THE UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON

Graduate Commencement Ceremony

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Mohegan Sun Arena at Casey Plaza

The Academic Procession

Grand Marshal and Mace Bearer

Gretchen J. Van Dyke, Ph.D.

Massed Colors and Honor Guard

Marshals of the Graduates

John Deak, Ph.D.

Marian L. Farrell, Ph.D.

Michael W. Fennie, Ph.D.

Vanessa A. Jensen, Ed.D.

Nicholas B. Sizemore, Ph.D.

The Graduates

Marshal of the Faculty

Teresa A. Grettano, Ph.D.

The Faculty

The Administrative and Professional Staff

Marshal of the Medalists

Mary Elizabeth Moylan, M.L.S.

Order Pro Deo et Universitate

Marshal of the Corporation

Mark Murphy, BSEE

University Officials and Deans

Board of Trustees

President of the University

Rev. Joseph G. Marina, S.J.

Program

Processional: *Sine Nomine* . . . . . Ralph Vaughan Williams *(arr. Reed)*

Welcome . . . . . Michelle Maldonado, Ph.D.
Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Invocation . . . . . Mark Higgins, Ph.D.
Dean, Kania School of Management

The Star Spangled Banner . . . . . *arr*. Vaclav Nelhybel, H'85

Class Speaker . . . . . Samantha Rose Bobinski

Greetings from the Alumni Society . . . . . Paul DiPietrantonio '97
Alumni Society President

Conferring of the Degrees in Course

Rev. Joseph G. Marina, S.J., *President of the University*

Presentation of the Candidates

In The Panuska College of Professional Studies . . . . . Victoria H. Castellanos, Ph.D., *Dean*

In The Kania School of Management . . . . . Mark Higgins, Ph.D., *Dean*

In The College of Arts and Sciences . . . . . David J. Dzurec, Ph.D., *Interim Dean*

Distribution of Diplomas

Rev. Joseph G. Marina, S.J., *President of the University*

Remarks . . . . . Rev. Joseph G. Marina, S.J.
President of the University

Benediction . . . . . Lori A. Bruch, Ed.D.
Associate Professor, Counseling & Human Services Department

The University of Scranton Alma Mater . . . . . Edward Gannon, S.J., Kathleen Fisher, Ph.D. '80
(arr. Nelhybel, Boga)

Recessional: *March (from "Second Suite in F")* . . . . . Gustav Holst

Music provided by The University of Scranton Concert Band and Singers

As a courtesy to our graduates, we ask you to please silence all devices during the ceremony.

Panuska College of Professional Studies

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Deborah Adwoa Antwih
Nurse Anesthesia

Toni Baran
Nurse Anesthesia

William Michael Bianco
Nurse Anesthesia

Gabriel John Bigatel
Nurse Anesthesia

Graham James Bigsby
Nurse Anesthesia

Kevin Constantinescu
Nurse Anesthesia

Aaron J. Crowell
Nurse Anesthesia

Vincent C. David
Nurse Anesthesia

Kelsey Ann Davis
Nurse Anesthesia

Elijah John Emmons
Nurse Anesthesia

Rolando S. Flores, Jr.
Nurse Anesthesia

Umid Iskhakov
Nurse Anesthesia

Starr Shalae Jackson
Nurse Anesthesia

Boris Lukatskiy
Nurse Anesthesia

Raza Waqar Mian
Nurse Anesthesia

Calvin Ngo
Nurse Anesthesia

Tess Ayn Nidetch
Nurse Anesthesia

Isaac Osei-Wusu
Nurse Anesthesia

Arthur J. Price
Nursing Practice

Nelson Jose Ramos
Nurse Anesthesia

Erik L. Steffens
Nurse Anesthesia

Samantha Lina Valle
Nurse Anesthesia

Meghan Rachael Visalli
Nurse Anesthesia

Jeff Yalun
Nurse Anesthesia

Doctoral degree recipients will be hooded by Mary Jane K. DiMattio, Ph.D., R.N., Professor, Department of Nursing, and Ann Culp, DNP, CRNA, Faculty Specialist, Department of Nursing.

Doctor of Physical Therapy

John-Paolo Bacareza Barcinas
Physical Therapy

Alexander Bracken
Physical Therapy

Lauren Grace Colella
Physical Therapy

Sarah E. Coulson
Physical Therapy

Conor J. Coyle
Physical Therapy

Nicholas Daly
Physical Therapy

Benjamin P. DeTrempe
Physical Therapy

Haley M. Donoghue
Physical Therapy

Adrianna N. Duranti
Physical Therapy

Colleen E. Gaffney
Physical Therapy

Gina Marie Garatino
Physical Therapy

Shannon M. Gill
Physical Therapy

Brian W. Harrison
Physical Therapy

Jack J. Iannucci
Physical Therapy

Matthew R. Kinback
Physical Therapy

William E. Laughlin
Physical Therapy

Dylan David LeVan
Physical Therapy

Veronica Catherine Lenox
Physical Therapy

Panuska College of Professional Studies

Doctor of Physical Therapy, *continued*

Alexis Nicoletta Long
Physical Therapy

Claudia M. Mattes
Physical Therapy

Megan E. McDermott
Physical Therapy

Nicholas M. Mohr
Physical Therapy

Matthew Moran
Physical Therapy

John P. Mulligan
Physical Therapy

Andrew J. Murray
Physical Therapy

Bridget Mairead Neal
Physical Therapy

Erin N. O'Shaughnessy
Physical Therapy

Kyra Z. O'Toole
Physical Therapy

Valeria Oshepkova
Physical Therapy

Alexis G. Pagonis
Physical Therapy

Nicole Parello
Physical Therapy

Ashna B. Patel
Physical Therapy

Stefan Rudolf Pinkston
Physical Therapy

Collin D. Purdy
Physical Therapy

Michele Felice Rovaris
Physical Therapy

Pamela K. Sbarra
Physical Therapy

Brooke L. Thomson
Physical Therapy

Samiel C. Torres
Physical Therapy

Baylee H. Turetzky
Physical Therapy

Sydney M. Walters
Physical Therapy

Carley Cecelia Wiseman
Physical Therapy

Doctoral degree recipients will be hooded by Renée M. Hakim, PT, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Physical Therapy.

Master of Health Administration

Scarlet Jane Alexander
Health Administration

Prabhleen Anand
Health Administration

Danielle E. Basch
Health Administration

John Paolo S. Bigalbal
Health Administration

Samantha Rose Bobinski
Health Administration

Mary Christine Burke
Health Administration

Caroline M. Burns
Health Administration

Bethann Cancelliere
Health Administration

Cecily Rose Carlson
Health Administration

Jayson Alexander Carr
Health Informatics

Fatima Chaudhry
Health Administration

Dominic A. Dait
Health Administration

Jackson M. Danzig
Health Administration

Judith A. Deemer
Health Administration

Shaelin M. de Wit
Health Administration

Gianna Dominick
Health Administration

Lorraine Failla
Health Administration

Rutu Sanjaykumar Gandhi
Health Administration

Leela Victoria Geeter
Health Administration

Shivleen Gill
Health Administration

Alvin Givans
Health Administration

Panuska College of Professional Studies

Master of Health Administration, *continued*

Brenna Goodman
Health Administration

Chloe Kristine Guerra
Health Administration

Sasha Kalra
Health Administration

Lensa Seyoum Keno
Health Administration

Allison V. Lane
Health Administration

Patricia M. Laverty
Health Administration

Gabrielle Antoinette Manzella
Health Administration

Jair E. Martinez
Health Administration

Macy E. Matthews
Health Administration

John William McCane
Health Administration

David Duy Nguyen
Health Administration

Ibijoke J. Omotoso
Health Administration

Jacob Joseph Pasley
Health Administration

Devendra D. Patel
Health Administration

Prutha B. Patel
Health Administration

Gemma N. Pollack
Health Administration

Lavanya Roy
Health Administration

Manosky Sarrette
Global Health

Chevonne M. Schutt
Health Administration

Marcus Issac Simon
Health Informatics

Sarah E. Slusark
Health Administration

Thomas J. Steinberg
Health Administration

Shannon Stoddard
Health Administration

Christopher Joseph Talocka
Global Health

Lalitha Reddy Vidavaluru
Health Administration

Michael A. Volpe
Health Administration

Joseph John Zimak
Health Administration

Panuska College of Professional Studies

Master of Science

Gabrielle E. Allen
Occupational Therapy

Alexis Nicole Angstadt
Occupational Therapy

Michele Antal
Human Resources Management

Rosa Maria Azzato
Occupational Therapy

Kaitlyn Elizabeth Berback
Occupational Therapy

Ryann Elisabeth Betancourt
Occupational Therapy

Ashley L. Bilger
Applied Behavior Analysis

Caroline A. Brawley
Occupational Therapy

Kaitlyn M. Brown
Occupational Therapy

John Kilgallen Burke, Jr.
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Christelle Maria Candelario
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Audrey B. Cardone
Occupational Therapy

Catherine A. Casola
Occupational Therapy

Maria Cinti
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Grace Margaret Clark
Occupational Therapy

Kelly Ann Clarke
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Justin Gerard T. Co
Health Informatics

Kayla S. Creagh
Occupational Therapy

Danielle V. DePasquale
Occupational Therapy

Sara M. Devereux
Occupational Therapy

Carly A. Dietz
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Caitlin M. Doherty
Occupational Therapy

Breanne E. Dolphin
Occupational Therapy

Sara Elizabeth Dombrowski
Occupational Therapy

Clare Mary Farrell
Occupational Therapy

Nicole M. Fisher
Applied Behavior Analysis

Elizabeth Anne Flewelling
Occupational Therapy

Kimber Vi Gerlach
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Bianca G. Gibbons
Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling

Jaclyn Faye Goodman
Occupational Therapy

Kelly A. Goria
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Lea C. Grant
Occupational Therapy

Natalie Susan Gray
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Emily Morgan Greenip
Human Resources Management

Jessica P. Grimsland
Occupational Therapy

Michael J. Gullo
School Counseling

Jessica Katharine Hackney
Occupational Therapy

Sean Michael Hall
Human Resources Management

Miranda Lynn Hanson
Occupational Therapy

Madison Lynn Harding
School Counseling

Kiera R. Harvey
Occupational Therapy

Mariela I. Haymes
Occupational Therapy

Bryn Danielle Hendershot
Occupational Therapy

Michelle Lynn Hibbard
Health Informatics

Julia Jean Higgins
Occupational Therapy

Annie Christelle Hounsokou
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Jenna C. Hunsicker
Occupational Therapy

Deanna M. Iacullo
Occupational Therapy

Jenna Inman
Applied Behavior Analysis

Tara L. James
School Counseling

Maria Poggi Johnson
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Kelsey L. Jopling
Occupational Therapy

Melissa Jane Kelly
Human Resources Management

Kendra Lynn Kenney
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Panuska College of Professional Studies

Master of Science, *continued*

Sybil A. Keris
Human Resources Management

Alexis Elizabeth Kishel
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Kristen Marie Kondrosky
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Emerson Holmes Krasnickas
Occupational Therapy

Ada Kraszyk
Human Resources Management

Jenna L. Kret
Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling

Emily R. Kuchwara
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Michaelene A. Kulig
Occupational Therapy

Julia R. Kulpa
Occupational Therapy

Emily Luz Lee-Chong
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Kristen Marie LeFebvre
Occupational Therapy

Mackenzie E. Longo
Occupational Therapy

Julianna Michelle Lunt
Occupational Therapy

Mackenzie L. Machell
Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling

Karen E. Marx
Human Resources Management

Araya Chanel Mays
Applied Behavior Analysis

Maureen Elizabeth Mazza
Applied Behavior Analysis

Brandy Mae McCarey-Bain
Applied Behavior Analysis

Rachel Millan
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Christine Danielle Muccione
Human Resources Management

Emily A. Nowak
Occupational Therapy

Lily K. Nowak
Occupational Therapy

Joseph Timothy O'Driscoll
Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling

Mary Kaitlyn O'Hara
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Grace A. Okrepkie
Occupational Therapy

Jessica L. Opsal
Occupational Therapy

Emily Ann Paparazzo
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Kelly R. Parker
Occupational Therapy

Nina Davida Pascolini
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Iesha T. Phelps
Applied Behavior Analysis

Edward G. Piekara
School Counseling

Susan M. Pool
Health Informatics

Katherine Therese Posillico
Occupational Therapy

Erin A. Quinn
Occupational Therapy

Stephen Edward Reznak, Jr.
Human Resources Management

Nicole Richards
Human Resources Management

Jamie Richardson
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Cristina M. Rodier
Occupational Therapy

Michele D. Ryzinski
Human Resources Management

Jillian H. Saltz
Occupational Therapy

Kasey Samalot
Occupational Therapy

Danielle M. Sbeglia
Occupational Therapy

Alexandra D. Scelsi
Occupational Therapy

Regina M. Schetroma
Human Resources Management

Alyssa Renee Segnello
Occupational Therapy

Myra Siddiqui
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Margaret L. Smith
Applied Behavior Analysis

Kaitlyn Zaia Stepneski
Human Resources Management

Mattison M. Tatulli
Human Resources Management

Gabrielle Heart L. Timoteo
Occupational Therapy

Amanda Lynn Tomlinson
School Counseling

Marisa Dawn Tosi
Applied Behavior Analysis

Benjamin R. Tseng
Human Resources Management

Andrea Velez
Occupational Therapy

Panuska College of Professional Studies

Master of Science, *continued*

Sophia Nicole Visaggio
Occupational Therapy

Alexis Watkins
Human Resources Management

Tricia Jones Watters
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Erin Margaret Wheeler
Occupational Therapy

Kayla N. Willard
Applied Behavior Analysis

Owen J. Williams
Human Resources Management

Kaitlin A. Winslow
Occupational Therapy

Helen Amanda Wrazien
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Kyle J. Yahn
School Counseling

Kathryn N. Zaverdas
Occupational Therapy

Teresa Marie Zullo
Health Informatics

Master of Science in Nursing

Fatimah Mohammed I Al Saigh
Family Nurse Practitioner

Yaser A. Alali
Family Nurse Practitioner

Olivia Grace Brunetti
Family Nurse Practitioner

Jennifer E. LaViola
Family Nurse Practitioner

Kania School of Management

Doctor of Philosophy

Samantha Fazzio Falgout
Accounting

Lisa Suzanne Haylon
Accounting

Doctoral degree recipients will be hooded by Dr. James F. Boyle, DBA, CPA, Associate Professor, Department of Accounting.

Master of Accountancy

Zach T. Adams
Forensic Accounting

Wateen Yousef I Alhatlani
Accountancy

Christopher J. Bauer
Forensic Accounting

Alyson Marie Benzenhafer
Accountancy

Emma R. Boyle
Accountancy

Matthew Clemow
Forensic Accounting

Michael N. DiGiovine
Accountancy

Francesca Di Maggio
Accountancy

Justin Calabrese Dunn
Forensic Accounting

Nevin Fernandes
Accounting Analytics

Emma G. FitzPatrick
Accountancy

Patrick T. Fitzsimmons
Accounting Analytics

Justin Mario Galli
Accountancy

Alexander Michael Greene
Accountancy

Erin Grimm
Forensic Accounting

Charles R. Hansen
Accountancy

Daren Joseph Helmold
Accountancy

Rincy Jacob
Forensic Accounting

Rajesh Jannu
Accounting Analytics

George Patrick Jenkins
Accountancy

Price Ivor Jones
Accounting Analytics

Siva Mohan Kodali
Accounting Analytics

Stefan Robert Kolkka
Accountancy

Yukta Lnu
Forensic Accounting

Nadia Mack
Accountancy

Annalisa Marie Mechanick
Forensic Accounting

Abhi Sai Kiran Moreboyana
Accounting Analytics

Alessa Morgan
Forensic Accounting

Grace Anamaria Mumaw
Accountancy

Meghan E. Munkirs
Accountancy

Swapna Nagu
Accounting Analytics

Kara Jean O'Boyle
Forensic Accounting

Benjamin Walter Olszewski
Forensic Accounting

Pujan V. Patel
Accountancy

Zachery Pennington
Forensic Accounting/
Accounting Analytics

Meera Prajith
Accounting Analytics

Emily T. Pryor
Accounting Analytics

Ryan A. Rampersaud
Accounting Analytics

William John Raslowsky
Accountancy

Kania School of Management

Master of Accountancy, *continued*

Aaron Raven
Accountancy

Adrene Romona Reid
Accountancy

Ginnina Rivera
Accountancy

Andrea M. Sacharsky
Accountancy

Daniella M. Savaglio-Rodriguez
Forensic Accounting

Mi Zhu Sun
Forensic Accounting

Sindura Swarna
Accountancy

Alyssa Marie Sweda
Accountancy

Christine Riegger Tsaklas
Accountancy

Dillia Ulysse
Accountancy

April D. Wargo
Accountancy

Alexandra P. Weinstein
Accountancy

Nicole Hope Weinstein
Forensic Accounting

Thomas A. Yager
Accountancy

Matthew L. Zito
Accountancy

Master of Business Administration

Ryan W. Abrigo
Marketing

Joseph S. Alesi
Accounting/Finance

Rayan T. Aljaid
Finance/Accounting

Yazeed Abdullah A Almusallam
Business Analytics

James M. Aversa
General Business Administration

Brandon P. Bailey
Finance

Michelle Lynn Balas
Healthcare Management

James J. Bannon
Finance

Peter Thomas Bard
Accounting

Jeffrey Thomas Bartel
International Business

Brian M. Bauman
Business Analytics

Ryan Patrick Bella
Finance/Business Analytics

Neil Edward Berezuik
Finance/International Business

Andrew J. Betz
Marketing

Joseph C. Beyrent
Management Information Systems

Nicole Marie Branning
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

Alfred Charles Brubaker, Jr.
Operations Management

Lisa Trubia Burdyn
Human Resources

Che Umoja Callender
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

Bonita Carone
General Business Administration

Pratik Naresh Chudasama
Business Analytics/
International Business

Christopher Steven Consoli
Accounting

Nicholas M. Consoli
Accounting

Henry Cortes II
Business Analytics

Patrick James Cullinan
Finance

Alisha Twist Davy
Human Resources/
Healthcare Management

John P. DeStefano
General Business Administration

Tamara Macklin Dickey
General Business Administration

Christopher J. DiLillo
Finance

Christopher Carmine DiSomma
Finance

Kania School of Management

Master of Business Administration, *continued*

Kristina Emily Dougherty
General Business Administration

Timothy C. Drake
Finance/International Business

Heston C. Draper
Healthcare Management

Rachael Alia Drucker
International Business

Robert Louis Dunning
Accounting

Colleen A. Dwyer
Operations Management/Finance

George W. Edwards III
Operations Management/
Enterprise Resource Planning

Juan R. Escobar Uribe
General Business Administration

Joseph W. FitzPatrick
General Business Administration

Leah R. Flood
Healthcare Management

John C. Folkerts
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

Rebecca Lynn Follmer
General Business Administration

Thomas K. Gallagher
Operations Management

Sanjay Kumar Goja
Healthcare Management

Hannah Neely Grijincu
General Business Administration

Kieran Crawford Gruby
Business Analytics

Shane J. Hall
General Business Administration

Katarina Hlinka
International Business/
Human Resources

Kyle Kuene Hussey
Healthcare Management/Finance

Catherine Iacoviello
Healthcare Management

Susan L. Jansen
General Business Administration

Joseph R. Jones
Operations Management

Joveena Joy Raja
Marketing/Business Analytics

Cassidi Dailey Kalejta
General Business Administration

Joyce C.Y. Kenkpen
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

Doris H. Knox
Enterprise Resource Planning

Andrey R. Kondouzov
Healthcare Management/
Operations Management

Marc Kudrich
Finance

Shane F. Lenahan
Accounting

James John Leonard
Marketing/International Business

Eric Leslie
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

Jacob M. Lisicky
Accounting/
International Business

Thomas Michael Lopa
Operations Management

Junau Délouis Louis-Jean
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

Julia Lynn Loury
General Business Administration

Kevin P. Lunney
Marketing/International Business

John A. Lynott
General Business Administration

Mercedes N. Maebane
Healthcare Management/
Human Resources

Sophie A. Majewski
Accounting

Arielle A. Malatesta
General Business Administration

Assane Mare
Finance

Benson Varughese Mathew
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

BethAnn McCartney
Human Resources

Frank Mensah
Business Analytics/Finance

Samantha Kay Miller
General Business Administration

Michael Modesti
Finance

Matthew Ryan Moore
General Business Administration

Matthew David Morris
Business Analytics

Ryan P. Morrissey
Finance

Kania School of Management

Master of Business Administration, *continued*

Casey Morton
Healthcare Management/
Master of Health Administration-
Health Administration

Joseph Anthony Michael Myers
Finance

Lauren Nardelli
Operations Management

Roni Jean Nawrocki
Enterprise Resource Planning

Sheila Mary O'Callaghan Plvan
Human Resources

Kayleigh S. Olszewski
Operations Management/
Accounting

Divyang B. Patel
Business Analytics/Finance

Meet S. Patel
Business Analytics/Finance

Nachiket J. Patel
Business Analytics

Yashaswini D. Patel
Finance

Bryan T. Pravongviengkham
Operations Management

Brianna Pugliese
General Business Administration

Benjamin John-George Reavy
Business Analytics

Jason A. Rinaldi
General Business Administration

Tracy Lee Rockefeller
General Business Administration

Matthew S. Romano
Finance/Business Analytics

Megan A. Ryan
Accounting

Ramsha Siddiqui
Business Analytics/Finance

Brittany Jordanne Smith
General Business Administration

Christopher D. Smoke
Operations Management

Reed Michael Steinbauer
Healthcare Management

Stephanie Stodola
Operations Management

Ujwal R. Tuladhar
General Business Administration

Christopher J. Ungureit, Jr.
General Business Administration

Stephanie E. Vadillo
Marketing

Dayana Eunice Villanueva
Finance/International Business

Nicolas J. Vorburger
Operations Management

Kyle M. Wind
General Business Administration

Jeffrey T. Wolff
Healthcare Management

Annie Elizabeth Yurgosky
Finance

Megan Zelonis
General Business Administration

Mark Paul Zielen
Operations Management/
Healthcare Management

Barbara E. Zsembik
Finance

Philip A. Zvirblis
Business Analytics

Master of science

Samreen Ilyas Ahmed
Business Analytics

Karthik Alakanti
Business Analytics

Melissa Diana Almada
Finance

Pavani Ambati
Business Analytics

Christiana Cecilia
Afua Elikplim Amevegbe
Finance

Gayatri Ashala
Business Analytics

Kania School of Management

Master of Science, *continued*

Jithendra Bathini
Business Analytics

Joe Akhil Bethapudi
Business Analytics

Vishal Bitkuri
Business Analytics

Sai Dilish Botsa
Business Analytics

Harini Chanbagari
Business Analytics

Sai Balaji Choppa
Business Analytics

Christopher M. Cobb
Business Analytics

Jack Stanley Dreisbach
Finance

Dhrutiben Bhaveshbhai Dudhat
Business Analytics

Evan Joseph Fernandes
Business Analytics

Jagadeesh Gaddam
Business Analytics

Daniel P. Gavin
Business Analytics

Aaryan Yadav Giri
Business Analytics

Manohar Goduguluri
Business Analytics

Yeshwanth Gogineni
Business Analytics

Sai Tanusha Gottimukala
Business Analytics

Davalika Gundaram
Business Analytics

Danielle Marie Hudicka
Business Analytics

Paul Gregory Jason
Business Analytics

Gowtham Katamoni
Business Analytics

Nikhith Killada
Business Analytics

Kamal Kiran Kona
Business Analytics

Sai Taruni Sree Konatham
Business Analytics

Priyanka Sai Konda
Business Analytics

James M. Lomma
Finance

Leos Malec
Business Analytics

Dheeraj Reddy Mallu
Business Analytics

Vamshi Naik Maloth
Business Analytics

Vamsi Krishna Mamillapalli
Business Analytics

Leela Sai Kiran Mannem
Business Analytics

Sean M. McKay
Finance

Tejasri Pallem
Business Analytics

Girish Potlada Yellapu
Business Analytics

Sai Naveen Pulugu
Business Analytics

Soumya Rachakonda
Business Analytics

Varshenne Reddi
Business Analytics

Sean P. Reilly
Finance

Abhishek Saggidi
Business Analytics

Kruthi Sanga
Business Analytics

Harish Selva Selvaraj
Business Analytics

Bharathraj Senthilkumar
Business Analytics

Jaishvani Shankini
Business Analytics

Shivaprasad Goud Siddagani
Business Analytics

Jeffery L. Siegrist
Finance

Devasiva Reddy Siriyapureddy
Business Analytics

Twinkle Spall
Business Analytics

Kavya Meghana Syamakurthi
Business Analytics

Lindy J. Tannenbaum
Business Analytics

Akshara Thammala Ravi
Business Analytics

Vishal Thota
Business Analytics

Christopher E. Wehmeyer
Business Analytics

Lakshmi Shankar Yalamanchi
Business Analytics

College of Arts & Sciences

Master of Science

Valerie A. Alfaro
Special Education

John L. Alves
Chemistry

Makenzie Lee Bell
Secondary Education

Alan Robert Bodtmann, Jr.
Cybercrime Investigation and Cybersecurity

Matthew C. Byrnes
Secondary Education

Kaitlyn A. Cebular
Biochemistry

Venugopal Someshwar Chevella
Software Engineering

Thomas C. Cody
Cybercrime Investigation and Cybersecurity

David J. DiCesare
Software Engineering

Devin M. Diehl
Software Engineering

Natalie A. Edwards
Secondary Education

Andrea E. Filachek
Special Education

Daniel Finning
Secondary Education

Timothy A. Gallagher
Software Engineering

Giovanni Gunawan
Biochemistry

Haley Ann Haddle
Clinical Chemistry

Veronica Claire Hill
Chemistry

James M. Lanning
Chemistry

Anastasia Louise Lepka
Cybercrime Investigation and Cybersecurity

Morgan E. McGuire
Software Engineering

Keny Melgar
Software Engineering

Brian S. Memmen
Software Engineering

Ikram Muhammad
Cybercrime Investigation and Cybersecurity

Frank J. Nicolaro
Software Engineering

Jessica Tera Notari
Special Education

Jonathan C. Nubbemeyer
Cybercrime Investigation and Cybersecurity

Emily Anne Petsche
Biochemistry

Colin S. Pierce
Cybercrime Investigation and Cybersecurity

Danielle V. Raffa
Special Education

Ysobelle F. Reyes
Biochemistry

Laura L. Scanlon
Special Education

Gracie Felicity Silva
Secondary Education

Pravalika Thadapaneni
Clinical Chemistry

Haralampos Varonides
Secondary Education

Jacob K. Vituszynski
Secondary Education

Bridget M. Warren
Special Education

Eric Robert Wisdo
Biochemistry

Miranda J. Woodruff
Biochemistry

Daniel E. Zych
Secondary Education

The listing of degree candidates are as of May 1, 2024.
Some candidates listed in this program will complete degree requirements in August 2024, December 2024 or January 2025.

2024 Outstanding Student Awards

Panuska College *of* Professional Studies

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Elijah John Emmons
Nurse Anesthesia

Doctor of Physical Therapy

Nicholas M. Mohr
Physical Therapy

Master of Health Administration

Scarlet Jane Alexander
Health Administration

Master of Science

Sybil A. Keris
Human Resources Management

Joseph Timothy O'Driscoll
Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling

Jessica L. Opsal
Occupational Therapy

Susan M. Pool
Health Informatics

Marisa Dawn Tosi
Applied Behavior Analysis

Helen Amanda Wrazien
Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Kyle J. Yahn
School Counseling

Master of Science in Nursing

Jennifer E. LaViola
Family Nurse Practitioner

Kania School *of* Management

Doctor of Philosophy

Lisa Suzanne Haylon
Accounting

Master of Accountancy

Emma R. Boyle
Accountancy

Nevin Fernandes
Accounting Analytics

Nicole Hope Weinstein
Forensic Accounting

Master of Business Administration

Ryan Patrick Bella
Business Analytics

Neil Edward Berezuik
Finance

Joseph C. Beyrent
Management Information Systems

Christopher Steven Consoli
Accounting

Nicholas M. Consoli
Accounting

Timothy C. Drake
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"Accurate Recognition and Management of Suspected Local Anesthetic Systemic Toxicity of a Patient Undergoing ORIF of a Right Femur Fracture: A Case Study"

Toni Baran
Mentors: Ann Culp, CRNA, DNP,
Lynda Jakubco, CRNA, M.S.
"Case Management During Power Failure in The Operating Room"

John-Paolo Bacareza Barcinas
Mentor: Lori M. Walton, PT, DPT, Ph.D.
"Creative Movement Therapy Impact on Mental and Physical Health Outcomes for Refugees Living with Trauma: A Systematic Review"

William Michael Bianco
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"Enhancing Post-Cesarean Pain Management with Liposomal Bupivacaine in Transverse Abdominis Plane Blocks for Buprenorphine-Using Parturients: A Case Report"

Gabriel John Bigatel
Mentors: Ann Culp, CRNA, DNP,
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"Opioid-Free Total Intravenous Anesthesia for Morbidly Obese Patient Undergoing Gastric Bypass with a History of Postoperative Nausea and Vomiting"

Graham James Bigsby
Mentors: Ann Culp, CRNA, DNP,
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"Anesthetic Management of Emergent Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting in the Setting of Pulmonary Hypertension and Non-ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction: A Case Report"

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Vincent C. David
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"Failure to Conduct a Standard Check Leading to Can't Intubate Can't Ventilate Scenario with a 23-Year-Old Male Undergoing a Thyroglossal Duct Cyst Excision: A Case Report"

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"The Evolution of Analytical Procedures"

Rolando S. Flores, Jr.
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James Marra, CRNA
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"Multimodal Pain Management in Total Knee Arthroplasty"

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"Anesthesia Considerations for Patients with Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and Emergence Agitation"

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"Prevention of Spinal Induced Hypotension for Cesarean Delivery"

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Mentors: Tracy L. Murray, J.D., CRNA, M.S.N., CRNP, Jennifer Williman, CRNA, DNP
"Intraoperative Fluid Resuscitation Techniques During an Exploratory Laparotomy with Intraoperative Bleeding: A Case Report"

Isaac Osei-Wusu
Mentors: Tracy L. Murray, J.D., CRNA, M.S.N., CRNP, John Meade, CRNA, M.S.N.
"Attenuation of Post-Operative Delirium with Dexmedetomidine in Elderly Patients Undergoing Carotid Endarterectomy"

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"Influence of Viral Respiratory Panels on Treatment Decisions in Children with Upper Respiratory Infections"

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"Bivalirudin: A Heparin Alternative"

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"Tranexamic Acid for Postpartum Hemorrhage Its Unique Pharmacodynamic Effects and How it Reduces Surgical Bleeding and Improve Patient Outcomes in the Obstetric Population"

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Mentors: Tracy L. Murray, J.D., CRNA, M.S.N., CRNP, Jennifer Hatch, CRNA, M.S.N.
"Utilizing 'AOK for AFE' Protocol for Prevention and Treatment of Amniotic Fluid Embolism in the Parturient Undergoing Repeat Cesarean Section"

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"Ultrasound-Guided Stellate Ganglion Block as Rescue Therapy for Refractory Ventricular Tachycardia: A Case Report"

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Mentors: Joan Wasilewski, Ph.D.,
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"An Investigation of the Effects of Pyruvate Carboxylase Inhibitors and Fatty Acid Synthase Inhibitors on Saccharo-myces Cerevisiae as a Model for Cancer Cell Metabolism"

Venugopal Someshwar Chevella
Mentor: Daniel Jackowitz, M.S.
"Greenwave - Uniting Nature and Animal Enthusiasts through Social Media"

David J. DiCesare
Mentor: Paul Jackowitz, M.S.
"Diamond Team Management - A Web and Mobile-based tool for baseball team management""

Devin M. Diehl
Mentors: Nathaniel Frissell, Ph.D.,
Yaodong Bi, Ph.D.
"Integrating SAMI3 with the Ionospheric Raytracing Toolkit PyLap"

Timothy A. Gallagher
Mentor: Daniel Jackowitz, M.S.
"BlogTakes: A Next-Generation Social Media App"

Giovanni Gunawan
Mentor: Marc Seid, Ph.D.
"Effect of Social Isolation on Camponotus floridanus Ants and Quantification of Biogenic Amines Using HPLC-ED"

Haley Ann Haddle
Mentor: David A. Rusak, Ph.D.
"Elemental Analysis of Tempered Float Glass by Laser-Induced Breakdown Spectroscopy"

Veronica Claire Hill
Mentor: David A. Rusak, Ph.D.
"Separation and Electrochemical Detection of Phenolic Acids on a Fiber"

Morgan E. McGuire
Mentor: Paul Jackowitz, M.S.
"Revising, Expanding, and Developing a Mobile Application for VaryTrade, a Preexisting Web Application"

Keny Melgar
Mentor: Daniel Jackowitz, M.S.
"MANOS Motion activated Nodes Operating System"

Brian S. Memmen
Mentor: Yaodong Bi, Ph.D.
"Insight Collector"

Frank J. Nicolaro
Mentor: Yaodong Bi, Ph.D.
"Groupfly: the Application to Revive Social Interactions"

Emily Anne Petsche
Mentor: Timothy Foley, Ph.D.
"Reversibly Oxidized Thiols on Metabolic Enzymes Support Compartmentalization of Redox Homeostasis in the Brain and Reveal a Transient Reductive Shift Following Global Ischemia"

Ysobelle F. Reyes
Mentor: Amelia Randich, Ph.D.
"The Alphaproteobacterium Hirschia Baltica Produces a Secondary Prosthecae at the Old Pole"

Pravalika Thadapaneni
Mentor: John C. Deak, Ph.D.
"Measuring the spheroidal shapes of soft molecular aggregates using partial molar volume and DLS measurements: Triton X-100 micelles and reverse micelles"

Miranda J. Woodruff
Mentor: Katherine A. Stumpo, Ph.D.
"Determination of Heavy Metals in Gray Catbird Feathers by Atomic Absorption"

History of the University

The University of Scranton was founded as Saint Thomas College by Most Reverend William G. O'Hara, the first Bishop of Scranton, who had always hoped to provide an opportunity for higher education in the Lackawanna Valley. In August of 1888, with few resources at hand, he blessed a single block of granite as a cornerstone for his new college, which would admit its first students four years later. (The cornerstone of Old Main is preserved in the wall of St. Thomas Hall located at the corner of Linden Street and Monroe Avenue.)

The college was staffed by diocesan priests and seminarians until 1896 and then, for one year, by the Xaverian Brothers. From 1897 until 1942 the school, which was renamed The University of Scranton in 1938, was administered for the Diocese by the Christian Brothers. In the late summer of 1942, at the invitation of Bishop William Hafey, 19 Jesuits, including the University's first Jesuit President, Rev. Coleman Nevils, S.J., arrived on campus to administer the University.

The Jesuits restructured and strengthened Scranton's traditional and pre-professional programs with an emphasis on the liberal arts, which are the foundation for every program at a Jesuit university. This emphasis is intended to give students an appreciation for all disciplines as they develop specific subject knowledge. The University has flourished as a Catholic and Jesuit institution, growing from what was primarily a commuter college with fewer than 1,000 students to a broadly regional, comprehensive university with a total enrollment of approximately 4,825 students in undergraduate, graduate and non-traditional programs.

As we move forward, The University of Scranton embraces five bold, transformational strategic goals. Grounded in our mission, this Strategic Plan 2020, "Our Core, Our Community, Our Commitments," guides our University community as we navigate changes, challenges, and opportunities today, though we believe its impact will be felt well beyond.

In September 2021, Rev. Joseph G. Marina, S.J., was inaugurated as the University's 29th president. During his tenure, the University has continued its commitment to enriching the quality and variety of its academic offerings for the success of its students.

All three of the University's colleges have added academic programs in recent years in wide-ranging areas, from STEM and the humanities to health sciences and business. New program areas include cybercrime investigation and cybersecurity, Black studies, mechanical engineering, business analytics and speech-language pathology.

In addition, the University continues to invest in its physical plant, with more than $350 million in campus improvements made in recent years, among them the most substantial capital projects in its history – The Patrick and Margaret DeNaples Center and the Loyola Science Center. Other facilities additions include Christopher and Margaret Condron Hall and an apartment and fitness complex, which consists of the Rev. Scott R. Pilarz, S.J., Hall and Montrone Hall.

In September 2015, the new Edward R. Leahy Jr. Hall, which houses the departments of Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Health and Human Performance, was dedicated. In 2018, the University dedicated the 11-acre Rev. Kevin P. Quinn, S.J., Athletics Campus. Located along Broadway Street in Scranton, it is home to the University's soccer, lacrosse, field hockey, baseball and softball Division III NCAA teams. In 2021, 5,000 square feet of new mechanical engineering labs and shop area were added in Hyland Hall.

Most recently, the University broke ground for a nearly 90,000 square-foot center for workforce development, applied research and outreach located on the 300 block of Madison Avenue. The building is expected to be completed for fall 2025.

Scranton is counted among America's finest universities, according to a range of national publications. For three decades, U.S. News & World Report has ranked Scranton among the "top 10 master's universities in the North." Year after year, the University is listed among the "best colleges" by Forbes and The Princeton Review. The University is also consistently ranked among the "best values" in college education by U.S. News & World Report. In 2021, Washington Monthly ranked Scranton No. 84 among 616 master's universities in the nation for its "contribution to the greater good." In its Best Graduate Schools 2023 guidebook, U.S. News & World Report ranked Scranton's program in health care management No. 41, MBA specialty programs in accounting No. 19; business analytics at No. 25; and finance at No. 28 in the nation.

Academic Regalia

The colorful attire worn by the graduates, faculty and officers of the University and by the academic delegates has its roots in medieval traditions that reach back to the earliest universities – to Paris, Bologna, Oxford and Cambridge. The precise origins of the several parts of the academic garb are unknown, but since medieval students enjoyed the status of clerics during their university years, we assume that their attire was inspired by the clerical dress of the time. Early European universities required students and teachers to wear distinctive gowns at all times. The tradition was brought to this country in colonial times, but the requirement for students soon disappeared and professors limited the custom to special occasions.

The Gown. Gowns are generally black, and there are three basic types. The bachelor's gown is plain with a fairly elaborate yoke and long, pointed sleeves. It is worn closed. The master's gown is similar to the bachelor's except that the sleeves are open at the forearms and end with an extra, square-shaped swatch of cloth that originally formed a pocket for reading and writing materials. Master's gowns are worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown, the most elaborate of the three, is adorned with velvet panels on the closed front and around the neck and three velvet bars on each full, bell-shaped sleeve. Although black is the most common color, the velvet panels and sleeve bars may vary according to the faculty that granted the wearer's degree.

The Hood. The colors of the hood reveal the level of a degree, the major field of learning in which the degree was awarded, and the institution by which the degree was conferred. The bachelor's, master's and doctoral hoods are three, three and one-half, and four feet long, respectively. The all-encompassing velvet trim that denotes the field of learning is likewise, two, three, or five inches, respectively. The lining of the hood is worn exposed to show the colors of the school awarding the degree. Most schools have a two-color pattern using chevrons or bars to differentiate schools whose colors may be alike or very similar. The University of Scranton hood, for example, is lined in royal purple with a white chevron.

The Cap. Generally, the mortarboard or Oxford cap is worn with all degrees, although an Elizabethan-style soft cap is used with some doctoral attire. Black tassels are most often used, but many schools have adopted the practice of using tassels matching the hood color. Doctors and presidents of institutions frequently wear a gold tassel.

Colors Representing Fields of Learning

Arts, Letters, Humanities ..... White	Law ..... Purple	Philosophy ..... Blue
Business ..... Drab	Library Science ..... Lemon	Physical Education ..... Sage Green
Economics ..... Copper	Medicine ..... Green	Physical Therapy ..... Teal
Education ..... Light Blue	Military Science ..... Gold	Public Health ..... Salmon
Engineering ..... Orange	Music ..... Pink	Science ..... Gold
Fine Arts ..... Brown	Nursing ..... Apricot	Social Science ..... Citron
Health Administration ..... Peacock Blue	Oratory ..... Silver Gray	Theology ..... Scarlet

The Heraldic Banners

The University commissioned the ten heraldic banners carried in the academic procession to celebrate the 450th anniversary of the founding of the first Jesuit college in Messina, Sicily (1548), and the 110th anniversary of the founding of Saint Thomas College (1888), the precursor of The University of Scranton. The heraldic devices on the banners bear witness to the influences that have endowed the University with its distinctive identity.

- The banner adorned with the seal of the Society of Jesus (IHS, surmounted with a cross above three nails and surrounded with a halo of rays) announces that The University of Scranton is a Jesuit university.
- The banner adorned with the seal of the family of Saint Ignatius Loyola (a golden pot suspended between two wolves) bears witness to the fact that the University's educational philosophy is derived from the thought of Saint Ignatius (1491-1556), the founder of the Society of Jesus.
- The banner adorned with the seal of the Diocese of Scranton (a star rising between two crossed keys) recalls and celebrates the fact that the University was founded by the Most Reverend William O'Hara, D.D., the first Bishop of Scranton.
- The banner adorned with the seal of the Brothers of the Christian Schools (the five-pointed star) honors the Christian Brothers' half century of devoted service to the students of Saint Thomas College and The University of Scranton.
- The banner adorned with a device drawn from the seal of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the stack of wheat) both identifies the University's location and proclaims its special mission to the citizens of Pennsylvania.
- The banner adorned with the iconic symbol of Saint Thomas Aquinas (the radiant sunburst) recalls both the name of the University's precursor college (Saint Thomas College) and announces that Saint Thomas remains the heavenly patron of the University.
- The banner adorned with the crown refers to the nickname of the University's athletic teams (The Royals) and announces that, in the tradition of the *Spiritual Exercises* of Saint Ignatius Loyola, all of the sons and daughters of the University are called to follow Christ the King.
- The banner adorned with the picture of the sailing ship celebrates the devoted service that the members of the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus (whose ancestors in the faith arrived in America in 1634 aboard the *Ark* and the *Dove)* have rendered to the University and its students since 1942.
- The banner adorned with the Cross of Patonce suspended above an unfurled banner bears witness to the fact that the University is a Christian institution of higher learning. The legend on the banner bears the motto of the University: "Religio, Mores, Cultura."
- The banner adorned with the Chi Rho superimposed upon an open book testifies to the University's belief that, as its Mission Statement says, "Jesus Christ is the primary source for the values and attitudes that imbue the culture of its campus."

The University Mace

The University Mace is traditionally carried at the head of academic processions as a symbol of educational authority and institutional identity. The mace consists of a 56-inch polished aluminum staff topped with an engraving of the great seal of the University with sunburst accents formed by cut-metal rays. The symbol of the Society of Jesus appears on the rear of the mace. The seal is echoed on the verges, which consist of shorter hardwood rods topped with an engraving of the great seal of the University in brass.

The Presidential Medallion

In ancient and medieval Europe medallions of office were worn as breastplates by figures of authority or distinction. The University of Scranton Presidential Medallion is such a symbol, and it continues the tradition of incorporating educational, religious and historic icons that describe the institution's distinctive character.

The center of the medallion is an enameled rendering of the great seal of the University surrounded by rays. The principal colors of the seal are the traditional colors of the University, white and royal purple. On the purple field is a horizontal silver bar containing, in purple, a star derived from the Seal of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, a symbol taken from the seal of Saint Thomas College, the predecessor of the University, and two stacks of wheat from the obverse of the coat of arms of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The upper half of the seal contains, in gold, two wolves grasping a cauldron suspended from a chain. They are taken from the coat of arms of the family of Saint Ignatius Loyola, and they identify the University as a Jesuit institution. Below the silver bar is a golden rising sun, symbolic of Saint Thomas Aquinas, the shining light of the Church and the patron of the University.

The border of the seal reproduces the border of the shield of the Diocese of Scranton and the silver hemispheres are taken from William Penn's coat of arms. The crest is a golden cross of the style known as Patonce. It symbolizes Christ, the goal and the norm of the University's educational efforts, and it complements the motto the University has had since it was entrusted to the care of the Christian Brothers in 1899: *Religio, Mores, Cultura*.

The great seal is surrounded by the name of the institution and its founding date, 1888, and is further embellished by a sunburst of rays also derived from the iconic symbol of Saint Thomas Aquinas.

The Presidential Medallion is worn on a silver chain with links inspired by carved wooden moldings in The Estate, the ancestral home of the Scranton family. It is engraved with the names of the previous presidents and the founder of the University. The chain is connected by a link adorned with the symbol of the Society of Jesus.

The medallion was designed and crafted for the University by Mr. William Reidsema of Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania.

Alma Mater

The hours too quickly slip away
And mingle into years
But mem'ries of our Scranton days will last
Whatever next appears.
The legacy from those before
Is briefly ours to hold,
We leave the best behind for others
As the coming years unfold.

With faith in lives that touch us here
And paths that ours have crossed
We know that reaching for the rising sun
Is surely worth the cost.
May God be ever at our side,
May goodness fill our days.
We hail as loving sons and daughters
Alma mater ours always.

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