

2019

Fall Commencement

Friday, December 13





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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

COURTESY TO GRADUATES

The university wishes to express its appreciation to the audience for extending courtesy to each graduate. Before we begin, 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 silence 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.

SEATING

Seating is available for family and friends on the bleachers and in the balcony. Reservation of large sections of seating is not allowed. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Security officers have been asked to monitor seating and will request the removal of any effort or materials intended to reserve seats. Please help us make seating guests a pleasant experience.

Limited seating is available for the disabled in the bleacher area on either side in front of the stage. One person, if necessary, will be allowed to accompany an individual in this seating area.

Seating is available for the hearing impaired in Section C. Rebecca Luedders will act as the sign language interpreter for those guests requiring that service.

PHOTOS

It is respectfully requested that individuals refrain from taking photos in front of the stage and on the stage floor aisles where the candidates are seated, as this disrupts the

flow of traffic for the candidates in the commencement ceremony. Graduates and their families are welcome to use the stage after the ceremony for photos.

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 785-639-1790 if you discover a missing item post-Commencement.

THE CEREMONY

December 13, 2019
1 PM • Gross Memorial Coliseum

Platform Party

Craig Karlin	Registrar and Mace Bearer
Tisa Mason	President
Jill Arensdorf	Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs
Mark Hutton	Kansas Board of Regents
Joey Linn	Vice President, Student Affairs
Mike Barnett	Vice President, Administration and Finance
Paul Faber	Dean, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Melissa Hunsicker Walburn	Interim Dean, Robbins College of Business and Entrepreneurship
Paul Adams	Dean, College of Education
P. Grady Dixon	Interim Dean, Werth College of Science, Technology and Mathematics
Jeff Briggs	Dean, College of Health and Behavioral Sciences
Glen McNeil	Interim Dean, Graduate School

Marshals

Kimberly Chappell, Pauline Scott, Candace Mehaffey-Kultgen, Robert Moody, David Fitzhugh, and Bill Stark	Graduate School
Chris Mohn and Eric Leuschner	Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Jessica Heronemus and Rachel Dolechek	Business and Entrepreneurship
Valerie Zelenka and Janet Stramel	Education
Christine Hober and Greg Kandt	Health and Behavioral Sciences
James Balthazor and Becky Newell	Science, Technology and Mathematics

Flag Bearers

Kenton Olliff	Graduate School
Eric Leuschner	Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Cole Engel	Business and Entrepreneurship
Linda Feldstein	Education
Carol Patrick	Health and Behavioral Sciences
Arvin Cruz	Science, Technology and Mathematics

Commencement Order of Exercises

Prelude

Declaration Overture	Claude T. Smith
Three Ayers from Gloucester	Hugh M. Stuart
Donna Nobis Pacem	James Suddeth
Flourish for Wind Band	Ralph Vaughan Williams
The Patriots	Clifton Williams
Ave Maria	Franz Biebl
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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Greetings

Mark Hutton	Kansas Board of Regents
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Recognition of Candidates

Jill Arensdorf	Presentation of Candidates for Education Specialist Degrees
Tisa Mason	Conferring of Degrees
Jill Arensdorf	Presentation of Candidates for Master's Degrees
Tisa Mason	Conferring of Degrees
Jill Arensdorf	Presentation of Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees
Tisa Mason	Conferring of 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 interpreter and limited seating for the hearing impaired will be located in Section C.

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.

Glen McNeil
Interim Dean

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL STUDIES – EDUCATION SPECIALIST —

Sarah Diane Armstrong, Edwardsville
Education Innovation and Leadership

Brandon Robert Bauer, Wentzville, MO
Education Innovation and Leadership

Nathan W. Davis III, Seaford, DE
Education Administration

Babu George, Hays
Education Innovation and Leadership

Jack Hatton Jr., Pearland, TX
Education Innovation and Leadership

Patrick Maestas Jr., Las Cruces, NM
Education Innovation and Leadership

Amy Michelle Turner, Belpre
Education Administration

Nancy Marie Zenger-Beneda, Cuba
Education Innovation and Leadership

COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

ART – MASTER OF FINE ARTS —

Jacque Lynn McDonald, Reeds, MO
Art (Ceramics)

COMMUNICATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE —

Oumoul Khairy Camara, Dakar, Senegal
Communication (General)

Connor M. Schultz, Garden City
Communication (Organizational)

ENGLISH – MASTER OF ARTS —

Holly Allen Ray, Hays
English

Judy M. Sansom, Hill City
English

HISTORY – MASTER OF ARTS

James Lee Autry, Winder, GA
History

Lisa Marie Owens, Liberal
History

Christian Randall Peltier, Hampton, SC
History

Roberto Miguel Rodriguez, Blaine, MN
History

Daniel Aden Snyder, El Paso, TX
History

LIBERAL STUDIES – MASTER OF LIBERAL STUDIES

Mary Gere Bridger, Hutchinson
Literary Arts

Sean Patrick Dougherty, Bucks County, PA
Global Studies

Andrea L. Easterly, Wichita
Corporate Communication

Mikayla Mae Ehlers, Walton, NE
Literary Arts

Joseph Fallon, Boston, MA
Information Analysis and Communication

Nino Gojiashvili, Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia
Political Leadership and Public Service

Jason Alan Hirthler, New York, NY
Literary Arts

Lisa V. Ignoto, Tecumseh
Organizational Leadership

Stephanie Sue Kearns, Herriman, UT
Political Science

Bo Li, Shanxi, Shaanxi, China
Political Leadership and Public Service

Kelsie L. Mazanowski, Berlin, PA
Gerontology

Anna Stella Nalumansi, Kampala, Uganda
Global Management

Adam N. Schaffer, Cameron, NC
Health Sciences

Laura Leticia Soto, South San Francisco, CA
Public Administration

Monica Claire Talbott, Wichita
Gerontology

W. Shane Walker, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Health Sciences

Draya Sioux Woolf-Wilson, Jasper, AL
Global Studies

Katherine A. Young, Marion
Public Administration

ROBBINS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION – MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Patricia Margarita Barra, North East, MD
Human Resource Management

Xiangyu Diao, Zhoukou, Henan, China
Business Administration

Kayce Lynn Feldkamp, Seneca
Business Administration

Jia Gui, Zhengzhou, Henan, China
Accounting

Oluwatoyin Rasheedat Hassan,
Ikorodu, Lagos, Nigeria
Human Resource Management

Tiffany Marie Langer, Aberdeen, SD
Digital Marketing

Nicole Dawn Leiter, Kildeer, IL
International Business

Samuel Lincoln Ottley, Victoria
Business Administration

Soloniaina Nicole Ramasiarimalala Manase,
Antananarivo, Madagascar

Finance

Tian Ren, Zhumadian, Henan, China
Finance

Armando Rubio, Dodge City
Accounting
Cristal Marisol Ugarte, Kansas City
Finance
Seppe Antonie van 't Westende,
Leiden, Zuid-Holland, Netherlands
Business Administration
Michael Weston Wall, Montezuma
Finance

Anthony Jerwayne Washington, Kansas City, MO
Health Care Management
Samantha Anne Wright, Windom
Human Resource Management
Joshua Andrew Yunos, Jacksonville, FL
Human Resource Management/
Sports Management

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

COUNSELING – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Andrea Cromwell Birzer, Ellinwood
School
Brittney M. Bonham, Paola
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Emily Jean Boyd, Meade
School
Christian Louise Brown, Grantville
School
Jason Christopher Crawford, Topeka
School
Monroe Gilbert Evans Jr., Omaha, NE
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Candy Lynnette Fitzpatrick, Salina
School
Melanie L. Gifford, Holcomb
School
Amber Renee Lindberg, Concordia
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Pamela Jane Madsen, Buford, GA
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Timmey M. McClure Jr., Dodge City
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Michelle Renae McKnight, Wichita
School
Kaci Christine Nichols, Wilson
School
Justin Michael Pierce, Medicine Lodge
School
Sawyer Bair Ptacek, Lincoln
School
Heather Leah Reimer, Ulysses
School
Elizabeth Mae Settlemyer, Hugoton
School
Tyler Evan Smith, Horton
School
Elaine Sue Vaughn, Olympia, WA
Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Joanne Renee Wondra, Great Bend
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

EDUCATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Bader Mahd Abukhodair, Hays
Education
Janae Nicole Adams, Topeka
Reading Specialist
Madelyn Josephine Adkins, Leawood
Reading Specialist
Hillary Nicole Allison, Roeland Park
Reading Specialist
Rachel Lauren Barnes, Olathe
Library Specialist
Derek John Base, Wichita
Transition to Teaching

Clareisa Michelle Lawson Bayouth, Stillwater, OK
Transition to Teaching
Brittany Nicole Bemus, Topeka
Reading Specialist
Katie Michelle Berkley, Tescott
Reading Specialist
Riley Marie Bleam, Manson, IA
Higher Education Student Affairs
Shane Ryan Britt, Mankato
Higher Education Student Affairs
Karlie Rose Brown, Wichita
Transition to Teaching

Cassandra Jolinda Bryant, Manhattan
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Sarah Michelle Bunch, New Smyrna Beach, FL
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Jaime Michelle Byers, Hoisington
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Cynthia Diane Chavez, Salina
 Reading Specialist
Lacie Taylor Clarke, Holcomb
 Higher Education Student Affairs
Kyle Benjamin Cline, Mulvane
 Transition to Teaching
Jessica Rose Conklin, Green Bay, WI
 Higher Education Student Affairs
Katie G. Crowdis, Augusta
 Reading Specialist
Casey Jane Cunningham, Topeka
 Reading Specialist
Ann Leslie David, Mission
 Transition to Teaching
Sheyvette Denise Dinkens, Kansas City
 Transition to Teaching
Jade Amanda Edmondson, Parkville, MO
 Reading Specialist
Kelly Marie Ermeling, St. Charles, MO
 Library Specialist
Cheyenne Nicole Federau, Fowler
 Transition to Teaching
Meagan Ruth Feril, St. John
 Mathematics
Jayme Leigh Goetz, Hays
 Mathematics
Joshua Ryan Gray, Topeka
 Transition to Teaching
Christina Leeanna Griffin, Cimarron
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Alicia Sue Hajek, Wichita
 Reading Specialist
Sam Harmon, Palm Harbor, FL
 JROTC Instructor Prep
Sarah Ann Harris, Topeka
 Reading Specialist
Kayla Rene Henningsen, Garden City
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Jesse Monroe Hodgson, Montezuma
 Transition to Teaching
Johna Teresa Hungler, Pawleys Island, SC
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Benjamin C. Ireland, Rutherford, NJ
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Megan Nicole James, Concordia
 Reading Specialist
Darrell Travis Johnson Sr., Grayson, GA
 JROTC Instructor Prep
Traci Elizabeth Johnson, Green
 Library Specialist
John S. Kennedy, New Smyrna Beach, FL
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Matthew Kinders, Edmond, OK
 Reading Specialist
Patricia Lachelle King, Rosehill
 Reading Specialist
Andrea Rakushin Lee, Creedmoor, NC
 English for Speakers of Other Language
Sandra Lynn Liby, Berryton
 Reading Specialist
Morgan Alexandra Long, Salina
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Russel Mason, Bossier, LA
 JROTC Instructor Prep
Elizabeth Antoinette Mlotkiewicz, Wichita
 Transition to Teaching
Megan Marie Montoya, Tipton
 Reading Specialist
Karen P. Muci-Ekberg, Great Bend
 English for Speakers of Other Languages
Meaghan Lindsay Orlando, Lawrence
 Reading Specialist
Jennifer Cherie Ort, Jetmore
 Transition to Teaching
Jessica Renae Painter, Tonganoxie
 Transition to Teaching
Brittany Lacharles Pannell, Rochester, NY
 Higher Education Student Affairs
Logan Tayler Pegram, Lawrence
 Transition to Teaching
Ashley Dawn Podschun, Dodge City
 Transition to Teaching
Kristen Ann Pontius, Larned
 Transition to Teaching
Amber N. Potts, Garden City
 Transition to Teaching
Ellannee Raeshirl Rajewsky, Ann Arbor, MI
 Higher Education Student Affairs
Julie M. Riedel, Wichita
 Transition to Teaching
Todd Jeffrey Robinett, Salina
 Transition to Teaching
Jeffrey Lee Samson, Ludell
 Transition to Teaching
Storm Tyler Scott, Belle Plaine
 Transition to Teaching
Madeline Elizabeth Shay, Overland Park
 Reading Specialist
Katie Marie Sheahon, Andale
 Reading Specialist
Rachel Grace Shellhammer, Wichita
 Transition to Teaching
Ryan Nicolas Shellhammer, Wichita
 Transition to Teaching
Jessica Marie Steele, Salina
 English for Speakers of Other Languages

Colleen M. Steffenhagen, Chaffee, NY
English for Speakers of Other Languages
Tyler D. Stoldt, Manhattan
Higher Education Student Affairs
Taylor Nicole Stucky, McPherson
Transition to Teaching
Laura Mae Tiglao, Tacome, WA
Higher Education Student Affairs
Marla Kristine Uribe, Chino Hills, CA
English for Speakers of Other Languages
Lydia Lee Vasquez, Lenexa
Reading Specialist
Lydia Luying Wang, Kansas City
Transition to Teaching
Ashley B. Wetmore, Dodge City
Higher Education Student Affairs

Abraham White, Dodge City
English for Speakers of Other Languages
Denise Suzanne White, Wamego
Reading Specialist
Megan Essie White Face, Pine Ridge, SD
Higher Education Student Affairs
Stefanie Marie Will, Loomis, CA
Reading Specialist
Haley Jo Wolf, Ellis
Transition to Teaching
Amy Jane Woodcock, Fredonia
Reading Specialist
Cortney Ann Youngers, Junction City
Reading Specialist

EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE

McKenzie Stephens Allen, Wichita
Education Administration
Miranda Kay Attwood, Smith Center
Education Administration
Rebecca Suzanne Barton, Wichita
Education Administration
Theodore Quinten Brown, Dodge City
Education Administration
Tyler Alan Bruce, Sublette
Education Administration
Robert Joseph Brungardt, Hoisington
Education Administration
Dalton Daniel Burkhard, Dodge City
Education Administration
Allyson Nicole Clanton, Oskaloosa
Education Administration
Cortney Alise Crandon, Wichita
Education Administration
Christopher Alan Deason, Huxley, IA
Education Administration
Afton Elizabeth Diehl, Enterprise
Education Administration
Mark Edward Dudley, Lexington, SC
Education Administration
Amelia Fabrizius, Hesston
Education Administration
Paige Maria Fickbohm, Kansas City
Education Administration
Heather Alma Fiori, Vineland, NJ
Education Administration
Keith D. George, Belle Plaine
Education Administration
Mindy Gower, Phillipsburg
Education Administration
Sydney Marie Graf, Cheney
Education Administration

Victoria Marie Groat, Battle Creek, MI
Education Administration
Tanner Hageman, Cheney
Education Administration
Curtis John Hamilton, Topeka
Education Administration
Jonathan N. Hansen, Dodge City
Education Administration
Trevor Allen Henningsen, Hays
Education Administration
Meagan Renee Henry, Great Bend
Education Administration
Shelby Margaret Herbel, Wichita
Education Administration
Ryan P. Hill, Rose Hill
Education Administration
Joshua Bradley Johnson, Ulysses
Education Administration
Kyla Ann Kahrs, Colorado City, CO
Education Administration
Nicholas Karn, Colorado Springs, CO
Education Administration
Krickit Ketterl, Oberlin
Education Administration
Kalli Jo Kruse, Beloit
Education Administration
Ann-Marie Luekenga Kunz, Victor, ID
Education Administration
Stefanie Marie Lane, Clay Center
Education Administration
Gregory Dean Lazor, Osterburg, PA
Education Administration
Cody Lewis McCoy, Tonganoxie
Education Administration

Andra Kirsten McKenna, Rose Hill
Education Administration
Carla Ivon Medrano, Dodge City
Education Administration
Lisa Renee Medved, Pueblo, CO
Education Administration
Kerri Deshaun Miles, Liberal
Education Administration
Chad Michael Millard, St. Charles, MO
Education Administration
Brandy Muller Pierce, Columbus
Education Administration
Jill S. Nech, Kensington
Education Administration
Gene W. Newcomb, Oklahoma City, OK
Education Administration
Joel David Patterson, Overland Park
Education Administration
Eric Jay Pollock, Warwick, RI
Education Administration
Paul Mathew Pomykala, Boonton, NJ
Education Administration
Jason Livingston Poyfair, Las Vegas, NV
Education Administration
Tanner Wade Rainbolt, Olathe
Education Administration

Robert Kameron Ridley, Gardner
Education Administration
Travis Jay Schafer, Moundridge
Education Administration
Shawn W. Seematter, Pittsburg
Education Administration
Kourtney Nicole Self, Council Bluffs, IA
Education Administration
Tanner Lee Smith, Goodland
Education Administration
Adam M. Sobba, White City
Education Administration
Amy Elizabeth Beigel Steadman, Derby
Education Administration
Shea L. Twenter, Raymore, MO
Education Administration
Danica Lee Uhl, Natoma
Education Administration
Jacob Wade Waller, Garden City
Education Administration
Shelby Taylor Westfahl, Hutchinson
Education Administration
Keith Wyatt Wisher, Clayton, DE
Education Administration

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Sarah Alexis Ackerman, Spring Hill
Instructional Technology
Kendall Paige Baghott-Salmon, Boise, ID
Instructional Technology
Clinton James Bextel, Rose Hill
Instructional Technology
Mark Allen Blakely, Lena, IL
Instructional Technology
Alycia Marie Brantz, Harrisburg, SD
Instructional Technology
Brendan Charles Buchanan, Denver, CO
Instructional Technology
Allen Antez Cannon, New Haven, CT
Instructional Technology
Erica Rachelle Caudillo, Wichita
Instructional Technology
Elizabeth Joy Cox, Marietta, GA
Instructional Technology
Jared Craig, Batavia, OH
Instructional Technology
Matthew E. Demko, Wilton, NY
Instructional Technology
Shelby Nicole Dinkel, Salina
Instructional Technology
Dana Lynn Eastes, Manhattan
Instructional Technology

Ashley Marie Fawl, Overbrook
Instructional Technology
Hayley Kathleen Ferguson, Parker, CO
Instructional Technology
Kelli Michelle Francis, Randolph
Instructional Technology
Tammy Friedman, Ridgefield, CT
Instructional Technology
Daniel Jared Gaugler, Wadsworth, OH
Instructional Technology
Billie Jo Glenn, Boone, IA
Instructional Technology
Amy Marie Golay, Garden City
Instructional Technology
Michelle Lynn Grau, Cincinnati, OH
Instructional Technology
David Luke Greenfield, Ames, IA
Instructional Technology
Lindsey Mae Haug, Seneca
Instructional Technology
Marina D. Hayner, St. Joseph, MO
Instructional Technology
Jillian Susanne Henning, Augusta
Instructional Technology
Brian S. Hults, Terre Haute, IN
Instructional Technology

Anna Kerlee, Easton, WA
Instructional Technology
Kevin J. Leimeister, Orrville, OH
Instructional Technology
Matthew Tyler McConnell, Wadsworth, OH
Instructional Technology
Kinsy Wayne McVay, Gypsum
Instructional Technology
Kaleigh Anne Melander, Rose Hill
Instructional Technology
Mellany Leigh Mitchell, Spring Hill
Instructional Technology
Heather Jean Moore, Freeport, IL
Instructional Technology
Charles Richard Murphy, Columbia, SC
Instructional Technology
Brandon Lynn Nelson, Wichita
Instructional Technology
Martin Masao Nishida, Arvada, CO
Instructional Technology
Samantha Rae Payne, Garden City
Instructional Technology
Izabela Pintarich, Sciota, PA
Instructional Technology
Stuart Jacob Rhodes, Colorado Springs, CO
Instructional Technology

Ronda Salah Samuelson, Mission Viejo, CA
Instructional Technology
Nicholas Paul Schoeneman, Pittsburgh, PA
Instructional Technology
Damla Sophia Schreiner, Carthage, NC
Instructional Technology
Russell Sears, Hull, MA
Instructional Technology
Deanna F. Sittner, Tonganoxie
Instructional Technology
Paul M. Stahl, Kansas City, MO
Instructional Technology
Ibrahim Tuncel, Garfield, NJ
Instructional Technology
Martin Phillip Tuttle, Boise, ID
Instructional Technology
Samuel Alfonso Villamizar,
Berrien Springs, MI
Instructional Technology
Justin Scott Waterman, Avon, CT
Instructional Technology
Ashley Rosamond Watt, Rock
Instructional Technology

SPECIAL EDUCATION – MASTER OF SCIENCE

Amy Elizabeth Barnhart, Independence
High Incidence
Brianna Dawn Boyce, Lenexa
High Incidence
Milton Leroy Bryan, Andover
High Incidence
Carmen I. Carson, Augusta
High Incidence
Kelsey Marie Clemons, Oxford
High Incidence
Jessica Jordan Denio, Phillipsburg
High Incidence
Seth Michael Dills, Clearwater
High Incidence
Lynne A. Easter, Beloit
High Incidence
Tamera Jean Eckert, Pratt
High Incidence
Maria Foerster, Centennial, CO
High Incidence
Shiela Kay Fowler, Scott City
High Incidence
Scott Cameron Gibson, Lodi, CA
High Incidence
Bethel Lyn Goodenow, Topeka
High Incidence

Brianna Brooke Green, Junction City
High Incidence
Brianne Grudek, Pembroke Pines, FL
High Incidence
Kristin Mae Heasley, Park City
Gifted
Brittany L. Hemann, Hugoton
High Incidence
Adrienne Joy Holmes, Zurich
High Incidence
Erika Dawn Householter, Pratt
High Incidence
Heather Rachell Grizzell Hutchison, Pratt
High Incidence
Lisa C. Julian, Manhattan
Gifted
Chelle A. Kemper, Montezuma
High Incidence
Brittany Anne Kiedrowski, Ulysses
High Incidence
Angela Dianne Kruse, Junction City
High Incidence
Joanne Marie Lange, Conway Springs
High Incidence
Julie Ann Lueger, Seneca
High Incidence

Jesse Douglas Lunsford, Loveland, CO
Gifted

Meghan Kathleen Mai, McPherson
High Incidence

Catelyn Joy Manly, Lakin
Gifted

Davina Marquardt, Wamego
High Incidence

Keyton Lee McCombs, Lakin
High Incidence

Terrence Mikuta, Oak Lawn, IL
High Incidence

Stacey L. Nyp, Topeka
High Incidence

Kristin E. O'Day, Westminster, CO
High Incidence

Kaitlin Marie Powell, Wichita
High Incidence

Petronella Christina Pretorius, Hugoton
High Incidence

Caryn Anne Riddle, Rose Hill
High Incidence

Elena B. Sanchez de Nilhas, Littleton, NH
High Incidence

Cassie Christine Sandlin, New Castle, CO
High Incidence

Amanda Leigh Scheppelmann, Salina
High Incidence

Shara Lynn Splichal, Bel Aire
High Incidence

Linda Lee Steele, Tribune
High Incidence

Karen H. Swofford, Roebuck, SC
High Incidence

Jillian C. Tinkel, Wamego
High Incidence

Anne Obiageli Uzomah, New York, NY
High Incidence

Andrew James Weese, Topeka
High Incidence

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High Incidence

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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
2004	Steven Trout		

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.

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

LIGHTHOUSE AWARD

The Lighthouse Award was awarded for the second time in 2019 to 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.

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>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. Claffin William E. Claffin 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.

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

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 and Gross Memorial Coliseum.

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. 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 doctor'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 doctor'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 doctor'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
Arts, Letters,
Humanities – White
Commerce, Accountancy,
Business – Drab
Dentistry – Lilac
Economics – Copper
Education – Light Blue
Engineering – Orange
Fine Arts, Architecture – Brown
Forestry – Russett

Home Economics - Maroon
Journalism – Crimson
Law – Purple
Library Sciences – Lemon
Medicine – Green
Music – Pink
Nursing – Apricot
Oratory (Speech) – Silver Gray
Pharmacy – Olive Green
Philosophy – Dark Blue
Physical Education – Sage Green

Public Admin., Foreign Service –
Peacock Blue
Public Health – Salmon
Science – Golden Yellow
Social Work – Citron
Theology – Scarlet
Veterinary Science – Gray

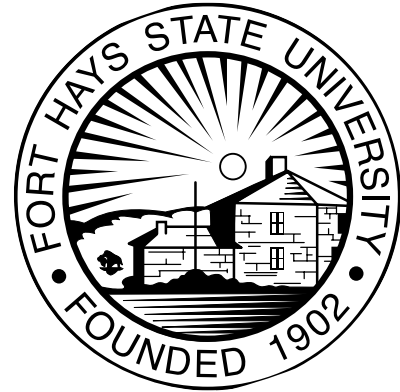
SYMBOLS

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.



BANNERS AND FLAGS

During the processional, a representative from each college carries a banner stating the college's name. The banner signifies the division of the university colleges. Flags are displayed during the ceremonies in recognition of the graduates' countries of origin. For Fall 2019, the following countries are represented among FHSU graduates:

Bahamas	Cuba	Nigeria	Turkey
Brazil	Madagascar	Republic of Georgia	Uganda
Canada	Nepal	Qatar	United States
China	Netherlands	Senegal	

Military flags are also displayed in recognition of those graduates who have served or are currently serving in the armed forces.

PRESIDENT'S MEDALLION

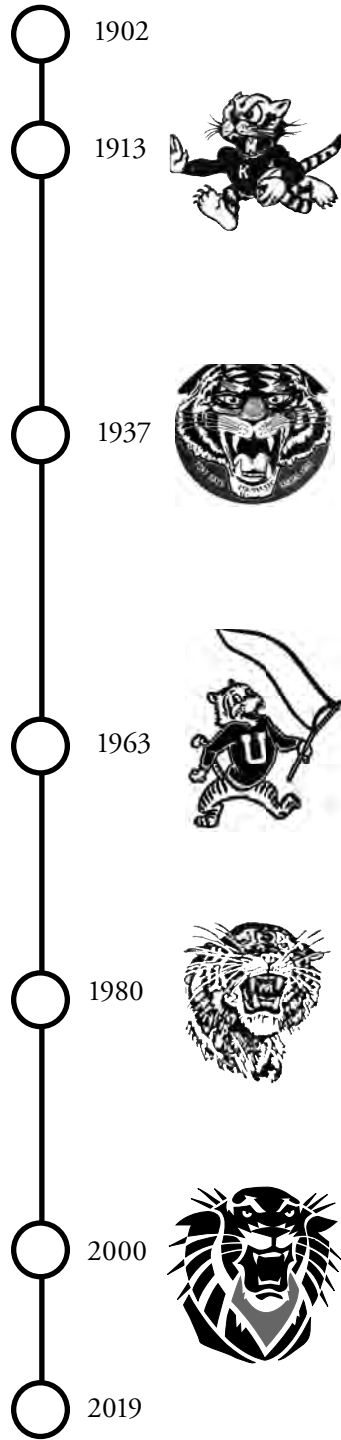
In 1969, Dr. John W. Gustad approached Mr. John Thorns, art faculty member, concerning FHSU's lack of symbols connected with the formality of office, such as a medallion or mace. To rectify this, Gustad commissioned the Department of Art and Design to create three items for his presidential inauguration: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



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 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 approximately 4,800 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.

VIRTUAL COLLEGE STUDENTS

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, virtual faculty, staff, and students changed with it. Today, classes offered through the Virtual College are online. 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. Virtual College enrollment (those taking online classes only) in the fall semester of 2019 was 6,924 students. They were from all 105 counties of Kansas, all 50 states, and 28 countries.

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 hosts approximately 220 on-campus international students each year from 27 countries. International students are fully blended into the classroom setting, allowing for a greater level of cultural awareness campus wide.

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

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 approximately 4,480 Chinese students with courses taught by FHSU faculty leading to five 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 2019

Faculty

David Bovee	Associate Professor of History
Curt Brungardt	Omer Voss Distinguished Professor and Director of the Center for Civic Leadership and Professor of Leadership Studies
Christie Brungardt	Assistant Professor of Leadership Studies
Stephen Donnelly	Assistant Professor of Chemistry
Elmer Finck	Professor of Biological Sciences
Wally Guyot	Professor of Applied Business Studies
Carolyn Insley	Associate Professor of Nursing
Dean Kranzler	Instructor of Music and Theatre
Kenneth Neuhauser	Professor of Geosciences
Rebecca Sanders	Associate Professor of Nursing
Carl Singleton	Professor of English
John Zody	Chair and Professor of Health and Human Performance

Staff

Geralyn Allen	Human Resource Office
Theodore Basgall	Academic Custodial and Physical Plant
Eugene Beilman	Physical Plant
Michael Bollig	Academic Maintenance, Physical Plant
Daryl Carswell	Technology Services
Joyce Dechant	Department of Nursing
Joseph Geist, Jr.	Custodial Services
Vickie Fisher	Custodial, Physical Plant
Thea Haugen	Sternberg Museum
Diane Henderson	Department of Physics
Robert Klaus	Physical Plant
Diana Komarek	Kansas Small Business Development Center
Donetta Lang	Custodial Services
Michael McLain	Technology Services
Jolene Niernberger	Senior Companion/Foster Grandparent Programs
Lesley A. Ostrom	Department of Nursing
Lawrence Rupp	Technology Services
Howard Schmidt	Custodial Services
Mitchell Weber	University Relations and Marketing

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations class of 2019 from your FHSU Alumni Association

The FHSU Alumni Association is proud to welcome all members of the Class of 2019 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 2019 T-shirts.

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

Congratulations Class of 2019 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.

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