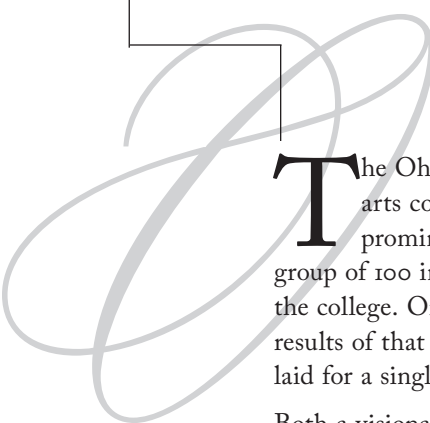
The Alma Mater for The University of Akron was written by the Rev. Augustus B. Church, who was the last Universalist clergy to serve as president of Buchtel College (1901–1912). He was also the first person to assume the board responsibilities of chief executive officer. In fact, Church served both as president and as a trustee of the institution — as well as pastor of the First Universalist Church of Akron. Adviser: Dr. Church understood the importance of higher education as a means to improve society, and he worked diligently on projects to successfully link the educational efforts of Buchtel College with the needs of a growing city. During his presidency, Buchtel College offered the world's first courses in rubber chemistry (1909).

THE AKRON BLUE AND GOLD

We cheer the Ak - ron Blue and Gold, We
 cheer as the co - lours un - fold We pledge a - new,
 we're all for you, as the team goes crash - ing
 through FIGHT! FIGHT! We cheer the Ak - ron war - riors bold,
 For a fight that's a sight to be - hold So we stand
 up, and cheer and shout for the Ak - ron Blue and Gold. *fine*
 Zzzip! _____ Zip go the Zip - pers
 Zzzzip! _____ Zip go the Zip - pers Ak - ron U,
 Gold and Blue All for you and the Zip - pers too! *D.C. al fine*

The University of Akron's fight song, "The Akron Blue and Gold," was written in 1939 by Fred Waring, nationally known composer and leader of the wildly popular band, "Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians." In response to a request from the University's student newspaper, Waring wrote "a distinctive song" for The University of Akron. "The Akron Blue and Gold" premiered over his NBC hookup on November 17, 1939, and has been used as the University's fight song ever since.

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON: A PROUD TRADITION



The Ohio Universalist Convention established a small liberal arts college in Akron in 1870 and named it after one of the city's prominent industrialists, John R. Buchtel. It was Buchtel who led a group of 100 individuals and 13 businesses in a fundraising campaign to build the college. On July 4, 1871, thousands of citizens turned out to witness the results of that initiative, joining in a great celebration as the cornerstone was laid for a single but impressive structure that constituted Buchtel College.

Both a visionary and pragmatist, Buchtel believed that the vigor of any city is closely tied to the proximity of a high-quality institution of higher education. Decades of progress, both for the city and for the college he helped to launch, have proven him right.

Today, The University of Akron continues to invigorate the region, providing top-ranked and in-demand degree programs ranging from associate through doctoral degrees in the liberal arts, sciences, health care, engineering, business, law, education and more. Students gain real-world experience through internships, co-ops, study abroad and other career-focused learning opportunities.

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and classified at the highest level as a comprehensive, doctoral-degree-granting institution, the University serves students from all over the country and world through five degree-granting colleges and a School of Law on the main campus and through satellite campuses in Lakewood, Medina and Orrville. Today, more than 179,000 of its alumni live and work around the globe.

The University of Akron Celebrates 150 Years

When John R. Buchtel saw the cornerstone laid for Buchtel College, he pledged that the new school, built on a hilltop overlooking Akron, would bring honor and pride to the city and state. Over the next 150 years, The University of Akron kept and exceeded the promise of its founder, rising to become one of Ohio's most influential public urban research universities.

Among its many achievements, the University was the first in the world to offer courses in rubber chemistry. It pioneered one of the country's first engineering co-op programs, which remains a national model. In World War II, the U.S. government called upon the University to help develop synthetic rubber for the Allied forces. When the rubber industry declined, the University rose to new heights of innovation, leading the world in polymer science and polymer engineering.

Today, the University continues to rise, advancing research and knowledge in engineering, business, health care, the arts and sciences, education and law. It continues to uplift the region through hundreds of partnerships with business, industry, academia and government. It continues to produce leaders who, joining a proud community of more than 170,000 alumni, are making a difference throughout the world.

It continues to keep its founder's promise.