



# *Commencement*

LOUISIANA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY | CLASS OF 2023/2024

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINTH COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY  
SATURDAY | MAY 4, 2024 | 10:00 a.m. AND 2:00 p.m.  
GUINN AUDITORIUM | PINEVILLE, LOUISIANA

# LOUISIANA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINTH COMMENCEMENT

## **Processional "Pomp and Circumstance"**

Sir Edgar Elgar

Dr. Wade Warren, Marshal  
Dr. David Jeffreys, Acting President of Louisiana Christian University  
Provost of Louisiana Christian University  
Board of Trustees  
Faculty of the University  
Staff Marshals  
Graduates

## **Welcome and Invocation**

Dr. David Jeffreys

## **Senior Reflections**

10:00 a.m. Noel Schonhoff  
10:00 a.m. Devin Briscoe  
2:00 p.m. Olivia Scott

## **Scripture**

Ephesians 3:14-21  
Anthony Bunting  
1987 LCU graduate  
Chair, Louisiana Christian University, Board of Trustees

## **Remarks from the SGA President**

Laura Aime

## **Senior Reflections**

10:00 a.m. Victoria Watson  
2:00 p.m. Sal Palermo III

## **Prayer of Commissioning for Graduates**

The Reverend Craig Beeman  
1993 LCU Graduate  
Pastor, First Baptist of Winnsboro

## **Conferring of Degrees**

Dr. Cheryl Clark  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

## **Benediction**

Dr. Henry Robertson  
Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

## **Recessional "Fanfare"**

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens

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# The School of Humanities and Social Sciences

*Dr. Christine Reese, Dean*

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## The Department of Criminal Justice

*Bachelor of Arts*

**Branthony Jese-Ahmon Brown**  
*Criminal Justice*

**TyJianna Terea Sherman**  
*Criminal Justice*

**Zavier Ryan Whiting ±**  
*Criminal Justice*

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## The Department of Language and Literature

*Bachelor of Arts*

**Bethany Ann Nichols \*** *summa cum laude 4.0*  
*English*

**Josiah Paul Reed** *summa cum laude*  
*Languages*

**Emily Morgan Sanders \***  
*English*

*Bachelor of General Studies*

**Victoria Paige Wilkinson \***  
*Language & Literature*

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## The Department of History and Political Science

*Bachelor of Arts*

**Adrian Eduardo Aguilar \***  
*Pre-Law*

**Laura Victoria Aime ^** *summa cum laude 4.0*  
*History*

**Adam Thomas Campbell \***  
*History*

**Toriance Elizabeth Fontenot \*** *cum laude*  
*History*

**Cole Soloman Jones**  
*Pre-Law*

**Michael Charles Monier** *summa cum laude*  
*History*

**Parker Haze Orton ±†**  
*History*

*Bachelor of General Studies*

**Barrett Evan Keene ±**  
*Social Studies*

## The School of Ministry and Performing Arts

*Dr. Justin Langford, Dean*

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### The Department of Media and Communication

#### Bachelor of Arts

**Lexi Alyse Rachal Hubbard** *cum laude*  
Convergence Media - Journalism

**Noel Taylor Schonhoff**  
Convergence Media - Sports Media

**Kai Stone**  
Convergence Media - Sports Media

**Phoebe Li-An Lim** *summa cum laude 4.0*  
Communication Studies: Public Relations

**Emily Adele Slay** *magna cum laude*  
Communication Studies: Public Relations

**Victoria Renae Watson** *cum laude*  
Convergence Media - Journalism

**Nathan Mode Roper**  $\pm$   
Communication Studies: Public Relations

**Camille Laine Soileau**  
Communication Studies: Public Relations

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### The Department of Missions and Ministries

#### Bachelor of Arts

**Clara Avaria Anderson**  
Missions & Ministries

**Eva Nicole Prescott**  $\pm$   
Missions & Ministries

#### Bachelor of General Studies

**Korey Matison Kincade**  
Missions & Ministries

**Windy Marie Greene** \*  
Missions & Ministries

**Jacob Aran Weaver**  
Missions & Ministries

**Spencer A. Murdock** *magna cum laude*  
Missions & Ministries

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### The Department of Music

#### Bachelor of Arts

**A'melia Frances Perkins** *cum laude*  
Music: Vocal Studies

#### Bachelor of Music

**Billi Elise Barber** *magna cum laude*  
Vocal Music Education

**Selena D. Torres** *cum laude*  
Music

**Caleb Alexander Williams**  $\pm$   
Music

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## The Department of Theatre

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### *Bachelor of Arts*

**Catherine Colleen Andrews**  
*Theatre*

**Carmen Meichelle Taffi**  
*Theatre*

**George Campbell Griffing**  
*Theatre*

**Samuel Austin Tinsley**  
*Theatre*

**Aiora Rivas Preciado**  
*Theatre, Communication, and Media*

**Glenn Anthony White \***  
*Theatre*

## The College of Health Science & Professional Programs

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### The Department of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Dr. David Elliott, Chair

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### *Bachelor of Science*

**Lillyanna Elizabeth Castille** *summa cum laude*  
*Biological Sciences*

**Cy Jude Fontenot** *summa cum laude*  
*Biological Sciences*

**Jesci Clare Lord \*** *summa cum laude*  
*Biological Sciences*

**Joshua Payton Poole ^** *magna cum laude*  
*Chemistry with Pre-Engineering*

**Lydia Michelle Castille** *magna cum laude*  
*Biological Sciences*

**Ethan Christopher Kovatch**  
*Applied Biology*

**Elijah Carl Mormon**  
*Mathematics with Pre-Engineering*

**Bailey Anne Danton**  
*Biology*

**Andrew James Loewer**  
*Biological Sciences*

**Anna Celeste Myers** *cum laude*  
*Biological Sciences*

## The Rife and Carolyn Saunders School of Nursing and Allied Health *Dr. Shaina Goudeau, Associate Vice President*

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### The Department of Health and Exercise Science

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### *Bachelor of Arts*

**Ferontay Ron'dez Banks \***  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Christian Joseph Dixon**  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Haydon Bishop Helms \***  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Caleb Neal Williams ±**  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Devin Tyrese Briscoe ±**  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Noah Thomas Gaspard**  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Isaiah M. Montgomery \***  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Bennie Lee Clark, III ±**  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**McKenna Elaine Gehr ±**  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

**Max Parden ±**  
*Exercise Science - Sports & Wellness*

### Bachelor of Science

**Dawson Reid Ardoin**  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

**James V. Carter, Jr**  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

**Jana Lauren Taylor** \* *magna cum laude*  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

**Isabel Anne Armand** *cum laude*  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

**Skylar Rhianne Hawley** \* *cum laude*  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

**Hailey Elizabeth Vitrano** *cum laude*  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

**Riley Vincent Beirs**  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

**Kasey Gail Russell** *magna cum laude*  
Exercise Science - Clinical Wellness

### Bachelor of General Studies

**Aniah Janae Larraine Adams** \*  
Health & Physical Education

**Kendall Rene Baker** ±  
Health & Physical Education

**Le'Kelan Bougere** \*  
Health & Physical Education

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## The School of Nursing Dr. Tomekia Luckett, Dean

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### Bachelor of Science in Nursing

**Ayanna Wren Baker** *cum laude*  
Nursing

**Jackson Baxley Bieber** \* *cum laude*  
Nursing

**Nicholas John Brunet** *summa cum laude*  
Nursing

**Tristan Faith Conville** \*  
Nursing

**Gabrielle Monique Daigle**  
Nursing

**Alyssa Maria Landry**  
Nursing

**Aaliyah Imani Robinson** \*  
Nursing

**Maya Andrea Monique Washington** ±  
Nursing

**Khristian Alexis Barkley** \*  
Nursing

**Camille Martha Boone** \*  
Nursing

**Joanna Nichole Bush** \*  
Nursing

**Austin Corley**  
Nursing

**Tyler Jude Darbonne** \*  
Nursing

**Alexis Marie Francois Lemoine** \* *cum laude*  
Nursing

**Amy Renee Rosette** ±  
Nursing

**Clara Caffey Woolf** \*  
Nursing

**Madison Ann Berard**  
Nursing

**Claire Aime-Line Borot** *cum laude*  
Nursing

**Kristy Nicole Cobb** \*  
Nursing

**Cassidy Ann Crist** \*  
Nursing

**Kennedy Sexton Lamp**  
Nursing

**Emeka Bruno Ndukwu** ±  
Nursing

**Jenna Lianne Taylor** \*  
Nursing

### Bachelor of General Studies

**Willie Robinson, IV**  
Nursing

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## The Department of PTA

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### *Associate of Applied Science*

**Carlee Rae Carter ±**  
*Physical Therapist Assistant*

**Kaytlen Elaine Holomon ±**  
*Physical Therapist Assistant*

**Zoe Alyssa Stevenson ±**  
*Physical Therapist Assistant*

**Arianna Paisley Davis ±**  
*Physical Therapist Assistant*

**Elizabeth Marie LaBiche ±**  
*Physical Therapist Assistant*

**Braydon Michael Flores ±**  
*Physical Therapist Assistant*

**Andrew Michael Phillips ±**  
*Physical Therapist Assistant*

## The Ray and Dorothy Young School of Business, Technology, and Design *Dr. Kenny Holt, Dean*

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## The Department of Graduate Business

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### *Master of Business Administration*

**Se Jin Ahn ±**  
*Master of Business Administration*

**Charles Manuel Jones ±**  
*Master of Business Administration*

**Terri Alecia Rasberry Smith**  
*Master of Business Administration*

**Brilyn Wade \***  
*Master of Business Administration*

### *Master of Strategic Leadership*

**Andre Reed ±**  
*Strategic Leadership*

**David Arnaldo Castillo Δ\***  
*Master of Business Administration*

**Michaela Lane Jordan \***  
*Master of Business Administration*

**William Beauregard Ross**  
*Master of Business Administration*

**Breanna Alexa Corkern ±**  
*Master of Business Administration*

**Salvador Joseph Palermo III ±**  
*Master of Business Administration*

**Collin Reed Stinson ±**  
*Master of Business Administration*

## The School of Education and Behavioral Sciences Victory Lindo-Lemons, Dean

### The Department of Graduate Education

#### Master of Arts in Teaching

**Sharlyn Brooke Marie Ashford \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Staci Jones Enicke \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Brian Charles Myers \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Taylor Janae Syrie \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

#### Master of Education

**Evelyn Jeanell Desselle Δ**  
Educational Leadership

**Cicely Carmane Jacob \***  
Educational Leadership

**Chaira Michelle Laurant**  
Educational Leadership

**Travis Damone Stanley**  
Educational Leadership

**Chiara Cross Crawford Δ\***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Desmond LaVan Lenard \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Sierra Lace Nelson Δ\***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Distiny Celeste Thompson \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Kamekia Marie Frazier \***  
Educational Leadership

**Melissa Brett Johnson Δ**  
Educational Leadership

**Rachael Elizabeth Montgomery \***  
Educational Leadership

**Brittany Storm Douget Δ\***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Tristan Ray Miller \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Afnan Othman \***  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Richard D. Wilson**  
Master of Arts in Teaching

**Anna Marissa Gomez**  
Educational Leadership

**Sarah Angelle Kelly**  
Educational Leadership

**Sarah Allison Smith ±**  
Educational Leadership

### The Department of Graduate Social Work

#### Master of Social Work

**Brooklynn Paige Boothe \***  
Social Work

**Cameron Terell Frederick \***  
Social Work

**Paula Gay Johnson Δ\***  
Social Work

**Madeline Marie Mitchell Δ**  
Social Work

**Brittany Joan Salloum ±**  
Social Work

**Willow Marie Chesson ±**  
Social Work

**Mykella Alexis Ann Hawkins Δ**  
Social Work

**Aubrey Anne Joslin Δ**  
Social Work

**Madeline Mae Pennington Δ**  
Social Work

**Peyton Eileen Townley Δ**  
Social Work

**Kayla Nicole Dauthier Δ**  
Social Work

**Angel Heart Jackson ±**  
Social Work

**Donte Miguel Lewis**  
Social Work

**Yessica Olga Roque**  
Social Work

**Lamico Turner**  
Social Work



**Emily Grace Williams** ✕  
Social Work

**Katelyn Rebekah Woods**  
Social Work

## The Ray and Dorothy Young School of Business, Technology, and Design *Dr. Kenny Holt, Dean*

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### The Department of Art and Graphic Design

#### Bachelor of Arts

**Michael Val Martinez** \*  
Studio Art: Painting & Drawing Concentration

**Gretchen Louise Wolfe**  
Studio Art: Ceramic Concentration

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### The Department of Business

#### Bachelor of Science

**Jett Alec Aube'** ±  
Business Administration-General Business

**Fischer Patrick Gaudet** \*  
Business Administration-Economics/Finance

**Chandler Michael Gronski**  
Business Administration-Accounting

**Marlon Jacobe Jones**  
Business Administration-Management/Marketing

**Julia Elizabeth Keller** *magna cum laude*  
Business Administration-Management/Marketing

**Tre'Von Demarco Lovelace**  
Business Administration-Economics/Finance

**Caroline Rose Lucius** *magna cum laude*  
Business Administration-Management/Marketing

**Hunter James Martensson**  
Business Administration-Management/Marketing

**Andrew Joseph Quartemont** *magna cum laude*  
Business Administration-Management/Marketing

**Ernest Miller Simon** \*  
Business Administration-Accounting

**Misty Nicole Tanner** \*  
Business Administration-Management/Marketing

**Austin Daniel Thiels** ±  
Business Administration-Management/Marketing

#### Bachelor of General Studies

**Joseph Gage Layssard**  
Business Administration-General Business

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### The Department of Computer Science

#### Bachelor of Arts

**Nicholas Karon Esters**  
Computer Science/Web Systems

**Nicholas Scott Huber** *magna cum laude*  
Computer Science/Web Systems

**Isabella Michelle Melton** *magna cum laude*  
Computer Science/Web Systems

**Dylan M. Pierce**  
Computer Science/Web Systems

## The School Education and Behavioral Sciences Victory Lindo-Lemons, Dean

### The Department of Education

#### Bachelor of Arts

**Adam Lynn Beard** *cum laude*  
BA Education Social Studies Concentration

**Emily Beth Marshall**  
BA Education Elementary Concentration

**Kimberly Nicole Rabalais**  
BA Education Elementary Concentration

**Macy Brooke Taylor** *summa cum laude*  
BA Education Math Concentration

**Sarah-Lee Carhee**  
BA Education Elementary Concentration

**Hannah Grace Miller** <sup>^</sup> *summa cum laude 4.0*  
BA Education Math Concentration

**Kyle Bradley Rabalais** \*  
BA Education Social Studies Concentration

**Mackenzie Rece Willis** *summa cum laude*  
BA Education Elementary Concentration

**Lexie Claire Marks**\* *summa cum laude 4.0*  
BA Education Elementary Concentration

**Madison Renee Nero**  
BA Education Elementary Concentration

**Mackenzie Faith Strickland**<sup>^</sup> *summa cum laude*  
BA Education English Concentration

#### Bachelor of Music

**Peyton Da'Nia Simon**  
Vocal Music Education

### The Department of Psychology

#### Bachelor of Arts

**Sydni Nikayla Gross** \* *summa cum laude*  
Psychology

**Olivia Victoria Scott** *summa cum laude*  
Psychology

#### Bachelor of General Studies

**Kylie Marlayna Bennett**  
Psychology

**James A. Jones, III**  
Psychology

**Gary Lovell Smith, Jr.** ±  
Psychology

**Hunter Jase Langston**  
Psychology

**Christian Josiah Sasser** *cum laude*  
Missions & Ministries and Psychology

### The Department of Social Work

#### Bachelor of Social Work

**Miah Janae Broussard** *cum laude*  
Social Work

**Kelsey Paige Layssard** *summa cum laude*  
Social Work

**Lauren Bryant** *cum laude*  
Social Work

**Stella Anne Shaw**  
Social Work

**Georgia Choat Barfield Fannin**\*  
Social Work *summa cum laude 4.0*

**Holly Gabrielle Tony** *magna cum laude*  
Social Work

summa cum laude 4.0  
summa cum laude (3.90-3.99)  
magna cum laude (3.70-3.89)  
cum laude (3.50-3.69)

\* December 2023 Graduates  
± Prospective Summer Graduates  
^ CS Lewis Honors Program  
† Prospective Honors pending degree completion  
Δ Graduate students graduating with a 4.0 gpa

## Eminent Scholars and Professorships

**Dr. Wade Warren\***  
*C. J. Cavanaugh Chair in Biology*

**Dr. David Elliott**  
*Holder, George F. Kirby Professorship in Chemistry*

**Dr. Nancy Whitlock\***  
*Bell South Professorship in Liberal Arts*

**Tabitha Huffman\***  
*Claude & Lois Colvin Endowed Professorship in Theatre*

**WangLing Chou\***  
*Eugenia Dawson Professorship in Art*

**Dr. Jeannie Gauthier**  
*Olive Anne Rau Chair in English*

**Dr. Christine Reese**  
*Richard L. Crowell Professorship in Pre-Law*

**Dr. Elizabeth Barfoot Clarke**  
*E. O. Wood Professorship in Communication Arts*

**Dr. Henry Robertson\***  
*Hogan Family Professorship*

**Dr. Sonia Tinsley\***  
*Claude Kent Kirkpatrick Professorship  
in Health and Exercise Science*

**Dr. Nicholas Maricle\***  
*Lyndon E. Dawson, Sr., Professorship in Religion*

**Dr. Dougald McLaurin**  
*John and Allie Fogleman Professorship in Religion*

**Jim Majors**  
*Durham Family Professorship in Business*

**Dr. Tylitha Whatley**  
*James A. Young Professorship in Religion*

**Dr. Arthur Mazhambe\***  
*W. Ray Frye Professorship in Business*

**Dr. Sheri Duffy\***  
*Erroll Dawson Distinguished Professorship in Social Work*

**David Culp**  
*Hubert & Madolene D. Reding Professorship in Business*

**Dr. Neil Johnston**  
*J.E. Hixon Professorship in English*

**Barbara Cockerham**  
*Edith Kilgore Kirkpatrick Professorship in Music*

**Dr. Julie Driessen\***  
*McCormick-Huie Professorship in English and Journalism*

**Dr. Justin Langford**  
*W. Peterson Carter, Jr., Professorship in Biblical Studies*

**Dr. Scott Pickard\***  
*L. P. Dawson Professorship in History*

**Mollie Wise**  
*Galloway Professorship in Psychology*

**Dr. Steven Bello**  
*Holder, James C. Bolton Professorship in Management*

**Dr. Tomekia Lockett\***  
*Coughlin-Saunders Chair in Nursing*

\*Denotes endowed chairs and professorships established in conjunction with the Board of Regents Support Fund (BoRSF). The Support Fund is constitutionally dedicated to promote excellence in higher education, which includes the endowment of chairs and professorships. BoRSF faculty endowment programs are designed to provide matching resources to non-State donations, the earnings from which support the productivity and performance of superior faculty.

# Louisiana Christian University

## VISION

PREPARING GRADUATES ♦ TRANSFORMING LIVES

### GUIDING PRINCIPLE

The guiding principle of Louisiana Christian University is to provide liberal arts, professional, and graduate programs characterized by devotion to the preeminences of the Lord Jesus, allegiance to the authority of the Holy Scriptures, dedication to academic excellence for the glory of God, and commitment to change the world for Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

### 2025 STRATEGIES

Integration of Faith  
Academic Excellence  
Student Development  
Resource Development  
Stewardship  
Technology

### CORE VALUES

**FAITH**  
Biblical faith informs our learning, motivates us to excellence, and focuses our dependence upon God.

**INTEGRITY**  
Truth, honesty, and transparency provide the underpinnings that inform the breadth of Louisiana Christian University's endeavors.

**LEARNING**  
Authentic learning must expand the mind and deepen the soul.

**SERVICE**  
The most effective education results in service to others.

**COMMUNITY**  
The synergy among professor and students leads to the path of discovery.

## MISSION

Louisiana Christian University is a Christ-Centered community committed to Academic Excellence where students are equipped for lives of Learning, Leading, and Serving.



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