

# 2020

## Fall Commencement



# FALL 2020 Commencement

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# THE BEGINNING

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“Twas built by the toil of our fathers:  
To its glory our voices swell.  
Hail to old Fort Hays State!”

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## This is our Heritage: This is Fort Hays State

Fort Hays State University (FHSU) is a state, tax-assisted liberal and applied arts university established and maintained by the state to serve the people of Kansas.

The university was established to satisfy a need felt by the early settlers for educational facilities in the new region. Martin Allen, a horticulturist who came to Hays in 1873, and other Hays residents, conceived the idea of using the Fort Hays Military Reservation land, about to be abandoned by the government, for experimental and educational purposes.

The fort was abandoned in 1889. From that time until 1900, the proposal for its use was repeatedly presented to Congress by farseeing residents of the area. In 1900, the federal government enacted legislation granting the land to the state of Kansas for a state college, an agricultural experimental station, and a state park. In 1901, the Kansas legislature accepted the grant.

On June 23, 1902, the university opened with 34 students, two faculty members, and 19 courses. For two years, sessions were held in two old buildings on the fort grounds. In 1904, the first stone building was completed on the “flats” adjacent to Hays and the young institution was moved to its present location.

The university opened as the Western Branch of the Kansas Normal School of Emporia. The curriculum for the first two years consisted of the upper two years of high school supplemented by courses in teaching methods.

After 1910, the first degree, A.B. in Education, was authorized at this time, although the degree was later changed to B.S. in Education. Liberal arts degrees of A.B. and B.S. were authorized in 1930. Graduate work leading to the master’s degree was first offered in 1929; in 1958 the university was given permission to grant the specialist in education degree. A doctoral program in nursing practice was approved May 2015 for Fort Hays State University by the Kansas Board of Regents. It is the university’s first doctoral program.

During its years of educational service, the university has had several changes in its name. In 1914, the Hays Normal was made independent of the Emporia Normal School and its name became Fort Hays Kansas State Normal School. In 1923, the name of the university was changed to Kansas State Teachers College of Hays.

The right to confer liberal arts degrees was approved by the Board of Regents early in 1931 and the Legislature authorized the change to the name of Fort Hays Kansas State College in the same year. In 1977, the name of the university was changed to Fort Hays State University.





*Opening Day of the Western Branch of Kansas State Normal School on the grounds of the old Fort Hays Military Reservation.*



*Left: Picken Hall, the first academic building on campus.*



*Right: South side of Industrial Building with greenhouse; women are walking away from the building on sidewalk.*



*Left: People skate on Big Creek with Sheridan Hall in the background.*



*Right: Snow covers the fountain in front of Picken Hall.*

# GRADUATE SCHOOL

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The Graduate School coordinates degree programs across all five academic colleges in the university. Graduate faculty members have attained a significant level of achievement in their instructional and scholarly activities and are committed to excellence in graduate education. The professional staff of the Graduate School prides itself on excellent service in assisting graduate students from the point of inquiry to the point of matriculation. On behalf of the graduate faculty and staff of the Graduate School, I congratulate you on your achievement here today.

Glen McNeil  
Interim Dean

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## COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

NURSING - DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE -----

**Erica Seger**, Newton  
Nursing Practice

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY - EDUCATION SPECIALIST -----

**Ashley Ramirez**, Des Moines, IA  
School Psychology

# COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

## ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL STUDIES - EDUCATION SPECIALIST —

**Bukola Bakare**, Sugar Hill, GA  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Jesse Wade Briscoe**, Moberly, MO  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Haley Michelle Bugni**, Frontenac  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Jess R. Gagliardi**, Alamosa, CO  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Faline Fawn Jett**, Manitou Springs, CO  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Stephanie Diane Muth**, Great Bend  
Education Innovation and Leadership

**Scott Outlaw**, Corpus Christi, TX  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Patricia Louise Reiser**, Great Bend  
Education Administration  
**Jennifer Leigh Roe**, Augusta  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Simone A. Todd**, Uniondale, NY  
Education Innovation and Leadership  
**Stephanie Denise Young**, San Antonio, TX  
Education Innovation and Leadership

# COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

## ART - MASTER OF FINE ARTS —

**Zane Mahanna**, Hoxie  
Art (Sculpture)

**Carolyn Mimbs**, Kansas City, MO  
Art (Ceramics)

## COMMUNICATION - MASTER OF SCIENCE —

**Chunpeng Yang**, Anshan, Liaoning  
Province, China  
Communication

## ENGLISH - MASTER OF SCIENCE —

**Lindsey Allison Eck**, Gardner  
English  
**Joseph Donald Gunderson**, Derby  
English  
**Kelsey Marie Hopson**, Wichita  
English  
**Lorraine K. Kellner**, Minneola  
English

**Aaron L. Pierce**, Omaha, NE  
English  
**Margaret Lee Porter**, Butler, MO  
English  
**Stacie Rupp**, Hays  
English  
**Jessica R. Shields**, Hays  
English

## HISTORY – MASTER OF ARTS

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**David C. Holland**, Ellicott City, MD

History

**Jacqueline Nicole Honings**, Chicago, IL

History

**Carly M. Kauffman**, Hays

Public History

**Rachel Pendergraft**, Harrison, AR

History

**Timothy Jay Setter**, McFarland

History

## LIBERAL STUDIES – MASTER OF LIBERAL STUDIES

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**Ryan Edward Allgood**, Valdosta, GA

Health Sciences

**Derek Anthony Armstrong**,

Chula Vista, CA

Political Science

**Jessica Allynn Bunner**,

Winston Salem, NC

International Entrepreneurship

**Amber Rose Carithers**, Hutchinson

Literary Arts

**Fatoumatta Darboe**, Banjul, Gambia

Global Studies

**Ashley Beth Doss**, Greeley, CO

Literary Arts

**Melinda Lee Duquette**, Charlotte, NC

Global Management

**Dillion J. Engle**, Milwaukee, WI

Health Sciences

**Jack B. Files**, Sun Tan Valley, AZ

Management Information

**James Stephen Gilreath**, Mooresville, NC

Global Management

**Danielle E. Honings**, Plainfield, IL

Gerontology

**Guowei Li**, Hays

Digital Cinema Production

**Flavia da Rocha Spiegel Linck**, Hiawatha

Public Administration

**Matthew McMenimen**, Albuquerque, NM

Teaching and Learning

**Yaomin Mu**, Hays

Political Leadership

**Kristin Nichole Mumert**, Sherwood, AR

Art

**Kendra Mae Levy**, Emporia

Health Sciences

**Matthew Lowell Smith**, Omaha, NE

Literary Arts

**Ivaylo Valentinov Tassev**,

Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa

Global Studies

**W. Shane Walker**, Toronto, Ontario

Canada, Health Sciences

**Michael D. Webb**, Knoxville, TN

Gerontology

**Samantha Charlene Wilson**,

North Las Vegas, NV

Art

**Melody Wolf**, Liberty Township, OH

Gerontology

# ROBBINS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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**Charles Henry Apt IV**, Iola  
Business Administration

**Rachel Lindsey Atkinson**, Hays  
Health Care Management

**Jamie Mae Boeckman**, Beloit  
Business Administration

**Mariah Brungardt**, WaKeeney  
Accounting

**Natasha Katherine Corona**, Margate, FL  
Business Administration

**Grant Andrew Davis**, Hays,  
Finance

**Cheyenne Camille Ellard**, Hays  
Business Administration

**Erin Gaither**, Wichita  
Business Administration

**Yonas Fantu Gebrewold**, Dallas, TX  
Information Assurance

**Yingying Guo**, Hays  
Accounting

**Jeffrey C. Heptig**, Manhattan  
Finance

**Cameron Luke Juhnke**, Hesston  
Finance

**Charity Dawn Lakeman**, Parker, CO  
Leadership Studies

**Emily Elizabeth Meisenheimer**, Pratt  
Digital Marketing

**Lara Ann Newman**, Overland Park  
Health Care Management

**Antonio Manuel Ochoa**, Garden City  
Management Information

**Mark L. Post**, Sayre, OK  
Finance

**Soloniaina Nicole Ramasiarimalala**  
**Manase**, Antananarivo, Madagascar

Finance

**Karisa Corrine Schremmer**, Great Bend  
Finance

# COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

## COUNSELING - MASTER OF SCIENCE

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**Shelly Renee Amaro**, Dodge City  
School

**Samantha Jo Andrews**, Logan  
Clinical Mental Health

**Lindsey Marie Barlow**, Chivington, CO  
Clinical Mental Health

**Emma Blevins**, Highland  
School

**Katie Rhae Burton**, Umatilla, OR  
School

**Jennifer Elizabeth Dunn**, Falls City, NE  
School

**Sunny Evans**, Pocatello, ID  
School

**Rindi R. Guldner**, Lindsborg  
Clinical Mental Health

**Kylee Dawn Hedrick**, Pratt  
School

**Gretchen Worthen Hind**, Peabody  
School

**Madison Paige Kester**, Delaware, OK  
School

**Kimberly Kay Krauter**, Hiawatha  
School



**Bailey Jo Lee**, La Harpe  
School  
**Rebecca A. Lowery**, Leavenworth  
School  
**Kathleen Rhoads**, Wichita  
School  
**Julie Deann Russell**, Galena  
School  
**Donelle Rae Sage**, Meriden  
School

**Morgan D. Schuman**, Wamego  
School  
**Brooke Nichole Sorenson**, Derby  
School  
**Alyson Beth Stewart**, Topeka  
School  
**Jami Weston**, Wichita  
School

## EDUCATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

**Cade Earl Albert**, Hays  
Transition to Teaching  
**Qarahn Hakim Anbiya**, Fredericksburg, VA  
Higher Education Student Affairs  
**Regina Anderson**, Wichita  
Elementary Education  
**Dayna Renee Ball**, Ellinwood  
Transition to Teaching  
**Allison Lee Baumgartner**, Canton  
English for Speakers of Other Languages  
**Amber Frances Binder**, Hays  
Reading Specialist  
**Thomas Broxterman**, Hoyt  
Mathematics  
**Erin Elizabeth Burroughs**, Arkansas City  
Higher Education Student Affairs  
**Andrea Calaway**, Lindon, UT  
Higher Education Student Affairs  
**Adamo Frederico Callei**, Reno, NV  
Higher Education Student Affairs  
**Melissa Diane Calvin**, Merriam  
Reading Specialist  
**Oona Elisabeth Cammilleri**, Bolton, MA  
Library Specialist  
**Michael Alan Campbell**, Liberal  
Transition to Teaching  
**Michelle Lynn Canny**, Johnson  
Transition to Teaching  
**Megan Michelle Chambers**, Augusta  
Higher Education Student Affairs  
**Ericah Chambers**, Hutchinson  
Reading Specialist

**Sean R. Cherico**, Sedan  
Transition to Teaching  
**Emilie Collins**, Topeka  
Reading Specialist  
**Sarah J. Corcoran**, McPherson  
Elementary Education  
**Katie M. Cox**, Beloit  
Education  
**Kelly Lynn Crabb**, Haysville  
Reading Specialist  
**Annette E. Dalton**, Franklin Lakes, NJ  
Reading Specialist  
**Kimberly Lynn Davis**, Oberlin  
Elementary Education  
**Emily Jade Davis**, Topeka  
Transition to Teaching  
**Cody James Day**, Pretty Prairie  
Transition to Teaching  
**Thomas Vance Decker**, Hays  
Transition to Teaching  
**Veronica Rae Denman**, Las Vegas, NV  
English for Speakers of Other Languages  
**Jeffrey Casson Dennison**, Howell, NJ  
JROTC Instructor  
**Erin Nicole Dickens**, Manhattan  
Library Specialist  
**Roni Nicole Elliott**, Fontana  
Elementary Education  
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Transition to Teaching  
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JROTC Instructor

**Devan Charles Flegler**, Hays  
Higher Education Student Affairs

**Bambi Lyn Freeman**, Ellinwood  
Transition to Teaching

**Dallas Froome**, Salina  
English for Speakers of Other Languages

**Yeny Fuertes**, Orlando, FL  
Reading Specialist

**Mayra Gonzalez**, Hooker, OK  
Elementary Education

**Banner Malea Goolsby**, Wichita  
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**Kellen Lynn Griffin**, Hays  
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JROTC Instructor

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Higher Education Student Affairs

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**Arthur Gustave Johnson VI**, Wichita  
Transition to Teaching

**Julia Jean Johnson**, Hutchinson  
Transition to Teaching

**Leslie Ann Karlin**, Hays  
Reading Specialist

**Brianna Marie Kear**, Hays  
Mathematics

**Eric La-Mar Kinney**, Overland Park  
Transition to Teaching

**Alison Marie Kinsman**, Toledo, OH  
English for Speakers of Other Languages

**Rebecca Kathleen Kreisel**, Leawood  
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**Elizabeth Marie Lusher**, Overland Park  
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**Joyce Elizabeth Jane Manion**, Wichita  
Reading Specialist

**Kelsey Suzann Mann**, Milford  
Library Specialist

**Shelby Rene Mansfield**, Lenexa  
Reading Specialist

**Nicole Marie Mathewson**, Hiawatha  
Library Specialist

**Madalyn Rena McNally**, Shawnee  
Transition to Teaching

**Kristine Rae Meininger**, Hays  
Higher Education Student Affairs

**Kandace Ilis Metcalf**, Grenola  
Transition to Teaching

**Amy Katherine Meyer**, Marion  
Elementary Education

**Blake Rylan Morgan**, Goddard  
Transition to Teaching

**Sarah Rose Murdock**, Davis, IL  
Reading Specialist

**Heather Ann Murphy**, Conway Springs  
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Transition to Teaching

**McKinsey Ogle**, Ulysses  
Transition to Teaching

**Carly Lauren Oishi**, Chicago, IL  
Higher Education Student Affairs

**Ethan John Oltean**, Wichita  
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**Keith C. O'neal**, Kansas City, MO  
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**Audra René O'Reagan**, Hays  
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Transition to Teaching  
**Jonathan Gordon Pendell**, Basking Ridge, NJ  
English for Speakers of Other Languages  
**Ashley Nicole Powers**, Garden City  
English for Speakers of Other Languages  
**Suzette Rachelle Price**, Scott City  
Transition to Teaching  
**Bryanna Nicole Ramsey**, Derby  
Higher Education Student Affairs  
**Lisa Mae Rodriguez**, Stratford, CT  
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**Lillie Donzell Samuels**, Tampa, FL  
Higher Education Student Affairs  
**Tyler Sinclair Schiffelbein**, Russell  
Transition to Teaching  
**Jenna Lynn Schroeder**, Haysville  
Transition to Teaching  
**Scott Robert Schuette**, Dodge City  
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**Amanda Nicole Schwabauer**, Overland Park  
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**Daniel Scott Spears**, Hutchinson  
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**Jamie Leigh Spoonemore**, Goessel  
Mathematics

**Miraya Kary Starnes**, Oklahoma City, OK  
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**Austin T. Stebens**, Cimarron  
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## EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE

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**Trevor Wade Ashcraft**, Mayetta  
Education Administration  
**Tonja Renee Bisnette**, Downs  
Education Administration

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Education Administration

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**Dustin Bryce Clevenger**, Clearwater  
Education Administration

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Education Administration

**Alysia Michelle Eliason**, Salina  
Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

**Shane Owen Hollern**, Goodland  
Education Administration

**Zachery William Jerome**, Burlington, VT  
Education Administration

**Brent Ross Kerr**, Ness City  
Education Administration

**Joshua Adam Lee**, Valley Center  
Education Administration

**Jordan Lee Leiker**, Manhattan  
Education Administration

**Lyndsey Lopez**, Kansas City, MO  
Education Administration

**Kyle A. McClure**, Hutchinson  
Education Administration

**Nathaniel Earl McGee**, Osawatomie  
Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

**Joan Grelinger Radakovich**, Olathe  
Education Administration

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Education Administration

**Rachael Mary Roberts**, Topeka  
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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

**Amy Marie Scruggs**, Kansas City  
Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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Education Administration

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## INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY - MASTER OF SCIENCE -----

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Instructional Technology

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Instructional Technology

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Instructional Technology

**Dena Jessie Dellere**, Selden  
Instructional Technology

**Linessa W. Frazier**, Topeka  
Instructional Technology

**Jessica S. Fundermann**, Bloomington, MN  
Instructional Technology

**Jennifer Kay Gartner**, Altamont  
Instructional Technology

**Emma Claire Ginder**, Topeka  
Instructional Technology

**Madeline Elaine Ginder**, Olathe  
Instructional Technology

**Lisa Marie Graham**, Auburn, CA  
Instructional Technology

**Tara Elizabeth Griffith**, Topeka  
Instructional Technology

**Brittany Nichole Hartman**, Winfield  
Instructional Technology

**Katrina Leonard Haynes**, Mountain Rest, SC  
Instructional Technology

**Jason Taylor Hudson**, Lake Tapps, WA  
Instructional Technology

**Kaitlin Michelle Johnson**, Boise, ID  
Instructional Technology

**Chelsey Rose Juenemann**, Arlington  
Instructional Technology

**Matthew James Laho**, Calumet, MI  
Instructional Technology

**Joseph Leibner**, St. Charles, MO  
Instructional Technology

**Christopher Sean McAfee**, Lenexa  
Instructional Technology

**Crystal Renee Miller**, Frankfort  
Instructional Technology

**Katelyn Carol Nelson**, Manhattan  
Instructional Technology

**Henry Thomas Peachey**, Camp Hill, PA  
Instructional Technology

**Jessica Eden Phillips**, Tonganoxie  
Instructional Technology

**Zachary Paul Pixler**, Ulysses  
Instructional Technology

**Jeremy Robert Plymell**, Clay Center  
Instructional Technology

**Shawn Matthew Rackham**, Ogden, UT  
Instructional Technology

**Danielle Nicole Schiel**, Brush, CO  
Instructional Technology

**Sharon Adriana Smith**, Shawnee  
Instructional Technology

**Kurt James Stubbs**, Canal Winchester, OH  
Instructional Technology

**Minghao Tao**, Hays  
Instructional Technology

**Jamie Michell Titus**, Liberal  
Instructional Technology

**Ashley Marie Urban**, Victoria  
Instructional Technology

**Brian Scott Welch**, Lincoln, NE  
Instructional Technology

**Aubrey Wheeler**, Pueblo, CO  
Instructional Technology

**Austin Patrick Zollner**, Fargo, ND  
Instructional Technology



SPECIAL EDUCATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE \_\_\_\_\_

**Spencer R. Adams**, Lawrence  
High Incidence  
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High Incidence  
**Julie Margaret Arakelian**, Worcester, MA  
High Incidence  
**Kelsi Nicole Baird**, Salina  
High Incidence  
**Jessica Ann Bittel**, Topeka  
High Incidence  
**Allyson Kaye Brumley**, Tonganoxie  
High Incidence  
**Monica Guadalupe Cabrera-Johnson**,  
Lawrence  
High Incidence  
**Erica Dawn Carter**, Topeka  
High Incidence  
**Amanda Shari Clark**, Topeka  
High Incidence  
**Emily May Cockrell**, Derby  
High Incidence  
**Heather Michelle Crump**, Andover  
High Incidence  
**Rachelle A. Decker**, Wichita  
High Incidence  
**Amy Elizabeth Dieter**, Andover  
High Incidence  
**Keitha Marie Dodson**, Chanute  
High Incidence  
**Michelle Lynne Eaglehouse**, Latrobe, PA  
High Incidence  
**Cindie Lynn Franz**, Colby  
High Incidence  
**Taylor Renee Gabel**, Ness City  
High Incidence  
**Debra L. Gardner**, Nickerson  
High Incidence  
**Tony David Glidewell**, Douglass  
High Incidence  
**Rebecca LeAnn Haines**, Valley Center  
High Incidence  
**Lindsay Lee Harrington**, McPherson  
High Incidence  
**Jennifer Breannon Hector**, Rock Falls, IL  
High Incidence

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**Heather Rae Hirt**, Hutchinson  
High Incidence  
**Matthew Thomas Johnson**, Lawrence  
High Incidence  
**Jacob Kirmer**, Topeka  
High Incidence  
**Ashley Brooke Kitchen**, Shawnee  
High Incidence  
**Kerri Lynn Koeppen**, Dexter  
High Incidence  
**Randa Kay Linner**, Stockton  
High Incidence  
**Ashley Marie Long**, Beloit  
High Incidence  
**Samjiesha Phanseco Lunan**, Sumter, SC  
High Incidence  
**Leah Marie Magill**, Oskaloosa  
High Incidence  
**Thomas H. Manion**, Wichita  
High Incidence  
**Kristen Michelle May**, Lawrence  
High Incidence  
**Nichole Anne Monroe**, Abilene  
High Incidence  
**Stacy Layne Nagel**, Wichita  
High Incidence  
**Jessica Lynn Navarro**, Stafford  
High Incidence  
**Amanda Lynn Ostrander**, Chanute  
High Incidence  
**Beth Ann Palmer**, Parker  
High Incidence  
**Chelsea Jo Parsons**, Cheyenne, WY  
High Incidence  
**Lisa Nicole Phillips**, Winfield  
High Incidence  
**Bobbie Jo Phlieger**, Plainville  
High Incidence  
**Brenda Michelle Platt**, Colby  
High Incidence  
**Caleb William Pokorny**, Falls City, NE  
High Incidence

**Nancy Jean Reed**, Pomona  
High Incidence

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The College of Health and Behavioral Sciences is home to challenging and exciting degree programs in the fields of allied health, communication sciences and disorders, health and human performance, nursing, psychology, and social work. Each department offers programs that prepare students for careers in some of the fastest-growing occupations in the United States. In addition to discipline-specific coursework, students have many opportunities to gain experience and knowledge through research projects, internships, teaching apprenticeships, service-learning activities, field trips and student exchange. Students graduate with a wealth of knowledge in their fields. They develop well-honed skills that prepare them to be practitioners, health care providers, educators, managers and policy makers destined for key roles in the health and behavioral sciences.

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The Werth College of Science, Technology and Mathematics combines complementary academic programs to meet the ever-growing national need for science graduates. As a college, we have a shared mission of contemporary science education, novel educational opportunities, applied research and technical training, and community outreach. The combination of traditional and applied academic areas in a single administrative unit allows students to directly experience the connections across science disciplines. This kind of cross-pollination creates a deeper understanding as they gain foundational knowledge and technical skills.

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Each student graduating with academic honors must have attended the University for one of the last two years, and at least 60 hours must be earned in an institution offering regular upper-division credit. Honors are based on all undergraduate work completed.

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Choueang K. Etheridge, Southlake, TX	Karya Kennedy, Berryton	Nicholas Avery Wood, Charleston, IL
Mallory Alexandra Felts, Waxahachie, TX	Laura Viridiana Meza Vega, Dodge City	Mary Christine Yasenak, Rocky Top, TN

## MAGNA CUM LAUDE

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Danielle Marie Bailey, Bella Vist, AR	Jacquelyn Ann Hall, Gardner	Sabryn Genett Sandstrom, Olathe
Isabelle Kate Barbieri, Abilene	Laura Hansen, Vancouver, WA	Dalen Dexter See, Weskan
Adam C. Bazil, Haysville	Jessica Tachana Houk, Sidney, NE	Sydney Suzanne Shiew, Brookville
Morgan Elayne Choitz, Hays	Bryant James Karlin, Victoria	Tammy Dawn Smith, Halstead
Jason Click, Huntsville, AL	Kaelin Alan Leach, Hays	Kortnie Diane Thompson, Madison
Bailey Marie Foss, Colby	Brooke Luedke, Mankato	Madison Lynn Wilborn, Hoisington
Wendy E. Garcia-Andrade, Garden City	Aleecya Nichole Meinert, Garden City	Katie Rae Youngers, Benton
Hannah Leigh Graber, Hutchinson	Caleb Morris, Colby	Jodi Lynn Zimmerman, Grainfield
Madison Taylor Griffith, Scott City	Allison Diane Muth, Great Bend	
	Madisyn Kate Riffel, Abilene	

## CUM LAUDE

Ifrah Mohammud Ahmed,  
Eden Prairie, MN  
AmirHossein Ahoorie,  
Marina, CA  
Cecelia E. Amos, Erie  
Jordan Renea Andruss,  
Topeka  
Ryan Armstrong,  
Cleveland, OK  
Katelyn Nacole Baker,  
Larned  
Carlotta Bava Gnerro,  
Turin, Italy  
Isaiah Latrell Blackmon,  
Hays  
Mariah Danae Blazek,  
Concordia  
Mickayla Jean Blender,  
Eustis, NE  
Morgan Lee Boeger, Colby  
Kassie Brooke Bretton, Agra  
Brianna Kay Brin, Hays  
Kenisha Tashalee Brown,  
Buckeye, AZ  
Ryan Michael Brown,  
Topeka  
Seth Ray Brown, Towanda  
Natalie Guadalupe Cabello,  
Dodge City  
Megan Ann Cabrera,  
Muskegon, MI  
Johnny Lee Carter,  
Overland Park  
Sarah Ann Cherry,  
Ellinwood  
Carlye Cole, Boulder, CO  
Nira D. Condon, Winfield

Danielle Renee Cote,  
Southaven, MS  
Alicia Dawn Criger, Emporia  
Haley Carolyn Daugaard,  
Garden City  
Bryce Lavern Davidson,  
Hays  
Hunter Saige-Morrison  
Delgado, Garden City  
Tyler Owen Doty, Newton  
Hayden Jaymes David  
Friend, Plainville  
Jennifer Leigh Gaines,  
Newton  
Jacob J. Gaughan, Hays  
Michelle L. Gilmour,  
Franklin, TN  
Mirena Del Valle Goncalves  
Ramirez, Caracas, Venezuela  
Andrew L. Graves,  
Sand Springs, OK  
Brandi Nicole Hanson,  
St. John  
Ganna Hawk,  
Indianapolis, IN  
Tristan Rhea Haynes,  
Dighton\*  
Katherine Graciela  
Hernandez-Barahona,  
Tyrone, OK  
Annie Hinds, Wichita  
Mila G. Hose,  
Los Angeles, CA  
Sajed Hossinei, Benton  
Josefina Reyes Howard,  
Seale, AL  
Bailie Elisabeth Hughes,  
Baldwin City

Alexander Grant Johnson,  
Brentwood, TN  
April Rose Johnston, Paola  
Rylee Brynn Kelley, Hays  
Theresa Kerrigan,  
Faribault, MN  
Amberly D. Kirkendall,  
Powell, OH  
Maree Klonaris, Oak Hill, VA  
Breck Alexander Knoblauch,  
Kingman  
Christopher Scott Kreifels,  
Wellington  
Jocelyn Nicole Kufahl,  
Onaga  
Amy Lynn Loera, Roma, TX  
Jessica Lee Mason, Augusta  
Amber Renee McDaris,  
Vermillion  
Erin Kay Miller, Rossville  
Michelle E. Moore, Wichita  
Gerald Raymond Morehead,  
Coldwater  
John Patrick Mullane,  
Madison, WI  
LeAnna Marie Murphy,  
St. Joseph, MO  
Eric James Newton, Hays  
Brandon James Novak,  
Oketo  
Rachae L. Percy, McPherson  
Heather Ann Peters,  
Faribault, MN  
Tayler Paige Petersen,  
Phillipsburg  
Derek Pfeifer, Ellis  
Nicholas M. Pursel,  
Leavenworth

Cassandra Marinna Ratzlaff,  
Hutchinson  
Cameo Rector, Wauneta, NE  
Kristen Lynne Rivera,  
Bellmawr, NJ  
Laressia J. Rivera,  
Parker, CO  
Michael T. Rogers,  
Sandy, OR  
Jesse DeeAnn Schoenfeld,  
Salida, CO

Kelly Ann Self, Wichita  
Haylee Nicole Sheffield,  
Exeter, NE  
Mariah Evon Smith,  
Kansas City  
Mary L. Steed, Lebanon, OH  
Abigail Stockton, Parker, CO  
Michaela Jo Strecker,  
Minneola  
Omelia Jane Thomas,  
Ellinwood

Amy R. Thompson, Mulvane  
Gabriel William Upson,  
Syracuse  
Amanda Collins Wadford,  
Braselton, GA  
Chao Wang, Vallejo, CA  
Noah James Wellbrock-Talley,  
Salina  
Nathan Jack Williams,  
Abilene  
Holly Renee Young, Sterling

# AWARDS

## PRESIDENT’S DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR AWARD

The President’s Distinguished Scholar Award was first awarded in 1989. All unclassified employees of the university are eligible for consideration each year and are evaluated for this honor by analysis of their performance in the categories of research/creative activities, service, and instruction. Acceptable levels of performance must be demonstrated in service and instruction, with the primary focus of this award being on research/creative activities. Applications are reviewed by an evaluation committee and a recommendation is forwarded to the president of the university.

The honoree presents a scholarly lecture during the President’s Distinguished Scholar program. The awardee is recognized on a plaque displayed in the Memorial Union, given a certificate, specially-designed medallion and receives a monetary acknowledgment.

2020	Rick Edgeman	2004	Steven Trout
2019	P. Grady Dixon	2003	Paula Boire
2018	Mary Martin	2002	Linda Ganstrom
2017	Jennifer Bonds-Raacke	2001	Thomas T. Jackson
2016	S. Christopher Bennett	2000	Ruth Firestone
2015	Chapman Rackaway	1999	Kenneth Neuhauser
2014	Dosse Toulaboe	1998	Kathleen Kuchar
2013	Chris Crawford	1997	Paul R. Krutak
2012	Richard Packauskas	1996	Michael F. Jilg
2011	Amy Schmierbach	1995	Nancy S. Vogel
2010	Greg Farley	1994	Albert J. Geritz
2009	Paul Adams	1993	Weldon F. Zenger
2008	John Heinrichs	1992	Raymond Wilson
2007	Norman Caulfield	1991	Lewis M. Miller
2006	Richard Zakrzewski	1990	Eugene Fleharty
2005	Jerry Choate	1989	Stephen B. Klein



## NAVIGATOR AWARD

The Navigator Award was established in 1998 by the Student Government Association to recognize an outstanding academic advisor based on how closely the advisor adheres to the university goals for academic advising. All academic advisors are eligible for this award. Past award recipients will become eligible after a five-year waiting period. Candidates are nominated, interviewed, and selected by graduating seniors.

2020	Keith Bremer	2012	Cole Engel	2004	Karrie Simpson Voth
2019	Troy Terry	2011	Nanette Fitzhugh	2003	Joleen Briggs
2018	Craig Smith	2010	Greg Farley	2002	Roland Neseth
2017	Cheryl Duffy	2009	Mary Martin	2001	Debbie Mercer
2016	April Terry	2008	Beth Walizer	2000	Shala Bannister
2015	Jessica Heronemus	2007	Mark Stutz	1999	Louis Caplan
2014	Karrie Simpson Voth	2006	Jennie Straight	1998	Dale McKemey
2013	Scott Jones	2005	Jill Stafford		

## LIGHTHOUSE AWARD

The Lighthouse Award was established in 2018 to recognize an outstanding graduate (master's level or above) student. FHSU faculty members nominate the candidates, and a committee of faculty and administration, chaired by an alumni administrator, selects the recipient.

2020	Stacie Rupp
2019	Jessica Johnson
2018	Herrick Smith

## PILOT AWARD

The prestigious Pilot Award, established by the Alumni Association in 1974, annually recognized two outstanding faculty members, one male and one female. Full-time teaching faculty became eligible after two years of continuous service on the campus of Fort Hays State University. In 1997, the awards committee of the Alumni Association Board of Directors revised the criteria so that any teaching faculty member would be eligible after three years of continuous service to FHSU. The award was to be given to one faculty member irrespective of gender rather than two. Candidates are nominated by members of the graduating senior class on the basis of professional excellence and commitment to outstanding teaching. The recipient is chosen by a committee of seniors, faculty, and Alumni Association Board members.

<p>2020 Robert Keener            2019 Mitchell Greer            2018 Robert Channell            2017 Stacey Smith            2016 Christie Brungardt            2015 Keith Dreiling            2014 Cheryl Duffy            2013 Gene Rice            2012 Jill Arensdorf            2011 Jeff Burnett            2010 Fred Britten            2009 Mark Bannister            2008 Beth Walizer            2007 Greg Farley            2006 Shala Mills            2005 Carol Patrick            2004 Germaine Taggart            2003 John Heinrichs            2002 Raymond Wilson            2001 Sharon Wilson            2000 Stephen Tramel            1999 Clifford Edwards            1998 James L. Murphy            1997 Thomas T. Jackson            1996 Robert B. Luehrs            1995 Michelle Hull Knowles            1994 Michael Slattery            1993 Kenneth Neuhauser            1992 Stephen Tramel            1991 Eugene Fleharty            1990 Sharon Barton                  Paul Gatschet</p>	<p>1989 Katharine Ninia Smith                  John D. Klier            1988 Ellen Veed                  Lawrence Gould            1987 Martha A. Claflin                  William E. Claflin            1986 Nancy Vogel                  Keith Campbell            1985 Sandra S. Rupp                  Gary K. Hulett            1984 Wilda M. Smith                  Donald B. Slechta            1983 Judith Vogt                  Arris Johnson            1982 Alice R. McFarland                  Ronald J. Fundis            1981 Donna Harsh                  J. Dale Peier            1980 Kathleen Kuchar                  Samuel Warfel            1979 Patricia Rhoades                  James Costigan            1978 Suzanne Trauth                  Wilmont Toalson            1977 Clarice Peteete                  Alex Francis            1976 Maxine Hoffman                  Robert Dressler            1975 Rose Arnhold                  Harold D. Choguill            1974 Lorraine Machan                  Dan Rupp</p>
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## TORCH AWARD

The coveted Torch Award was established in 1974 by the Alumni Association to recognize one male and one female outstanding senior. In 1991, the awards committee of the Alumni Association Board of Directors revised the criteria to recommend the selection of one senior recipient. Candidates are nominated by members of the faculty on the basis of leadership and academic excellence. A committee of faculty, administrators, and Alumni Association Board members selects the recipient.

2020	Adam Flax	1989	Darcey Lee Deines
2019	Remington Behrends		Lee Alan Fisher
2018	Keshawn Sewell	1988	Tammy Eilert
2017	Giles Fox		Joe Dinges
2016	Arianne Fisher	1987	Connie Brachtenbach
2015	Cody Scheck		Lee M. Gross
2014	Jordan Voss	1986	Diane Erker
2013	Jessica Tormey		Robert Amerine
2012	Layne Krizek	1985	Gerilyn M. Giebler
2011	Michelle Webb		Mark Bannister
2010	Andrew Leiker	1984	Betty Burk
2009	Katie Edwards		Kenton Kersting
2008	Joan Dreiling	1983	Cheryl Knabe
2007	Diane Becker		Kevin Faulkner
2006	Jason Crist	1982	Katherine K. Jellison
2005	Mitch Hall		Steven J. Hess
2004	Jennifer Mayers	1981	Geralyn Kraus
2003	Rigo Ramirez		Robert Wilson
2002	Rebecca Blocksome	1980	Jennifer Thorns
2001	Julie Ann Brull		Jeffrey Peier
2000	Lena Sidders	1979	Sharon Meyer
1999	Mardy Robinson		Michael Pauls
1998	Karen E. Meier	1978	Ramona Weigel
1997	Travis Crites		Timothy Doughty
1996	Stacia Gressel	1977	Matasha Otte
1995	Mary Desch		Richard Bauer
	Karla Wagner	1976	Barbara Broeckelman
1994	Tammy Brooks		John Dorsch
1993	Grant Bannister	1975	Kathy Bahner
1992	Coy Martin		Rick Kellerman
1991	Marlys Gwaltney	1974	Cynthia M. Hartman
1990	Doris Lang		Marcus Bassett
	Mordecai Boone		

# ACADEMIC HISTORY

## HISTORY OF COMMENCEMENT

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The First Annual Commencement took place on July 2, 1903 at the Grand Army of the Republic Hall in Hays, after being postponed from May 1903 because one of the graduates could not get back to Hays from Emporia. Flooding prevented the train from making its trip.

Freda Schwaller, Fred E. Lindley and Ida Shaffer were the first graduates of the Western Branch of the Kansas State Normal School.

Final exams and commencement were canceled in May 1951 after a flood hit the campus on May 22. The graduates were honored at the summer school commencement later that year.

Through the years, commencement exercises have been held in Sheridan Coliseum, Lewis Field and Gross Memorial Coliseum.

## HISTORY OF THE ACADEMIC MACE

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The mace has an ancient history as a symbol of authority. In medieval times it was a studded, club-like weapon. Made of iron and capable of breaking armor, these giant clubs were chiefly used by knights. They were also often borne by a royal bodyguard to protect the king in processions.

By the 14th century, maces assumed more ceremonial functions and lost their warlike appearance. They were often decorated with jewels and precious metals. The ceremonial mace stands for lawful power and regal authority.

Eventually the mace also became a symbol for academic institutions, an emblem of order and authority in the pageantry of ceremonial occasions. The first dated record of the

ceremonial academic mace goes back to 1385 at the University of Vienna.

An academic mace is traditionally carried in procession and mounted on stage whenever degrees are granted or when the faculty is assembled in formal academic dress. During commencement ceremonies at Fort Hays State University, a mace is carried by the University Registrar before the president and other dignitaries in the platform party.

The Fort Hays State University mace was designed and crafted by Mr. Dale Ficken, Associate Professor of Art, in late August - September 1969 for the inauguration of Dr. John W. Gustad, the fifth president in the history of Fort Hays State University, on October 5, 1969.

## THE SONGS OF FHSU

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In the history of FHSU, there have been five different songs that were adopted by general usage.

The words and music of the first song, the Kansas State Teacher's College Hymn, were written by Pearl Sidenius, who was a member of the faculty from 1915 to 1917.

Some years later, Dr. Rob Roy Macgregor, 1928-1935 faculty member, wrote the words of a College Anthem which was sung to the tune of "Men of Harlech." Jack Juergens, a music faculty

member from 1948 to 1951, wrote the words and music of the University Anthem, the third of the songs to be used as the Alma Mater.

The fourth song is the University Hymn written by Dr. Donald Stout, who conducted choirs at FHSU for 36 years. The song, originally titled "A Song for Fort Hays," is sung and played by the choirs and bands of FHSU.

The fifth song, University Fight Song, used in athletic contests, is an adaptation of the Northwestern University fight song.

## UNIVERSITY COLORS

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Soon after President Lewis came to the campus, he suggested that since the official color of the school was old gold (from the previous connection with the Normal School at Emporia) the school ought to adopt an additional color to distinguish it from Emporia.

The color suggested was black. This would give the school the colors of gold and black, which would enable it to adopt the tiger as its athletic symbol. President Lewis was from Missouri, where he was, of course, loyal to the Missouri "Tigers."

# ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic apparel worn at commencement ceremonies has its origins in the 12th and 13th centuries when scholars (whether student or teacher) at European universities wore hoods and gowns as their customary, daily attire. The long gowns may have been necessary for warmth in unheated buildings. Since there was a close tie between early universities and the Church, it is not surprising that academic gowns resembled cassocks and elaborate clerical vestments. The American fashion of academic caps and gowns derives mainly from the gowns worn at Oxford University.

The traditional cap is the mortarboard with black cloth cover. The tassel worn at some institutions reflects the color representing the degree earned. However, the tassel worn at Fort Hays State University represents the traditional colors of the university: black and gold.

The bachelor's gown is primarily distinguished by its long pointed sleeves. The master's gown is similar, except for having oblong sleeves from which the forearm protrudes through a slit near the elbow. The doctoral's gown has rounded sleeves and also has velvet panels around the neck and down the front of the gown, as well as three velvet bars on the sleeves.

Hoods are typically worn with the master's and doctoral gowns. Hoods are permitted to be worn with the bachelor's gown, but it is customary in many large institutions to dispense with the hood.

Originally, the hood was used as a cowl, cape, and—when hung from the shoulder—a sack to collect alms. It is said that when large wigs were in fashion, the cap section of the hood then fell back clear of the wig. This hood style continues to today, with the narrow end of the hood shaped as a neckband connecting the two halves of the cape.

Like the gown, the hood differs for the various degrees. The doctoral's hood is the longest and is a fuller shape than the master's hood and is usually bordered with velvet, the color of which indicates the kind of degree. The hood is lined with silk in the colors of the institution that granted the degree. The edging of the hood is velvet or velveteen, three inches wide for the master's hood and five inches wide for the doctoral's hood. The traditional rule is that a candidate for a degree should not wear the hood of that degree until it is actually conferred.

The assignment of colors to signify certain degrees was a later development and was standardized in the United States in the late 19th century.

In 1932 the American Council on Education (ACE) reviewed and approved the code of academic dress. In 1959 and 1986, the ACE reviewed the costume code and made several changes.

## **For all academic purposes, these colors are associated with the different academic disciplines:**

Agriculture - Maize	Journalism - Crimson	Public Health - Salmon
Arts, Letters,	Law - Purple	Science - Golden Yellow
Humanities - White	Library Sciences - Lemon	Social Work - Citron
Commerce, Accountancy,	Medicine - Green	Theology - Scarlet
Business - Drab	Music - Pink	Veterinary Science - Gray
Dentistry - Lilac	Nursing - Apricot	
Economics - Copper	Oratory (Speech) - Silver Gray	
Education - Light Blue	Pharmacy- Olive Green	
Engineering - Orange	Philosophy - Dark Blue	
Fine Arts, Architecture - Brown	Physical Education - Sage Green	
Forestry - Russett	Public Admin., Foreign Service	
Home Economics - Maroon	- Peacock Blue	

## SYMBOLS

### UNIVERSITY SEAL

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The circular seal was originally adopted in 1934. The artist who designed it was Marjorie Meade Jacobs.

The college was established on the old Fort Hays military reservation. The building depicted in the seal is the old stone block house, which was a part of the fort. In typical fashion for the building, the seal features a flag pole and hills in the background.

The university seal is exclusively reserved for official documents such as diplomas, transcripts, certificates and ceremonial recognition gifts.



### PRESIDENT'S MEDALLION

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In 1969, Dr. John W. Gustad approached Mr. John Thorns, art faculty member, concerning FHSU's lack of symbols connected with the formality of office, such as a medallion or mace. To rectify this, Gustad commissioned the Department of Art and Design to create three items for his presidential inauguration: a mace, a relief statue and a presidential medallion.

The mace, created by Mr. Dale Ficken, is typically used for ceremonial purposes. More information on the mace can be found in previous sections of the program. Mr. Jim Hinkhouse designed the relief sculpture, second of the three symbols, which was placed at the back of the room during Gustad's inauguration. This sculpture has since been destroyed.

The presidential medallion was fashioned by Mr. Olli Valanne. Made of silver, this piece of jewelry features a unique design. According to Thorns, the medallion was created "in recognition of the individual who is president." It is to be used in conjunction with all academic affairs and is worn any time the president of the university wears the academic regalia. In 2014 Todd Voth, FHSU graduate, created a special chain from which the medallion hangs. The chain is adorned by nameplates engraved with the names of former presidents of the university.

The medallion has been passed down to each consecutive president after Gustad and will continue to represent the leadership and FHSU in the future.



## UNIVERSITY MASCOT

1902

1913



1937



1963



1980



2000



2020

No one knows for certain how the Tiger came to be FHSU's mascot, but it may have been the brainchild of W.A. Lewis, the president of the Western Branch Normal School (FHSU).

What is certain is that the FHSU symbol made his debut in 1914, when tiger head insignias were first sewn onto school jerseys. In that same year, Ralph Archer, a sports reporter for the *Leader*, first referred to FHSU students as "Tigers."

The image rapidly gained popularity on campus. In 1919, the yearbook published the first drawing of the mascot. He wore a soldier's cap, and one of his paws rested on a German war helmet to symbolize the defeat of the Kaiser in World War I.

However, that image changed in 1924 and the tiger took on a more powerful pose. It was used to introduce the sports pages, and the athletic department used it as a symbol of aggressiveness.

The Tiger retained his fierce look through the 1930s, perhaps as a symbol of the tough economic conditions of the Depression. And in the 1937 yearbook, the Tiger served as a background for the top four football players of the year. However, the mascot did regain his fighting image in the early 1950s when car decals featured him in a uniform from Custer's Seventh Cavalry.

In 1963, the best known version of the mascot appeared – a tiger carrying the school banner. This cat was used to add personality to school shirts, steins and stationery. He could also be seen on road signs just outside Hays and Manhattan pointing the way to his home campus.

The Tiger returned to his more serious nature in 1978, when he was featured in a circular logo designed by Jackquie Harris Meitler, Palco art student. The Tiger was drawn as though he were a photographic negative; that is, his black stripes were white, and vice versa.

In 1999, a new Tiger graphic was designed by Mary Ridgway, University Relations Creative Director, and it was tested with students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of the university. A few tweaks were made. President Hammond unveiled the first original mascot in the university's long history in a public ceremony April 3, 2000.

A few months later, based on suggestions from students, the new mascot was given his name, Victor E. Tiger.

Alumnus Larry Dreiling, who played the role of the FHSU Tiger mascot as a student, purchased the first Victor E. Tiger mascot suit for the university.

## ABOUT OUR STUDENTS

### ON-CAMPUS STUDENTS

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Fort Hays State University's physical campus is home to an increasingly rich mix of traditional age (18-24 years) and non-traditional age (25-55 years) students from a variety of ethnic, social and cultural backgrounds. Many of the on-campus learners are from Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska and the Midwest with a growing number of international students helping to enrich the traditional learning environment.

### FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS

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Fort Hays State University prides itself on first-generation college students. An individual can claim first-generation student status if neither one of their parents, guardians or siblings possess a four-year degree.

### FHSU ONLINE STUDENTS

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Distance education at Fort Hays State began in 1911 when faculty voted to offer courses free by mail so that one-room school teachers across western Kansas could afford to gain the continuing education required to teach. The distance education department created then evolved continuously with changing technology and culture until, in 1997, the Department of Continuing Education and Instructional Technology became the FHSU Virtual College.

As technology evolved over the past two decades, faculty, staff, and students changed with it. Today, classes are offered through online platforms. The majority of the FHSU students taking classes online vary greatly in age, are working adults with family and community obligations, transfer hours to FHSU from another institution, and are usually seeking a better job or advancement in their current career.

### MILITARY/VETERAN STUDENTS

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FHSU provides educational opportunities to students from every branch of the armed forces including the United States Army, United States Navy, United States Marine Corps, United States Coast Guard, United States Air Force, the National Guard, and various Reserve units.

These students may attend courses either online or on-campus as veterans or current military members. The flexible programs and delivery options allow our service members, veterans, and their families to pursue their education no matter where they are stationed or what their current mission might be.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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Fort Hays State University hosts on-campus international students each year from 20 countries. International students are fully blended into the classroom setting, allowing for a greater level of cultural awareness campus wide.

### INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

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In Fall 2000, FHSU began offering courses in mainland China at Sias International University in Xinzheng, Henan Province. Today, in addition to a partnership with Shenyang Normal University in Shenyang, Liaoning Province, FHSU is serving students with courses taught by FHSU faculty leading to six different FHSU bachelor's degrees. FHSU has other partnerships in China and elsewhere around the world bringing students to the FHSU campus for undergraduate and graduate degrees.

## RETIREMENTS 2020

### FACULTY

C. Frederick Britten	Professor, Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
Mark Eberle	Coordinator, Department of Biological Sciences
Joyce Ellis	Associate Professor, Department of Health and Human Performance
David Goodlett	Associate Professor and Chair, Department of History
Dan Kulmala	Professor, Department of English
Mary Christine Mohn	Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Modern Languages
Kathleen Sanders	Professor, Department of Advanced Education Programs
Gordon Sherman	Professor, Department of Art and Design
Jennie Straight	Instructor, Department of Communication Studies
Beth Walizer	Professor, Department of Teacher Education

### STAFF

Kurt Beyers	Assistant Director, University Relations and Marketing
James Cech	Telecommunications Technician, Technology Services
Margaret Denning	Human Services Practitioner, Kelly Center
Michael Michaelis	Director, FHSU Online
Jon Gregory Panichello	Director, Kansas Small Business Development Center
Debra Prideaux	Director, Alumni
Jane Rajewski	Manager, Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Improvement
Kenton Russell	Coordinator, First Year Experience
Cary Stremel	Manager, Printing Services

# CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations class of 2020 from your FHSU Alumni Association

The FHSU Alumni Association is proud to welcome all members of the Class of 2020 as new Bronze Tiger members of the Alumni Association. You will receive e-mail notification about your new membership status upon verification of your graduation from the university. Your complimentary benefits include receipt of FHSU-TigerTalk, the monthly e-newsletter, access to the online alumni directory, and more!

Want to stay better connected to FHSU and keep abreast of all the excitement in store for the future growth of the university? Consider purchasing an alumni membership with the Alumni Association. Paid members receive many more on and off campus benefits and discounts including all issues of the university magazine, *ROAR* • Tiger Credit Card • Discounts on local and national hotels and rental cars • Tiger merchandise discounts • Tiger Spirit Shop discount • Sternberg Museum discount • Athletic tickets discount • Global travel programs • Access to FHSU Career Services • FHSU Forsyth Library privileges • Invitation to special events and so much more!

The Alumni Association wishes you well in your future endeavors. Wherever your career takes you, please stay in touch with your alma mater. As a new graduate of FHSU, you will become part of a worldwide network of more than 69,000 alumni. Wherever you go, you are always close to Tiger alumni and friends, and we want to ensure that you know about all alumni gatherings in your neighborhood. For more information, contact the Alumni Association by e-mail at [alumni@fhsu.edu](mailto:alumni@fhsu.edu) or by phone at 785-628-4430 or toll free at 1-888-351-3591. Visit the Alumni Association's website or stop by the Alumni Association in the Robbins Center to see our selection of commencement gifts and Class of 2020 T-shirts.

Again, congratulations on your graduation and best wishes in future endeavors from your alma mater!

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Congratulations Class of 2020 from your FHSU Foundation – the fundraising arm of Fort Hays State!

Your FHSU Foundation, along with thousands of donors who generously support scholarships and university needs at Fort Hays State, are proud of your accomplishments.

Please consider thanking an individual who supported you in some capacity while obtaining your degree, and perhaps pay it forward to a future Tiger.

We wish you the best as your journey continues!

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A special thank you to everyone who helped make this commencement ceremony a success.

Without you, we wouldn't be able to keep things running smoothly and efficiently.

Thank you for your time and dedication to making this a memorable event for the newest Fort Hays State University alumni.