# **COMMENCEMENT**

# One Hundred and Fifty-First Year May 15, 2022







# **COMMENCEMENT**

# Field House

Sunday, May 15, 2022 2:00 p.m.

# President Daniel A. DiBiasio

Presiding

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Instrumental Prelude	Band				
Dr. Charles Bates, Professor of Music, Conductor, Symphonic I	3and				
Academic Procession (Audience please rise.)					
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University Chaplain (Please remove your caps.)					
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James F. Dicke III					
President Daniel A. DiBiasioDoctor of Humane Letters					
Chris Burns-DiBiasio					
Special Music	3and				
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Lynda D. Nyce					
Adriane L. Thompson-Bradshaw Vice President for Student Affairs					
Christopher Bowers					
John-David Yoder					
John C. Navin					

Ohio Northern University Hymn	
	Graduating Senior in Musical Theatre and Music
	Ohio Northern, we love thy name;
	Ohio Northern, long live thy fame!
	We sing thy glory, sound forth thy praise
	For all that gladdens our dear college days.
	Ohio Northern, we will be true,
	Loyal forever to dear ONU.
Spoken Benediction	
Recessional	Symphonic Band

MARSHALS Professor David Rouch, Grand Marshal Professor Tena Roepke, Banner Bearer

Audience please rise. Faculty recesses. Graduates do not recess. The audience is requested to remain in place until all faculty members have recessed.

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Professor Linda Young Professor Dexter Woods

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College of Arts and Sciences

Professor Ronald Peterson Professor Mark Dixon

College of Engineering

Professor Srinivasa Vemuru Professor David R. Mikesell

College of Business Administration

Professor Kevin Ernst Professor Matthew Kutch

# MUSICAL SELECTIONS

Interlude Centennium Brian Balmages Academic Procession Pomp and Circumstance Edward Elgar National Anthem Star Spangled Banner Francis Scott Key There is a Time Special Music The Dillards Professor Kirsten Osbun-Manley, Vocalist Dr. Adriane L. Thompson-Bradshaw, Vocalist Wind Band Setting Charles Bates Recessional Fanfare for the Dessert Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach

> Dr. Charles Bates, Professor of Music, Conductor, Symphonic Band Mr. Benjamin Morris, Graduating Senior in Music and Mathematics Mr. Ethan Mann, Graduating Senior in Musical Theatre and Music

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# Commencement Speaker and Honorary Degree Recipients



# James F. Dicke III

James F. Dicke III is the president of Crown Equipment Corporation based in New Bremen, Ohio. As one of the largest privately held companies in the United States, Crown is an international company with offices in more than 20 countries, more than 15,000 employees and a sales volume of over \$3 billion. Dicke joined Crown in 1996 as the vice president for human resources after three years as a personnel officer at Frost National Bank in San Antonio, Texas. He became Crown's executive president in 2000 and president in 2002. Under his leadership, Dicke emphasized product innovation, vertical integration and continuous improvement, which have resulted in company revenue increases of more than 33% and expanded global reach.

Dicke received a bachelor of science in management and finance from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas.



# Daniel A. DiBiasio

President Dan DiBiasio, who will retire on June 30, will receive an honorary doctor of humane letters. He was hired in August 2011 as Ohio Northern's 11th president. By the time he retires, he will have served 27 years as a college president in Ohio, completing a 45-year career in higher education. He is the longest-serving president among independent college and university presidents in Ohio (total tenure).

Noteworthy accomplishments during DiBiasio's tenure thus far include attracting and retaining first-rate faculty; emphasizing high-impact learning practices; increasing opportunities for community service and engagement; expanding athletics; strengthening the institution's financial foundation; building and renovating existing facilities for 21st century learning; and successfully attracting philanthropic support for capital projects and scholarships. He has also expanded ONU's sustainable energy practices and recently launched a comprehensive effort to increase diversity, equity and inclusion on campus.



# Chris Burns-DiBiasio

Chris Burns-DiBiasio, who will receive an honorary doctor of humane letters, has also left an indelible mark on ONU and the surrounding community thanks to her community service endeavors. In particular, her efforts have been integral to the establishment and success of the Ada Community Engagement (ACE) Day, Get Connected ONU, Affinity Gardens, Patriotic Pops and the Made in Ada Wilson Football Festival. Additionally, Burns-DiBiasio served on or was involved with several community-based organizations, such as the Ada Rotary Club, Ada Chamber of Commerce, the Activate Allen County Leadership Team and the Lima Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors. She was also a community fellow with the Hardin Community School and served on the Hardin County Chamber & Business Alliance Board of Directors.

# The Getty College of Arts and Sciences Class of 2022

# Bachelor of Arts

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Cum Laude

Early Childhood Education
Bellevue, Ohio

Chelsie Danielle Bosley
Creative Writing
\*Literature
Upper Sandusky, Ohio

Brianna Nicole Brown
Magna Cum Laude
History
Port Washington, Ohio

Grace F. Buckland
Magna Cum Laude
Political Science
\*Gender and Sexuality Studies
McComb, Ohio

Whitney J. Burkholder Summa Cum Laude Language Arts Education Elida, Ohio

Artemis Jade Burnett

Cum Laude

Spanish

Springfield, Ohio

Luke Tyler Butterfield Magna Cum Laude Language Arts Education Harrod, Ohio Kennedy Christine Cook

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Communication Studies
\*Management
Columbus, Indiana

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Elizabeth Mariel Dornbusch

Cum Laude

Communication Studies

Creative Writing

Galloway, Ohio

†† Abigail Christine Evans

Cum Laude

Criminal Justice

Troy, Ohio

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^Music History and Literature
West Liberty, Ohio

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Psychology
^Clinical and Counseling Psychology
\*Communication Studies
Berkey, Ohio

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Criminal Justice
^Investigative Accounting
South Lyon, Michigan

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\*Psychology
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† Elizabeth Paige Hopson
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^Clinical and Counseling Psychology
\*Communication Studies
Ada, Ohio

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Magna Cum Laude

Creative Writing

Professional Writing

Fort Wayne, Indiana

♦ Leyre Jimenez Garcia
Summa Cum Laude
Chemistry
Pamplona, Spain

Abigail S. Kennedy
Psychology
^General Psychology
\*Art
Harrod, Ohio

♦ Dual degrees

^Concentrations or Options

\*Minors

† Graduated at the end of Summer Semester 2021

†† Graduated at the end of Fall Semester 2021

‡ Completing requirements in Summer or Fall of 2022

*Cum Laude* (3.50 - 3.69)

*Magna Cum Laude* (3.70 – 3.89)

*Summa Cum Laude* (3.90 – 4.00)

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Sociology ^General Sociology Criminal Justice Urbana, Ohio

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Religion
History
Political Science
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\*Public Health
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\*Dance
\*Biology
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Megan Jewel Halloran

Cum Laude

Nursing

Wilmington, Ohio

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Audrey Lucille Spirk Nursing Bellbrook, Ohio

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Nursing

\*Dance

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Magna Cum Laude

Nursing

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# Academic Attire

Academic attire dates back at least to the 14th century. Its origin is attributed to ecclesiastical influence, to the need for warmth in unheated rooms used by medieval scholars, and to avoidance of "excess in apparel" by wearing a long gown. Ultimately, a system developed of distinctive caps, gowns and hoods denoting the institution that granted the degree, the field of learning in which the degree was earned, and the level of the degree — bachelor, master or doctorate.

American universities, unlike those of England and Europe, have adopted a standard code of academic costume in which the cut and material of the gown, the color of the tassel on the cap, and the pattern and colors of the hood all have special significance.

Bachelors' gowns are closed at the throat and have long, pointed sleeves. Masters' gowns may be worn open or closed and have long, oblong sleeves, square and closed at the end, the arms coming through slits near the wrist. Doctors' gowns, worn open or closed, are faced with velvet and have full, bell-shaped sleeves. Each sleeve carries three bars of velvet, called chevrons. Trustees, presidents and marshals of colleges or universities may wear caps and gowns which are especially designed and colored.

Academic caps are usually mortarboards, though soft caps are also worn. The cap is black; the tassel is black or the color appropriate to the discipline or field of study, or for a doctor's cap it may be gold.

The hood gives color and real meaning to the academic costume. The color of the lining identifies the university granting the highest degree held by the wearer. The color of the trim indicates the field of learning in which the degree is received.

# Colors of Fields of Learning

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Nursing	Apricot
Commerce, Business	Drab	Pharmacy	Olive Green
Education	Light Blue	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Engineering	Orange	Physical Education	Sage Green
Fine Arts	Brown	Public Service	Peacock Blue
Law	Purple	Science	Golden Yellow
Library Science	Lemon	Theology	Scarlet
Music	Pink		

# Colors of Selected Institutions

Bowling Green State University	Burnt Orange and Brown
Butler University	Blue and White
Cornell University	
Drake University	Blue and White
Harvard University	
Indiana University	
Kent State University	Gold and Blue
Ohio University	
Purdue University	
Samford University	Blue and Red
SUNY at Buffalo	
The Ohio State University	Scarlet and Gray
University of Iowa	Gold and Black
University of Michigan	
University of Notre Dame	
University of the Pacific	

# The Legacy of Commencement

Awarding academic degrees to signify reaching a certain level in a branch of learning goes back at least eight centuries, even prior to the creation of universities. In the twelfth century, large bodies of students would gather together in one place, as they did in Paris and Bologna. In such a scholarly milieu, some naturally decided on a career in teaching.

Their first step was to become baccalaureus, a status that then required the student to continue coursework under the direction of scholars. Following more years of study, the student was admitted to a select circle of teachers through a series of special initiation rites.

The installation in a teaching post followed practices of Roman Law among students in Paris. Some vestiges of the ceremony are seen in today's commencement exercises, namely the investment with a square cap. The new master would embark upon his teaching career with his first lecture, his inceptio, meaning commencement.

From these origins has come our commencement, a special academic ceremony for the purpose of awarding degrees, which begins and ends with an academic procession. As a descendant of clerical processions of the churches, it is carried out with great dignity and impressiveness. All participants wear the academic regalia appropriate to their highest degree. Faculty members process in order of their academic rank, with senior full professors first, followed by their colleagues of successively lower rank. The procession is formed in ranks of two except for special dignitaries or honorees who may walk alone. The entire procession is headed by a senior faculty member bearing an ornate institutional banner and another serving as grand marshal and carrying the institutional mace, a traditional emblem of authority of the bearer.

The high point of the commencement program is the hooding ceremony and awarding of degrees. Placing a hood on the shoulders of the graduate is the time-honored gesture denoting the investiture of the degree. Since this practice is most often retained solely for advanced degrees in contemporary commencement exercises, today's bachelor's degree recipients symbolize the hooding through the simple act of moving the tassel on the cap from the right to the left side. Only a few institutions maintain the practice — as we do at Ohio Northern University — of the candidate receiving their diploma at the commencement ceremony.

Evolving culture and customs have changed the details of awarding degrees. Yet it remains a rich and memorable experience for participants and witnesses, a ceremony sensitive to tradition and conveying great significance in the lives of the new graduates.

# A Note to Guests

Today will be many things — historical, fun, solemn, reminiscent, dignified, joyful, a repository of deep and long-lasting memories. Graduates will be honored by faculty and administration. Special guests will be recognized for outstanding lifetime achievement. Parents, relatives, spouses and friends will be stirred and warmed by the entire commencement experience.

With this in mind, we ask everyone's cooperation in making the day as smooth and orderly as possible. Following a few rules of courtesy will help ensure this. We ask that everyone limit talking, speak quietly, avoid walking in and out of the field house while ceremonies are in progress, refrain from leaving early, and in general help maintain an atmosphere of polite decorum.

We are honored to have you with us today and appreciate your cooperation in making this an especially enjoyable day for everyone involved. Thank you.

# Photographs

The University has arranged for each graduate to be photographed receiving the diploma. Graduates will receive information from the photographer prior to the ceremony for ordering photographs.

Photographs of graduates in the procession must be taken as the procession is moving into the Field House since students will not recess. For the convenience of guests wishing to take their own photographs, a posted photo area is provided on the north side of the platform (audience left) for this purpose. Guests are requested to plan their entrance into the area approximately three to five graduates ahead and then return to their seats immediately after. At all other times, guests are asked to remain in their seats throughout the ceremony.

Graduates also are encouraged to take photos on our beautiful campus. Some popular places include the Ohio Northern sign in front of Lehr Memorial, the campus boulevard entrance near Dukes Memorial, the fountains in front of McIntosh Center and Freed Center, the H.S. Lehr statue near Hill Building, the Spirit Rock near McIntosh Center and on the Tundra.

