



FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY
COMMENCEMENT

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FALL 2021 Commencement

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THE BEGINNING

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

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.

FOR OUR GUESTS

SEATING

Upon entering Gross Memorial Coliseum (GMC), guests will be immediately directed to balcony seating. The elevator is accessible by Gate 3. There will be no general seating on the GMC floor. Exceptions will be made for guests unable to use balcony seating. A commencement staff member will escort the individual(s) and one guest to the accessible seating area on the GMC floor. Seating in this area is limited. An ASL interpreter will be shown on-screen, visible from any seating area.

COURTESY TO GRADUATES

The university wishes to express its appreciation to the audience for extending courtesy to each graduate. Please be reminded that previous graduates have expressed their appreciation for the audience remaining seated and courteous.

This allows the names of all our graduates to be heard by family and friends. We ask that you please turn off your cell phone and remain seated until the end of the ceremony. Please allow all graduates of a college to return to their seats before applauding.

PHOTOS

Photographers from GradImages will take individual photos as each graduate crosses the stage and with the university president. Proofs and forms for ordering will be mailed by GradImages to each candidate after Commencement. Please allow up to five business days for mailing. There is no obligation to purchase photos.

Only press and official university photographers with passes will be allowed to take photos in front of the stage.

FIRST AID

FIRST AID, courtesy of the Ellis County EMS, is located on the lower level at Gate 2.

LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found is located in Room 170, on the lower level near Gate 3. Call 785-628-4199 if you discover a missing item post-Commencement.

AFTER THE CEREMONY

Due to multiple ceremonies taking place on the same day, the university is requesting all graduates and guests to exit the Coliseum promptly after the ceremony. This will allow the event staff to begin cleaning the area and set up for the next event.

CEREMONY

December 17, 2021

Robbins College of Business and Entrepreneurship, College of Health and Behavioral Sciences, and Werth College of Science, Technology and Mathematics

8:30 AM - Gross Memorial Coliseum

Platform Party

Craig Karlin	Registrar and Mace Bearer
Tisa Mason	President
Jill Arensdorf	Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs
Allen Schmidt	Kansas Board of Regents
Joey Linn	Vice President, Student Affairs
Mike Barnett	Vice President, Administration and Finance
Muhammad Chishty	Dean, Robbins College of Business and Entrepreneurship
Jeff Briggs	Dean, College of Health and Behavioral Sciences
P. Grady Dixon	Dean, Werth College of Science, Technology and Mathematics
Angela Pool-Funai	Dean, Graduate School

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences and College of Education

11 AM - Gross Memorial Coliseum

Platform Party

Craig Karlin	Registrar and Mace Bearer
Tisa Mason	President
Jill Arensdorf	Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs
Allen Schmidt	Kansas Board of Regents
Joey Linn	Vice President, Student Affairs
Mike Barnett	Vice President, Administration and Finance
Daniel Blankenship	Interim Dean, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Paul Adams	Dean, College of Education
Angela Pool-Funai	Dean, Graduate School

Marshals

Brett Bieberle, Kimberly Chappell,
Yaprak Dalat Ward, Jung Hee Lee,
Tamara Lynn, Mary Martin,
and Todd Moore

Graduate

James Balthazor, Christa Beiker, Gavin Buffington,
Betsy Crawford, Leo Herrman, Thomas Lippert,
David Schmidt, Juti Winchester, Valerie Zelenka,
and Brett Zollinger
Undergraduate

Event Marshals

C.D. Clark, Seth Kastle,
and Shane Schartz

Flag Bearers

Keith Bremer, Arvin Cruz, Brent Goertzen,
Gyebi Kwarteng, Eric Leuschner,
Duane Shepherd, and Janet Stramel

Commencement Order of Exercises

Prelude

Trumpet Voluntary	Jeremiah Clarke
Rondeau	Jean-Joseph Mouret
Three Pieces	Ludwig Maurer
Largo from Xerxes	George Frederick Handel
Sonata Bankelsangerlieder	Anonymous
Farandole	George Bizet
Amazing Grace, Traditional	(arr. Luther Henderson)
America the Beautiful	Samuel Ward

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance	Edward Elgar
Star Spangled Banner	John Stafford Smith, Francis Scott Key
University Hymn	Donald Stout (Performed by Fort Hays Singers)

Introductions

Jill Arensdorf	Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
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Welcome

Tisa Mason	President
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Recognition of Candidates

Jill Arensdorf	Presentation of Candidates for Education Specialist Degrees
Jill Arensdorf	Presentation of Candidates for Master's Degrees
Tisa Mason	Conferring of Degrees
Jill Arensdorf	Presentation of Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees
Jill Arensdorf	Presentation of Candidates for Associate Degrees
Tisa Mason	Conferring of Degrees

Closing

University Anthem	Fort Hays Singers (recorded)
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Note: The audience will stand during the platform party processional and remain standing for the National Anthem.

An ASL interpreter will be located near the left side of the stage and will be visible on the center screen.

GRADUATE SCHOOL

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.

Angela Pool-Funai
Dean

ROBBINS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION – MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Benjamin Buchanan, Hutchinson
Health Care Management

Jesse R. Cler, Minneapolis, MN
Leadership Studies

Maris Guadalupe Delgadillo, Larned
Leadership Studies

Haley Jo Evans, Garden City
Human Resource Management

Anna Ruth Hinkle, Concordia
Human Resource Management

Brenden Koenigsman, Hays
Digital Marketing

Tara Jo Latham, Meriden
Human Resource Management

Derek Brett Linn, Olathe
Business Administration

Kyle Russell Murphy, Leavenworth
Finance

Drew A. O'Brien, Hays
Finance

Julia Marie Sanders, Wichita
General

Ronald Eduardo Storrer Centurion,
Asuncion, Paraguay

International Business

Corina Leanne Tuggle, Wichita
Finance

Kelsi Josephine Wood, St. Marys
General

Matthew Michael Ziegler, Wichita
Marketing

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

HEALTH AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE - MASTER OF SCIENCE —

Kameron Robert Carey, Kinsley
Health and Human Performance

Tony Crough, Hays
Health and Human Performance

Dalton Jacob Haist, Clay Center
Health and Human Performance

Alex Dale Hutchins, Scott City
Health and Human Performance

Laramie Jade McDaniel, Sedgwick
Health and Human Performance

Kimberly Plaza, Timken
Health and Human Performance

Brent Mathew Schneider, Sterling
Health and Human Performance

Tyler Smaha, Urbandale, IA
Health and Human Performance

Kirsten Laura Stockton, Livermore, CO
Health and Human Performance

Michelle Ann-Marie Stout, Kansas City
Health and Human Performance

Morgan LeeAnn West, La Crosse
Health and Human Performance

Holly Lynn Winiarczyk, Cameron, WI
Health and Human Performance

NURSING - MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING —

Sarah G. Alexander, Burleson, TX
Nursing Education

Bryan J. Beaven, Kansas City, MO
Nursing Administration

Amanda Jo Bessette, Carbondale
Nursing Administration

Taylor A. Bobinski, Clifton, VA
Nursing Administration

Ragin Sue Boise, Lees Summit, MO
Nursing Administration

Amanda Sue Dedonder, Abilene
Nursing Administration

Sarah M. Dreiling, Hays
Nursing Administration

Kathryn Jo Hammond, Columbia, MO
Nursing Education

Kelly Beth Hansen, Lumberton, TX
Nursing Education

Kimberly Huff-Caplan, Olathe
Nursing Education

Terrence Paul Hunt, Orange, CA
Nursing Administration

Kingsley Ndubuisi Iwu, El Paso, TX
Nursing Education

Johanna Ruth Goering Jones,
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Nursing Administration
Kara Q. Nguyen, Silverdale, WA

Nursing Administration

Sarrel Q. Rico, Gig Harbor, WA
Nursing Administration

Amanda Jo Rother, Roberts, WI
Nursing Education

Andrea Kristen Tate, Parker, CO
Nursing Education

Alicia Jones Thompson, Great Falls, SC
Nursing Education

Emily Christine Toon, Wichita
Nursing Education

Marnie B. Weiss, West Orange, NJ
Nursing Education

PROFESSIONAL STUDIES - MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES —

Travis Jay Abrahamson, Spencer, IA
Organizational Leadership

Jessica Alarcon, Dodge City
Criminal Justice

Wolfhard Anim, Bronx, NY
Criminal Justice

Troy Darrin Brown, Winfield
Organizational Leadership

Tracie A. Button, Show Low, AZ
Human Resource Management
Rachel Anne Cronn, Hays
Organizational Leadership
Micheline J. Daccache,
Beirut, Nahr Ibrahim, Lebanon
Organizational Leadership
Katie Scarlett Dailey, Mercer, MO
Public Health Administration
Craig Allen Dilbeck, Hutchinson
Organizational Leadership
James Ezra Edelstein, Prescott Valley, AZ
Organizational Leadership
Reta Georges, San Diego, CA
Human Resources Management
Elmyra Rebecca Hall, Topeka
Organizational Leadership
Jason Kenneth Harper, Kent, OH
Human Resources Management
Caylan Christine Harris, Hays
Human Resources Management
Luka D. Henderson, Sacramento, CA
Organizational Leadership
Katherine J. Hindman, Osborne
Organizational Leadership
Bryanna Nicole Kohler, Beloit
Human Resources Management
Stuart Lenig, Columbia, TN
Instructional Design
Ying Liang, Hays
Music Performance
Erica Ashley Long, Hutchinson
Organizational Leadership

Maggie Mae McCombs, Lakin
Human Resources Management
Samuel Doodly Metellus, Philadelphia, PA
Organizational Leadership
Diane A. Mizer, Hays
Workforce Development
Isabel Maria Peña, Montezuma
Human Resources Management
Yuanlong (David) Qi,
Ben Xi City, Liaoning, China
Computer Networking
Tiffany Dawn Reddig, Palco
Organizational Leadership
Jeffrey Dale Rolland, Columbus, OH
Organizational Leadership
Michael John Rudis, Pinole, CA
Organizational Leadership
Wade W. G. Schneider, Meriden
Criminal Justice
Kassady Jenae Smith, Carlsbad, CA
Human Resources Management
Eduardo Miguel Valdes, Orange City, IA
Human Resources Management
Kimberly Walker, Steubenville, OH
Human Resources Management
Emma S. Ware, Shawnee
Public Health Administration
Earl Brian Yocam, Wichita
Cyber Security
Ke Yu, Chengdu, Sichuan, China
Music Performance

PSYCHOLOGY – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Autumn M. Baraban, Manassas, VA
School
Alexa Jo Beltz, Hugoton
School
Carley Marie Blevins, Basehor
School
Brianna Borders, Gainesville, GA
School
Shelby Brand, Olathe
School
Ryann Beth Bratcher, Morgantown, KY
School
Jamie Lynne Colbert, Philadelphia, PA
School

Andrew Joseph Crisp, Tucson, AZ
School
Monica O. Dunbar,
Monclova, Coahuila, Mexico
School
Cristin Michelle Green, Peoria, AZ
School
Rachel R. Keim, Burlington
School
Julianne Sondra Kemmerer, Dodge City
School
Samantha Lee Mahoney, Spring Hill
School

Lyndsay Renee McKennon, Hays School

Adam C. Nance, Layton, UT School

Nicolas Perdomo, San Antonio, TX Experimental

Brenna Nicole Robertson, Thayer School

Cameron Evangeline Sipe, Umatilla, OR School

Rachel Marie Stritt, Hays Clinical

Brandy R. Venskus, Belle Plaine School

Nashlyn Grace Vidricksen, Ravenna, NE Clinical

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY – MASTER OF SCIENCE —————

Alexandria Johnson, Hays Speech-Language Pathology

Evynn Merritt McGinn, Sedgwick Speech-Language Pathology

Lisbeth Yeraldin Salazar, Kansas City Speech-Language Pathology

WERTH COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND MATHEMATICS

BIOLOGY – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Holly Ann Anderson, Buena Vista, CO

Biology

Erica Lynn Clark, Wheat Ridge, CO

Biology

Scout M. Harrison, Brooklyn, WI

Biology

Diedre Linn Kramer, Clayton

Biology

Sara Charlynn Nansel-Lantz, Hays

Biology

Morgan E. Pearson, Arvada, CO

Biology

GEOSCIENCES – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Thomas Robert Buskuskie, Fredonia, WI

Geology

Blake Russell Chapman, Montgomery, TX

Geosciences

COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

ART – MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Delvin Maurice Goode, Mary Esther, FL
Ceramics
Joshua Brooks Heimsoth, Sedalia, MO
Ceramics

Jared Ean Jennings, Neosho, MO
Drawing
Elizabeth Faye Reimer, Hesston
Graphic Design

ENGLISH – MASTER OF ARTS

Kevin Jordan Darkis, Wichita
English
Meritt Cullen Hammeke, Claflin
English

Tristan Rhea Haynes, Dighton
English
Leah Irene Wissmann, Grand Island, NE
English

HISTORY – MASTER OF ARTS

Randy Aaron Clark, Lawrence
History
Rebecca A. Dalton, Franklin Lakes, NJ
History
Dustin Michael Deboer, Bozeman, MT
History
Joseph Travis Halterman, Spring, TX
History

Rowe Austin Hinkle, Concordia
History
Carly M. Kauffman, Hays
Public History
Michael T. Kruis, Algoma, WI
History
Erin Lynn Trumble, Edgewater, CO
History

LIBERAL STUDIES – MASTER OF LIBERAL STUDIES

Ashley Akeson, Kansas City, MO
Literary Arts
Lee Ann J. Bontrager, Gratis, OH
Corporate Communication
Andrew Carl Brooks, Kansas City
Public Administration
Megan Elizabeth Cain, Wichita
Information Analysis and Communication
Cassidy Camille Cartwright,
Freeport, Bahamas
Information Analysis and Communication
Gary Steven Chávez, Jr., Wichita
Information Analysis and Communication
Michael D. Dunkin, Barnegat, NJ
Teaching and Learning
Rochelle N. Dunmore, Savannah, GA
Public Administration
Derek Tyler Dunn, Derby
Public Administration
Tabbatha T. Johnson, Baton Rouge, LA
Instructional Sciences

Connie Lynn Jordan, Lawrence
Public Administration
Lydia J. Meiss, Overland Park
Political Science
Gabriella Perossio De Melo, Huntington
Beach, CA
Health Sciences
Patrick E. Peterson, East Chicago, IN
Teaching and Learning
Julie A. Pokrinchak, New Milford, CT
Literary Arts
Jetta Smith, Oklahoma City, OK
Political Leadership & Public Service
Daniel Nigel Stent, Dallas, OR
Global Studies
Raymond Harry VanDerVeer, Rifle, CO
Literary Arts
Caitlyn Masin Wood, Brighton, CO
Health Sciences

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL STUDIES – EDUCATION SPECIALIST —

Patrick William Carr, Nashville, TN
Education Innovation and Leadership
Tamera Jean Eckert, Leoti
Education Innovation and Leadership
Sheridan Hirsch, Denver, CO
Education Administration
Michael Scott Kester-Haynes, Olathe
Education Innovation and Leadership

Kacie Lyn Lord, Greenville, NC
Education Innovation and Leadership
Scott David Palser, Larned
Education Administration
Aretta Sherral Raines, Palm Bay, FL
Education Innovation and Leadership

COUNSELING – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Lori Anne Adams, Winchester
School
Mandy L. Bredehoft, Wichita
School
Jason Christopher Crawford, Oskaloosa
School
Darcie Rekae Croisant, Humboldt
School
Tina Donnelly, Salina
School
Angelique Michelle Gifford, Wichita
School
Margaret Olive Hanna, St. Louis, MO
School
Heidi Meggan Hansen, El Dorado
School
Kelsey Denise Hanshaw, Franklin, NE
School
Lauren Harding, Wichita
School
Jillian Dawn Hein, Hillsboro
School
Courtney Jo Hladik, Colwich
School
April Rochelle Jaundoo, Bowie, MD
School
Brianna Maria Kraus, Halstead
School

Chelle Leininger, Hugoton
School
Roman M. Lopez, Coffeyville
School
Allison E. Lubbers, Hays
School
Troy Nanninga, Garden City
Clinical Mental Health
Ashley Grace Orser, Olathe
School
Laurie Catherine Romey, Elma, WA
Clinical Mental Health
Elvia Sanchez, Hugoton
School
Jonna Ilene Skinner, Scandia
School
Jordan Lesly Spencer, Clearwater
School
Tessa Laine Taylor, Goodland
School
Kelli Jean Umscheid, Salina
School
Karma Joy Watters, Roseburg, OR
School
Amy Wiseman, Salix, IA
School
Linda J. Young, Wichita
School

EDUCATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Tonya K. Alm, Hooker, OK
Elementary Education
Anne Amstutz, Peck
Transition to Teaching
Jennifer Marie Bagnas, Burke, VA
English for Speakers of Other Languages

Nicole Dawn Betts, Russell
Transition to Teaching
Derek Eugene Bevan, Bucklin
Transition to Teaching
Keanu Bradley, Rose Hill
Transition to Teaching

Kenneth Andrew Brandon, Tulare, CA

JROTC Instructor Prep

Curtis Brown, Jr., Macon, GA

JROTC Instructor Prep

Cindy Miyoko Buell, Evanston, IL

Reading Specialist

Jeffrey Eugene Calhoun, Dodge City

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Adamo Frederico Callei, Sparks, NV

Higher Education Student Affairs

Samantha Anne Carson, Topeka

Transition to Teaching

Alisha N. Clark, Garden City

Transition to Teaching

Rebekah Ann Coen, Goodwell, OK

Transition to Teaching

Jeanne Ann Cook, Villarrica, Paraguay

Reading Specialist

Alexis Lynn Corbett, Hays

Elementary Education

Lonnie J. Corley, Philadelphia, PA

JROTC Instructor Prep

Taylor Jaye Danielsen, Concordia

Reading Specialist

Brigitte L. Dejarnett, Wellington

Transition to Teaching

Stephanie Dorr-Kitten, Overbrook

Transition to Teaching

Kari E. Duntz, Manhattan

Library Specialist

Courtney Diane Ellis, Lawrence

Elementary Education

Katherine Nicole Flax, Ransom

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Sabrina L. Frerichs, Dodge City

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Mallory Grabendike, Wichita

Transition to Teaching

Alison Christine Grahe, Liberal

Transition to Teaching

Michaela Andrea Gray, Onawa, IA

Transition to Teaching

Cameron Joseph Gutierrez, Andover

Elementary Education

Keegan Nicolle Hanson, Andover

Transition to Teaching

Tiffany Nhi Harlan, Wichita

Transition to Teaching

Ivan Joseph Hartung, Manhattan

Transition to Teaching

Chelsea Marie Haskett, Hays

Mathematics

Christopher Ryan Hutson, Wichita

Transition to Teaching

Veronica Paris Ingram, Dacula, GA

JROTC Instructor Prep

Jordan Renee Jackson, Coldwater

Transition to Teaching

John David Jacob, Sagamore Hills, OH

JROTC Instructor Prep

Ki-Arra L. Johnson, Wichita

Business

Brionna Michelle June, Jonesboro, GA

Higher Education Student Affairs

Brian Trent Killmon, Omaha, NE

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Bryon Anthony Kinsman, Oregon, OH

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Sandra Diane Klucas, Silver Lake

Elementary Education

Jordan Tyler Knox, Wichita

Transition to Teaching

Bonnie K. Lane, Haysville

Reading Specialist

Sarah Elizabeth Lasater, Enid, OK

Library Specialist

Kelsey R. Levin, Kensington

Reading Specialist

Ashley Kristine Likes, Rose Hill

Higher Education Student Affairs

Danielle Litke, Cottonwood Falls

Reading Specialist

Velton Locklear, Jr., El Paso, TX

JROTC Instructor Prep

Stephanie Jane Manis, Goodwell, OK

Transition to Teaching

Martha Elizabeth Martinez, Dodge City

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Katy Anne McCarty, Auburn

Elementary Education

Jaymz Anthony McKind, Columbus, OH

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Jane Miller, Tuscaloosa, AL

Higher Education Student Affairs

Julianna Mae Montgomery, Dodge City

Elementary Education

Chelsey Abigail Nichols, Shawnee

Transition to Teaching

Abby Lynn Onelio, Arkansas City

Transition to Teaching

Gabriela Quezada, Dodge City

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Mary Kaitlin Rains, Sturgis, MI

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Teresa A. Riner, Topeka
Library Specialist
Sarah Nicolle Rodecap, Topeka
English for Speakers of Other Languages
Halee Dawn Russell, Hiawatha
Transition to Teaching
Katelyn Aileen Schifflbein, Russell
Transition to Teaching
Christa L. Schroeder, Moundridge
Elementary Education
Melinda Sue Smith, Arkansas City
Transition to Teaching
Nancy Lynne Smith, El Dorado
Library Specialist
Yuanbo Song, Yukon, MO
Higher Education Student Affairs
Laura Joy Spencer, Baxter Springs
Reading Specialist
Brooke Stahlecker, Larned
Transition to Teaching
Ashley Strecker, Abilene
Higher Education Student Affairs
Emma Claire Stroyan, Bloomington, IL
Transition to Teaching

Xiurong Sun, Mililani, HI
English for Speakers of Other Languages
Naicee Diane Sutter, Alva, OK
Transition to Teaching
Ian Swalwell, Kansas City, MO
Transition to Teaching
Yueheng Tang,
Xinzheng City, Henan, China
Higher Education Student Affairs
Kaley Lynn Taylor, Topeka
Reading Specialist
Keshia Walden, Bird City
Transition to Teaching
Hannah G. Weller, Wichita
Reading Specialist
Tina L. White, Moscow
Mathematics
Kathryn Eliza Hambleton Willers, Olathe
English for Speakers of Other Languages
Jamie Andrew Willey, Parsons
Elementary Education
Kathryn L. Wilson, Syracuse
Elementary Education
Jennifer L. Wutkee, Moorpark, CA
English for Speakers of Other Languages

EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE

William Everett Allen, Brewster
Education Administration
Dillon J. Blake, Eudora
Education Administration
Tracy N. Brill, Hugoton
Education Administration
Mandy Burger, Sylvan Grove
Education Administration
Lynda Marquette Downing, Garden City
Education Administration
Craig Hinson Frederick, Wichita
Education Administration
Robin Michelle Gier, High Point, MO
Education Administration
Clint Charles Heffern, Pittsburg
Education Administration
Patric Eliot Jackson, Wichita
Education Administration
Justine Danielle Johnson, Las Vegas, NV
Education Administration
Zachary Thomas Kliever, Haysville
Education Administration
Jenny K. Knoche, Abbyville
Education Administration

Andrew Stephen Lee, Garden City
Education Administration
Zachary Neuerburg, Rock Island, IL
Education Administration
Erika Kristine Norris, Glade
Education Administration
Kevin A. Ohls, Oakbrook Terrace, IL
Education Administration
Macy Marissa Pickman, Buhler
Education Administration
Tiegen Kenneth Podliska, Ottumwa, IA
Education Administration
Rosanne E. Quintero, Gibert, AZ
Education Administration
Conor R. Reilly, Hutchinson
Education Administration
Daniel Thomas Rogers, Dodge City
Education Administration
Katlyn Haley Rule, Topeka
Education Administration
Lucia Marie Michaela Schoenecker, Clearwater
Education Administration
Samantha Lucille Tabb, St. Louis, MO
Education Administration

Zane Theodore Warnken, Corvallis, MT
Education Administration
Kimber Michelle Wedel, Grower, MO
Education Administration
Aubrey Marie Wheeler, Pueblo, CO
Education Administration

Haleigh Lynn Wood, Belpre
Education Administration
Gavin D. Wuthrich, Whitewater
Education Administration
Nicole Louise Zuniga, Greeley, CO
Education Administration

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Eric William Altevogt, Manhattan
Instructional Technology
Jacob Anderson, Sioux Falls, SD
Instructional Technology
Laura Anderson, Sioux Falls, SD
Instructional Technology
Stacey Baedke, Marshall, MN
Instructional Technology
Bj Beiker, Palco
Instructional Technology
Megan Louise Goodheart Beiker, Bison
Instructional Technology
Rachel Cora Bellah, Olathe
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Tara Nicole Linn, Hays
Kathleen Elizabeth Long,
Rossville
Kameron Dawn Lowery,
Dodge City
Brendan C.T. Marston,
Neenah, WI
Elise J. Miller, Clarksville, TN
Stephanie Lynn Mullins,
Kansas City
Amber Riley Page, Coldwater
Alexa Shaye Peden, Colby
Kaitlyn Alex Pell, Haven

Makaila J. Peltier, Concordia
Joshua Del Pemberton, Hays
Makenzie Lee Regan,
Frederick, CO
Kaden Joseph Riekenberg,
Dodge City
Stephen T. Robertson,
Kansas City, MO
Cheyenne Rowe, Dighton
Jhauna Renee Ruland, Wichita
Kayla Satomi, Hays
Sierra M. Schmidt, Ellis
Molly Louise Schneider, Olmitz
Sarah Nicole Schoenberger,
WaKeeney
Erin Elizabeth Simar,
Columbia, MO
Loryn M. Smith, Valley Center
Abigail N. Soncksen,
Hayes Center, NE
Amanda Jo Stallbaumer, Seneca
Luis Adrian Suarez, Gardner
Jessica J. Terry, Wichita
Alexus Paige Thomas, Belle
Plaine
McKena Thomsen, Byers, CO
Marcelo Varas, Vancouver, WA
Zoey L. Wands, Hill City
Madison Janae Wiens, Colby

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.

2021	Hendratta Ali	2004	Steven Trout
2020	Rick Edgeman	2003	Paula Boire
2019	P. Grady Dixon	2002	Linda Ganstrom
2018	Mary Martin	2001	Thomas T. Jackson
2017	Jennifer Bonds-Raacke	2000	Ruth Firestone
2016	S. Christopher Bennett	1999	Kenneth Neuhauser
2015	Chapman Rackaway	1998	Kathleen Kuchar
2014	Dosse Toulaboe	1997	Paul R. Krutak
2013	Chris Crawford	1996	Michael F. Jilg
2012	Richard Packauskas	1995	Nancy S. Vogel
2011	Amy Schmierbach	1994	Albert J. Geritz
2010	Greg Farley	1993	Weldon F. Zenger
2009	Paul Adams	1992	Raymond Wilson
2008	John Heinrichs	1991	Lewis M. Miller
2007	Norman Caulfield	1990	Eugene Fleharty
2006	Richard Zakrzewski	1989	Stephen B. Klein
2005	Jerry Choate		

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.

2021	Kris Munsch	2013	Scott Jones	2005	Jill Stafford
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

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.

2021	Blaine Wertz
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>2021 Eric Gillock 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.

2021	Grace Wasinger	1989	Darcey Lee Deines
2020	Adam Flax		Lee Alan Fisher
2019	Remington Behrends	1988	Tammy Eilert
2018	Keshawn Sewell		Joe Dinges
2017	Giles Fox	1987	Connie Brachtenbach
2016	Arianne Fisher		Lee M. Gross
2015	Cody Scheck	1986	Diane Erker
2014	Jordan Voss		Robert Amerine
2013	Jessica Tormey	1985	Gerilyn M. Giebler
2012	Layne Krizek		Mark Bannister
2011	Michelle Webb	1984	Betty Burk
2010	Andrew Leiker		Kenton Kersting
2009	Katie Edwards	1983	Cheryl Knabe
2008	Joan Dreiling		Kevin Faulkner
2007	Diane Becker	1982	Katherine K. Jellison
2006	Jason Crist		Steven J. Hess
2005	Mitch Hall	1981	Geralyn Kraus
2004	Jennifer Mayers		Robert Wilson
2003	Rigo Ramirez	1980	Jennifer Thorns
2002	Rebecca Blocksome		Jeffrey Peier
2001	Julie Ann Brull	1979	Sharon Meyer
2000	Lena Sidders		Michael Pauls
1999	Mardy Robinson	1978	Ramona Weigel
1998	Karen E. Meier		Timothy Doughty
1997	Travis Crites	1977	Matasha Otte
1996	Stacia Gressel		Richard Bauer
1995	Mary Desch	1976	Barbara Broeckelman
	Karla Wagner		John Dorsch
1994	Tammy Brooks	1975	Kathy Bahner
1993	Grant Bannister		Rick Kellerman
1992	Coy Martin	1974	Cynthia M. Hartman
1991	Marlys Gwaltney		Marcus Bassett
1990	Doris Lang		
	Mordecai Boone		

ACADEMIC HISTORY

HISTORY OF COMMENCEMENT

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, Gross Memorial Coliseum, and virtually

HISTORY OF THE ACADEMIC MACE

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

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

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. 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.

These colors are associated with the different academic disciplines. Fort Hays State University's hoods and tassels are the university colors: black and gold.

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

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

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



2021

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

Fort Hays State University's physical campus is home to a 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 approximately 3,815 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

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

Fort Hays State has been dedicated to distance education since 1911 when Kansas teachers in one-room schools began the first free correspondence courses. In 1997, the FHSU Virtual College brought distance education online, and after more than two decades of innovation and experience, the Virtual College became FHSU Online in 2020.

Now with 200 fully-online programs, FHSU Online is an award-winning leader of online education, and one of only six institutions certified by the United States Distance Learning Association. The students of FHSU Online share much with those one-room teachers of yesteryear: work experience, previous education, an ambition to advance, and a desire to give back to their communities. By providing these students with an exceptional and affordable education, FHSU Online continues the university's long legacy.

MILITARY/VETERAN STUDENTS

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

Fort Hays State University welcomes international students each year from over 30 countries. International students bring a cultural richness to our campus and community as well as adding a global perspective to our classrooms. FHSU is a leader in providing education for international students both on-campus and online.

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

FHSU serves students on campus, online and at our partner universities in mainland China. In Fall 2000, FHSU began offering in person courses to Chinese students at Zhengzhou Sias University in Xinzheng, Henan, China which is the sister city to Hays, Kansas. In Fall 2003, FHSU expanded to Shenyang Normal University in Shenyang, Lioaning, China. FHSU has graduated over 5,000 Chinese students with similar graduation ceremonies conducted each Spring in China. FHSU's global footprint extends to several international partners whereby FHSU recruits study abroad students and visiting scholars.

RETIREMENTS 2021

FACULTY

Kent Deines	Director, Robbins Banking Institute, Department of Economics, Finance and Accounting
B. Jeffrey Jordan	Associate Professor, Department of Music and Theatre

STAFF

Joleen Briggs	Academic Services Administrator, Academic Programs and Student Success
Joan Brown	Accounting Specialist, Student Fiscal Services
Dorothy Staab	Academic Program Specialist, Advanced Education Programs
Brenda Urban	Degree Analyst, Registrar's Office

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Alison Atkins	Associate Professor, Department of Music and Theatre
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Leslie Hauck	FHSU Online Instructor, Department of Applied Technology
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Ann Liston	Associate Professor, Department of History
Patricia Luea	FHSU Online Instructor, Department of Mathematics
Clarice Peteete	Associate Professor, Department of Nursing
Helmut Schmeller	Professor, Department of History
Pamela Shaffer	Professor, Department of English
Gordon Sherman	Professor, Department of Art and Design
Phyllis Tiffany	Professor, Department of Psychology

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations class of 2021 from your FHSU Alumni Association

The FHSU Alumni Association is proud to welcome all members of the Class of 2021 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 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 2021 T-shirts.

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

Congratulations Class of 2021 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!

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.

UNIVERSITY HYMN

DR. DONALD STOUT

STANDING TALL ON THE WESTERN PLAIN,
BORN OF THE SUN, AND WIND, AND RAIN,
WESTERN KANSAS GIVES YOU PRAISE,
ALMA MATER, FORT HAYS!

FROM THE PAST OUR FUTURE WE DESIGN,
LET THE LIGHT OF OUR KNOWLEDGE SHINE!
OUR SONG OF PRAISE WE BRING TO YOU;
ALMA MATER, ALMA MATER, FORT HAYS.

ALMA MATER

ARR. JUERGENS

ON THE PLAINS OF WESTERN KANSAS
STANDS A SCHOOL WE ALL LOVE WELL.
'T WAS BUILT BY THE TOIL OF OUR FATHERS;
TO ITS GLORY OUR VOICES SWELL.

CHORUS:

HAIL TO OLD FORT HAYS STATE!
LET YOUR VOICES RING.
PRAISE FOR THE BLACK AND GOLD
WE WILL EVER SING.
LONG MAY OUR VALOR LAST
THROUGH THE FUTURE DAYS,
HON'RING AND PRAISING
DEAR FORT HAYS.

IN THE YEARS THAT LIE BEFORE US
WE FORESEE OUR LAND'S MANY NEEDS.
THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF NEW GENERATIONS,
WE'LL GO ON TO MORE NOBLE DEEDS.

