Spring 2014
Commencement

10 a.m.
May 10, 2014
Central Community Church
Two gonfanons (banners) lead the Newman University academic procession. The symbols on each, set on the Newman University colors of red and blue, have special significance. The “NU” represents the connection of Newman University with our sponsoring order of sisters, the Adorers of the Blood of Christ, and thus embodies our mission. The “lamp” symbolizes the lamp of knowledge which is part of the Newman University seal. Each gonfanon is bordered by colored streamers representing disciplines taught at Newman University. These colors are also seen on the tassels of Newman graduates.
Commencement Program

Processional
“Trumpet Voluntary”
by John Stanley
Carole Pracht, Organ
Gray Bishop, Trumpet

Welcome
Michael Austin, Ph.D.
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Invocation
Janet McCann, ASC
Councilor, United States ASC Region

Salutation
Michael Austin, Ph.D.

National Anthem
arr. by Joseph Ott
Newman University Chorale
Deanne Zogleman, Director

Newman University Chorale
“Beautiful City” from Godspell
by Stephen Schwartz
arr. Mac Huff
Soloist ~ Josh Campbell
Deanne Zogleman, Director

Introduction of Commencement Speaker
Michael Austin, Ph.D.

Commencement Address
Joan Melzer, M.N.
Associate Professor of Nursing
Recipient of the 2013 Teaching Excellence Award

Conferral of Honorary Degrees
Noreen M. Carrocci, Ph.D.
President

Linda Snook ‘77
Chair, Newman University Board of Trustees

Presentation of Ablah Awards
Michael Austin, Ph.D.

Presentation of Candidates
Michael Austin, Ph.D.
Mark Mannette, M.F.A.
Director of Theatre

Awarding of Degrees
Noreen M. Carrocci, Ph.D.

Recitation of Newman Code
As a member of the Newman community,
I pledge to live in the spirit of critical consciousness
by respecting the dignity of every person,
honoring both personal and institutional integrity,
and striving to embrace all humanity.

Alumni Greeting
Renee Hein, ’02
Vice President, Newman University Alumni Association

Benediction
Rev. Michael Linnebur, M.A.
Chaplain

Recessional
“Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals”
by Siegried Karg-Elert
Carole Pracht, Organ

Following the ceremony, please stay in place until the graduates have left the sanctuary.
Commencement Speaker

Joan Melzer, M.N.
Associate Professor of Nursing

Joan Melzer began teaching nursing in 1972 in the St. Francis Hospital diploma program. While teaching at St. Francis, she attended Newman University, then Kansas Newman College, and graduated in 1975 with a bachelor's degree in Psychology. She went on to receive two master’s degrees: a Master of Education from Kansas State University in 1977 and a Master of Nursing from Wichita State University in 1979.

In 1980, she became a professor of nursing at St. Mary of the Plains College, where she taught for twelve years. In 1992, she came to Newman University, where she has been ever since. At Newman, she teaches courses in obstetric care and she puts in many extra hours with the Nursing Club, decorating Eck Hall for Christmas, organizing social events in the School of Nursing and Allied Health, and serving her Newman colleagues in a variety of committee and university-wide assignments.

“She sets you up for success in every way possible,” wrote one student who nominated Professor Melzer for the Teaching Excellence Award. She challenges you and makes you think of ways to apply the knowledge to the work and life settings.” Another wrote, “Professor Melzer has opened my eyes to new avenues of nursing as well as making me think of ways to change for the better of my patients, my family and myself!”

One of the first students that Professor Melzer taught in the St. Francis diploma program was Bernadette Wurtz, who would go on to become Bernadette Fetterolf, the Dean of Nursing and Director of Allied Health at Newman University. In recommending her for the Teaching Excellence Award, Dean Fetterolf had this to say: “I can always count on the fact that if she takes on a job she will get it done and do it well. She is always one of the first to volunteer with projects that advance nursing and Newman University. She is willing to try new things and new experiences. She is one of Newman’s loudest cheerleaders.”
Kathy and Patrick O’Shaughnessy
Core Value - Catholic Identity

Citation read by The Most. Rev. Eugene J. Gerber, Bishop Emeritus of the Catholic Diocese of Wichita

We proudly honor you today for your devotion to your faith and commitment to the Church, Catholic education and the Newman community.

Kathy and Patrick, your support of the Church and Catholic higher education is a family legacy that reaches back to the Sacred Heart College era. Kathy, you attended Sacred Heart College, and your father, Dan Coffey, served on the first Associate Board of Directors for several years beginning in 1976. He continued to support the university with your mother, Erma, until his death in 2008. Patrick, your father, John, served on Sacred Heart College’s first Lay Advisory Board and first Board of Directors, and was a generous donor. In recognition of his service and support, John O’Shaughnessy received the Cardinal Newman Medal in 1966.

Patrick, you later served on the Board of what was then Kansas Newman College, including a term as Chairman. For your service to and support of the college, you received the Newman Medal in 1995. Both of you have continued to assist in Newman University’s welfare and development in many ways. You were generous contributors to the Renaissance 2000 campaign, which, Patrick, you co-chaired, and to the Beyond the Renaissance campaign, including your lead gift that helped create the O’Shaughnessy Hall sports complex. For your support of Newman athletics, you were inducted into the Newman Athletics Hall of Fame in 2011. You also made a substantial gift to the campaign for The Dugan Library and Campus Center.

You are both devoted to your six grown children and 16 grandchildren, and are strong supporters of your parish, The Church of The Magdalen. Patrick, you served as honorary chair of the parish’s most recent capital campaign, and Kathy, you have been active in the church’s Bible Study, pro-life activities and other areas of interest.

Patrick, you also served multiple terms on the Finance and Investment Committees of the Diocese of Wichita, and were on the Board of Holy Family Center and a strong contributor to the agency’s work for educable individuals with mental disabilities. As another indication of your faith, in 1998, Kathy, you were named a Dame, and Patrick, you were named a Knight Commander, to the Order of Saint Gregory the Great, a Papal Order given for conspicuous service to the Church and society.

Father Patrick York, pastor of Church of the Magdalen, describes you as “two people of strong faith, who are very supportive of the parish and the parish’s needs. They bring blessings to our community.”

Kathy and Patrick O’Shaughnessy, for your exemplary devotion to the Church, Catholic higher education and Newman University, we hereby confer upon you the degree Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa.
The Harvey J. and Leona J. Ablah Award

Harvey J. Ablah exemplified the spirit of the American dream. Born in Lebanon in 1897, Mr. Ablah immigrated to the United States in 1903 with his parents, brother and sister. From the time they arrived in the United States, the Ablah family embraced the free-enterprise system. With zeal and enthusiasm, they began to reap the benefits that could be earned through diligence and hard work.

With his wife, Leona, at his side, Harvey Ablah became a great entrepreneur. During the 1930s Harvey opened and managed 27 Little Castle restaurants in a four-state area, pioneering the concept of the fast-food chain long before restaurant chains became common. He returned to his family’s business in 1941 and, with his brother, Frank, operated Ablah Hotel Supply for the next 40 years.

To honor the memory of Harvey and Leona Ablah, and to perpetuate their vision of entrepreneurism and the American dream, their daughter, Geri, along with her husband, Fran Jabara, established the Harvey Ablah award at Newman University in 1994. In 1996, this award expanded, creating one award for a male graduate honoring Harvey Ablah and one for a female graduate honoring Leona Ablah.

The annual awards of $2,500 each are presented to graduating seniors who have a minimum 3.0 grade point average, exemplify the mission and spirit of Newman, and show great promise to make a strong and positive contribution to society. The family hopes this recognition will inspire other students to achieve the vision to which Harvey and Leona Ablah devoted their lives.

Past Recipients

1994  David Harris
1995  John Anderson
1996  Dan Giroux
      Blythe Jones
1997  Jason Borkenhagen
      Michelle Dixon
1998  Tenille Lesperance
      John Martin
1999  Ben Albers
      Jenell Konrade
2000  Anne Dix
      Kristopher Kaufmann
2001  Ruth Nguyen
      Christopher Tate
2002  Daniel Carsey
      Nicole Kramer
2003  Joshua Chilson
      Katie Leiker
2004  Jordan McGreevy
      Linh Nguyen
2005  Kristina Sample
      Michael Scheve
2006  Heidi Hagerott
      Levente Nyitrai
2007  Rachel Brooks
      Joseph Dunn
2008  Daniel Bryan
      Amanda Stanley
2009  Aaron Sullivan
      Stephanie Bustamante Vasquez
2010  Joseph Baalmann
      Barbara Nguyen
2011  Margaret Di Silvestro
      Denver Shipman
2012  Bridget Boyum
      Nicholas Ojile
2013  Brice Albert
      Adrienne Fox
Newman University
Spring 2014
Graduates
Associate of Arts Degree
Raina Zerbe

Associate of Science Degree
Bola Cookey Alao, Paralegal
Megan Marie Dohrer, Paralegal
*Lisa Ann German, Paralegal
Erin Christine Kane, Occupational Therapy Assistant
Peggy Rae Sanson, Paralegal
Sarah Elizabeth Timmons, Paralegal
*Teresa Unger, Paralegal

Associate of Science in Health Science Degree
Navani Baalmann, Radiologic Technology
Jill M. Bales, Radiologic Technology
Tayler Renee Blanton, Radiologic Technology
Blake Matthew Boswell, Radiologic Technology
Elizabeth Brand, Radiologic Technology
Terence L. Brand, Radiologic Technology
Nhat Bang Chau, Radiologic Technology
Virginia Nichole Ellis, Radiologic Technology
David William English, Radiologic Technology
Abbey Lea Henn, Radiologic Technology
Morgan Lee Hogland, Radiologic Technology
Nicole M. Isherwood, Radiologic Technology
*Ricardo Lozano, Radiologic Technology
Krystle Lyneé Metzen, Radiologic Technology
*Michael Gene Rorabaugh, Radiologic Technology
Gary Sanchez Chavez, Radiologic Technology
Andrea Michelle Schenkel, Radiologic Technology
Alisa Renee Sooter, Radiologic Technology
Lauren A. Speck, Radiologic Technology
Rachel Tracy, Radiologic Technology
Kylie Don Welch, Radiologic Technology
Shelby Elyse Welch, Radiologic Technology

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Bachelor of Arts Degree

Robin Allard, Sports Communication and General Business (Magna Cum Laude)
Charles Lee Allen, Pastoral Ministry
Shandy Atkins, Interdisciplinary Studies (Summa Cum Laude)
Charles Bayha, Pastoral Ministry
*James E. Bell, Biology
Richard Lee Boothe II, Pastoral Ministry
Dorian Veronica D’Tracy Boyd, Biology
Jacqueline Elizabeth Bush, Pastoral Ministry
Zenah Chepkosgei Chepkwony, Liberal Studies
Lynnette C. Christensen, Interdisciplinary Studies
*Brian C. Cornwell, Liberal Studies
Nicholas Patrick Eden, Theology (Cum Laude)
Brittany Kay English, Art
*Ian Fesler Blayne Ewing, Theatre/concentration in Performance
Cliff Fitzmorris, Pastoral Ministry
James S. Fourcade, Pastoral Ministry
Amy K. Frame, Pastoral Ministry
Alaina Marie Garrett, History (Summa Cum Laude)
*Kylee Nicole Gaston, Theatre/concentration in Performance
Kelsey Anne Gates, Liberal Studies
Jacob Andrew Gaul, Biology
Dalena Thu Nhi Hampton, Biology
Margot Jean Harris, Communication (Summa Cum Laude)
Chelsea Kay Herrera, Communication
William A. Hough, Pastoral Ministry
*Heather May James, Interdisciplinary Studies
*Nisha Karki, Biology
*Myron D. Klassen, Interdisciplinary Studies
Katie M. Klausmeyer, Biology (Summa Cum Laude)
Victoria Anne Kunhardt, English and Psychology (Cum Laude)
*Phillip Lee Lipke, Interdisciplinary Studies
Brittany Lenaé Loomis, Art (Magna Cum Laude)
Orlando Luis Mijares II, Interdisciplinary Studies
*Alice Bich Thao Ngo, Liberal Studies
Huy Truong Nguyen, Liberal Studies
Jerrie Osborn-Chavez, Biology
Scot Duane Palmer, Interdisciplinary Studies
Breeanna Pashman, Communication (Summa Cum Laude)

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Bachelor of Arts Degree (cont.)
Alison L. Petrillose, Biology
Joshua Braeden Prilliman, Art
*Matthew Phillip Ralls, Philosophy
*Julie Ashton Randall, Biology
Amber M. Reed, Communication (Cum Laude)
Sister Janice Roberts C.S.J., Pastoral Ministry
Thomas E. Rodgers, Jr., Interdisciplinary Studies
Matthew E. Royal, Sports Communication (Cum Laude)
Richard C. Russell, Interdisciplinary Studies
Sue Ryan, Pastoral Ministry
Jordan Saybounkham, Sports Communication
Stephanie A. Smolsky, Liberal Studies
Kelsey Sponsel, Biology (Cum Laude)
Marisela Trejo, Interdisciplinary Studies
Damian E. Velasquez, Sports Communication
Tanner James Vinson, Biology (Magna Cum Laude)
*Benjamin Joseph Wagner, Sports Communication
Victoria Walcher, Liberal Studies

Bachelor of Business Administration Degree
Matthew Grant Ballinger, Management (Cum Laude)
Sergelen Bayaraa, General Business
*George Howard Beck III, General Business
Blake Thomas Brommel, General Business
Jessica Brown, General Business (Magna Cum Laude)
Manase Kipkosgey Busienei, General Business
*Rober W. Butler, General Business
Lacey A. Cowan, General Business
*Nei Antunes Dos Santos, General Business
Haley Anne Dotson, General Business (Magna Cum Laude)
Blaine Wesley Frazier, General Business
Jared Thomas Friman, General Business
*Tyahnna Lakota Higgs, General Business
Megan Rachelle Hostick, General Business
Collin Mark Howe, General Business
Sharinda K. Hutton, General Business
Kyle Johnston, General Business
Javkhlan Natsagdorj, General Business
Christopher Michael Romero, General Business
Erin Sinayi Sanagorski, General Business (Magna Cum Laude)
Marcio Pereira De Souza, General Business (Magna Cum Laude)
Allison E. Trumpp, General Business

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Bachelor of Science Degree

Yvonne Akua Owusua Afriyie, Chemistry (Magna Cum Laude)
Stephanie M. Aipperspach, Psychology (Summa Cum Laude)
Tori Alderson, Accounting
Sarah Faye Anderson, Criminal Justice
Richard Brendan Atkins, Management Information Systems (Cum Laude)
Gladys Koseku Azzun, Biology
Lauren N. Baker, Criminal Justice and Psychology
Turmunkh Baljinnyam, Accounting
Alisha Barnes, Counseling/concentration in Addiction Studies
*Jacob Mark Barnes, Information Technology (Magna Cum Laude)
Cecilia Bates, Counseling/concentration in Child and Adolescent Studies
Valerie A. Beach, Criminal Justice (Cum Laude)
Jeremiah Beyale, Counseling/concentration in Addiction Studies
Carrie E. Boles, Elementary Education
*Anthony Stephen Boley, Psychology
Nathan R. Brooks, Chemistry and Mathematics (Magna Cum Laude)
Cooper J. Buchholz, Management Information Systems and Management (Cum Laude)
Janette Callejas, Psychology
James Peter Carter, Accounting
*Rubi Esmeralda Chamagua, Psychology
Emily Chastain, Biology (Summa Cum Laude)
*Shamika Taylece Chenoweth, Business Studies
Monty Chin, Healthcare Science/concentration in Psychology/Sociology
Amanda Michelle Claxton, Biology (Summa Cum Laude)
Shannon Leigh Commons, Elementary Education (Summa Cum Laude)
Wesley Cooley, Management Information Systems
Christopher M. Davis, Counseling/concentration in Criminal Justice (Cum Laude)
Jose Luis de Mesa Galindo Hol, Psychology
Jaimie Rae Dungan, Biology (Summa Cum Laude)
Mark D. Egan, Psychology (Magna Cum Laude)
*Whitney Olivia Ferguson, Accounting
Francisco Rafael Fields, Biology (Summa Cum Laude)
Tyler Edwin Finch, Criminal Justice
Kelsey Fisher, Sociology
*Shonnetta L. Gabriel, Counseling/concentration in Addiction Studies
Abby S. Rau, Counseling/concentration in Child and Adolescent Studies
*Kyle James Graber, Biology
Zacharie N. Gramke, Criminal Justice
Kelly Dawn Green, Elementary Education
Kelly Lee Gruver, Business Studies

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Bachelor of Science Degree (cont.)

Diane Gulledge, Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Cum Laude)
Tiana Alani Hacker, Biochemistry
Jessica Yvonne Hall, Elementary Education
Stacy Lynn Hartman, Early Childhood Unified (Cum Laude)
Gabrielle Marie Hernandez, Accounting (Magna Cum Laude)
Alison Ann Huffman, Biochemistry and Forensic Science (Summa Cum Laude)
Emily S. Inkelaar, Elementary Education (Summa Cum Laude)
Momodou Saidou Jallow, Accounting (Cum Laude)
Michael A. Jausel, Criminal Justice
*Sarah Kay Jensen, Biology
Crystal Lynn Johnson, Psychology
Lisa Johnson, Mathematics
*Christopher Jordan, Biology
Aurora Ann Juarez, Counseling/concentration in Child and Adolescent Studies (Summa Cum Laude)
Andreas Christopher Kernbach, Biology (Cum Laude)
Clifford Ryan Kissling, Biology (Summa Cum Laude)
Suzanne Marie Kucera, Chemistry (Cum Laude)
Robin Mae Lamb, Information Technology (Magna Cum Laude)
Omar Landeros, Criminal Justice (Cum Laude)
Steven K. Langwell, Counseling/concentration in Addiction Studies (Cum Laude)
Nguyen Huynh Hoang Le, Information Technology and General Business (Summa Cum Laude)
Kalub J. Long, Management Information Systems
Kristen Andrea Luna, Healthcare Science/concentration in Business (Cum Laude)
Caitlyn Maksymiak, Counseling/concentration in Addiction Studies (Summa Cum Laude)
Kristin Marie Martin, History (Summa Cum Laude)
Kelly R. Martinez, Early Childhood Unified (Summa Cum Laude)
Lacey Masenthin, Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Cum Laude)
Emily Elizabeth May, Biology (Cum Laude)
Christina McCleary, Early Childhood Unified (Summa Cum Laude)
Kelly J. McMains, Elementary Education
Robert Joseph Melchor, Jr., Healthcare Science/concentration in Psychology/Sociology (Summa Cum Laude)
Ethan John Menke, Biology (Cum Laude)
Katlyne Alexandria Mercer, Biology (Cum Laude)
Jamie M. Myers, Counseling/concentration in Addiction Studies
Peter Andrew Neidhart, Mathematics (Summa Cum Laude)
Shannon K. Nelson, Accounting
Sanderya Neupane, Management Information Systems (Cum Laude)
Theresa Kim Nguyen, Biology (Summa Cum Laude)
Pravash Ojha, Management Information Systems
Maggie Patricia O’Neal, Psychology (Summa Cum Laude)
Maria Isabel Paltan, Business Studies

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Bachelor of Science Degree (cont.)
Mikala Blake Payne, Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Cum Laude)
Marisol Peña, Elementary Education (Summa Cum Laude)
Anna M. Perinchery, Biology (Cum Laude)
Elizabeth Hannah Peuchen, Chemistry (Magna Cum Laude)
Shahzadi Poonam, Business Studies
Alexander B. Prine, Sociology
Miranda June Rexwinkle, Elementary Education
*Mark Daniel Riedl, Management Information Systems (Cum Laude)
Ashley Ruth Rodriguez, Healthcare Science/concentration in Psychology/Sociology (Summa Cum Laude)
Belinda L. Rohling, Accounting (Cum Laude)
Sheneta Estelle Ross, Counseling/concentration in Child and Adolescent Studies
Samantha Rowley, Diagnostic Medical Sonography (Cum Laude)
Donald D. Ruebke, Business Studies (Summa Cum Laude)
Yolanda L. Russell Steward, Counseling/concentration in Addiction Studies (Summa Cum Laude)
Lorenzo Antonio Serna, Psychology (Cum Laude)
Tabitha Dawn Shaffer, Early Childhood Unified (Summa Cum Laude)
Aadil Imron Shah, Biochemistry
Alexander L. Shaw, Biology
Timothy E. Shedrick, Jr., Accounting
Spencer Michael Shellhammer, Biochemistry (Summa Cum Laude)
Logan Anne Shupe, Biology (Magna Cum Laude)
Casey Sowder, Psychology
*Patrick Ryan Spencer, History
Timothy George Starkes, Criminal Justice
Jessica Rae Steiner, Biology (Magna Cum Laude)
Blair N. Terry, Biology
Jeremy W. Thomas, History
*Darrell L. Traylor, Criminal Justice
Christopher Villatoro, Secondary Education and History (Magna Cum Laude)
Neda Vora, Biology
Connor Maclane Walker, Biology
Tessa Elizabeth West, Elementary Education
*Casaundra Lynn Whisenhunt, Psychology
Mary Guigar Wilkerson, Early Childhood Unified (Summa Cum Laude)
Rachelle Marie Wilkerson, Healthcare Science/concentration in Business
KyLeigh Veronica Allen Wilson, Early Childhood Unified (Summa Cum Laude)
Naaima Zaidi, Biology
*Alexandra Christine Zingo, Psychology and Biology (Cum Laude)

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree

Brandi Alliman
Melissa Terese Baalmann
Shannon Castillo
Steven Daniel Cooksley
Pamela Christine Cornejo
Kaitlen J. Dickson
Briana Marie Hallacy
Julie M. Hayes (Cum Laude)
Morgan Hekele
David K. Hoang
Elizabeth Anne Jewell
Rebecca Louise Johns
Paula M. Jones
Kara Christine Kaster

Jennifer Kay Llamas
Aurora Cheyenne Milner
Brook Rochelle Moore
Amy Renee Prange (Summa Cum Laude)
Heather Manning Quinn
Andrea Jean Raney
Lacey A. Reichenberger
Rebecca Reida (Cum Laude)
Erika Michelle Smarsh (Cum Laude)
Christy Rose Stevens
Kevin Sweeney
Sam Travis
Mary Elizabeth White (Magna Cum Laude)
Brian Patrick Wilhite

Master of Business Administration Degree

Stephanie M. Casey, concentration in Management
Andrew Francis Coiner, concentration in Management
Shannon Casey Griffin, concentration in Management
Leanna J. Hampton, concentration in Leadership
*James Blair Horner, concentration in Finance
*Nicholas Taylor Hovey, concentration in Leadership
*Anita Kishor, concentration in Management
*Kevin Klein, concentration in Leadership
*Travis A. Lane, concentration in Leadership
*M. Jason Lemasters, concentration in Leadership
Matthew Pui Lun Lo, concentration in Management Information Systems
*Sebastien Negro, concentration in Finance
*Tegan Jean Perry, concentration in Leadership
*Christopher Ross, concentration in Management
Kim Dao Salmeron, concentration in Management Information Systems
*Amanda Kay Shield, concentration in Management
*Shukra Lal Shrestha, concentration in Management Information Systems
Prakriti Tamrakar, concentration in Finance
*Kristy L. Vogel, concentration in Leadership

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Master of Science in Education Degree

*Jennifer Brooke Adrian, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Darren Gilbert Beatty, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Tanya E. Belcher, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Jenny L. Bjurstrom, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
William T. Bledsoe, Jr., concentration in Organizational Leadership
Brett Ryan Cavanah, concentration in Organizational Leadership
*Sandra Kay Eastman, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Jennifer Christine Eitel, concentration in Building Leadership
*Janella June Flynn, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Todd David Francoeur, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Carey Stephens Gerdes, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Randy James Goodman, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Elizabeth Marie Hoffman, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Kimberly Howard, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Mallory O’Bannon Hummer, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Terri Denise Kaegi, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Beth Ann Kay, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Christina Elaine Knoeber, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Mik G. Love, concentration in Organizational Leadership
*Morgan L. Luna, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
JoAnn M. Mangan, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Kyrie Lynn McKee, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Tamara Gayle Meier, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Tamara Miller, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Victoria Lynn Moore, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Robert Nyabiti, concentration in Organizational Leadership
Patricia Jean Oleson, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Eunice Perez, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Joanna Lea Pryor, concentration in Curriculum & Instruction with an Emphasis in Accountability
Christina Riffel, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Victor William Rogers, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Sean Ryan, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Linda Diann Serrano, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Katharina Louise Shepherd, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Carolyn Abigail Strohmeyer, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Kelly Dee Tichenor, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Kathryn M. Trilli, concentration in Organizational Leadership
*Christine Trowbridge, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
Wendi Jean Turner, concentration in Curriculum & Instruction with an Emphasis in English as a Second Language
Kimberlee Michelle Vo, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Molly O’Hara Watson, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction
*Charly Wilhelm, concentration in English for Speakers of Other Languages Curriculum and Instruction

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia Degree

*Shelly Lynn Alvarado
*Amy Elizabeth Blair
*Charles Tyler Dick
*Amy Renae Drenick
*Orion Dyson-Smith
*Jennifer Lynn Enteshary
*Kayla Shea Fritchev
*Michael A. Hilderbrand
*Justin Aaron Jurgens
*Sara Landers
*Daniel Leiker
*Joseph J. Mazzullo
*Amber Michelle Moser

*Jim T. Nguyen
*Ryan Howard Peacock
*Amy S. Pearcy
*Angelia Ann Relph
*Miranda Joy Roy
*Ira Jack Saunders
*Whitney Helen Schmidt
*Cameron McNeal Smith
*Erik Sperry
*Michael R. Stevenson
*Raymond C. Tomshack
*Jennifer E. Wilson
*Taber Ashle Wright

Master of Social Work Degree

Cori Adair-Cardinale
*Shawna M. Allen
*Victor Clarence Bailey
Gregory Maynard Baldwin
*Matthew C. Banach
*Rossilyn D. Banks
*Tanya M. Belknap
Jennifer Berumen-Hampton
Dawn Marie Booher
Cindy R. Bowers
Pauline M. Boyd
*Chelsea Von Bush
Nichole Marie Cunha
*Lesli J. Dillman
*Lindsey Kay Feola
*Mary Whitney Fillinger
Deneice C. Flemming-Frazier
Michael Tyrone Flonard
Elizabeth Kathryn Friesen
Courtney Rae Gallardo
Maria Yolanda Garcia
Kim Marie German
Jennifer Gibson
Lynnette Denise Gladney
Danielle Gossett
Sherri Mashell Harrison
Laura Marie Hoder
Gina Hughes
Modena Lucia Jenkins
Valeria Jones
Sandie Kreiser
*Erin Elisabeth Kremer
Alicia Lynn Lays
Travis Benson Leland
Mallory Rae Lipscomb
Shelly K. Messenbrink
David L. Miller
Deborah G. Molik
Stacie Marie Morris
Rhonda L. Nutter
Brydgett LuAnn Pitzer
Marion Elaine Reinert
Jodi Rexroat
*Morgan Lee Richardson
Jennifer R. Rose
Nicole M. Saigeon
*Yvonne E. Saldaña
Kindra Rae Sanchez
Katie Marie Shain
Wendy Kathleen Sloniker
Wendy J. Stevenson
Lance R. Stewart
Sara R. Stimatze
*Elizabeth M. Halula Terry
Michelle L. Vrooman
Frances R. Waldren
Nancy Lorraine Ward
*Amanda S. Watkins
*Dawn Wolfe

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.
Master in Theological Studies Degree

*Vanessa Ann Banh
*Dayna Louise Barlow
*Lisa C. Bowser
*Christina Louise Grande
*Cheryl Gumerson
*Teresa Irene Marney
Amy Christine Martin
*Ramon Alan Nolla
*Mark Wetta

Master of Arts in Theology Degree

Deanna Michelle Johnston
Michael A. Johnston
Kathryn Marie Kissling

* Will complete requirements during the summer session.

The students listed in this program are candidates for their respective degrees and are listed based on information available at the printing deadline. Degrees are awarded only after completion of all requirements.
Newman University Chorale
Deanne Zogleman, Director
Carole Pracht, Accompanist

David Baalmann          Sierra Marklevits
Joshua Baalmann         Mikalena Martinez
Rose Bittle
Alyssa Blakley          Kathryn Messenger
Blake Boswell            Tara Minx
Alison Byrne            Joseph Molina
Joshua Campbell         Rebekah Mumford
Rusty Carbaugh          Korina O’Connor
Kaitlyn Costello        Maggie O’Neal
Sydney Daigle           Mary O’Neal
Austin Durant           Juan Ortiz
William Durant          Breeanna Pashman
Brittney Dyke           Phillip Paugh
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The Tradition of Academic Dress

The colorful attire worn on the occasion of commencement forms part of a long tradition dating back to the famous medieval universities. The mortarboard has become the universally accepted cap style, and the color of the tassel can vary with the academic field and the governing institution.

The academic gown is similar to the clerical-type robes worn by students in the great universities of history. The type of sleeves in the gown distinguish the wearer’s degree: the bachelor’s has pointed sleeves; the master’s has long, closed-arch sleeves; the doctor’s has bell-shaped sleeves with three chevrons of velvet trim; and the president’s sleeves bear four chevrons of velvet.

Each type of degree has its special hood which varies in length and pattern. The bachelor’s hood is three feet long and has a two-inch velvet trim; the master’s hood is three and one-half feet long with three-inch velvet trim; the doctor’s hood is four feet long, rectangular in shape, and has a five-inch velvet trim. The colored velvet binding represents the field in which the degree was earned: arts, letters, humanities - white; business and commerce - drab; counseling - salmon; economics - copper; education - light blue; fine arts - brown; law - purple; library science - lemon; music - pink; nursing - apricot; oratory/speech - silver gray; philosophy - dark blue; physical education - sage green; science - golden yellow; social science - citron; theology - scarlet.

The color or colors with which the hood is lined symbolize the official colors of the college or university which granted the wearer’s degree. The alma maters of the faculty of Newman University are:

Argosy University of Sarasota, gold with green chevron
Bowling Green State University, orange with brown chevron
Brigham Young University, per chevron, white over blue
Capella University, purple with old gold chevron
Case Western Reserve University, royal blue with silver gray chevron
Columbia University, light blue with white chevron
Concordia University, green with gold chevron
Emporia State University, gold with black chevron
Fordham University, maroon
Fort Hays State University, old gold
Georgetown University Law Center, silver gray with navy blue chevron
Institute for Clinical Social Work, blue and gold
Kansas State University, purple with two white chevrons
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, navy with white chevron
Marquette University, blue with gold chevron
Mary Baldwin College, gold with white chevron
Newman University, crimson and royal blue
Ohio State University, scarlet with gray chevron
Oklahoma State University, orange with black chevron
Oklahoma University of Health Sciences Center, red with citron chevron
Pontifical Gregorian University, scarlet
Portland State University, green with white chevron
Rice University, royal blue with silver gray chevron
St. Louis University, white with Yale blue chevron
St. Mary of the Plains College, white with royal blue chevron
Southern Illinois University, maroon with white chevron
State University of New York at Stony Brook, red with silver gray chevron
Texas Wesleyan University, gold with royal blue chevron
University of Arkansas, red with white chevron
University of California at Berkeley, gold with royal blue chevron
University of Chicago, maroon
University of Colorado, gold with silver gray chevron
University of Iowa, old gold
University of Kansas, Harvard crimson with Yale blue chevron
University of Maryland, black with old gold chevron
University of Memphis, royal blue with silver gray chevron
University of Minnesota, old gold with maroon chevron
University of Nebraska, scarlet and cream per chevron
University of New Mexico, silver gray with cherry red chevron
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, light blue with white chevron
University of North Texas, white chevron and kelly green
University of Oklahoma, crimson and cream
University of St. Thomas, red with gold chevron
University of Southern California, gold with cardinal chevron
University of Texas at Arlington, orange with white chevron
University of Texas at Austin, burnt orange with white chevron
Villanova University, navy blue with white chevron
Washburn University, Yale blue
Western Michigan University, seal brown with old gold chevron
Wichita State University, sunflower yellow with black chevron

Honor Cords

Newman University Graduation Honors - Gold
Alpha Sigma Lambda, National Honor Society for Nontraditional Students - Maroon and Gold
Lambda Iota Tau, International Honor Society for Students of Literature - Purple and Gold
Lambda Nu, Kansas Chi Chapter, National Honor Society for Radiologic and Imaging Sciences - Maroon, Forest Green and Gold
Lambda Pi Eta, National Communication Honor Society - Red and White
Phi Alpha, National Honor Society for Social Work- Bronze Medallion on Blue and Gold Ribbon
Phi Alpha Theta, International Honor Society for History - Crimson and Blue
Pi Gamma Mu, International Social Science Honor Society - Blue and White
Pi Lambda Theta, International Education Honor Society - Gold
Psi Chi, National Honor Society for Psychology - Royal Blue and Silver
Sigma Theta Tau, International Nursing Honor Society - Orchid and White
University Mission

We are a Catholic university named for John Henry Cardinal Newman and founded by the Adorers of the Blood of Christ for the purpose of empowering graduates to transform society.

This mission is expressed through our

Core Values

- Catholic Identity
- Academic Excellence
- Culture of Service
- Global Perspective

Newman Code

As a member of the Newman community, I pledge to live in the spirit of critical consciousness by respecting the dignity of every person, honoring both personal and institutional integrity, and striving to embrace all humanity.

As a sponsored ministry of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ, Newman University exists to further the

ASC Mission

The United States Adorers of the Blood of Christ, rooted in the Gospel of Jesus, are ecclesial women, living in community, witnessing God’s love in Mission to empower others, foster oneness, celebrate life, form right relationships, and walk as compassionate companions.