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Memorial Hall - McCown Gymnasium
FROM THE PRESIDENT

This is a wonderful and important day as we gather to celebrate the achievements of a remarkable group of men and women. Behind your accomplishments is a story of courage, hard work, and commitment. Many of you have faced challenges that you thought would be insurmountable. Some of you may have thought you would never reach this moment, never be here today about to receive your well-earned degree.

You have had experiences that have changed the way you look at the world and the way you look at yourself. For some of you, this happened during study abroad or an alternative spring break project; or as a result of an internship, research project or work-study experience; or because you participated in music, theatre or dance; or benefitted from a supportive friendship with someone on our faculty or staff. You have been shown the way forward by many people, some of whom may not even know they made a difference in your life. Your studies at Winona State University have opened up new worlds to you, new ideas, new possibilities, and new understanding.

The boundaries of life are shifting constantly. The old clarity is disappearing that used to allow us to distinguish between work and home; between business and government; between secular and religious life; between one nation and another; between one culture or race and another; between the social world and the world of nature; between those we call "we" and those we call "they." In a world of shifting influences and relationships, where things that used to be clearly separate are becoming blurred, we are all called upon to recognize and learn to embrace the diversity, complexity, and ambiguity that life offers us today. Good citizenship now requires of us a capacity for making connections, for reflection, for creativity, for calm in the midst of anxiety — skills needed to practice a new kind of social responsibility based on shared purposes and mutual respect.

It takes courage to be alive to each moment, to trust in other people, to look for the good in everyone we meet, to care about the common good. At its heart, citizenship means both the desire to serve the public good and the knowledge and skill to do so. We hope and trust that you have learned these things here, through both good times and bad.

This year is special for me as well. I am completing my seventh and final year at Winona State and "graduating" along with the students receiving their diplomas today. In some ways, I am experiencing the same flow of emotions that many graduating seniors tell me about. I am excited about what lies ahead and yet, I am feeling waves of sadness about leaving a place I love so much and the people I have gotten to know here.

You are now Winona State University alumni, and we send you forward with our best wishes for your success and happiness. I am sure all of you will want to stay in touch and remain part of our community of learners, each in your own way. We look forward to hearing stories about your journeys.

Judith A. Ramaley
President
We invite you to enjoy the prelude concert by the Winona State University
Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Richard Lindner, Conductor.

**PROCESSIONAL**

“Pomp and Circumstance No. 1” by Edward Elgar
WSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble
Richard Lindner, Conductor
Professor, Music Department

Stage party led by Bruce Svingen, Marshal
WSU Faculty Association President
Professor, Chemistry Department

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

“Star Spangled Banner” by Francis Scott Key
and John Stafford Smith, arranged by R.W. Thygerson
WSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Led by Christina Flaherty
Music Education
Cottage Grove, Wisconsin

**WELCOME**

Nancy O. Jannik
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

**GREETINGS FROM**

Honorable Cheryl Dickson, Board of Trustees
(morning ceremony)

Susan Ballard, Professor Emerita, Nursing (afternoon ceremony)
Patricia Ferden, Professor Emerita, Counseling Services (morning ceremony)
Donna Helble, Professor Emerita, Education (afternoon ceremony)
Larry Holstad, Athletic Director, Retired with Distinction (afternoon ceremony)
Gayle Olsen, Professor Emerita, Nursing (afternoon ceremony)
Kevin Possin, Professor Emeritus, Philosophy (morning ceremony)

**RECOGNITION OF RETIREES**

Sky Is Waiting by Samuel R. Hazo
WSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Judith A. Ramaley
President of the University

Alex Kautza (morning ceremony)
Spanish/Economics
Antigo, Wisconsin

Rebecca Tabbert (afternoon ceremony)
Composite Materials Engineering
Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota
GUEST SPEAKER

Steven Rosenstone
Chancellor
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

ALUMNI WELCOME

Mike Swenson
WSU Alumni Relations

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DOCTORATE

Francis White Lance, Spiritual Leader
(afternoon ceremony)

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Nancy O. Jannik
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

Hooding Ceremony and Conferring of Degrees
(afternoon ceremony)

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Judith A. Ramaley, President

Morning Ceremony

Assisted by:
J. William Murphy, Dean, College of Business
Ralph Townsend, Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Connie Gores, Vice President for Student Life and Development

Afternoon Ceremony

Hank Rubin, Dean, College of Education
William McBreen, Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Harold Ornes, Dean, College of Science and Engineering
Connie Gores, Vice President for Student Life and Development

INTRODUCTION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

Heather Cichy
Communication Studies
Greendale, Wisconsin

Michael Glowczewski
Communication Studies/Spanish
Winona, Minnesota

ALMA MATER

"Hail! Winona" words by Charlotte Chorpenning,
tune "Annie Lisle," arranged by Paul Yoder
WSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble

(audience standing)

Led by
Christina Flaherty
Music Education
(see page 6 for lyrics)

RECESSIONAL

"March Intercollegiate" by Charles Ives
(In honor of our Alma Mater)
WSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble

RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CEREMONY
— Pavillion Near Alumni Gazebo —

WSU is a tobacco-free campus. Thank you for your cooperation.
ALMA MATER

Hail! Winona

Lo, in Mississippi’s waters,
   Blue the eternal sky;
In our hearts, O Alma Mater,
   Clear thy spirit high!
   (Chorus)

Noble hills watch o’er the valley
   Where thy dwelling lies;
Steadfast hearts, O Alma Mater,
   Guard thy destinies.
   (Chorus)

Ever shall tomorrow better
   What today hath won;
Lead thy children, Alma Mater,
   On, forever on!
   (Chorus)

CHORUS
   Lift the chorus
   Send it ringing
   Far o’er hill and vale!
   Hail to thee, O Alma Mater!
   Hail, Winona hail!

Words by Charlotte Chorpenning
Tune “Annie Lisle,” arranged by Paul Yoder
ACADEMIC COSTUME AND PROCESSION

The traditions of academic apparel and procession date back to as early as the 12th Century when the first "modern" universities at Bologna and Paris were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time was a long gown — a necessity for warmth in unheated buildings of that era. Scholars, generally members of church orders, wore such robes as well as hoods to protect their shaved heads. Later, the hood became a cape that could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather.

Today there are three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed at the front. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, with an arc cutaway at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is full with voluminous bell sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed.

The hoods worn by those who hold a master's degree are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. Graduates of WSU receive a hood lined with purple and white. WSU faculty and administration members wear hoods that show the colors of the institution where their degrees were obtained. The binding or edging of the hood is silk or velvet and the color indicates the subject area or discipline as listed below.

Caps retain the traditional black color but the various tassel colors each have meaning. A gold tassel indicates a bachelor of science degree, a white tassel indicates a bachelor of arts degree, and black tassels indicate master's and specialist degrees. Doctoral tassels are usually metallic gold.


The degree candidates — the graduates — are next into the auditorium and process into the ceremony grouped by college and in alphabetical order. Each college of graduates is led in procession by a banner carrier who is academically one of the highest ranking juniors and who carries the banner for the particular college. The main WSU banner is carried by a top tier junior overall and precedes the master's degrees and, where appropriate, sixth year and specialist degrees.

Within the individual colleges, the graduates march in order of their degree: first the associate's degrees, then the bachelor's degrees.

Following the graduates in the processional are the faculty and administration. They enter the auditorium in the order of their seniority at WSU. The retired faculty and administration are also invited to process and enter as a separate group in a place of honor.

A number of the graduates wear honor cords to signify exceptional academic achievement. The description of the honor cords and their criteria are listed on page 11.

COLORS OF MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL HOODS INDICATE THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINES:

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Steven Rosenstone has had a distinguished career in higher education beginning with his summa cum laude bachelor’s degree from Washington University and his master’s degree and Ph.D. degrees from the University of California, Berkeley. He was professor of political science at Yale University until 1986 when he joined the University of Michigan to serve as professor of political science and program director in the Center for Political Studies. He is the author of Who Votes?; Mobilization, Participation, and Democracy in America; Third Parties in America: Citizen Response to Major Party Failure; Hispanic Political Participation; Forecasting Presidential Elections; and numerous scholarly articles on elections and political participation. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Recruited to the University of Minnesota in 1996 to serve as dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Rosenstone earned a reputation as a visionary and effective leader. Under his leadership, the college transformed the undergraduate experience; dramatically increased the quality, diversity, and success of its students; forged new partnerships with Minnesota businesses and cultural institutions; and created new, state-of-the-art facilities and interdisciplinary centers. Over the years, he led systemwide initiatives on scholarships, access to higher education, long-term financial strategy, e-education and student success. In recognition of his service to the University of Minnesota, he was awarded the McKnight Presidential Leadership Chair in 2004 and was promoted to Vice President for Scholarly and Cultural Affairs in 2007.

Named chancellor of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities in February 2011 by the Board of Trustees, Rosenstone began his term in August 2011. As chancellor, Rosenstone is responsible for leading the seven state universities and 24 community and technical colleges that serve more than 430,000 students in 47 communities across the state.

Rosenstone serves on the State of Minnesota Higher Education Advisory Council, the Governor’s Workforce Development Council, the Minnesota P-20 Education Partnership, the Midwestern Higher Education Compact, the Itasca Project, the Board of Directors of the Guthrie Theater and the Governing Board for Minnesota Compass. He is a nationally recognized expert on higher education issues. Rosenstone’s writings include: "The Idea of a University," in The Public Research University: Serving the Public Good in New Times; and "Challenges Facing Higher Education in America: Lessons and Opportunities," in Taking Public Universities Seriously.

Rosenstone is married to Maria Antonia Calvo, who holds a Ph.D. in political science from Universidad Complutense in Madrid, Spain. She is an adjunct associate professor of Spanish at the University of Minnesota. They have three children—a son who is a high school senior, a daughter who studies cello at a conservatory and a daughter who is in her second year of medical school in Spain.
STUDENT SPEAKERS

Alex Kautza

Originally from Antigo, Wisconsin, Alex Kautza chose to attend Winona State University to further his career as a student-athlete. He was impressed with the people he met on WSU campus visits, people who were driven, positive and valued integrity.

Alex has been a member of the Winona State football team since 2007 and served as a captain during the 2011 season. Playing football is Alex’s favorite memory during his time at WSU. Says Alex, “I have spent so much time having the time of my life, working hard, laughing and playing the game that I love with my best friends.”

According to Alex, the most important thing WSU has taught him is to treat all people with respect and dignity. “Our football coach, Tom Sawyer, likes to say, ‘Take care of those who take care of us,’” he relays. Alex has embraced the idea of treating the entire Winona community and the broader global community with love and kindness.

Alex has been involved with a number of extra-curricular activities during his time at WSU. In addition to being a member of the football team, Alex has been involved with the Student Athlete Advisory Council, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Social Justice Committee. Alex also is the co-founder of the 48-hour practice, during which WSU athletes raise money to dig water wells in Africa. During its first two years, the 48-Hour Practice raised more than $9,000, funding the digging of six wells.

Alex describes the relationships he’s built as his favorite WSU experience. “I’ve not only learned through incredible interactions with amazing people, I’ve also gained friendships that will last many years,” Alex says.

Alex will graduate with a double major in Economics and Spanish and has accepted a two-year position with Teach for America, a branch of AmeriCorps. Teach for America places leaders in high-poverty classrooms with the mission of reducing the achievement gap between high- and low-income communities. Alex has been placed in South Carolina, where he will teach middle and high school science. After his two-year service, Alex plans to attend graduate school to become a Christian minister and also hopes to write professionally as a novelist and journalist.

In all, Alex credits WSU with helping him achieve his goals. “I have gained technical skills that will serve me in the future,” he says. “More than that, WSU has provided an environment for my Christian faith to thrive, for my character to develop and for my goals to take shape.”

Rebecca Tabbert

For Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota native Rebecca Tabbert, graduating from the Winona State University Composite Materials Engineering program is a “great feat,” considering the university’s excellent reputation in the world of composites. “Without the Composite Materials Engineering program, I would have not landed my dream job,” Rebecca says.

The most important thing that WSU has taught Rebecca is that learning is a life-long task. “The world is always changing, especially in science and technology,” she says. “WSU has taught me to engage in life-long learning and appreciate the learning process.”

Rebecca credits WSU with helping her achieve the goals she set for herself during her college career. She says that the activities she has been involved in have helped develop her leadership and interpersonal skills. “Many of the opportunities I’ve had during my four years at WSU are from getting involved on campus, in the classroom and at work,” Rebecca says.

While attending WSU, Rebecca gained a wealth of knowledge and experience through both classes and her extra-curricular activities. She has been actively involved as a freshman orientation leader, a student representative for the Winona State Composite Industry Advisory Board and served two years each as the secretary and president of the Society of Advancement of Materials and Processing Engineers.

Rebecca chose to attend WSU because she felt immediately at home when she stepped on campus. “The campus, bluffs and strong community ties won me over,” she says. Her favorite part of her WSU experience has been all of the people she met and the strong friendships formed in just a short amount of time.

Rebecca will graduate today with a major in Composite Materials Engineering and a minor in Polymer Chemistry. She will soon start her “dream job” as a manufacturing engineer at Miken Sports in Caledonia, Minnesota.

As Rebecca reflects on her time at WSU, she recognizes that WSU has helped her “accomplish more things academically than (she) ever imagined,” but she has also strived to create meaningful and respectful relationships with people, noting “people will remember your personal character before your job qualifications.”
Francis White Lance

Francis White Lance is a member of the Oglala Band of the Lakota Tribe and lives on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in Southwestern South Dakota. He is a veteran of the US Air Force. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Western Philosophy from the University of Dubuque (Iowa) and a Master of Theological Studies from Seabury-Western Theological Seminary at Northwestern University. Mr. White Lance continues to attend school, working toward his South Dakota Teacher’s certification and advanced studies in Educational Administration.

Mr. White Lance is currently a Cultural Coordinator/Social Worker at the American Horse School in Allen, South Dakota. He is an associate professor (part time) for the Oglala Lakota College, where he teaches courses in Lakota Thought and Philosophy, Lakota Social Systems, Lakota Language, and Lakota History and Culture. He is an adjunct professor at Catholic Theological Union (Chicago). He continues to lecture at schools and universities across the country, including several visits to the Winona State University campus to share his knowledge with our learning community. He also delivered the Key Note address at the Fall 2007 commencement at WSU.

Mr. White Lance is author of two published books: “Tasunke Witko Woihanble: The Vision of Crazy Horse” and “Why the Black Hills are Sacred: A Unified Theory of the Lakota Sundance.” These books provide guidance and council of the Lakota Way of Life so his people, especially the youth, will have access to their heritage.

Mr. White Lance is married to Suzanne Fire Thunder and they have two children, Stephen Jesse and Whitney Jasmine. There are two additional members of the family, niece Mariah Suzanne and adopted son Kato.

Commencement Processional - College Banner Carriers

Carrying the processional banners are top ranking juniors in their respective colleges. The Spring 2012 Commencement carriers, their majors and hometowns are:

Kathryn Dieter, Psychology – La Crescent, Minnesota – Winona State University

Emma Dittmann, Business Administration – Beaver Dam, Wisconsin – College of Business

Nicole Connor, Sociology – Tomah, Wisconsin – College of Liberal Arts


Abby Thomson, Special Education – Cokato, Minnesota – College of Education

Heidi Reiter, Health Promotion: Community Health – Stillwater, Minnesota – College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Whitney Hopfauf, Biology: Cell & Molecular/Psychology – Mandan, North Dakota – College of Science and Engineering
ACADEMIC HONOR CORDS

In addition to the customs and traditions of academic regalia for commencement ceremonies, Winona State University awards honor cords to students who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement throughout their course of study.

Winona State University honor cords are worn over the left shoulder and indicate high academic standing or grade-point-average. Those graduating “cum laude” have accumulated a GPA of 3.60 to 3.74 and wear purple honor cords. “Magna cum laude” graduates have accumulated a GPA of 3.75 to 3.89 and wear honor cords of silver. Gold honor cords indicate “summa cum laude” graduates who have accumulated a GPA of 3.90 to 4.00.

A number of other campus organizations bestow honor cords or stoles on their graduates in addition to the official university honor cords. These include:

- African-American graduates wear a Kente cloth, a colorful stole dating back to 12th Century royalty of the Asante people of Ghana. The Kente cloth honors those persons who represent the highest expression of esteem and dignity of African-American culture.
- Alpha Lambda Delta, the All-University Honor Society, presents graduating seniors with a minimum 3.5 GPA an honor cord of red, white, and gold, the colors of the national organization.
- Graduates of Alpha Upsilon Alpha Honor Society of the International Reading Association wear maroon and grey cords indicating a GPA of 3.25 or greater.
- Graduating members of Beta Beta Alpha Biological Honor Society, Gamma Delta chapter, wear red and green honor cords indicating a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Graduate students in Chi Sigma Iota, the international honor society for counselors, wear blue and white cords. Members have maintained an overall GPA of 3.5 or higher and are recognized for their pursuit of academic and clinical excellence in the profession of counseling.
- Gold and blue double cords or gold medallions are worn by members of the Golden Key National Honor Society, a university-wide honor society recognizing excellence in all academic majors. Members have a GPA of 3.4 or higher.
- Kappa Delta Pi, the International Honor Society in Education, Gamma Tau Chapter, awards purple and teal honor cords to its graduating members recognizing a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Members of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, an international honor society including all majors, wear burgundy and gold honor cords indicating a GPA of 3.4 or higher during their first and/or second year.
- The Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society awards honor cords of silver and red to undergraduates who have at least 12 semester credits in history with an average GPA in all history courses of at least 3.0 and an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Members of Pi Mu Epsilon, an honorary national mathematics society, wear violet, lavender, and gold honor cords indicating completion of two years of mathematics, including a full calculus sequence, with a GPA of at least 3.0 in all mathematics and statistics courses, and a standing in the top third of their class in general work.
- Gold double cords with blue and gold tassels are worn by members of Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology. Members have a GPA of 3.25 or above in a psychology major or minor and an overall GPA of at least 3.0.
- Members of the Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society of Nursing, Kappa Mu Chapter, wear purple honor cords indicating a GPA of 3.5 or higher for graduate students and 3.2 or above for undergraduate students.
- Red and white cords are worn by members of Lambda Pi Eta, the national honor society in communication studies. Members have earned a GPA of 3.25 or above in Communication Studies courses as well as an overall GPA of at least 3.0.
- Mu Sigma Rho, a national honor society in statistics, awards gold and black honor cords to undergraduates who rank in the top one-third of their class.
- Graduating members of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society, wear red-white-black honor cords and have earned a GPA of 3.25 or above in political science courses and an overall GPA of at least 3.0.

PHOTOGRAPHS / BALLOONS

As a safety precaution and courtesy to our guests and participants, we request that you remain seated during the conferring of degrees (except in cases of emergency). It is also requested that large decorations, such as balloons, not be brought into the auditorium where they may block the view of others. A professional photographer is taking photos of the graduates as they receive congratulations from President Judith Ramaley. Information on ordering photos is in the back of this program. For more information, call Lifetouch at 507-523-4045.
THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

Each Winona State president has proudly worn the Presidential Medallion since it was created in 1967. It is more than the insignia of the office. It is a symbol of a people's faith in education, in the responsibility of the office and in the guardianship of the university by the State of Minnesota.

Floretta Murray, professor emerita of the Winona State College Art Department, designed the Winona State Presidential Medallion. The 1967-68 students proudly gifted this outstanding work of art to the college.

The symbolism of the medallion lies within the framework of the letters of “Winona State University,” which encircle and bind together the inner symbols. At the center of the medallion is an equilateral triangle symbolic of science, literature and the arts. Through their unity man will survive. Within the triangle is a circle, depicting the endless movement of education, which represents the world and man, incomplete without knowledge.

At the apex of the triangle, aquamarine is symbolic of the Mississippi River and the 10,000 lakes of Minnesota. Topaz on the lower left represents the golden grain of this great state. At the lower right, garnet honors the pioneer citizens of Winona. In 1858 they asked the Legislature to establish an institution for higher education in Winona and, in addition, gave land from the city to provide a place for the university.

The segments outside the triangle are the diamond-set stars, which shine for L'Etoile du Nord, the Star of North, or the State of Minnesota. The trees to the left denote the great forests, while the flowing lines at the triangle's base symbolize our streams and rivers. The fire of the opal in the link to the chain stands for zeal, supportive of education as a social necessity. The purple alexandrite in the chain symbolizes the school color and the pride that our students and faculty have for the university. These gems were gifts of the citizens of Winona and Winona State faculty members as a mark of their esteem for the university and its memorable past.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

A mace is a staff borne as a symbol of authority. The person carrying the University Mace, known as the Marshal, is the President of the Winona State University Faculty Association.

The University Mace has a circular medallion placed atop a metallic sphere. Inscribed on the sphere are the words “Founded 1858,” the date Winona Normal School, which later became Winona State University, was established. The sphere and medallion are attached atop a long staff. The medallion in the Mace is derived from the Presidential Medallion.

The powerful symbolism of the University Mace makes it a distinctive and valuable part of Commencement.
The origins of Winona State University can be traced to the earliest days of the State of Minnesota. Although still a part of the nation's western frontier in 1858, settlers were rapidly populating the newly formed state. The Minnesota Legislature determined schools would be required for the state's children, and teachers would be needed to educate those students. Lawmakers passed an act calling for the establishment of a state normal school to prepare teachers.

When the citizens of Winona learned of the opportunity to be the home for the first state normal school, they raised $7,000 in money and land nearly overnight. Because of the community's overwhelming support, Winona was quickly selected as the site for the first teaching training institution west of the Mississippi River.

"The City of Winona has distinguished herself in taking the lead in establishing for the benefit of the rising generation of this state for all who shall yet call the state their home," said Lieutenant Governor William Holcombe in 1859. "When this school shall be in operation it may be regarded as an auspicious era, whence to date in the future the origin of many blessings and the commencement of a perpetual course of improvement and prosperity to people at large."

The Winona State Normal School held its first classes in 1860. As the school opened its doors, it began sending newly trained teachers out into the state to help meet the educational needs of its citizenry.

Throughout its history, the school's mission and goals have evolved to reflect the times and needs of the region and nation. In 1921, the normal school became Winona State Teachers College, authorized to grant bachelor's degrees. Another name change, to Winona State College in 1957, reflected an expanded mission with the addition of bachelor of arts, master of science, and associate in arts degrees. In 1975, the institution earned full university status.

Winona State has grown into a vibrant university structured in five colleges: Business, Education, Liberal Arts, Nursing and Health Sciences, and Science and Engineering. Enrollment, including the Winona and Rochester campuses and the adult education and outreach programs, totals nearly 8,900. Undergraduate degrees are granted in more than 100 areas of study, while 32 graduate programs are offered, including the Doctor of Nursing Practice.

A comprehensive university that prepares students to be skilled, responsible, and active citizens, Winona State is recognized nationally as a leader in higher education. The university's innovative programs encourage active learning opportunities and respect for diverse ideas. Its incorporation of contemporary technology into the learning environment offers students many advantages in today's rapidly changing world.

As the university has evolved, the campus has grown. In fall 2012 Winona State will celebrate the grand opening of an innovative new housing option for students on the northeast corner of campus: the Academic Theme House. This pilot project will create a positive learning environment for a group of students with the shared academic interest of sustainability.

This year marks an historic occasion for Winona State, as the university recently successfully completed its first-ever comprehensive capital campaign. The Light the Way Campaign raised more than $14.5 million to fund scholarships, advance health and well being with the Integrated Wellness Complex, and make a difference in the lives of children through the National Child Protection Training Center.

Winona State is as committed today to providing a future filled with opportunity as it was when it was founded more than 150 years ago. With a clear vision of quality education, the university continues to fulfill its contract to improve the lives of the people of Minnesota, the nation, and the world.
Graduate Studies
Graduate Degrees
College of Liberal Arts

Master of Arts*

- Sara E. Anderson  
  English .................................................. Tempeauleau WI
- Melissa Giefer  
  English .................................................. Sioux Falls SD
- Alfred Gjini  
  English .................................................. Brooklyn NY
- Erik Robert Kline  
  English .................................................. Prior Lake MN

- Kristina Marie Streiff  
  English .................................................. Rochester MN
- Meng Wang  
  English .................................................. Baoding Hebei CHINA
- Ning Wang  
  English .................................................. Baoding Hebei CHINA
- Yu Qi  
  English .................................................. Cangzhou Hebei CHINA
- Jie Zheng  
  English .................................................. Langfang Hebei CHINA

Bachelor of Arts*

Matthew James Brown  
Economics .................................................. Chanhassen MN
Samantha Marie Demeules  
Economics .................................................. Monticello MN
† Yajing Duan  
Economics .................................................. Shijiazhuang CHINA
Tauseef Hemayet  
Economics .................................................. Dhaka BANGLADESH

† Alexander Edward Kautza  
Economics / Spanish ........................................... Antigo WI

Bachelor of Science*

Mary Barbara Allen  
Accounting .................................................. Austin MN
Rachel Kay Amin  
Marketing .................................................. Staples MN

Clark Steven Anderson  
Business Administration / Human Resource Management ...................... Robbinsdale MN
Kayla Marie Anderson  
Business Administration ........................................ Lakeville MN
Kent Lee Anderson  
Accounting / Business Administration ........................................... Melrose WI
Jordyn Ashley Archibald  
Business Administration ........................................... Indianola IA
Andrew Edward Arens  
Business Administration ........................................... Kellogg MN
Joel William Armstrong  
Business Administration ........................................... Lakeland Shores MN
Valen Marie Aune  
Student Resource Management ........................................... Blaine MN
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