Delta State University

NINETY-EIGHTH

Commencement



BOLOGNA PERFORMING ARTS CENTER FRIDAY, DECEMBER THIRTEENTH TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR 10:00 AM & 2:00 PM

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PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL (Audience please stand)	Trumpet Voluntary by Jeremiah Clarke		
Dr. Kumiko Professor o	Shimizu		
THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER Ms. Mary Parse Dr. Kumiko Sh	ons, Soprano		
WELCOME	Dr. Daniel J. Ennis, President		
INTRODUCTIONS	Dr. Leslie Griffin, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs		
ADDRESS Dr. I	Lee Dean, S.E. Kossman Outstanding Teacher		
PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES	S Dr. Daniel J. Ennis Dr. Leslie Griffin		
ASSISTED BY Dr. Eddie Lovin, Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Tomeka Harbin, Interim Dean, College of Business and Aviation Dr. Merideth Van Namen, Interim Dean, College of Education, Arts, and Humanities Dr. Vicki L. Bingham, Dean, College of Nursing, Health, and Sciences			
DEGREE CANDIDATE ORDER 10:00 AM	DEGREE CANDIDATE ORDER 2:00 PM		
Doctor of Education Doctor of Nursing Practice Educational Specialist Master	 Doyce Stallings Mitchell Honor Diploma Baccalaureate - College of Business and Aviation Baccalaureate - College of Education, Arts, and Humanities Baccalaureate - College of Nursing, Health, and Sciences 		
WELCOME TO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. President, N	Mr. Hays Collins ational Alumni Association Board of Directors		
ALMA MATER. Ms. Mary Parse Dr. Kumiko Sh	ons, Soprano		
RECESSIONALDr. Kumiko Sh	by Henry Purcell		

(Audience will remain in their seats until recessional is complete.)

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER – DR. LEE DEAN



Dr. Lee Inmon Dean is a native of Leland, MS and has taught Mathematics at Delta State University for the past 20 years. She attained her Bachelor's degree in Mathematics from Delta State University and both her Master's degree and Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Mississippi.

She began her professional career after graduate school with Kemper Specialty Insurance Company, where she served as a Senior Pricing Analyst in charge of developing and modelling the statistical analyses for new products and pricing methodologies. She continued to work for Kemper Specialty Insurance as a consultant in research and development until 2015.

Dr. Dean was hired by Delta State University in 2004 as an Assistant Professor of Mathematics and was promoted to Associate Professor of Mathematics in 2010. In 2024, she received the rank of Full Professor of Mathematics. She was named the Mississippi College Teacher of the Year by Mississippi Council of Teachers of Mathematics in 2022. In 2024 she received the S.E. Kossman Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award.

While at Delta State University, Dr. Dean has served as the president of both Phi Kappa Phi and Kappa Mu Epsilon Honor Societies. She has been the Dual Credit Coordinator for Mathematics and Sciences since 2018 and is currently the Academic Dual Credit Coordinator for the institution. She has many presentations and publications in the field of mathematics education.

Dr. Dean is married to James and has three children, Wil, Charlie, and Caroline.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE

NAMEMAJOR FIELDHOMETOWNAngela George CooleyProfessional StudiesDuck Hill, MSA Correlation of the *i*-Ready Assessment for Mathematics and Mississippi AcademicAssessment for Mathematics for Grades 6-8 in One Mississippi SchoolDissertation Chair: Dr. Trecina Green, Ed.D.Hooded by: Dr. Trecina Green

Jonathan Paul Delperdang Professional Studies Leland, MS **Educational Leadership During the Coronavirus Pandemic: Perceptions and Reality** Dissertation Chair: Dr. D. Lynn Reed, Ph.D Hooded by: Dr. Corlis Snow, Ed.D

Jon Christopher GrahamProfessional StudiesVicksburg, MSAn In-depth Ethnographic Case Study of the Lack of Minority Participation in AdvancedAcademic Courses and Programs in Public Schools in the Mississippi DeltaDissertation Chair: Dr. LaMarcus Norman, Ed.D.Hooded by: Dr. Corlis Snow, Ed.D

Lori Michele SmithProfessional StudiesMeridian, MSAn Ex Post Facto Study of Dual Credit Participation as an Indicator of Immediate CollegeEnrollment at an Urban Mississippi Community CollegeDissertation Chair: Dr. Timothy Watkins, Ed.D.Hooded by: Dr. Timothy Watkins

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE DEGREE

NAME

MAJOR FIELD

HOMETOWN

Oluwatoyin Mujidat AdeniyiNursing PracticeArlington, TXDiabetic Self-Management Education Intervention and Support to Improve MedicationAdherence in African Descendants Adult Type 2 Diabetes in a Faith-Based CenterScholarly Project Chair: Dr. Katherine W. Hughes, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BCHooded by: Dr. Katherine W. Hughes

Meta AndersonNursing PracticeCleveland, MSExamining the Impact of Education in Underserved Communities on Identifying DepressionScholarly Project Chair: Dr. Kyla Holcomb, DNP, APRN, FNP-BCHooded by: Dr. Kyla Holcomb

Note: Latin honors based on GPA at beginning of Fall 2024 semester

- * cum laude
- ** magna cum laude
- *** summa cum laude
- ∞ Honors Fellows
- + Phi Kappa Phi
- \diamond Degree awarded Summer 2024

All cities in Mississippi unless otherwise indicated

NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
Cynthia Barfield	Nursing Practice	Gautier, MS
	stnatal Depression Scale to Improve Ea	arly Identification of
	ss of Education of Staff and Providers	
Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Kyla Ho	lcomb, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC	
Hooded by: Dr. Kyla Holcomb		
Leah Brown	Nursing Practice	Elkridge, MD
	Nurse Practicioners by Use of Guided I	
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	ugh Davis, DNP, MBA, MSNS, APRN, FNI	P-BC
Krissy English	Nursing Practice	Argo, TX
	are Providers: Improving Early Detect	
Toward Treatment in Primary Ca		
Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Vicki Bin	ngham, Ph.D., MSN, RN	
Hooded by: Dr. Vicki Bingham		
Ashley Foster	Nursing Practice	Southaven, MS
	Pump Inhibitors in the Hospital Inpa	tient Setting
Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Vicki Bin	ngham, Ph.D., MSN, RN	
Hooded by: Dr. Vicki Bingham		
Shaunda Freeman	Nursing Practice	Jackson, MS
	s Readiness to Change in Overweight a ugh Davis, DNP, MBA, MSNS, APRN, FNI	
Hooded by: Dr. Nora Gough-Davis	ugii Davis, DNF, MDA, MSNS, AFRIN, FNF	-DC
nooded by. Dr. Nora Gough Davis		
Candace Fung	Nursing Practice	Easley, SC
Nursing Knowledge in Palliative	8	Eusley, Se
	eer, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, PMNHP-BC, Ed	.S.
Hooded by: Dr. Anita Greer		
Alicia Hart-Wilson	Nursing Practice	Birmingham, AL
Effect of Faith-Based Education of		
Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Vicki Bin	ngham, Ph.D., MSN, RN	
Hooded by: Dr. Vicki Bingham		
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Kristal Hillie	Nursing Practice	Southaven, MS
	ed Registered Nurses (APRNS) on the 1	lo GM Monofflament
Foot Exam for Diabetic Periphera Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Katheri	ne W. Hughes, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, PMH	NP BC
Hooded by: Dr. Katherine W. Hughes		
Connie Jean Hodge	Nursing Practice	Coldwater, MS
-	ed Cognitive Behavioral Weight Loss P	
Sustained Weight Loss		
Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Addie He	errod, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC	
Hooded by: Dr. Addie Herrod		

NAME Desiree Huntley Using the Asthma Control Test to Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Annie H	MAJOR FIELD Nursing Practice Measure the Impact of Patient Educatio ankins, DNP, M.Ed., CNEcl, RN	HOMETOWN Sedro Woolley, WA n	
Fidelia Madu The Impact of Type II Diabetes Second HgBA1c: A Faith-Based Approach Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Addie H Hooded by: Dr. Addie Herrod		Union, NJ ns in Lowering	
	Nursing Practice ng Antibiotic Stewardship in Urgent Car Barnett, DNP, APRN, AGNP-C, WHNP-BC	Brandon, MS e Settings	
Ben RamirezNursing PracticeWauwatosa, WIImplementation of Education on Calorie Tracking Application to Improve Adherence to aCalorie Restricted Weight Management ProgramScholarly Project Chair: Dr. Annie Hankins, DNP, M.Ed., CNEcl, RN			
Score to Improve Provider Confid Bleeding	Nursing Practice al Project Regarding the Glasgow-Blatchf dence in Triaging and Manageing Upper (Barnett, DNP, APRN, AGNP-C, WHNP-BC		
Treatment Facility	Nursing Practice ient Trauma Screening at a Substance U s odnett, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, ENP, CNE	Elizabethtown, PA se Disorder	
Tiffany Ciara Smith Chlamydia Awareness and Prever Safety Measures to Decrease Inci Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Kyla Ho Hooded by: Dr. Kyla Holcomb		Woodville, MS ky Behavior and	

Jazira Sultanova Nursing Practice **Incorporating Spirituality in the Management of Depression in Adults** Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Annie Hankins, DNP, M.Ed., CNEcl, RN Huntley, IL

MAJOR FIELD

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Kim Vu Nursing Practice **The Effects of Increasing Nutrition Knowledge to Decrease Unhealthy Diets** Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Addie Herrod, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC Hooded by: Dr. Addie Herrod

LaTori Diane Wilson Roberts Nursing Practice Madison, MS Assessment of Knowledge and Willingness to Use Telemedicine Among Patients Diagnosed with Depression in Rural Communities Scholarly Project Chair: Dr. Joanna Barnett, DNP, APRN, AGNP-C, WHNP-BC Hooded by: Dr. Joanna Barnett

EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST DEGREE

NAME **MAJOR FIELD HOMETOWN** \Diamond Carey Strickland Bohannon **Educational Administration & Supervision** Belmont \Diamond Freida Burkes Bohren Curriculum & Instruction Madison Antionetta Brailsford **Educational Administration & Supervision** Miami, FL Alyssa Anne Branvan Curriculum & Instruction Hernando \Diamond Raven Danielle Burton **Elementary Education** Mound Bayou \Diamond LaShara Symeria-Kaneyn Calvin **Educational Administration & Supervision** Clarksdale Pamela Elizabeth Cannon Curriculum & Instruction Clarksdale Samantha Latrice Clark **Educational Administration & Supervision** Shelby Wendy Renee Clark **Educational Administration & Supervision** Merigold \Diamond Miranda Lynn Cohran-Leggett Curriculum & Instruction Morton \Diamond Jontil Coleman **Higher Education** Cleveland \Diamond Tameka Renee Curry **Higher Education** Shaw \Diamond Je'Lisa Davis **Educational Administration & Supervision** Jackson \Diamond Lea Dickerson Educational Administration & Supervision Booneville \Diamond Lindsey Beasley Dickerson **Educational Administration & Supervision** Potts Camp \Diamond Rodney Lamar Fagan, Jr. **Educational Administration & Supervision** Selmer, TN \Diamond Jessica Lilly Ferguson Educational Administration & Supervision Corinth \Diamond Sarah Harrison Finn **Educational Administration & Supervision** Ocean Springs \Diamond Ashley Nicole Flint Curriculum & Instruction Boyle \Diamond Zandra Unita Fountain-Anderson Curriculum & Instruction Louise Morgan Frye Curriculum & Instruction Biloxi \Diamond **Destiny Nicole Hall** Curriculum & Instruction Shelby \Diamond Elizabeth Hatch **Educational Administration & Supervision** Southaven Debra Fay Holt **Elementary Education** Morton \Diamond Shelby Howell **Educational Administration & Supervision** Saltillo **Brenda Humphries** Educational Administration & Supervision Cordova, TN Robert Carl Johnson Counseling Grenada Kristi Marie Johnston **Elementary Education** Pelahatchie

HOMETOWN

Clinton, MS

- \Diamond Shalonda Knight
- \diamond Courtney Jenae Lumpkin Natalie Patreace Marshall Anthone Matthews Donna Alfreda McDougal
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- ♦ Christopher Sean Taylor Barbara Louise Thompson Angelica Michele Trivedi
- ♦ Kasey Trosper
- \diamond Morgan Trowbridge James Matthew Tyer Wendy Cole Ward April Watson Jennicia Whitting ♦ April Williams
- \Diamond Ruby Robinson Williams

MAJOR FIELD

Curriculum & Instruction	Ridgeland
Educational Administration & Supervision	Greenwood
Elementary Education	Louisville
Educational Administration & Supervision	Atlanta, GA
Educational Administration & Supervision	Clarksdale
Educational Administration & Supervision	Clarksdale
Educational Administration & Supervision	Pearl
Counseling	Hattiesburg
Elementary Education	Florence
Curriculum & Instruction	Byram
Curriculum & Instruction	Brookhaven
Curriculum & Instruction	Summit
Educational Administration & Supervision	Cleveland
Educational Administration & Supervision	Morton
Curriculum & Instruction	Byram
Elementary Education	Jackson
Educational Administration & Supervision	Cordova, TN
Educational Administration & Supervision	Germantown, TN
Curriculum & Instruction	Philadelphia
Educational Administration & Supervision	Summit
Counseling	Lucedale
Curriculum & Instruction	Greenville
Educational Administration & Supervision	Pearl
Educational Administration & Supervision	Madison
Educational Administration & Supervision	New Albany
Educational Administration & Supervision	Itta Bena
Educational Administration & Supervision	Belzoni
Curriculum & Instruction	Greenwood
Counseling	Magee
Counseling	Rolling Fork

MASTER OF ARTS IN LIBERAL STUDIES DEGREE

NAME **MAJOR FIELD** Tambria Odell Liberal Studies Liberal Studies Kara Christine Patterson

HOMETOWN

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HOMETOWN

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
\diamond	Kristin Lofton Akin	Teaching	Brandon
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\diamond	Freddrick Lamar Hervey	Teaching	Charleston
\diamond	Katie Carpenter Hobson	Teaching	Independence
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	John Arimstead Lange	Teaching	Ridgeland
	Patrick Lee, Jr.	Teaching	Cleveland
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\diamond	Madelyn Ray May	Teaching	Brandon
\diamond	Alari Mayfield	Teaching	Waynesboro
\diamond	Madison Moak	Teaching	Summit
\diamond	Bethany Morgan	Teaching	Batesville
\diamond	Sherroid Nicholson	Teaching	Belzoni
\diamond	Phylis Odum	Teaching	Yazoo City
\diamond	Samanta Itzel Ramirez Garduno	Teaching	Wesson
\diamond	Maggie Beth Redd	Teaching	Bogue Chitto
\diamond	Catherine Rhodes	Teaching	Como
\diamond	Pamela Patrice Riley	Teaching	Marks
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Batesville

◊ Pamela Patrice Riley Teaching
 ◊ Kaylee Robertson Teaching

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MASTER OF EDUCATION DEGREE

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	Hannah Grace Ashley	Elementary Education	Greenville
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	Courtney Bayless	Elementary Education	Walnut
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+	Shelby Grace Brownlee	Counseling	Pontotoc
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	Patricia Clayton	Educational Administration & Supervision	Memphis, TN
	Leslie Cole	Counseling	Boyle
\diamond	Denmariae Collins	Educational Administration & Supervision	Duncan
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\diamond	Jessilynn Shaye Conner	Elementary Education	Grenada
\diamond	Leslie Criddle	Elementary Education	Houston
	William Andrew Dance	Educational Administration & Supervision	Corinth
	Jessica Cammille Davis	Elementary Education	Oxford
\diamond	Anna Dean	Educational Administration & Supervision	Brandon
\diamond	PaShonda Edwards	Educational Administration & Supervision	Tupelo
\diamond	Jasmine Simone Evans	Counseling	Greenville
\diamond	Anissa Leigh Garth	Educational Administration & Supervision	Aberdeen
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Educational Administration & Supervision / Elementary Education	Dallas, TX
Counseling	Port Gibson
Elementary Education	Yazoo City
Elementary Education	Iuka
Elementary Education	Cleveland
Secondary Education	Oxford
Educational Administration & Supervision	Rienzi
Counseling	Columbus
Elementary Education	Crystal Springs
Elementary Education	Vicksburg
Elementary Education	Pearl
Educational Administration & Supervision	Tupelo
Elementary Education	Brandon
Educational Administration & Supervision	Montgomery, AL
Elementary Education	Selmer, TN
Counseling	Waynesboro
Elementary Education	Walnut Grove
Educational Administration & Supervision	Lambert
Elementary Education	Beloit, WI
Elementary Education	Selmer, TN
Elementary Education	Bethel Springs, TN
Elementary Education	Booneville
Counseling	Oxford
Elementary Education	Vicksburg
Counseling	Starkville
Elementary Education	Southaven
Secondary Education	Pontotoc
Educational Administration & Supervision	Golden
Elementary Education	Grenada
Elementary Education	Rosedale
Elementary Education	Booneville
Educational Administration & Supervision	Houston
Counseling	Greenville
Counseling	Germantown, TN
Elementary Education	Woodland
Elementary Education	Savannah, TN

HOMETOWN

MASTER OF FINE ARTS DEGREE

NAME Natasha Belokon Huerta ◊ Sara Wilkerson MAJOR FIELD Studio Art Studio Art HOMETOWN Merigold Greenville

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CRIMINOLOGY DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
	Tylenn Bridges	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Hollandale
	Valencia Annette Hawkins	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Brandon
	Tibreshia Jones	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Isola
\diamond	Willie Moore	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Leland

MASTER OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
Otilija Borisovaite	Geospatial Information Technologies	Australia
Joshua Benjamin Gates	Geospatial Information Technologies	Germany
Makeriah Delicia Hampton	Geospatial Information Technologies	Jackson
Kayla Rena Hill	Geospatial Information Technologies	Providence Village, TX
Bobby Lee Horne, Jr.	Geospatial Information Technologies	Benoit
Noanne Rosse	Geospatial Information Technologies	San Diego, CA

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
\diamond	Ryan Jacob Beachler	Business Administration	Oklahoma City, OK
	Gloria Bibbs	Business Administration	Batesville
	Sommer Boyd	Business Administration	Cleveland
	Makayla Rena Brown	Business Administration	Hollandale
\diamond	Briana Brumfield	Business Administration	Roxie
\diamond	Colin Burress	Business Administration	Memphis, TN
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	Robin Butler	Business Administration	Brandon
\diamond	Tiffany Caldwell	Business Administration	Grenada
	Michael Lawrence Carley	Business Administration	Melbourne, FL
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	Kenish Coleman	Business Administration	Mound Bayou
	Shana Yanae Coleman-Carter	Business Administration	Oxford
	Joy Brianna Correll	Business Administration	Greenville
	Danita Crowder	Business Administration	Greenwood
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- Keshawn Elijah Jennings
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- ◊ Elisha Jones
- Dominique Killens, Jr.
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 Kenny Kincaid
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- ♦ Jordan Nunn Latham
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- LaCortia McFarland Erin McKenzie
- ◊ Jazmine McMorris Charkydra McNeal Sarah Mohr
- ♦ Caitlin Elexa Norris
- ◊ Chantedra Reed Amber Darshaa Roberts
- Daniel Roman
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 Austin Rutledge
 Deniz Can Cem Sari
- ♦ Dorothy Lyne Shack
- Davida Shaw
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 Karen Sims
- Erika Stanford
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MAJOR FIELD

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HOMETOWN

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- Dimitri Xavier Tyler
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- ♦ Alexandria Westbrook
- ◊ Anne Marie Williams Vadzim Zharnasek

- **MAJOR FIELD**
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HOMETOWN

Cleveland Vicksburg Memphis, TN Richland Tunica Greenwood Chicago, IL Belarus

MASTER OF COMMERCIAL AVIATION DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
	Gavin Allen Lee Campbell	Commercial Aviation	Hernando
\diamond	Jordan Patrick Carr	Commercial Aviation	Atlanta, GA
\diamond	Anthony Davis	Commercial Aviation	Ellensburg, WA
\diamond	Mwinyi Mwadalu Khamis Gomango	Commercial Aviation	Baltimore, MD
\diamond	Deshun Hairston	Commercial Aviation	Little Rock, AR
\diamond	Robert Patrick Hartigan	Commercial Aviation	Streetsboro, OH
	Logan Stephen Honea	Commercial Aviation	Canton, GA
\diamond	Jordan Michael Kroll	Commercial Aviation	Titusville, FL
	Joshua Alexander Maness	Commercial Aviation	Hattiesburg
\diamond	Roland Murdock	Commercial Aviation	Eastman, GA
	Jamie Lee Shain	Commercial Aviation	Crestwood, KY
\diamond	Logan Trinity Stephens	Commercial Aviation	North Charleston, SC

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NATURAL SCIENCES DEGREE

NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
Caleb Lankford	Natural Sciences	Greenville

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPORT & HUMAN PERFORMANCE DEGREE

NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
Jaslyn Barrow	Sport & Human Performance	Greenville
Clardeius Deqwanzea Dunigan, Sr.	Sport & Human Performance	Cleveland
Tavares Johnson, Jr.	Sport & Human Performance	Cleveland
Jason Judge	Sport & Human Performance	Jackson
Jalen Deshon May	Sport & Human Performance	Houston
Alana Nicole Moorman	Sport & Human Performance	Oxford
Demetrius Swilley	Sport & Human Performance	Hazlehurst
Luke Treadway	Sport & Human Performance	Hernando

CANDIDATES FOR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & AVIATION

BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

NAME

MAJOR FIELD

HOMETOWN

	Kameron Tyree Bates	Geospatial Analysis & Intelligence	Atlanta, GA
	Lauren Ben	Geospatial Analysis & Intelligence	Pittsburgh, PA
	Noah Griffin Blake	Geospatial Analysis & Intelligence	El Dorado, AR
	Stephen Corey Carter	Geospatial Analysis & Intelligence	Florida City, FL
	Jamie Hicks	Business Administration	Greenwood
\diamond	Carlie Johnson	Business Administration	Inverness
**	Tyler Ross Johnson	Geospatial Analysis & Intelligence	Vienna, VA
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BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEGREE

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***	Erika Nycole Brisco	Management	Leland
	Cason Keith Burress	General Business	Olive Branch
\diamond	Jeffery Wade Cannon	General Business	Fulton
**	Victoria Faye Cavitt	Management	Hernando
	Fa'Darryl Terell Cooper	Marketing	Belzoni
	Tory Keangie Davis	Computer Information Systems	Greenwood
	Tempest Douglas	General Business	Camden
	Tyler Goad	Finance	Tupelo
	Katorra Yameka Hawkins	General Business	Clarksdale
	Phillip Zachary Haynes	General Business	Yazoo City
	QuDarius Devontae Hodges	General Business	Batesville
*	Mary Scott Lofton	Accountancy	Doddsville
	Jamelia Mason	General Business	Clarksdale
	Jairus Ahmad Mcfarland	General Business	Hattiesburg
\diamond	Charles Wallace Moor	General Business	Greenwood
	Carter Anthony Norrie	General Business	Lewisville, TX
*	Cetin Oguz II	Marketing	Cleveland
	Allie Boyette Parkinson	Marketing	Canton
	Carson Darr Robinette	Marketing	Cleveland
	Damon O'mar Robinson	General Business	Indianola
	Armando Rodriguez Diaz	Finance	Dominican Republic
\diamond	Rikiyia Short	Accountancy	Shaw
	Eli Thompson Simmons, Sr.	General Business	Greenwood
	Seth Elliott Spratlin	Management	Greenville

	Karson Stastny	Accountancy
	Alejandro Junior Varillas Tuesta	Management
*	Ronni Wells	General Business
*	A'Mya Jenae Williams	Management
	Dylan Terrell Williams	Computer Information Systems
	MonTeDra Williams	Management
		COMMEDCIAL AVIATION DECD

MAJOR FIELD

HOMETOWN

Celina, TX Peru Mandeville, LA Cleveland Greenwood Mayersville

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BACHELOR OF COMMERCIAL AVIATION DEGREE

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MAJOR FIELD

**	Ethan Grady Grant	Flight Operations	Southaven
*	Phillip Elliot Hutchins III	Aviation Management	Raymond
	Tucker Donald Schroer	Flight Operations	Athens, GA
\diamond	John Ethan Sharp	Aviation Management	Amory
*	Matthew Peter States	Flight Operations	O'Fallon, MO
	Mark Andrew West, Jr.	Aviation Management	Olive Branch

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
\diamond	Jacob Everett Harrison	Entertainment Industry Studies	Tillatoba
*	Jude Heraut	Entertainment Industry Studies	Cleveland
◊* **	Rachel Lynn Patterson	Entertainment Industry Studies	Gore Springs

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, ARTS, & HUMANITIES

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
	Vetrice Brown Bolden	Psychology	Clarksdale
	Raychaun Lemale Bratcher, Jr.	Art	Batesville
	Mia Michelle Cartlidge	Psychology	Tunica
	Laura Elizabeth Clark	Psychology	Macon
	Trey Dylan Farner	Music	Gulfport
***	Olivia Nichole Johnson	Psychology	Greenwood
	Julius Lucas IV	Psychology	Cleveland
	Jamelia Mason	English	Clarksdale
	Catherine Claire Milford	Art	Eupora
\diamond	Zaria Phillips	Art	Indianola
	Mary Emma Rayburn	Psychology	Greenwood
	Matthew Reed Stewart	Psychology	McComb
	Shaterria Vanaye Williams	Psychology	Utica

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
	Sierra Dashunique Blackwell	Art	Southaven
	TyReece Tyrell Estes	Art	Canton
\diamond	Anna Marie Kirby	Digital Media Arts	Olive Branch
	Emily Marie Manning	Art	Leland
***	Hunter Scott Moore	Art	Corinth
*	Cetin Oguz II	Digital Media Arts	Cleveland
\diamond	Azlynn Rene Strate	Art	Jackson
***	Katherine Bethany Wadkins	Art	Corinth
	Noah Layne Young	Art	Olive Branch

BACHELOR OF MUSIC EDUCATION DEGREE

NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
Piper Lee Gillam	Music Education	Dayton, OH

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
***	Mykenzi Brown	Family & Consumer Sciences	Boyle
***	Amari Tania Davis	Family & Consumer Sciences	Leland
\diamond	Ashley Sellers	Family & Consumer Sciences	Greenville

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE & CRIMINOLOGY DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
\diamond	Demetrice Derika Betties	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Greenville
**	Payton Wayne Farrish	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Cleveland
	Jaxon Jamaury Harper	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Southaven
	Tyler Mason Harris	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Brandon
	Kameron Koch	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Mishawak, IN
	Jaden Machelle Robinson	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Cleveland
	Taylor Ansley Wright	Criminal Justice & Criminology	Boyle

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
	Madison Austin	Elementary Education	Byram
	Bracie Elizabeth Breland	Elementary Education	Brookhaven
	Samuel River Burrell	Social Studies Education	Sallis
*	James Causey, Jr.	Social Studies Education	Hollandale
**	Onnika Rion Fields	Elementary Education	Vancleave

Connar Calvin-Justh Gardner Savanna Grace Garvin

- * Cameron Elizabeth Hatcher Jalen Hedgewood Jalisa R. Hughes
- * Amber Nicole Jones * Benjamin Jacob Lobred *** Crystal Faith McLendon Lauren Alyse Palmer ** **Braylee Hunt Patrick** Shelby Alexis Seaton +*** Mary Kathryn Shaw Autumn Chanterrious Johneise Tribble

Adelina Rose Ward

MAJOR FIELD

Social Studies Education **Elementary Education Elementary Education Elementary Education Elementary Education Elementary Education** Social Studies Education **Elementary Education Elementary Education Elementary Education Elementary Education Elementary Education Elementary Education** Social Studies Education

HOMETOWN

Southaven Florence **Rolling** Fork Rosedale Jackson Mound Bayou Vicksburg Brandon Hazlehurst Pearl Rena Lara Greenwood Southaven Indianola

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

NAME

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Dyanne Caldwell Antoninette Glennis Hooker Julie Allisa Houston Jonathan Tyler Loper **Tadarrius Daquan Magee** Alisa Arreyonna Poole Tallia Amarye Smith

Queosha Johnice Thomas Dakiya Latavia Toney Taniya Renee White Shalondria Nicole Willis Teresa Winston

MAJOR FIELD

Interdisciplinary Studies Interdisciplinary Studies

BACHELOR OF UNIVERSITY STUDIES DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
\diamond	Tori Je'Conna Anderson	University Studies	Cleveland
\diamond	Ashunti Louise Ladesi Franklin	University Studies	Clinton
\diamond	Emmett Maxio Manly	University Studies	Cleveland
	Ahmad Rasheed Nelson	University Studies	Moorhead
	Cassandra Leigh Stokes	University Studies	Olive Branch
	Suaquitta Jimison Walker	University Studies	Greenville
\diamond	Diana Jean Young	University Studies	Ottawa, IL

HOMETOWN

Southaven Southaven Batesville Boyle Greenville West Point **Rolling Fork** Leland Lake Village, AR Arcola Leland Cleveland

COLLEGE OF NURSING, HEALTH, & SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

NAME

\Diamond Joseph Quortez Barton **Christopher Octavius Bonner ⊘**** Brady Noah Bozeman \Diamond Zailen Jacobi Clark Savannah Brook Conway *** Amari Tania Davis \Diamond Lamarcus Faulkner **Torrey William Hendrix** * Nicholas Herber * Kayla Noel Herrington \Diamond Michael Jesse Homan Kennedy Ainslee McAdams Johnathan Harris McCaskill +** Olivia Grace McDade Gage Perry Murphy ** Abbie Bunch Parkinson Ashleigh Parkinson

- T'rossi Terrell Pernell Timaje Porter ◊ KaMya LaDaysha Reed
- Icysis Sanders Chesley Aidan Sims
- ** Bryanna Jakylah Taylor
 Malcolm Taylor Thompson
 Faith Washington
 Joel William White-Watkins
- Hunter Williams-Seabrook Myran La'tree Wilson
- Marlon Montez Windham, Jr. Lashonda Dale Woods

MAJOR FIELD

Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation **Environmental Science** Health, Physical Education & Recreation **Environmental Science** Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation Biology Chemistry Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation **Environmental Science** Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation Biology Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation

HOMETOWN

Lena Selma, AL Senatobia Vaughan Holcomb Leland Waterford Birmingham, AL Naples, FL Grenada Memphis, TN Olive Branch Lexington Tull, AR Clarksdale Canton West Moorhead Irvington, AL Cleveland Forrest City, AR Cleveland Byram Louisville Robinsonville Montgomery, AL Norcross, GA Arcola Macon Moorhead

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION DEGREE

	NAME
**	Brett Allen Burrell
	Christopher Tyrese Jackson

MAJOR FIELD

Health, Physical Education & Recreation Health, Physical Education & Recreation

HOMETOWN

Cleveland Leland

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

NAME **MAJOR FIELD HOMETOWN** * Dy'Mond Ball Nursing Jayess Amaani Belton Leland Nursing ∞+** Ethan O. Blasingame Nursing Hollandale Parker L. Burleson Nursing Mathiston Anna Mae Carlisle Polkville Nursing Madison Elise Carroll Greenville Nursing Gekayla Lashae Crawford Anguilla Nursing Brittany Mae Fly Nursing Coffeeville Kaitlyn Marie Gosa Nursing Hamilton ∞^* Brianna Faith Grice French Camp Nursing ******* Cleveland Chessie Isabella Hauenstein Nursing Amyia Amillion Hawkins Cleveland Nursing Bartlett. TN Kalah Grace Hoard Nursing Keri Lynn Hodges Nursing Terry Oxford Abigail Rose Holley Nursing * Nadya Janae Holloway Olive Branch Nursing ∞ Gabrielle Melinda Hunt **McCool** Nursing Sarah Lewis Jones Greenwood Nursing * Beyonce Kenny Nursing **Rolling Fork** Hannah Lee Nursing Olive Branch Morgan B. Little Grenada Nursing Hernando Faith L. Melton Nursing ** Clinton Whitley Grace Miller Nursing ∞^* Mikayla Grace Staszefski Vaiden Nursing Madeline H. Stevens Anguilla Nursing Olivia Rose Ellen Stone Pensacola, FL Nursing * Abbey Shea Thompson Brandon Nursing Taylor Alexandria Turner Walls Nursing Sydney Lane Walker Hernando Nursing * Lashonda White Macon Nursing

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK DEGREE

	NAME	MAJOR FIELD	HOMETOWN
\diamond	Harley Grace Smith	Social Work	Louisville

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY ALMA MATER

Oh Delta State we cling to the memory Of happy days we've spent Of standards high and of friendships dear Making our life there something to treasure We have come to sing the praises Of the old school we love best, Oh, hail to you, to our dear Alma Mater Oh, hail to Old Delta State.

COMMENCEMENT ETIQUETTE

Commencement is both a joyous and solemn event for a student and their family. By tradition, the Commencement ceremony is a formal occasion honoring the academic achievement of graduating students. To help preserve the decorum of the event, it is requested that guests exercise etiquette appropriate to the occasion. We ask that you please observe the following:

During the ceremony:

- Cell phones are to be turned off or switched to the silent operating mode.
- Be respectful. Please express your excitement in ways that will not prevent others from enjoying the ceremony or hearing names of graduates when announced.
- Please hold all applause until all graduates' names have been read. This will allow other families and guests to hear their graduate's name.
- Out of courtesy and respect of graduating students and speakers, please remain in your seat during the ceremony. This will allow the ceremony to flow smoothly and reduce distractions and disturbances to other audience members.
- At the conclusion of the ceremony, please remain at your seat until all faculty and students have exited the auditorium.

Delta State University is proud of our student's accomplishments and success. We appreciate your cooperation celebrating a major milestone in students and their family's lives. We want everyone to share and enjoy a memorable and dignified Commencement ceremony.

SIGNIFICANCE OF ACADEMIC REGALIA FOR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Since the Middle Ages, a time-honored tradition of great dignity has been the wearing of academic apparel, which was a survival of still earlier civilian fashions. The academic gown, necessary for a scholar's warmth, and the hood to protect his tonsured head were apparently first regularly adopted in the thirteenth century at the University of Cambridge (1284). The University of Oxford was soon to follow. The custom was transplanted to this country in colonial times by King's College in New York, now Columbia University.

In 1895 American universities and colleges decided to standardize their academic styles and developed the intercollegiate code of academic costume, following primarily the Cambridge tradition. The characteristic elements of academic regalia are three: gown, cap, and hood.

The *gown* is usually of black material (serge or worsted for bachelors, the same or silk for masters, and silk for doctors). The doctors' dress gowns of the chief British universities are scarlet. Bachelors' gowns have pointed sleeves; masters' have long, closed sleeves, with lunettes at the bottom and slits at the elbows from which the arms protrude; and doctors' have wide, round, open sleeves. Doctors' gowns are faced with panels of velvet down the front and three bars of velvet across each sleeve.

The *cap*, the square mortar-board in American universities but a round, soft, flat, velvet hat in British, Canadian, and some European universities, bears a tassel that may be black for all ranks and degrees, or may be of gold thread or the color of the degree for doctors and the color of the degree for bachelors and masters. The doctors' cap may be of velvet.

The *hood*, worn around the neck so as to hang down the back, is the principal emblem of the nature and source of the degree and may be worn only after the degree has been granted. Bachelors' hoods are three feet long; masters' are three and one-half feet; and doctors' hoods have wide panels at the sides. The color edging the hood defines the nature of the degree while the lining of silk bears the colors of the institution that granted the degree.

The degree colors are appropriate to the category of the degree rather than to the scholar's major subject. For example, the appropriate color for degrees in Arts and Letters (B.A., M.A., B.Litt.) is *white*; in Commerce, *drab*; in Education, *light blue*; in Engineering, *orange*; in Fine Arts, *brown*; in Humanities, *crimson*; in Laws, *purple*; in Library Science, *lemon*; in Medicine, *green*; in Music, *pink*; in Pharmacy, *olive*; in Philosophy (Ph.D.), *dark blue*; in Physical Education, *sage*; in Science, *golden yellow*; in Theology, *scarlet*. These colors are used for the edging of all hoods and may be used for the velvet facing and sleeve bars of doctors' gowns and for the tassels on bachelors' and masters' caps. The *institutional colors* with which the hoods are lined indicate the university or college granting the degree. Among those hoods you will see worn by Delta State's faculty are those from Alabama, crimson and white; Arkansas, red and white; Central Missouri, red, white, and black; Columbia, light blue with white chevron; Duke, royal blue with white chevron; Emory, navy blue and gold; Florida, orange and blue; Indiana, crimson with white chevron; Louisiana State, purple with old gold; Michigan, maize and light blue; Mississippi, red with blue chevron; Mississippi State, maroon and white; Missouri, old gold and black; Southern Mississippi, gold and black; Tennessee, white with orange chevron; Texas, white above orange; Tulane, green and white; and Virginia, navy blue with orange.

The colors of Delta State University are green and white, adopted in the fall of 1925, the first quarter after opening, by the faculty and administration on the recommendation of an eight-member committee, including local residents William P. Moses and Doyle Garrett.