HONORS CONVOCATION

Graham Tyler Memorial Chapel
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Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in C Major, S.553
Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Prelude on the hymn tune Rhosymedre
Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

Prelude and Fugue in G Minor, S.558
Bach

Welcome

Katie Ervin, Ed.D.
Associate Vice President for Academic Operations

Processional *

Prelude on the Te Deum
Marc-Antoine Charpentier
(1643-1704)

Flag Bearer

Cadet Jordan Humphrey
Cadet Edward Kendall

Marshal

John Hamilton, Ph.D.

Introductions

Michelle E. Myers, Ed.D.
Provost

Presentation of Awards

Dr. Myers

Faculty & Staff Awards

Emily Sallee, Ph.D.
Associate Provost for Faculty & Academic Affairs

Outstanding Students

Dr. Myers
COLLEGE AND SCHOOL AWARDS

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

James F. Pasley, Ph.D.
Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

Debra Sheffer, Ph.D.
Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

SCHOOL OF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES

Scott Hageman, M.S.
Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Timothy Westcott, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, College of Education and Health Professions

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Gina Chambers, Ph.D.
Associate Dean, College of Education and Health Professions

SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Dr. Chambers

COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT

Kirby Brown, M.S.
Dean, College of Management

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Penelope DeJong, Ph.D.
Associate Dean, School of Business

A MOMENT OF REFLECTION

Jesse Patrick
Park Student Government Association President

PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

Brian Shawver, M.F.A.
Associate Provost for Teaching & Learning

RECESSIONAL *
Grand Choeur Trium phale

* Please Stand
FACULTY & STAFF AWARDS
Announced by Dr. Emily Sallee, Associate Provost for Faculty & Academic Affairs, and presented by Dr. Greg Gunderson, President, and Dr. Michelle Myers, Provost.

PRESIDENT’S AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE
This award is given to recognize the full-time faculty member who exemplifies excellence in teaching. The recipient was nominated by peers, students and staff for this special recognition.

Jeff Smith, M.F.A.
Associate Professor of Graphic Design

PROVOST’S AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE
This award is given to the adjunct faculty member who exemplifies excellence in teaching. The recipient was nominated by peers, students and staff for this special recognition.

Erica Jansen, M.A.
Academic Director

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMIC ADVISING AWARD
This award is given to recognize faculty who have achieved excellence in providing Park University students academic advising and mentoring. The award also recognizes outstanding contributions in helping students define and achieve their academic goals.

Amy Mecklenburg-Faenger, Ph.D.
Associate Professor of English

J.L. ZWINGLE AWARD
This award is given to an outstanding faculty member for the current academic year. Students of Park University are proud to pay tribute to an outstanding faculty member as voted by the student body.

Jeff Kimmons, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Biology
DISTINGUISHED HUMANITIES FACULTY AWARD
This award, established in August 2007 by Manuchair Ebadi, ’60, Ph.D.,
celebrates the work, life and thoughts of Woodbridge O. Johnson, Ph.D.,
professor emeritus and chair of religion and Biblical literature at Park from 1946
to 1966. The award is presented to a University faculty member who exhibits
extraordinary accomplishments in research or creative scholarship through
teaching, discovery, scholarly or creative work, and service. The award recipient
receives a plaque and monetary gift. In addition, an inscribed name plate will be
placed on the Distinguished Humanities Faculty Award wall plaque, located in
Mackay Hall, as permanent recognition of the faculty member and the honor.

Andrea Lee, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Art

FACULTY CENTER FOR INNOVATION
FACULTY FELLOWS
The Faculty Fellows Program allows faculty the time and resources to
engage in (and experiment with) innovative teaching practices and to
contribute to the development of learning across Park University.

Linda Bell, M.B.A. /C.P.A., Lecturer of Accounting
Kathy Jackson, M.S.N., Assistant Professor of Nursing
Erica Jansen, M.A., Adjunct Instructor of English
Tami Radohl-Sigley, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Social Work
Brant Winn, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Education
2018-19

SELECTION OF OUTSTANDING STUDENTS
Announced by Dr. Michelle Myers, Provost, and presented by Dr. Greg Gunderson, President.

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS
Cumulative grade point average of 3.9 or above, degree seeking, full-time student with 30 or more Park University hours.

Addison, Jacob
Al Ani, Sarah
Appollis, Austin
Araiza, Margarita
Baumann, Nathan
Bender, Morganne
Blakeley, Nick
Boyd, Lindsey
Braymer, Alyson
Bretz, Gabrielle
Briody, Brendan
Britt, Skylar
Buckholz, Taylor
Cantley, Megan
Ciobanu, Evangelina
Clayton, Jocelyn
Cochran, Camelin
Cordray, Emily
Costanza, Vincent
Crabtree, Steven
Curtis, Rebecca
D’avila, Arthur
Daniels, Madison
Davidson, Daniel
Davis, Alyssa
Davis, Traci
Dirian, Yvonne
Dotson, Brooke
Doyk, Sydney
Dugas, Bailey
Dunn, Bethany
Dust, Olivia
Eisenbacher, Earl
Englezos, Anna
Ewing, Keenan
Feld, Shania
Fleischmann, Elizabeth
Flinn, Alissa
Fowks, Lyndsey
Frazier, Megan
Funny, Ghislaine
Glazenhart, Samantha
Goodloe, Joshua
Gresham, Nicholas
Grey, Ashton
Gustin, Audra
Haas, Eric
Hartleroad, Madelyne
Hicks, Anna
Hill, Renee
Holmyard, Abbey
Horak, David
Hughson, Mallory
Hunter, Diana
Jestub, Sylva
Johnson, Audrey
Johnson, Austin
Johnson, Blake
Johnson, Houston
Khodka, Sampada
Kielinger, Claire
Klemm, Ryan
Lampl, Manish
LeBlanc, Nicole
Lee, Trivva
Lehman, Makayla
LeJeune, Kellie
Leonard, Christian
Little, Grace
London, Brooke
Lucas, Taylor
Marin Castaneda, Rafael
Marker, Drake
Marvin, Lindsay
Mast, Erica
Matus Martins, Mathews
Matthai, Calvin
McMahon, Jocelyn
Mesoras, Austen
Michalski, Makayla
Miller, Montana
Monthe, Kenna
Mundell, Michaela
Myers, Jordan
Narzullaeva, Iroda
Nelson, Keireten
Nunn, MacKenzie
Overcash, Alison
Parker, Lydia
Payne, Katherine
Perez, Gabriela
Pilla, Kyle
Pool, Austin
Potter, Elizabeth
Rakimov, Jasur
Reents, Bryan
Reents, Kyndal
Riggs, Alyssa
Rivera, Samantha
Rodriguez, Corina
Rodriguez, Eric
Roper, Hannah
Roper, Maren
Samborski, Valori
Schields, Haley
Scott, Shavar
Servello, Cherie
Shipley, Leaah
Shivers, Marcus
Simamora, Jasmine
Sisic, Tijana
Sodre, Leandro
Solorzano, Ragi
Spoor, Austin
Stelter, Chelsea
Tandy, Jessica
Thatsanithone, Michelle
Thoman, Emma
Tovar, Jazmin
Tresner, Emily
Troubridge, Logan
Verboffo, Ginnie
Walsh, Claire
Whitaker, Timothy
Williams, Kenneth
Withers, Kennedy
Zimmerle, Brittney
Zirpolo, Anna
The Marlowe Sherwood Memorial Scholarship Endowment was established by Park University’s Alumni Council in recognition of Marlowe Sherwood’s 14 years of service to the University as the alumni director. The fund continues to grow through gifts from members of the Alumni Association and friends of Park University. This scholarship is designed to be awarded to alumni of any Park undergraduate program for use in one of the Park academic programs or to any spouse, sibling, child, grandchild, niece or nephew of a Park graduate to use in either a Park University undergraduate or graduate program.

Pater Boyer
Grace Davis
Shawn Moore
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES
Announced by Dr. Debra Sheffer, Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and presented by Dr. James Pasley, Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

ENGLISH
Mary Barlow Writing Award for Outstanding Student Writing
Madelyne Hartleroad

Cal Downs Award
Taylor Dumsky

Friedman Interpersonal Communication Award
Katelyn Dujakovich

Sigma Tau Delta
Sigma Tau Delta is an international English honor society. Its purpose is to confer distinction upon students of the English language and literature in undergraduate, graduate and professional studies. The Park University chapter of Sigma Tau Delta was chartered in 1998. The following students have achieved the requirements for membership and are invited into the company of those dedicated to promoting interest in literature and the English language.

Jocelyn Clayton
Alison Overcash
Addison Schoeck
Aimee Walton
Madelyne Hartleroad

Alison Overcash
Lambda Pi Eta
Lambda Pi Eta is the National Communication Association’s official honor society at four-year colleges and universities. LPH represents what Aristotle described in Rhetoric as three ingredients of persuasion: logos (Lambda), meaning logic; pathos (Pi), relating to emotion; and ethos (Eta), defined as character credibility and ethics.

Skylar Britt       Diana Hunter
Melissa Bublitz    Abigail Jeans
Lyndsey Fowks      Conner Jones
Jonathan Hokenson

Nicholas Manchion Endowed Scholarship Award
This award is presented in memory of Nicholas Manchion as a living tribute from his parents, Ed and Jody Manchion, along with his brother Adam. It is awarded to a student majoring in English, of sophomore status, who has a grade point average of 3.0. Nicholas believed that as long as the dreamers still dream and the writers still write, there will always be love. His love of learning was evident in his speech and in the goals he had in life. The Manchion Award supports an original poetry competition.

Alison Overcash
DEPARTMENT HONORS

Communication, Journalism and Public Relations
Kalie Strain (Junior)
Melissa Bublitz (Senior)

English
Aimee Walton (Junior)

Fine Art
Claire Walsh (Junior)
Alex Meier (Senior)

Graphic Design
Katherine Payne (Junior)
Kaycee Biermann (Senior)

Interior Design
Lindsay Marvine (Junior)
Camilla Willoughby (Senior)

Modern Language
Hanna Church (Junior)
Kyndal Reents (Senior)
SCHOOL OF NATURAL AND APPLIED SCIENCES
Announced by Scott Hageman, Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and presented by Dr. James Pasley, Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

The American Institute of Chemists
This award honors the outstanding senior in the field of chemistry.

Logan Trowbridge

Harold G. McDaniel Award
This award is presented in memory of McDaniel, ’58, professor of mathematics from 1961-78. It is given to honor outstanding students majoring in mathematics or natural science.

Montana Miller
&
Noah Singer

Professor L.A. Robbins Memorial Award
This award is given to a student who has distinguished himself/herself in the natural sciences and in athletics.

Danna Gomes

Outstanding Association for Computing Machinery Service Award
This award is co-sponsored by the ACM Club and the Department of Information and Computer Science.

Michael Dake
&
Marcus Shivers
**Burton W. Scheib Pre-Medical Prize**  
This award is given to a student majoring in science — preferably pre-medical — for excellent work in this field.  
*Grace Little*

**CRC Press Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award**  
This award is presented in recognition of outstanding scholastic achievement in chemistry during a student’s freshman year at Park. The award includes a chemistry and physics handbook from the publisher.  
*Rebekah Rothacher*

**Dr. William C. Pivonka Award**  
Inaugurated by the Class of 1988, the award is given annually in recognition of the dedication that Pivonka showed in teaching at Park University. It is given to an upperclassman who best represents the ideals of a chemistry major at Park University.  
*Madison Klein*

**Gamma Theta Upsilon Excellence in Geography Award**  
Park University honors particular students whose scholarship, leadership and citizenship exemplify the tradition of Park University within the academic department. This honor is bestowed by the president, trustees and faculty of the university.  
*Anna Englezos*

**The J. Malcolm Good Award**  
*Montana Miller*  
&  
*Daniel Davidson*  

“Straightening Identities for Twisted Multiloop Algebras”
DEPARTMENT HONORS

Biology
Austin Appollis (Junior)
Elisabeth Fleischmann (Senior)

Criminal Justice
Abigail Eddy (Junior)
Mark Slaughter (Junior)
Eric Haas (Senior)
Brooke Loudon (Senior)

Geography
Nick Seeger (Junior)
Ahanu Fake (Senior)

History
Nick Blakeley (Senior)
Ashlyn Weber (Senior)

Information and Computer Science
Cole Hartman (Junior)
Jacob Addison (Senior)
Marcus Shivers (Senior)

Mathematics
Morganne Bender (Senior)
Daniel Davidson (Senior)
Montana Miller (Senior)

Political Science
Gregory Melham (Senior)
Emily Tresner (Senior)
College of Education and Health Professions

School of Education

Announced by Dr. Gina Chambers, Associate Dean, College of Education and Health Professions, and presented by Dr. Timothy Westcott, Interim Dean, College of Education and Health Professions.

The Dorothy Watson Literacy Awards

Literacy for All
This award is given to the junior or senior teacher candidate who best exemplifies the guiding principles of the Dorothy Watson Literacy Center through their coursework, field experiences and service.

Olivia Dust

Making a Difference
This award is given to the junior or senior teacher candidate who best exemplifies commitment to service through their coursework, field experiences and service.

Olivia Ellison

Outstanding Directed Teacher Awards
This award is given to a student whose performance as a student-teacher during the current academic year has been outstanding.

Early Childhood Level: Samantha Rivera
Elementary Level: Kimberly Brewer
Middle School Level: Aaron Bartch
Secondary Level: Margarita Araiza
K-12 Special Education: Allie Storm

Department Honors

Education
Jocelyn Clayton (Junior)
Gabrielle Rosner (Senior)
Announced by Dr. Gina Chambers, Associate Dean, College of Education and Health Professions, and presented by Dr. Timothy Westcott, Interim Dean, College of Education and Health Professions.

Psi Chi
Psi Chi is the international honor society in psychology. Its purpose is to encourage, stimulate and maintain excellence in the scholarship of its member in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology. The Park University chapter of Psi Chi was chartered in 1996. The following students are welcomed to Psi Chi’s fellowship of common interest, mutual assistance and high endeavor.

Shannon Best  Mikayla Eugenio  Caitlin Noe
Stephanie Betancourt  Nicholas Gresham  Niamh O’Dea
Raunyai Bowren  Tanya Hernandez  Haley Schields
Madison Daniels  Shyla Jessup  Amy Snodgrass
Madisyn Degen  Makayla Lehman  Emma Thoman
Yvonne Dirian  Jason Mires

Phi Alpha
Phi Alpha is the national honor society in social work. The Park University chapter, Phi Alpha Rho Epsilon, was established in 2010. The mission is to promote scholarly pursuits in the advancement of humanitarian goals and ideals, with a motto of "Through knowledge -- the challenge to serve."

Jennifer Herndon  Kelly Phillips
Crystal Howell  Elizabeth Potter
Candace Knudson  Morgan Rietzke
Crobie Krogman  Corey Simmons
Trieva Lee  Camille Jame Smith
Clarissa Mallory  Angela Viles-Shop
Shawn Moore  Delaney Waters
Sarah Parrish  Haley Williams
DEPARTMENT HONORS

Fitness and Wellness
Wes Butenbach (Senior)
Weston Jacobs (Senior)
Ryan Mally (Senior)
Jake Means (Senior)

Psychology
Niamh O’Dea (Junior)
Yvonne Dirian (Senior)

Social Psychology
Emma Thoman (Senior)

Social Work
Hebah Alsadeq (Senior)
Joshua Gray (Senior)
Jennifer Herndon (Senior)
Treiva Lee (Senior)
Lexus Madden (Senior)
Madison Odle (Senior)
Elizabeth Potter (Senior)
Delaney Waters (Senior)

Master of Social Work
Adrian Kelly (Specialized)
Henry Sorsby (Generalist)

Sociology
Ruanyai Bowren (Junior)
Megan Frazer (Junior)
Ginna Verhoff (Senior)
Delta Mu Delta
Delta Mu Delta is the International Honor Society for business programs accredited by ACBSP at the baccalaureate, graduate and doctoral levels. Becoming a member of Delta Mu Delta is an honor indicative of earnest, intelligent purpose and rewarding achievement. School of Business juniors, seniors, and graduate students completing a sufficient number of courses at Park University, ranking in the top 20% of their respective classes and having a current grade point average meeting the society’s minimum requirement are invited to join.

Matheus Matos Martins
Kyle Pilla
Hannah Roper

Financial Executives Institute Awards
This award is given to an outstanding graduate of Park University in the field of finance for the current academic year.

Sara Marshall

Park University Business Faculty Award
This award is given to the students who demonstrated exceptional leadership in the classroom and exceptional potential in the field of business.

Audra Gustin
DEPARTMENT HONORS

Accounting
Anne McKee (Senior)
Jocelyn McMahon (Senior)

Economics
Peyton Laferla (Junior)
Blake Johnson (Senior)

Finance
Scott Brimeyer (Senior)

Human Resources
Chloe Dickerson (Senior)
Crystal Lehman (Senior)

International Business
Kyndal Reents (Senior)
Christopher White (Senior)

Management
Hannah Roper (Senior)
Juan Torres (Senior)

Marketing
Gabrielle Bretz (Senior)
Raphael Marin Castaneda (Senior)
PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

Announced by Mr. Brian Shawver, Associate Provost for Teaching & Learning, and presented by Dr. Greg Gunderson, President, and Dr. Michelle Myers, Provost.

LOUISA DAVIDSON HINDE/CAROLYN HINDE ZARKARYAN MEMORIAL AWARD

The recipients of this award are persons who best represent the spirit of Park University. Students, alumni, faculty and/or staff members are selected annually. The recipients best promote in others the quality of excellence that has always been associated with a Park education. The awards are presented in memory of Louisa Davidson Hinde and Carolyn Hinde Zarkaryan, ’56.

Students
Aaliyah Brown
&
Colin McMahon

THE OUTSTANDING PARKITE AWARD

The Outstanding Parkite Award, is the most prestigious honor bestowed on any student at Park University. The award is given to one senior female and one senior male student attending the Parkville Campus who best exemplifies the ideals of Park University in their character, conduct, scholarship and student activity participation. The awards are endowed by Dr. Elliot F. Parker in memory of his parents Albert George and Jessie Bewley Parker.

Eric Haas
&
Iroda Narzullaeva
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENTS

Alfred Agbim  The Fred R. Kenower Scholarship
Eugena Baker  The Kathryn Houghton Groves Endowed Scholarship
Alyx Bilyeu  The Ida Moore Social Work Endowed Scholarship
Monica Bravo  The Dorothy S. Froning Scholarship
Charley Buckner  The Daley Walker Family Endowed Scholarship
Charley Buckner  The J. Malcolm Good Scholarship
Samuel Culver  The Katherine Smith Borchardt Scholarship
Daniel Davidson  The J. Malcolm Good Scholarship
Abbey Holroyd  The Malan/Templeton Scholarship
Darrell Julu  The Ida Moore Social Work Endowed Scholarship
Allison Koelzer  The Scheib Family Scholarship
Trevia Lee  The Ida Moore Social Work Endowed Scholarship
Grace Little  The Scheib Family Scholarship
Taylor Lucas  The Quemada English Scholarship
Araceli Martinez  The Clifford Wayne Sackett III Memorial Scholarship
   in Sociology
Matheus Matos  The Mary Louise (Snyder) and William H. Tipton Jr.
   Martins  Memorial Scholarship
Adrianna McMullen  The Pivonka Endowed Science Scholarship
Kenna (Price)  The Anna Louise Latimer Scholarship
   Monthei
Kenna (Price)  The Pat Hutchens McClelland Scholarship
   Monthei
Joni Nelson  The Harrison Metheny Family Scholarship
Madison Odle  The Ida Moore Social Work Endowed Scholarship
Alison Overcash  The Nicholas Manchion Endowed Scholarship
Courtney Ross  The John Franklin Pritchard Memorial Scholarship
These awards were presented at the Dr. Doris Howell Banquet on April 17.

Student Employee of the Year .............................................................. Austin Appollis
Student Success and Impact.................................................................Dr. Patricia Ryberg
Graduate Assistant of the Year ..............................................................Michaela Petsch
Park Family Award .................................................................Sarah Weygand and Gulmira Isomadinova
Dusing-Proudfoot Award ..................................................................... Dr. Lora Cohn
Cindy K. Anderson Senator of the Year ............................................. Kayla Martinez
Staff Newcomer of the Year ................................................................. Juli Wilson
Faculty Newcomer of the Year ............................................................... Dr. Azin Agah
Servant Leader of the Year ................................................................. Catherine Rose
Organization Adviser of the Year ......................................................... Kalli Cheffey
Student Organization of the Year (Small) ............................................. Intervarsity
Student Organization of the Year (Large) ............................................. Phi Alpha
Program of the Year ............................................................................ PSGA 5K
New Student Organization of the Year ................................................. Drag Club
Tipton Award ....................................................................................... Cary Lundy
C.W. Bailey Award .............................................................................. Gabriel Maldonado and Sophie Roper
Toni Griggs Award ............................................................................... Jocelyn Clayton
Outstanding Class Member Award
Sophomore
  Male ....................................................................................................... Arthur Decker D’avila
  Female .................................................................................................... Rinku Gopali
Junior
  Male ....................................................................................................... Eric Rodriguez
  Female .................................................................................................... Oriana Tamburlini
Non-graduating Senior
  Male ....................................................................................................... Christian Leonard
  Female .................................................................................................... Adrianna McMullen

Doris Howell Leadership Awards

Jessie Arms Matheus Matos Martins
Carin Bublitz Ozoda Narzullaeva
Camelin Cochran Christian Ngoy
KJ Courtney Katherine Payne
Dustin Deason Sandesh Pokharel
Rachel Franklin Kiara Puente
Loy-Anne Harrison Cherie Servello
Phillip Kabuye

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CEREMONIAL SYMBOLS

PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION
There have been two presidential medallions in the history of Park University. The first, bestowed upon Acting President H. Melton Mohler by the student council in 1964, is a polished brass cross pattée with a sextant, representing the navigational mission of the president to guide the University, in the center. The insignia is surrounded by two red and yellow concentric circles and the words Fides et Labor, the University’s motto. The presidential medallion of today, presented in April 2002 to President Beverley Byers-Pevitts, Ph.D., is made of gold-plated bronze, with the names and dates of tenure of each former president engraved on the links of the chain. The medallion symbolizes the president’s responsibility for the welfare of the institution.

CEREMONIAL MACE
The ceremonial mace is among the oldest symbols of authority. Once used as weapons by royal bodyguards to protect kings, cities and parliaments eventually began using them, and the heads of medieval universities later followed suit. In academia today, the ceremonial mace has become one of the treasured symbols of office and is representative of the power of an institution. Park University’s 42-inch ceremonial mace was commissioned by President Greg Gunderson, Ph.D., in 2017. In the center of the mace head is Park University’s Mackay Hall clock tower and the school motto, Fides et Labor. The antique bronze, octagon-shaped platform that supports the mace head has a cherrywood upper disk and a lower disc made with limestone mined from Park University’s Parkville Campus, serving as a representation of Park University’s strong foundation.