



COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2026



WELCOME

Trinity Christian College has touched the lives of over 25,000 students. Our graduates today join that host of Trinity's alumni around the world. As recorded in Trinity's mission statement, "We seek to graduate students who are well-equipped to bring the discipline of rigorous academic work into their chosen vocations and the practice of Christ-like service toward others into their personal and public lives." Wherever they are – in education, government, non-profit work, business, church, or at home – Trinity alumni bring to their communities the gifts they have received from a Christian liberal arts education in the Reformed tradition.

Today's commencement ceremony celebrates graduates from our 2025-2026 traditional undergraduate, adult undergraduate, and Master of Arts programs. Trinity graduated its first four-year class in 1971. The adult undergraduate program produced its first graduates in 2000. The first Master of Arts students graduated in 2013.

And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

PHILIPPIANS 1:9-11 (NRSV)

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL	Minkyoo Shin, D.M., organ <i>Affiliated Faculty, Music</i>
WELCOME	Jeanine Mozie, M.B.A. <i>President</i>
GREETING	Kenneth S. Dryfhout '03 <i>Chair, Board of Trustees</i>
INVOCATION	Anika Wicker '26
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS	President Mozie
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Aron Reppmann '92, Ph.D. <i>Professor of Philosophy</i>
	Tina Decker '06, DNP <i>Professor of Nursing</i> <i>2026 Professor of the Year</i>
	Benjamin Ribbens, Ph.D. <i>Professor of Theology</i> <i>2026 Professor of the Year</i>
HONORS RECOGNITION AND DIVERSITY SCHOLARS RECOGNITION	Mackenzi Huyser '97, Ph.D. <i>Vice President for Advancement and</i> <i>Chief Academic Officer</i>
STUDENT REMARKS	Carvell Anderson '26
PRESENTATION OF THE GRADUATES	Dr. Huyser
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES	President Mozie
HOODING AND PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS	President Mozie
	Dr. Huyser
	Emma Schneider '19, M.A. <i>Assistant Professor of Communication Arts</i>
REMARKS TO THE GRADUATES	President Mozie
BENEDICTION	Rev. Stephen Cartwright, MDiv <i>Campus Pastor</i>

FIREWORKS

Please wait to depart from the field until the fireworks conclude. The show will be approximately seven minutes in length. Please allow faculty to exit the field before the graduates. Follow the marshals' instructions to depart in an organized manner.

POSTLUDE

CEREMONY PARTICIPANTS

HOODING OF MASTER OF ARTS CANDIDATES

Debra Majewski, Ed.D.
Professor of Counseling; Core Counselor Education Faculty

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Jaynn Tobias, M.A.
Registrar

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

As a service to families of graduates, Tom Killoran Photography will take photographs of all graduates as they receive their diplomas; therefore, parents and family members are requested to remain seated throughout the ceremony.

Photos will be available at www.killoranphotography.smugmug.com. Please click on "Trinity Christian College Graduation." No password is required to view the photos. Trinity is providing two complimentary digital images to each of our graduates— one as they cross the stage, and one posed image with their diploma in front of the Trinity backdrop. The code for access to these downloads will be emailed directly to graduates.

COMMENCEMENT VIDEO

Please visit our website at trnty.edu/commencement for a link to view the full video of the ceremony.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

At the end of the ceremony, a fireworks display will include loud noises and bright flashes of light. Those with known sensitivity to sound and light may wish to avoid this portion of the ceremony.

EMERITI FACULTY

Trinity Christian College recently granted emeritus status to the following tenured faculty members:

Dr. Abbie Schrotenboer, Dr. Allison Tan, Dr. Aron Reppmann, Dr. Benjamin Ribbens, Dr. Bethany Keeley-Jonker, Dr. Bill Boerman-Cornell, Dr. Christine Scholma, Dr. Cini Bretzlaff-Holstein, Dr. Clayton Carlson, Dr. David Brodnax, Sr., Dr. Debra Majewski, Dr. Dennis Connelly, Dr. Derrick Hassert, Dr. Erick Sierra, Dr. Jessica Clevering, Dr. John Fry, Dr. Jon Vander Woude, Dr. Kelly Lenarz, Dr. Lenore Knight Johnson, Dr. Lisa Doot Abinoja, Dr. Mackenzi Huyser, Dr. Mario Guzman Sescosse, Dr. Mark Peters, Dr. Michael Bosscher, Professor Ryan Thompson, Dr. Sarah Gouwens, Dr. Shari Jurgens, Dr. Tim Hendrickson, Dr. Tina Decker



CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM

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Burbank, Illinois


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CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH
COUNSELING
Chicago, Illinois

Justin Cole McGhee
CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH
COUNSELING
Orland Park, Illinois


Savanna Lynn Nicholls
CLINICAL MENTAL HEALTH
COUNSELING
Peotone, Illinois

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COUNSELING
Bolingbrook, Illinois

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Theology
Villa Park, Illinois

Thomas Allen
COMPUTER SCIENCE
Business
Orland Park, Illinois

Rebeca Amador 
STUDIO ART
English
Chicago, Illinois

Carvell Anderson 
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
Theology
Chicago, Illinois

Mikayla Bosman-Araiza 
COMMUNICATION ARTS
Studio Art
Chicago, Illinois

Trevor Behling 
MUSIC EDUCATION
Education, Psychology
Burbank, Illinois

Roderick Bell 
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Education
Grayslake, Illinois


Shnyla Bellamy
PSYCHOLOGY, THEATRE
COMMUNICATION
Chicago, Illinois


Miguel Bellosta Manchon
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San Sebastian De Los Reyes, Madrid, Spain


Kyle James Berry
COMPUTER SCIENCE
Philosophy
Tinley Park, Illinois

Sophia Rose Biscan 
CRIMINAL JUSTICE, PSYCHOLOGY
Williams Bay, Wisconsin

Marco Bortolotto
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Psychology
Loria, Italy


Hannah Joy Boundy 
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Abigail Brumbaugh 
ART EDUCATION
Education
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GRADES EDUCATION
Education, Social Science Education
Orland Park, Illinois

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BIOLOGY
Science
Canovanas, Puerto Rico


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Chicago, Illinois

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Burbank, Illinois

Yujia Chen
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Writing
Chicago, Illinois

Alyssa Marie Cintron
COMPUTER SCIENCE
Criminal Justice
Bridgeview, Illinois

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Burbank, Illinois

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Education
Heyworth, Illinois

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MAJOR, Minor

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SPECIAL EDUCATION

Education

Oak Lawn, Illinois

Alex Costa

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Education, Health Education

Oak Lawn, Illinois

Rita Craig

EDUCATION STUDIES

Social Work

Alsip, Illinois

Halle Vanessa Crossley

PSYCHOLOGY

Sociology

Bridgeview, Illinois

Conner Patrick Dargan

PSYCHOLOGY

Criminal Justice

Manhattan, Illinois

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EDUCATION STUDIES

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Homer Glen, Illinois

Lamont Doyle

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Chicago, Illinois

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ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Special Education

Tinley Park, Illinois

Dylan Duzan

HISTORY EDUCATION

Education

Orland Park, Illinois

Kaden Boyd Eirhart

EXERCISE SCIENCE

Science

Altamont, Illinois

Eden Kristy Dume Viard Elling

PSYCHOLOGY

Science

Indian Harbour Beach, Florida

Kevin Enriquez 

MUSIC

Music in Worship

Round Lake Beach, Illinois

Christina Marie Esparza 

SPANISH EDUCATION

Education

Alsip, Illinois

Andria Caye Ewalt 

EXERCISE SCIENCE

Business, Science

Danvers, Illinois

Jokebed Faugue

BIOLOGY

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EXERCISE SCIENCE

Psychology, Science

Vernon Hills, Illinois

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PSYCHOLOGY

Biology

Mexico City, Mexico

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DATA ANALYTICS

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Calumet City, Illinois

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PSYCHOLOGY

Theatre Communication

Dolton, Illinois

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SPECIAL EDUCATION

Education

Countryside, Illinois

Raymond DeAndre Green

SPECIAL EDUCATION

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Willowbrook, Illinois

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ENGLISH

Writing

Palos Heights, Illinois


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MAJOR, Minor


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Communication Arts
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Olivia Marie Wrobel
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Science
Shorewood, Illinois


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Science
Homewood, Illinois

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Science
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NURSING
Science
Willow Springs, Illinois


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Science
Alto, Michigan

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Science
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Science
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SOCIAL WORK
Chicago, Illinois

Kaitlyn Hasenfang 
SOCIAL WORK
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Pompano Beach, Florida

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SOCIAL WORK
Posen, Illinois


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MAJOR, Minor

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Theology
Riverside, Rhode Island

Liliana Rodriguez
SOCIAL WORK
Berwyn, Illinois

Lillian Faith Rucker
SOCIAL WORK
Richton Park, Illinois

Brittany Sullivan 
SOCIAL WORK
Alsip, Illinois

Zoe Martha Vaselakos 
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Psychology
Palos Heights, Illinois

Lauryn Grace Yonker 
SOCIAL WORK
Sociology
Wyoming, Michigan

TEACHER LICENSURE

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Brittany Martinez
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Bridgeview, IL

PROGRAM COMPLETION

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Education
Clarendon Hills, Illinois

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Joliet, Illinois

Michael Czeszewski
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
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Oak Forest, Illinois

Jolie Davidson
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Cedar Lake, Indiana

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Special Education
Chicago Ridge, Illinois

Nayeli Guzman
SPECIAL EDUCATION
Education
Summit Argo, Illinois

Michael Halloran
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Education
Burbank, Illinois

Rebecca Herrera
SPECIAL EDUCATION
Education
Palos Hills, Illinois

Reily McTeague
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Education
Oak Lawn, Illinois

Grace Michalski
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
Special Education
Lisle, Illinois

Ulysses Munoz
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Education
Romeoville, Illinois

Adriana Navarro
SPECIAL EDUCATION
Education
Chicago, Illinois

Matthew Rodriguez
PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Education
Worth, Illinois

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ENGLISH EDUCATION, MIDDLE
GRADES EDUCATION
Education, English Education, Philosophy
Zeeland, Michigan

Adeline Smerica
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
Theology
Minooka, Illinois

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

DR. ARON REPPMANN

*Professor of Philosophy and Department Chair
of the Philosophy Department at
Trinity Christian College*

A Trinity Troll for thirty-eight years, Dr. Reppmann is Professor and Chair of the Philosophy Department at Trinity Christian College. He graduated from Trinity in 1992 with a degree in philosophy. He went on to earn an MA ('95) and a PhD ('06) in Philosophy from Loyola University. Dr. Reppmann began teaching full-time at Trinity in 1998, while still a graduate student. In the same year, he became the founding director of Trinity's Honors Program. In the 1990s, he also served a six-year term on Trinity's alumni board, including as president and vice-president. In 2022, he was named Trinity's Professor of the Year. Dr. Reppmann's bond with the Trinity community is about more than longevity. His ongoing investment in students and colleagues has brought him into meaningful contact with nearly everyone who has called Trinity home. Dr. Reppmann's wife, Karen (Swieringa), is also a Trinity alumna ('92). Together they have two children, Anthony ('23) and Zoe.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The distinctive academic dress worn by the graduates and faculty continues a tradition going back to the earliest universities in Europe in the 12th and 13th centuries. At that time academic gowns were the common form of dress of the scholar, whether teacher or student.

Today, our graduates and faculty wear regalia that represent their various academic achievements. The baccalaureate gown has pointed sleeves. The master's gown has long, hanging sleeves and is worn with a short hood on the back. The doctoral gown is black or a color representing the doctoral institution; it has bell-shaped sleeves with velvet trim and is worn with a long hood on the back. Presidential regalia includes a doctoral-style gown and the institutional medallion, which symbolizes the office and the institution. Either a mortar-board cap or soft cap may be worn.

Faculty regalia vary according to the degree achieved and the institution granting the degree. The inner, satin trim of the hood represents the school colors of the institution that conferred the degree, while the outer, velvet trim identifies the scholar's field of study. For example, the velvet trim for the degree of Master of Arts is white, representing arts and humanities. In the case of the Ph.D. degree, the dark blue color represents the mastery of the discipline of learning and scholarship in any field and is not intended to represent the field of philosophy. The colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

Apricot – Nursing

Brown – Fine Arts

Crimson – Communication

Dark Blue – Philosophy

Drab – Business

Golden Yellow – Science (natural and social)

Lemon – Library Science

Light Blue – Education

Pink – Music

Purple – Law

Sage Green – Health Science, Physical Education

Salmon – Public Health

Scarlet – Theology

White – Arts and Humanities

HONORS

HONORS CORDS AND MEDALLIONS

Some graduates wear long, gold cords around their necks; these symbolize the academic honors they have achieved. All graduates, as well as a number of the faculty who are Trinity alumni, wear medallions bearing the seal of Trinity Christian College. These medallions are gifts from the Trinity Alumni Association.

Academic achievement upon completion of an undergraduate degree program is recognized at graduation and on the final transcript in the following categories. To qualify for one of these honors, the graduating student must have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours at Trinity.

<i>Graduating with honors</i>	GPA of 3.500 to 3.699
<i>Graduating with high honors</i>	GPA of 3.700 to 3.849
<i>Graduating with highest honors</i>	GPA of 3.850 or higher

To qualify for this honor, the graduating adult undergraduate student must have completed the full course of study (at least 36 hours).

<i>Graduating with distinction</i>	GPA of 3.500 or higher
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For the commencement ceremony, the GPA used to determine those graduating with honors does not include grades from the spring semester. Once final grades have been processed, appropriate honors will be awarded for graduates who have achieved the required GPA.

THE HONORS PIN

Graduates from Trinity's Honors Program wear a bronze medallion pin with a blue ribbon. This pin acknowledges and celebrates completion of the curricular requirements, as well as participation in the co-curricular offerings, of Trinity's Honors Program, an alternative learning community providing intellectual challenge and support for academically gifted students who take delight in learning and discovery inside and outside of the classroom.

THE HONORS STOLE

Chi Sigma Iota Counseling Academic and Professional Honor Society International is the international honor society for professional counseling and professional counselors. Graduate students in Clinical Mental Health Counseling wear the Honor Stole with their graduation regalia. The stole is white, with the Chi Sigma Iota Greek letters and logo embroidered in royal blue. The CSI Honor Stole signifies their membership in the Society and serves as a lasting symbol of their professional counselor identity.

THE MINISTRY SCHOLAR CORD

Graduates who fulfilled the academic requirements of the Christian Ministry program through an on-campus ministry leadership position wear a scarlet cord. This cord celebrates graduates' meaningful contribution to the faith formation of their peers and active engagement with the spiritual life of campus. Moreover, this cord serves as a reminder of the yoke of Jesus Christ, the true guide for our ministry and rest for our souls (Matthew 11:29).

THE NURSING PIN

B.S.N. graduates wear the nursing pin of Trinity Christian College. This pin is an adaptation of the College seal and is symbolic of nursing as Christ-like service to others. The circle represents a commitment to the health care needs of the whole person; the cross indicates Christ, the great Healer; the lamp symbolizes illumination gained through education; and the Bible, God's Word, provides guidance in our personal and professional lives.

THE SOCIAL WORK CORD

B.S.W. graduates wear blue and gold cords to signify their induction into the Phi Alpha National Honor Society. Students in Phi Alpha meet both academic and service excellence standards.

THE PSYCHOLOGY PIN

Undergraduate majors in psychology who have earned a cumulative GPA in the top 35% of their class compared with their classmates across the college are inducted in Psi Chi, an international honor society whose purpose is to encourage, stimulate, and maintain excellence in scholarship of the individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology. Psi Chi represents the two Greek words, "Psyche" and "Cheires." "Psyche" suggests "mind" as well as scholarship and enrichment of the mind. "Cheires" stands for fellowship and research. Students in Psi Chi may wear a silver lapel pin on blue enamel.

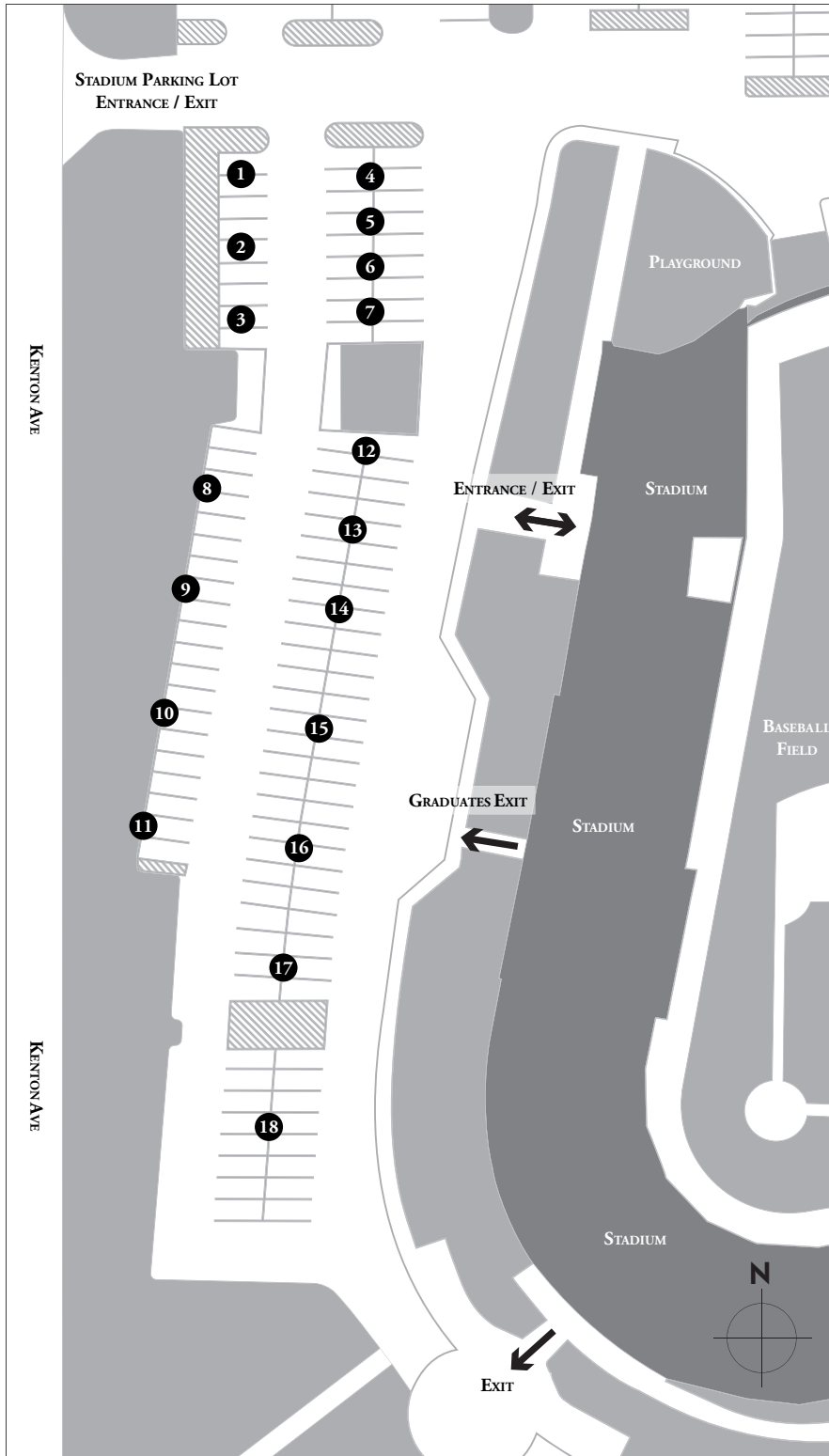
PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR

This award recognizes the achievements of a distinguished professor who has shown evidence of excellence in teaching or scholarship in work that advances the mission of the College.

MAJOR FAREWELL DIAGRAM - OZINGA STADIUM PARKING LOT

MAP

KEY



ARTS & HUMANITIES

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- 2 Art & Design
- 3 Literature & Languages
- 4 Music
- 5 History
- 6 Theology & Christian Ministry
- 7 Philosophy

NATURAL & APPLIED SCIENCES

- 8 Nursing
- 9 Physical Education & Recreation & Kinesiology (PERK)
- 10 Biology/Biochemistry
- 11 Computing/Computer Science
- 12 Mathematics

SOCIAL SCIENCES

- 13 Criminal Justice
- 14 Speech-Language Pathology
- 15 Social Work
- 16 Psychology
- 17 Education
- 18 Business



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