The Program

Processional
David Weimer, Organist
March from Athalie, op. 74 by Felix Mendelssohn

Invocation
Anders S. Tune, The David and Carol Matevž Endowed University Pastor

Greetings and Remarks
Michael L. Frandsen, President of the University

Presidential Scholars

Recognition of Honorees and Presentation of Awards
Department and Program Awards
Honor Societies in the Academic Disciplines
National Award Recipients
Graduating Seniors with a 4.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average
Michelle M. Mattson, Provost of the University

Recognition Societies and National Honor Societies
Casey L. Gill, Vice President for Student Development and Dean of Students

Seniors Earning University Honors
Molly M. Wood, Professor of History

Phi Beta Kappa
Stephanie A. Little, Associate Professor of Psychology

Newman Civic Fellowship Award
Community Service Champion Award
The Excellence in Community Service Award
The Charles J. Ping Student Community Service Award
Copeland Community Service and Social Justice Award
Kristen L. Collier, Director of Community Service
Edward B. Hasecke, Director of the Susan Hirt Hagen Center for Civic and Urban Engagement
The Broadwell Chinn Award
The Martin Luther King Jr. Awards
Corrine J. Witherspoon, Director of the William A. McClain Center for Diversity

The Heimtraut Dietrich Award
The Dominic E. and Alyce G. De Marco Award
Anders S. Tune, The David and Carol Mateavia Endowed University Pastor

The E. Charles Chatfield Global Awareness Award
The Lillian C. Franklin Diversity Awards
The Lou Laux Environmental Sustainability Award
Alpha Delta Pi Scholarship Awards
The M. Alice Geiger Award
The John F. Mitchell Award
Casey L. Gill, Vice President for Student Development and Dean of Students

Omicron Delta Kappa
Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award
Stephanie L. Angle, Representative, Omicron Delta Kappa

Alumni Association Award for Distinguished Teaching
Jenn Ramage, Class of 2000

Alma Mater
Elaina F. Adams, Class of 2021

Alma Lux
Deion K. Woodson, Class of 2021

PROVOST'S CLOSING REMARKS
Michelle Mattson, Provost of the University

RECESSINAL
David Weimer, Organist
Jubilate Deo by Alfred J. Silver

Please remain at your seat until the platform parties have left the chapel.

HONORS CONVOCATION MARSHALS
Associate Professor Brian D. Yontz (Grand Marshal)
Associate Professor Nancy A. Woehrle
Presidential Scholars

Named for each of Wittenberg’s 14 former presidents, the Presidential Scholars are the members of the junior class who have maintained the highest academic standing in their class through the preceding five semesters at Wittenberg.

J. Ezra Keller Scholarship
Rachel A. Boyette

Samuel P. Sprecher Scholarship
Rachel A. Kaiser

John B. Helwig Scholarship
Claire E. DeWeese

Samuel Alfred Ort Scholarship
Casey J. Conrad

John M. Ruthrauff Scholarship
Peyton N. Ernst

Charles G. Heckert Scholarship
Caroline A. Coleman

Rees Edgar Tulloss Scholarship
Nicholas N. Jenks

Clarence C. Stoughton Scholarship
Kaci L. Morin

John N. Stauffer Scholarship
Clara W. Andersen

G. Kenneth Andeen Scholarship
Dorothy P. Morgan

William A. Kinnison Scholarship
Melinda L. Baker

Baird Tipson Scholarship
Paige J. Wright

Mark H. Erickson Scholarship
Katherine L. Hiestand

Laurie M. Joyner Scholarship
Lauren M. Welker
DEPARTMENTAL AND PROGRAM AWARDS

Art Department

**The Ralston C. Thompson Awards** were established in honor of the late Ralston Thompson, professor of art (1941-1970). These awards are granted by the Art Department to students who demonstrate exceptional promise in art.

Sarah K. Eshelman, Joseph D. Jenkins

**The Wittenberg Guild Awards** are given annually from a fund established by The Wittenberg Guild. These awards are granted by the Art Department to students who demonstrate exceptional promise in art.

Oliver J. Gietzen, Tia A. McConnaughey

**The S. Paul & Clara M. Weaver Endowed Scholarship** was funded through a generous gift in loving memory of S. Paul Weaver by his wife Clara M. Weaver, Columbus, Ohio, to provide financial assistance to sophomores, juniors, or seniors who are either art majors or education majors with a desire to teach art.

Elizabeth M. Cronau

Biology Department

**The Faculty Award for Outstanding Achievement in Biology** is given by the faculty of the department in recognition of seniors who have had outstanding achievement and demonstrate strong potential in biology.

Elaina F. Adams, Emma G. Amurgis, Ashley E. Cave, Verne P. Kreger, Darby A. Szm尼亚, Abigail E. Yunker

**The Emmett Bodenberg Award for Outstanding Achievement in Environmental Biology**, named to honor the late professor of biology (1931-1968), is given to the junior or senior students who have excelled in and demonstrated commitment to this field of study.

Caleb T. Austin

**The Rachel Ianni Award for Excellence in Peer Mentoring** was established in memory of 2008 graduate Rachel Ianni (1986-2013). A biology major and marine science minor, Rachel served as a peer mentor for three years in the biology department, where she inspired fellow students with her knowledge of the field, passion for research, love of “good science,” and joie de vivre.

Alexandra M. Gibson, Destiny L. Paulen

**Biology Senior Fellows** recognizes outstanding junior Biology majors who are model representatives of both the Department and the University.

Alexa R. Bell, Jennifer S. Barron Estrada, Meghan A. Nadzam, Josie Paazig, Benjamin M. Rodell

Biochemistry/Molecular Biology Program

**The Faculty Award for Outstanding Achievement in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology** is given in recognition of seniors with exceptional achievement and strong potential in biochemistry and molecular biology.

Amor Niksic, Jillian M. Poska
Business & Economics Department

The Tau Pi Phi Award is given to the graduating business major who combines the highest academic achievement with university contribution.
Rachel C. Remias

The Faculty Award for Excellence recognizes business majors with the greatest potential for career success.
Jordan A. Jarrett

The Denise L. Calvert Award is given to the senior business major who provides significant leadership to both the department and university, while offering a strong example of dedication to scholarship and the needs of others.
Deion K. Woodson

Financial Executives International Award recognizes an outstanding senior finance or accounting student based on academics, leadership and service.
Zori L. Parker

Lowell E. Stockstill III Investment Award sponsored by the WittInvest Investment Club in honor of the founding advisor, recognizes students of high academic achievement who further the American free enterprise system via their knowledge of markets and investments.
Kai J. Kremer

The Dr. Woodrow Wilson Prize for Excellence in Business, made available by the widow and children of Woodrow Wilson, professor emeritus of business administration (1956-1978), was created to give annual financial awards to students who major and excel in management.
Lauren M. Welker, Benjamin Z. Helmus

The Economics Prize for outstanding achievement is given by the department to recognize economics majors who have maintained high standards in course work and research.
Erin E. Adams, Benjamin Z. Helmus

Chemistry Department

The Dayton Section of the American Chemical Society Patterson Award is given to the outstanding junior chemistry major.
Rachel A. Kaiser

The Nelson E. Sartoris Award is given to outstanding senior chemistry majors.
Christina M. Thompson

The James T. Gregory Award is given to the junior or senior chemistry student most likely to succeed in chemical research.
Caroline E. Barth
Cinema Studies Program

The Outstanding Scholar in Cinema Analysis and Research (OSCAR) goes to a Cinema Studies minor who has demonstrated excellence in the analysis of and research into film as an art form with due consideration of the medium's significance for human history, culture and experience.

Connor A. Friend

Communication & Digital Media Department

Laurels in Communication are given to a major who demonstrates academic excellence, personal integrity, a commitment to community, and the motivation and potential to use advanced knowledge of communication toward socially responsible ends.

Sierra T. Dann

The Thárros Award is bestowed upon a Communication Major who has, during their time at Wittenberg, demonstrated commendable character and courage in their work inside and outside of the classroom; exhibited tenacity and resilience in the face of significant challenges along the way; and embraced opportunities in a spirit of appreciation.

Faith L. Scully

East Asian Studies Program

The Outstanding East Asian Language Study Award is given to the outstanding upper class East Asian Studies major of the Chinese and Japanese languages.

Shae L. Gorin (Chinese), Peyton N. Ernst (Japanese), Rachel A. Boyette (Japanese)

The Shigeharu Matsumoto Award is given to outstanding seniors in East Asian Studies and recognizes superior academic performance and outstanding community service. The award honors Shigeharu Matsumoto for his leadership in the development of peaceful relations among the United States, Japan, and China.

Sage R. Gerstenzang, Holly K. Hilty

The Eugene Swanger Scholarship is awarded to a sophomore East Asian Studies major who demonstrates high academic achievement and shows promise as an Asian studies scholar.

Jayson E. Aguilar, Madalyn G. Marsengill

Education Department

The Barbara Steel Kane Memorial Award was established in memory of Barbara Steel Kane, a 1978 graduate of Wittenberg. The award is presented to one major and one minor from the Teacher Education Program who demonstrate the capacities of character, commitment and community that are in keeping with the mission of the Education Department and its theme of “Educational Leaders for Constructive Social Change.”

Audra P. Metzger (major), Caleb T. Austin (minor)

The Virginia Lucas Silver Apple Award is presented to the Education Department junior who displays the qualities exemplified by Professor Emerita of Education Virginia Lucas (1973-1992).

Caitlyn S. Ashley, Carrie S. Foley
English Department

The Allen J. Koppenhaver Prize, established in honor of the late Allen J. Koppenhaver, professor of English (1961-1991), is awarded annually to the outstanding senior English major who best represents the breadth and depth of Professor Koppenhaver's scholarship and interdisciplinary interests.

Maia C. Grandy

The Award for Excellence in Literary Studies is given to senior English majors who best exemplify excellence in literary criticism and scholarship.

Jamie C. Spallino

Health Professions Program

The John Stauffer Scholarship is given to a student in the sciences who is planning to enter medical school or graduate school upon graduating from Wittenberg to pursue a career in medicine or one of the basic medical sciences. The award recipient should be planning for either the M.D. or the Ph.D. degree after graduation with plans for medical practice or medical research and education. This award recognizes merit and outstanding scholarship and potential for future contributions in the health sciences.

Destiny L. Paulen

History Department

The Margaret S. Ermarth Award, established in honor of the late Margaret Sittler Ermarth, professor of history (1953-1974), is awarded to outstanding senior history majors.

Anna L. Crichton

The Martha and Robert Hartje Award, established in 1988 to honor Robert Hartje, professor of history (1956-1988) and his wife Martha Hartje, is awarded to an outstanding senior history major skilled in writing historical narrative.

Jerrick L. Allen, Josh R. Abbey

Intercollegiate Athletics Program

The North Coast Athletic Conference Student-Athlete Award recognizes a student who has performed with distinction both in the classroom and on the playing field.

Elise N. Freeland, Michael P. Kenny
Languages Department

The Kurt J. Fickert Award, established in honor of Kurt J. Fickert, professor of languages (1956–1986), is presented to an outstanding junior or senior majoring in French, German, or Spanish or completing advanced studies in Russian. The recipient must possess those qualities exemplified by Professor Fickert during his more than 30 years of service to the Department of Languages and to the university: an understanding of and commitment to the humanistic values fostered by an education in the liberal arts, a lively interest in intellectual endeavor and achievement, and plans for a career that will enrich the lives of others.

Anya B. Bennett (German), Braeden L. Bowen (Russian), Destiny L. Paulen (Spanish), Gabriel G. Lamar (French)

The Stan Mickel Award is presented to an outstanding senior student of East Asian languages. While the major area of study is open, the recipient will have completed, or will be completing, advanced studies in Chinese or Japanese and will have an overall GPA of no less than 3.5. In keeping with Professor Mickel’s profound commitment to passing on his love of Chinese, the award winner will also show promise of further engagement with East Asian language and culture.

Kimberly S. Mugford (Chinese), Sage R. Gerstenzang (Chinese)

Mathematics and Computer Science Department

The Paul Hessler Award, established in memory of Paul Hessler, a member of the mathematics faculty at Wittenberg (1969–1978), is awarded to a junior or senior major for outstanding achievement in mathematics or computer science.

Casey J. Conrad, Clara W. Andersen

The Norman E. Dodson Award, named in honor of the late Norman Dodson, a member of the mathematics faculty at Wittenberg (1957–1975), is awarded to a graduating senior for excellence in preparation to teach mathematics or computer science.

Ryan M. West

The Charles and Elsie Little Mathematics Fund was established by Dr. Richard A. Little, a 1960 graduate of Wittenberg, in memory of his parents. This award recognizes outstanding junior or senior mathematics or computer science majors.

Andrew M. Gregory, Braeden L. Bowen, Ashley E. Cave, Garrett E. Hunter

Music Department

The Elmer Blackmer Award, established in memory of Professor Elmer Blackmer (1962–1974), is presented to music students who have shown outstanding achievement in music theory and music skills.

Lillyan G. Gaertner, Shante T. Leslie

The Jan Bender Award, established in honor of the late Jan Bender, professor of music (1965–1975), is awarded to a senior whose performance both academically and musically has been excellent and whose contributions to the Department of Music have been outstanding.

Nicholas F. Weissman, Annemarie L. Brier
Nursing Department
The David and Mary Benfer Scholarship for Academic Excellence in Nursing, established in 2018, the David and Mary Benfer Scholarship for Academic Excellence in Nursing is in honor of David and Mary’s siblings whose careers and lives have been dedicated to serving and caring for others. The scholarship recognizes an outstanding junior nursing student based on academic merit, leadership and potential in the field of nursing.
Dorothy P. Morgan

Philosophy Department
The Remsberg/Klive Award, established in honor of Robert G. Remsberg, professor of philosophy (1940-1975), and Visvaldis V. Klive, professor of philosophy (1966-1994). This recognition is given to an outstanding senior philosophy major and includes a book award.
William E. Burgess Applegate

Physics Department
The Weaver Prize is awarded to the junior Physics major who shows the greatest potential for a career in Physics.
Zachary B. Howe

Political Science Department
The Joe H. Bindley Scholarship, which honors Professor Bindley (1968-1987), is granted to junior or senior political science majors who exhibit high levels of leadership or scholarship while pursuing courses of study leading toward law school or American politics.
Paige J. Wright

The Jeffrey Y. Mao Alumni Award in Political Science is given to junior political science majors in recognition of outstanding scholarship, service to the university and promise of significant contributions to society.
Nicholas N. Jenks

Psychology Department
The Bethlehem Steel Award has been established to honor outstanding senior students in psychology.
Kidron B. Taylor

Meagan Toothman Scholarship is named for Meagan because she represented the best of Wittenberg as a scholar-athlete, a beloved sister in her sorority and a friend to many. Meagan followed Wittenberg’s motto of “having light we pass it on to others” in supporting countless individuals. This scholarship is awarded annually to a junior or senior psychology student who is hardworking, passionate and engaged in the community.
Lucas A. Klever

The Award for Professional Potential is given to a senior psychology major who has demonstrated the potential for advanced study in psychology.
Ashley A. Brooks

The Virgil E. Rahn Memorial Fund in Psychology has been established to honor an outstanding junior student in psychology.
Alyssa V. Fesenmyer, Lucas A. Klever
Religion Department

The David Hartman Award, established in honor of the late David Hartman, associate professor of religion (1962-1976), is awarded to an outstanding senior in the Department of Religion based upon the student’s academic performance, ability to relate the study of religion to the liberal arts, and contributions to the department and its program.

Noelle M. Collins

Sociology Department

The T. Edwin Boling Sociology Scholarship Award, established in honor of the late Ed Boling, professor of sociology (1967-1994), is given to outstanding senior sociology majors.

Shelby R. Smith

Women’s Studies Program

The Women’s Studies Writing Award, sponsored by the Women’s Studies Program, is presented for outstanding writing in any area of Women’s Studies.

Winner: Sadie A. Kurtzman    Honorable Mention: Faith L. Scully

HONOR SOCIETIES IN THE ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES

Alpha Kappa Delta

Alpha Kappa Delta seeks to acknowledge and promote excellence in scholarship in the study of sociology, the research of social problems, and such other social and intellectual activities as will lead to improvement in the human condition. Academically accomplished sociology majors and minors are invited to join Wittenberg’s Sigma of Ohio Chapter.

Avery B. Adams    Jared M. Magoteaux    Hannah G. Shafer
Abigail R. Gerstenzang   Olivia T. Parkinson    Satta F. Sheriff
Tala M. Hall   Kaiya Rider    Joshua H. Tarrance
Ryan A. Hensley   Abbey M. Roberts    Annmeri J. Turner
Lauren L. Kreamer   Hallie R. Roberts

Beta Beta Beta

Beta Beta Beta (TriBeta) is a society for students dedicated to improving the understanding and appreciation of biological study and extending boundaries of human knowledge through scientific research. Since its founding in 1922 more than 670 chapters have been established throughout the United States and Puerto Rico.

Elizabeth H. Canright    Maya K. Hagander    Benjamin M. Rodell
Evie M. Chatfield   Lilia L. Moorman    Mikayla S. Thompson
Julianna S. Fisher   Claire M. Mutia
Epsilon Alpha Sigma
Epsilon Alpha Sigma, the first East Asian Studies honor society in the United States, was founded at Wittenberg in 1981. Since then, other colleges and universities throughout the country have established chapters of this honorary. Membership is open to academically superior students of East Asian Studies.

Peyton N. Ernst     Holly K. Hilty     Saqib Rasheed

Kappa Delta Pi
Kappa Delta Pi is an honored community of diverse educators who have achieved and continue to promote and advance excellence in scholarship, leadership and service.

Gabrielle R. Bates  Sydney B. Lamb  Kelli C. Quinn
Ellen D. Brouhard   Jenna E. Mains  Dorothy A. Rees
Paige A. Decker    Michaela A. Malone  Leah N. Ruby
Sophia R. Easton   Kevin L. Marshall  Emma G. Schewe
Angela M. Gialanella  Rebecca L. McMahon  Calista M. Spring
Mary L. Habodasz  Zachary A. Miller  Mary E. Steiner
Madeline J. Kreitzer  Michael K. Osmond  Olivia A. Tincher
Paige N. Kucinic  Samantha S. Peck

Lambda Pi Eta
Lambda Pi Eta is the National Communication Association’s official honor society at four-year colleges and universities. LPH represents what Aristotle described in The Rhetoric as three ingredients of persuasion: logos (Lambda), pathos (Pi), and ethos (Eta). Lambda Pi Eta recognizes, fosters and rewards outstanding scholastic achievement while stimulating interest in the communication discipline.

Madison C. Moler     Hannah G. Weymouth

Pi Mu Epsilon
Pi Mu Epsilon, founded in 1914 the nation’s most prestigious mathematical honorary society. The purpose of the Society is to Promote scholarly activity in mathematical activity inside and outside the classroom.

Clara W. Andersen  Elijah G. Hogsett  Matthew M. Schaeffer
Ashton R. Arnett   Austin T. O’Quinn

Pi Sigma Alpha
Pi Sigma Alpha brings together students and faculty interested in the study of government and politics. Wittenberg has had a chapter since 1947. Juniors and seniors who have completed requisite political science courses with excellence and whose overall grade point average is above 3.3 are eligible for membership.

Avery B. Adams     Nicholas N. Jenks
Braeden L. Bowen  Paige J. Wright

Psi Chi
Psi Chi is the international honor society in psychology. Wittenberg’s Psi Chi members have a psychology grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Chloe R. Beaver   Monica A. Hosler  Ashley J. Save
Ethan M. Belknap  Hannah N. Jackson  Taryn J. Smith
Ashley A. Brooks  Madison M. Lakosky  Eleanor V. Wenner
Haley N. Eckhert  Clare N. Neltner
Gabriell M. Hancock  Harley C. Paul
**NATIONAL AWARDS**

**U.S. Fulbright Student Program**

**Semi-finalists:** John J. Fobean, Charlotte E. Hurst, Bailey E. McPhail

**GPA AWARDS**

**Seniors with a 4.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average**

Sage R. Gerstenzang, Rachel C. Remias, Megan S. Short, Shelby R. Smith

**RECOGNITION SOCIETIES**

*Ivy Ring* is a junior women’s service honorary. Members are chosen on the basis of their contributions to the Wittenberg campus and to the community through the quality of their academic work and their participation in extracurricular activities.

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*Pick and Pen* is a junior honorary emphasizing leadership, service and scholarship.

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**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETIES**

*Alpha Alpha Alpha* is a national honor society that recognizes the scholarship and achievement of first generation college students. Founded at Moravian college in 2018, Wittenberg was the third school approved to induct a class and is the Mu chapter. Wittenberg inducted its first class into the honors society this spring. The society recognizes students who have earned at least 36 credits hours, achieved overall GPA of 3.2 or higher, and neither parents nor guardians have completed a bachelor’s degree.

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**Alpha Lambda Delta** is a national honor society that seeks to recognize and to encourage scholarship among first-year college women. Selection is based entirely on achieving a 3.5 cumulative grade point average for fall semester of the first year.

Megan G. Baker  
Alannah C. Browning  
Julia M. Burch  
Camelia S. Duncan  
Jasmin J. Gonzalez-Morgan  
Madeleine E. Grant  
Brenna L. Haggy  
Margaret G. Harbaugh  
Parker J. Hayes  
Audrey L. Heiser  
Sydney M. Khosla  
Emma K. Lindsey  
Olivia M. Norbut  
Lily A. Pederson  
Emily G. Randall  
Maria F. Rodriguez  
Sarah E. Ruhe  
Emma F. Secrest  
Caroline M. Sedor  
Kaulana M. Smith  
Alexis M. Stroud  
Racheal A. Vargo  
Brianna M. West  
Emma M. Wilson  
Katherine G. Wisniewski

**Phi Eta Sigma** is a national honor society that seeks to recognize and to encourage scholarship among first-year college men. Selection is based entirely on achieving a 3.5 cumulative grade point average for fall semester of the first year.

Daniel T. Bean  
Nicholas X. Brown  
Daniel T. Bean  
Cole A. Lewis  
Evan C. Massey  
William C. Morrison  
Braden B. Nicholas

**Mortar Board** is a national senior honorary recognizing scholarship, leadership and service. Candidates must have a 3.3 grade point average and excel in both curricular and cocurricular leadership and service to the Wittenberg community.

Ashley A. Brooks  
Elizabeth H. Canright  
Caroline A. Coleman  
Casey J. Conrad  
Katherine L. Hiestand  
Shante T. Leslie  
Rebecca L. McMahon  
Dorothy P. Morgan  
Morgan B. White  
Matthew C. Morrison  
Elizabeth C. Uhl

**Omicron Delta Kappa** is a national senior leadership honor society recognizing leadership in scholarship, athletics, university publications, cultural life and student affairs.

Bridget M. Logan  
William C. Morrison  
Olivia M. Norbut  
Elizabeth C. Uhl  
Morgan B. White

**Chi Alpha Sigma** is a national college athletic honor society founded in 1996. Members must be of junior or senior class standing, have a 3.4 or higher cumulative grade point average, be of good moral character and have earned a letter in a varsity intercollegiate sport.

Clara W. Andersen  
Sydney L. Artis  
Ashley A. Brooks  
Russell D. Burke  
Jordan P. Burke  
Elizabeth H. Canright  
Gage D. Carpenter  
Caroline A. Coleman  
Brooke N. Dill  
Christopher M. Dunne  
Morgan E. Ely  
Shae L. Gorin  
Daniel J. Grubb  
Conner J. Hahn  
Nicole E. Hawkins  
Emma N. Hellmann  
Kiersten A. Heverly  
Katherine L. Hiestand  
Antavia C. Horne  
Zachary B. Howe  
Kai J. Kremer  
Richard N. Medley  
Braeden A. Meier  
Emma C. Menjivar  
Maria L. Miller  
Lilye M. Morrison  
Clare N. Neltner  
Allison M. Ormsby  
Michael K. Osmond  
Anthony N. Petrucci  
Conner S. Rice  
Benjamin M. Rodel  
Cullen A. Sainey  
Jacob E. Saus  
Emma G. Schewe  
Paul H. Schmelzer  
Emma J. Scritchfield  
Hunter S. Shelley  
Sophia M. Spriggs  
Joanna L. Stecz  
Parker K. Thompson  
Harrison J. VanTilburg  
Alexandra D. Weithman  
Lauren M. Welker  
Emily M. Wile  
Ryan P. Zimmerman
Alpha Sigma Lambda The Wittenberg chapter of this national honor society for adult students is one of more than 200 throughout the nation. The society recognizes superior academic achievement by mature adults who typically pursue their studies while meeting major responsibilities of work and family.

Jacob M. Andorfer  Robert Hunt  Niger A. Rojas Serrano
Carrie S. Foley  Claire F. Metzger

SENIORS EARNING UNIVERSITY HONORS

Taylor M. Barnhisel  Holly K. Hilty  Emma G. Seibert
Ethan M. Belknap  Jack A. Hollinshead  Jamie C. Spallino
Braeden L. Bowen  Hannah N. Jackson  Carly N. Stang
William E. Burgess Applegate  Kai J. Kremer  Kidron B. Taylor
Ashley E. Cave  Bailey E. McPhail  Alyssa J. Ulrich
Anna-Clare L. Crichton  Emily D. Nolan  Jamin N. Waite
Sierra T. Dann  Rachel C. Remias  Nicholas F. Weissman
Saylor M. Frye  Cameron R. Rice  Eleanor V. Wenner
Sarah M. Hartman  Katrina M. Rosing  Kathryn G. Wetterstrom

Phi Beta Kappa

Founded at the College of William and Mary in 1776, Phi Beta Kappa is the oldest and most prestigious of the national honor societies. Wittenberg’s chapter, Omicron of Ohio, was established in 1992. Phi Beta Kappa exists to give recognition to students who have achieved high academic distinction at Wittenberg. Phi Beta Kappa stresses the importance of the liberal arts and sciences, and elects to membership only those students who have demonstrated their awareness of the liberal arts tradition by building programs broad in scope yet sufficiently concentrated to ensure comprehensive knowledge in one or more disciplines.

Students are normally elected as seniors or, in special cases, as juniors. They must be majoring in one of the liberal arts or sciences, have a high grade point average, have taken a variety of courses across the liberal arts spectrum, and have demonstrated a knowledge of mathematics and a foreign language appropriate to a liberal arts education.

Braeden L. Bowen  Zachary B. Howe  Kristin L. Stein
Rachel A. Boyette  Lucas A. Klever  Sarah N. Theisen
Casey J. Conrad  Lilye M. Morrison  Paige J. Wright

Newman Civic Fellowship Award

The Newman Civic Fellowship is intended to honor the leadership legacy of Campus Compact founder Frank Newman by recognizing community-committed students who engage in collaborative action with others from campus or from surrounding communities in order to create long-term social change, take action in addressing issues of inequality and political polarization, and demonstrate the motivation and potential for effective long-term civic engagement.

Community Service Champion Award recognizes a student’s commitment to service, the quality of his/her service, and his/her positive impact on the City of Springfield and Clark County. It is not merely the student’s hours of service, but the impact on the quality of life in the Springfield community that is most important.
THE EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

The Excellence in Community Service Award recognizes a faculty/staff member for their dedication to community service in the Springfield/Clark County community. The recipient is selected based on his/her substantial involvement in community projects, services and activities that contribute to the quality of life in the local community.

CHARLES J. PING STUDENT COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Charles J. Ping Student Community Service Award honors a student’s outstanding leadership and commitment to community service on campus and within the community. It recognizes a student’s ability to work in partnership with members of the community to identify and meet the needs of the community, as well as the creation of a sustainable organization or process to meet this community need for an extended period of time, either to its resolution or into the foreseeable future. The award is sponsored by Ohio Campus Compact, a statewide non-profit coalition of college and university presidents and their campuses working to promote and develop the civic purposes of higher education.

COPELAND COMMUNITY SERVICE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD

This award recognizes a rising senior who has demonstrated engaged citizenship in the City of Springfield. It is not merely the student’s hours of service, but the ability to think critically about difficult societal issues and the willingness to work to confront these issues with compassion and commitment that is most important.

THE BROADWELL CHINN AWARD

Named for Broadwell Chinn, documented as having been among the first African American students to attend Wittenberg in the 1870s, this award was first given in 1981 in recognition of the Black junior with the highest cumulative grade point average.

THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. AWARDS

The Martin Luther King Jr. Award was instituted in 1981 to recognize two outstanding black seniors, one man and one woman, who have been positive examples to members of the black community and to the university at-large during their college careers.

THE HEIMTRAUT DIETRICH AWARD

The Heimtraut Dietrich Award was instituted in 1981 to recognize a senior who, through faith and service, best emulates the spirit of Miss Dietrich’s devotion to Wittenberg.

THE DOMINIC E. AND ALYCE G. DE MARCO AWARD

The Dominic E. and Alyce G. De Marco Scholarship for Academic Excellence and Distinguished Service to Those Living on the Margins of Society is awarded to a student with a GPA of at least 3.5 who has demonstrated – and will continue to demonstrate – a commitment to serving those persons who live on the margins of society, the sick, the material poor, the displaced, the homeless and the elderly.
**The Charles E. Chatfield Global Awareness Award**
Chatfield, a professor of history at Wittenberg University for 38 years, directed international education from 1975 to 1983. He created and directed study-abroad, Global Issues and World Churches programs. The Global Awareness Award, instituted in 1992, recognizes seniors who have contributed to greater global awareness within the Wittenberg University community.

**The Lillian C. Franklin Diversity Award**
The Lillian C. Franklin Diversity Award will be granted each year to honor a student and a faculty/staff member who have made outstanding contributions in promoting and furthering our goal of rich diversity in the Wittenberg community. Candidates must uphold the tradition of diversity embodied by the award’s namesake, demonstrate high standards of personal integrity, commitment to the education of the whole person, global vision and leadership.

**The Lou Laux Environmental Sustainability Award**
The Lou Laux Environmental Sustainability Award recognizes one student and one faculty/staff member for their effort and creativity devoted to cultivating a spirit of environmentalism on campus.

**Alpha Delta Pi Scholarship Awards**
This fund was created in 1990 by the Springfield Alumnae Association and Chi Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority to recognize two junior women, one Greek and one non-Greek, who best exemplify the characteristics consistent with the ideals and goals of the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority. Selection is based upon excellence in scholarship, leadership, activities and moral character, and goals of the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority. Selection is based upon excellence in scholarship, leadership, activities and moral character.

**The M. Alice Geiger Award**
The M. Alice Geiger Award was instituted in 1974 at the 100th anniversary of women’s admission to Wittenberg. The award, named for the first woman graduate, recognizes a senior woman for outstanding contributions to the Wittenberg campus in the areas of the performing or literary arts, athletics, cocurricular leadership, new programming, special academic pursuit or through special representation at any time during her college career.

**The John F. Mitchell Award**
Named for the valedictorian of Wittenberg’s first graduating class, the Class of 1851, the John F. Mitchell Award recognizes a senior male student who represents the liberal arts tradition well. This senior is a positive force in academic, cultural and social aspects of the campus. He exemplifies an open mind, understanding, reliability and a wide range of interests.

**Omicron Delta Kappa Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award**
The ODK Award honors a current faculty member with less than five years of dedicated service to Wittenberg.
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED TEACHING

The Alumni Association Award for Distinguished Teaching is presented in recognition of superior classroom teaching and contributions to the academic life of the students and faculty of Wittenberg University.

ALMA MATER

Alma Mater is a traditional honor bestowed upon a junior female student who possesses qualities of leadership, scholarship and service. Final candidates are selected from a pool of nominees determined by students, faculty and staff. The Alma Mater is chosen in a campus-wide election.

The final candidates for the 2020-2021 Alma Mater:

Ashley A. Brooks  Brooke N. Dill  Josie Paazig
Courtney E. Buck  Dorothy P. Morgan

ALMA LUX

Alma Lux is an honor bestowed upon a junior male student who possesses qualities of leadership, scholarship and service. Final candidates are selected from a pool of nominees determined by students, faculty and staff. The Alma Lux is chosen in a campus-wide election. The final candidates for the 2020-2021 Alma Lux are:

Jackson H. Brown  Anthony N. Petruzzi  Ryan P. Zimmerman
Michael K. Osmond  Emmanuel L. Thombs
MISSION STATEMENT

Wittenberg University provides a liberal arts education dedicated to intellectual inquiry and wholeness of person within a diverse residential community. Reflecting its Lutheran heritage, Wittenberg challenges students to become responsible global citizens, to discover their callings, and to lead personal, professional, and civic lives of creativity, service, compassion, and integrity.