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Searcy, Arkansas

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DR. DAVID B. BURKS



Dr. David B. Burks has served Harding for 56 years, including 27 and one-half years as president from 1987-2013 and 2020-22. He currently is the University's second chancellor and will transition to serve as president emeritus in June. A 1965 alumnus, Burks served as student association president in Dr. George S. Benson's last year of presidency. He worked as a CPA for Exxon before returning to Harding in 1967 to teach business and direct

the placement office. He also served as dean of the School of Business and director of the American Studies Program before becoming president in 1987.

Burks is the author of three books, *The Christian Alternative for Business*, *Strategic Management Simulation* and *Camaraderie*. He also is general editor of *Against the Grain*. He received the University's Distinguished Teacher Award in 1975 and 1986. He and his wife, Leah, received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1998.

Burks serves as an elder at College Church of Christ. He is on the board of directors for First Security Bank and also has served on the board of trustees for the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities, the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and the Higher Learning Commission, which he chaired from 2001-02.

He earned a bachelor's degree in accounting and business from Harding, a Master of Business Administration from the University of Texas in Austin and a doctorate in higher education administration from Florida State University. He also is a certified public accountant.

He and Leah have two sons, Bryan and Stephen, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL..... **“Variants on the Alma Mater”**

Music by **William Holloway, Ph.D.**, Professor Emeritus

Performed by **Harding University Symphony Orchestra**

Orchestrated and conducted by **Michael Chance, DMA**, Professor Emeritus

WELCOME **Michael D. Williams, Ed.D.**

President

HYMN **Keller Montgomery**

“On Zion’s Glorious Summit”

Candidate for Degree

SCRIPTURE READING **Landry Kamdem, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences

OPENING PRAYER **Ervin E. “Gene” Wright II, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor of Education

REMARKS **Charles Ganus, J.D.**

Chairman, Board of Trustees

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER **President Williams**

ADDRESS..... **David B. Burks, Ph.D.**

Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION OF CANDIDATES

FOR DEGREES..... **Marty Spears, Ph.D.**

Provost

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

FOR DEGREES..... **Ellen Jones, Pharm.D.**

Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice

College of Allied Health

Cannon-Clary College of Education

College of Pharmacy

“The Graduate” by Isaac Wayne Horn

and Lincoln Daniel Mick **Maddie Brasher and Elaina Parker**

Charles Hicks, MSE, Assistant Professor of Music, Collaborative Guitarist

Candidates for Degrees

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You” **Josh Brown, Ph.D.**

Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences

ALMA MATER..... **Keller Montgomery**

Candidate for Degree

CLOSING PRAYER **David Bangs, Ed.D.**

Professor and Chair of the Graduate Education Programs

RECESSIONAL..... **“Variants on the Alma Mater”**

(Audience will remain seated.)

COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH

Mike McGalliard, Sc.D.

Dean of the College

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BACHELOR OF ARTS

NAME	MAJOR/SECOND MAJOR OR DEGREE	HOMETOWN
* Hope Ruth Carson <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Tyler, Texas
* Catherine Reynolds Cox <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Columbia, Tennessee
• Leah Elizabeth Dewey <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Mountain Home, Arkansas
Avery Kay Edison <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Bixby, Oklahoma
Mollie Kay Jarnagin <i>Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Cabot, Arkansas
*Kayla Brooke Melton <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Mobile, Alabama
Lainey Elizabeth Miller <i>Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Joplin, Missouri
Grace E. Morse <i>Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Whitehall, Pennsylvania
* Abby R. Showalter <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Frisco, Texas
Paige C. Simons <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders/ Leadership and Ministry	Stillwater, Oklahoma
*o Carli Paige Slayton <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Searcy, Arkansas

* Anna Camille Smith <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Rogers, Arkansas
Emma Elizabeth Smith	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Jackson, Tennessee
Sydney Taylor Vick <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Searcy, Arkansas
Hannah Grace Williams <i>Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Athens, Alabama
* Allison Jane Wisdom <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Berryville, Arkansas

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

NAME	MAJOR/SECOND MAJOR OR DEGREE	HOMETOWN
Hunter Luke Chaffin <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Prosper, Texas
* Ashlyn Kaite Elmore <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Southlake, Texas
Jacie Leigh Evans <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Norman, Oklahoma
Trey J. Goudeau <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Ponder, Texas
* Kylie Elizabeth Hasz <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Prosper, Texas
Kristin Hope James <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Fort Smith, Arkansas
Elijah G. Klein	Exercise Science	Banner Elk, North Carolina
Wyatt Brantley Maples <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Strafford, Missouri
Rachel McCrae <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Blackburn, United Kingdom
Andrew Robert Miller <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Chesapeake, Ohio
Seth Andrew Morgan	Exercise Science	Batesville, Arkansas
Ashley Katherine Nilsson <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Kamie Lauren Provence <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Searcy, Arkansas
Anneka Marie Ramsey	Exercise Science	Castle Rock, Colorado
Payton Alexandra Reynolds <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Valley View, Texas
Mason A. Rush	Exercise Science	Lawrenceville, Georgia

Bryan Thomas Seaman <i>Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Eads, Tennessee
Nicole Marie Shano	Exercise Science	Peoria, Arizona
Sutton Elizabeth Springman	Exercise Science	Tulsa, Oklahoma
Anna Caroline Swann	Exercise Science	Jonesboro, Arkansas
Lillian Elizabeth Tanski	Exercise Science	Tuscaloosa, Alabama
* Kendall Jarrett Townesley <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Exercise Science	Cave City, Arkansas
Roland J. Wallace	Exercise Science	New Orleans, Louisiana
Stacy J. Borth	Strength and Conditioning	Saint Louis, Missouri
Sophie F. Capitanelli <i>Cum Laude</i>	Strength and Conditioning	Collierville, Tennessee
John Grant Ennis	Strength and Conditioning	Lavaca, Arkansas
Georgios Petousis <i>Cum Laude</i>	Strength and Conditioning	Asini Argolidas, Greece

MASTER OF SCIENCE

NAME	EMPHASIS	HOMETOWN
Mason David Alexander <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Delight, Arkansas
Britton T. Anderson <i>Bachelor of Business Administration, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Texarkana, Texas
Carman Emily Barker <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Searcy, Arkansas
Katelyn Grace Burtch <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	McKinney, Texas
Taylor Trynese Calhoun <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Arkansas at Monticello</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	McKinney, Texas
Oksana Goretaya <i>Bachelor of Science, Brown University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	West Warwick, Rhode Island
Hannah Faith Hefley <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Rogersville, Missouri

Charles Hickman Jr. <i>Bachelor of Science, Texas A&M University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Colleyville, Texas
Alexandria Nicole Mentavlos <i>Bachelor of Science, Abilene Christian University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Colleyville, Texas
Matthew W. Mihalko <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Germantown, Tennessee
M'Leia Cymone Rhodes <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Arkansas at Monticello</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Monticello, Arkansas
Rainey Leigh Schoonmaker <i>Bachelor of Science, Montana State University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Belgrade, Montana
Carter Addison Sipe <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Searcy, Arkansas
Alexis Lauren Truesdail <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cardiac Function and Interventional Technology	Beebe, Arkansas
Morgan Ray Merritt <i>Bachelor of Science, Oklahoma Christian University</i>	Physician Assistant Studies	Edmond, Oklahoma
Jamey Nicole Alston <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Springdale, Arkansas
* Haley Grace Botkin <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Rogersville, Missouri
Taylor Breanne Bowers <i>Bachelor of Science, Delta State University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Drummonds, Tennessee
Kaci Elizabeth Brimer <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Junction City, Arkansas
o Carissa A. Caples <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Rose Bud, Arkansas
Mary Elizabeth Coleman <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Cincinnati</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Cincinnati, Ohio
* Ansley Michelle Cumberland <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Clarksville, Tennessee

Kayla Michelle Stites Fitzhugh <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Monroe, Louisiana
Hana Elizabeth Folse <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Keller, Texas
Jamie Nicole Grimes <i>Bachelor of Science, Bob Jones University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Great Falls, Montana
* Jenna Victoria Horton <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Little Rock, Arkansas
* Lindlee Moon Meehan <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Huntsville, Alabama
Kaseenah Nicole Paulhamus <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Linden, Pennsylvania
Kaitlyn Nicole Ridenour <i>Bachelor of Science, Northeastern State University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Muskogee, Oklahoma
*o Jasie Cheyenne Trickey <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Velvet Ridge, Arkansas
* Sarah Paige Willhite <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Speech-Language Pathology	Murfreesboro, Tennessee

DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

NAME	HOMETOWN
Garrett Allen Ainsworth <i>Bachelor of Science, Mississippi College</i>	Hernando, Mississippi
Hannah A. Blake <i>Bachelor of Science, Louisiana Tech University</i>	Calhoun, Louisiana
Zachary Aaron Brown <i>Bachelor of Science, Louisiana Tech University</i>	West Monroe, Louisiana
Lauren Bailey Busalacchi <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Mississippi</i>	Pontotoc, Mississippi
Ryan Peter Busalacchi <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison</i>	Franklin, Wisconsin
Sam Clymer Murphey <i>Bachelor of Science, Freed-Hardeman University</i>	Mayfield, Kentucky
Braeden Micah Cooper <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Derby, Kansas
Emma Kathryn Dille <i>Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science, University of Mississippi</i>	Marks, Mississippi

Lee Cole Eaton <i>Bachelor of Science, North Carolina A&T State University</i>	Little Rock, Arkansas
Cody O'Brian Fink <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Central Arkansas</i>	Van Buren, Arkansas
Anfernee Christopher Floyd <i>Bachelor of Science, Blue Mountain College</i>	Little Rock, Arkansas
Paige Hall <i>Bachelor of Science, Southwestern College</i>	Miami, Oklahoma
Koby Keith Hartis <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Combine, Texas
Turner Lewis Horton <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Little Flock, Arkansas
Katelyn Nicole Jennings <i>Bachelor of Exercise & Sports Science, Texas State University</i>	Bentonville, Arkansas
Chase Dupuy Johnston <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Louisiana at Monroe</i>	Monroe, Louisiana
Jacob Everett Lester <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Louisiana at Monroe</i>	Minden, Louisiana
William Cass Lindsey <i>Bachelor of Science, Southern Arkansas University</i>	Foreman, Arkansas
Sydney Dale Mattson <i>Bachelor of Science, Auburn University</i>	Arrington, Tennessee
Christopher Oluwatosin Osazuwa Omoye <i>Bachelor of Science, The University of Texas at Tyler</i>	Frisco, Texas
Brock O'Neal <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Cape Girardeau, Missouri
Jacob Christopher Peters <i>Bachelor of Science, Louisiana State University and A&M College</i>	Jena, Louisiana
Emma Christine Rucker <i>Bachelor of Science, Mississippi State University</i>	Nolensville, Tennessee
* Troy Michael Scott <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Broken Arrow, Oklahoma
Jared R. Snowaert <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Louisville</i>	Mayfield, Kentucky
Kara Brooke Stanton <i>Bachelor of Science, University of the Ozarks</i>	Fort Smith, Arkansas
Claire Steed <i>Bachelor of Science, Louisiana Tech University</i>	Benton, Louisiana
Lauren Elizabeth Tschiggfrie <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Columbia, Missouri
Colton R. Wheeler <i>Bachelor of Science, Lubbock Christian University</i>	Lubbock, Texas

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CANNON-CLARY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Raymond “Donny” Lee, Ed.D.
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Victoria Karkau Hutcherson	Education Studies/ Leadership and Ministry	Columbia, Tennessee
Caleb Robert Lowe	Education Studies	McRae, Arkansas
# Maddie S. Adams <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Morrilton, Arkansas
# Melanie Kay Barnes <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Wylie, Texas
# Emily Brooke Byrd <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Searcy, Arkansas
# Emma Judith Delgado-Partida <i>Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Fayetteville, Arkansas
# Tina M. Fazenbaker <i>Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Massillon, Ohio
# Julia Kate Goodwin	Elementary Education	Madison, Mississippi
# Kendall Clare Hall	Elementary Education	Hampton Cove, Alabama
# Morgan Danielle Haught <i>Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Liberty Hill, Texas
•# Kendall Beatrice Henson <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Chantilly, Virginia
*# Baylor Riley Herring <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	McKinney, Texas

# Taryn D. Hughes	Elementary Education	Bentonville, Arkansas
# Brecken Grace Joice <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Searcy, Arkansas
# Victoria Elaine Lantz <i>Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	England, Arkansas
# Savannah Elizabeth Lee <i>Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Memphis, Tennessee
# Victoria Grace Matsch <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Woodbury, Minnesota
# Kristina Victoria Northup	Elementary Education	Fayetteville, Arkansas
*# Rachel Christine Olive <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Franklin, Tennessee
# Mikayla Yvonne Parker	Elementary Education	Bullard, Texas
# Mariel A. Rodriguez	Elementary Education	Springdale, Arkansas
# McKenna Paige Ross <i>Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Mount Dora, Florida
# Kinley Pauline Schnell <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	McKinney, Texas
*•# Jessica Ann Simmons <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Matthews, North Carolina
o# Payton Nicole Spainhour <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Hernando, Mississippi
# Susannah Rebecca Stein <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Fort Smith, Arkansas
# Skyler Erin Stine <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	McKinney, Texas
# Paul Jay Stone <i>Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	Manchester, Missouri
# Avery Joell Voss <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Elementary Education	McKinney, Texas
# Madison Marie Young-Cole	Middle Level English, Language and Math	Searcy, Arkansas
# Isaac Craig Frost <i>Cum Laude</i>	Middle Level English, Language and Math	Clarksville, Arkansas
# William Jason Marshall Jr. <i>Cum Laude</i>	Middle Level English, Language and Math	Hurst, Texas

# Hallie Alayne Diles <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Middle Level English, Language and Social Science	North Little Rock, Arkansas
*# Abigail Vee Schliffka <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Middle Level English, Language and Social Science	New Lenox, Illinois
# Caroline B. Morton	Middle Level Math and Science	Des Arc, Arkansas
# Celena Diane Mercer <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Middle Level Science and Social Science	Anderson, Indiana
# Isaac Mitchell Riddick	Special Education	Searcy, Arkansas
# Catherine Grace Tandy	Special Education	Atlanta, Georgia
# Brianna Nicole Hobbs	Special Education Birth-Kindergarten	Cabot, Arkansas

MASTER OF ARTS

NAME	EMPHASIS	HOMETOWN
Shauna Marie Barnett <i>Bachelor of Science Education, Arkansas State University</i>	Excellence in Teaching	Pyatt, Arkansas
Cassondra Morgan Ahlrichs <i>Bachelor of Business Administration, Harding University</i>	Organizational Leadership	Bartlett, Tennessee
David Garrett Escue <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Organizational Leadership	Searcy, Arkansas
Brett Alan Fitch <i>Bachelor of Science, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University</i>	Organizational Leadership	Fort Worth, Texas
Nathan J. George <i>Bachelor of Science, State University of New York at Oswego</i>	Organizational Leadership	Gray, Maine
Anthony W. Grayson <i>Bachelor of Business Administration, Mississippi State University</i>	Organizational Leadership	Fort Smith, Arkansas
Robert Jonathan Greenlaw <i>Bachelor of Business Administration, Mid-America Christian University</i>	Organizational Leadership	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Warren Wesley Spillman <i>Bachelor of Business Administration, Harding University</i>	Organizational Leadership	Beebe, Arkansas

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

NAME	EMPHASIS	HOMETOWN
# Chelsey Lynn Carter <i>Bachelor of Science in Human Environmental Science, University of Arkansas</i>	Elementary Education	Farmington, Arkansas
# Cynthia Ann Cooper <i>Master of Business Administration, Harding University</i>	Elementary Education	Searcy, Arkansas
# Kelly Christine Krause <i>Bachelor of Science, Missouri State University</i>	Elementary Education	Fayetteville, Arkansas
# Rachel Renee Mathison <i>Bachelor of Arts, Tarleton State University</i>	Elementary Education	Bentonville, Arkansas
# Charles Campbell Apple <i>Bachelor of Science, John Brown University</i>	Middle Level Education	Bentonville, Arkansas
# Kevin Tyler Seaton <i>Bachelor of Arts, American Public University System</i>	Middle Level Education	Little Rock, Arkansas
Audrey G. Kernodle <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Secondary Education	Lewisville, Texas
Gabrielle Nichole Lamp <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Secondary Education	Springfield, Tennessee
Cara A. Mason <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Secondary Education	North Lima, Ohio
Trevor Nicholas Proctor <i>Bachelor of Arts, John Brown University</i>	Secondary Education	Springdale, Arkansas
# Courtney Brooke Gonzalez <i>Bachelor of Professional Studies, Arkansas Tech University</i>	Special Education Birth-Kindergarten	Springdale, Arkansas
# Erica Marshall Griffin <i>Bachelor of Science, Arkansas State University</i>	Special Education Birth-Kindergarten	Brinkley, Arkansas
# Felicia Lynn Taylor <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Special Education Birth-Kindergarten	North Little Rock, Arkansas
# Nicole Winters <i>Bachelor of Arts, Arkansas Tech University</i>	Special Education Birth-Kindergarten	Holiday Island, Arkansas

# Pearl C. Barton <i>Bachelor of Science, Grand Canyon University</i>	Special Education Kindergarten-12	Rogers, Arkansas
# Angela Aurora Calabro <i>Bachelor of Arts, California State University, Stanislaus</i>	Special Education Kindergarten-12	Camden, Arkansas
# Cynthia Jane Whittmore <i>Bachelor of Professional Studies, Arkansas Tech University</i>	Special Education Kindergarten-12	Witter, Arkansas

MASTER OF EDUCATION

NAME	EMPHASIS	HOMETOWN
Jon W. Alexander <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Christian Education Leadership	Cabot, Arkansas
Blake Andrew Beckham <i>Master of Education, Freed-Hardeman University</i>	Christian Education Leadership	Jackson, Tennessee
*# Wendy Renae Emery <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Educational Leadership	Springdale, Arkansas
# Claire Elizabeth Martin <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Educational Leadership	Searcy, Arkansas
* Mary Elizabeth Edwards <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Reading with Dyslexia	Royse City, Texas
* Hannah Christine McDonald <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Reading with Dyslexia	Searcy, Arkansas
* Charissa Alyss Mitchell <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Reading with Dyslexia	Searcy, Arkansas

MASTER OF SCIENCE

NAME	EMPHASIS	HOMETOWN
Amanda C. Howard <i>Master of Science in Education, Arkansas State University</i>	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Sherwood, Arkansas
Gyula Suto <i>Bachelor of Ministry, Harding University</i>	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Searcy, Arkansas
Hannah Marie Underwood <i>Bachelor of Professional Studies, The University of Memphis</i>	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Munford, Tennessee

Thomas Carl Williams <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Little Rock, Arkansas
Erich C. Campbell <i>Bachelor of Science, College of the Ozarks</i>	Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy	Kirbyville, Missouri
Clayton Audy Foster <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy	Tolar, Texas
Nicholas Scott Gianferante <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy	West Warwick, Rhode Island
Natalie Brooke Hughes <i>Bachelor of Science, Tennessee Technological University</i>	Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy	Cookeville, Tennessee
* Brayden William-Wray Merches <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy	Collierville, Tennessee
John Paden Overbey <i>Bachelor of Arts, Harding University</i>	Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy	Emory, Texas
Reagan Edward Waldron <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy	Madison, Alabama
* Jessica Lauren Morris <i>Bachelor of Arts, Mississippi State University</i>	Professional School Counseling	Memphis, Tennessee

EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST

NAME	EMPHASIS	HOMETOWN
Jansen Noel Ensminger <i>Master of Science, Harding University</i>	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	West Monroe, Louisiana
* Taylor Cooksey Goff <i>Master of Science, Harding University</i>	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Shreveport, Louisiana
Madeline Bret Roseke <i>Master of Science, Harding University</i>	Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Center Point, Iowa
# Megan Christine Effinger <i>Master of Science, University of Central Arkansas</i>	Counseling	Rogers, Arkansas
# Terika Guy Andrews <i>Master of Education, American Public University System</i>	Counseling	Blytheville, Arkansas
# Sandra Oliver <i>Master of Arts in Education, The University of Akron</i>	Counseling	Menifee, Arkansas
# Aleta B. Posey <i>Bachelor of Science, University of Arkansas</i>	Educational Leadership	Maumelle, Arkansas

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

NAME

HOMETOWN

Sha'Vonya Dionne Berry
Educational Specialist, Harding University

Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Dissertation: Predictive Effects of School Poverty and Black Density on College Readiness of 11th-Grade Students in Arkansas

* Kerry Laing Daughety
Master of Arts, Harding University

Searcy, Arkansas

Dissertation: Effects of School Configurations on Ninth-Grade ACT Aspire Summative Assessment Scores in Arkansas

Landon Kyle Grimes
Specialist in Education, Arkansas State University

Monticello, Arkansas

Dissertation: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Affecting Arkansas Males' Reading, Mathematics, and Science Achievement

Bruce Glenn Guthrie
Specialist in Education, Arkansas State University

Searcy, Arkansas

Dissertation: Effects of Gender, Race, Poverty, and ACT Test Prep on Reading and Composite Achievement for Arkansas Delta Students

Vickie J. Johnston
Master of Education, Drury University

Mountainburg, Arkansas

Dissertation: Effects of Statewide Implementation of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Training in Georgia

Samuel Herman Slott III
Educational Specialist, Harding University

Lavaca, Arkansas

Dissertation: Effects of an Arkansas Better Chance Prekindergarten Program on Achievement of Fourth-Grade Students

Tyler Daniel Tarver
Educational Specialist, University of Arkansas

Bauxite, Arkansas

Dissertation: Factors That Predict Viewer Engagement During Educational YouTube Videos

o John Mark Warnick
Educational Specialist, Harding University

Searcy, Arkansas

Dissertation: The Predictive Effects of Athletics, Social Clubs, Race, and Sex on Academic Performance at a Private University

Jeffrey Christian Wasem
*Master of Education, University of
Arkansas*

Lowell, Arkansas

*Dissertation: Effects of Participation in
Character Education Programs by Gender on
Social-Emotional Well-Being*

* Karen Marie Wright
*Master of Business Administration, Harding
University*

Searcy, Arkansas

*Dissertation: Orientation to Andragogical
Learning by Emerging Adults in Undergraduate
Education*

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COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

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NAME

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Gbenga Isaac Adesanoye
Summa Cum Laude
Master of Science, University of Eastern Finland

Fort Worth, Texas

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Magna Cum Laude
Bachelor of Science, Texas A&M University

Forney, Texas

* Victoria Elyce Cannefax
Summa Cum Laude
Bachelor of Science, Harding University

Ozark, Missouri

Jacob Michael Christian
Cum Laude
*Master of Business Administration, Harding
University*

Mapleton, Utah

Justin Tate Davis <i>Associate of Science, Arkansas State University-Beebe</i>	Searcy, Arkansas
Hannah Key Farmer <i>Summa Cum Laude Pre-Pharmacy Studies, Arkansas Tech University</i>	Russellville, Arkansas
Hannah Leigh Ferguson <i>Master of Science, Harding University</i>	Monticello, Arkansas
Jessica S. Gagne <i>Cum Laude Bachelor of Science, University of Arkansas at Little Rock</i>	Bryant, Arkansas
Manpreet Kaur Ghotra <i>Pre-Pharmacy Studies, University of Arkansas at Little Rock</i>	White Hall, Arkansas
Joshua Ryan Green <i>Bachelor of Science, Lyon College</i>	Batesville, Arkansas
Michael Arsanious Hanna <i>Pre-Pharmacy Studies, Cerritos College</i>	Cerritos, California
Kole William Hartis <i>Cum Laude Pre-Pharmacy Studies, Harding University</i>	Combine, Texas
Brooke Colleen Hudson <i>Associate of Science, University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville</i>	Batesville, Arkansas
Rachel Hulitt <i>Master of Public Health, Jackson State University</i>	Jackson, Mississippi
Macey Lynne Johnston <i>Magna Cum Laude Pre-Pharmacy Studies, Harding University</i>	Denver, North Carolina
Danish Farzad Khattak <i>Cum Laude Pre-Pharmacy Studies, University of the Pacific</i>	Elk Grove, California
Austin Kocher <i>Cum Laude Pre-Pharmacy Studies, Central Baptist College</i>	Fox, Arkansas
Madison Rene Lester <i>Pre-Pharmacy Studies, University of Louisiana at Monroe</i>	Shreveport, Louisiana
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Katie Cormier McBroom <i>Cum Laude Pre-Pharmacy Studies, Arkansas Tech University</i>	Russellville, Arkansas
o Arianna I. Nuhung <i>Cum Laude Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Jonesboro, Arkansas
Lauren Ashley Owen <i>Summa Cum Laude Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	West Monroe, Louisiana
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Hailey Nicole Schmidt <i>Associate of Arts, University of Arkansas at Little Rock</i>	Greenbrier, Arkansas
Whitney Loran Scott <i>Cum Laude Bachelor of Science, Central Baptist College</i>	Conway, Arkansas
Sophia Ann Tilley <i>Summa Cum Laude Bachelor of Science, Arkansas Tech University</i>	Benton, Arkansas
Haley Elisabeth Vinson <i>Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Batesville, Arkansas
Laeken Nicole Waters <i>Bachelor of Science, Arkansas State University</i>	Jonesboro, Arkansas
Katie Michelle Willard <i>Cum Laude Pre-Pharmacy Studies, University of Central Arkansas</i>	Calico Rock, Arkansas
Austin K. Wilson <i>Cum Laude Bachelor of Science, Harding University</i>	Kaufman, Texas
Brian Wilson <i>Master of Science, Harding University</i>	Natchez, Mississippi
Victoria La'fae Wright <i>Bachelor of General Studies, University of Mississippi</i>	Durant, Mississippi

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CANDIDATES FOR SPECIAL HONORS

HONORS COLLEGE GRADUATES WITH DISTINCTION

(Those who were on track, as of the start of their final semester, to complete 26 or more hours of honors credit, including four honors contracts and an honors capstone project, while maintaining at least a 3.50 GPA.)

NAME	MAJOR/SECOND MAJOR OR DEGREE	HOMETOWN
Rachel Dawn Beckham <i>Censorship in Schools: Reading's Position in the Landscape of Policy Creation</i>	English	Woodlawn, Illinois
Jackson Tanner Benight <i>Searcy Rialto Theater: Celebrating a Century of Cinema</i>	Integrated Marketing Communication	Searcy, Arkansas
Kayla Patrice Cesone <i>Promoting Postnatal Lactation Support for Minority Mothers</i>	Nursing	Bethesda, Maryland
Grant Russell Countess <i>Professional Shame as Experienced by Pre-professional Accountants</i>	Accounting/Master of Science in Information Systems	Shelbyville, Tennessee
Aurelio Jose Coxaj Lazaro <i>How Marketing Can Change Businesses in Guatemala</i>	Marketing/Master of Science in Information Systems	Esquipulas, Guatemala
Danielle Elizabeth DeBoef <i>Navigating the System: A Comprehensive Review of Elderly Assistance Programs and Resources in the Searcy Community</i>	Interdisciplinary Studies	Valrico, Florida
Nicholas Edward Emlaw <i>Hive Mind: Performance of Artificial Intelligence Algorithms at the Game of Hive</i>	Computer Science/ Mathematics	Goose Creek, South Carolina
John Howard Hassmann <i>Making Good Doctors: The AMA's Code of Ethics and a Culture of Virtue</i>	Integrative Studies	San Antonio, Texas
Gabriel Grant Huff <i>Protecting the Journalist: Media Organizations' Policies Regarding Mental Health</i>	Multimedia Journalism	West Memphis, Arkansas
Sydney Elisabeth Marshall <i>The High Street Haven: Evidence Based Inclusive Design for Education</i>	Interior Architecture and Design	Nashville, Tennessee

Halle Christina Miller <i>Social Connectedness as Experienced by Black Christian Women at a Predominantly White University</i>	Psychology	Murphy, Texas
Joshua Aaron Milnes <i>Using Scrum to Manage the Development of a Smart Inhaler Device</i>	Computer Engineering	Jonesboro, Arkansas
Sophie Kathleen Rossitto <i>Connecting Artists and Audiences: The Role of Music Journalism in Society</i>	Multimedia Journalism	Sturkie, Arkansas
Jessica Ann Simmons <i>Growth-Minded Education? A Process of Continual Teacher Development</i>	Elementary Education	Matthews, North Carolina
Megan Brooke Sledge <i>Student Leadership in Higher Education: An Examination of Policy Influence</i>	Interdisciplinary Studies	Searcy, Arkansas
Emma Grace Smith <i>Policy Proposal: Assessing for and Mitigating Risk Factors of Runaway Youths in Arkansas</i>	Criminal Justice	Brookville, Pennsylvania

HONORS COLLEGE GRADUATES

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NAME	MAJOR/SECOND MAJOR OR DEGREE	HOMETOWN
Micah Allen Gill	Accounting/Master of Business Administration	Florissant, Missouri
Stephanie Mae Kerr	Music	Cumby, Texas
Wade Allen Lamberson	Physics/Electrical Engineering	Russellville, Arkansas
Rebeca Carolina Navarrete Hurtado	Information Systems	Managua, Nicaragua
Jaylee K. Poindexter	Nursing	Pecos, Texas

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NAME	MAJOR/ SECOND MAJOR	HOMETOWN
Breanna Bishop	Molecular and Cellular Biology	Nashville, Tennessee
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Colton J. Brunson	Finance	Visalia, California
Hope Ruth Carson	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Tyler, Texas
Leah Elizabeth Dewey	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Mountain Home, Arkansas
Jenna Mackenzie Galloway	Integrated Marketing Communication	Brentwood, Tennessee
John R. Galloway	Finance/Leadership and Ministry	Powell, Ohio
Sophie DeAnn Glover	Accounting	Athens, Alabama
Brianna Nicole Hall	Political Science	Sorrento, Florida
Hannah Ireland	English	Fort Smith, Arkansas
Sydney Elisabeth Marshall	Interior Architecture and Design	Nashville, Tennessee
Rachel McCrae	Exercise Science	Blackburn, United Kingdom
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Susannah Rebecca Stein	Elementary Education	Fort Smith, Arkansas
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ALMA MATER

Near the foothills of the Ozarks,
Midst of hill and plain; Stands our glorious Alma Mater;
Harding is her name.

Chorus:

Sing the chorus, shout it loudly!
Echoing thro' the vale.
Hail to thee, beloved Harding!
Alma Mater, Hail!

Christian standard is her motto;
Christian life is stressed; And in ev'ry branch of learning,
Each one does his best.

Harding opens wide her portals,
Thus inviting all
Who would tread the path to knowledge, Heed then to her call.

“ON ZION’S GLORIOUS SUMMIT”

On Zion’s glorious summit stood
A numerous host redeemed by blood!
They hymned their king in strains divine;
I heard the song and strove to join.
I heard the song and strove to join.

Here all who suffered sword or flame
For truth, or Jesus’ lovely name,
Shout victory now and hail the Lamb,
And bow before the great I AM.
And bow before the great I AM.

While everlasting ages roll,
Eternal love shall feast their soul,
And scenes of bliss, forever new,
Rise in succession to their view.
Rise in succession to their view.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of hosts, on high adored!
Who like me Thy praise should sing,
O Almighty King!
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of hosts, on high adored!
Holy, holy, holy.

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HARDING UNIVERSITY

Harding University has a rich history of quality education. Harding was chartered as a senior college in 1924 when two junior colleges, Arkansas Christian College and Harper College, merged their facilities and assets, adopted the new name of Harding College, and located on the campus of Arkansas Christian in Morrilton, Arkansas. The school was moved to Searcy in 1934, and the board of trustees approved a recommended change of Harding to university status in 1979.

Harding was named in memory of James A. Harding, a pioneer Christian educator who founded Nashville Bible School (now Lipscomb University) in Tennessee. He challenged his co-workers with an enthusiasm for Christian education that remains a significant tradition at Harding University.

At the charter, J.N. Armstrong, who had served five years as Harper's president, became president of Harding College, holding the office from 1924 to 1936.

In 1936, George S. Benson returned from mission work in China to assume the presidency of his alma mater. Benson directed the college from a deep indebtedness into a state of financial stability, national recognition and academic accreditation. He retired in 1965 after 29 years of tireless service.

Dr. Clifton L. Ganus Jr., a 1943 graduate, served as president from 1965 to 1987. A former history department chair and vice president of the college, Ganus kept alive his predecessors' drive for excellence by leading a plan of campus improvement and expansion. At his retirement, Ganus became Harding's first chancellor in 1987 and then served as chancellor emeritus from 2013 until his death in September 2019.

Dr. David Burks became the fourth president in 1987. A 1965 graduate, he has been a member of the faculty since 1967 and served as dean of the College of Business Administration. Under his leadership, the University experienced record growth in enrollment and giving and, more importantly, placed significant emphasis on Christian servanthood.

Dr. Bruce McLarty, a 1978 graduate and the University's fifth president, served as president from 2013 to 2020. Prior to this role, McLarty was the first vice president of spiritual life for the University. As the result of his doctoral work, the University adopted his five-chapter curriculum, "Embracing the Mission," which focuses on maintaining the faith-based principles Harding was built upon.

Chancellor David Burks resumed the role of president in December 2020 and served until Harding's sixth president, Dr. Michael D. Williams, assumed the role on June 1, 2022. At President Williams' inauguration in September 2022, he challenged the Harding community to find and develop their Inspired Purpose, remaining committed to our historic Christian mission as we aspire to restore the world to what God intended from the beginning. Harding's 4,804 students, representing 47 states and more than 50 nations and territories, are empowered for ministry, leadership and lifetimes of service.