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*Moorhead State University  
Commencement Program  
Class of 1998*

*1887*



*1998*

*December 18, 1998*

*2:00 p.m.*

*Alex Nemzek Fieldhouse*

**MOORHEAD  
STATE UNIVERSITY**

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*Our Mission*

*T*he mission of Moorhead State University is to foster excellence in teaching and learning. The University strives to provide an educational environment that supports intellectual development, that welcomes diversity and that develops the skills and talents of women and men so that they have the capacity to live usefully, act responsibly, and be learners all their lives. The academic programs at the University are founded upon a common liberal studies experience and emphasize developing the unique talents of each person. The University provides baccalaureate-level programs in the liberal arts, natural and social sciences, teacher education, business and technology, the fine arts, and professional areas. It provides selected graduate programs in response to regional needs.

*T*he University encourages scholarly and creative endeavors that promote a commitment by faculty and students to their disciplines, to continuing professional development, and to excellence in learning.

*T*he University enhances the quality of life of the region with the professional, cultural, and recreational services offered by its students, faculty, and staff.



Moorhead State University is one of seven comprehensive Minnesota State Universities established to provide the citizens of Minnesota access to quality educational programs at moderate cost. Moorhead State University's primary responsibility is to provide baccalaureate programs to residents of northwest and west central Minnesota. Through tuition reciprocity agreements, the University also provides educational services to residents of several regional states and one province.

*Commencement*

**Processional**

"Trumpet Voluntary" by John Stanley  
Dr. Rodney J. Rothlisberger, Assistant Professor, organist

**Welcome**

Dr. Roland Barden, President of Moorhead State University

**Greetings**

The Honorable David Erickson  
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees  
From Mahtomedi, Minnesota

**Musical Selection**

"If You Believe" by Charlie Smalls  
Cecelia O'Keefe, MSU Vocal Music Instructor, soloist  
Dr. Rodney J. Rothlisberger, accompanist

**Commencement Address**

Dr. Paul J. Dovre  
President, Concordia College Moorhead

**Presentation of Candidates for Diplomas and Degrees**

Dr. Bette G. Midgarden, Vice President for Academic Affairs

**Associate in Arts**

Dr. Virginia Klenk, Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities

**Bachelor of Arts**

**Bachelor of Fine Arts**

**Bachelor of Music**

Dr. Steven Grineski, Dean of the College of Education and Human Services

**Bachelor of Science**

Dr. Ronald Jeppson, Dean of the College of Social and Natural Sciences

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

**Bachelor of Social Work**

Dr. Carol Dobitz, Dean of the College of Business and Industry

**Master of Business Administration**

**Master of Science**

**Specialist**

Dr. Lawrence L. Reed, Dean of Academic Services

**Conferring of Diplomas and Degrees**

Dr. Roland Barden  
Mr. John Tandberg, Registrar

**The Alma Mater**

**Recessional**

"Marche Romaine" by Charles Gounod  
Dr. Rodney J. Rothlisberger, organist

The audience is asked to stand for the Processional and Recessional.

A reception will be held immediately following the Commencement exercises at the north end of the Fieldhouse.

Dr. Paul Dovre, the dean of Minnesota private college presidents, is in his 24<sup>th</sup> and final year as President of Concordia College in Moorhead. Only the eighth president in the 107-year history of the college, he will retire at the end of this academic year as one of the longest serving presidents of any American college or university.



A Minneota, MN, native, President Dovre earned his undergraduate degree at Concordia in 1958 after serving two years in the U.S. Army. He earned his master's degree from Northwestern University, then attended Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul as a Rockefeller Theological Fellow before beginning his teaching career at Northwestern.

Dovre joined the Concordia College faculty in 1963 after earning his doctorate in rhetoric and public address from Northwestern. The next year he was named Chair of its Speech and Drama Department, then in 1967 became Associate Dean of the College. Before accepting the presidency of Concordia College in 1975, he also served five years as Concordia's Dean and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

A Knight First Class, Royal Norwegian Order of St. Olaf (the highest award given by Norway to persons of Norwegian descent living outside the country), Dovre was named one of 100 most effective college presidents in the nation by the Exxon Education Foundation Study in 1986.

Dovre played a key role in the formation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and is the longest-serving president of the 27 ELCA colleges. He recently completed service on the board of directors of the Council of Independent Colleges and is currently serving on the board of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. In recognition of his achievements, Dovre was named 1998 Outstanding Executive of the Year by the Association of Lutheran Development Executives. He has also served as the vice chair for the Lutheran Council in the USA, and was a member of the ELCA delegation to the Lutheran World Federation Assembly.

Active in the local community, he's been a board director for the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Association, the Moorhead Chamber of Commerce, the First Bank of Fargo and the Cass-Clay United Way.

Dovre, 63, is currently leading Concordia through its fourth major capital campaign drive, which cumulatively have raised more than \$150 million. Besides providing student scholarships, these efforts have financed the construction of the Olson Forum, Centennial Bell Tower and most recently the renovation and enlargement of Hvidsten Hall of Music.

Dovre and his wife, Mardeth, plan to remain active in retirement. "Projects on our agenda include some writing and service activities along with more time for travel, reading and family," says Dovre. "And we both look forward to the serendipitous along the way."

#### ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

Bartholomay, Megan Jane  
Fargo, ND  
Liberal Arts

Bednarz, Susan LeeAnn  
Fargo, ND  
Liberal Arts

Berg, Mary Ann  
Oronoco, MN  
Liberal Arts

Clasemann, Daryl L.  
Long Prairie, MN  
Liberal Arts

Jensen, Catherine Bernice  
Moorhead, MN  
Liberal Arts

Kruger, Brenda Dawn  
Mandan, ND  
Liberal Arts

Lokken, Joshua Rama  
Cyrus, MN  
Liberal Arts

Patton, Karen Kristina  
Maple Grove, MN  
Liberal Arts

Rohland, Cathleen Janet  
Minneapolis, MN  
Liberal Arts

Roy, Taydem Rae  
Coon Rapids, MN  
Liberal Arts

Swenson, Sherri Ann  
Dilworth, MN  
Liberal Arts

Woods, Gilbert Delmar  
Moorhead, MN  
Liberal Arts

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS

Aljets, Daniel G.  
Fargo, ND  
History

Anderson, Elizabeth Victoria  
Fargo, ND  
Art

Anderson, Kathy Jo  
Summit, SD  
Gerontology

Anderson, Tiffany Layne  
Fargo, ND  
Psychology

Bailly, Matthew Douglas  
Moorhead, MN  
Psychology; East Asian Studies  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Banks, Rachel Ann  
Eveleth, MN  
Psychology

Barsness, Daniel David  
Brainerd, MN  
History

Beaver, Susan Ruth  
Wilmot, SD  
Theatre Arts  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Birch, Derin Vinson  
Arlington Heights, IL  
Biology; Chemistry

Bisharat, Amal Ibrahim  
Whitefish, MT  
Music; Theatre Arts  
CUM LAUDE  
HONORS PROGRAM  
GRADUATE

Bloedorn, Staci Rose  
Alexandria, MN  
Biology  
CUM LAUDE

Blondo, Steven James  
Aberdeen, SD  
Anthropology

Branden, Shauna Michelle  
Moorhead, MN  
Criminal Justice; Sociology

Briks, Nicole Anne  
Breckenridge, MN  
Economics

Chapman, Donae Annette  
Lake Wilson, MN  
Mathematics; English-Writing  
CUM LAUDE

Christensen, James Ray  
Thief River Falls, MN  
Psychology  
CUM LAUDE

Colville, Joann Lynn  
Fargo, ND  
Art  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

DuBord, Elise Marie  
Moorhead, MN  
Spanish; Multi-Cultural Studies  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Ellison, Marsha Rawson  
Fargo, ND  
Criminal Justice

Engstrom, Jason Cyril  
Cokato, MN  
Art

Floden, Angela Marie  
Moorhead, MN  
Biology  
CUM LAUDE

Hagen, Tracy Lee  
Willmar, MN  
Psychology, Criminal Justice

Hann, Judy Rita  
Moorhead, MN  
English

Hanson, Jennifer Diane  
Moorhead, MN  
Criminal Justice

Hanson, Laurel Rae  
Grand Forks, ND  
English  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Hernandez, Sandi Marie  
Marshall, MN  
Criminal Justice; Sociology,  
Spanish  
CUM LAUDE

Herrly, Scott Charles  
International Falls, MN  
Criminal Justice

Hohenstern, Kathrin Klitzke  
Fargo, ND  
Psychology

Holman, Katherine Renae  
Mayville, ND  
Psychology

Hunt, Phillip Raymond  
Hallock, MN  
English; Art

Jabs, Michelle Marie  
Sheyenne, ND  
Speech Communication;  
Mass Communications  
CUM LAUDE

Jacobsen, Jarod Preston  
Dilworth, MN  
Criminal Justice; Sociology

Johnson, Eric William  
Moorhead, MN  
Economics

Johnson, Erin Michele  
Watertown, SD  
Anthropology; English

Johnson, Leah Nadine  
Fargo, ND  
Speech Communication

Klein, Jeffrey Duane  
Morris, MN  
Criminal Justice; Sociology

Knight, Ranae Mary  
Fort Pierre, SD  
Psychology  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
HONORS PROGRAM  
GRADUATE

Kronbeck, Amy Marie McDonald  
Moorhead, MN  
Psychology

Krueger, Kristy  
Garrison, ND  
Spanish; Mass Communications  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Kubly, Erin Elizabeth  
Granite Falls, MN  
English/Mass  
Communications;  
Women's Studies  
CUM LAUDE

Longtin, Tatum Shay  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Sociology; Social Welfare

Maertens, Melissa Lee  
Fridley, MN  
Economics

Majerus, Heather Jana  
Waite Park, MN  
Criminal Justice

McCraken, Jud Jeffrey  
Ulen, MN  
Anthropology

Merkel, Dawn Marie  
Moorhead, SD  
Theatre Arts

Mollerud, Katy J.  
Moorhead, MN  
Anthropology, Spanish  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE  
HONORS PROGRAM  
GRADUATE

Oelrich, Mathew Thomas  
Little Falls, MN  
Criminal Justice

Olschlager, Chad Loren  
Fargo, ND  
Biology

Olson, Kevin Jon  
Moorhead, MN  
Criminal Justice

Opdahl, Jody Lynn  
Granite Falls, MN  
Biology  
CUM LAUDE

Radtke, John D.  
Fargo, ND  
Criminal Justice

Raw, Sarah Ann  
Rothsay, MN  
English

Schilling, Belinda J.  
Cavalier, ND  
Art

Schoon, John Paul  
Henning, MN  
Biology  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Schuster, Lori Jane  
Woodbury, MN  
Music

Simpson, Riccardo Joseph  
Fargo, ND  
English; Music

Stevens, Jason Paul  
Fargo, ND  
Political Science; Economics

Sweeney, Preston John  
Oslo, MN  
Criminal Justice

Thompson, Julie Christine  
Pelican Rapids, MN  
Psychology; Sociology,  
Women's Studies

Travers, Molly Jo  
Sauk Rapids, MN  
Biology, Physical Education

Vrem, Shane Lee  
Aneta, ND  
Criminal Justice

Warren, Della Lee  
International Falls, MN  
Psychology; Business  
Administration  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Willgohs, Nikkelyn J.  
Cloquet, MN  
Art

Yurecko, John Dale  
Bloomington, MN  
Anthropology; East Asian  
Studies

**BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS**

Byzewski, Michael James  
Kimball, MN  
Art

Kovarik, Jason Scott  
Wahpeton, ND  
Art

LaRock, Allison Anne  
New Town, ND  
Art  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Paulson, Bradley George  
Coleharbor, ND  
Art

Pflipsen, William Victor  
Bismarck, ND  
Art

Polasky, Anne Marie  
Bismarck, ND  
Art  
CUM LAUDE

Potter, Rebecca Hope  
Coleharbor, ND  
Art  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Richards, Teri Jo  
Georgetown, MN  
Art  
CUM LAUDE

Rose, Mark Andrew  
Kasson, MN  
Art

Vermilyea, Eric S.  
Bloomington, MN  
Art

**BACHELOR OF MUSIC**

Bresnahan, Jason Peter  
Moorhead, MN  
Music Industry

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

Abbott, Brian Joel  
Alexandria, MN  
Special Education

Ackerman, Leah Jo  
Aberdeen, SD  
Paralegal

Ahmed, Muhammad Fayiaz  
Karachi, Pakistan  
Computer Information  
Systems;  
Business Administration

Aker, Kim Kirsten  
New York Mills, MN  
Elementary Education

Anderson, Sara Beth  
West Fargo, ND  
Special Education

Ashley, William Dewayne  
Dothan, AL  
Life Sciences

Avenson, Melissa Carol  
Park Rapids, MN  
International Business  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Barber, Kristine Kay  
New London, MN  
Computer Information  
Systems;  
Business Administration  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Becker, Jessica Dawn  
Browerville, MN  
Elementary Education;  
Early Childhood Education

Beggs, Miranda Eileen  
Maple Grove, MN  
Special Education

Belch, Chad Michael  
Wadena, MN  
Management Information  
Systems; Finance

Bentler, Elisa C.  
Custer, SD  
Mass Communications

Bibelheimer, Kristine Ann  
Fargo, ND  
Mass Communications

Billr, Kelly Ann Ziemiecki  
Minnertonka, MN  
Special Education

Binstock, Jamie Lyn  
Fargo, ND  
Elementary Education  
CUM LAUDE

Bjelde, Kimberly Ann  
Detroit Lakes, MN  
Elementary Education

Bjerke, Adrienne Rae  
Bismarck, ND  
Mass Communications  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Bladow, Tina M.  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Accounting

Braford, Angela Nicole  
Eden Prairie, MN  
Elementary Education  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Brantl, Farrah Leigh  
Plummer, MN  
Accounting; Management

Braun, Stacey Lynn Kambeitz  
Fargo, ND  
Special Education  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Breeding, Jan Elaine  
Fargo, ND  
Business Administration

Briggs, Sara Marie  
New Brighton, MN  
English, Speech  
Communication/Theatre Arts

Brosseau, Emily Elizabeth  
Drayton, ND  
Business Administration

Bruce, Jeanine L.  
Fargo, ND  
Special Education

Bryant, Shanna Lynn  
Alexandria, MN  
Elementary Education,  
Special Education

Casement, John Donald  
Fargo, ND  
Finance  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Clark, Paul Allen  
Ogema, MN  
Physical Education;  
Health Education

Colarich, Peter Anthony  
Ely, MN  
Finance; Business  
Administration

Cook, Jeffrey Alan  
Moorhead, MN  
University Studies

Coon, Kimberly Lyn  
Fargo, ND  
Elementary Education  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Courneya, Tonya Elizabeth  
Frazee, MN  
Elementary Education  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Craig, Karen Ann  
Osage, MN  
English

Dahnke, Trever T.  
Forest Lake, MN  
Computer Information  
Systems;  
Business Administration  
CUM LAUDE

Darwin, Glenice I.  
Casselton, ND  
Health Services Administration

DeBlicke, Christy Lynn  
Marshall, MN  
Finance, Business  
Administration

Degenstein, Corey Dale  
Fargo, ND  
Individualized Major:  
Fitness and Operations  
Management

DeWall, Stefanie Joy  
Fargo, ND  
Mass Communications

Diede, Lisa Ann  
West Fargo, ND  
Speech/Language/Hearing  
Sciences

Dykema, Jodi Lynn  
Aberdeen, SD  
Business Administration

Eberwine, Sarah Marie  
Fargo, ND  
Art  
CUM LAUDE

Eckstein, Terry D.  
Kasson, MN  
Accounting

EGGE, Jennifer Lynn  
Moorhead, MN  
Paralegal

Falk, Sarah Jordan  
West Fargo, ND  
Accounting; Computer  
Information Systems  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Farden, Marlina M.  
Freeman, SD  
Mass Communications

Featherstone, Anne Marie  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Special Education

Fisch, Gretchen Lynn  
West Fargo, ND  
Elementary Education

Fischer, Beverly Ann  
New Ulm, MN  
Individualized Major:  
Professional and Technical  
Writing

Fitzgerald, Denise Frances  
Bismarck, ND  
Management Information  
Systems

Florek, Zane Matthew  
Two Harbors, MN  
Industrial Technology

Foerster, Christopher David  
Fargo, ND  
Elementary Education  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Fowler, Alan Edward  
Mapleton, ND  
Accounting

Frank, Jason Mitchell  
Fargo, ND  
Finance

Franklin, Jodi Leigh  
Moorhead, MN  
Physical Education

Gale, Jennifer Norman  
Moorhead, MN  
Mass Communications,  
American Studies

Gierke, Brenda M.  
Hebron, ND  
Paralegal; Political Science

Gilbertson, Larissa Lynne  
Fargo, ND  
Elementary Education  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Glawe, Karen Marie  
Ada, MN  
English

Gundersen, Steven Josef  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Accounting

Hagen, Jason Harold  
Stanley, ND  
Mass Communications

Hanno, Amy Jean  
Grafton, ND  
Business Administration  
CUM LAUDE

Hanson, Emily Marie  
Maple Grove, MN  
Marketing

Hartman, Christine Marie  
Chokio, MN  
Mass Communications

Hegg, Emily Jo  
McIntosh, MN  
Accounting  
CUM LAUDE

Hendrickson, Amy Lynn  
Crookston, MN  
Special Education  
CUM LAUDE

Hermes, Charlotte M.  
Fargo, ND  
Physical Education  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Herrold, Becky Mae  
Frazee, MN  
Management

Hierstein, Shannon Marie  
Pekin, IL  
Spanish

Himmerich, Lisa Marie  
Moorhead, MN  
Mass Communications;  
Spanish  
CUM LAUDE

Hirschey, Tiffany Danette  
Staples, MN  
Management, Marketing

Houdek, Sarah Kay Olson  
Mahnomon, MN  
Elementary Education  
CUM LAUDE

Huesman, James Kenneth  
Audubon, MN  
Marketing

Huesman, Mark Alan  
Lake Park, MN  
Mass Communications

Jackson, Sonja Joy  
Fargo, ND  
Computer Science  
CUM LAUDE

Jenkins, Lana Mae  
Glenwood, MN  
Special Education

Jenny, Daniel James  
Fargo, ND  
Business Administration

Jenson, Jonetta Kay  
Pelican Rapids, MN  
Management

Jenson, Pamela J.  
Wadena, MN  
Business Administration  
CUM LAUDE

Johnson, Janelle Carol  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Accounting  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Johnson, Jeffrey V.  
Barnesville, MN  
University Studies

Johnson, Kirsti Maren  
Moorhead, MN  
Social Studies

Johnson, Nikki Teresa  
Bismarck, ND  
Elementary Education

Johnson, Stacy Jean  
Flom, MN  
Accounting

Jorgenson, Richard Paul  
Fargo, ND  
Social Studies  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Kliver, Jennifer Lynn  
Willmar, MN  
Paralegal, Criminal Justice

Knutson, Jon M.  
Sauk Centre, MN  
Computer Information  
Systems

Knutson, Timothy Neil  
Faribault, MN  
Physical Education

Koehler, Shannon Lee  
Grand Forks, ND  
Special Education

Kohler, Christopher Micheal  
Moorhead, MN  
Physical Education

Korf, Amy Jo Haugrud  
Hutchinson, MN  
Special Education  
CUM LAUDE

Kowal, Michelle Ann  
Brooklyn Park, MN  
English

Krauth, Jonette Marie  
Horace, ND  
Elementary Education;  
Early Childhood Education  
CUM LAUDE

Krier, Ann Wichmann  
Fargo, ND  
Special Education

Krueger, Robin Lynn  
Moorhead, MN  
Art

Kyser, Michelle Lynn  
Page, ND  
Special Education

Langerud, Jamie Jo  
Hawley, MN  
Paralegal

Larson, Blair William  
Peterson, MN  
Life Sciences; Earth Sciences  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Larson, Kristen Anne  
Bloomington, MN  
Special Education

Leaderbrand, Victoria J.  
New York Mills, MN  
Management  
CUM LAUDE

Lechner, V. Griffin  
Albuquerque, NM  
University Studies

Lindell, Jeremy David  
Fargo, ND  
Physical Education

Lindow, Andrew Joseph  
Nevis, MN  
Mathematics  
CUM LAUDE

Lothe, Susan Marie  
Moorhead, MN  
Elementary Education  
CUM LAUDE

Lotzer, Jason J.  
Fargo, ND  
Graphic Communication

Luhman, Gregory John  
Detroit Lakes, MN  
Marketing; Music

Marquardt, David Allen  
Chokio, MN  
Elementary Education

Martineau, Loraine Ione  
Elbow Lake, MN  
Accounting

Mastel, Rodney Gerald  
Hague, ND  
Industrial Technology

McClintic, Dawn M.  
Hazen, ND  
Elementary Education

McCord, Tanya Noel  
Slayton, MN  
University Studies

Michels, Eric Vincent  
Dawson, MN  
Finance; Accounting

Miller, Aaron J.  
Edgerton, MN  
Industrial Technology

Miller, Lori Angeline  
Detroit Lakes, MN  
Paralegal

Minemyer, Maria Rae  
Trout Creet, MT  
Elementary Education

Moore, Grover T.  
Austin, TX  
Business Administration

Mulder, April Terese  
Osakis, MN  
Community Health

Mumm, Heather Elizabeth  
Wahpeton, ND  
Business Administration

Murray, Coleen Rae  
Wimbledon, ND  
Art

Murrey, Patricia Ann  
Wilton, ND  
Marketing; Accounting  
CUM LAUDE

Nagel, Nichole Meredith  
Fargo, ND  
Marketing

Nalipinski, Corinne Ann  
White Bear Lake, MN  
English

Nelson, Maggie Mae  
Fargo, ND  
Mass Communications

Nelson, Stephanie J.  
Fargo, ND  
Speech/Language/Hearing  
Sciences  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Noer, Jennifer Marie  
Aberdeen, SD  
Special Education;  
Early Childhood Education

Nordlund, Ryan Wayne  
Moorhead, MN  
Physical Education

Novak, Christopher Daniel  
Montevideo, MN  
Industrial Technology

Nuss, Kristine Marie  
Buffalo, MN  
Elementary Education;  
Early Childhood Education

Ogawa, Mie  
Yokohama, Kanagawa, Japan  
University Studies

Olson, Kelly Edward  
Ashby, MN  
Accounting

Paradis, Heidi Jo  
Brooks, MN  
Business Administration,  
Marketing  
CUM LAUDE

Pederson, Ryan Scott  
Pelican Rapids, MN  
Elementary Education

Peterson, Staci Joy  
Wheaton, MN  
Special Education;  
Early Childhood Education

Petry, Glenda Leritz  
Fargo, ND  
Computer Information  
Systems

Pickar, Justin Eugene  
Wimbledon, ND  
Mass Communications

Quam, Sara Lucille  
Tolna, ND  
Mass Communications

Rasmussen, Jason Andrew  
Moorhead, MN  
Marketing, Business  
Administration

Ratigan, Kristin Elisabeth  
Moorhead, MN  
Social Studies; Women's  
Studies, Scandinavian Studies

Renner, Lisa Dawn  
Glyndon, MN  
Special Education

Ringsaker, Jolynn Nicholle  
Rosholt, SD  
English; Spanish, Mass  
Communications  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Ringwelski, Anita Rose  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Accounting

Ritchie, Thomas Carl  
Moorhead, MN  
Physical Education

Roers, Sarah Lynn  
Fargo, ND  
Finance

Rohlik, Rebecca Ann  
Redwood Falls, MN  
Mass Communications

Rustad, Mark Michael  
Fargo, ND  
Business Administration

Ruziska, Brenda Lynne Bassett  
Moorhead, MN  
Graphic Communication;  
Mass Communications

Sackett-Ragan, Rita  
Davenport, ND  
Accounting

Saito, Hiroko  
Kanagawa, Japan  
University Studies

Saukkola, Amy Michele  
Kimball, MN  
Business Administration;  
Mathematics  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Sayler, Jason Lee  
Herreid, SD  
Accounting

Sayler, Stacy L.  
Bismarck, ND  
Special Education  
CUM LAUDE

Schnathorst, Sara M.  
East Grand Forks, MN  
Physical Education

Schneeberger, Vikki Jean  
Moorhead, MN  
Special Education, Elementary  
Education

Schoenbeck, Staci Ann  
Apple Valley, MN  
Mathematics

Schuster, Lori Jane  
Woodbury, MN  
Mass Communications

Seifert, Cory Alan  
Graceville, MN  
Finance

Shablo, Michelle Robin  
Moorhead, MN  
Special Education  
CUM LAUDE

Sharma, Sudesh  
Kathmandu, Nepal  
Computer Information  
Systems

Sheldon, Sara Christine  
Westport, SD  
Mass Communications;  
Women's Studies  
CUM LAUDE

Singsaas, Toby Leigh  
Erhard, MN  
Finance

Skatvold, Andrew Michael  
Moorhead, MN  
Mass Communications

Skoglund, Crystal Lynn  
Parkers Prairie, MN  
Health Education

Skulstad, Scott Christian  
Granite Falls, MN  
Computer Information  
Systems;  
Business Administration

Smith, Jason Patrick  
Perham, MN  
Elementary Education  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Sowitch, Bryce Walker  
Fargo, ND  
Finance

Sperle, Rachelle Marie  
Napoleon, ND  
Elementary Education

Stafford, Bonnie J.  
Moorhead, MN  
Social Studies, History  
CUM LAUDE

Staines, Christopher Jay  
Litchfield, MN  
Industrial Technology

Starkweather, Mark Alan  
Moorhead, MN  
Elementary Education

Stevenson, Jennifer Lee  
Devils Lake, ND  
Business Administration

Stolz, Stacy Lynn  
Mitchell, SD  
Elementary Education  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Swanson, Kari Joy  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Speech/Language/Hearing  
Sciences

Ta, Peng Yen  
Fergus Falls, MN  
Accounting

Tapio, Nickolas John  
Hutchinson, MN  
Business Administration

Timmerman, Janelle Rae  
New Richland, MN  
Special Education

VanHeel, Daniel A.  
Wendell, MN  
Finance

Vigen, Cory Bryant  
Grand Forks, ND  
Industrial Technology  
CUM LAUDE

Wagner, Robert Scott  
West Fargo, ND  
Social Studies

Wall, Scott Roger  
Clements, MN  
Computer Information  
Systems

Wallin, Annette Kimberly  
Frazee, MN  
Graphic Communication

Wardner, Brant Jay  
Dickinson, ND  
English

Weber, Melissa Susan  
Moorhead, MN  
Mass Communications

Weets, Rebecca Colette  
Murdock, MN  
English  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Weinzierl, Brandy Lynne  
Moorhead, MN  
Finance

Weisgram, Brent Michael  
West Fargo, ND  
Elementary Education  
CUM LAUDE

Wekseth, Amber Lynn  
Grand Forks, ND  
International Business

West, Angela Kay  
Thompson, ND  
Elementary Education  
CUM LAUDE

Wilder, Derek L.  
Apple Valley, MN  
Finance  
CUM LAUDE

Wiley, Keri Marie  
Eden Prairie, MN  
Elementary Education

Wills, Nicole Renae  
Fargo, ND  
Physical Education  
CUM LAUDE

Wimpfheimer, Cheri Lynn  
Warren, MN  
Finance; Mathematics

Wipf, Cornelius J.  
Hawley, MN  
Elementary Education  
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Wojtalewicz, Matthew Jon  
Moorhead, MN  
Accounting  
CUM LAUDE

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Lake Benton, MN  
Business Administration

Yackley, Todd Douglas  
Moorhead, MN  
Elementary Education

Yost, Ryan Patrick  
Ulen, MN  
Accounting

Young, Elizabeth Anita  
Lake Park, MN  
Elementary Education

Yurrick, Lea R.  
Deer River, MN  
Mass Communications

Zaiser, Catherine Bishop  
Fargo, ND  
University Studies  
MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Zosel, Joshua Robert  
Fargo, ND  
Social Studies

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Cohrs, Virginia A.  
Alexandria, MN  
Nursing

Gerber, Barbara Ann  
Alexandria, MN  
Nursing

Grover, Samantha Ann  
Moorhead, MN  
Nursing

Hanley, Mary Jo Gulland  
Arvilla, ND  
Nursing

Thom, Rebecca Jean  
Alexandria, MN  
Nursing

Waloch, Stephanie Hayen  
Forman, ND  
Nursing  
CUM LAUDE

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Bock, Shannon K.  
Fargo, ND  
Social Work

Burnside, Gail Susan  
Gladstone, ND  
Social Work

Carey, Jennifer Liane  
Shoreview, MN  
Social Work

Cowley, Carissa Kay  
Williston, ND  
Social Work, Criminal Justice

Dotseth, Stephanie Joy  
Plymouth, MN  
Social Work

Ellefson, Karen Lynn  
Wahpeton, ND  
Social Work

Emery, Becky Lee  
Aberdeen, SD  
Social Work

Fitzsimonds, Betty Ann  
Valley City, ND  
Social Work

Fondrick, Patricia Catherine  
Moorhead, MN  
Social Work

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Social Work

Gabbert, Lori Michele  
Fargo, ND  
Social Work; Psychology

Gedrose, Melissa Dawn  
Wahpeton, ND  
Social Work

Gensrich, Melanie Jean  
Northwood, ND  
Social Work; Psychology

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Moorhead, MN  
Social Work

Goodall, John L.  
Douglas, ND  
Social Work, Criminal Justice

Hanson, Glenna Settingsgard  
Grand Forks, ND  
Social Work  
CUM LAUDE

Hanson, Linda M.  
Moorhead, MN  
Social Work

Hillman, Bradley Jon  
Warren, MN  
Social Work

Jennissen, Paula Ann  
Staples, MN  
Social Work

Klockmann, Michele Lynn  
Enderlin, ND  
Social Work

Kunza, Karla Kay  
Perham, MN  
Social Work

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Fargo, ND  
Social Work

Long, Angela B.  
Detroit Lakes, MN  
Social Work; American Indian  
Studies

Meier, Jennifer Marie  
Mott, ND  
Social Work

Meyer, Michelle Dawn  
Fargo, ND  
Social Work

Middleton, Ashley Patricia  
Ashland, WI  
Social Work; Gerontology

Monson, Rachelle Faye  
Bismarck, ND  
Social Work

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Social Work

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Social Work

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Salol, MN  
Social Work, Psychology

Reisenauer, Tracy Marie  
Belfield, ND  
Social Work

Schmaltz, Eric Paul  
Moorhead, MN  
Social Work

Schmitt, Korene Ann  
Fargo, ND  
Social Work

Swanholm, Laura Jean  
Fargo, ND  
Social Work; Psychology

Tembreull, Jill Kristen  
St. Cloud, MN  
Social Work

Terlecky, Kathleen Marie  
Moorhead, MN  
Social Work

Welke, Tina Janel  
Huron, SD  
Social Work

Zima, Mechelle Ann  
Waubun, MN  
Social Work

#### MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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Fargo, ND  
Business Administration

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Fargo, ND  
Special Education

Flaherty, Erin P.  
North Mankato, MN  
Speech-Language Pathology

Grimsrud, Koni K.  
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Speech-Language Pathology

Harvey, Donna L.  
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada  
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Kovash, Jeremy Neil  
Perham, MN  
Educational Administration

Parent, Daniel Wayne  
McIntosh, MN  
Educational Administration

Rockstad, Catherine Laura  
Moorhead, MN  
Elementary Education

Selberg, Cathy L.  
Fargo, ND  
Elementary Education

Shiers, Ali Walkingshaw  
Moorhead, MN  
Special Education

Stotts, Rachel L.  
Greenbush, MN  
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Tight, Deborah Ann  
Fargo, ND  
Public & Human Services  
Administration

Thomsen, Robin Lynn  
Tyler, MN  
Counseling & Student Affairs

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Schnaidt, Peter  
Wahpeton, ND  
School Psychology



### The University Mace

As the official symbol of the university's power and authority, this staff is carried in academic processions by the university president or his designee. Lyle Laske, Associate Professor Emeritus of Art at Moorhead State University, crafted the staff for the university in memory of his colleague and friend, Dr. Roy Boe, who served as an Associate Professor of Art from 1967 to his death in 1976. The staff is sculpted from Brazilian rosewood rubbed and polished to a deep luster. Its tips are cast in bronze and gold plated. The top piece on the staff, also in rosewood, is shaped in a universal form which symbolizes the medieval northern world. The staff rests in a base that is a solid, circular piece of rosewood.

The staff was presented to then President Roland Dille in 1978. This year, the staff bearer is Derald Rothmann, Professor of Mathematics.

### The Presidential Medallion

The Presidential Medallion serves as a sign of the educational mission of Moorhead State University. The President's commitment to the university's purposes is renewed in each solemn academic function, when it is appropriate to wear the medallion and be recharged by its symbols.

The medallion presented to Roland Barden upon his inauguration was designed and cast in bronze by P. Richard Szeitz, a faculty member in the MSU art department from 1966 to 1994.

The seal's Latin inscription translates to "Striving for excellence, stimulating toward the very best." The design incorporates images of the seven liberal arts, representing the disciplines of learning in the modern university. Originally, those disciplines were divided into the trivium (logic, grammar, rhetoric) and the quadrivium (astronomy, arithmetic, geometry and harmony).

On the medallion, logic is symbolized by a "scholar laureate", who holds a flowering branch representing the intrinsic logic of nature. Grammar is represented by a book, quill, and inkwell, the traditional instruments of creating and holding literary works. Rhetoric is symbolized by a speaker holding a scroll of Cicero, the classical orator. The communication arts, from traditional to high technology, as well as the social sciences, also fall within this discipline.

Astronomy is represented by the nine planets of the solar system, with Earth, its moon and Saturn distinguishable from the other planets. A primitive abacus represents arithmetic; contemporary applications include accounting, statistics-based economics and business. The path of a projectile and its graphic representation, with appropriate analytic formulas, symbolizes the physical sciences. Space explorations are rooted in the formulas; images of high and low trajectories refer to the challenge of education selecting its aim. Harmony is placed at the center of the temple of learning, symbolized by columns. Each of the arts and humanities is challenged to invoke both harmony and dynamics, to discover truth and create beauty in our lives.

### Faculty Members Retiring After Fall 1998:

Timothy Y.C. Choy, Professor of Speech/Assistant to the President  
Dennis Mathiason, Professor of Chemistry



### Academic Honors

Students who complete at least 96 credits at Moorhead State University as candidates for baccalaureate degrees may graduate with the following honors:

CUM LAUDE—representing a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or better

MAGNA CUM LAUDE—representing a cumulative grade point average of 3.60 or better

SUMMA CUM LAUDE—representing a cumulative grade point average of 3.80 or better

Such honors are computed only from the cumulative grade point average earned at Moorhead State University. Wearers of the red and white cord are Summa Cum Laude graduates.

### Academic Attire

The caps and gowns worn at formal academic events in American colleges are the direct descendants of the everyday costumes worn in the universities of Medieval England when each school had its peculiar dress so that an Oxford student could be distinguished from a Cambridge student, or a divinity student from a layman. Because of the tremendous growth of American colleges, and the confusion that would result if each were to adopt a distinctive costume, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume was organized. The Bureau has established a uniform code that over 700 institutions have adopted.

There are three types of gowns and three types of hoods for bachelors, masters, and doctors. The bachelors' gown has a long pointed sleeve whereas the masters' gown has a long closed sleeve, square at the end. The doctors' gown is characterized by a voluminous bell-shaped sleeve with three velvet bars. The colors of the bars are usually the colors of the faculty which granted the degree, but may be black.

The hoods for all degrees are lined with silk in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree and have an edging or trim of velvet, the color of which indicates the academic discipline or faculty to which the degree pertains. The lining is exposed when the hood is worn. The bachelors' hood is not worn by candidates for the baccalaureate degree but only by those upon whom this degree has been previously conferred. The masters' hood is considerably longer, has a wider velvet edging, and exposes more of the lining. The doctors' hood has wide panels at the side and is easily recognized since, of the three types of hoods, it has the widest velvet edging, greatest length, and fullest exposure of the lining.

The black mortarboard cap with tassel is worn with each type of gown. Those holding a doctor's degree are privileged to wear a gold tassel. Masters and bachelors wear tassels that are either black or of the color appropriate to the academic discipline in which they are being graduated.

Some of the colors which may be observed at this commencement and which symbolize various faculties are as follows:

- Arts and Letters ..... White
- Business Administration ... Brown
- Education ..... Light Blue
- Humanities ..... Scarlet
- Law ..... Purple
- Music ..... Pink
- Philosophy ..... Blue
- Science ..... Golden Yellow
- Social Work ..... Citron



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The Moorhead State University banners feature the founder and the nine presidents of this institution from its founding as Moorhead Normal School to the present Moorhead State University.

The banners were designed by Ms. Jody Bendel, Graphic Arts Specialist, and produced by the AV-TV Services Department at Moorhead State University.



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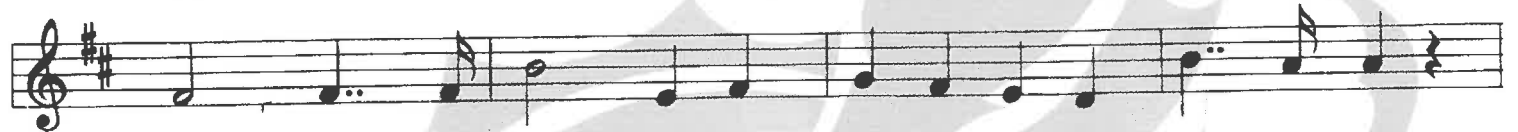
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rev. Lois Selberg

Charles Gounod  
arr. Charles Ruzicka  
calligraphy, Mark Hatlen



Where flows the ri - ver through prai - ries to the fro - zen North,



Seek - ers of truth built a place of light and li - ber - ty



That from its por - tals their sons and daugh - ters might go forth,



Through - out the na - tion till the truth be spread that sets us free.



Hail, hail, Moor-head State to Thee. With love and loy - al - ty



We pass the torch from the past to the fu - ture bright.



Hail, hail, Al - ma Ma - ter Answ' - ring e - ver to our coun - try's call,



E - ver chang - ing, e - ver con - stant, e - ver true, our Al - ma Ma - ter.