

FALL 2025 COMMENCEMENT

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Nine o'clock in the morning and
two o'clock in the afternoon
Friday, December 12, 2025
Hooper Eblen Center

Welcome to the Fall Commencement ceremony of Tennessee Technological University's 2025-2026 academic year. Commencement is the most important ceremony in the life of Tennessee Tech University.

The entire Tennessee Tech community extends cordial greetings to parents, spouses, relatives and friends gathered here for this significant ceremony. We celebrate the success of our graduates, who have spent years of study to earn a Tennessee Technological University degree.

9:00 A.M. CEREMONY

College of Graduate Studies
College of Agriculture & Human Ecology
College of Business
College of Engineering
College of Fine Arts

2:00 P.M. CEREMONY

College of Graduate Studies
College of Arts & Sciences
College of Education & Human Sciences
College of Emerging & Integrative Studies
Whitson-Hester School of Nursing

For our undergraduate and graduate students, today's ceremonies recognize their academic achievements at Tennessee Tech and inaugurate a new era in their careers. A single theme unites us all today — the joy of accomplishment!

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

If at any time during the program an emergency arises in which the building needs to be evacuated, guests seated on the floor should exit through the tunnel and cross the street to the parking lot. Those seated in the remainder of the arena should exit to the top of the concourse, vacate the building by the nearest door and proceed to any adjacent parking lot to allow for entrance of emergency vehicles.

In case of severe weather, everyone should move to the tunnel area and areas leading off the tunnel. Please remember that in any emergency situation, patience and orderliness are the keys to a safe evacuation.

THE COLLEGES, SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS

Chartered in 1915, Tennessee Tech opened its doors to students in 1916. Its academic programs began with basic humanities and sciences as foundation courses for three major areas of study: agriculture, home economics and mechanical arts. The next year, students could enroll in business as a major course of study as well. By 1918, military training had been added to the curriculum.

In 1938, all the major fields of study, as well as the foundation classes, were reorganized into two main divisions – arts and sciences and professional and technical subjects—housing 11 departments. Divisions were quickly renamed "schools" and, in 1949, the expansion of the curriculum had blossomed into five schools consisting of 24 departments.

Most of today's academic programs have their roots in one of those five schools, which were redesignated "colleges" when Tennessee Tech achieved university status in 1965.

Relative newcomers to Tennessee Tech academics include the Department of Military Science (1950), the Graduate School (1958), the School of Nursing (1980), the School of Interdisciplinary Studies and Extended Education (2001), the College of Emerging & Integrative Studies (2012) which merged the freshly minted School of Professional Studies and School of Environmental Studies, and the new College of Fine Arts (2017).

Most degree programs at Tennessee Tech today are housed in eight colleges and one school; special programs include three centers of excellence, Honors, the Millard Oakley STEM Center and the Department of Military Science/Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC).

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & HUMAN ECOLOGY

In 1916, agriculture and home economics were among the three disciplines considered the heart of Tennessee Tech's academic mission. Along with mechanical arts, agriculture and home economics prepared "mountain boys and girls ... for the study and solution of the problems arising out of rural community life." Today's College of Agriculture and Human Ecology reaches far beyond rural life, with coursework honing entrepreneurial, management and leadership skills in agritourism, food production and safety, dietetics, families, farming, pre-veterinary science, and design and merchandising.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Then as now, the College of Arts and Sciences houses the foundation courses for all Tennessee Tech majors. Many of the same courses offered in 1916 – English, history, mathematics and sciences – quickly grew into entire departments, and by 1949, all of today's programs but earth sciences had reached department status. Today's College of Arts and Sciences is a thriving academic unit of more than 20 areas of study, with students and faculty in each discipline pursuing advanced study and research – and supporting the academic experience for all majors, regardless of discipline.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Students in 1916 could enroll in only one business course, which taught students bookkeeping, business methods, typewriting and shorthand; in 1917, business had become the fourth "school"—or major vocational subject—at Tennessee Tech. By 1949, it had expanded to include departments of accounting, business and industrial management, and business education. Today's students study to become leaders through programs in business management, marketing, international business and cultures, finance, economics, accounting, business information technology, the master's in business administration and the master of accountancy. They not only study business but gain experience in practice through internships, student managed investment funds and competitions.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN SCIENCES

All students enrolled in undergraduate studies from 1916 on were being groomed to be teachers, but it wasn't until 1938 that teacher training was recognized as its own department. By 1949, education was named a school, encompassing general education and health and physical education. All students took "practice teaching" in their last term. Today's College of Education, the second of Tennessee Tech's units to develop doctoral studies, is a diverse unit, home to programs ranging from elementary and secondary teacher licensure to exercise science.

COLLEGE OF EMERGING & INTEGRATIVE STUDIES

The College of Emerging and Integrative Studies offers a forward-thinking and flexible approach to education, bringing together expertise from across the sciences, humanities, engineering, business and technology. Since pioneering Tennessee Tech's entry into the state's online degree network and opening doors to customized academic pathways, the college has continued to expand access and opportunity for learners across Tennessee and beyond. Today, it includes the School of Interdisciplinary Studies, the School of Professional Studies, and the School of Environmental Studies—each empowering students to design an academic journey that reflects their individual interests and career goals. Whether studying online or on campus, students experience a comprehensive, future-focused education that prepares them to thrive in an evolving world.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Called "mechanical arts" in 1916, engineering was one of three original majors at Tennessee Tech; students took courses in blacksmithing, machine assembly and drafting. The first degrees were awarded in 1937, when two civil engineering students and three general engineering students graduated. In 1968, engineering was the first academic unit on campus to develop a doctoral program. Today's College of Engineering awards more than 400 degrees annually in seven disciplines that defined Tennessee Tech as the state's only technological university.

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Created in 2017, the College of Fine Arts contains nationally accredited undergraduate degree programs in art, design, fine craft, music performance and music education, which are all offered in state-of-the-art facilities, including craft studios, art education labs, concert and recital halls. The college's renowned faculty members are dedicated to hands-on, experiential learning and providing students exposure to a wide variety of fine arts professionals in the field. The college consists of the School of Art, Craft and Design and the School of Music.

COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

A major hurdle Tennessee Tech had to cross before reaching university status was developing a graduate studies program, which required more research facilities and more faculty with doctoral degrees. In the 1950s, the administration made a major push in that direction, establishing graduate studies in 1958. Most graduate degrees were in education; by the early 1970s, the first Ph.D.s in engineering were awarded. Today's College of Graduate Studies administers doctoral programs in engineering, education, nursing practice, counseling and supervision and environmental sciences, as well as master's and specialist's degrees.

WHITSON-HESTER SCHOOL OF NURSING

In 1916, Tennessee Tech home economics majors learned the basics of caring for the sick and elderly in the home, where the vast majority of nursing took place. In 1980, the School of Nursing opened at Tennessee Tech, offering baccalaureate-level degrees to women and men with an associate's degree who were already licensed as registered nurses, as well as to students interested in a four-year university degree. Today's School of Nursing is piloting an accelerated program for professionals in other fields who have decided to switch careers and is collaborating with another institution on a joint doctoral program in nursing.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY SCIENCE/ARMY RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)

During World War I, a predecessor of today's Army ROTC formed at Tennessee Tech in 1917. The Department of Military Science originated at Tennessee Tech in 1950 when a senior division of Army ROTC began operation. From 1956 to 1972, all male students conducted mandatory military training in their freshman and sophomore years. In 1973, military studies opened to both men and women. Today's Army ROTC is a dynamic elective curriculum that transforms students into leaders, culminating in an Army officer commission at graduation.

A BRIEF HISTORY

In its first century, Tennessee Tech grew from a small rural school for a few hundred high school and junior college students to a doctoral-granting university with more than 10,000 undergraduate and graduate students, and research and teaching connections throughout the U.S. and abroad.

Chartered in 1915 as Tennessee Polytechnic Institute, "Tech" opened its doors to students in September 1916. The small campus was an outgrowth of a privately owned church school, the University of Dixie, which was chartered in 1909 by a group of local business and religious leaders. Dixie College, as it was commonly known, suffered the fate of many small schools hampered by lack of funding and closed after only a few years.

Its founders, intent on offering education beyond the eighth grade to local boys and girls, negotiated an arrangement with state and local educators to create a new public school in Cookeville that would bridge the gap between the lower grades and undergraduate studies. The land and single building of Dixie College were deeded to the state and, with the pledge of funding from Putnam County, Cookeville and the state of Tennessee, re-emerged as Tennessee Polytechnic Institute (TPI). Between March of 1915 and September of 1916, two residence halls were built and a president, faculty and staff were hired. Enrollment during the first academic year, 1916-1917, was 362; students were taught by 15 faculty members, including the president.

Growth was not quick, but it was steady. High school curricula were phased out beginning in the 1920s; by 1929, the state approved a complete college program, and the first class of four-year students graduated with baccalaureate degrees that June. Instructional programs were reorganized into the divisions of arts and sciences and professional and technical subjects in 1938. Nine years later, those divisions were renamed "Schools" and by 1949, the schools had grown to five: agriculture and home economics, arts and sciences, business administration, education and engineering. Military Science was added in 1950, and the Graduate School program began in 1958.

In 1965, on its 50th anniversary, TPI gained university status and was renamed Tennessee Technological University; its existing schools were designated "colleges." More programs began: the School of Nursing in 1980 and the School of Interdisciplinary Studies and Extended Education in 2001. By 2012, interdisciplinary studies had merged with new schools of professional studies and environmental sciences to become the now College of Emerging & Integrative Studies. The College of Fine Arts was established in 2017.

Today's students are taught by more than 400 faculty housed in eight colleges, one school and three centers of excellence. Programs of study are accredited by national agencies. A maturing advancement division ensures that university operations are not limited by annual state funding allocations. Today's administration has charted a course with as much, if not more, resolve and determination as its forbears displayed more than 100 years ago.

THE PRESIDENTS

Thomas Alva Early.....	1916-1920
Quentin Miller Smith.....	1920-1938
Austin Wheeler Smith, Jr. (interim).....	1926-1927, Fall 1940
James Millard Smith.....	1938-1940
William Everett Derryberry.....	1940-1974
Arless Lloyd Roaden.....	1974-1985
Wallace Samuel Prescott.....	1985-1987
Angelo Anthony Volpe.....	1987-2000
Robert R. Bell.....	2000-2012
Philip B. Oldham.....	2012-present

FORMAL ELEMENTS OF THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

The commencement of a program of academic study in higher education is a formal recognition of this exceptional achievement. Many of the traditions date back to medieval times, evidence that higher learning has been revered in most civilizations during two millennia.

REGALIA

Academic ceremonial garments and ornaments, or regalia, have evolved from the attire of students and monks in medieval churches, the greatest centers of learning in the Western world. Caps, hoods and gowns are symbolic of scholarly devotion and the decisive role of education in the development of civilization.

In time, academicians began to adopt symbols unique to their individual universities—much like the medieval system of classic heraldry, in which chivalric orders were identified by coats of arms, ornamental trappings and colorful patterns. The design of gowns, caps and hoods symbolize the institution, field of learning and type of degree earned.

While black is the customary color of robes, caps and gowns, some universities have chosen distinctive colors for the attire. Tennessee Tech adopted its school colors for the regalia beginning with the centennial academic year, 2015-2016. Gowns and mortarboards are purple with gold insignia and tassels.



THE CEREMONIAL MACE

Modeled after royal staffs carried by messengers and soldiers, the mace was adopted as an academic symbol by universities in the Middle Ages. Usually carried by a faculty marshal at the head of the procession, the mace represents academic dignity and the authority of the university to confer degrees.

The Tennessee Tech mace was designed and made by a former director of the university's Appalachian Center for Craft, Alf Ward, an accomplished silversmith. Constructed of sterling silver and gold and purple heart, the mace is 45 inches in length. Its wooden blade-like stem is overlaid with engraved silver and embossed with gold floral decoration. The stem contains pierced and embossed golden eagles and supports an engraved silver cup. The cup has two gold discs symbolizing the heraldic devices of the university and is covered by a gold grill capped with a golden eagle.

THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

A medallion or seal of office, once used to mark documents as official, is now considered a mark of authority. Tennessee Tech's presidential medallion was designed by then-President Everett Derryberry and sculptor Hans Prehn.

The medallion or silver disc is inscribed with the name of the university, its charter date, 1915, a "T" representing Tennessee Tech, the book of knowledge, the lamp of learning and an outline of the state of Tennessee with a star indicating the geographical position of Cookeville and the university. On the reverse side is a golden eagle and the date 1965, the year Tennessee Tech reached university status. Small silver plates bear the names of past presidents, while the name of the current president is engraved on a larger plate over the medallion.

THE TECH HYMN

Joan Derryberry, a concert pianist and member of the music faculty, composed the Tennessee Tech Hymn in 1943, just three years into her time here as first lady.

The song illustrates the beauty of the campus and its setting and is a pledge of loyalty, love and service from students, faculty and staff. It is sung at large gatherings of the university, including commencements, convocations and ball games. The music appears on the back of this program.

THE TECH FLAG

Another first lady, Gloria Bell, designed the Tennessee Tech flag in 2003 in honor of the university's most familiar and long-standing traditions. The three main elements of the flag represent the university's historic and idyllic characteristics, as well as reputation for quality.

The magnificent golden eagle, with wings outstretched, depicts the pride, honor, strength and spirit of students, faculty and staff. The column of gold represents the pillar of knowledge, intellect and experience—all qualities of the university's prestigious academics. A base of majestic purple represents the strong foundation of character, commitment and endurance indicative of the university culture.

STUDENT VETERANS

Tennessee Tech University recognizes veterans and current military members for their service to our country and their excellence in higher education. The red, white and blue cords, worn voluntarily by a select few, represent their veteran status while pursuing their educational goals.

Tennessee Tech proudly honors these student-veterans by presenting them with these cords to signify their achievement on this day.

THE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM
DECEMBER 12, 2025
9:00 A.M. CEREMONY

Presiding..... Dr. Philip B. Oldham
President

Invocation Dr. Robert Owens
Senior Executive for Access, Belonging & Community Outreach

National Anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner" Francis Scott Key, John Stafford Smith
Performed by Tennessee Tech Chorale under the direction of Dr. Craig Zamer

Address to Graduates President Oldham

Special Greeting Melinda Mott Leftwich,
TN Tech Alumna and Founder & Executive Director of Game On Accessible Tennis

Special Message Matt McClanahan,
TN Tech Alumnus, Attorney and Adjunct Instructor in the School of Environmental Studies

Special Address Candyce Clift,
TN Tech Alumna and Morning Anchor for WDRB-TV, the Fox Affiliate for Louisville, Ky.

Recognition of Faculty President Oldham

Recognition of Graduates' Families President Oldham

Presentation of Academic Deans Dr. John Liu
Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees President Oldham

"The Tennessee Tech Hymn" Joan Derryberry
Performed by Tennessee Tech Chorale under the direction of Dr. Craig Zamer

Closing Remarks President Oldham

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees

College of Graduate Studies Dean Julie Baker
College of Agriculture & Human Ecology Dean Darron Smith
College of Business Dean Tom Payne
College of Engineering Dean Joseph Slater
College of Fine Arts Dean Jennifer Shank

DEGREE CANDIDATES

FALL 2025

Because of circumstances which require that the list of names be furnished to the printer in final form approximately seven days prior to Commencement, it is possible that one or more of the candidates listed may have been unable to complete all requirements for the degree or may have elected voluntarily to register for additional work and to graduate at a subsequent ceremony. The change does not necessarily imply that a student has failed nor does it commit the university to grant a diploma to a person thus listed in error. Also, students listed with one or more honors distinctions are candidates for the honor(s) at the time the program is provided to the printer, and may not complete the requirements to be awarded the distinction.

Graduates are grouped by college. Individual names will be called by order seated, not in alphabetical order.

COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREES

Junaid Anwar, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Multi-Agent Game-Theoretic Reinforcement Learning Control: Theory and Applications"

Advisor: Dr. Syed Ali Asad Rizvi

Ezekiel Olayiwola Arogunjo, Engineering

Dissertation Title: "Modular Multi-Active Bridge DC-DC Converters for Energy Systems"

Advisor: Dr. Joseph Ojo

Kshitiz Aryal, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Novel Adversarial Evasion Attacks Against Windows Malware Detectors"

Advisor: Dr. Maanakk Gupta

Trapa Banik, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Development of Cobalt-Free P₂ Type Layered Transition Metal Oxide for Sodium-Ion Battery"

Advisor: Dr. Indranil Bhattacharya

Bifta Sama Bari, Engineering

Dissertation Title: "A Unified Hybrid Federated-Centralized Learning Framework for Vehicular Applications: Simulation and Testbed Implementation"

Advisor: Dr. Kumar Yelamarthi

Atef Bondok, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Towards Secure Federated Learning Against Adversarial Attacks in Smart Grids"

Advisor: Dr. Mohamed Mahmoud

Ethan Nathaniel Coffey, Engineering

Dissertation Title: "Generalizing Rotor Speed Modulation Method to Reduce Lateral Vibrations in Rotor Systems"

Advisor: Dr. Ethan Languri

Caleb John Dunlap, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Magnetic Gear Wireless Power Transfer: Prototype and Electric Vehicle Charging"

Advisor: Dr. Charles Van Neste

Magdy Abdullah Eissa, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Data-Driven Energy Management Strategies for EV Rural Ecosystems"

Advisor: Dr. Ping Chen

Islam Ahmed Hamed Elgarhy, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Securing Smart Grids Machine Learning Models Against Adversarial Attacks Utilizing Explainable Artificial Intelligence"

Advisor: Dr. Mohamed Mahmoud

Mariam Gado, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Upgrading the Cyber Layer of Power Systems to Support Semi-Quantum Key Distribution"

Advisor: Dr. Muhammad Ismail

Andrew Timothy Gothard, Engineering

Dissertation Title: "The Development, Validation, and Evaluation of the Novel Frequency-Based ΔT and Output-to-Output Frequency Response Function Mapping Methods for Impact Localization in Solid Media"

Advisor: Dr. Steven Anton

Shamil Gudavasov, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Mechanical, Electrical, and Thermal Behavior Analysis of Carbon Nanotube-Infused Polymers Produced by Material Extrusion"

Advisor: Dr. Ismail Fidan

Islam Hasan, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Generalizable AI-Assisted WiGig and Terahertz Channel Prediction in Dynamic Indoor 6G Networks"

Advisor: Dr. Muhammad Ismail

Saiful Islam, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "An Integrated Experimental and Computational Materials Engineering Approach for Wire Arc Additively Manufactured Refractory Alloys"

Advisor: Dr. Duckbong Kim

Christopher Storm Johnson, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Development of Long-Range Through the Soil Wireless Power Transfer Systems Using Series Parallel Switched Capacitor Power Inverters"

Advisor: Dr. Charles Van Neste

Spencer Jones, Engineering

Dissertation Title: "Advances in Industrial Thermal Management Systems"

Advisor: Dr. Ethan Languri

Moumita Kamal, Computer Science

Dissertation Title: "Lost in Compression: Novel Metrics for Assessing the Faithfulness of Compressed Neural Network Models"

Advisor: Dr. Douglas Talbert

Abdul Karim, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Development of Wire-Arc Additive Manufacturing for Tungsten-Steel Multi-Material Structures"

Advisor: Dr. Duckbong Kim

William Luke Lambert, Computer Science

Dissertation Title: "Investigating Bitrate Hopping to Secure CAN Based In-Vehicle Networks"

Advisor: Dr. Sheikh Ghafoor

Vivekanand Arun Naikwadi, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Comprehensive Characterization, Post-Processing, and Vibration Analysis of Nanomaterial-Infused Polymers in Material Extrusion"

Advisor: Dr. Ismail Fidan

Grace Nansamba, Computer Science

Dissertation Title: "Bridging Fault Tolerance, Time Synchronization, and Performance Understanding Across Scalable Architectures and Applications"

Advisor: Dr. Anthony Skjellum

Mohsen Pourfallah, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Lithium-Ion Battery Thermal Management Using Multi-Scale Porous Foams with Phase Change Materials"

Advisor: Dr. Ethan Languri

Lopamudra Praharaj, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Robust AI-Assisted Network Anomaly Detection for Secure Cooperative Smart Farming"

Advisor: Dr. Maanak Gupta

Mohamed Shaban, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "SPARQ: Toward Efficient Space-Air-Ground Quantum Networks"

Advisor: Dr. Muhammad Ismail

Patrick Swiecichowski, Engineering

Dissertation Title: "Study of Functionalized Nanodiamond Enhanced Mineral Oil for Thermal Management in Utility Transformers"

Advisor: Dr. Ethan Languri

Scott Christopher Vanderlan, Engineering

Dissertation Title: "Computational Fluid Dynamics Model of Heat Transfer in the Vicinity of Photovoltaic Panels"

Advisor: Dr. Jie Cui

Bethanie Deanne Williams, Engineering #

Dissertation Title: "Multi-Source Data Analysis and An Effective AI-Assisted Detection Framework for Cyber-Physical Attacks in Smart Manufacturing"

Advisor: Dr. Muhammad Ismail

MASTER'S DEGREES

Cheryl Lynn Adams, Business Administration

Joshua Robert Adams,

Electrical and Computer Engineering #

Brooke Analise Amann, Business Administration #

Mary Vinolisha Antony Dhason,

Electrical and Computer Engineering

Emily Grace Armstrong, Business Administration #

Henry Selase Asamany, Civil Engineering #

Nathan A. Bangean, Mechanical Engineering

Tori Madisen Beale, Business Administration

Mitchell C. Beverly, Business Administration #

Rajat Bhattarai, Computer Science #

Sarah Anne Blevens, Business Administration

Emily Suzanne Brackman, Accountancy #

John Richardson Bragg, Business Administration

Ethan Earl Carter, Business Administration

Peyton Carter, Business Administration #

Sam Chumney, Mechanical Engineering #

Kaley Brooke Crabtree, Accountancy #

Abbie Shanea Crawford, Civil Engineering

Lily Rose Cross, Accountancy #

Bruce Wayne Cunningham, Civil Engineering #

Jann Curry, Accountancy #

Baylee Grace Dalton, Business Administration #

Jacob Gage Dameron, Chemical Engineering #

Joshua W. Davis, Business Administration

Sierra Rae Delon, Accountancy #

Abigail Dudley, Business Administration
 Kelsey Renee Duncan, Business Administration
 Md Saeid Ebna Maleque, Civil Engineering
 Amber Nicole Ferree, Business Administration
 Carson William Gudino, Business Administration #
 Samuel F. Hadlock, Computer Science
 Matthew Christopher Hager,
 Business Administration
 Kateland Suzanne Hall, Business Administration
 Katelyn Jane Hendricks, Accountancy #
 Leeah Marie Henry, Business Administration #
 Caroline Hitchcock, Civil Engineering #
 Brantley Anne Hollingsworth,
 Business Administration #
 Seif Mohammad Ikbarieh, Computer Science
 Saiful Islam, Mechanical Engineering #
 Jacob Lee Kenser Isom, Accountancy #
 Sophia Irene Jenkins, Business Administration #
 Hannah Patricia Kapusuzoglu, Accountancy
 Hannah Patricia Kapusuzoglu,
 Business Administration
 Pramashis Kar, Civil Engineering #
 Srijan Khadka,
 Electrical and Computer Engineering
 D'Andrea E. Knowles, Business Administration #
 Trudy Bell Langford, Business Administration #
 Mary Isabella Law, Accountancy #
 Sahaya Jestus Lazer, Computer Science #
 Nicholas Alexander Loden,
 Business Administration
 Kenneth Cade MacLean, Business Administration
 Priyanka Mahajan, Chemical Engineering
 Christian MacDaniel Mahan,
 Business Administration #
 Marim Mahmoud Salaheldin Mahmoud,
 Electrical and Computer Engineering
 Tristan Michael Mangrum, Accountancy #
 Maggie Bryanne Mason, Accountancy #
 Thomas Chaz Miller, Business Administration #
 Nicholas David Mundell, Business Administration
 Aniket Singh Nandha, Chemical Engineering
 Avery Grace Newman, Chemical Engineering #
 Watson Andrew Alvarez Nored,
 Business Administration
 Owen Charles O'Connor,
 Electrical and Computer Engineering

Zachary Miller O'Dell, Business Administration
 Ethan W. Owens, Computer Science #
 Stefano Lucas Oyanader Sandoval,
 Chemical Engineering
 Nichole Marie Paredes, Business Administration
 Dev Rasiklal Patel, Accountancy #
 Katherine Faith Pendergrass, Computer Science
 Richard John Penpek, Business Administration
 Dustin Craig Phillips, Business Administration
 Nathan Michael Phillips, Business Administration #
 Carson D. Pope,
 Electrical and Computer Engineering
 Daniel Jason Puckett, Accountancy #
 McKenna Marie Quaderer, Business Administration
 Stefanie Jules Rezsnyak, Business Administration
 Ethan Thompson Roberts,
 Business Administration #
 Mary Catherine Roberts, Business Administration #
 Yago Romano Martinez, Computer Science
 Shelby Lee Rose, Accountancy #
 Achintya Kumar Saha, Mechanical Engineering
 Julian Anthony Saninocencio,
 Mechanical Engineering
 Hunter Tovanion Sawyer, Computer Science #
 Latisha Eve Scarlett,
 Community Health and Nutrition
 Parker Ellis Scott, Accountancy #
 Bryson Matthew Shaw, Accountancy #
 Charles B. Shoemaker, Mechanical Engineering #
 MD Mashiur Rahman Shoummo,
 Mechanical Engineering #
 Charissa Midori Smith, Business Administration #
 Abhijeet Solanki,
 Electrical and Computer Engineering
 Babatunde Damilare Soyoye,
 Electrical and Computer Engineering #
 Rachel L. Stratton, Computer Science
 Landon Paul Summitt, Business Administration #
 James Aaron Swafford, Business Administration
 Chern Chao Tai, Computer Science
 Gazi Md Tanvir Hossain, Mechanical Engineering
 Emily Thompson, Business Administration #
 Makaleb A. Thompson,
 Engineering Management #
 Sarah LeighAnn Timmerman,
 Business Administration #
 Andrew Reed Travis, Mechanical Engineering

Madison Nicole Treutel, Business Administration #
Wesley Hudson Tucker, Business Administration
Nikita Ramesh Tungar, Mechanical Engineering #
Samina Kamal Upama, Mechanical Engineering #
Mitchell T. Watson, Business Administration
Samuel M. Widner, Business Administration
Jacob Andrew Williams, Business Administration #

Cameron Joseph Winston, Business Administration
Nathanael Gabriel Wolffe,
Business Administration #
William Paul Woodard,
Engineering Management #
Jazmine Wand Yamilkoski,
Business Administration #

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & HUMAN ECOLOGY

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE

Abdullah Najeeb A. Alsaleh
Ashley Noel Barrow
Gaylin R. Bickel
Courtney Brooke Bilbrey
Christopher Lane Birchfield
Matthew S. Boshears***
Molly E. Brawner*
Thomas A. Brown
Hunter McCain Burnette #
Dustin Thomas Burton*
Az E. Cavanaugh
Nathaniel James Dace
Audrey Kay Dunlap***†
Olivia J. Evans** #
Addison D. Freeman
Nickolas Ryan Fuller** #
Sarah M. Gentry*
Lendon C. Gregory
Sonni L. Hensley***
John Austin Holloway
Isabelle I. Hudson**
David Matthew Laws**
Kimberlin Isabella Mann** #
Joe M. Markland
Zachary M. Raines
Callie E. Roper***
Kayla Selby***
Hunter Jackson Tower
Austin Wattenbarger

SCHOOL OF HUMAN ECOLOGY

Kennedy E. Agee* #
Sara Beth Carver #
Connor J. Cress
Kathryn H. Dye**
Jessica M. Grossman* #
Philip Ryan Hall #
Bella Mae Briggs Hawn***
Reina Imoto*
Mary Rose Janca
Marie Lena Jeffries*
Holly C. Jones***
Mariana A. Jose Gaspar #
Rachel M. Joyce
Veronica Mateo-Miguel
Caleb Joseph Maxwell #
Sarah Kate Miller** #
Emma Claire Minter #
Hailee Noelle Nichols
Eman Faith Norris
Jacob P. Parish #
Elly James Pendergrass***
Sara E. Pistole* #
Audrey Anne Presley***
Amber Stephanie Rodriguez
Payton E. Rouse* #
Avery G. Swisher*
Clara Hope Thomas
Charlie Owen Thomason* #
Hunter C. Tisdale #
Teagan Elyse Warren* #
Bayli J. Whitehead

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Kelsey Lynn Abernathy
 Joy A. Abraham #
 Samuel T. Abshire #
 Andrew Rex Altman
 Grant D. Armstrong**
 Ella Elizabeth Baker***†
 Trinity Faith Basham
 Faith Lauren Bettencourt #
 Dylan Biggie
 Sydney Elizabeth Boggs
 Carson Walker Boyd
 Bonnie K. Bradley***
 Mason Allen Briggs
 Chandler Ray Brock #
 Jacob A. Bruce
 Mary Pauline Bryant
 James Lee Bundy
 Carter M. Cantrell
 Sofia B. Carroll* #
 Alex Clarke
 Ainsley B. Culbreath
 Robert Thomas Daniel
 Julian E. Davis #
 Adam Carter Day**
 Joshua Clayton Dender* #
 Caitlin Elizabeth Dodson*
 Wrenn M. Doran**
 Abby J. Eads** #
 Eliza Jenkins Eldridge
 Carter A. Embleton
 Annabelle R. Ervin
 Esma G. Fidan** #
 Sophia M. Foster***
 Kendal Franks
 Sara B. Galyean*
 Maison F. Gargac
 Victoria Alexandra Gelabert
 Josh Michael Gervais**
 Bailey M. Glenn #
 Emillee Rhea Golden**
 Javoni Markel Hales
 Zoe Isabella Hall
 Rickey Dakota Harvey
 Eric L. Haywood #
 Heath Hensley
 Benjamin Wade Hillis
 Connor H. Holmes

Koryn Howard
 Westley M. Hunter
 Cassidy Jackson** #
 Kyle Landon Jackson*
 Mindy T. Jones**
 Vahn R. Kaye #
 Taylor R. Knox #
 Awirut Kongsila
 Carter B. Lay*
 Alex Leon Carrera
 Lily B. Lewis
 Emma Grace Linville
 Myles Keyshawn Lipford*
 Jonathon Roger Lopez
 Caleb E. Lowhorn**
 Casey M. Martens**†
 Matthew R. Martin
 Alex Martinez #
 Troy Austin McCartt
 Steven D. Michael
 Nolan Miller
 Zach David Miller
 Thomas Brady Montgomery
 Jillian E. Moore
 Tyler Glen Mundell**
 Tyler Neal #
 Nate L. Neely
 Kaila Mary Ogle
 Fauram S. Patel
 Lucas Damron Payne**
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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREES

Dessie Avila, Counseling and Supervision

Dissertation Title: "The Experiences of Black Counselors Working in Rural Areas: An Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis"

Advisors: Dr. Katherine Hermann-Turner & Dr. Agnes Luo

Allison Barlow Coutinho, Exceptional Learning #

Dissertation Title: "Former Division I Student-Athletes' Self-Perceived Eating Habits and Attitudes, Body Satisfaction, and Physical Activity: Differences Across Sport and Sex"

Advisor: Dr. Michael Phillips

Ronnie Dunn, Environmental Sciences

Dissertation Title: "Optimizing and Modeling Nutrient and Irrigation Management to Increase Hydroponic Tomato Production Efficiency and Mitigate Agricultural Water Pollution"

Advisor: Dr. Michael Natrass

Brooke Grubb, Environmental Sciences

Dissertation Title: "A Multifaceted Approach to Crayfish Conservation: Morphology and Habitat"

Advisors: Dr. Hayden Mattingly & Dr. Kit Wheeler

Brandi Kriebel, Exceptional Learning

Dissertation Title: "Teaching Across Differences: Predictors of Pre-Service Teachers' Confidence and Ability to Differentiate Instruction for Diverse Populations"

Advisor: Dr. George Chitiyo

Tabitha Buchanan Schlatter, Counseling and Supervision

Dissertation Title: "The Contributions of Family of Origin Interaction Patterns and the Presence of a Career Calling to Satisfaction with Life in College-Enrolled Emerging Adults"

Advisors: Dr. Anthony Michael & Dr. Mark Loftis

Elizabeth Rochelle Sofia, Exceptional Learning #

Dissertation Title: "Exploring the Experiences of Veterinary Staff and Rescue Workers in the Upper Cumberland Region of Tennessee: Interactions with the Public and Their Implications for Feline Welfare"

Advisors: Dr. James Akenson & Dr. Ashley Akenson

Ginger Thomas, Exceptional Learning #

Dissertation Title: "Resilience in the Profession: An Interpretive Narrative Study of Experienced Teachers in Tennessee"

Advisor: Dr. Amber Spears

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE DEGREES

Kinley Morgan Adams, Nursing Practice #

Project Title: "Proactive Rapid Response Rounding"

Advisor: Dr. Mary Fornehd

Rebecca Etta, Nursing Practice #

Project Title: "Implementing a Locally Tailored Screening Tool Kit to Improve Depression Diagnosis and Management in Older Adults with Dementia in a Primary Care Setting"

Advisor: Dr. Teresa Carnevale

Peyton Moody, Nursing Practice #

Project Title: "The Use of Screening Tools to Combat Workplace Violence in the Emergency Department"

Advisor: Dr. Stacie Rothfus

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Project Title: "Implementing a Process to Improve Cervical Cancer Screening in a Community Health Center"

Advisor: Dr. Charlotte Webb

Racheal Rivera, Nursing Practice #

Project Title: "Implementation of a Screening Tool and Provider Education Program to Increase Early Diagnosis of Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome"

Advisor: Dr. Andrew Donadio

John Clayton Sommers, Nursing Practice #

Project Title: "Use of a Ventilator Management Protocol to Increase Transplantation of Lungs in Brain-Dead Organ Donors"

Advisor: Dr. Stacey Browning

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Project Title: "The Use of a Holistic Interview Methods in Hiring Air Medical Crew Members for Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (HEMS)"

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MASTER'S DEGREES

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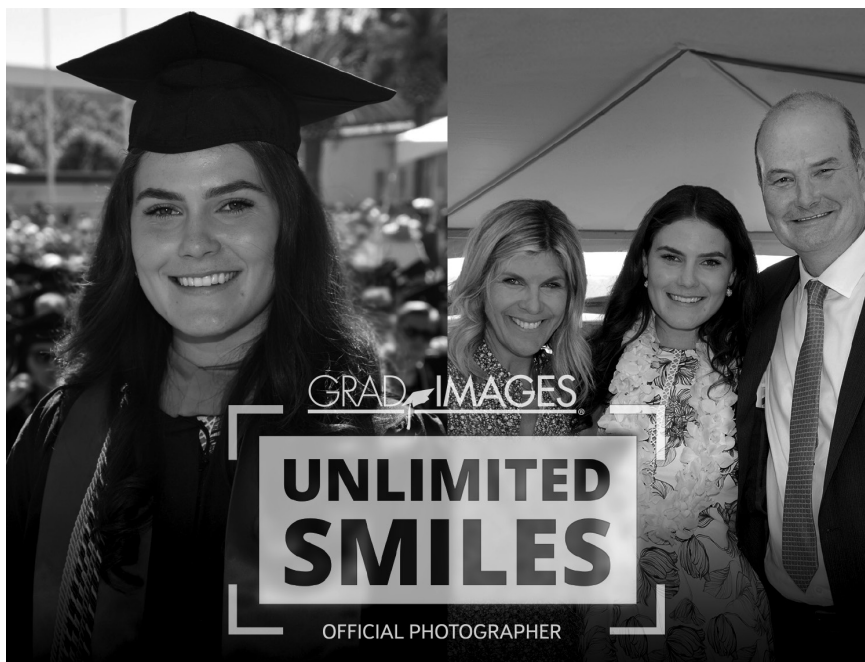


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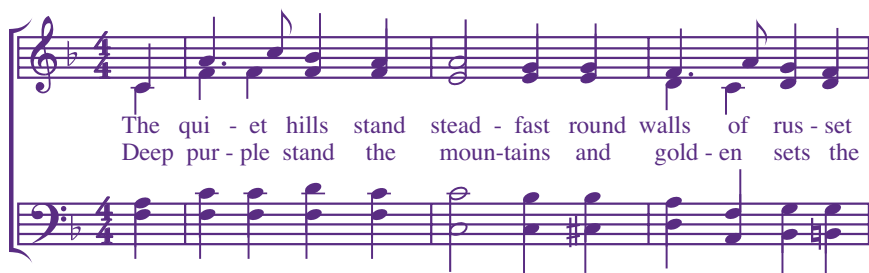
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brown. On halls se - rene and camp - us green the smok - y hills look
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down; And stead - fast may I cher - ish what thou hast giv'n to
won;— We pledge thee faith - ful ser - vice, our love and loy - al -



me. Oh Al - ma Ma - ter Ten-nes-see Tech, God pros-per thee.
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