Spring Commencement
May 21, 2011 • Jack Stephens Center

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK
The Order of Exercises
Jack Stephens Center • May 21, 2011
Chancellor Joel E. Anderson, Presiding

Academic Processional
Crown Imperial .................................................................Sir William Walton
Pomp and Circumstance ......................................................Sir Edward Elgar
Trumpet Voluntary ..........................................................Henry Purcell

The National Anthem
University Concert Choir ..............................................Dr. Bevan Keating, Conductor

Featured Music
Irish Blessing ........................................................................Ross C. Bernhardt
University Concert Choir ..................................................Dr. Bevan Keating, Conductor

Greetings
B. Alan Sugg, President, University of Arkansas System
Dean Kumpuris, Chair, UALR Board of Visitors
Jane Rogers, Secretary, University of Arkansas System Board of Trustees

Honorary Degrees
Dr. Anderson

Presenting of Degree Candidates
David O. Belcher, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees
Dr. Anderson

Presenting of Diplomas
Dr. Belcher

UALR Alma Mater
UALR Spirit ..........................................................................Robert Boury and John Gray
University Concert Choir ..................................................Dr. Bevan Keating, Conductor

Academic Recessional
Radetzky March ....................................................................Johann Strauss

Sign Language Interpretation for the 9:30 a.m. ceremony by Ray James and Jami Hollingsworth;
3 p.m. ceremony by Katie Baker and Betsy Domingue.

Student introductions for 9:30 a.m. ceremony by Christian O’Neal, Executive Director, UALR Alumni Association
3 p.m. ceremony introductions by Brad Patterson, Director, Testing Services and Student Life Research
Honorary degrees will be awarded during the 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. ceremonies.
Faculty Marshals

Grand Marshal
Andrew Eshleman

Head Marshal
Jim Fulmer

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Ann Clemmer
Charles Law

College of Business
David Dearman
John Hendon

College of Education
John Burgin
Jason Kushner

George W. Donaghey
College of Engineering and Information Technology
Swaminatham Midturi
Wenle Zhang

Graduate School
Steven Jennings
Amanda Nolen
Daniel Sweeney
Carolyn Turturro

College of Professional Studies
Sonny Rhodes
Lillian Wichinsky

College of Science and Mathematics
John M. Bush
Carl R. Stapleton

Student Marshals
These students were selected for their exceptional contributions to UALR. They have demonstrated academic excellence, leadership within the university or in a profession, and service to the university or to the community through a UALR sponsored project.

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Suzanne Garcia
Rohn Muse
Bryant Phelan

College of Business
Stephen Burks
Patricia Day
Thomas J. Thompson

College of Education
Stephen Allen
Dorothy Armstrong
Angelika Stout

George W. Donaghey
College of Engineering and Information Technology
Randall Busby
Nathan Crabtree
Charles Shank

College of Professional Studies
Teresa Rausch
Jim Stallings
Rhonda Troillet

College of Science and Mathematics
Richard Connor
Heather Pittman
Tricia Quarles

Retiring Faculty

Charles D. Chastain, Professor of Criminal Justice
Huey Crisp, Instructor of Rhetoric and Writing
Larry Dickerson, Professor of Counseling, Adult, and Rehabilitation Education
Mary Good, Dean of the George W. Donaghey College of Engineering and Information Technology
Jimie Kusel, Professor of Accounting
Ragan Burt Madden, Associate Professor of Management

Daniel B. McCallum, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Statistics
Linda Musun, Professor of Psychology
James H. Peck, Professor of Biology
Judyth A. Swingen, Professor of Accounting
C. Fred Williams, Professor of History
Leroy T. Williams, Associate Professor of History
Nancy Wood, Instructor of Reading
Joseph Francisco

The University of Arkansas Board of Trustees and UALR Chancellor Joel E. Anderson are pleased to award an honorary doctorate of science at today’s commencement. The recipient of this award has a distinguished professional career in chemistry education.

Dr. Joseph Francisco is the 2010 president of the American Chemical Society.

Before his appointment to the ACS, Dr. Francisco had an active career in chemical education. In 1983 he received a Ph.D. in chemical physics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and then spent two years as a Research Fellow at Cambridge University in England. He later returned to MIT as a Provost Postdoctoral Fellow. In 1986, he was appointed assistant professor at Wayne State University, and in 1995 he was appointed professor of chemistry and earth & atmospheric sciences at Purdue University. Dr. Francisco was the recipient of the Purdue University McCoy Award, the highest research award given to a faculty member for significant research contribution.

An expert in chemistry, Dr. Francisco co-authored the textbook Chemical Kinetics and Dynamics and also published more than 400 peer-reviewed publications in the fields of atmospheric chemistry, chemical kinetics, quantum chemistry, laser photochemistry and spectroscopy.

Dr. Francisco currently serves on the board of directors for the Council for Chemical Research, on the executive board of the Council of Scientific Society Presidents, and on the board of directors for the American Chemical Society.

Francisco graduated from the University of Texas with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. He is also an accomplished singer who performed with the Boston Symphony Orchestra from 1980 to 1983.

Cheryl Chapman

The University of Arkansas Board of Trustees and UALR Chancellor Joel E. Anderson are pleased to award an honorary doctorate of humane letters at today’s commencement. The recipient of this award has a distinguished professional career in philanthropic work and the humanities.

Cheryl Chapman recently retired after 36 years of service at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. She was the founding director of Children International.

During her time as director, she helped raise more than $17 million to support programs for underserved children and to establish the only school-based dental clinic in Arkansas, the Future Smiles Dental Clinic. Chapman worked with CI to assist more than 16,000 students in the Little Rock Public Schools by providing them with educational programs, dental care, and family assistance.

Before serving as Director of CI, she was assistant dean for student services for the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at UALR. She was also an instructor in the Rhetoric and Writing Department and co-director of UALR Student Literacy Corps.

Chapman was appointed by Arkansas Gov. Mike Beebe to the Arkansas Service Commission and also serves on the board of New Futures for Youth, UAMS Head Start, and the Leadership of the Greater Little Rock/Chamber of Commerce. She currently serves as adjunct faculty in the UALR Department of English and as a consultant for local and national nonprofit organizations.

Chapman received a master of arts degree in technical and expository writing and a bachelor of arts degree in English from UALR.

She and her husband Wayne have two children and four grandchildren.

Suzanne Garcia is this year’s winner of the Edward Lynn Whitbeck Memorial Award, presented each spring to the outstanding senior at UALR.

Suzanne receives a bachelor of arts degree in English with a minor in creative writing this spring. A Donaghey Scholar, she is also the recipient of the Benjamin Gilman Scholarship for study abroad. She has been on the Dean’s List and Chancellor’s List, maintaining a 4.0 grade point average at UALR. Suzanne is co-editor of Equinox, vice president of the Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society, and served as co-chair and student representative to the Donaghey Scholars Program Council. She has also volunteered at the Bryant Animal Control Shelter for the past three years.

The UALR Faculty Senate Honors and Awards Committee makes the annual selection of the outstanding senior based on the criteria of citizenship, scholarship, and leadership. The Whitbeck Memorial Award is the single greatest distinction which the university can bestow on a graduating student.

Frank L. and Beverly Whitbeck established the award in memory of their son, Edward Lynn Whitbeck, who was a senior at Little Rock University, the predecessor of UALR, at the time of his death in 1965.

The name of each new Whitbeck Scholar is affixed to an engraved plaque on permanent display in The Donaghey Student Center. Each scholar receives a personalized plaque and a monetary award. The Whitbeck Scholar wears a silver robe and medallion during the spring commencement ceremony and leads the graduating students during the academic processional.
Since its beginning in 1984, the Donaghey Scholars Program has matured into a distinctive and distinguished honors program. The program, has approximately 100 students on campus, fosters intimacy and a genuine sense of community. The comprehensive and highly structured curriculum is also distinctive: it features interdisciplinary team-taught, seminar-format courses that replace the university’s general education core. These courses emphasize primary texts, critical thinking, active debate, and writing. Students benefit from study abroad to help them develop competence in a foreign language. Graduating scholars are prepared as "generalists" ready to contribute to their fields and to society.

The program’s faculty come from across campus and are distinguished for their scholarly and creative productivity and the spirit they bring to the Scholars classroom. Donaghey Scholars represent a diverse mix of backgrounds, abilities, and interests, and include nontraditional and international students. Upon graduation, many enter directly into successful careers and many others continue to thrive at graduate and professional schools such as Harvard, Yale, Oxford, Vanderbilt, Stanford, Cornell, Syracuse, Georgetown, UALR, and other prestigious universities. Several have earned distinctions such as Goldwater Scholar, Fulbright Scholar, Mellon Fellow, National Science Foundation Fellow, Truman Scholar, Mitchell Scholar, and Rhodes Scholar, and have won Rotary scholarships. More than 90 percent of scholars who apply for medical school are admitted. We are proud of this year’s Donaghey Scholars graduates and all Scholars for their commitment to intellectual achievement and personal growth.

Spring 2011 Donaghey Scholar Graduates and Majors

Shariq Ali, Chemistry
Robert Bruno, English
Sarah Marie Cook, Political Science and Spanish
Jessica Fawley, Liberal Arts
Brenda Marie Gannon, Mathematics, Chemistry and Spanish
Suzanne Garcia, English
Ronnie Garner, History
Sophia Camille Johnson King, Biology and Spanish
Sana Mohsin, Biology and Spanish
Shuja Ansari Rayaz, Physics
John Stout, English
Ranaa Tasneem, Biology
Ginna Funk Wallace, Spanish and International Studies

Spring 2011 Candidates
Undergraduate Honors

To graduate Summa Cum Laude, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.90.

To graduate Magna Cum Laude, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.70.

To graduate Cum Laude, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50.

To graduate with an associate degree with Honors, a student must have earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.70 and not have completed more than 83 credit hours.
Honor Organizations

Honor organizations are among the many ways that UALR recognizes academic excellence and achievement.

Alpha Delta Sigma Advertising
Alpha Epsilon Delta Pre-medical & Pre-dental (wearing the purple and gold honor stole)
Alpha Epsilon Lambda Graduate and Professional (wearing the scarlet and silver honor cords)
Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology (wearing the teal honor cords)
Alpha Phi Sigma Criminal Justice (wearing the gold honor stole)
Alpha Sigma Lambda Non-traditional (wearing the maroon and beige honor cords)
Beta Alpha Psi Accounting (wearing the crimson and black honor cords)
Beta Gamma Sigma Business Administration (wearing the blue and gold honor cords)
Golden Key National Honor Society All Academic Disciplines (wearing the blue and gold honor cords)
Information Technology Minor Honor Society (wearing the copper honor cords)
Iota Mu Political Science Honor Society (wearing the white and red medallion)
Kappa Delta Pi Education (wearing the purple and green honor cords)
Kappa Tau Alpha Journalism (wearing gold and blue honor cords)
Lambda Alpha Anthropology (wearing gold and blue honor stole)
Lambda Pi Eta Speech Communications (wearing red and white honor cords)
McNair Scholars (wearing royal blue stole)
National Broadcasting Society
Alpha Epsilon Rho Broadcasting (wearing the green and gold honor cords)
Order of Omega Greek (wearing the gold and white honor cords)
Phi Alpha Theta History (wearing the madonna red and blue honor cords)
Phi Delta Phi French Honor Society (wearing the blue, white and red cords)
Phi Kappa Phi All Academic Disciplines (wearing the gold and white medallion)
Pi Alpha Alpha Public Administration (wearing the gold medallion)
Pi Mu Epsilon Mathematical Sciences Honor Society (wearing purple, lilac and gold cords)
Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science (wearing the white and red medallion)
Psi Chi Psychology (wearing the gold honor cords)
Sigma Alpha Lambda (wearing blue and gray honor cords)
Sigma Delta Pi Spanish (wearing the red and gold honor cords)
St. Vincent Scholars Nursing (wearing the red stole)
Sigma Lambda Chi Construction (wearing the green and gold honor cords and grey honor stole)
Sigma Iota Rho International Studies Honor Society (wearing the white and blue stole and pin)
Sigma Pi Sigma Physics (wearing the green and ivory stole)
Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society (wearing the red and black honor cords and red stole)
Tau Alpha Pi Engineering (wearing the bronze medallion)
Willard & Pat Walker Nursing Scholars Nursing (wearing the purple stole)
William G. Cooper, Jr. English Honors Program (wearing the blue and white honor cords)
Chancellor's Medallion
During UALR's graduation, a silver chain and medallion bearing the UALR official seal and the name and dates of service of each past Chancellor are worn by Chancellor Joel E. Anderson, who represents the entire university. He convenes the ceremony and is its chief presider. UALR has historic medallions in its past, including work designed by Aaron Hussey, a UALR graduate student in sculpture, working with Michael Warrick, professor of Art. The current silver chain and medallion were provided with support from Pepsi Americas.

The Mace
One of the lesser known artifacts connected with commencement is the mace which today is a ceremonial device, borne with great dignity into commencement halls, signifying that those who follow are persons of authority and achievement. The mace, carried by the Grand Marshal, was designed and hand-crafted in purple heart, mulberry, and bronze by artist Jack R. Slentz while he was a graduate teaching assistant in sculpture, working under the supervision of Michael Warrick.

Banners
Colorful banners and standards have long marked significant assemblies—armies, churches, and powerful families. During UALR's commencement, you will see a colorful banner carried into the hall at the head of each college group.

Marshals
The leader of the academic procession is the Grand Marshal who carries the mace in the port arms position as he enters the hall. At UALR, the Grand Marshal is the president of the UALR Assembly—the university faculty's governing body for academic issues. Today's Grand Marshal is Andrew Eshleman. You will also see faculty and student marshals who have been selected to lead groups of candidates for graduation to their seating in the hall.

Music
The sequence of the musical program today with featured music, processionals, and recessionals is traditional. The music for the UALR Alma Mater was composed by Dr. Robert Boury, professor of music, with lyrics written by Dr. John Gray, professor emeritus and former dean of the UALR College of Professional Studies.

The Dais Party
The last retinue to enter the commencement hall will be seated on the dais, where much of the ceremony will be conducted. The dais party includes the Chancellor, Provost, Vice Chancellors, Deans, other university officials and guests, and representatives of the UALR Board of Visitors, University of Arkansas System, and UA Board of Trustees.

Academic Regalia
The tradition of distinctive academic attire originated in Europe in the 12th century. A black scholar's gown and black square hat, known as the mortarboard, are almost universally used in the U.S. for holders of the bachelor's degree. Some universities authorize robes of different colors for holders of doctoral degrees, who have three velvet stripes on the sleeves of their robes and wear colorful hoods that extend down their backs. Those with master's degrees wear robes with closed sleeves and arms extended through slits in the body of the gown. Master's hoods are slightly shorter than those worn by doctoral degree holders. Candidates for the bachelor and graduate degrees wear tassels of a color associated with their college. Doctoral candidates, as well as those who hold doctoral degrees, wear gold tassels. Tassel colors for UALR colleges include white for Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences; drab for Business; light blue for Education; orange for Engineering and Information Technology; maroon for Professional Studies; maize for Science and Mathematics; and purple for the School of Law.

UALR Variations
UALR has made few changes in commencement since 1928, when the school, then known as Little Rock Junior College, awarded degrees to its first 12 graduates. The color of the caps and gowns was initially black, then a bright magenta-maroon shade, and then back to black.
Al-Mousawi, Howraa
BS, MS, University of Baghdad, Iraq
PhD, Applied Science with Emphasis in Computational Science, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Dr. Hassan Elsalloukh
“The Multivariate Epsilon-Skew Laplace Distribution”

Boaz, Paula Haile
BA, Southern Arkansas University
MS, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
EdD, Higher Education
Dr. T. Gregory Barrett
“Perceptions of Nonclinical Competencies as an Organizational Response: Exploring the influence of institutional and task environments, organizational factors and interorganizational relationships on educators’ and employers’ perceptions of nonclinical competencies in newly graduated speech-language pathologists”

Carder, Casey
BA, Hendrix College; JD, Bowen School of Law, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
MPS, Clinton School of Public Service
EdD, Educational Administration and Supervision
Dr. Angela M. Sewall
“Assessing the Legal Literacy of Arkansas Public School Assistant Principals”

Hurst, William B.
BA, MacMurray College
MS, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
PhD, Integrated Computing with an Emphasis in Computer Science
Dr. Kenji Yoshigoe
“Modeling and Simulation of HPC Systems Through Job Scheduling Analysis”

Jeffcoat, Harold
BSE, MEd, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
EdD, Educational Administration and Supervision
Dr. Ibrahim Duyer
“Socio-Economic Status and Literacy: The Effects of the Home Literacy Environment among Students Raised in Poverty”

Mahmood, Meena
BDS, University of Baghdad, Iraq
PhD, Applied Science with Emphasis in Applied Biosciences, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Dr. Alexandru S. Biris
“Biological Effects of Functional Nanomaterials and Their Application in Medicine and Tissue Engineering”

Nelson, Eric Derrand
BA, MS, MS, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
PhD, Integrated Computing with an Emphasis in Information Quality
Dr. John Talburt
“A General Purpose, Open-Source Entity Resolution Engine Supporting Identity Management and Asserted Equivalence”

Oden, Lisa M.
BS, MS, Southern Arkansas University
EdD, Higher Education
Dr. Jim Vander Putten
“Factors Affecting Persistence of Non-Traditional Students Enrolled in Two-Year Colleges”

Robinson, Maurecia Lee
BS, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
MSE, Henderson State University
EdD, Educational Administration and Supervision
Dr. Elizabeth Vaughn-Neely
“The Difference Between the Articulation of Globalization based upon Global Education Implementation as Measured by Global Competence of Secondary Principals in the United States”

Saini, Upsana Tomar
BS, MS, Kurukshetra University
PhD, Bioinformatics
Dr. Tucker Patterson
“A Bioinformatics Approach for Evaluating Gene Expression in Multiple Brain Regions of Male and Female Rats”

Saini, Viney
BS, MS, Kurukshetra University
PhD, Applied Science with Emphasis in Applied Biosciences
Dr. Alexandru S. Biris
“Study of Novel Materials for Organic Photovoltaics and Organic/Inorganic Hybrid Solar Cells”

Snider, Dallas
BA, Hendrix College;
MS, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
PhD, Integrated Computing with an Emphasis in Information Science
Dr. Xiaowei Xu
“Knowledge Discovery in Fetal Activity Data”

Vairavan, Srinivasan
BE, University of Madras, India
MS, Multimedia University, Malaysia
PhD, Applied Science with Emphasis in Engineering Science & Systems
Dr. Keith Hudson
“An Objective Assessment of Fetal Neurological Maturation Based on the Co-Variation of Brain and Heart-Rate Patterns”
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Graduate School
Patrick J. Pellicane, Dean

Doctor of Education
Paula H. Boaz
Marie Antoinette Boone
Casey L. Carder
Duane Edward Doyle
Harold Manuel Jeffcoat
Matthew Risley Lyon
Taniesa DeShurn Martin
Lydia McDonald
Michael Wayne Nellums
Lisa M. Oden
Ericka Nannette O’Neal-McCarroll
Adrienne Marie Robinson
Maurecia L. Robinson

Kevin Patrick Quinn
Anna Laura Rakes
Jason Lloyd Rutherford
Justin Greer Sangster
Elizabeth Anne Sellers
Gretchen Belinda Skinner
Tiffany Lynnette Smith
Sandra K. Stoudamire
Milous Temple, Jr.
Cinthya Carolina Tumlison
Eileen Leila Turan
Benjamin Joseph Waldrum
Patricia L. Walker
Emily Mackenzie Wood

Lashona Danyell Crater
Lesley Anne Dancer
Monica E. Davis
Dana Christine Dickinson-Langhammer
Annick C. Downing*
Robert A. Dunaway
Kelly Ann Dunn
Antanesha Monique Dyer
Travis Vincent Eibel*
Phyllis Anita Fields
Kimberly June Fonville
LaRhonda Michelle Fulcher*
Stephanie Carol Garner
Sarah B. Garrison
Tamara T. Gatewood-Williams
Nicole M. Givens
Tamika N. Gore*
Dale E. Gray
Ganelle Holman Grimm
Lauren E. Guthrie
Stephanie Renee Hall
Barbara Denise Hamilton
Deborah C. Hayes
Julie Elizabeth Henry
Cynthia Ann Holleman
Robert Ross Hotchkiss
Danielle Kay Howard*
Keesha R. Johnson
Norma J. Johnson*
Tonya D. Jones
Tiffany Nicole Withers Leeper
Stacey Lynn Lorenz
Tiffany Marie Mabie
Megan Mackey
Mica Manning
Erin S. Mayo
Lindsay Woods McElderry
Mary Lin McNeill
Julia S. Mize
Susan Renee Morgan
Kristen Patricia Nichols
Miriam Solomon Parrish
Edward H. Passini
Whitney M. Patterson
Melissa Shay Paulson
Shanie Marie Perez
Sara Ann Porterfield
Candice Ashley Richardson

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Master of Arts
Justin Thomas Anders
James A. Arrowood
Aaron David Baker
Michele Hernandez Barrows
Caleb Ben Baumgardner
Mary Bennett Baxley
Lauren Ashley Beam
Paul Montgomery Bennett
Tamisha Michelle Cheatham*
Shannon Marie Clowney
Adrea Etta Coley
Rhonda Michelle Conner*
Leslie Marie Creed
Veronica Louise Davis
Robyn Irene DeWall
Sheila Kay Dodson
Janet E. Lester Dotson
Johnny D. Gilbert, Jr.
Stacy Marie Harter
Alyssa Hepburn
Mary Katherine Lamb
Nathan G. Larson
Shuwen Li
Marion Elizabeth Monroe
Timothy B. Muren
Rohr Muse
Rebecca N. Norris
Jennifer Crafton Parette*
Mia Danielle Maria Phillips

College of Education
Educational Specialist
Tracy Fendley Criss
Lorine C. Diggins
Christopher Flint Fears
Nathalie Anne Massanelli*

Master of Education
Lisa Berry Alexander
Adria Lavern Allen
Karla Sue Allen
Dorothy J. Armstrong
Michael Craig Armstrong
Shelby Austin Baker
Devine Elizabeth Barry
Janet C. Bayless
Lara Elizabeth Beard
Teri Lynn Bennett
Kelli Kristina Booth
Beverly A. Bowers
Alice Ann Bradberry
Helen L. Bryant
Sarah Elizabeth Campbell*
Rebecca DeLynn Carr*
Xiaohua Chen
Yin-Chu Chien
Martha Christie
Jedonne L. Clarkson
Brittany Ann Coe
Carol Lynne Collier
Janet Lynn Conley
Sean William Conrad

* Summer 2011 Candidates
Eddie Ryan Roberts
Kenya K. Robinson
Louisa E. Rook
Nicole L. Sample
Bridget Sanders
Heather Michelle Sanders
Jason Scoggins
LaToya Shivonne Scruggs
Crystal Nicole Snider
Amy Allison Storey
June Alexis Straw
Lawanda Michelle Talley
David L. Tenner*
Rachel Ann Thiele
Toni A. Thrash
Heather Nicole Turnbow
Jennifer Ann Ushery
Leigh-Alyson Walters
Stasha Renee Whitfield
Jennifer Lynn Williams
Kinsey Williams

Master of Arts
Chaketa L. Alexander
Stephen B. Allen
Cynthia Milstead Anzek
Jean Renee Barlow
Niva W. Battles
Reginald A. Bolton
Brittney Nicole Briggs
Kola Lanette Brown
Casey Brynn Carter
Blair Wiggins Chance
Tarissa T. Correll
Marneka Shannelle Creggett
Ellery Currie
Delisha L. Ford
Andrea N. Goldmon
Edward Gonzales
April Remon Hammond
Maggie Elizabeth Heafner
Hayley Beth Hogue
Ersellia Nicole Hubbard
Robin D. Hunt
Bernice McGowan Jackson
LaTisha Jeanine Johnson
Melissa R. Leggate*
Latasha Rochia Mays
Kia Tawana Moore
Krista Lynn Munsch
Stephanie J. Newton
Kimberly Irene O’Connell
Jacqueline Jurice Rudd
Elaine Marie Samuels
Jacqueline Jones Simms
Jami Gray Simpson
Shamika Chantile Trimble
Jennifer O’Neal Walker
Jessica B. Walker
Marinda P. Williams

Graduate Certificate
Meghan Kathleen Althafer
Karen Sue Arthur
Tammy Lee-Carlson Boyd*
Angela Brasher
Linda Ann Clark
Margaret B. Clark
Timothy Cobb
Tracy Fendley Criss
Erica Dawn Doster
Joyce Elaine Duncan
Candace Beard Eubanks
Merceditas Rebojio Felizco
Lori Beth Ferren
John L. Garland
Candice Johnson
LaTisha Jeanine Johnson
Nathalie Anne Massanelli*
Jeannie Moss
Leslie Maren Sandeen
Abigail Madeline Stone
Kristi Dawn Swafford
Caleb Christopher Tipton
Amy M. Whited

College of Professional Studies
Master of Social Work
John Marion Lambeth Anderson
Krystle D. Armstrong
Stephanie E. Avery
Vanessa M. Bethell
Linda G. Birch
Cindy A. Brown
Cherie Lavette Buckley
Teressa Dana-Ione Carter
Laura April Combs
Jennifer Linn Davenport
Nicholle Michelle Sims Dorn
Glenda Sue Eversole
Toshia Amber Fougerousse
Jennifer Lynn Franklin
Courtney Lynn Geyer
Mika E. Gill
Emily E. Glidewell
Adrienne Leigh Goodwin
Laura Leigh Gottspencer
Sherry Kay Green
Devon Burleigh Harrigill
Mandy L. Head
Ashley Dawn Holloway

Robert Irby
Sammie Turner James, Jr.
Arlene Johnson
Merideth Johnson
LaKia Lynn Jordan
Arron L. Kearney
Laura Elizabeth King
Matthew J. Kirchner
Hannah Ruth LeMay
Margaret McMenamy Lindley
Wendy Logsdon
Michael David Lowery
Donald Gregory Martin
Jennifer A. Mitchell
David Jay Namir
Kelly McQueen Newton
LaQuita S. Norris
Bambi Marie Parks
Veronica Lee Paulson
Dena Marchell Perry
Dawn Michelle Pettit
Judith M. Puckett
Teresa Dawn Rausch
Brandi Tritt Rogers
Deborah L. Romes
Robert L. Schafer
Laura Jean Schieffler
Brooke Wallace Schulz
Meagan Elizabeth Sikes
Rebecca Teddle
Jennifer King Walls
Trisha Anne Willis
Pamela Marlene Woodson

Master of Science
Tiffanye J. Compton
Scott Kenneth Hersh
Brenda Kaye Howard
Taylor Oxley
Cassandra F. Williams

Master of Public Administration
Henry Brooks, IV
Michael D. Camp
Katrina Nicole Craft
Corey Lauren Gilmore
Carolyn Therese Harder
Christine Marie Hendrickson
Kendra Rose Johnson
Jennifer Ann Long
Jessica Delora Murray
Judy Lynn Powell
Sheri Benita Thomas
Tamarha M. Walker
Avestine Ward
Jaimie D. Wright

* Summer 2011 Candidates
Master of Arts
Whitney D. Albert
Brenda Elaine Burks
Mary Busby
Courtney Dionne Dycus*
Shaun M. Gann
Stacey Michele Golleher
Erica M. Goodwin
Harper F. Grubbs
Michael A. Guanella
Tracy Nicole Guilbeau
Kristin Diane Hodges
Jennifer Denise Lewis
Angela Marie Littrell
James Charles Mathis
Jennifer Sayles Medley
Elizabeth Philpott
Andrew Stephen Pyle
Rhonda D. Troillet
Adena J. White
Derek Wingfield

Graduate Certificate
Janny S. Brewer
Cindy A. Brown
Mary Busby
Nicholle Michelle Sims Dorn

Bachelor of Fine Arts
Marisa Katherine Kirby*

Bachelor of Arts
Hadeel Abunasrah
Carrie Louise Acrey
Derenda O. Alexander
Amara Chioma Alor
Joan Marie Anderson, Summa Cum Laude
LaQuan Darnell Anderson
Emily Grace Andrews, Summa Cum Laude
Osman Omar Atiq
Susan Joyce Ballard*
John H. Barbee
Kasandra Kay Barker
Cory Lee Bates, Cum Laude
Penny Bates
Stephanie L. Beavers*
Robert W. Bell
Lindsey Ann Benton, Summa Cum Laude
Brittany N. Berry
Christopher J. Betts
Bradley T. Binns
Brigid Chepchumba Birgen
Sylvia D. Blain*
Carlin Texanna Jean Boland
Amber N. Booth
Kari Lee Boyd
Cassie Jo Bradley, Cum Laude
Rose Ann Brand
Brittany Nicole Flanery Brewer
Mark Douglas Brown, Magna Cum Laude
Robert V. Bruno, Summa Cum Laude
Justin T. Bryant
Michael B. Bumgardner
Jonathan David Burns
Eric Patrick Bursk
Trevor A. Burton
Carmen Nicole Camp, Magna Cum Laude
Morgana L. Campbell
Rebecca D. Campbell
Jaimie Marie Carden, Magna Cum Laude
Ashley Enover Carson
Angelica Casamayer
Mingte Cheng
Amanda L. Clift, Cum Laude
Jessica Lynn Cline
Sarah Marie Cook, Summa Cum Laude
Tracy Nicole Corneliou
Samuel Alex Covington
Latesha Katrice Creal-White
Pamela R. Crews
Jamie Lucille Crockett
Stephanie Lashea Cross*
Felicia Renae Culberson
Lisa Gail Davis
Tracy Lloyd Davis
Cynthia Dedner
Brittani Lashal Delone
Hilton Dewitt
Lakresha Diaz, Summa Cum Laude
Renata R. Douglas*
Vanessa J. Driggers

* Summer 2011 Candidates
Amanda Guadalupe
Jamie Leigh Gunter
Brandi Patrice Hall
Chimera C. Hampton*
Eboni F. Haney
Joseph Scott Harris
Pamela Denise Harris
**Caroline Elizabeth Head, Summa Cum Laude**
Kristen N. Henning
John Francis Herman
**Crystal Gail Herrmann, Cum Laude**
Vicki Lynn Hinkson
Christina Elizabeth Hipp
Quintoria Jean Hodges
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John M. DiPippa, Dean

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Colleen Ann Barnhill, High Honors
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Kyle Eckert Burton, High Honors
Jennifer Leigh Bush
Persephoné Dejurnett Butler
Jayme Leigh Butts-Hall
Kara L. Byars
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Theresa Darlene Carpenter
Walden Matthew Cash
Kevin Daniel Christian, High Honors
Shelli Beth Chupik*
Marilah L. Cole
Joshua Ryan Collums, High Honors
Kristin Lee Coston
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Ebony Gulley
Cara Ashley Roach Hammond
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Honors and High Honors are conferred based on the final cumulative grade point average of each student.
Those designated for Spring and Summer 2011 graduates are tentative.
An asterisk (*) indicates that the student graduated at the end of the Fall 2010 semester.
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

The University of Arkansas at Little Rock is committed to educating students to live and work in the technologically demanding 21st century workplace, while also creating partnerships that advance the community and region.

In 1927, the Little Rock Board of Education started Little Rock Junior College, where eight instructors taught 100 students in a few unused high school classrooms. The institution moved to its current location in 1949 with three buildings on an 80-acre campus.

In 1957, the university began a four-year degree program, becoming independent with its own Board of Trustees and changing its name to Little Rock University. Twelve years later, the institution became the state-supported University of Arkansas at Little Rock when it merged with the University of Arkansas System.

Today, UALR has more than 700 full and part-time faculty and 13,000 students. Our six colleges and the Bowen School of Law have 120-plus programs of study, including the state’s largest number of online courses. Students come from all over Arkansas, 43 other states, and 62 foreign countries.

The university is currently undergoing its most rapid growth in history. The new state-of-the-art Engineering and Information Technology building opened in fall 2010. Other projects under way to be completed within the next 18 months are a nanotechnology sciences center, student services center, residence hall, renovated health and wellness center, and an outdoor recreation and sports complex.

Because of our location in the state’s capital city, UALR students enjoy many opportunities for mentoring, internships, jobs, and community service.

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The UALR Foundation Board of Directors initiated the Faculty Excellence Awards to recognize outstanding performance in teaching, research or creative endeavors, and public or professional service. Colleges and schools select an honoree in each of the three categories with each honoree receiving $1,000 from the UALR Foundation.

From this group of honorees, a national panel selects the recipients of the three University Faculty Excellence Awards. The winners for Research and Public Service each receive a $5,000 award sponsored by Pepsi and Bank of America. The winner of the Ted and Virginia Bailey Excellence Award in Teaching receives a $10,000 award sponsored by The Bailey Foundation.

### Faculty Excellence Award Winners

#### Teaching

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Alumni Association Message to Graduates

The UALR Alumni Association congratulates all of our Spring 2011 graduates and welcomes you as our newest alumni. Your education and experiences here are a foundation to set you well on your way to a successful career path. It is our hope that you will maintain your ties to the university through your friends, professors, and your Alumni Association.

By graduating today, you and your fellow UALR alumni are making a positive impact on Little Rock, this state, and other communities where you decide to live, serve, and contribute your skills and talents. Your accomplishments only make this university stronger.

Your Alumni Association is here to continue serving you as the link between you and your alma mater. Because of the importance of staying connected, we keep the communication lines open about opportunities for you to remain in touch with the UALR community. Whether it’s for networking, career advancement, attending cultural or educational events, or giving back to the university that helped launch your career, the association offers something for everyone.

The association currently has 2,500 members and is rapidly growing with more members taking advantage of the unique discounts, invitations to special events, and other benefits. They also share a passion for helping current students. This year alumni gave a total of $16,000 in scholarships and awards to 16 students. Since 1992, 129 students have received a total of $225,000 in alumni scholarships.

We hope you will continue your partnership with UALR through active membership in the Alumni Association for many years to come. On behalf of all UALR alumni, I wish you sincere congratulations and success for the future. We hope to see you at an alumni event soon.

Scott Schuh ’77
President
Alumni Association President

2011 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year

John Ward

John L. Ward was an Arkansas Democrat reporter while pursuing his degree at Little Rock University. Getting a start working on Winthrop Rockefeller’s gubernatorial campaign led to Ward’s becoming Rockefeller’s public relations director from 1964 to 1971 and his campaign manager for his reelection in 1968. Years later, Ward was campaign manager for the governor’s son, Winthrop Paul Rockefeller, in his successful lieutenant governor campaign. Ward has written two books about the elder Rockefeller, “The Arkansas Rockefeller” and “Winthrop Rockefeller, Philanthropist.” Ward later became managing editor of Conway’s Log Cabin Democrat for 12 years. He founded the Institute of Politics and Government in Arkansas and was chair for several years. He also founded Toad Suck Daze and served as chair for several years before joining the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville faculty.

He was a Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation board member and served as chair for four years. He became information services director for the University of Arkansas System until 1988, when he became vice president for public affairs at UCA. For eight years he was the university’s communications director, taught journalism, and was the foundation president.

Ward later joined the University of Arkansas System administrative staff until 2005, when he was named marketing and public relations director for the Winthrop Rockefeller Center. Additionally, Ward served many years as chair of the Winthrop Rockefeller Distinguished Lectures Committee and as a director of the Oxford American.

He and his wife Betty have a daughter and son and divide their time between their farm near Bee Branch and Conway.

2011 UALR Alumni Association Presidents Award

Cindy Conger

Nationally recognized financial planner, Cynthia L. Conger, CPA, PA, has been identified by Worth magazine for a decade as one of the top practitioners in the nation including in its “Top 250 Wealth Advisors” and “100 Most Exclusive Financial Advisors” lists. She was named to Wealth Manager magazine’s “50 Distinguished Women in Wealth Management.”

The owner of Conger Wealth Management, she received a B.S. degree in accounting and an MBA from UALR. She has served on the UALR Foundation Fund Board since 2002 and the University of Arkansas System Foundation Inc. since 2004.

She served on the national board of the International Association for Financial Planning and has chaired national conferences and presented at national planning conferences. Conger has been quoted in numerous magazines, including U.S. News and World Report, Newsweek, Journal of Financial Planning, Journal of Accountancy, Financial Planning magazine, Financial Advisor magazine, Investment Advisor magazine, Worth magazine, Kiplinger’s Personal Finance magazine and USA Today.

Among a number of leadership positions, she has served on the Women’s Foundation of Arkansas board since 2005 and is currently president. She was inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma and Beta Alpha Psi, honor societies in business and accounting.
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