



2024 SPRING COMMENCEMENT



ROBERTS
WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

**2024 SPRING
COMMENCEMENT**

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Adult and Graduate Programs ceremony at 9:30 am
Traditional Undergraduate and B.E.L.L. ceremony at 2:00 pm

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Rupert A. Hayles Jr., P.h.D., President
Presiding
David Basinger, P.h.D., Chief Academic Officer
Assisting

Prelude Music

Brass Quintet

Processional

Trumpet Voluntary
Brass Quintet

John Stanley
(1712-1786)
Trans. Paul G. Shewan '82

Academic Procession

Grand Marshal

Gary L. Raduns, Jr., Professor of Mathematical Sciences

Faculty Marshals

Jennifer A. Aube, Professor of Psychology
Sonnette Bascoe '16, Associate Professor of Psychology
Scott Brenon Caton '86, Professor of History
Michael Chen, Associate Professor of Accounting
Katie Heath, Associate Professor of Teacher Education
Jason Taylor, Professor of Chemistry

Welcome

President

Greetings from the Board of Trustees
and Invocation

9:30 a.m: Janet L. Balajthy, Secretary, Board of Trustees
2:00 p.m: Ramona Graham, Trustee

Class Speaker (9:30 a.m.)

"Perseverance"

Teyah Brice '24
School Psychology, M.S.

Class Speaker (2:00 p.m.)

*"In the Eye of the Storm:
Discovering Peace and Purpose amid Chaos"* Business Administration, B.S.

Daniel Wart '24

Chorale

"I Dream a World" from *A Vision Unfolding*
The Roberts Chorale
Adam Potter, Conductor

Kyle Pederson
(b.1971)

Scripture

Matthew 5:14-16, NIV

9:30 a.m: Brittany Neyland-Irwin '24, PTT Childhood & Sp. Ed. 1-6, B.S.
2:00 p.m: Joshua Anderson '24, Biochemistry, B.S.

Address *Be a Light to the World by Living a True and Meaningful Life
Focused on God and Nation* Richard Y. Newton III
Lt. General, USAF (Ret.)

Recognition of Honors Chief Academic Officer

President's Citation
For Academic Achievement (2:00 p.m. ceremony) Chief Academic Officer

Presentation of the Graduating Class Chief Academic Officer

Charge to Graduates President

Reading of Names Linda Quinlan
Associate Professor of English

Presentation of Diplomas President
Chief Academic Officer

Welcome to the Alumni Association Gerald Coleman '02
Campus Pastor

Commissioning Prayer
and Benediction Gerald Coleman '02
Campus Pastor

Recessional *Trumpet Tune* David N. Johnson
Brass Quintet (1927-1987)
trans. B.H. Amira

Brass Quintet

Paul G. Shewan '82, Professor of Instrumental Music, *trumpet*
Lanee Turner '26, *trumpet*
Songyuan Liu '25, *horn*
Haodong Yang '24, *trombone*
Benjamin Haines '24, *tuba*

Class of 2024 Verse

*"Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character,
and character produces hope."*

Romans 5:3-4 ESV translation

Senior Class Advisor: Celeste Donleavy M.Ed.'09, Director of Student Leadership & Engagement

Arrangements by Commencement Committee
Martha Smith'17 and Yvonne Strong '91, M.S.'00, co-chairs

SPEAKER: Richard Y. Newton III
Lt. General, USAF (Ret.)



General Newton has successfully led thousands of men and women during peacetime and times of crisis. His 34 years in the U.S. Military culminated as the U.S. Air Force Assistant Vice Chief of Staff. His wide and varied operational military career from commander of the nation's first B-2 Stealth Bomber squadron to overseeing the Global Operations directorate for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, whereby he was responsible for managing worldwide cyber security, reconnaissance, space and missile defense, the National Military Command Center, Nuclear Operations and global special technical operations, among others. He has command and operational experience in several aircraft including the B-2, B-1B, B-52 bombers and the T-38.

He also has significant corporate board experience including, among others, Director, Terran Orbital Corp, the leader of small satellite solutions, (NYSE: LLAP), an independent director of Victory Portfolios III, Victory Capital Management, Inc., and a partner in American Bridgewater Solutions, LLC. A frequent on-air commentator, General Newton is the senior national security contributor to NewsNation cable news network.

He and his wife Gigi reside in Jupiter, Florida, and are active in their church and the South Florida community.

GRADUATES

ROBERTS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY DOCTORATE DEGREES

SCHOOL OF NATURAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Occupational Therapy, O.T.D. (Capstone Titles listed with Honors and Awards)

Shae Davis

Brittany Daymon

Nicole Issa Deeb

C. John Lambropoulos

Chloe Linn

Gavin M. Marsh

Jane E. Matejcik

Amanda Amrita Moerahoe

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Clinical School Psychology, Psy.D. (Dissertation Titles listed with Honors and Awards)

Jonathan Cliver

Alexis J. Combs

Aubrey Cunningham

Heather Layne Darby

Casey Layne Griffin

Clare Henderson-Breidenstein

Alexsis Elaine Hernandez

Tara Dalvay Howard

Courtney B. McKinney

Lauren M. Monthie

Ashlie Nguyen

Nguyen Ha Thanh Thao

Douglas Welsh

ROBERTS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY GRADUATE DEGREES

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Health Administration, M.S.

Amber Cordle
Jillian Rose Gerhold
Alexandra Hasiotis
Chanel Aaliyah Porcha

Public Health, M.S.

Marie Absence
Konesha Briana Williams

Strategic Leadership, M.S.

Kehinde Aderounmu
Natalie Arieno
Kendra Balcerak
Krista Bovee
Rian Dejour Malik Carter
Gennis Renée Cleare
Michela Ann Contestabile
Daniel Doviak
Rachel A. Gagnon
Giuseppe Gallo
Anastacia Hepburn
Christine O. Higgins
Octavia L. Hills-Leak
Winsom Hudson
Ryan Karker
Tori Justine Lammes
Monica Rene Lane
Jalen McGill
Ayanna McPhatter
Amanda Rae Robillard
Marla Smith
Zequa Tookes
Brett VanBoden
Shawanda Williams
Jaylah Wilson

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION and SOCIAL WORK

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

Social Work, M.S.W.

Tracey Noelle Allison

Katherine Lynn Allkofer

Meaghan Rose Bellone

Lori Bithorn

Wesley J. Burroughs

Domenica Francesca Canzano

Diana Castillo

Rebecca Chalone

Hannah Cliff

Carolyn Yirannys Cuevas Perez

Marissa Lynn Cummings

Aaron C. Davis

Carly Ann DeConinck

William Dudley

Hayley C. Fleischer

Sharyl L. Frohe

Meghan Gargiulo

Kimberly Gill

Bryanna Juanita Graham

Danielle Guillemette

Eric Michael Helms

Alexis Breanna King

Kelly Kreider

Olivia Lee Krom

Carmelo Oliveri

Juliana Rose Perrucci

Kirstyn June Perry

Shakeema Nicole Ravenell

Cassandra Schmitt

Casey Alexander Schott

Christina Tilbe

Yeraldith Tschudy

Derek J. Wadsworth

Jamie Walker

Le'Shauna Wingo

DEPARTMENT OF TEACHER EDUCATION

Adol. Chemistry & SWD Gen. 7-12, M.Ed.

Emily Springer

Adol. Earth Science & SWD Gen. 7-12, M.Ed.

Eric Schaertl

Adol. English & SWD Gen. 7-12, M.Ed.

Joseph Kalman McNulty

Katey Testa

Adol. Mathematics & SWD Gen. 7-12, M.Ed.

Eric Cintron

Jennie Endersby

Adol. Social Studies & SWD Gen. 7-12, M.Ed.

Mark Samuel Steffenilla

Adol. Spanish & SWD Gen. 7-12, M.Ed.

Nayely Feria-Ortiz

Childhood & SWD 1-6, M.Ed.

Elizabeth Allen

Morgan Elizabeth Ashe

Benjamin Bernstein

Makayla Cappon

Megan Cardon

Crystal Noelle Cutting

Arianna Filiaci

Lissy Gardner

Maija Grinbergs

Katelyn Rose Ireland

Anna Jank

Jasmin Johnson

Julia Kremer

Julie Lloyd

Debra Lynn Malinoff

Emily Momberger

Laurieann Petrotta

Cameron Pettrone

Taryn Prutsman

Ashley Maria Rezendes

Olga Tretyak

Jensen VanNostrand

Amy Elisabeth Vinciguerra

Larysa Wordingham

Cheryl Ziegler

Early Childhood & Special Education B-2, M.Ed.

Vicki-ann Aman

Elizabeth Cohen

Brandi Giambrone

Meghan E. Perry

Victoria Lynn Pothaczky

Anna Roggow-Kim

Samantha Emily Sicienski

Monica M. Wagner

Literacy, M.Ed.

Jazmen Avery

Kristin Barley

Jeni Bransford

Jennifer Carpenter-Morgan

Katelyn Eleanor Daniels

Sophie Farnholz

Jennifer Manley

Claire Marino

Daneisha I. McGowan

Erin Mary Murray

Chelsea Lynne Rooker

Lucy Rugaber

Nicole Marie Schoonerman

Monique Smith

Sophia D. Sportelli

Jesse Stehlar

Evan David Jerome Steier

Elizabeth Trotta

Daniel C. Valvo

Esha Williams

Maria Zawilski

Special Education, M.Ed.

Jessica Apthorpe

Jessica Bedgood

Kellyn Marie Brightman

Ashlea Conge

Richard S. D'Eletto

Molly Laxton

Carrie Lynn Littlefield

Erin Maker

Rebecca Thacker

John Norman Williams

Katherine G. Wilson

SCHOOL OF NATURAL and SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

School Psychology, M.S.

Kasey M. Bateman
Katelyn Michelle Bové
Teyah Brice
Dakota M. Chaffee
Sarah Lounsbury
Emina Serhatlic
Morgan Simmons

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Nursing Education, M.S.

Roberta L. Brown, R.N.
Julie Callahan, R.N.
Kaitlin Closs, R.N.
Danielle DeSimone, R.N.
Heather Fedrau, R.N.
Annie M. Roberts, R.N.
Nuvia Soto Paez, R.N.

Nursing Leadership and Administration, M.S.

Haley Anne Drake, R.N.
Amanda Kay Elliott, R.N.
Mikaela O'Brien, R.N.
Claire Marie Somers, R.N.
Stacie Warren, R.N.
Elaine Watkins, R.N.

ROBERTS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY BRIDGE TO EARNING, LEARNING, AND LIVING

Jonathan Chow
Logan Kibby
Paul Pham
Mia Pisani
Brendon Ryan
Graciana Torres

ROBERTS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

GENERAL EDUCATION

Cross-Disciplinary Studies, B.S.

Jean Lordy Aristil
Alexandra Corryn Carney
Isabella Furness
Mitchell Johnson
Vincent J. Myrthil
Marlon Pratt
Brianna Maria Wood

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES

Art Studio, B.S.

Kelsey Elizabeth LeBlond
Abigail Mertzlufft
Joselyn Mercy Sanders

Biblical Studies, B.A.

Gavin Joseph Hill
Khual Mung

Communication, B.A

Emma Noelle Burke
Sherinne Marie Cauwels
Sydney Elizabeth Hvizdzak
Hannah Catherine Limpias
Emma Krista Rath

Digital Media Art, B.S.

Amanda Grace Spencer

English, B.A.

Hope M. McIntosh

Isabelle Lyn Stevens

History, B.A.

Zachary J. Henchen

Max Montes

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS

Music, B.A.

Amanda Eden Fornarola

Julia Montana LeVan

Anna Rodriguez

Music & Psychology, B.A.

Hannah Rose Christiansen

Music Education K-12, B.S.

Anna Grace Bouwens

Madeline Kate Couch

Benjamin Haines

Nicholas Vincent Lopez

Emma Jane Lutz

Ruth Michel

Tyler James Rifenburg

Emily Elizabeth Sylvester

Lauren Alyssa Zielinski

Music Performance - Instrument, B.S

Yanlong Fang

Aidan Tallman

Abigail J. Williamson

Haodong Yang

Music Therapy, B.S

Anaya K. Baptiste

Amethyst Gabriella Scherer

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Accounting, B.S.

Skylaar Danielle Garbowski
Tyler E. Haines
Jackson Odle*
Isaac James Perkins
Andrew J. Snel

Business Administration, B.S.

Malik Xavier Brooks
Caleb P. Dobson
Caleb E. Dyer
Samuel Paul Hawkins
Vanessa Iantorno
Julianna Lewis
Alberta Morales-Gonzalez
Pedro Moscoso
Rachel Myles
Joseph B. Oliver
Paul Schmoyer
Morgan Sproull
Daniel Wart*
Jennifer Nichole Zimmerman

Business Management, B.S.

James R. Brown
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Amanda Gallagher
Joliesha Gause
Amanda Johnson
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Esinash M. Mangena
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Emma Kay Rindahl
Melissa C. Rivera
Melinda Ann Wilson
Nicole Woodford

Health Administration, B.S.

Jaclyn Kay Abbott
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Phoungoun Piccone
Jenae Spencer
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Maricruz Vazquez
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Management & Social Entrepreneurship, B.S.

Robert Hinds

Marketing, B.S.

Marcos X. Ortiz
Carter Puylara
Matthew P. Walsh

Sports Management & Marketing, B.S.

Connor B. Beagle
Joshua Jones
Aser Negash*
Justin Robertson
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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

Social Work, B.S.

Makenna Grace Chalmers
Sarah Clements
Shaquiesha Cray-Rose
Shaneka L Davis
Constance Lorraine Glover
Fiona Eileen Grana
Pauline Jennifer Harry
NoBa Htoo
Jeremy John Kelly
Brianna N. McAfee
Joe McGee
Jesse Dash Myers
Julianna Nichols
Jacqueline Oscvirk
Natalie Otto
Kyrsten Rorick

DEPARTMENT OF TEACHER EDUCATION

Adolescence Education – English, B.S.

Katherine Rae Meulendyk

Emily Marie France

Adolescence Education – Mathematics, B.S.

Hannah Kayelyn Clark

Adolescence Education – Social Studies, B.S.

Paige Lily Barkley

Childhood and Special Education, B.S.

Mykenzie Burnett

Danielle DiCintio

Brianna Marie Fagan

Khanhlinh Huynh

Katelyn Rakiey

Renee Rozler

Emma Grace Somers

Kayla Elizabeth Wiest

English to Speakers of Other Languages, B.S.

Abigail Elizabeth Collins

Kmoo Ro Na Htoo

Caitlin Napper

Pathway to Teaching, B.S. - Cohort 19

Claudia Klaver

Pathway to Teaching, B.S. - Cohort 27

Amanda M. Drexel

Shannon Moser

Jennifer M. Myers

Pathway to Teaching, B.S. - Cohort 28

Kathryn A. Fantuzzo

Jacqueline Lathigee

Robin L. Lindstrom

Max Young Mueller

Julio Alberto Nieves

Jessica A. Roach

Anna Wiater

Kristine Yanni

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Ashley N. Carroll

Brittany Derosie

Eric Goodwin
Amber Moore

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Aaliyah I. Alston
Alyssa Colon
Kelsey Jo Hogancamp
Tyler Interlichia
Laura Marie Malone
Jennah McMillion
Brittany Neyland-Irwin
Matthew Pardee
Adrienonna Porter
Evelize Ramos
Tiffany Satter
Jalen D. Smith
Jeremy Trifeletti
Kali A. Warr
Bianca Wieme

Pathway to Teaching, B.S. - Cohort 31

Christina M Albrecht
Jessica M. Armstrong
Brooke Ann Minkau
Thomas Saxby
Jennifer Schermerhorn
Ashley L. Walters

Physical Education, B.S.

Katherine Perry
Evan Rogotzke
Logan Scot Brady Stutzman
Adam Wilcox

SCHOOL OF NATURAL and SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL SCIENCES

Biochemistry, B.S.

Joshua Matthew Anderson
Nathaniel Thorin Dickerson
Nathan Roy Ferguson
Aaron James Hitchcock
Brandon Kayser
Maddison Anastacia O'Moore

Emily Francis Palmer
Jaylen A. Rhone
Ishraj Singh Sidhu
Lydia Lynn Ware
Katherine Elizabeth Wenke

Biology, B.A.
Garrett Conklin

Biology, B.S.
Anastasia Hoppe-Spink
Paige Knowles
Ashley M. Northup*
Theodore Michael Pintabona

Biomedical Sciences, B.S.
Sharidan Hathaway
Gideon Hans Schamberger
Joselyann Marie Vazquez

Biomedical Sciences and Psychology, B.S.
Ashlynn McKnight

Chemistry, B.S.
Adis Camo

Exercise Science, B.S.
Luis Cataldi Milan
Jordon M. Deats
Hailee Alisa Lowe
Graeme Negus
Paige M. Sawyer
Caleb Sharpe
Robert C Smith

Forensic Science, B.S.
Chloe E. Byerts
Shane Elliott
Demar Osbourne
Paige Noelle Watkins

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS

Computer Science, B.S.
Shoun Francis
Zoe Perkins

Physics, B.S.

Alexandra Osborne

Physics and Spanish, B.S.

Robert Carl Bodien

DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Criminal Justice, B.S.

StevieLyn Diggory

Jessica L. Furnum

Ishmael J. Hannah

Elenia V. Ortiz

Morgan Rhodes

Homeland Security & Applied Intelligence, B.S.

Alexandra Renee Gase

Jaslyn Gonzalez

Theodore John Herrmann

Garet Marsh

Laura Morales Nito

Jordan Moran

Ryan Patrei

Daniela Rodriguez Bernal

Tara Lynn Sedore

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology, B.A.

Luke J. Delavak

Nicole Kendall

Arianna Michele Kharroubi

Moriah Mills

Bailey Morse

Renee St. Claire

Aracely Marie Velazquez

Psychology, B.S.

Laura Cecilia San Juana Amaya

Sameli Avila

Jaxon David Bunting

Jessica L. Savage

Jayla Skeete

Karly Beth Smith

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Nursing, B.S.

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Lauren Mae Brewster, R.N.

Keithasha T. Brooks, R.N.

Kendall Louise Carson, R.N.

Charlessa Danielle Christiano

Gabrielle Alexis Ciambella

Lynsee Coyle, R.N.

Allison Delaney, R.N.

Shawn Drumma

Rachel Shaw Elliott, R.N.

Sydney Gilfus, R.N.

Nicholas Grant, R.N.

Thomas Kyler Harris, R.N.

Michele Heyman, R.N.

AnnaMae Bedell Humbert

Shannon M. Jackson, R.N.

Blake Wellington Kasper

Maya Ambuja Krishnan

Ariana Nicole Kuhn

Nicole LaFrance

Ashlyn Elizabeth LeBaron

Jamie Marie Lenig, R.N.

Jessica LeRoy

Shawna Lusk

Kylie Marra Mitchell

Isabelle Grace Nokland

Rebecca Ochs, R.N.

Colleen E. Perl

Madelyn Carol Robinson

Rachel Ann Robinson

Joanna Shamenda

Tatsiana Stefanos, R.N.

Jessica Straton, R.N.

Kaitlyn Stroup

Megan C. Tebo, R.N.

Alexandra Tucker

Sara Elizabeth Tyndell

Musteba Ugurlu, R.N.

Gabriella VeVone, R.N.

Rebekah Voisey
Wendy L Walker, R.N.
Emma Weisensel

ROBERTS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATE DEGREES

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Arts and Culture, A.S.

Aimee Chambers
Brian Hemry
Regina M Johnson
Christopher Karas
Alexis Hiram Lopez
Brianna Lynne Merlo
Tonya Miller
Jennifer L. Shaw
Montrael Singletary

**Members of the Class of 2024 Council*

Note: Listing of student's name does not guarantee degree completion

HONORS AND AWARDS

President's Citation for Academic Achievement

Lydia Lynn Ware

Summa Cum Laude

Amanda Mary Bergman
Hannah Kayelyn Clark
Madeline Kate Couch
Nathaniel Thorin Dickerson
Skylaar Danielle Garbowski
Alexandra Renee Gase
Gavin Joseph Hill
Aaron James Hitchcock
Anastasia Hoppe-Spink
Brandon Kayser
Ashlyn Elizabeth LeBaron

Nicholas Vincent Lopez
Hailee Alisa Lowe
Emma Jane Lutz
Ashlynn McKnight
Ashley M. Northup
Emily Francis Palmer
Ryan Patrei
Zoe Perkins
Joselyn Mercy Sanders
Jessica L. Savage
Karly Beth Smith
Alexandra Tucker
Lydia Lynn Ware
Katherine Elizabeth Wenke
Abigail J. Williamson

Magna Cum Laude

Joshua Matthew Anderson
Sameli Avila
Anaya K. Baptiste
Connor B. Beagle
Mykenzie Burnett
Alexandra Corryn Carney
Sherinne Marie Cauwels
Makenna Grace Chalmers
Charlessa Danielle Christiano
Abigail Elizabeth Collins
Emily Marie France
Shoun Francis
Benjamin Haines
Tyler E. Haines
Sydney Elizabeth Hvizdzak
Blake Wellington Kasper
Nicole LaFrance
Jessica LeRoy
Julia Montana LeVan
Shawna Lusk
Hope M. McIntosh
Abigail Mertzlufft
Caitlin Napper
Graeme Negus
Alexandra Osborne
Isaac James Perkins
Colleen E. Perl

Katherine Perry
Jaylen A. Rhone
Anna Rodriguez
Renee Rozler
Gideon Hans Schamberger
Tara Lynn Sedore
Jayla Skeete
Andrew J. Snel
Emma Grace Somers
Amanda Grace Spencer
Morgan Sproull
Kaitlyn Stroup
Aidan Tallman
Matthew P. Walsh
Paige Noelle Watkins
Adam Wilcox
Brianna Maria Wood

Cum Laude

Paige Lily Barkley
Anna Grace Bouwens
Emma Noelle Burke
Hannah Rose Christiansen
Gabrielle Alexis Ciambella
Jordon M. Deats
Luke J. Delavak
Shane Elliott
Amanda Eden Fornarola
Jaslyn Gonzalez
Theodore John Herrmann
Robert Hinds
NoBa Htoo
Vanessa Iantorno
Paige Amber Knowles
Kelsey Elizabeth LeBlond
Garet Marsh
Brianna N. McAfee
Katherine Rae Meulendyk
Ruth Michel
Bailey J. Morse
Pedro Moscoso
Maddison Anastacia O'Moore
Elenia V. Ortiz
Morgan Rhodes

Daniela Rodriguez Bernal
Paige M. Sawyer
Ishraj Singh Sidhu
Robert C Smith
Mikhail F. Sokoloff
Isabelle Lyn Stevens
Aracely Marie Velazquez
Kayla Elizabeth Wiest
Haodong Yang

Honorable Mention

Joshua Jones

Alpha Kappa Sigma Honor Society

Sameli Avila
Paige Lily Barkley
Emma Noelle Burke
Mykenzie Burnett
Sherinne Marie Cauwels
Gabrielle Alexis Ciambella
Hannah Kayelyn Clark
Madeline Kate Couch
Nathaniel Thorin Dickerson
Tyler E. Haines
Gavin Joseph Hill
Aaron James Hitchcock
Blake Wellington Kasper
Julia Montana LeVan
Nicholas Vincent Lopez
Shawna Lusk
Emma Jane Lutz
Hope M. McIntosh
Ashlynn McKnight
Abigail Mertzlufft
Bailey J. Morse
Anna Rodriguez
Joselyn Mercy Sanders
Jessica L. Savage
Karly Beth Smith
Emma Grace Somers
Isabelle Lyn Stevens
Aidan Tallman
Lydia Lynn Ware
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Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society

Brittany Bumbarger
Amanda Gallagher
Kelsey Jo Hogancamp
Brooke Ann Minkau
Brittany Neyland-Irwin
Angella N. O'Hara
Jeremy Trifeletti

Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society

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Morgan Elizabeth Ashe
Elizabeth Cohen
Nayely Feria-Ortiz
Brandi Giambrone
Kmoo Ro Na Htoo
Ruth Michel
Emily Momberger
Victoria Lynn Pothaczky
Jennifer Schermerhorn
Mark Samuel Steffenilla
Katey Testa
Monica M. Wagner
Kayla Elizabeth Wiest
Cheryl Ziegler

Phi Alpha Honor Society

Tracey Noelle Allison
Katherine Lynn Allkofer
Meaghan Rose Bellone
Domenica Francesca Canzano
Shakeema Nicole Ravenell

Sigma Pi Sigma Honor Society

Robert Carl Bodien

Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society

Brittany Lee Baker
Gabrielle Alexis Ciambella
Amanda Kay Elliott
Michele Heyman
Ashlyn Elizabeth LeBaron
Claire Marie Somers
Megan C. Tebo
Stacie Warren

Global Honors Program Graduates

The Global Honors Program, a two-year program for freshmen and sophomores, consists of five core general education courses that focus on Global Studies and culminates in a three-week on-location course in Brazil. Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.4 during their time in the program. Participants who have successfully completed the program receive an honors diploma and are identified by a white stole.

Joshua Matthew Anderson
Mykenzie Burnett
Charlessa Danielle Christiano
Abigail Elizabeth Collins
Madeline Kate Couch
Nathaniel Thorin Dickerson
Amanda Eden Fornarola
Isabella Furness
Skylaar Danielle Garbowski
Tyler E. Haines
Aaron James Hitchcock
Anastasia Hoppe-Spink
Brandon Kayser
Nicole LaFrance
Ashlyn Elizabeth LeBaron
Laura Morales Nito
Isabelle Grace Nokland
Isaac James Perkins
Jaylen A. Rhone
Joselyn Mercy Sanders
Gideon Hans Schamberger
Ishraj Singh Sidhu
Karly Beth Smith
Morgan Sproull
Emily Elizabeth Sylvester
Aidan Tallman
Alexandra Tucker
Lydia Lynn Ware
Emma Weisensel
Katherine Elizabeth Wenke
Abigail J. Williamson

Academic Research & Leadership Honors Program Graduates

The Academic Research and Leadership Honors Program, a two-year program for juniors and seniors, consists of three core general education courses that focus on leadership. Additionally, students work with faculty and community mentors and the program culminates in an independent research project. Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.4 during their time in the program.

Participants who have successfully completed the program receive an honors diploma and are identified by a white stole.

Joshua Matthew Anderson
Anaya K. Baptiste
Hannah Kayelyn Clark
Emma Jane Lutz
Emily Francis Palmer
Morgan Rhodes
Jaylen A. Rhone
Jessica L. Savage
Isabelle Lyn Stevens

International Graduates

The flags on the rear of the platform represent the countries from which our international graduates come. It is an honor to welcome students from around the world to Roberts Wesleyan University.

Brazil
Canada
China
Colombia
India
Jamaica
United Kingdom
Vietnam

Highest Honors – Bachelor's Degree Completion Programs

Jaclyn Kay Abbott
Jessica M. Armstrong
Beverly Bacon
Brittany Lee Baker
Lauren Mae Brewster
Lynsee Coyle
Allison Delaney
Rachel Shaw Elliott
Ivonne Ellison
Kathryn A. Fantuzzo
Sydney Gilfus
Michele Heyman
Kelsey Jo Hogancamp
Jacqueline Lathigee
Jamie Marie Lenig
Brooke Ann Minkau
Brittany Neyland-Irwin
Julianna Nichols

Rebecca Ochs
Angella N. O'Hara
Jacqueline Oscvirk
Jessica A. Roach
Kyrsten Rorick
Jenae Spencer
Tatsiana Stefanos
Megan C. Tebo
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GRADUATION HONORS

President's Citation - Upon recommendation of Awards and Honors Committee, the senior(s) with the highest academic average throughout four years at Roberts Wesleyan University.

Undergraduate Traditional Programs:

Summa Cum Laude -Grade point average – 3.9000 to 4.0000

Magna Cum Laude -Grade point average – 3.7000 to 3.8999

Cum Laude -Grade point average – 3.5000 to 3.6999

Honorable Mention - Traditional undergraduate students who have met scholarship but have not met residency requirements.

Undergraduate Degree Completion Programs:

Highest Honors - Grade point average – 3.9500 to 4.0000

High Honors - Grade point average – 3.8500 to 3.9499

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The caps and hoods worn at college and university functions date back to the Middle Ages. Monks and students of those days wore them to keep warm. Today, their function is ceremonial.

The gowns for the bachelor's degree, earned after undergraduate study, have a long, pleated front and intricate shirring across the shoulders and back. The bachelor's gown is distinguished by its long, pointed sleeves.

Gowns for the master's degree, earned by post-graduate work, are similar to the gowns for the bachelor's degree, but the very long sleeve is square and closed at the end.

Gowns for the doctor's degree are distinguished by velvet bars on the full, round, open sleeves and broad velvet panels down the front and around the neck. This velvet trimming may either be black or the color distinctive of the field of learning to which the degree pertains.

Caps may be of serge, broadcloth, or (for the doctor's outfit only) velvet. The tassel of the doctor's cap is usually of gold bullion.

It is the hood that gives the color and real meaning of the academic costume. A black shell, of varying sizes for the three degrees and of material to match the gown, is silk lined with the color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The hood is bordered with velvet of the proper width to indicate the degree. The color of the velvet signifies the field of learning to which the degree pertains.

The colors indicative of the various fields of learning are as follows:

Arts & Humanities.....	White	Music	Pink
Business.....	Olive Drab	Nursing	Apricot
Communication.....	Crimson	Occupational Therapy.....	Sage Green
Economics.....	Copper	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Education.....	Light Blue	Physical Education.....	Sage Green
Engineering.....	Orange	Psychology	Antique Gold
Fine Arts	Brown	Science.....	Yellow
Laws	Purple	Social Work.....	Citron
Library Science	Lemon	Theology	Scarlet
Medicine	Green		

Graduates from the Honors Program wear white stoles. Graduates receiving the academic honors Honorable Mention, Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, or Summa Cum Laude are given honor cords identifying the particular honor as follows:

Honorable Mention.....	one white cord
Cum Laude (with Distinction).....	one red cord
Magna Cum Laude (with Great Distinction).....	one gold cord

Summa Cum Laude (with Highest Distinction)..... one red/gold cord

Undergraduates in the Nursing R.N. to B.S. Program, the Pathway to Teaching Program, the Organizational Management Program, and the B.S. in Health Administration Program receiving academic honors are identified as follows:

High Honors one red cord

Highest Honors one gold cord

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Shae Davis

Chronic Pain Through a Psychosocial Lens: How Occupational Therapy Practitioners Can Utilize Education and Reflection to Change Functional Outcomes

Brittany Daymon

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Park'N Move: A Program for Individuals with Parkinson's Disease Living in a Senior Living Community

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What It Takes To Be An Effective Educator in the Modern Age: A Deep Dive into Education Delivery, Best Teaching Practice, and Artificial Intelligence in Pre-OT Course Design

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THE MACE AND THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

The Roberts Wesleyan University Mace and Presidential Medallion were created by Willard (Bud) Peterson, Associate Professor of Art from 1983 to 1997.

The Mace represents the investment of authority of Roberts Wesleyan University. The head of the Mace represents the cross of Jesus Christ and is made of sterling silver connected by pieces of cherry wood taken from trees on the campus. Set in the cross is an open book, representing the truth of the Holy Scriptures and the foundation of knowledge.

Within the open book is a single, large white stone representing the Lord Jesus Christ, surrounded by twelve red stones that represent the twelve disciples as Christians redeemed by His blood. These stones are set in gold denoting the work of God in the lives of His servants. The setting is made in the pattern of a cathedral rose window representing the Church and its history.

The whole head of the Mace is defined by a circular surrounding plate of silver which represents the world in which Roberts Wesleyan University is placed. This is mounted on a cherry wood handle, the top of which suggests the form of a dove (the Holy Spirit) with the University seal inlaid in silver at the front.

The Presidential Medallion is an interpretation of the official University Seal. The sterling silver medallion is worn by the University President at academic ceremonies including Inauguration, Convocation and Commencement.

THE PULPIT

The antique pulpit is a donation from the Albion Free Methodist Church, the first in the Free Methodist denomination. Dedicated as part of the church building on May 18, 1860, the pulpit has been in use since the earliest days of our founder, the Rev. B.T. Roberts, and his colleagues in Free Methodist ministry. The pulpit was also used for the Inaugurations of Presidents Deana L. Porterfield and Rupert A. Hayles Jr. as a symbol of our rich heritage and commitment to the ideals of B.T. Roberts.

THE ARCH

The original Arch was a gift of the Chesbrough Seminary Class of 1926. It stood south of Roberts Memorial Hall, near Buffalo Road, over the sidewalk that led into campus. The Arch was taken down in 1965 when the new sanctuary of Pearce Memorial Church was constructed. In 1974, portions of the original were used to rebuild the Arch, which was placed near the southwest corner of Roberts Hall. It stood over the sidewalk that led from campus to the entry of Pearce Church. Again it was taken down in 2001, when the church classrooms were added and the driveway was redesigned. Today the University Arch stands between Miner Hall and the B. Thomas Golisano Library, and contains masonry work from the previous arches, with a new base to match the stonework of the Library. A replica was created in 2016 by staff member Jim Price (CLC Technical Director, 1996-2017) for the 150th Historical Display. The original Arch and the replica are used during New Student Orientation and Commencement, respectively, to symbolize the students' entrance to our community, and our graduates going forth to impact our world.

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