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CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE
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Frank R. Caccamo
Doctor of Education

ADDRESS
Frank R. Caccamo

REMARKS ON BEHALF OF THE CLASS OF 2024
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INVITATION TO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
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RECESSIONAL
HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

The Board of Regents at Northern Kentucky University is pleased to award an honorary degree to Frank R. Caccamo.

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Frank R. Caccamo is a distinguished figure in both the corporate world and higher education. He has more than five decades of experience in global business management, information management and technology, data analytics, and computing and communications infrastructure. Throughout his illustrious career, Mr. Caccamo has held pivotal leadership roles in information technology in the corporate world as well as contributed his talents to higher education through advisory and board memberships.

After retiring as vice president of management systems worldwide at Procter & Gamble, Mr. Caccamo’s leadership continued as he assumed similar senior chief information officer positions at Reynolds & Reynolds, PepsiCo, Skidmore Sales & Distributing and the Quaker Oats Company. His extensive business background also encompasses responsibilities in marketing, advertising, finance and accounting. He has significant Fortune 500 experience leading the establishment of IT vision, strategy and enterprise technology plans. Mr. Caccamo also provided advisory services for the Cincinnati Consulting Consortium, and he has served on the board of directors of several business process and technology firms, including Best Upon Request, Celerant Consulting, dba Direct, Good Nursing Care, Inc. and Trivantis.

With a long history of philanthropy to Northern Kentucky University, Mr. Caccamo has been a steadfast supporter of the College of Informatics (COI) and its initiatives. Through his financial contributions, time and talent, Mr. Caccamo has made a tremendous impact on NKU students and programs. Examples of his service include his role as the founding chairman of the Dean’s Advisory Board of the College of Informatics, a co-founder of NKU’s Information Technology Leadership Forum, as well as his service as a member of the COI Business Informatics Advisory Council, the COI Center for Applied Informatics Advisory Board, the COI Health Informatics Advisory Council, the COI Information Systems Advisory Board and his service as the COI representative on the INTERalliance Board. Mr. Caccamo is part of the Cincinnati Higher Education Collaborative, a group that encourages students in our area to pursue careers in digital technology. His commitment to NKU students and their future shines through in his role as one of the founders of UpTech, a startup accelerator in northern Kentucky.

Moreover, Mr. Caccamo’s philanthropic endeavors and civic engagement have significantly impacted communities both locally and regionally. He has served on numerous nonprofit and higher education boards, including the Life Enriching Communities, Cincinnati Sight Restoration Foundation, Inc., board president of the Saint Joseph’s College Board of Trustees and the Dean’s Advisory Board at the University of Cincinnati Blue Ash, Advisory Board for Xavier University’s Business Analytics Information Systems Department and more. His dedication to higher education was previously acknowledged by his alma mater with the Alumni Service Award from the Alumni Association of Saint Joseph’s College in 2004.

In recognition of his outstanding achievements and invaluable contributions to the fields of information technology and higher education, NKU is proud to confer upon Frank R. Caccamo an honorary Doctor of Education degree. Mr. Caccamo’s legacy serves as a beacon of inspiration for future generations, embodying the university’s commitment to excellence, innovation and service to the community.
Carlee Franklin, a Winchester, Kentucky native, is graduating summa cum laude with dual degrees from the College of Informatics with a Bachelor of Science in Business Information Systems, and from the Haile College of Business with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Marketing.

As a lifelong student, Franklin loves learning and would spend her free time researching various topics of interest throughout her childhood. This curiosity and love for knowledge fueled her drive to graduate college despite the setbacks she encountered growing up. She has found Northern Kentucky University an amazing environment to continue her journey of growth and self-discovery as one of the best colleges in the nation.

Throughout her four years at NKU, Franklin has excelled academically as a frequent recipient of President’s list honors and was named the Haile College of Business’s Marketing Student of the Year.

She has been active in many student organizations including STEM Peer Mentors, Presidential Ambassadors and Haile College of Business Ambassadors. Franklin also earned two publications in IEEE Future Directions for her research in cybersecurity and psychology, she had the amazing opportunity to study abroad in Prague, Czech Republic.

Franklin has greatly expanded her field experience throughout her college career with six internships at five different employers including Western & Southern, Heritage Bank and local nonprofits. After graduation, Franklin will move to Denver, Colorado to return to her previous internship employer, Ibotta, as a B2B marketing associate, combining her passions for technology and creative marketing.
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The Board of Regents at Northern Kentucky University is pleased to award an honorary degree to William P. Butler.

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

William P. Butler, a longstanding resident of Covington, Kentucky, is a distinguished figure renowned for his dedication and contributions to education, business and civic prosperity in northern Kentucky. Mr. Butler's journey is intertwined with the creation and remarkable growth of the Corporex Family of Companies, LLC, which he founded in 1965 and has led as chairman and CEO ever since. Under his stewardship, Corporex has burgeoned into a powerhouse in the real estate industry, having built over $8 billion in facility constructions across 27 states. Additionally, Mr. Butler sponsored the formation of Eagle Hospitality Properties Trust, a New York Stock Exchange traded entity, where he was chairman of the board from inception in 2004 through its sale in 2007.

Beyond his achievements in the corporate realm, Mr. Butler epitomizes a steadfast commitment to community welfare and service. Mr. Butler serves the community through his roles as founder of the Butler Foundation, founder and board member of the Life Learning Center, founding member and trustee of the Horizon Community Fund and founder and executive board member of the Metropolitan Club. Additionally, he currently serves or has served on the boards of United Way of Greater Cincinnati, the Dan Beard Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Thomas More University, the Lindner Center of Hope, the Catalytic Fund, Bexion Pharmaceuticals, the OneNKY Alliance, and the Kentucky, Greater Cincinnati, and Northern Kentucky Chambers of Commerce at various times. He is a multi-level member of United Way’s Million Dollar Roundtable, the Alexis de Tocqueville Society, and the Commercial Club of Cincinnati, and has an impressive history serving on many other boards and councils in the region.

Throughout the years, Mr. Butler has made exceptional contributions to NKU through his time, talent and treasure. He has served NKU with his expertise in numerous ways, including his service as an interviewee for the Campaign Feasibility Study in 2016, serving as a member of the President’s Advisory Council from 2003 to 2012 and his service on the Shaping Dreams Campaign Cabinet from 2001 to 2005. Most notably, Mr. Butler has greatly impacted NKU student excellence through his contributions, which have established both the Butler Scholars program and the matching funds for the Lift Scholars program.

The Butler Foundation has been supporting the Butler Scholars Program at NKU for more than ten years — a commitment that has provided consistent financial assistance and motivation to young learners who will be the next leaders, innovators and change-makers of our communities. In the 2023-24 academic year, there are 22 Butler Scholars at NKU, which is the most supported by this program in any given year.

The Lift Scholars Program was designed to support student populations who are at the highest risk of not completing their degrees. By focusing on low-income and first-generation scholarship students, the program helps these students access higher education and navigate challenges on their path to degree completion.

This dedication to NKU and to the Northern Kentucky region overall has resulted in Mr. Butler’s being honored with many prestigious awards, including being National Entrepreneur of the Year, USA in 1996 and NKU’s Lincoln Award in 2002. A few more recent awards include the 2020 Wm. T. (Bill) Robinson III Northern Kentucky Economic Development Award, the 2017 Spirit of Progress Award, the 2017 Northern Kentucky Business Hall of Fame Award and the Great Living Cincinnatian Award.

Mr. Butler has dedicated his career to the prosperity of Northern Kentucky and advocated for higher education through his philanthropy, displaying a vision that begins with the talented minds that will grow to shape the future of this region. His pivotal role in NKU’s growth makes Northern Kentucky University proud to confer upon William P. Butler an honorary Doctor of Education degree.

WILLIAM P. BUTLER
STUDENT COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Grace McConn is graduating summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing and a Bachelor of Science in Economics. During her time at Northern Kentucky University, she has maintained a 4.0 GPA while also taking full advantage of the opportunities provided by the Haile College of Business.

A key experience for McConn was joining The Underground Agency, a network of marketing students and alumni led by Dr. David Raska, where she did hands-on marketing research projects for clients like Kroger. This sparked her interest in consumer insights, leading to a 1.5-year internship at Big Village conducting research for other well-known companies like Bass Pro Shops, Bath & Body Works and Fidelity. Through the agency, McConn also studied abroad in Prague during her junior year. While there, she worked on building a brand story for Rutkovsky, a bead manufacturer in Northern Bohemia, unexpectedly witnessed a presidential inauguration in Prague Castle, and learned from top advertising executives at Leo Burnett.

Once returning home from her studies abroad, McConn united her dual interests in marketing and economics by collaborating with Dr. Aron Levin on a market research project for Sazerac Brands, one of the largest spirits industries in the United States. Her success on the project was recognized among faculty and opened the door to her role as a Haile Fellow conducting economic research under the guidance of Dr. Abdullah Al-Bahrani.

As a Haile Fellow, McConn’s achievements include winning “best undergraduate paper” at the Kentucky Economic Association, working on a National Endowment for Financial Education project, creating engaging class content as a teacher’s assistant for the “Storytelling with Data” course, winning fourth place in the 2024 Econ Games competition and more. As a recent graduate of the fellowship program, she joins a community of alumni who will continue to support and advise each other as they navigate their lives as young professionals.

Originally from Hebron, Kentucky, McConn looks forward to remaining in her hometown to begin a position in risk management with Fifth Third Bank this summer. She is excited to carry both the technical and soft skills she has gained during her time at the Haile College of Business into her next role and throughout life. Inspired by the mentors and faculty who have shaped her into the person she is today, in the future McConn hopes to return as a mentor herself for the next generation of NKU business students.
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- Cortneye Nicole Calhoun
- Jacob Patrick Clarke
- Paige E. Combs
- Demekuch Gurmur Feyissa
- Jaden Henry Hardin
- Randall Hermez
- Emma Michelle King
- Brooke Elise Lloyd
- Tashzieanna Minter
- Nina Najafi
- Daniel David O’Brien
- Camilla Pascua
- Tasha Poole
- Grace Rowland
- Brett Alexander Scott
- Elijah William Shramovich
- Natalie Smith
- Jaylan Trae-Ron Woolridge
- Amy Diane Yount
- Aimee J. Zimmer

## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- Devon K. Abrams
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- Ravichandran
- Alexis J. Anderson
- Camberley Brenea Arlinghaus
- Shanmathy Shree
- Arthanarieaswaramoorthy
- Logash Kumar Arumugam
- Mohankumar
- Desmond Aryee
- Dhishan Asaraf Ali
- Sharath Ayyalusamy
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- Sruthi Balaji
- Sangamithra Balakrishnan
- Keerthivasan Balakrishnan
- Lisa Lynn Beutel
- Natalia Valerinya Bhola
- Melissa Ann Bosse
- Jean Paul Bouiti
- Victoria A. Boyd
- Stephany Elise Brannock
- Beth Ann Brickles Hallauer
- Christopher Michael Broadus

## Other Candidates

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- Kirsten Brosmore
- Rachel Antoinette Cannon
- Jacob Andrew Carroll
- Clayton Case
- Ryan Christopher Cash
- Jenna Catron
- Alexis Cierra Caudill
- Dhanush Chandrasekaran
- Chandira Krishnan
- Chinnasamy Vadivel
- Aaron Paul Clayton
- Ian Cole
- Tyler David Connor
- Sydney Scheben Cooney
- Michael Bernard Dames
- Christine Rebecca Davis
- Donnell Lamarr Davis
- Emily Elizabeth DeCamp
- Nicole Desanto
- Devin Desanto
- Sanjay Gowtham Dhandapani
- Djeneba Diakite
- Brianne Linese Dorsey
- Alexander Campbell Doss
- Joseph Driscoll
- Jeffrey Michael Duvic
- Kari Lee Dishman East
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- John Edward Grothaus
- Sunny Grothaus
- Sureshkrishnan Gunasekaran
- Zach Halpin
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- Elizabeth Hartke
- Joshua Benton Haverland
- Joshua Edward Heflin
- Emily Jordan Hemmelgarn
- Stephen Christopher Henke
- Breanna Hicks
- Andrew Scott Hilton
- Jennifer Diane Humston
- Quincy Caroline Ipsaro
- Amanda Thanh-Sue Jacobson
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- Zachary Allen Beal
- Sarah Minter

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- Rohit Mohan
- Aaron Michael Molloy
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- Vahid Najafi
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- Maikandann
- Gayathri Nedumaran
- Keshia Rose Newell
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- Aathesh Nochkattavalasu
- Dharmalingam
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JONATHAN BUSHEE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT
Brynden W. Perkins

JRG SCHOLARSHIP
Caroline Denise Berger
Jacob Robert Bumgartner
Munene Jeremy Gatobu
Crey Hamilton
Keaton Riley Harris
Logan Russell Harrison
Jaylen Jones
Christian Michael Lane
Christina Mary Moore
Tracy E. Moore
Alexander Gerrard Ruff
Laney Rae Sebastian
Dimitrios I. Stathis

KAY F. CRIST ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Ava Nicole Sills

KCTCS SCHOLARSHIP
Cristhian J. Anariba Castillo
Makena Chandlyn Bach
Mahendra Basnet
Tressa Mae Boyers
Kylee Monique Bruch
William Paris Cremeans
Bibek Dhakal
Cecilia Louise Field
Nicole A. Froning
Lauren Ainslee Gallenstein
Leah Katherine Guess
Crey Hamilton
Mackenzie Paige Hampton

Elisabeth Renae Hopperton
Haleigh Elise Hunt
Jillian Laumann
Karli Oliva Long
Rebecca Audra McDonald
Sharyl McKeever
Abdirahman Mohamed
Leah Kimberly Moore
Samantha Grace North
Jamie Lynn Pearson
Marie Ophelie Rwabukwandi
Addison Mae Schneider
Clinton Thomas
Alexandrea Shareece Tompkins

KEITH STEWART ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Hannah Elizabeth Heisel

KEYER-SCOTT WOMEN’S GOLF SCHOLARSHIP
Hannah Marie Hall

KONSTANTINOW SHORT TERM STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP
Hailey Ann Watson

LARRY GIESMANN AND LAURA TRICE ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Steven Wayne Newman

LARRY GIESMANN BIOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP
Carmen Mariol Reyes
Alexandria Leigh Schroech

LAURA PADOLIK GENERAL CHEMISTRY AWARD
Roland Alexander Long

LEON E. BOOTHE INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP
Katherine Tionna Creech
Abby Murphy
Grace Aileen Pfanstiel
Rachel Nicole Stephens

MACY’S SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF RUDOLF V. JAVOSKY
Cristhian J. Anariba Castillo
Owen M. Flanigan
Megan Elizabeth Lenhart
Joshua Aron Martin

MARK AND MARIE YEAGER ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE SCHOOL OF COMPUTING AND ANALYTICS
Stacey Amerley Armah
Bibek Dhakal

MARY CARMEN CUPITO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Lillian Elizabeth Boden
Autumn Howard

MEN’S BASKETBALL SCHOLARSHIP
Trent Daniel Robinson
Marques Warrick

MEN’S GOLF SCHOLARSHIP
Nicholas Mcmahon Sawyer

MEN’S SOCCER SCHOLARSHIP
Robert Tyler Burlew

MEN’S TENNIS SCHOLARSHIP
Trevor Thomas Ball
Brandon Michael Ponomarew

MICHAEL FRANCIS ZALLA HONORS SCHOLARSHIP
Ansley Elizabeth Cahill
Mary Catherine Cavanaugh
Jordan Malcolm Griffin
Allison Taylor Insko
Katrina Joy Kursell
Haley Nicole Orth
Ava Nicole Sills

MICHAEL SANZERE MEMORIAL ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Estefania Correa
Brynden W. Perkins

MILACRON GEIER FOUNDATION ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Charles Maxwell Bechtel
Alexis Faith Eckart
Jose Cesar Fonseca Lopez

MITCHELL A. SCHNURE SCHOLARSHIP IN PIANO
Maria Jeannette Huff

MUSIC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Maria Jeannette Huff

NANCY HELEN WINSTEL SCHOLARSHIP
Kennedy Taylor Igo

JACKMAN SCHOLARS
Hannah Jo Cremering
Aicha Mouhamed
Abbigail Rena Toller
Noah Warner
Michael Kyle Wilson

JAMES C. AND RACHEL M. VOTRUBA ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Gabrielle Morgan Alsip
Lydia Clarice Goins
Richard Johnson
Katherine Ann Maines
Elliot Meyers Malatesta
Haley Jo Middleton
Kayla Michelle Rich
Lexis Aleah Smith
Noah Warner
Michael Kyle Wilson

JANET DOTSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Tony Dale Smith

JANE S. EDWARDS ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Ashley Marie Baker
Kellie Marie Sturgeon

JANET JOHNSON ENDOURED SCHOLARSHIP
Hailey Anne Ziegelmeyer

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NKU EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Calib Dwaine Adams
Luan Ramos de Aguiar
Elizabeth Rae Armstrong
Devin Mckenzie Arthur
Kayla Austin
Ashley Rose Avery
Noel Annalise Baker
Riley Elizabeth Ball
Madison Marie Barger
Thomas Eli Beaven
Leah Sue Beggs
Chloe Justine Bernesser
Morgan Ann Blumberg
Lillian Elizabeth Boden
Emily Renee Boerger
Elena Christine Boyd
Stephen Alexander Brueggen
Macey Mae Burcham
Tabitha Leean Cain
Quinn Tyler Caney
Katherine Carter
Emily Renee Clark
Jordan A. Clark
Anthony D. Coffee
Elma Coric
Estefania Correa
Sylas James Craven
Sydney Elizabeth Decker
John L. Delagrange
Mary Elizabeth DesJardins
Zoey Mae Desmond
Norma Elizabeth Dieterlen
Rachel Teresa Disibio
Chloe Madilyn Donithan
Katherine Elizabeth Dubois
Autumn Duncan
Colin Feitl
Daniel Felix
Corinne Kathleen Fiedler
Owen M. Flanagan
Jenna Rae Foltz
Lauren Ashley Scott Ford
Ethan Thomas Fossmeyer
Ashley Lynn Foulks
Maria Araceli Geisler
Brianne Madison Gentry
Nathaniel David Gibbs
Ellen Rose Gray
Dane Edward Hammond
Logan Russell Harrison
Mia Lee Hatcher
Grant Robert Haubner
Mason Thomas Heeg
Mallory Claire Hill
Emma Ireland Lawrence
Mya Elizabeth Holeman
Kevin Tyson Macayle Holt
Logan A. Horn
Michelle Horner
Caden Hoskins
Matthew Paul Hoskins
Dalton Christopher Howell
Kyle Michael Hunter
Dakota Logan Hurston
Allison Marie Isaacs
Abigail Leigh Johnson
Eryn Jade Keenan
Alyssa Marie Keuper
Fel Kinney
Payton Janelle Knock
Paul Kremer
Katrina Joy Kursell
Alaina Loretta Lawrence
Megan Elizabeth Lenhart
Jensen Patrick Linder
Megan Elexa Little
Krystal Marie Lozano
Carlie Ann Macnab
Dylan Patrick Mahorney
Juliana Maisch
Bailey James Malkemus
Miriah Lynn Marksberry
Rhiannon Elayne Matteoli
Kendra Diane McAndrew
Hunter Isaac McGill
Connor Austin McGuire
Hanna M. McVey
Elizabeth Elliott Meier
Noah David Mello
Brittany Merida
Gracie Elizabeth Merritt
Kayla Marie Miller
Rachel Lee Millward
Claire Mitchell
Ashley Jordan Moore
Marielisa Moreno-Garza
Madison Morwessel
Chandler Michael Tyler Murray
Mackenzie Taylor Myers
Ashley Dawn Neltner
Steven Wayne Newman
Andrew J. O'Neal
Ryan Elizabeth Parsons
Lauren Alivea Peake
Connor C. Perry
Logan William Perry
Maya Grace Pizzo
Michaela Marie Powers
Noah Wesley Powers
Luke Dawson Price
Kennedy Tjede Pugh
Holland T. Rajewski
Justin Thomas Reckner
Matthew Rice
Leah Catherine Rinehard
Emma Jane Roberts
Kaylee Danae Roetting
Olivia Josephine Ryan
Malia Brooke Ryle
Michael Schriefer
Laney Rae Sebastian
Justin Gregory Selby
Madeline Claire Showell
Tyler Houston Shroyer
Savannah Adryan Faith Slem
Aaron M. Smith
Lexis Aleh Smith
Divya Naval Srinivas
Elita Lynn St. Clair
Abigail Rose Straw
Kody Ian Thompson
Kristy Madeline Thornton
Trent Michael Toller
Gabriel Usleaman
Jay N. Utz
Blake Anthony Wagner
Maria Frances Wagner
Luke Andrew Warth
Keara Paige Wetzel
Reagan Thomas Wildoner
Alexander David Wilhelm
Sarah Anne Willman
Kayla Nikole Wilson
Haley Marie Windgassen
Aubrey Irene Wirth
Ruth Yi Yang
Hailey Anne Ziegelmeier

NKU YOUNG ALUMNI SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

Alexander Brian Kent

NORTHERN DIFFERENCE

Kin Abdirizaq Adan
Luan Ramos de Aguiar
Asher Joseph Applegate
Elizabeth Rae Armstrong
Kayla Austin
Ashley Rose Avery
Ashley Marie Baker
Brooke Elizabeth Bihl
Elena Christine Boyd
John Robert Brun
Joseph Jack Bryan
Ansley Elizabeth Cahill
Zoe Callahan
Emma Marie Casson
Sophia Lynne Casson
Estefania Correa
Georgia Katherine Craddock
Joseph Davis
Jaden Brooke Dietz
William Dobosiewicz
Katherine Elizabeth Dubois
Felicity England
Daniel Felix
Corinne Kathleen Fiedler
Alexis Marie Fitters
Dominik Jean-Pierre Gardner
Grayson Michael Gartland
Morgan Alexandra Goepper
Kelly Goetz
Jennifer Gonzalez
Natalie Elise Goodwin
Audrey Kay Graves
Brandon Louis Greenlee
Keaton Riley Harris
Morgan D. Heyob
Dustin Chase Hunley
Corbin Robert Kelley
Kyleigh Morgan Koenig
Jonah Adam Krebs
Megan Reilly LaClair
Emma Rose Lavigne
Bryanne Mariah Leon
Alexis Lynn Lewis
Leilani Rose Lillard
Krystal Marie Lozano
Ahenewa Nia Nairobi Luna
James Agustus Lynch
Baylie Brook Mastin
James Dillon Mayse
Patrick Medovich
Brittany Merida
Kayla Marie Miller
Allison Mitchell
Ashley Jordan Moore
Nevaeh Maylynn Moore
Megan Louise Neeld
Ashley Dawn Neltner
Kyle Isaac Ollier
Stephen Brent Perdue
Grace Aileen Planstiel
Abigail Elizabeth Purvis
Justin Thomas Reckner
Kaylee Daneo Roetting
Olivia Josephine Ryan
William Sandlin
Tyler Houston Shroyer
Aaron M. Smith
Lexis Aleich Smith
Boston Dale Snyder
Sophia Ellen Sodano
Kirstin Marie Spellman
Eden Grace Stempa
Maria Rose Stevenson
Abigail Rose Straw
Judith Ifesinachi Tabuugo
Mark Anthony Taylor II
Kody Ian Thompson
Abbigail Rena Toller
Peyton Wells
Keara Paige Wetzel
Casey Williams
Jae’ Lisa Niashai Williamson
Abigail Grace Wood
Jacob Paul Woods
Vivian Roselia Yelton
Christina Young

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Michael Schriefer
Olivia Josephine Ryan
Kaylee Danae Roetting
Emma Jane Roberts
Leah Catherine Rinehard
Matthew Rice
Justin Thomas Reckner
Holland T. Rajewski
Kennedy Tjede Pugh
Michaela Marie Powers
Noah David Mello
Brittany Merida
Gracie Elizabeth Merritt
Kayla Marie Miller
Rachel Lee Millward
Claire Mitchell
Ashley Jordan Moore
Marielisa Moreno-Garza
Madison Morwessel
Chandler Michael Tyler Murray
Mackenzie Taylor Myers
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Justin Gregory Selby
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Elita Lynn St. Clair
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Alexander David Wilhelm
Sarah Anne Willman
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Aubrey Irene Wirth
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Hailey Anne Ziegelmeier

SCHOLARSHIP

NKU EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

NKU YOUNG ALUMNI SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

NORTHERN DIFFERENCE

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
PHILLIP C. YEAGER ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Ariana Haley Profitt
Kellie Marie Sturgeon
Colby Ryan Ward

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Robert Joseph Blasingame
Zachary Frederick Case
Kaylin Rose Conley
Jacob Gildenblatt
Allison Taylor Insko
Megan Reilly LaClair
Roland Alexander Long
Luciano Robert Montazemi
Stefano Pecile
Alanna Kate Pittman
Alaina Michelle Spencer
Caitlin Marie Walsh

PSYCHOLOGY ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP
Rachel Hope Shepherd

R.C. DURR ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Sophia Hui-Xue Cates
Cesiley Storm McKinley
Alejandro De Jesus Villasenor Lara

RAY E. RICHMOND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Jenna E. Dunham
Jessica Frederick

ROBERT AND JOANN BRINKMAN SCHOLARSHIP
Lillian Louise Leiner

ROBERT AND ROSALEE WHEELER SCHOLARSHIP
Jonah Adam Krebs
Michaela Marie Powers

ROBERT H. CASTELLINI FOUNDATION II HONORS PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP FOR BUSINESS MAJORS
Jonah Adam Krebs
Stephen Ray Penrod III

ROBERT KENNEY SHIELDS MEN’S BASKETBALL SCHOLARSHIP
Trent Daniel Robinson

ROBERT L. HERRMANN SCHOLARSHIP FOR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
Carlee Nicole Franklin

ROBERT LOUIS PERDAN SUMMER OPPORTUNITY ENDOWMENT
Lydia Clarice Goins

ROBERT W. AND SUE D. GODERWIS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
John David Brinkman

ROGER AND CLARABELLE SCHLEMMER MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP
Norma Elizabeth Dieterlen
Maria Jeannette Huff

ROGER F. GREIN ENDOWED ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIP
Madeline Jane Lacer
Ella Margaret LeMonier
Arrington Nicole Walker

ROGER KLEIN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Trevor Thomas Ball

SADIE AND CHUCK BROWN HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP
Jonah Adam Krebs

SADIE BROWN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Nevaeh Maylynn Moore

SANDRA W. EASTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Kathryn Grace Andrews

SCHLACHTER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
Katherine M. Groemling

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
Ireland Shea Colson
Thu Ha Cam Le
Michael August Mcqueeney
Kayla Elise Smith
Valerie Madison Vann
Alejandro De Jesus Villasenor Lara
Michael Kyle Wilson
Rebecca L. Wolfe

SCRIPPS HOWARD FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP
Killian Baarlaer
Grace Jayne Holland
Stefan Urbanek

SEAN AND KIMBERLY DONOVAN LIFT SCHOLARSHIP
Fatou Ndiaye
Amaya C. Williams

SEHNERT-PUGH SCHOLARSHIP
Mahendra Basnet
Munene Jeremy Gatobu
Crey Hamilton
Peyton Connor Allen Hayes
Kristoffe Lamont Wilson
Logan Emerson Witwer

SHELTON B. AND FERN H. STORER HONORS SCHOLARSHIP
Killian Baarlaer
John Robert Brun
Chloe Olivia Esmeier
Emily Grace Haubeil
Peyton Connor Allen Hayes
Emily L. Hilbrecht
Maria Jeannette Huff
Lillian Louise Leiner
Mackenzie Taylor Nelms
Stephen Ray Penrod III
Priscilla Pham
Carmen Marisol Reyes
Alexandra Leigh Schroep
Ava Nicole Sills
Stefan Urbanek
Kendall Jamison Yogler

SMITH-MILLER SCHOLARSHIP
Savannah Brooklyn Albers
Abigail Elizabeth Purvis

SOAR SCHOLARS
Robert Joseph Blasingame
India Davis
Jessica Frederick
Krystal Marie Lozano
Nevaeh Maylynn Moore
Connor C. Perry
Carmen Marisol Reyes
Kristy Madeline Thornton
Stefan Urbanek
Luke Andrew Warth

STAFF CONGRESS BOOK AWARD
Robert Joseph Blasingame

STEINHAUSER ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP
Trent Daniel Robinson
Marques Warrick

SUTTON LANDRY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
LeAnn Marie McBee

THE YACOUB A. SIDYA ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Moulaye Mohamed Cheikh

THELMA LOUISE GREIN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED
Munene Jeremy Gatobu
Sharyl McKeever
Aicha Mouhamed
Steven Wayne Newman
William Sandlin

TIMOTHY J. SCHLOTMAN EDUCATOR SCHOLARSHIP
Elizabeth Rae Armstrong
Lydia Belle Leverett

TRANSFER AWARD
Caroline Denise Berger
Clayton Charles Brock
Mary Elizabeth DesJardins
Jackson Perree Fraser
Wyatt Geesaman
Nathan James Holman
Erim N. Hoobler
Ryan John Kilpatrick
Colton Thomas Kucera
Peyton Daniel Lane
Robin Lunsford
Bryce Thomas Miller
Nicholas Mcmahon Sawyer
Cleary Scott Simpson
Bryan Staley

TYSON FOODS, INC./GARY W. HENSLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Kayla Elise Smith

UPTOWN ARTS SCHOLARSHIP
Chandler Michael Tyler Murray
Ragan Savage

US BANK CYBERSECURITY SCHOLARSHIP
Logan Emerson Witwer

VERST GROUP LOGISTICS GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP
Aicha Mouhamed
Trent Michael Tolliver
VICKI AND GAUT RAGSDALE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Killian Baarlaer

VICKI LOUISE TEAL MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Kennedy Tjede Pugh

VICTORIA VINCENT AWARD
Abbigail Rena Toller

VIVIAN ROSS EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
Briocca A’Janey Green

W. FRANK STEELY AND MARTHA J. PELFREY SOCIAL STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP
John Robert Brun
Leilani Rose Lillard
Christopher Jacob Roat

WILLIAM H. GREAVES SCHOLARSHIP
Alexis Faith Eckart
Seth Landon Gregg
Adrienne Nicole Hafley
Danielle Catherine Montgomery
Alexandra Kathryn Mullins
Josiah Caleb Painter
Nathan Edward Schroeder

WILLIAM T. (TAY) ROBINSON IV TENNIS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Trevor Thomas Ball
Brandon Michael Ponomarew

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL SCHOLARSHIP
Kennedy Taylor Igo

WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY SCHOLARSHIP
Mikela Maggie Aynedjian
Shaina Miracle Rutledge
Jacquelyn Frances Witt

WOMEN’S GOLF SCHOLARSHIP
Brooke Elizabeth Bihl
Hannah Marie Hall
Emmanuelle Madeleine Hewson

WOMEN’S SOCCER SCHOLARSHIP
Mckayla Urban Kowalski
Emily Grace Tirey
Maria Hope Wielinger

WOMEN’S SOFTBALL SCHOLARSHIP
Sydni Barnes
Tatum Kelsey Biddle
Hannah Lynn Colbert
Jordan Taylor Harbeck
Lauryn Marie Hicks
Madeline Jane Lacer
Ella Margaret LeMonier
Megan Elizabeth Lenhart
Arrington Nicole Walker

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL SCHOLARSHIP
Lillian Louise Leiner
Allie Siefe
Skyy Smith
Kathryn Grace Yopko

WORLD LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES GERMAN STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP
Stephen Alexander Brueggen

GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

ACHIEVER’S SCHOLARSHIP
Courteney Nicole Calhoun
Carson Ryan Lee
Jayden Connor Wakeham

COMMONWEALTH EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP
Kassidy Treadway

CONNIE AND FIRMIN WIDMER ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP IN SOCIAL JUSTICE
Hannah Miller

DEAN’S SCHOLARSHIP
Brevin E. Phillips

EVA G. FARRIS BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP
Zachary Allen Beal
Jessica Reichl

FOUNDERS SCHOLARSHIP
Jessica Reichl

GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT AWARD
Mai Xuan Thi Dao

GOVERNOR’S SCHOLARS
Samantha Lee Mason

HONORS TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP
Samantha Lee Mason

INTERNATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP
Mai Xuan Thi Dao
Jayden Connor Wakeham

INTERNATIONAL STUDY SCHOLARSHIP
Zoe Paige Lemons
Samantha Lee Mason
Hannah Miller
Danielle Renae Turner
Michael Joseph Wessel

JAMES C. AND RACHEL M. VOTRUBA ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Zoe Paige Lemons

KCTCS SCHOLARSHIP
Evan Hayden Padgett

LINDA BOWEN WASICKO SOCIAL WORK ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Brevin E. Phillips

MARY K. ROZIER SCHOLARSHIP
Maria Dawn DuPont
Gary Lee Sarret
Clinton L. Williams

MEN’S BASEBALL SCHOLARSHIP
Jayden Connor Wakeham

MEN’S CROSS COUNTRY SCHOLARSHIP
Kyle Jacob Mastin

NICHOLAS & ELIZABETH MELNICK EDUCATION LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP
Leslie Dillon
Callie Ann Stephens
Katharyn Sara Taylor

NKU EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP
Mai Xuan Thi Dao
Natalie Marie Kuhn
Abigail Laws
Zoe Paige Lemons
Kyle Jacob Mastin
Anna Elizabeth Rust

R.C. DURR ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Alyssa Charlie Metz

SHELDON B. AND FERN H. STORER HONORS SCHOLARSHIP
Samantha Lee Mason

TRANSFER AWARD
Brevin E. Phillips
UNIVERSITY AWARDS

PRESIDENT’S AWARD
Alejandro Villasenor Lara
The President’s Award is given to a senior student who has greatly contributed to the development of a strong sense of community at Northern Kentucky University through special efforts to break down barriers of discrimination, increase international awareness, further interaction between traditional and nontraditional students, promote diversity, or improve handicap access and awareness. A minimum grade-point average of 2.5 is required. This award is sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Students. This year’s recipient is Alejandro Villasenor Lara, pre-engineering major with a minor in Spanish.

REGENTS AWARD
Justin Locher
The Regents Award is given to a senior student who has demonstrated professionalism and leadership within the university community and who has an emphasis on continuation of studies at the graduate level. A minimum grade-point average of 3.3 is required. The student may show evidence of the intent to pursue further educational opportunities. This award is sponsored by the Northern Kentucky University Board of Regents. This year’s recipient is Justin Locher, exercise science major with a minor in chemistry.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE AWARD
Jonah Krebs
The University Service Award is given to a senior student who has provided outstanding service to the university through involvement in student organizations, involvement in civic organizations or agencies, and academic achievement. While a minimum grade-point average of 3.0 is required, the individual’s academic record should be given equal weight with student involvement in both university and community activities. This award is sponsored by the Northern Kentucky University Alumni Association. This year’s recipient is Jonah Krebs, double major in business administration and economics with a minor in general business.

EXCELSIOR AWARD
Nicole Froning
The Excelsior Award is presented to an outstanding senior student who has overcome great obstacles in the pursuit of academic achievement. These obstacles may be physical, emotional, financial, age-related, etc. A minimum grade-point average of 3.0 is required. This award is sponsored by the Office of Student Affairs. This year’s recipient is Nicole Froning, business major.
FACULTY SENATE AWARD
Kalyn Koons
The Faculty Senate Award is given to a senior student who has demonstrated exceptional skills and productivity in an independent study project. An independent study project is defined as a faculty supervised research or scholarly work which has as its goal the publication, presentation and/or exhibition of results. The project should be conducted outside of a formal classroom and last at least one semester, preferably longer. This award is sponsored by the Faculty Senate. This year’s recipient is Kalyn Koons, chemistry major with minors in mathematics and honors.

NKU FOUNDATION STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD
Mickayla Kowalski
The NKU Foundation Student Leadership Award is given to a student leader who has provided outstanding service to the University through student government or another significant student leadership role. Although a specific grade-point average is not required, the individual should be strong academically, as their academic record will be considered. Sponsored by the NKU Foundation, this award was created to honor Cliff Borland, John Brooking and Henry “Bud” Pogue for their leadership roles in creating the Foundation and for their many years of service to the Foundation and the university. This year’s recipient is Mickayla Kowalski, biological sciences major.

PAUL J. SIPES AWARD
Luan Aguiar
The Paul J. Sipes Award is presented to an outstanding senior student who displays the personal qualities of honesty, character and industry and who has actively participated in community affairs. The person will also be strong academically and, although a specific grade-point average is not required, the individual’s academic record should be given equal weight along with the listed personal qualities and community involvement. This award is sponsored by the Northern Kentucky University Alumni Association. This year’s recipient is Luan Aguiar, exercise science and physical therapy major.

OFFICE OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT
NORSE LEGACY AWARDS
Katy Andrews
Addison McCoun

NPHC FRATERNITY MAN OF THE YEAR
Mohamed Omar

OUTSTANDING SENIORS
Jessi Spradlin
Grace Winstel

RACHEL VOTRUBA ARETE AWARD
Katy Andrews

OFFICE OF LGBTQA+ STUDENT INITIATIVES
LAVENDER GRADUATE AWARD
Leah Kubala

LAVENDER SERVICE AWARD
Jaelynn Gentry

LAVENDER SCHOLAR AWARD
Fel Kinney
ABOUT THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Commencement exercises today at Northern Kentucky University give special attention to the pageantry of the ceremony. The counterpart of this pageantry is enacted each year on campuses all over the world. It is the solemn climax and recognition of the graduates’ years of study and preparation for increased responsibility.

ACADEMIC ATTIRE
Today, all candidates for degrees and those who hold degrees, including college officials, faculty and visiting dignitaries, are attired in traditional cap and gown. The formal color for most caps and gowns is black. However, holders of different degrees wear distinctive tassels on their caps (called mortarboards). Hoods of various hues drape down the back of the gowns. Recipients of the associate and bachelor’s degrees at Northern Kentucky University wear black gowns and black and gold tassels; recipients of the master’s and doctoral degrees wear black gowns and tassels that correspond to the color of their particular discipline; and recipients of the degree of Juris Doctor wear black gowns and purple tassels.

Those wearing academic costumes wear caps in the academic processions and throughout the ceremony.

Members of the university governing body are entitled to wear doctoral gowns. The Regents regalia is a gold gown with three black chevrons and trim and an eight-sided tam with gold tassel. This attire is distinctive of the Board of Regents of NKU.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctor’s gowns, edgings of hoods and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the colleges and degrees at NKU are as follows:

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
Master of Arts in English (white)
Master of Arts in Integrative Studies (white)
Master of Arts in Public History (white)
Master of Public Administration (peacock blue)
Master of Science in Industrial-Organizational Psychology (old gold)

HAILE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (DRAB)
Master of Accountancy
Master of Business Administration
Master of Business Leadership and Innovation

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (LIGHT BLUE)
Master of Arts in Education
Master of Arts in Teaching
Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership

COLLEGE OF INFORMATICS (COPPER)
Master of Arts in Communication
Master of Science in Business Informatics
Master of Science in Computer Information Technology
Master of Science in Computer Science
Master of Science in Cybersecurity
Master of Science in Health Informatics

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Master of Arts in School Counseling (light blue)
Master of Science in Athletic Training (sage green)
Master of Science in Cardiovascular Perfusion (wine)
Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling (light blue)
Master of Social Work (citron)
Master of Science in Exercise Science (old gold)
Master of Science in Health Science (sage green)
Master of Science in Health Administration (sage green)
Master of Science in Nursing (apricot)
Doctor of Nursing Practice (apricot)

INTERNATIONAL SASHES AND FLAGS
Different flags are displayed on colorful sashes worn by international students and students who studied abroad during their time at NKU. The sashes display the flag or emblem commemorating a student’s favorite study abroad location or the original country of birth or citizenship of an international student.

The display of international flags on stage represents NKU’s diverse student body and international students.

HONORS CORDS
The gold and white Honors cords worn by bachelor degree graduates signify that they have achieved at least a 3.5 cumulative overall grade-point average on a 4.0 scale for their academic careers. The black and white Honors Cords are worn by those associate degree graduates with at least a 3.5 cumulative overall grade-point average.

GRAND MARSHAL
The Grand Marshal is the president of the Faculty Senate, or his/her designate and represents the faculty. President John Farrar holds this honor today.

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Student ushers are Presidential Ambassadors. They are selected on the basis of their records of scholastic achievement and their ability to serve the university.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE
The mace, which traces its roots to medieval weaponry, has become a symbol of scholarship and integrity for universities since the eleventh century. Today, the university’s Grand Marshal carries the mace to indicate the solemnity of the occasion and the confirmation of the academic process.

NKU’s mace is rich in symbolism. The spiral base, made of walnut-stained mahogany, suggests growth, evolution and higher achievement. The gold-leaf flame, inspired by NKU’s official seal, the lamp of learning, symbolizes eternal light and learning. The gold and white braided cords flowing from the base of the flame represent purity as well as the university’s school colors.

The mace was presented as a gift to the university from the Northern Kentucky University Foundation, Inc. It was designed by Kari Messner (’91) and was sculpted by local artist Jack True.
Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.90 to 4.00 are graduated Summa Cum Laude.

Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.75 to 3.899 are graduated Magna Cum Laude.

Students who attain a grade-point average of 3.50 to 3.7499 are graduated Cum Laude.

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Northern, let your vision lead us,
hearts of women, men and youth.
Help us seek the higher virtues,
guide us to the greater truth.
Northern, Northern, alma mater,
may our lives enrich your name.
And in time leave us, your children,
better far than when we came.

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