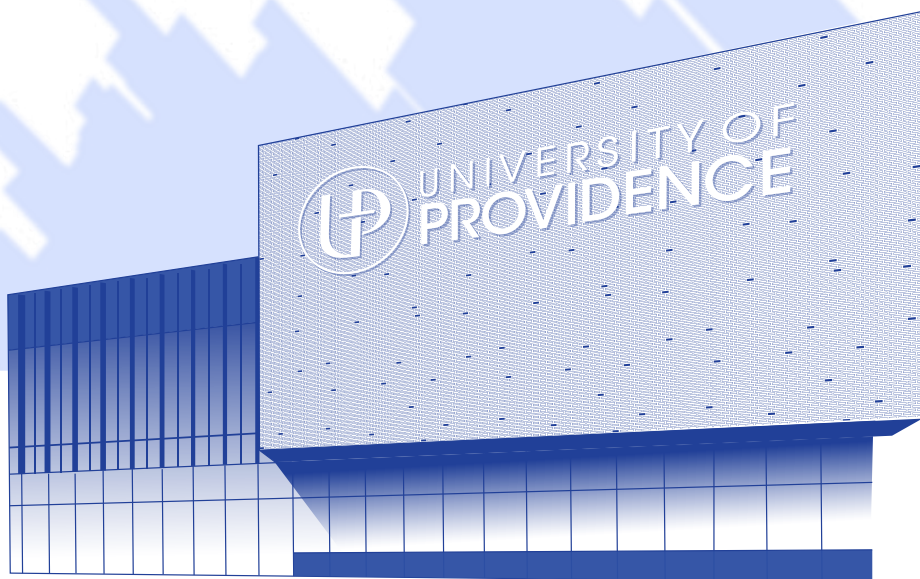


NINETIETH COMMENCEMENT

University of Providence

CLASS OF 2024



April 27, 2024
Great Falls, MT



Providence of God,
I believe in You.
Providence of God,
I hope in You.
Providence of God,
I love You with all my heart.
Providence of God,
I thank You for all.

A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS

Commencement highlights the academic year. It recognizes students who have completed their courses of study. To enhance the dignity of the event, please avoid unnecessary conversation and random moving about during the ceremony. We also ask that you please silence your cell phones or other hand-held devices.



COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

McLaughlin Memorial Center Gymnasium

April 27, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Please stand for the Processional and remain standing through the Invocation.

Processional: Pomp and Circumstance Brass Ensemble

Presentation of Colors Great Falls Police Department Honor Guard

The Star Spangled Banner Brass Ensemble

Invocation Ms. Katie Steinke
Director of Campus Ministry

Welcome Dr. Matthew Redinger
Provost

Board of Trustees Remarks Mr. Terry Cosgrove
Chair of the Board

President Remarks Very Reverend Oliver J. Doyle, STL
President

Introduction of Speaker.....	Dr. Matthew Redinger
Commencement Address	Most Reverend Jeffrey M. Fleming Bishop of Great Falls - Billings
Presentation of Professor Emeritus Award.....	Very Reverend Oliver J. Doyle, STL
Presentation of Student Leadership Award	Dr. Joel Bluml Vice President for Student Engagement and Athletics
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees	Dr. Matthew Redinger
Conferral of Degrees.....	Very Reverend Oliver J. Doyle, STL
Ave Alma Mater.....	Recording, Ms. Angel Turoski
Closing Remarks	Dr. Matthew Redinger

Please stand for the Benediction and remain standing for the Recessional.

Benediction	Most Reverend Jeffrey M. Fleming
Recessional: Triumphal March.....	Brass Ensemble

RINGING OF THE BELL

Please join us for the graduate ringing of the bell ceremony located on Argo Field, East of the McLaughlin Center. We have a tradition: ringing a bell when entering as a freshman and ringing the same bell when graduating. The first is a signal of commitment, to live as a contributing member of the university community. The second is a signal of accomplishment and success. We are uncertain of the provenance of our bell, which was cast in 1779, but our best guess is that it was on a riverboat traveling up and down the Missouri River.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER MOST REVEREND JEFFREY M. FLEMING

A native son of Montana, Bishop Fleming was born to Mike and Glenda Fleming in Billings and raised in Belt. He graduated from Carroll College in Helena, MT, with degrees in Theology and Religious Education. He attended Mt. Angel Seminary in St. Benedict, OR earning an MA in Theology, and was ordained to the priesthood on May 19, 1992 by Bishop Elden Francis Curtiss. He earned a Licentiate in Canon Law (JCL) in 1998 from the Catholic University of America.

He was assigned as Associate Pastor for the Anaconda Catholic Community in 1992 and then to the Cathedral of St. Helena in 1996 before an appointment as Chaplain to Carroll College and Priest Director of Legendary Lodge in 1998. In 2003, he was made pastor of St. Rose of Lima Parish in Dillon before becoming the pastor at Christ the King Parish in Missoula in 2006.

Pastoral responsibility for St. John the Baptist Parish in Frenchtown was added in 2013 before he was assigned to Helena in 2019. While administrator for St. Thomas Parish in Helmsville, St. Jude Parish in Lincoln, and Flint Creek Catholic Community, he served the Diocese of Helena as Director of the Chancery, Vice Chancellor, and Adjutant Judicial Vicar. In 2020 he was appointed Moderator of the Curia and Chancellor and in 2022 became the pastor of St. Mary Parish in Helena. On April 19, 2022 Pope Francis appointed him as the Coadjutor of the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings.

Bishop Jeffrey M. Fleming was ordained Bishop on June 22, 2022 in Great Falls, Montana. He served the diocese in the role of Coadjutor Bishop until August 22, 2023 when he became the 8th Ordinary of the Diocese.

For his episcopal motto, Bishop Fleming has chosen the beginning of the Great Commission that Jesus gives to the Church. By this choice, His Excellency wishes to express that all believers are called and commissioned by Christ to “Go Make Disciples.”



PROFESSOR EMERITUS AWARD

DR. CURTIS BOBBITT

Professor Curtis Bobbitt committed himself to the then College of Great Falls in 1987. In the 37 years of his tenure, his dedication to teaching and to student success led him to earn a Teaching Excellence Award, Faculty Mentor Awards in 1995, 1998, and 2013, and a Marich Outstanding Faculty Award in 2012.

Professor Bobbitt has served on many governance committees over the years including chairing the Curriculum Committee for several years and on many faculty hiring committees. Professor Bobbit has always distinguished himself with professionalism, efficiency, and quality. He goes to great lengths to stay relevant to his students finding news books to teach and topics of interest to the students.

He has served the broader profession in a variety of ways including as secretary of a literary society. He has also spent many summer days reading high school Advanced Placement essays.

Beyond the classroom, Professor Bobbitt is seen by his peers as an excellent colleague who is always thinking of others. Faculty, staff, and students often receive newspaper and magazine clippings, book reviews, and random funnies. Some of these items may at first seem random, but are a result of Professor Bobbitt paying attention to the interests of those around him. This practice captures his long dedication to service.

Professor Emeritus is awarded to a tenured professor of exceptional status and service to the academic community upon retirement from the institution. In recognition of their service, they retain their academic title and University administrative support privileges.

2023-2024

FINALISTS FOR OUTSTANDING STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Outstanding Student Leadership Award was instituted at the University of Providence in 1966. Full-time faculty or staff members are invited to nominate graduating students who have maintained a grade point average of 3.0 or higher, earned at least 48 credits from the University of Providence, and demonstrated exemplary leadership on and/or off campus. It is an honor to be nominated for such a recognition; congratulations to all nominees.

Kade Michael Belderrain
KC Lane Buday
Sloane Lena Chapman
Madison Lee Dixon
Gracie Ann Fleming
Hope Elizabeth Gasvoda
Andrei Gruber
Jake Thomas Henderson
Macy Ann Mangold
Genesis Lorena Rialmo
Mylene Aude P. Sebogo

2023-2024

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT BY A STUDENT IN A MAJOR

The University of Providence desires to recognize the academic achievements of our students as they relate to our mission. Each year, we recognize one graduating student in each major who has been deemed outstanding by the faculty of his or her discipline. These students are selected by criteria as set forth by the faculty of their discipline and may include but are not limited to factors such as quality of work, contributions in the classroom and to the program and academic merit.

Addictions Counseling.....	Fanatasia Shenae Stordahl
Biology	Macy Ann Mangold
Business Administration.....	Madison Lee Dixon
Computer Science.....	Thomas Andrew Fekete
Criminal Justice.....	Genna Delsenia Margaret Robles
Exercise Science.....	Katelyn Isabella Murack
Forensic Science	Hope Elizabeth Gasvoda
Healthcare Administration	KeriAnn Heineman
Legal and Paralegal Studies	Chelsea Nichole Earl Wallace
MS, Clinical Mental Health Counseling	Chidozie Kenneth Urom
Master of Healthcare Administration	Siena Katherine Vanucci
MS, Infection Prevention and Epidemiology.....	Marci Ann Myles DeTienne
MS, Nursing	Hiromi Comer
MS, Organizational Leadership.....	Jonathan Paul Morgan
MS, Sports Management.....	Jake Olsen
Nursing.....	Chloe Weiss
Psychology	Oliver D. Main

2023-2024 YEAR IN REVIEW

- St. Thomas Child and Family Center has always shared a connection with the University of Providence as a fellow ministry of the Sisters of Providence. That connection is further bonded in the intricate carving and crafting of a large wooden cross now hanging in the St. Thomas gymnasium constructed by UP student, hockey player and 2024 graduate, Stainslav Struthers. Stainslav is also an avid campus ministry participant and a strong believer that Christ works through everyone in many ways. Thank you, Stainslav for your work and dedication to Christ, His teachings, and the University.
- Last fall marked the return of Argo weekend! The event was a great opportunity to bring alumni, students, parents, families and the Great Falls community together on campus. The weekend was packed full of fun activities from Argo sporting events to alumni games, a Harvest Family Festival, an introduction of The Argonaut Pilsener and Beer Garden, the return of the Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony and much more. We hope our new alumni will join us for the next Argo Weekend October 4-6, 2024.
- Women's Basketball won the Frontier Conference Tournament and hosted the first and second round of the NAIA Tournament for the first time in program history. Their journey took them to Sioux City, IA and to their first appearance in the National Championship Game.
- The University of Providence hosted Frontier Conference events for Volleyball, Men's and Women's Basketball and Cross Country.
- Three student athletes, Jose Vasquez (Men's Soccer), Nina Janjic (Volleyball) and Ashlee Maldonado (Women's Basketball) were named Newcomers of the Year in their respective sports for the Cascade and Frontier Conferences
- Men's Wrestling was ranked #4 in the country in the last poll which is the highest ranking since 2017. The team finished 8th at the NAIA Championship and had two All-Americans in KC Buday and Abel Nava, Jr. 11 wrestlers competed at the NAIA Championship.

- Women's Wrestling was ranked #5 in the country in the last poll, and earlier in the season was ranked #3 which was the highest ever in program history. The team finished 7th at the NAIA Championship and had five All-Americans in Erin Hikiji, Paige Morales, Alyssa Randles, Waipuilani Estrella-Beauchamp, and Sadie Antoque. The maximum of 12 wrestlers qualified for the NAIA Championship.
- UP Sophomore, Grace McKerrow, used her creative skills this year to help rebrand the Style UP boutique on campus. Grace designed several of the logos seen around campus from Career Services Argo Success to Style UP.
- During Spring Break 2024, seven students (Hailey Bryan, Joseph Gilman, Madison Hewitt, Idellio Michelotti, Peter Munera, Genesis Rialmo, and Sydney Wilting) and two professors (Amparo Dinagsao and Matthew Pietropaoli), went on a service immersion trip to Philadelphia, PA. The group worked closely with several organizations in the Kensington neighborhood of Philly: The Community Center at Visitation, Rock Ministries, and St. Francis Inn. At the first two, the group assisted with collecting information and distributing food for underserved persons and cleaning and organizing a gym for at-risk youth. At St. Francis Inn, the work included prepping for, serving, and cleaning up after daily dinners for over 100 guests, prepping for and serving a morning meal, collecting and sorting food and other supplies, and helping run Marie's Closet, the clothing store adjacent to St. Francis Inn. St. Francis Inn likewise honored the UP group for having traveled the longest distance ever to volunteer with them.

SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES

Division: Health Programs

Dr. Frankie Lyons, Associate Dean, Health Programs

Health Care Administration

Cameron Trey Benoit Anchorage, AK

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREES

Division: Health Programs

Dr. Frankie Lyons, Associate Dean, Health Programs

Health Care Administration

Crystal Terra Cracchiolo - *Magna Cum Laude* Lake Elsinore, CA

KeriAnn Heineman - *Summa Cum Laude*..... Lake Stevens, WA

Carmita Marie Raelene Thompson - *Cum Laude*.....Portland, OR

Division: Nursing

Dr. Andrea Houser, Associate Dean, Nursing

Nursing

Alivia Lynne Atlee..... Kalispell, MT

Lisa Baggia - *Summa Cum Laude*..... Sherwood, OR

Kortney JoHannah Bailey Elma, WA

Rosa Bisellach - *Summa Cum Laude*Woodland Hills, CA

Jennifer Marie Braum - *Cum Laude*Palmer, AK

Justin Ray CatudanPalmdale, CA

Eric Joseph Cerra, Jr. - *Magna Cum Laude* Anchorage, AK

Noah ChowayouShoreline, WA

Denise June Christianson..... Lubbock, TX

Billie Teri Comley Anchorage, AK

Rachel Morgan David	Belt, MT
Chelsea De Guzman	Carson, CA
Rose Donlon - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Patricia Camana Dougherty.....	Saugus, CA
Kelli Flanigan.....	Anchorage, AK
Olivia Sarah Ann Frazier - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Missoula, MT
Kyoko Fukumoto-Taix	La Crescenta, CA
Holden Douglas Gagner - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Missoula, MT
Kaitlyn Marie Gilbert - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Great Falls, MT
Karina X. Gomez	North Hollywood, CA
Joelle Marie Graff	Portland, OR
Elisheba Jane Gray	Anchorage, AK
Angela Tiano Gutierrez	Canyon Country, CA
Brenda Lewen Hafoka	Chehalis WA
Clinton Wayne Helander - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Katherine Elizabeth Heyde	Missoula, MT
Nicolas Hunter Hill - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Lewistown, MT
Amanda Ruth Holman.....	Stanwood, WA
Lisa Hopper	Apple Valley, CA
Rachel Johnston	Anchorage, AK
Sadikshya Karki	Gresham, OR
Lindsey Katherine Kerper	Spokane, WA
LaTasha Lambert	SeaTac, WA
Brian Wayne Laurent.....	Great Falls, MT
Belvis Nadinny Lezama	San Fernando, CA
Adriana Lopez	Burbank, CA
Jane Lucero Wulf	San Jose, CA
Madison Rachael Luck - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Harrington, WA
Courtney Lyons - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Caitlin Mary Maclaughlin	Vashon, WA
Jose Martinez - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Glendale, CA
Jessica Martinson - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Nidiyare Mejia-Diaz.....	Canoga Park, CA
Carrie Kathleen Moers - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Chugiak, AK
Olivia Jane Powers	Spokane, WA

Celine Bridgett Ramos.....	Granada Hills, CA
Elaheh Razmpoor.....	Woodland Hills, CA
Kaysie Cierra Rich - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Marion, TX
Rachele Richardson.....	Spokane, WA
Kayla Roberts.....	Marysville, WA
Emily Romero - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Reshlene Sigua - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Medical Lake, WA
Tiffany Ann Simpson.....	Santa Rosa Valley, CA
Anycia Jeris Smith - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Gresham, OR
Barbara Sonnberger Smith.....	Missoula, MT
Ashley Irene Valencia Soon - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Eagle River, AK
Kathryn Teresa Stinson.....	Lynnwood, WA
Marlen Tavira Garcia.....	Sylmar, CA
Kristina Joy Tucker.....	Tumwater, WA
Autum Rae Tyra - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Melissa Viator - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Chloe Weiss - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Jacob Allen Westers - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Comstock Park, MI
Katherine Wilkins - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Cassandra Lynde Winczura - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Elliot Jae Yi - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Anchorage, AK
Breanna Aubray Zabel.....	Medford, OR

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREES

Department: Business Professions

Mr. James Croft, Department Chair

Business Administration

Terra Shea Bertsch - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Seeley Lake, MT
Drayton James Caoile	Portland, OR
Madison Lee Dixon - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Pomeroy, WA
Brandon Lee Guches	Medford, OR
Jake Thomas Henderson - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Lewistown, MT
Marcus John - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Fradley, UK
Kristopher Cody Lillie - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Great Falls, MT
Joseph Michael-Dejesus McMillan	North Las Vegas, NV
Tangiteina Akiesiu Niutupuivaha	Kahuku, HI
Imhotep Pryor	Long Beach, CA
Genesis Lorena Rialmo	Yucca Valley, CA
Jack Ivan Rimstad	Marysville, WA
Faith Kathryn Elizabeth Strode	Hillsboro, OR
Grant William Wright	Tigard, OR
Ty John Zelenka	Conrad, MT

Computer Science

Thomas Andrew Fekete - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Great Falls, MT
Wade S. Jacobs	Sheridan, WY

Legal & Paralegal Studies

Kade Michael Belderrain - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Great Falls, MT
Jo'lette Kaliko' Okalehua Tia Penina Miner-Ho	Kapa'a, HI
Chelsea Nichole Earl Wallace	Yamhill, OR

Department: Education and Sports Management

Mr. James Croft, Department Chair

Sports Management

Ty Alger Calgary, AB
Logan Ty Robinson Seeley Lake, MT
Jakob R. Stevenson Sammamish, WA

Department: Mathematics and Science

Ms. Mykal Gernaat, Department Chair

Exercise Science

Sloane Lena Chapman - *Magna Cum Laude*.....Helena, MT
Hannah Leigh EddySandpoint, ID
Kolby Matthew Hayes - *Magna Cum Laude*Gillette, WY
Grace HipkeSpirit Lake, ID
Dante Harrison MontgomerySalt Lake City, UT
Steven Andrade Moreno Chino, CA
Katelyn Isabella Murack..... Conrad, MT
Gabriella May PariniButte, MT
Tara Patel - *Cum Laude*..... Birmingham, England
Jenna Mckenzie Thorne - *Magna Cum Laude*Karitane, New Zealand
Jaelena Trujillo*..... Hesperia, CA
Azia-Rain Useli Umphrey.....Saint Ignatius, MT

Forensic Science

Brianna Kay Backus..... Chester, SD
Keileigh Fulbright - *Cum Laude*.....Great Falls, MT
Kendra Ann Pope - *Summa Cum Laude*.....Spokane Valley, WA
Tysen Kenna Sigglin - *Cum Laude*Meridian, ID

Forensic Science, Biology Track

Hope Elizabeth Gasvoda - *Summa Cum Laude*Big Sandy, MT

Department: Sociology, Psychology, and Criminal Justice

Dr. Deanna Koepke, Department Chair

Criminal Justice

Andrei Gruber.....Great Falls, MT
Genna Delsenia Margaret Robles - *Summa Cum Laude*.....New Braunfels, TX
Jessica Michelle Sanchez*.....San Bernardino, CA
John Ryan Wilson.....Everett, WA

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREES

Division: Sociology, Psychology, and Criminal Justice

Dr. Deanna Koepke, Department Chair

Addictions Counseling

Fanatasia Shenae Stordahl.....Great Falls, MT

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREES

Department: Arts and Humanities

Dr. Jonathan Nelson, Department Chair

University Studies

Jack Stevens Bluml.....Topeka, KS
Dana Kirkpatrick Hueth.....Great Falls, MT

Department: Mathematics and Science

Ms. Mykal Gernaat, Department Chair

Biology

Josiah H. Amunrud - *Cum Laude* Bozeman, MT
Allexandrea Susanne Boyd - *Cum Laude* Buckeye, AZ
McKenzie Rae Clark Carter, MT
Brook Luly - *Cum Laude* Shelby, MT
Macy Ann Mangold - *Summa Cum Laude* Lewistown, MT
Zoe Elaine Naugle - *Cum Laude* Weatherford, TX
Melissa S. Purdy Black Eagle, MT
Mylene Aude P. Sebogo - *Summa Cum Laude* Ouagadougou, Kadiogo
Stanislav Struthers Shadow Hills, CA

Department: Education and Sports Management

Mr. James Croft, Department Chair

Elementary Education

Keyona M. Shoemaker - *Summa Cum Laude* Wabash, IN
Samuel Gordon Thomas Vining Great Falls, MT

Health and Physical Education

KC Lane Buday Great Falls, MT
Adysen Wendell Burns - *Cum Laude* Yakima, WA
Payton James Hume Kalispell, MT
Jordan Stephen Komac Great Falls, MT
Zachary Christian Reese - *Summa Cum Laude* Albany, OR

Department: Sociology, Psychology, and Criminal Justice

Dr. Deanna Koepke, Department Chair

Psychology

Decker Louis Anderson - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Chugwater, WY
Melissa Kaye Blohm.....	Rosemead, CA
Jennifer Kay Ervin - <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Rochester, WA
Gracie Ann Fleming.....	Big Timber, MT
Caren B. Grout.....	Monarch, MT
Delroy Fitzalbert Hendricks, Jr. - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Spokane, WA
Camryn Rose Hockley - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Comox, BC
Oliver D. Main - <i>Cum Laude</i>	Great Falls, MT
Eric Kevin Milner.....	San Bernardino, CA
Jessica Michelle Sanchez*.....	San Bernardino, CA
Syania Santana-Quintana.....	San Jose, CA
Julia Likolehua Tilton - <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Mililani, HI
Jaelena Trujillo*.....	Hesperia, CA
Alexis Malia Tupuola.....	Vancouver, WA

SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

GRADUATE DEGREES

Division: Health Programs

Dr. Frankie Lyons, Associate Dean, Health Programs

Master of Healthcare Administration

Jennifer Jane Baker - <i>With Distinction</i>	Santa Rosa, CA
Stephanie Diaz	North Hollywood, CA
My Ngoc Doan - <i>With Distinction</i>	Des Moines, WA
Erika Alexandria Fenner.....	Seattle, WA
Laura Ann Gilbert - <i>With Distinction</i>	Fullerton, CA
Sandy J. Kuss-Moore	Chino Hills, CA
Robyn Ruth Ann Lang - <i>With Distinction</i>	Everett, WA
Yisell De La Caridad Lopez Nunez	Portland, OR
Terrance Mitchell.....	Beaverton, OR
Tiffany Rose Olson	Spokane, WA
Rosangelica Rodriguez	Los Angeles, CA
Siena Katherine Vanucci - <i>With Distinction</i>	Anchorage, AK
Joshua Stephen Wilson - <i>With Distinction</i>	Lake Stevens, WA

Master of Science, Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Hannah Andrews - <i>With Distinction</i>	Girdwood, AK
Frank L. Belgarde, Jr. - <i>With Distinction</i>	Helena, MT
Kimberly Christoff - <i>With Distinction</i>	Moore, MT
Nicole A. Dove - <i>With Distinction</i>	Portland, OR
Lindsay Anne Gardner - <i>With Distinction</i>	Beaverton, OR
Cecilia Cassidy Lenahan.....	Great Falls, MT
Samantha Renae Lucey - <i>With Distinction</i>	Kansas City, MO
Holly Noel McMullen - <i>With Distinction</i>	Great Falls, MT
Montana Mae Schroll - <i>With Distinction</i>	Oregon City, OR
Karlie Michele Southworth.....	Lewistown, MT
Ashley Katherine Sumpter - <i>With Distinction</i>	Canby, OR
Chidozie Kenneth Urom - <i>With Distinction</i>	Portland, OR

Master of Science, Infection Prevention and Epidemiology

Eunice Fox Fredericksburg, VA
Marci Ann Myles DeTienne Helena, MT
Carmelitta M. Oakley Nicholson, PA

Division: Nursing

Dr. Andrea Houser, Associate Dean, Nursing

Master of Science, Nursing

Stephaneeg Beggs - *With Distinction* Sherman Oaks, CA
Diana R. Cation - *With Distinction* Union, WA
Hiromi Comer Portland, OR
Violeta De Haro Napa, CA
Luzbel A. Diaz Yorba Linda, CA
Rocky Joe Duff - *With Distinction* Spokane, WA
Emma Kimpton Vancouver, WA
Elizabeth Elise Lynn Frenchtown, MT
Jamie Michelle Margain - *With Distinction* Torrance, CA
Janet Mikkell Mayer-Walsh Spokane, WA
Jessica Bautista Nagaoka Hillsboro, OR
Cynthia Kaye Phillips-Johnson Wasilla, AK
Ashlie Kristine Quackenbush - *With Distinction* The Dalles, OR
Amanda Michelle Singer - *With Distinction* Woodland Hills, CA
Ria Pingol Stevens Anchorage, AK
Nancy J. Yankovic Salem, OR

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

GRADUATE DEGREES

Department: Business Professions

Mr. James Croft, Department Chair

Master of Science, Organizational Leadership, Management

Alan Badley.....	Everett, WA
DevinJo Rae Di Salvo - <i>With Distinction</i>	Great Falls, MT
Kelsey Leigh Hassinger - <i>With Distinction</i>	Ladson, SC
Korben Lee Kerby.....	Great Falls, MT
Jonathan Paul Morgan - <i>With Distinction</i>	Spokane, WA
Alicia Mae Oatis.....	Kennewick, WA
Nathaniel Andrew Pollard - <i>With Distinction</i>	Great Falls, MT
LeTracia M. Rose - <i>With Distinction</i>	Portland, OR

Department: Education and Sports Management

Mr. James Croft, Department Chair

Master of Science, Sports Management

Landon Wynn Bowden - <i>With Distinction</i>	Great Falls, MT
Joey Lynn Egan	Great Falls, MT
Jake Olsen - <i>With Distinction</i>	Great Falls, MT
Jensyn Rae Turner	Goshen, UT

*Indicates student receiving dual majors or dual degrees.

The appearance of names in this program does not signify the issuance of degree and/or honors by the University of Providence. All candidates for degrees must satisfactorily complete appropriate degree requirements and honors will be awarded based on final grade point averages.

Graduating members and former members of the United States military are being presented with a Challenge Coin by Dr. Andrea Houser, Associate Dean of Nursing, to signify the University's gratitude for their service.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

Academic dress regalia is based on costumes used in universities of the 14th and 15th centuries, particularly at Oxford and Cambridge in England. It has been used in the United States from colonial times and was standardized by an intercollegiate code in 1895.

The black gowns differ, particularly in the sleeves. The bachelor's gown has a sleeve that is square, while the master's gown sleeve is oblong with the base of the sleeve hanging down. The doctor's gown has full, bell shaped sleeves and three velvet bands part way down. Caps are black mortarboards with the tassel worn over the left front quadrant.

Master and doctoral degree hoods vary in size and shape with the doctoral hood being the largest and most lavishly decorated. The color of the velvet, which circles the opening of the hood, shows the degree. University of Providence graduates will wear light blue for MS in Clinical Mental Health Counseling; drab for MS in Organizational Leadership and MS in Sports Management; salmon for MS in Infection Prevention and Epidemiology and Master of Healthcare Administration; and apricot for MS in Nursing.

The lining of each hood is in the official colors of the university from which the degree is granted. Blue and green are the colors of the University of Providence.

ACADEMIC HONORS

Honor graduates have earned at least 50 undergraduate credits in residence at the University of Providence. Students earning a bachelor's degree and graduating with honors have attained the following grade point averages:

3.50—3.74	Cum Laude
3.75—3.89	Magna Cum Laude
3.90—4.00	Summa Cum Laude

Students earning a masters degree and graduating with honors have attained the following grade point average:

4.0	With Distinction
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Academic regalia worn, representing additional honors:

- Institutional Academic Honors
 - gold cord
- Veterans of U.S. Military Service
 - red, white, and blue cord

THE UNIVERSITY OF PROVIDENCE

MISSION

As an expression of the teaching mission of Jesus Christ, the mission of the University of Providence is to provide students with the opportunity to obtain a liberal education for living and for making a living.

The University of Providence, as a faith-based Roman Catholic university, believes in the biblical principle “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” (John 8:12 NABRE)

The university was founded through the collaborative efforts of the Sisters of Providence, the Ursuline Sisters, the Catholic Bishop of Great Falls and the civic community, all of whom recognized the need for higher education. Its educational mission, in conjunction with the Sisters of Providence, continues to be the shared endeavor of dedicated people.

CORE THEMES

Academic Excellence

Academic Excellence is the primary pursuit for all students, faculty and staff. Without exception, we uphold the highest academic standards across all programs.

Student Experience

Students undergo a distinctive and transformative experience that prepares them to pursue their lifetime calling and make the world a better place.

Mission Effectiveness

Driven by our Mission, we will provide world-class liberal arts and health professions programs while focusing on operational efficiency to deliver on our vision for sustainable growth.

PHILOSOPHY AND PURPOSE

The University of Providence was founded in 1932 through the collaborative efforts of the Sisters of Providence, the Ursuline Sisters, the Catholic Bishop of Great Falls, and members of the civic community, all of whom recognized a societal need for higher education. Its educational mission, sponsored by the Sisters of Providence, continues to be the shared endeavor of dedicated people.

The University cooperates with both private and public institutions to attain goals consistent with its educational purpose and values.

The University continually and responsibly evaluates its operation and programs. It develops professional career programs and continuing education courses designed in view of society's present and future needs, as well as traditional academic degrees in appropriate fields.

The University offers students a foundation for actively implementing Gospel values and the teachings of Jesus within the Catholic tradition; it serves students of all beliefs who wish to take advantage of its programs.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY STATEMENT

Founded by the Sisters of Providence, the University of Providence is a Roman Catholic institution of higher learning called to be the manifestation of the Providence of God in the lives of those we serve.

Sharing in the mission of the Church to proclaim the Good News, the University of Providence continues the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ, being especially mindful of those populations most in need.

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Where the prairie’s golden glory
Spreads beneath the matchless sky,
And the sparkling waters falling
Toss their rainbow mists on high,
Stands a citadel of learning
Guarding knowledge, truth and right,
From its watch-tower ever beaming
Golden pathways through the night.

Ave, Ave Alma Mater

Voices ringing out with might,
Sing the glory of your story
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