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COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

FLINT

MAY 3, 2015
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Prelude Concert........................................ University of Michigan-Flint Wind Symphony
Christopher P. Heidenreich, D.M., Conductor

Processional............................................... Robert Bix, Ph.D., Faculty Marshal
Pomp and Circumstance, March #1 by Sir Edward Elgar
Procession of the Nobles, by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov/arr. Jay Bocook
The Star Spangled Banner, by Francis Scott Key

Academic Banner Bearers.......................................................... Krista Hansen, Ph.D.
College of Arts & Sciences
Charles Thomas, Ph.D.
Graduate Programs

Welcoming Remarks.................................................. Chancellor Susan E. Borrego, Ph.D.

Regent Remarks ................................................................. The Honorable Michael Behm

Keynote Speech................................................................. Sandra Tsing Loh, Author

Recognition of Awards and Honors................................. Barbara Dixon, Ph.D.
Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Chris Waters, M.F.A.
Associate Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies

Student Address.......................................................................................... Tobi Adebisi

Presentation of Degrees.................................................. Jan Furman, Ph.D., Associate Marshal
Kenneth Schilling, Ph.D., Associate Marshal

Conferring of Graduate Degrees................................. Vahid Lotfi, Ph.D.
Senior Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Programs

Conferring of Undergraduate Degrees ...................... Albert Price, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, College of Arts & Sciences

Alumni Induction............................................................. Tina Nies, B.B.A. ’89

Fight Song................................................................. The Victors, by Louis Elbel

Recessional................................................................. University of Michigan-Flint Wind Symphony
Pride of the Wolverines, by John Philip Sousa
The Victors March, by Louis Elbel
Commencement Robe Recycling Program
UM-Flint is proud to offer the Commencement Robe Recycling Program. If a graduate would like to turn in his or her Commencement robe for a future graduate to use, the robes can be turned into the Office of the Provost in the University Pavilion on campus at anytime.

Ceremony Interpreters
Diane Gagne
Danielle Ward

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Prelude Concert.................................University of Michigan-Flint Wind Symphony
Christopher P. Heidenreich, D.M., Conductor

Processional........................................Suzanne Selig, Ph.D., Faculty Marshal
Hymn of Praise, by Martin Luther
Pomp and Circumstance, March #1 by Sir Edward Elgar
Procession of the Nobles, by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov/arr. Jay Bocook
The Star Spangled Banner, by Francis Scott Key

Academic Banner Bearers............................Matt Wynecken, Ph.D.
School of Education & Human Services
Marilyn Filter, Ph.D.
School of Health Professions & Studies
Tom Hemphill, Ph.D.
School of Management
Mary Jo Finney, Ph.D.
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Chris Waters, M.F.A.
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Student Address......................................Brittney Rice

Presentation of Degrees..............................Clement Chen, Ph.D., Associate Marshal
Donna Fry, Ph.D., Associate Marshal

Conferring of Graduate Degrees......................Vahid Lotfi, Ph.D.
Senior Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Programs

Conferring of Undergraduate Degrees.................Scott Johnson, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Management
Keith Moreland, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, School of Health Professions & Studies
Robert Barnett, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Education & Human Services

Alumni Induction....................................John Coleman, M.B.A. ’93

Fight Song..............................................The Victors, by Louis Elbel

Recessional............................................University of Michigan-Flint Wind Symphony
Pride of the Wolverines, by John Philip Sousa
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CANDIDATES GRADUATING WITH HONORS

Undergraduate candidates wearing gold honor cords over their graduation robes are students who have achieved, in the course of their studies at the university, an overall grade point average that qualifies them to be recognized by their school or college as candidates graduating with honors. These candidates are identified in the following lists by the phrase “With Honors,” “With High Honors,” “With Distinction,” “With High Distinction,” or “With Academic Distinction” depending on the particular degree program. These honor designations are subject to revision based on final semester grades. Graduating with honors recognizes a superior level of ability, a high distinction of scholarship, and an exemplary record of achievement.

College of Arts & Sciences (CAS)

Within the CAS, “With Honors” indicates a 3.5 grade point average but less than 3.75. Students listed “With High Honors” must earn a 3.75 or better overall grade point average. In computing averages, only courses taken at UM-Flint are included, and only completed terms or semesters are counted.

School of Management (SOM)

Graduating seniors with cumulative grade point averages of at least 3.5 but less than 3.75 are recommended for the degree “With Honors” and those with cumulative grade point averages of at least 3.75 are recommended for the degree “With High Honors.” In computing averages, only courses taken at UM-Flint are included, and only completed terms are counted.

School of Health Professions & Studies (SHPS)

Within the SHPS, “With Honors” indicates a 3.5 grade point average or better overall with a minimum of 45 hours of study completed at UM-Flint. Students listed “With High Honors” must earn a 3.75 or better grade point average overall with a minimum 45 hours of study completed at UM-Flint. Students with a 3.5 grade point average or better with fewer than 45 hours of study at UM-Flint will earn “With Academic Distinction.”

School of Education & Human Services (SEHS)

Within the SEHS, “With Honors” indicates a 3.5 grade point average but less than 3.75 overall. Students listed “With High Honors” must earn a 3.75 or better overall grade point average. In computing averages, only courses taken at UM-Flint are included, and only complete terms or semesters are counted.

COMMENCEMENT PARTICIPANTS

UM-Flint Wind Symphony

Piccolo
Beth Schultz

Flute
Alesha Akins
Kaitlyn Maitland

Oboe
Matt Okenka

Clarinet
Kaitlyn Cook
Sarah Kellett
Aingeal Jones
Nicole Moffitt
Sapphire Newby

Bass Clarinet
Dreyana Barnes

Bassoon
Rachel Gray
Caitlin Poffenbarger
Beth Heidenreich
Joseph Wright
Mandy Stubbert

French Horn
Amanda Collins
Benjamin Cunningham
Zachary Smith

Trumpet
Nathan Cross
Jocelyn Himes
Matthew July
Jacob Yencer
James Lemon
Warren Lissner
Jordan Pavlica

Trombone
Jacob Duplanty
Jacob Huber

Euphonium
Jacob Duplanty
Jacob Huber

Tuba
Don Straiff
Matthew Hubbard

Flag Bearers

The Ladies of the Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority:
Michelle Cottrell, Jackie Deneau, Paige Murray, and Jordan Reynolds

Floor Ushers

The Men of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity:
Trevar Gallandt, Cardell Givens, Levi Hurley, Dre Leslie, Jeffrey Martin, and Jimmy Soukanneuth

Commencement Committee

Karen Arnould
Rhonda Banks
Marilyn Christensen
Allen Cozart
Sheila Currier
Michael Daniels
Lindsay Dinsmore
Sue Fabbro
Christopher Heidenreich
Erik Hoffman
Jennifer Hogan
Jessie Hurse

Theresa Landis
Bradley Maki
Tamara McKay
Brent Nickola
Brenda Pope
Gina Rose

Mel Serow
Philip Smith
Melissa Storch
Cheryl Szaichler
Joan Whitehead
Pam Zemore

Commencement Volunteers

Panja Biswajit
Helen Budd
Lee Cruppenink
Jill Hubbard
Pat Klein
Ella Moore
Dan O’Brien
John O’Brien

Joy O’Brien
Kelly O’Brien
Dan Salazar
Denise Taft

Tayseer Wasif
Linda Young
Members of the Alumni Association and M-Club
The Maize and Blue Distinguished Scholarship Award winners are selected from among nominations made by various instructional units of the university to the Scholarships, Awards, and Special Events Committee. Eligibility criteria include a minimum of 58 credit hours earned at UM-Flint with a grade point average of 3.75 or better. The Maize and Blue Distinguished Scholarship Award is the most prestigious award given by the university to graduating seniors.

Tobi E. Adebisi**
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Software Engineering

Hollie L. Bellamy-Rodgers**
Bachelor of Social Work

Daniel R. Coffey**
Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry

Rebecca M. DeJonge**
Bachelor of Science in Biology

Bradrick E. Fuson**
Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

Brandon J. Marshall**
Bachelor of Science in Biology

Debra J. McGee**
Bachelor of Social Work

Brittney M. Rice**
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Martin W. Rivera-Salas†
Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Desmond D. Sheppard**
Bachelor of Science in Music Performance

Joshua E. Smith**
Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting

Elena J. Sobrino**
Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology
Bachelor of Arts in Music

Elyssa J. Staffne**
Bachelor of Business Administration in Human Resource Management

DOCTORAL DEGREES

School of Health Professions & Studies

Doctor of Anesthesia Practice
Adeola O. Akindana
Cheryl C. Brown-Deacon
Terri M. Brown
Bevlin R. Duncan
Amanda B. Esau
Shawn M. Gorkiewicz
Mary Louise Hasenauer
Jessica A. Judy
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Cheryl A. Sorn
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Jill L. Raymer
Amanda J. Retzbach

Doctor of Nursing Practice
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Doctor of Physical Therapy
Kayode J. Adedugba
Rufai Y. Ahmad
Saratu U. Aliyu
Oluwemimi E. Aduh
Michelle M. Baranek
Kristen N. Bentley
Lauren A. Berndt
Sarah M. Bialik
Reema Bilal
Kurtis A. Carroll
Collin J. Colegrove
Amanda Collins
Genevieve M. Colon
Sarah Conca
Keila A. Davies
Adam J. Diver
Jennifer M. Dolenga
Emily A. Dudzik
Matthew S. Fogal
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Hail! To the victors, valiant,
Hail! To the conqu'ring heroes
Hail! Hail! To Michigan the leaders and best
Hail! To the victors, valiant,
Hail! To the conqu'ring heroes
Hail! Hail! To Michigan the champions of the West!
### DOCTORAL DEGREES - continued

- **Doctor of Physical Therapy - continued**
  - Austin J. Kneip
  - David C. Krombeen
  - Megan A. Kuschell
  - Kristin N. Larsen
  - Chelsea A. LeMarbe
  - Heather K. Lettinga
  - Nicholas A. Lucius
  - Lisa R. Mange
  - Katie L. Matuzak
  - Courtney E. Maximuik
  - Rhonda T. Barber
  - Wendy S. Beitel
  - Gregory J. Bish
  - Kevin M. Blum
  - Diane R. Branch
  - Bradley Brunner
  - John W. Cwikiel
  - Patrick R. Dowsett
  - Kara R. Green
  - Andrea M. Hasse

### SPECIALIST DEGREE

- **School of Education & Human Services**
  - Education Specialist
    - Rhonda T. Barber: Bradley Brunner, Eric Kehres, Heather L.
    - Wendy S. Beitel: John W. Cwikiel, Elizabeth A. Kutche, McKinney-Rewa
    - Gregory J. Bish: Patrick R. Dowsett, Eric M. Lieske, William A. Warren
    - Kevin M. Blum: Kara R. Green, Amanda M. Martin, Stacey Zaliagiris

### MASTER’S DEGREES

- **Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies**
  - Master of Arts in Arts Administration
    - Karrie R. Dollinger: Renee M. Pesci-Smith, Ashley N. Rop, Erin Waddell
  - Master of Arts in Liberal Studies
    - Justin R. Brown: Angela M. Noah, Terri A. Ringler
  - Master of Public Administration
    - Ifelaja B. Adediran: Peter J. Hinterman, Felisha L. Morgan, Ryan M. Tackabury
    - Yasmeen A. Alqhtani: Hudson-Quinney, Dustin R. Palmer, Jessica A. Tuwaq
    - Kizzie D. Baker: Megan M. Kattoula, Tara R. Parker, Cynthia J. Warber
    - Jeremy S. Blankenship: Lisa M. Klink, Leanna M. Petersen, Jeffrey A. Wickman
    - Jonique S. Donald: Sheila M. Long, Thomas E. Renwick, Dean M. Roberts
    - Larry D. Dumond, Jr.: Ryan McLeod, Tabatha L. Shay
    - Jodie A. Haughey: Carrie M. Moreno

- **College of Arts & Sciences**
  - Master of Arts in English Language & Literature
  - Master of Arts in Mathematics
    - Joyce A. Dixon: Crystal Torres

### ALUMNI ORGANIZATIONS

All graduates of the University of Michigan-Flint automatically become members of the University of Michigan-Flint Alumni Society, which operates under the umbrella of the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan. Through the UM-Flint Alumni Society, graduates are kept informed of university developments and work in various roles on behalf of the University of Michigan-Flint campus and the university. In addition to the UM-Flint Alumni Society, there is the university-wide alumni group in Flint, the University of Michigan Club of Greater Flint.

### STAY CONNECTED

Thousands of people are part of the University of Michigan-Flint campus community. If you are a graduate of UM-Flint, keep your connection to your school by becoming an active member of the UM-Flint Alumni Society. This organization supports all members of the UM-Flint alumni community. For more information, contact Brent Nickola at (810) 424-5448.

We also invite you to stay connected to this vibrant network of people through social media. Connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, and LinkedIn to find out what is happening on and around campus. Share your own story and pictures with our ever-growing community of students, alumni, faculty, staff, and community members at social.umflint.edu with the #umflint hashtag.

Today’s commencement ceremony is a social media event. Share your thoughts, memories, and photos with us today using the #umflintgrad hashtag to help us create a lasting celebration of the achievement of our graduates.
Award-winning writer, *New York Times* notable author, academic, and host of the syndicated radio show “The Loh Down on Science,” which reaches over 4 million people each week, Sandra Tsing Loh will be the Speaker at both the morning and afternoon University of Michigan-Flint commencement ceremonies on May 3.

Loh is the author of the best-selling new book *The Madwoman In The Volvo: My Year Of Raging Hormones*, and is currently in production for her next one-woman show of the same title.

This accomplished, award-winning talent says that after she earned a BS in physics at Caltech, she went on to “sorely disappoint her Chinese engineer father” by pursuing a career in the liberal arts. Shortly thereafter, she went on to receive Caltech’s Distinguished Alumna Award, its highest honor.

She is a MacDowell Fellow and Adjunct Professor of Visual Art and Science Communication at the University of California, Irvine.

Named one of the 50 most influential comedians by *Variety*, Loh uses her unique brand of humor to connect to audiences, and tailors each presentation to create a memorable, funny, and uplifting experience.

Loh is a Commentator on NPR’s *Morning Edition*, PRX’s *This American Life*, and American Public Media’s *Marketplace*. She is a performer of five different one-woman shows.

Loh is a Contributing editor of *The Atlantic*, a three-time National Magazine Award nominee, and composer of the Oscar-winning documentary *Breathing Lessons*. She has won the Pushcart Prize for her short story, *My Father’s Chinese Wives*. 

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**Master’s Degrees** - continued

**Master of Arts in Social Sciences**
- Tara M. Fritz
- LaPreisha S. McPike
- Carice D. Wagner

**Master of Science in Biology**
- Shahid S. Aljuaid
- Nadim I. Burbar
- Albert Lam
- Felix C. Sab

**Master of Arts in Chemistry**
- Christopher W. Hnatyk
- Siddharth Chordia
- Richard M. Finn
- Raghava Rao
- Vinod Kumar

**Master of Science in Computer Science & Information Systems**
- Nithin Agaram
- Shrinivas B. Cherukuri
- Raghava Rao
- Nannapaneni

**School of Management**

**Master of Business Administration**
- Mohamed A. Abdelhamid
- Travis R. Emmons
- Akila V. Jones
- Steven P. Sammut

**Master of Science in Accounting**
- Troy A. Beemer
- Marc A. Confer
- Kara A. Salvati
- Brent M. Simmonds

**School of Health Professions & Studies**

**Master of Public Health**
- Doctor M. Ashe
- Muhammad S. Khan
- Aries Okungbowa
- Shannon M. Smith

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Brittney Rice was born and raised in Flint, Michigan. Upon graduating from Carman-Ainsworth High School she decided to attend the University of Michigan-Flint “after hearing about the phenomenal nursing program.” Her desire to become a nurse stemmed from a young age, in part, because her grandmother was a great nurse.

Her most memorable experience here at the University was traveling to Kenya with fellow nursing student Veronica Doty. During this trip her love for the nursing profession grew, and she knew that she was meant to be a nurse. This trip gave her the opportunity to fulfill her life-long dream of traveling to Africa to take part in an international clinical experience. As she put it, “I found my inner nurse in Kenya.”

Rice believes that during her time at UM-Flint, she has had the opportunity to learn from the best professors and truly believes that she has received the best education. She credits UM-Flint for bringing out her hard work ethic, and shaping her into the person she is today.

She hopes to become a critical care nurse after graduation and plans to return to school to obtain her Doctorate in Nursing Practice to become a critical care nurse practitioner.
On June 1, 2015, he will begin full-time employment as an iOS developer at Detroit Labs LLC. 

Adebisi describes his time at UM-Flint as “life changing.” He says it has transformed him from the 17-year-old boy he was in his freshman year, into a better, more matured, and more refined man. By taking advantage of all UM-Flint has to offer in academics, research projects, internships, clubs and organizations, on-campus housing, and community service, Adebisi says it has all combined to mold him into who he is today. He sees himself as a leader, a fellow, a servant, a computer scientist, an entrepreneur, and most proudly, a UM-Flint graduate.

During his time on campus, he has continued to be an active member in several clubs and organizations. He has served as a director for Student Government, president of the African Students Association, bible study leader at Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, and resident advisor at First Street Residence Hall. Keeping active in the organizations has helped him to learn, serve, and grow as a college student.

Above everything else, he says UM-Flint has given him a heart for Flint. He moved to the city of Flint in 2011, and since then he has strived to see the city continue its steady rise to prominence as one of the greatest cities in America.

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Alfred F. Domingo**
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Deanna L. Satkowiak
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Alex B. Rourke*+
Kali L. Redmond
Shekinah Tapplin**
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Joey W. Woods*
Rachel L. Zuniga**

Bachelor of Science - continued

Tobi E. Adelphi**
Lucas E. Aebersold*
Noah F. Al-Armanzi
Hisham Aljabban
Thomas E. Alvey
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Morgan J. Banker
Duha Bakleh**
Chad T. Baunoch
Jessica L. Beemer
Ryan T. Bellows††
Brittney J. Blackmun
Morgan J. Boyer
Jake A. Brejnak
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Daniel Djurovski*
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Bachelor of Arts - continued

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Crystal L. Turner
Samantha R. Walling
Christina M. Worth
Brittini M. Ward
Lauren B. Watkins
Kourtney T. Wilczewski
Joey W. Woods*
Rachel L. Zuniga**

Bachelor of Applied Science

Ashley N. Alcala
Kyle L. Cawood
Kellie D. Jackson
Nicholas S. Rule†
Xavier A. Brewer
Monique C. Chatelain
Linda B. Rakschelski
Elizabeth J. Speicher
Stacey A. Brooks
Paul A. Clarke
Mable J. Landy
Brittany J. Strome
Melissa B. Butzow
Amy E. Liquia

Bachelor of Fine Arts

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Brian D. Halm
Nicholas N. Looney
Samantha C. Tiao
Dorelle H. Brock
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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-FLINT

Since 1956, the University of Michigan-Flint has offered students an outstanding educational experience. As part of the world-renowned University of Michigan system, faculty and staff are committed to the development of the next generation of “Leaders and Best.”

Cooperation between the community and the University of Michigan brought about the opening of a two-year senior college (located on the land now occupied by Mott Community College) in 1956, which offered baccalaureate degree programs in the liberal arts and sciences, and in the professional fields of education and business administration. Approximately 167 junior students enrolled the first semester.

In 1970, the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools accredited the Flint College. In 1971, the Regents officially changed the name of the institution to the University of Michigan-Flint. That same year, University of Michigan President Robben Fleming appointed the first Chancellor of the University of Michigan-Flint, William E. Moran.

The university eventually moved to property in the heart of downtown Flint, building a riverfront campus of modern buildings and amenities for its growing student population. In 2006, the University of Michigan-Flint celebrated 50 Years of Excellence. UM-Flint became a residential campus in 2008 when 300 students moved into its first residence hall.

Today, nearly 8,600 students are enrolled at UM-Flint. These students come from Michigan, and from more than 40 countries around the globe. Students come to UM-Flint to learn from faculty in over 100 areas of study. Faculty pour their expertise and creativity into the development of research and service learning projects that match course curriculum with the world’s most pressing issues. Such projects bring learning to life, address community needs, and fulfill students’ desires to contribute to the collective common good. For these efforts, UM-Flint has been honored with both the Engaged Campus of the Year award from Michigan Campus Compact, as well as the prestigious Carnegie Classification for Civic Engagement.
THE UNIVERSITY FLAG

The Flag of the University of Michigan-Flint represents at once the individual character of the campus and its close association with the University of Michigan. The “union” next to the staff, which identifies the University of Michigan both of its colors and its legend, is overlapped by the “device.” The unifying by this means of “union” and “field” indicates the bond between University of Michigan-Flint and the other schools of the university and the common purpose they share. The legend “Flint,” delineated in the university colors at the flag’s own left, complements the “union.” The “field” takes its colors from a part of the varicolored flame of the search for truth. The “device,” derived from the University seal is, the lamp of enlightenment resting on the book of learning. The white of the device’s own field supplies a philosophic association as the color of humane letters and a historic association as the color of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, parent college of all.

Professor Emeritus Walter J. Gores of the College of Architecture and Design, designer and maker of all University Flags, fashioned this flag for the Flint College which is now the University of Michigan-Flint.

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## The Academic Costume

- The colorful gowns and hoods worn by faculty members at commencement and other academic ceremonies represent the degrees, disciplines, and alma maters of the wearers. The American academic costume tradition, imported from England, dates to Colonial days.

### Gowns

- The style of the academic gown differs with the academic degree it represents. The bachelor’s gown has plain, full sleeves and is without velvet facing down the front. The master’s and specialist’s gowns are identified by long narrow sleeves that are “blind” at the cuff, with slits at elbow-length for the arms. The doctor’s gown has full sleeves with velvet chevrons and velvet facing down the front.

- Academic gowns are usually black, but some universities permit gowns in the school’s colors. The velvet trimming on the doctor’s bachelor’s gown is traditionally black, though some universities (including the University of Michigan-Flint) permit the velvet to be of the color distinctive of the discipline to which the degree pertains.

### Hoods

- The master’s hood (short), specialist’s hood (intermediate), and the doctor’s hood (long) carry the distinctive design and the colors of the university where the degree was awarded.

The doctor’s specialist’s, and master’s hoods for University of Michigan-Flint candidates have the following velvet colors:

- Accounting, Business Administration: light blue
- Education: golden yellow
- Literature and Arts: salmon
- Nursing: apricot
- Physical Therapy: teal
- Public Administration: drab
- Public Health: golden yellow
- Science: salmon
- Social Work: salmon
- Speech: apricot
- Theatre: apricot
- Various: various colors

### Caps

- Caps vary in style from the traditional black mortarboard to eight-, six-, and four-corner tams, and Elizabethan-style caps. The mortarboard may be of any appropriate material, such as cotton, poplin, rayon, or silk, to match the gown. Velvet is reserved for holders of doctorates. A long tassel is fastened to the middle point of the top of the cap.

### Other Apparel

- Several graduates are wearing cords or sashes as part of the academic costume. Other than the gold cords that stand for graduation with honors, some of the cords and sashes indicate academic achievement in the other areas such as Service Learning. Other cords and sashes are awarded to students for their participation in clubs and organizations.
HONORS AND AWARDS - continued

Outstanding Student Award in Health Education/Public Health
Abdulrahman Alanazi

Outstanding Student Award in Health Sciences
Jordan Marcotte

Outstanding Student Award in Radiation Therapy
Aryn Mawer Jerusha Ryan

Michigan Physical Therapy Association (MPTA) Outstanding Student Award
Nathan Hawley

Michigan Physical Therapy Association Institute for Education and Research, Inc. Scholarship
Sarah McKaig

Ellen Woodman Transformational Leadership Award
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THE UNIVERSITY FLAG

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Professor Emeritus Walter J. Gores of the College of Architecture and Design, designer and maker of all University Flags, fashioned this flag for the Flint College which is now the University of Michigan-Flint.

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University of Michigan-Flint ceremonies begin with the Faculty Marshal bearing the university mace. Friends presented the University of Michigan-Flint mace to the institution in 1993. The shaft is four and one-half feet in length and is made of mahogany. The brass orb on top of the shaft is hollow and circumscribed with a band bearing the name of the institution. Within the orb is a paper bearing the names of those who contributed to the funding of the mace and atop the orb is a brass disk inscribed with the seal of the University of Michigan-Flint.

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Since 1956, the University of Michigan-Flint has offered students an outstanding educational experience. As part of the world-renowned University of Michigan system, faculty and staff are committed to the development of the next generation of “Leaders and Best.”

Cooperation between the community and the University of Michigan brought about the opening of a two-year senior college (located on the land now occupied by Mott Community College) in 1956, which offered baccalaureate degree programs in the liberal arts and sciences, and in the professional fields of education and business administration. Approximately 167 junior students enrolled the first semester.

In 1970, the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools accredited the Flint College. In 1971, the Regents officially changed the name of the institution to the University of Michigan-Flint. That same year, University of Michigan President Robben Fleming appointed the first Chancellor of the University of Michigan-Flint, William E. Moran. The university eventually moved to property in the heart of downtown Flint, building a riverfront campus of modern buildings and amenities for its growing student population. In 2006, the University of Michigan-Flint celebrated 50 Years of Excellence. UM-Flint became a residential campus in 2008 when 300 students moved into its first residence hall.

Today, nearly 8,600 students are enrolled at UM-Flint. These students come from Michigan, and from more than 40 countries around the globe. Students come to UM-Flint to learn from faculty in over 100 areas of study. Faculty pour their expertise and creativity into the development of research and service learning projects that match course curriculum with the world’s most pressing issues. Such projects bring learning to life, address community needs, and fulfill students’ desires to contribute to the collective common good. For these efforts, UM-Flint has been honored with both the Engaged Campus of the Year award from Michigan Campus Compact, as well as the prestigious Carnegie Classification for Civic Engagement.

The university has been consistently ranked among the top 50 best places to get a bachelor’s degree by U.S. News & World Report. The university is also recognized by the Princeton Review as one of the best colleges in the Midwest and by Kiplinger’s Personal Finance as one of the best value schools in the nation.

In addition, UM-Flint is a member of the prestigious Carnegie Classification for Excellence. This classification is based on a number of criteria, including engagement with the community, research activity, and student success. UM-Flint has received the Carnegie Classification for Civic Engagement, which recognizes the university’s commitment to serving the community and preparing students for life after graduation.
It was the reputation of the University of Michigan that first attracted Tobi Adebisi to look further at the University of Michigan-Flint. He had the opportunity to visit the UM-Flint campus and meet with students and faculty before enrolling. From that visit, he came to view UM-Flint not only as an institution of learning, but also as a community. He viewed it as a community small enough to get to know him, a place where could make a lasting impact, and yet big enough to help him fully develop his potential.

Adebisi describes his time at UM-Flint as “life changing.” He says it has transformed him from the 17-year-old boy he was in his freshman year, into a better, matured, and more refined man. By taking advantage of all UM-Flint has to offer in academics, research projects, internships, clubs and organizations, on-campus housing, and community service, Adebisi says it has all combined to mold him into who he is today. He sees himself as a leader, a follower, a servant, a computer scientist, an entrepreneur, and most proudly, a UM-Flint follower, a servant, a computer scientist, an entrepreneur, and most proudly, a UM-Flint

Above everything else, he says UM-Flint has given him a heart for Flint. He moved to the city of Flint in 2011, and since then he has strived to see the city continue its steady rise to prominence as one of the greatest cities in America.

On June 1, 2015, he will begin full-time employment as an iOS developer at Detroit Labs LLC.
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**Master of Arts in Literacy Education**

Danielle A. Barkman  
Katie A. Ewing  
Kirstin L. Miller  
Jarrod F. Waterman

Elizabeth Bennett  
Deborah A. Geisler  
Angela S. Seyfried  
Rachel L. Wheaton

Kristy M. Dumond  
Kelly E. Godmar  
LaShaunda D. Warren

**Master of Arts in Special Education**

Jennifer A. Davis  
Holly P. Goodheart  
Anna M. Moyer  
Katrina M. Wandrie

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE**

**School of Management**

Tara R. Allendorfer  
Nicolo R. Visconti

Brittney Rice was born and raised in Flint, Michigan. Upon graduating from Carman-Ainsworth High School she decided to attend the University of Michigan-Flint “after hearing about the phenomenal nursing program.” Her desire to become a nurse stemmed from a young age, in part, because her grandmother was a great nurse.

Her most memorable experience here at the University was traveling to Kenya with fellow nursing student Veronica Doty. During this trip her love for the nursing profession grew, and she knew that she was meant to be a nurse. This trip gave her the opportunity to fulfill her life-long dream of traveling to Africa to take part in an international clinical experience. As she put it, “I found my inner nurse in Kenya.”

Rice believes that during her time at UM-Flint, she has had the opportunity to learn from the best professors and truly believes that she has received the best education. She credits UM-Flint for bringing out her hard work ethic, and shaping her into the person she is today.

She hopes to become a critical care nurse after graduation and plans to return to school to obtain her Doctorate in Nursing Practice to become a critical care nurse practitioner.
Loh is the author of the best-selling new book *The Madwoman In The Volvo: My Year Of Raging Hormones*, and is currently in production for her next one-woman show of the same title.

This accomplished, award-winning talent says that after she earned a BS in physics at Caltech, she went on to “sorely disappoint her Chinese engineer father” by pursuing a career in the liberal arts. Shortly thereafter, she went on to receive Caltech’s Distinguished Alumna Award, its highest honor.

She is a MacDowell Fellow and Adjunct Professor of Visual Art and Science Communication at the University of California, Irvine.

Named one of the 50 most influential comedians by *Variety*, Loh uses her unique brand of humor to connect to audiences, and tailors each presentation to create a memorable, funny, and uplifting experience.

Loh is a Contributing editor of *The Atlantic*, a three-time National Magazine Award nominee, and composer of the Oscar-winning documentary *Breathing Lessons*. She has won the Pushcart Prize for her short story, *My Father’s Chinese Wives*. 

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**School of Management**

**Master of Business Administration**

Mohamed A. Abdelhamid
Ohuwagbounni A. Adejumon
Anthony L. Awdish
Grant A. Carlson
Aaral M. Christensen
Brian J. Cowart
Diane M. Craft
Amanda Duda
Steven C. Elder
Travis R. Emmons
Scott M. Estis
Trumaine D. Ferguson
Amanda L. Ford
Ryan E. Gaffney
Thomas J. Hagen
Aaron C. Hamrick
Dana S. Haynes
Joshua L. Hoehe
Wei Ting Hsu
Alan P. Jesiel
Aaron T. Johnson
Akiya V. Jones
Louis C. Knox, Jr.
Gregory B. Liebman
Matthew J. McCrandal
Manzur H. Mustafa
Elizabeth J. Ray
Carl Rogers
Stephen M. Ross
Andrea C. Rossi
Michael P. Sam

**Master of Science in Accounting**

Troy A. Beemer
Ashley J. Boutell
Erika J. Kramer
Michael D. Bueche
Marc A. Confer
Steven D. Filary
Angela M. Mortimore
Elizabeth J. Ray
Kara A. Salvati
Azka Saqib
Hanna Saqib
Daniel J. Sharp

**School of Health Professions & Studies**

**Master of Public Health**

Doctor M. Ashe
Dana M. Banks
Jonathan R. Goings
Mohammad S. Khan
Dennis J. Malloy
Aries Okungbowa-Ikponmwaso
Shannon M. Smith
Megahn K. Windle
DOCTORAL DEGREES - continued

Doctor of Physical Therapy - continued

Austin J. Kneip
David C. Krombeen
Megan A. Kuschell
Kristin N. Larsen
Chelsea A. LeMarbe
Heather K. Lettinga
Nicholas A. Lucas
Lisa R. Mange
Katie L. Matuzak
Courtney E. Maximiuk
Rhonda T. Barber
Wendy S. Beitel
Gregory J. Bish
Kevin M. Blum
Diane R. Branch
Karrie R. Dollinger
Wendy S. Beitel
Gregory J. Bish
Kevin M. Blum
Diane R. Branch

SPECIALIST DEGREE

School of Education & Human Services

Education Specialist

Rhonda T. Barber<br>Wendy S. Beitel<br>Gregory J. Bish<br>Kevin M. Blum<br>Diane R. Branch

Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies

Master of Arts in Arts Administration<br>Master of Arts in Liberal Studies<br>Master of Public Administration

College of Arts & Sciences

Master of Arts in English Language & Literature<br>Master of Arts in Mathematics

ALUMNI ORGANIZATIONS

All graduates of the University of Michigan-Flint automatically become members of the University of Michigan-Flint Alumni Society, which operates under the umbrella of the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan. Through the UM-Flint Alumni Society, graduates are kept informed of university developments and work in various roles on behalf of the University of Michigan-Flint campus and the university. In addition to the UM-Flint Alumni Society, there is the university-wide alumni group in Flint, the University of Michigan Club of Greater Flint.

STAY CONNECTED

Thousands of people are part of the University of Michigan-Flint campus community. If you are a graduate of UM-Flint, keep your connection to your school by becoming an active member of the UM-Flint Alumni Society. This organization supports all members of the UM-Flint alumni community. For more information, contact Brent Nickola at (810) 424-5448.

We also invite you to stay connected to this vibrant network of people through social media. Connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, and LinkedIn to find out what is happening on and around campus. Share your own story and pictures with our ever-growing community of students, alumni, faculty, staff, and community members at social.umflint.edu with the #umflint hashtag.

Today’s commencement ceremony is a social media event. Share your thoughts, memories, and photos with us today using the #umflintgrad hashtag to help us create a lasting celebration of the achievement of our graduates.
Hail! To the victors, valiant,
Hail! To the conqu'ring heroes
Hail! Hail! To Michigan the leaders and best
Hail! To the victors, valiant,
Hail! To the conqu'ring heroes
Hail! Hail! To Michigan the champions of the West!

The Maize and Blue Distinguished Scholarship Award winners are selected from among nominations made by various instructional units of the university to the Scholarships, Awards, and Special Events Committee. Eligibility criteria include a minimum of 58 credit hours earned at UM-Flint with a grade point average of 3.75 or better. The Maize and Blue Distinguished Scholarship Award is the most prestigious award given by the university to graduating seniors.

Tobi E. Adebisi**
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Software Engineering

Hollie L. Bellamy-Rodgers**
Bachelor of Social Work

Daniel R. Coffey**
Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry

Rebecca M. DeJonge**
Bachelor of Science in Biology

Bradrick E. Fuson**
Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

Brandon J. Marshall**
Bachelor of Science in Biology

Debra J. McGee**
Bachelor of Social Work

Brittney M. Rice**
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Martin W. Rivera-Salas†
Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Desmond D. Sheppard**
Bachelor of Science in Music Performance

Joshua E. Smith**
Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting

Elena J. Sobrino**†
Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology
Bachelor of Arts in Music

Elyssa J. Staffne**
Bachelor of Business Administration in Human Resource Management

School of Health Professions & Studies

Doctor of Anesthesia Practice
Adeola O. Akindana Michele D. McMahon Julia A. Robinson
Cheryl C. Brown-Deacon Laurie M. Meyer Tiffany N. Sande
Terri M. Brown Joshua J. Middelkauff Jonathan T. Shamass
Beverlin R. Duncan Michelle R. Norman Genci Shkembi
Amanda B. Esau Cecilia M. O'Connor Dianne E. Slager
Shawn M. Gorkiewicz Jenna M. Oesterle Cheryl A. Sorn
Mary Louise Hasenauer Jennifer L. Parrish Meghan C. Sterneuann
Jessica A. Judy Jill L. Raymer Amy C. Stratton
Anne M. McKay Amanda J. Retzbach Donna M. Sutton

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DOCTORAL DEGREES
Undergraduate candidates wearing gold honor cords over their graduation robes are students who have achieved, in the course of their studies at the university, an overall grade point average that qualifies them to be recognized by their school or college as candidates graduating with honors. These candidates are identified in the following lists by the phrase “With Honors,” “With High Honors,” “With Distinction,” “With High Distinction,” or “With Academic Distinction” depending on the particular degree program. These honor designations are subject to revision based on final semester grades. Graduating with honors recognizes a superior level of ability, a high distinction of scholarship, and an exemplary record of achievement.

College of Arts & Sciences (CAS)
Within the CAS, “With Honors” indicates a 3.5 grade point average but less than 3.75. Students listed “With High Honors” must earn a 3.75 or better overall grade point average. In computing averages, only courses taken at UM-Flint are included, and only completed terms or semesters are counted.

School of Management (SOM)
Graduating seniors with cumulative grade point averages of at least 3.5 but less than 3.75 are recommended for the degree “With Honors” and those with cumulative grade point averages of at least 3.75 are recommended for the degree “With High Honors.” In computing averages, only courses taken at UM-Flint are included, and only completed terms are counted.

School of Health Professions & Studies (SHPS)
Within the SHPS, “With Honors” indicates a 3.5 grade point average or better overall with a minimum of 45 hours of study completed at UM-Flint. Students listed “With High Honors” must earn a 3.75 or better grade point average overall with a minimum 45 hours of study completed at UM-Flint. Students with a 3.5 grade point average or better with fewer than 45 hours of study at UM-Flint will earn “With Academic Distinction.”

School of Education & Human Services (SEHS)
Within the SEHS, “With Honors” indicates a 3.5 grade point average but less than 3.75 overall. Students listed “With High Honors” must earn a 3.75 or better overall grade point average. In computing averages, only courses taken at UM-Flint are included, and only complete terms or semesters are counted.

Flag Bearers
The Ladies of the Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority: Michelle Cottrell, Jackie Deneau, Paige Murray, and Jordan Reynolds

Floor Ushers
The Men of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity: Trevar Gallandt, Cardell Givens, Levi Hurley, Dre Leslie, Jeffrey Martin, and Jimmy Soukamneuth

Commencement Committee
Karen Arnould
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Marilyn Christensen
Allen Cozart
Sheila Currier
Michael Daniels
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Philip Smith
Melissa Storch
Cheryl Spaichler
Joan Whitehead
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Helen Budd
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Jill Hubbard
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Ella Moore
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Joy O’Brien
Kelly O’Brien
Dan Salazar
Denise Taft
Tayseer Wasif
Linda Young
Members of the Alumni Association and M-Club
PROGRAM - 3 P.M.

Please turn off all cell phones and pagers during the ceremony.

Prelude Concert ......................................................... University of Michigan-Flint Wind Symphony
Christopher P. Heidenreich, D.M., Conductor

Processional ............................................................ Suzanne Selig, Ph.D., Faculty Marshal
Pomp and Circumstance, March #1 by Sir Edward Elgar
Procession of the Nobles, by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov/arr. Jay Bocook
The Star Spangled Banner, by Francis Scott Key

Academic Banner Bearers ........................................ Matt Wynecken, Ph.D.
School of Education & Human Services
Marilyn Filter, Ph.D.
School of Health Professions & Studies
Tom Hemphill, Ph.D.
School of Management
Mary Jo Finney, Ph.D.
Graduate Programs

Welcoming Remarks .................................................. Chancellor Susan E. Borrego, Ph.D.
Regent Remarks ....................................................... The Honorable Michael Behm
Keynote Speech ...................................................... Sandra Tsing Loh, Author
Recognition of Awards and Honors .............................. Barbara Dixon, Ph.D.
Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Chris Waters, M.F.A.
Associate Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies
Student Address ...................................................... Brittney Rice
Presentation of Degrees ............................................. Clement Chen, Ph.D., Associate Marshal
Donna Fry, Ph.D., Associate Marshal
Conferring of Graduate Degrees ................................. Vahid Lotfi, Ph.D.
Senior Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Programs
Conferring of Undergraduate Degrees ....................... Scott Johnson, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Management
Keith Moreland, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, School of Health Professions & Studies
Robert Barnett, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Education & Human Services
Alumni Induction ..................................................... John Coleman, M.B.A. ’93
Fight Song ............................................................. The Victors, by Louis Elbel
Recessional ............................................................. University of Michigan-Flint Wind Symphony
Pride of the Wolverines, by John Philip Sousa
The Victors March, by Louis Elbel
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