



MIDYEAR  
UNDERGRADUATE  
COMMENCEMENT

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2023

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BAUMAN AUDITORIUM | NEWBERG, OREGON

## PRELUDE

*Festive Organ Prelude* ..... Various  
Dan Miller, organist

## \* PROCESSIONAL

*Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1, Op. 39* ..... Edward Elgar  
Dan Miller

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Robin E. Baker, president, George Fox University

## \* INVOCATION

Sunggu Yang, associate professor of Christian ministries;  
director, Margaret Fell Scholars Program

## \* CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

*Joyful, Joyful, We adore Thee or The Hymn of Joy* ..... Poem by Henry van Dyke Jr.,  
music by Ludwig van Beethoven

Danielle Warner, conductor;  
associate professor of music; director of choral programs  
Dan Miller, accompanist

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,  
Op'ning to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,  
All who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Singing bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus,  
Which the morning stars began;  
Father love is reigning o'er us,  
Brother love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us Sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

\* Audience please stand

\* SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 11:1-10

Jamie Johnson, dean for spiritual life, inclusion and leadership; university pastor

ADDRESS

Greg Hatley, RN, Kaiser Sunnyside Medical Center

PRESENTATION OF THE CLASS OF 2023

Mary Peterson, vice president of academic operations

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Robin E. Baker

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS

Robin E. Baker

Assisted by Dave Cimborra, executive dean, wellness enterprise;  
dean, college of engineering; professor of mechanical engineering

\* BENEDICTION

Joseph Clair, executive dean, cultural enterprise;  
associate professor, theology and culture

\* RECESSIONAL

A Rejoicing ..... Alfred Fedak

Dan Miller

POSTLUDE

Fanfare Toccata on "Oh Come, All Ye Faithful" ..... Paul Aitken

Dan Miller

FACULTY MARSHALS

Gary Tandy, chair, Department of Language and Literature; professor of English

Melanie Mock, professor of English

HONOR GUARD

John Chae, senior, nursing graduate, U. S. Navy veteran

Caleb Steffen, senior, nursing graduate

LEGACY STUDENTS

Legacy students are those who have at least one parent or grandparent who is considered an alum of an undergraduate or graduate degree program at George Fox University.

Avery Lee Kibby, Kyle T. Sayre, Rachel J. Looney

As a courtesy to others, we ask that you remain seated and do not use flash photography during the program. For that portion of the program in which degrees are awarded, there will be a photography area at the base of the stage on your left. You are asked to stand within the roped area to allow passage of graduates.

\* Audience please stand

## COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Greg Hatley, RN, Kaiser Sunnyside Medical Center

Greg graduated from George Fox University in 2021 with a bachelor's degree in nursing. He is currently serving as a medical-surgical nurse at Kaiser



Sunnyside Medical Center in Clackamas, Oregon, and as an adjunct clinical instructor in George Fox University's College of Nursing.

During his time as a nontraditional student at George Fox, Dean Pam Fifer described Greg as someone who demonstrated resilience, humility and a joyful spirit. Greg was awarded the Dean's Award, the highest honor a graduate can receive from the College of Nursing, which honors the graduate who has exemplified scholarship, excellence in character, the ability to lead, and has demonstrated excellence in both written and verbal communications. Outside of work, Greg enjoys spending time with his wife of 22 years, Janell, and their 19-year old son, Peyton.

# CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES



Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA)

Bachelor of Science (BS)

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)

Summa cum laude – with highest distinction, GPA of 3.90 or higher

Magna cum laude – with great distinction, GPA of 3.70 or higher

Cum laude – with distinction, GPA of 3.50 or higher

Mohamad Ali, BA, Management and Organizational Leadership

Celina Laura Allen, BS, Biology: General Biology, *summa cum laude*

Johnathan Ang, BS, Elementary Education, *magna cum laude*

Katherine Marie Armstrong, BA, Business Administration: Marketing, *magna cum laude*

Sarah Armstrong, BS, Project Management

Jonathan Arzate, BS, Project Management

Solek Remy Searles Ashkinos, BS, Psychological Science: Experimental Psychology

Aristeo Astorga, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies, *summa cum laude*

Molly Elizabeth Auwen, BSN, Nursing, *summa cum laude*

Emalie Jule Bailey, BA, Psychology, *cum laude*

Brittany Kelsey Bechtel, BA, Management and Organizational Leadership

Bridgette Renate Beltran, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies, *magna cum laude*

Mason Douglas Bertrand, BA, Marketing

Kylie Anne Bettis, BSN, Nursing, *magna cum laude*

Travis James Blackman, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies

Marlee S. Blaire, BA, Healthcare Administration

Isabell Layne Bobb, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies

Jessi Lynn Bolt, BSN, Nursing, *summa cum laude*

Sabrina Nicole Bowman, BSN, Nursing, *magna cum laude*

Emmanuelle Boyd, BA, Theatre: Design/Technology, *cum laude*

Amelia Ruth Brabec, BA, Business Administration: Marketing, *magna cum laude*

Allison Haley Brist, BS, Kinesiology: Exercise Science, *summa cum laude*

Jacob Charles Brown, BA, Healthcare Administration

Benjamin Nicklas Campbell, BS, Project Management

Logan Michael Candanoza, BA, Accounting, Finance, *magna cum laude*

John Young Chae, BSN, Nursing

Jesus David Chavez, BS, Project Management

Margaret Caroline Cooper, BA, Healthcare Administration

Nicole Dawn De Martini, BA, Healthcare Administration, *summa cum laude*

Isabella J. Dean, BS, Interdisciplinary Studies: Biology/Sociology, *magna cum laude*

Joyce Allegra del Rosario, BA, Business Administration

Megan L. Dobrinski, BSN, Nursing, *cum laude*

Neil Joseph Fender, BS, Project Management

Jana L. Ferris, BSN, Nursing, *cum laude*

Madison Fissell, BS, Interdisciplinary Studies: Education/Social Work, *magna cum laude*

Tyler Hayden Foglio, BA, History

Harmoney Forbes, BA, Healthcare Administration

Jessica Kay Frederickson, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies

Gabryel Nicole Galego, BSN, Nursing, *cum laude*

Madeline Sara Elizabeth Gallaher, BSN, Nursing

Rachel C. Galster, BA, English: Literature

Vera Anna Garland, BA, Management and Organizational Leadership, *cum laude*

Lillian E. Gerringer, BSW, Social Work, *magna cum laude*

Kary Lyn Gregson, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies

Tabitha Christine Hall, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies

Makenzie Grace Harris, BSN, Nursing, <i>cum laude</i>	Sophie Noel Mancione, BFA, Interior Design, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Kyle T. Sayre, BA, Music: General Music
Hayley Nicole Hensley, BSN, Nursing, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Mariela Marquez, BSW, Social Work	Caleb Steffen, BSN, Nursing, <i>summa cum laude</i>
David Jonathan Schmidt Herron, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies, <i>cum laude</i>	Jesse Bel McFarlane, BA, History	Karena Stephens, BA, Business Administration: Marketing, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Anna Ruth Hess, BSN, Nursing, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Melanie Miles, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Holly Kristen Storer, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies
Jared Robert Horton, BS, Project Management	Alexandrieea Miller, BS, Biology: General Biology	Rachael Janae Storey, BA, History
Sara Marie Hughes, BA, Management and Organizational Leadership	Zena Denise Mitchell, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies	Abigail K. Strong, BFA, Interior Design, <i>cum laude</i>
Ajay Lawrence Hulme, BS, Project Management	Galina V. Nicholson, BS, Project Management	Charles J. Sussman, BS, Kinesiology: Physical Activity and Health Promotion
Jayginalleen Ifenuk, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies	Rebekah Grace Oldenburg, BS, Kinesiology: Exercise Science, <i>cum laude</i>	Mary Elizabeth Thompson, BSN, Nursing
Olivia Jayne Jacobsen, BS, Financial Services: Accounting, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Tavianna Marika Orlando, BS, Project Management	Brooke Noel Thompson, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies; BA, Management and Organizational Leadership, <i>summa cum laude</i>
Daniel Jefferies, BA, Business Administration	Chiara Josette Marie Parker, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies	Haley Marie Tiedemann, BS, Financial Services: Accounting
Cathryne Lang Kanyer, BA, Illustration, Studio Art, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Abigail Rae Pearson, BSN, Nursing, <i>cum laude</i>	Denaee' LaRose Towner, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies, <i>summa cum laude</i>
Avery Lee Kibby, BS, Financial Services: Accounting	Yesica Lizbeth Perez, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies	Mario Alberto Viscarret, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies
Keri Rae Kimsey, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Kailey Elizabeth Petit, BSN, Nursing	Nathanael John Ward, BA, Management and Organizational Leadership, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Grace Kennedy Kraemer, BSN, Nursing	Leah R. Pfeiffer, BSN, Nursing, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Elliott Daniel Welborn, BA, Business Administration: Marketing, <i>cum laude</i>
Jeffrey Allen Lafferty, BA, Illustration, <i>cum laude</i>	Laura Paz Preciado Gonzalez, BSN, Nursing, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Daniel T. Whitley, BSN, Nursing, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Abigail G. Lederer Bertrand, BA, Business Administration: Marketing, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Raul Enrique Ramirez, Jr., BA, Management and Organizational Leadership, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Adin Alexander Williams, BA, Communication: Human Communication
Lita Lee, BA, Psychology & Mental Health Studies	Kyle Patrick Revell, BS, Biology: General Biology	Kyle Burton Wishard, BS, Project Management
Tori D. Lewis, BSN, Nursing	Tiana Kaelin Ringer, BS, Engineering: Mechanical Engineering	Kendyl M. Zwetsch, BSN, Nursing, <i>magna cum laude</i>
Rachel J. Looney, BS, Biochemistry, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Jessica Holly Rowe, BS, Biology, <i>magna cum laude</i>	
Albert Joe Lowder, BA, Management and Organizational Leadership, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Genevieve Simone Rusnac, BA, Business Administration: Economics, <i>summa cum laude</i>	
Jade Franczine Lozano, BA, History: Politics	Kyle Kenjiro Cortez Santos, BSN, Nursing	
Elianna Elizabeth Maciel, BA, Theatre: Acting/Directing, <i>cum laude</i>	Natalie Joy Sawatsky, BA, Graphic Design, Illustration, <i>summa cum laude</i>	

## ACADEMIC REGALIA

Academic regalia generally consist of cap, gown and hood worn on formal occasions at institutions of higher learning. It originated in the medieval period, when the vast majority of scholars were of the clergy. The gown evolved from what most likely was the clergy's robe. The gown was originally black, but color was introduced as institutions left ecclesiastical control. The bachelor's gown is worn closed and is distinguished by its pointed sleeves. A master's gown is designed to be worn closed with long, crescent-shaped sleeves. The doctor's garb may be worn open or closed with velvet panels down the front and three bars on the round, bell-shaped sleeves.

The most distinguishing feature of the academic attire is the hood. The hood originated as the skull cap worn by the clergy to protect their heads from the elements. The hood served a three-fold purpose: head covering, shoulder cap, and bag for alms. The size and shape of the hood designates not only the college degree of the wearer, but also the university he or she attended. The master's hood is three and one-half feet in length, while the doctor's hood is rounded and measures four feet in length. Hoods are lined with the official colors of the institution conferring the degree. The official colors of George Fox University are old gold and navy blue. The binding around the hood is velvet, with the color indicative of the major field of study.

*The list of graduate names was provided to the printer several days prior to commencement to allow production of this program. The status of some candidates may have changed since that time. Some candidates will not have completed all requirements for their degrees; others not listed will have completed requirements. The listing of a name in this program does not obligate George Fox University to award a degree. For official purposes, a final corrected list of graduates will be retained by the Office of the Registrar.*



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