commencement

May 10, 2025



Welcome, everyone, to this joyous day!

Commencement is a time to look both back and forward—more so now than ever as we conclude our celebration of Fresno Pacific University's 80th year.

Eight decades ago, a group of Mennonite Brethren visionaries established Pacific Bible Institute to plant a place in Central Valley soil where their young adults could grow in faith and knowledge. Today we stand gratefully in the shade of trees we did not plant. We honor the countless individuals who created our rich history by eagerly cultivating a fruitful future.

Commencement represents the culmination of academic achievement as students, faculty, staff, family and friends come together to celebrate the dreams of students fulfilled.

Our graduates have been transformed in mind and spirit during their time here. The *Fresno Pacific Idea* calls learning, "a journey toward deepened meaning and faith growing out of creative encounter with Christ and the world." You are prepared to serve others through sacrificial love, making a difference in communities both near and far.

Graduates, look around at the multitude cheering you on—today and in all your future endeavors! Savor the moment, reflect on your journey and thank all who supported you along the way. As you leave this place, remember, "The Lord is the one who goes ahead of you; He will be with you. He will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed" (Deuteronomy 31:8).

Congratulations again on achieving this significant milestone.

André Stephens, Ph.D.

President, Fresno Pacific University

80 Years of Faith - Wisdom - Service

This academic year Fresno Pacific University proudly celebrates its 80th anniversary, marking eight decades of transformative impact and endless possibilities. This significant milestone highlights the university's unwavering commitment to Christ-centered education and its profound legacy of empowering students. Through dedication to academic excellence and spiritual growth, Fresno Pacific continues to nurture leaders who are equipped to make a difference in the world. As we honor our past, we look forward to a future filled with even greater achievements and opportunities, staying true to our mission of shaping lives for service and leadership.

Honorary Doctorate for Edmund Janzen

In today's morning ceremony, Fresno Pacific University will bestow an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters upon a distinguished leader, scholar and servant of Christ—Edmund Janzen.

For decades, Edmund has exemplified a life dedicated to faith, scholarship and service. As a professor, mentor and administrator, he has shaped generations of students, guided faculty with wisdom and strengthened the mission of Christian higher education. Edmund served as the fifth president of



Fresno Pacific from 1975 to 1985. His deep commitment to the integration of faith and learning has left an indelible mark on this institution and the global Anabaptist community. Edmund's influence extends beyond the classroom. Through his leadership in biblical education and his steadfast dedication to the church, he has helped bridge the worlds of academia and ministry, always pointing others toward Christ-centered excellence. His legacy is one of integrity, humility and an unwavering commitment to truth and service.

Speaker Biography

Aaron Box, MBA, brings a wealth of experience and a deep commitment to his role as national director of the U.S. Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches. Aaron most recently served as senior pastor of North Park Community Church in Eugene, OR, beginning his ministry more than 20 years ago as a youth pastor in Darmstadt, Germany, and later serving as youth pastor and interim lead pastor at Seaside (OR) Christian Church. He has also been project manager for Stadia Church Systems and a co-founding pastor of Restore Community Church. His extensive volunteer work includes membership on the USMB Leadership Board and the executive committee of Harlow Neighbors Association. Aaron earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Bible/Theology and Youth Ministry from Multnomah University and a Master of Business Administration with a management concentration from Bushnell University. He and wife Jennifer have two children and reside in Eugene.

Commencement Information

Commencement is a significant event for our graduates and we thank you for helping us maintain an appropriate spirit of celebration and dignity throughout the ceremony.

- In consideration of those around you, please turn off all cell phones.
- Parents and caregivers with young children are asked to see that they do not interfere with the enjoyment of others.
- Family and friends who wish to take photographs or videos must do so from their seats.
- The inclusion of a student's name in the program does not guarantee the student is fully qualified to graduate.

Please see an usher if you need assistance during the ceremony.

Fresno Pacific University | May 10, 2025 | 10:00 a.m.

Undergraduate Commencement Program

Ringing of the Bell

Darrell Blanks, M.A.

Clinical Associate Professor, Education Chair, Faculty Senate

Processional

Welcome

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Invocation

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21, NLT

Cyinna Drotos, M.A.

Assistant Director, Department of Student Development

Special Music

Concert Choir

Jeffrey Wilson, D.M.A., Conductor Walter Saul, D.M.A., Keyboard

Speaker Introduction

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Commencement Address

Aaron Box, MBA

National Director, U.S. Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches

Congregational Hymn

"May the Mind of Christ My Savior" By Kate B. Wilkinson

Concert Choir

Jeffrey Wilson, D.M.A., Conductor Walter Saul, D.M.A., Keyboard

Nickel Excellence in Teaching Award (NETA)

Presented by Alison R. Noble, Ph.D.
Provost/Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

Harold Haak Award

Presented by Alison R. Noble, Ph.D.Provost/Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

Honorary Doctorate

Presented to Edmund Janzen, MTS

Presented by

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Joshua Wilson, J.D., M.A. Chair, Board of Trustees

Congratulations from the Board Chair

Joshua Wilson, J.D., M.A. Chair, Board of Trustees

Presentation of Graduates

Alison R. Noble, Ph.D.
Provost/Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Distribution of Diplomas

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Joshua Wilson, J.D., M.A. Chair, Board of Trustees

Benediction

Brian Davis, M.A. Campus Chaplain

Recessional

Postlude

Walter Saul, D.M.A., Keyboard

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Graduate Commencement Program

Ringing of the Bell

Darrell Blanks, M.A.

Clinical Associate Professor, Education Chair, Faculty Senate

Processional

Welcome

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Invocation

Doug Bartsch, M.A.

Clinical Assistant Professor of Education and Administrative Services, Program Coordinator

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21, NLT

Nichole Mosqueda

Member, Board of Trustees

Special Music

Concert Choir

Davis Maga (MA '25), Conductor Walter Saul, D.M.A., Keyboard

Speaker Introduction

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Commencement Address

Aaron Box, MBA

National Director, U.S. Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches

Congregational Hymn

"May the Mind of Christ My Savior" By Kate B. Wilkinson

Concert Choir

Jeffrey Wilson, D.M.A., Conductor Walter Saul, D.M.A., Keyboard

Seminary Service Award

Presented by Alison R. Noble, Ph.D.
Provost/Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

Congratulations from the Board Chair

Joshua Wilson, J.D., M.A. Chair. Board of Trustees

Presentation of Graduates

Alison R. Noble, Ph.D.

Provost/Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees

André Stephens, Ph.D.
President

Distribution of Diplomas & Hooding

André Stephens, Ph.D.

President

Joshua Wilson, J.D., M.A.

Chair, Board of Trustees

Benediction

Jordan Ringhofer, M.A.

District Minister, Pacific District Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches

Recessional

Postlude

Walter Saul, D.M.A., Keyboard

2025 GRADUATES

School of Graduate and Professional Studies

Master of Arts

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Tyler Dean Bowser Adan Garcia

Eric Manuel Garza

Valerie Leanne Goodall

Ryan Michael Martens

Kristina Marie Smith

Justin Kyle Witt

APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS

Jennifer Altamirano

Heiddy Arellano

Rianna Cisneros

Cassidy Monique Fernandez

Jasmine Ortiz Gutierrez

Madilyn Erin Hernandez

Courtney Hill

Deserai Denise Lee

Angela A Mejia

Katelyn Gloria Mejia

Ashley Nicole Moreno

Melanie Ocejo

Irene Julie Patino

Nancy Fernanda Ramirez

Maribel Rodriguez

Melva Leeann Weikle Carson

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Melissa Orique

DUAL SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY/SCHOOL COUNSELING

Juan Manuel Alvarado

Ruth Elizabeth Carmona

Daisy Janellie Cruz

Jocelyn Rodriguez

Vanessa Smith

Hanan Sweis

Meredith Renee Villagrana

Alyssa Warren

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

Monica Alexander
Devon Pennell Crocker
Courtney Michelle Ellis
Erica Telfor Evans

Elizabeth Cruz Goodman

Kimberly Rose Herbert

Kate Follin Houk

Inna Ivanov

Amanda Jayne Lyons

Jeannette Ashley Martinez

Michael James Newkirk

Victoria Angelica Soto

Cavec Isaiah Vazquez

MATHEMATICS EDUCATION

Nathaniel Ray Bryan

Sheena Marie Dixon

Megan Rose Edlund

Christian Alberto Flores

Julie Ann Flores

Katherine Franco

Geena Marin Gallardo

Kimber Hardin

Benjamin Edward Manuszak

Desiree Moran

Dani Elizabeth Munoz

Gustavo Razo

Andrea Lynn Rojas

Aaron Jonathon Thron

Valisity Vargas

Katie Wadley

MINISTRY, LEADERSHIP AND CULTURE

Rocio Estrella Claros

Cherish Michelle Hamilton

Jadine Kuwahara

Lisa A. Lindeman

Jamie Marie Mack

Gabriel Anthony Orozco

Terrance Samuels

remance Samuers

NEW TESTAMENT

Yuya Ono

READING AND LANGUAGE ARTS

Paulette Alatriste

Tiffany Arellano

Amy Lyn Arnold

Jordyn Marie Bradley

Yuliana C Ceballos

Heather Michelle Doyle

Jonathan Eugene Fuchs

Tabitha Marie Fynaut

Nohemi Garcia

Tuwanda Marie Harris

Holly Suzanne Hurd

Brook Lynette Justin-Silveira

Kayla Michelle McCalvy

Nou Moua

Rosa Navarro Macias

Alejandra Orozco Bedolla

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Jacqueline Aviles Rodriguez

Davion Baker

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Amy Ruth Bullock

Yosimi Santoy Calderon

Crystal Campos

Chloe Juliauna Cardenas

Roxanne Castro

Ariana Cervantes

Sandy Chavez-Lopez

Eva Anai Davalos

Eva Aliai Davaios

Shae Michal Davis

Anjelica Nichole Edwards-

Bravo

Rocio Carmina Enriquez

Paola Helen Espinoza

Kassandra Gallegos Anthony Garcia

Eddie Garcia

McKayla Aaron Garcia

Uyen Isaac Garza

Julie M Gomez

Julie M Gomez

Lucerito Gomez

Nely Gomez Adame Cristina González

Cinthia Gonzalez Marmolejo

Agustin Guerrero

Josue Guerrero

Esmeralda Judit Gutierrez

Patricia Hernandez

Chloe Ann Holmes

Crystal Felix Huaracha

Jesus Isaguirre

Biriana Isidoro

Sehar Jabeen

Mackenzie Rae Jacobsen

Sylvie Ann Khal

Esmeralda Magdalena

Lara- Leal

Adilene Leon

Juliette Katherine Leon

Erik Ryan Longoria

Desiree Lopez

Cecilia Martinez

Julio Martinez

Kayla Larissa Medrano

Breanne Mendez Jordan Murphy

Dulce Maria Navarro Troncoso

Maricruz Ochoa

Leslie Ornelas

Creighton Noah Page

Maya Michelle Peña

Mónica Angelique Requejo

Lizbeth Reyes Gonzalez

Monserrat Rivas

Justin Robinson Rosa Maria Sanchez Rodriguez

Roman Josias Romero

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Johnny Ray Sanchez

Lizett Sanchez Sasha Marie Sanders

Jazlyn Sauls

Claire Patricia Selna

Jamie Lynn Serrano

Alondra Roman Silva

Diana Veronica Smith Yannin Amezcua Torres

Brenda Torres Sandoval

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Serena Gill Jaimee Goforth

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Faith Heath **Hayley Hernandez**

Jessica Marie Hernandez

Mayra Hernandez **Shirley Hernandez** Paula Melinda Hinoios **Heather Marie James**

Araceli Jauregui Estela Rose Lopez

Kailey Lopez Elena Lopez Loya Isabelle Magana

Kathryn Evett Martinez Adrianna Nicolle Martinez-Melgoza

Maritza Medina Faith Menendez

Aracely Morales Moreno

Phua Morales Andrea Orozco Angelica Orozco Mariana Otero Garcia Megan Noelle Putler Mariah Vicki Ramos Liliana J Regpala Jorge I Renteria **Amanda Brittany Rice** Marissa Marie Rivas

Austin Roam

Jessica Rachelle Rodriguez Pachia Rodriques

Jaimee Lynn Sanders Manjot Singh Sandhu

Paulina Aliana Sedano Melanie Eryn Silva

Mandi Kathlene Smith Alexandria Leilani Strahan

Alondra Tamayo **Amanda Trippe**

Lisa Vang

Magali Lorena Vidal de Rosas Lauryn Elaine Yarbrough

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Ledree Demaree Arellano **Derek Anthony Arenas** Ericka Hilda Bautista Sarah Jane Cochran Jennifer Lara-Umana Ariana Rae Fridlund Michelle D Menefee Jordan Olivia Tello Touktou Xayavong Christal Ruby Zavala-Sanchez

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Danya Imelda Gonzalez Victoria Her Perry Inthalangsy Michael Lee Kruger

Victoria Leal Jennifer Linares Celia Jenny Lopez Erin L Lowry

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Mia Santos **Crystal Scott** Isaiah M Silva Monica Valencia Priva Lenore Vandrick

Ariel Vang Ismael Villasenor

Kaitlynn Elizabeth Vryhof Katie Nicole Weimer

Victoria Xiong Calvin Ray Young

Master of Business Administration

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Master of Divinity

Myrna Irene Addeman Tiffany Lorayne Brietigam Alex A Gonzalez

Master of Science

NURSING

Frank West

Rafael Alejandrez Kirsten Anne Bartra Anoopinder Kaur Brar Ashaneet Kaur Grewal Youa Khang Pazao Lor Ariana Mendoza Toungting Nankhati-Thepvong **Brook Linnea Naples Princess Pearl Centeno Ortiz** Hetalben Patel

Kuljeet Kaur Sanghera Rashvinder Sra **Xiong Mee Vang** Ka Yeng Vang **Andrew Villegas Nelly Zarate**

Master of Social Work

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Ariatne Jezmin Mellado Ortiz
Mykah Mitchell
Eliseo Acosta Montes
Alexis Maria Luz Moreno
Dominique Michelle Munoz
Alexis Liberty Navarro
Norma Negrete-Sandoval
Kayla June Nena Paguio

Vanessa Dominguez Prado Crystal Marie Romero Candelaria Nicole Sanchez Daniela Silva Tanisha Nicole Taylor Lynell Sebastian Taylor Ethan Richard Trotter Hannah Marie Wills

Bachelor of Arts

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION -GENERAL EMPHASIS

Micah Barkenhagen

Fatima De Jesus Cortez

Angel De La Cruz

Leticia Alise Lara

Ariana Quintero

Magna Cum Laude

Alexis Ranger-Dunbar

Connor Semone

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION -ACCOUNTING

Sven Bangert Cum Laude

Joleen S. Contreras

Ben Cronau

Magna Cum Laude

Olivia Hannah Siagan Garcia Summa Cum Laude

Areli Jimenez

Citlali Edith Mendez-Mendoza Summa Cum Laude

Johnathan Michael Nichols

Samantha Jean Snow Magna Cum Laude

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Faith Madrid Aguiar Summa Cum Laude

Alfredo Albarran

Elijah Joseph Burrell Summa Cum Laude

Florencia Carranza

Nayalee Keyla Castillo Cortes

Jessica Cervantez Summa Cum Laude

Xai Chang

Heather M Dukes

Cum Laude

Trenity R Jones

Aarondeep Kahira

Alexa Islas

Helena Neufeld Kubik

Irania Iliana Hernandez

Briana Martinez

Helena Miller

Isabel Mendez

Jessica Marie Mendez

Kyle Oliphant

Ashley Nicole Ortiz Magna Cum Laude

Valerie Lynne Pedro

Thomas Aurelio Perez III Summa Cum Laude

Evan Purslow

Summa Cum Laude

Antonia Felicia Robles

Akhayla K Rogers

Diego Ruiz

Katarina Renee Serna

Michelle Sevilla

Andrew Michael Shepard

Summa Cum Laude

Debra Sylvester

Summa Cum Laude

Monica Villarreal

Magna Cum Laude

Melissa Alexa Castillo Young

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Lily Le

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Fabricio Pozas Saboya

Aaliyah Nevaeh Seuell

BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION
- HEALTHCARE
ADMINISTRATION

Cynthia Allen

Anna Heu

Summa Cum Laude

Elizabeth Lopes

Cum Laude

Clelia M. Marroquin

Gustavo Quiroz

Cum Laude

Alicia Michelle Rodriguez Summa Cum Laude

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION -MANAGEMENT

Ryan Stuart Abbott Cum Laude

Maria Sarai Castaneda Ramirez

Magna Cum Laude

Riley Freeman Creech Summa Cum Laude

Tomás Escobar Franco Cum Laude

Kevin Yahir Gil Gonzalez

Lizbeth Gonzalez-Lopez

Koutarou Matsumaru Botond Peter Navratil

Summa Cum Laude

Brenden Anthony Olsen Jr

Daimy Qiona Paula

Julie Ramirez

Julie Ramirez

Magna Cum Laude

Alicia Rodriguez

Summa Cum Laude

Bryan Joshua Trujillo

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION -MARKETING

Macey Mieko Aoki-Chance Summa Cum Laude

Brooke Alyssa Barham Summa Cum Laude

Emmalynn Grace Camoirano

Samuel Cooper

Magna Cum Laude

Kevinjit Singh Garcha Summa Cum Laude

Philip Marihart

Ravi Nelson

Cum Laude

BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION
- ORGANIZATIONAL
LEADERSHIP

Kenneth Baker

Hailie Benetti

Ashley Bier

Manuel Escalera Aguiniga

Anahi Espinoza

Cum Laude

Elizabeth Garcia

Cassandra Gonzalez

Summa Cum Laude

Jessica Marie Jobe

Autumn Janiece Lewis

Krystal Lopez

Cum Laude

Maria I. Penaloza

Lisa Michael Phelps

Summa Cum Laude
Cameron J. Sanchez

Lance Mathew Torres

Kaohoua Vang

Magna Cum Laude

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Yvonne Cienna Anaya Summa Cum Laude

Jeanette Mora-Chavez

Immunique Dixon

Miguel Jesus Solorio

Magna Cum Laude

Matthew Vass

BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION
- SOFTWARE
DEVELOPMENT

Adrian Nieto-Garcia

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Guadalupe Arevalo

Summa Cum Laude

Shonnie C Bear

Madison Alexandria Bennett Cum Laude

Shannon Leigh Black Summa Cum Laude

Tessa Blackwell

Summa Cum Laude

Kali Marie Bolden

Sayra Bracamontes Magna Cum Laude

Alejandra Bustos-Guzman

Elizabeth Anne Byers

Maria G Castellanos Ramirez

Crystal Chemara Childs

Chrystal Cid

Jahaira Coa

Yuridia Contreras Garcia

Desiree Cook

Magna Cum Laude

Haley Amelia Davis Cum Laude

Clementina Diaz

Salina Rios Diaz

Karen Dominguez Summa Cum Laude

Kailee Chavez Enciso

Diamond Marie Escamilla

Summa Cum Laude

Jocelin Arizbeth Razo-Estrella

Summa Cum Laude

Araceli Eugenio

Dennis Oliver Evans Jr.

Adrianna Fagundes

Samantha Leticia Flores-

Cisneros

Clementina Garcia

Kalvin Javier Garcia

Summa Cum Laude

Nichole Garcia

Camille Lee Gonzales

Summa Cum Laude

Julia Guadalupe Gonzalez

Yalitza Andrei Gonzalez

Angela Gonzalez

Magna Cum Laude

Jeanette Gonzalez

Tanishia Ann Haney

Magna Cum Laude

Haley Higgins

Cum Laude

Tanisha Rene Hightower

Summa Cum Laude

Annabel Ibal

Summa Cum Laude

Daphne Sherell Jenkins

Magna Cum Laude

Madison Elaine Jimenez

Alejandra Lomeli-Bustos

Ayana Lopez

Candy Lopez

Summa Cum Laude

Martha Lopez

Ruby Melissa Lopez

Summa Cum Laude

Stephanie Lopez

Yulisa Lopez

Magna Cum Laude

Veronica Denise Macias

Nancy Cristina Maclel Ceja

Mirella Martinez

Allison McKenna

Maryjane Mercado

Jackeline Montes

Sarah Negrette

Summa Cum Laude

Courtney Shaun Nelson

Crystal Oballe-Alvare

Colby Jack Orndoff

Cum Laude

Kasandra Padron

Sarah Parker

Summa Cum Laude

Tiffany Perez

Chelsea Pittman

Haylee Poole

Margarita Rita Quintanilla

Rosalita Ramirez

Karen Emily Ramirez-Madrigal

Sabrina Yxcel Ramos

Magna Cum Laude

Tanisha Reynolds

Summa Cum Laude

Kari Marie Ring

Magna Cum Laude

Ashley Rivera

Esmeralda Hernandez Rubio

Summa Cum Laude

Yajaira Salazar Lopez

Summa Cum Laude

Yolotli Yesenia Sandoval

Magna Cum Laude

Marisol Santos

Magna Cum Laude

Ashton Smith

Summa Cum Laude

Kathleen M. Tempesta Melissa Urtaza

Brittney Velasquez

Tylor Wiggins

Britnie West Willems

Summa Cum Laude

Crystal Anita Zendejas

HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION

Gabriela Alexandra Whitford

SOCIAL WELFARE

Lizet Alvarez

Magna Cum Laude

Karina Aydye Blancas

Paola Centeno

Rav Ezekiel Davila

Magna Cum Laude

Tillie Nicole Delongpre

Gricelda Gamboa

Magna Cum Laude

Dulce Michelle Marquez

Cum Laude

Tia Mayfield

Cum Laude

Margaret-Anne Ortiz

Guadalupe D Sanchez-

Navarrete

Myra Sanchez

SOCIAL WORK

Antonio Alarcon

Eugene A. Canel

Christina Chacon Summa Cum Laude

Joana Cisneros-Avila

Linda Renee Danley

Magna Cum Laude

Diana L Delgado

Summa Cum Laude

Jennifer Ann Durbin

Magna Cum Laude

Stacey Fritz

Summa Cum Laude

Dayana Michelle Galvez

Griselda Gamboa

Magna Cum Laude

Maria Isabel Garcia

Cum Laude

Soledad Garcia Rosales

Vanessa Gomez

Cum Laude

Miguel Angel Gonzalez

Consuelo Campos Guzman Summa Cum Laude

Danvelle Jones

Michelle Martinez-Martinez

Summa Cum Laude

Tiffany Nash

Summa Cum Laude Nicole Navarro

Adriana Parra

Ericka Pruitt

Araceli Ramos

Cristina Rangel

Angel Reyna

Brenda Rodriguez Summa Cum Laude

Denee lesha Eiko Roman

Ashley Nicole Ruiz

Magna Cum Laude Isabella Salas

Luis Fernando Santos Aquino

Lizbeth Lucia Silva

Alyssa Monique Solis

Summa Cum Laude Clayton Swanson

Mia Tejeda

Magna Cum Laude

Priscilla Rose Trejo

Magna Cum Laude

Francisco Villasenor Cum Laude

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

Martin Abraham Ramirez

Salazar

Magna Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science

NURSING

Amanda Aquilar Diaz

Isaac Andraca

Ethan Christopher Bell

Summa Cum Laude

Ella Renee Biggs

Summa Cum Laude

Rachel Elizabeth Burke

Kamryn Alyssa Castillo

Summa Cum Laude

Americus Ann Cayabyab Summa Cum Laude

Leslie Chavez

Abigail Marie Crivelli

Zayleah Charlene Evans

Summa Cum Laude

Bridget Galvan Cum Laude

Sara Renee Hawk

Summa Cum Laude Arshpreet Kaur

Magna Cum Laude

Nikita Kravtsov Magna Cum Laude

Tyler Marlatt

Summa Cum Laude

Nicole Elizabeth Ganci-Mechikoff

Summa Cum Laude Lisbeth Plascencia

Magna Cum Laude

Jocilynn McKenzie Pueblas

Cum Laude Mariah Richardson

Summa Cum Laude

Jennifer Salcido

Damaris Sevilla Magna Cum Laude

Mariah Hailey Soto

Summa Cum Laude Taya Soleil Spencer

Summa Cum Laude Jaselyn Nati Sumaya

Summa Cum Laude Elizabeth Luz Valdez-

Hernandez Magna Cum Laude

Praise Vu

Magna Cum Laude Joshua Favila Wong

Priscilla Xiong

Cum Laude

Pa Nhia Yang Cum Laude

School of Arts and Sciences

Master of Arts

INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAM – MUSIC COMPOSITION

Delilah Alicia Ovalle

INDIVIDUALIZED
PROGRAM - BIBLICAL
STUDIES: ANCIENT
LANGUAGE PEDAGOGY

Rachel Gloria Schultz

INDIVIDUALIZED
PROGRAM - CONFLICT
RESOLUTION AND
PEACEMAKING

Hue Vang

INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAM - MUSIC

Matthew Okumoto

INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAM -PSYCHOLOGY

Sarah Cuevas Micu

KINESIOLOGY - PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Daniel Baker

Aislinn Hillenbrand

Erica Loraine Lopez

Eric Silveira

Peighton Sisk

Jennifer Robin Walker

Bachelor of Arts

BIBLICAL AND
THEOLOGICAL STUDIES
- BIBLICAL STUDIES

Meghan Quinn Cowin Magna Cum Laude

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY AND LEADERSHIP

Tyler Scott Gianakopulos Magna Cum Laude

Nikki Marie McArron

Michelle Ann Reece

Magna Cum Laude

COMMUNICATION - COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Jackson Finegan Calloway

Jenna Elizabeth Kurz

Magna Cum Laude

Josiah O'Bannon

CRIMINOLOGY

Brent Amador

Elias Andres Barrera

Laury Ann Duyst

Linda Jaquelin Flores Cardona

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Academic Attire

American academic dress has its origin in the garments worn at medieval British universities, particularly Oxford. From the three items of academic attire—the cap, gown and hood—it may be possible to distinguish the institution from which the wearer graduated, the field of learning in which the degree was earned and the level of the degree.

The Cap

The black mortarboard is standard at most colleges and



universities. Its distinguishing feature is the color of the tassel which varies by discipline.

The Gown

The gown is normally black, although the chief officers of many universities wear colored gowns, and many institutions have authorized optional



doctoral gowns that embody the institution's colors. The level of the degree held is indicated by the gown's cut. The bachelor's gown is relatively simple and may be recognized by its long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown is somewhat fuller, and its sleeves, which reach nearly to the wearer's knees, are square at the ends. The gown for the doctor's degree is more elaborate: cut rather full, it has velvet panels that reach down the front and around the neck of the gown. The sleeves are bell-shaped and decorated with three horizontal velvet bars.

The Hood

In the United States the hood is the most distinctive feature of academic attire. Used originally as a cowl, as a shoulder cape and as a container in which to



collect alms, it is now worn at the back suspended from the shoulders. The length of the hood and the width of the velvet border indicate the level of the degree held. The inner lining of the hood is colored with the official colors of the institution conferring the degree, while the color of the border indicates the field of learning in which the degree was earned.

Ethnic Sashes

Ethnic sashes are worn over the commencement gown to represent a student's ethnicity. Eligibility for an ethnic sash is open to any student who associates with a shared inherited ancestry.



Cords and Stoles

Colored cords and stoles are also worn over the commencement gown and are used to denote various achievements, affiliations and honors. Their colors and styles have specific meanings and can vary between institutions.

Colors Worn by Fresno Pacific University Graduates

The following is a list of the hood and tassel colors established by the Intercollegiate Code to represent departments of learning:

Bachelor's Degrees (tassels)

Biblical and Religious Studies - scarlet

Biology - golden yellow

Business Administration - drab Chemistry - golden yellow

Christian Ministry and Leadership - scarlet

Communication - white

Computer Information Systems - golden yellow

Criminology - citron

Early Childhood Development - white

English - white

Environmental Science - golden yellow

Environmental Studies - white

Graphic Design - white

Health Care Administration - salmon pink

History - white

Intercultural Studies - white

Kinesiology - sage Liberal Arts - white Liberal Studies - white

Mathematics - golden yellow

Music - pink Nursing - apricot Philosophy - dark blue Political Science - citron

Pre-Health Science - golden yellow

Pre-Law - citron

Psychology - golden yellow Social Science - citron Social Work - citron Social Welfare - citron Sociology - white Spanish - white

Theater - brown

Master's Degrees (hoods)

Administrative Services - light blue Applied Behavior Analysis - light blue Business Administration - drab Christian Ministry - white

Community Leadership and Transformation - white

Divinity - scarlet Kinesiology - sage

Marriage and Family Therapy - light blue

Mathematics Education - light blue Ministry, Leadership and Culture - white

New Testament - white

Nursing - apricot

Reading and Language Arts - light blue

School Counseling - light blue

School Library and Information Technology - light blue

School Psychology - light blue Special Education - light blue Sport Administration - sage STEM Education - light blue

Strategic and Organizational Leadership - drab

Teaching - light blue Theology - white

Colors for students earning a personalized degree vary with the subject studied.

Members of the Board of Trustees wear a doctoral gown with a cord of orange and blue, the university colors.

Latin Honors

Latin Honors for Spring 2025 are based upon work completed at FPU. Honors recognized at commencement ceremonies are calculated from the cumulative grade point average (GPA) as of the prior completed semester. Honors listed in the printed commencement program are provisional since grading may not be complete and will be reevaluated at the time of degree conferral. All awardees must have completed at least 39 units at Fresno Pacific University.

Summa Cum Laude 3.90-4.00 GPA Magna Cum Laude 3.70-3.89 GPA Cum Laude 3.55-3.69 GPA

The Fresno Pacific Idea

The Fresno Pacific Idea reflects the university's interpretation of what it means to be a community of learners committed to a distinctive vision of Christian higher education. The Idea serves as a center for reflection and action and as a guide for forming a vision of the future. Rooted in the past and continuously re-shaped by the present, the Idea provides a foundation for the university's understanding of itself and of the mission to which it is called.

In pursuing this mission, the university affirms the significance of knowledge which is a foundation for wisdom and virtue. As a Christian liberal arts community, Fresno Pacific University is an integral part of the mission of the church. From this Christian and liberal arts center, the university seeks to engage members of its community in a collaborative search for knowledge and experience which lead toward a perceptive and creative relationship with God, humanity and the natural world. On this foundation, the university seeks to build and to extend the Kingdom of God by enabling persons to serve church and society.

The Fresno Pacific Idea articulates the university's primary identity, its vision of community and its relation to the larger world. The parts of the Idea are not mutually exclusive, but complementary. Together, they form an organic whole.

Fresno Pacific University is a Christian University

Fresno Pacific University seeks to be a collegium centered upon Christ and His church. It is committed to the ideals of God's

Kingdom and to the perspective of the liberal arts in which integration of faith, learning and action is a primary goal.

With others in the Anabaptist-Mennonite and believers' church tradition, the university encourages voluntary acknowledgment of the sovereignty of God, of the triumph of God's Kingdom, of the presence of God's Spirit in the life of the church and of the Lordship of Christ in all of life.

As an extension of the educational mission of the Mennonite Brethren Church, the university affirms the authority of the Bible over all matters of faith and life; the church as a community of redeemed people; a life of discipleship leading to holiness, witness and service; the call to serve Jesus by ministering to human need and alleviating suffering; the practice of reconciliation and love in settings of violence, oppression and injustice; and the development of spiritual maturity through disciplines such as prayer, study and meditation.

All authentic knowledge and experience are unified under God. All aspects of reality are understood to be parts of a larger whole. There is no contradiction then between the truth of revelation, of scholarly investigation and of action. The university encourages members of the Fresno Pacific community toward a reflective and critical perspective on the nature of humanity and its relation to the world. Thus the liberal arts enlarge the foundation for life-long learning and for advanced study in a discipline or profession. The university affirms that wisdom grows out of commitment to Christian faith and the

integrative perspective of the liberal arts. Both are essential to developing a wholistic view of God, self and the world.

Since education is understood to be a lifelong process, university programs include a variety of academic and professional undergraduate, graduate and nondegree programs. Each program builds on the integrative foundation of the liberal arts, encouraging thoughtful reflection on those beliefs and values that contribute to personal and societal wholeness. The intersection of Christian belief, the liberal arts and an ethic of service provides an educational perspective that leads to an examined understanding of God, self and the world that unites theory with practice.

Fresno Pacific University is a Community of Learners

Fresno Pacific University recognizes the importance of the interpersonal dimension of the learning process. The university believes that community grows out of common commitments and that learning is the result of interaction between persons, ideas and experiences. Thus the university seeks to provide settings in which individuals can achieve such interaction within a community committed to learning and service. It believes that as individuals become more responsible with and accountable to, one another, they are better able to understand themselves and to make thoughtful commitments to God, the church and the world.

The university seeks to accept each member of the community as unique, with purpose and value. Ethnic and religious identity is affirmed as a basis for respectful pluralism.

While acknowledging individual differences, the university also holds to the believers church expression of community as a body that transcends individualism and those cultural, national and ethnic boundaries which separate and alienate.

Believing that the Gospel transcends the limitations of all cultures and ideologies and that inclusiveness enriches community, Fresno Pacific University welcomes those of different cultural, national, ethnic and religious backgrounds to participate in its educational experience.

The university invites those from other church traditions, both as faculty and students, to enter into dialogue and faithful practice with those in the Anabaptist and believers church tradition in following Christ and in sharing the university's mission. In keeping with its voluntaristic church tradition, the university affirms the community formed as individuals relate to God and does not discriminate against students who cannot freely and honestly make such a commitment. The university encourages persons to serve across cultures and throughout the world as compassionate disciples of Christ and as constructive members of society.

The university believes that knowledge and understanding are formed in community; that learning takes place through dialogue and discourse between people who have different experiences and perspectives and that such wisdom begins with humility. These understandings join teachers and students as partners in a mutual search for truth and wholeness.

The university's belief in community expresses itself in patterns of leadership

and governance that are servant oriented and participatory and which lead toward consensual decision making.

The university seeks to carry out its educational mission through faculty, students, staff and board who participate in church and society, share a mutual respect for educational goals and community standards and are committed to enhancing the quality of the educational experience for all its members.

Fresno Pacific University is Prophetic

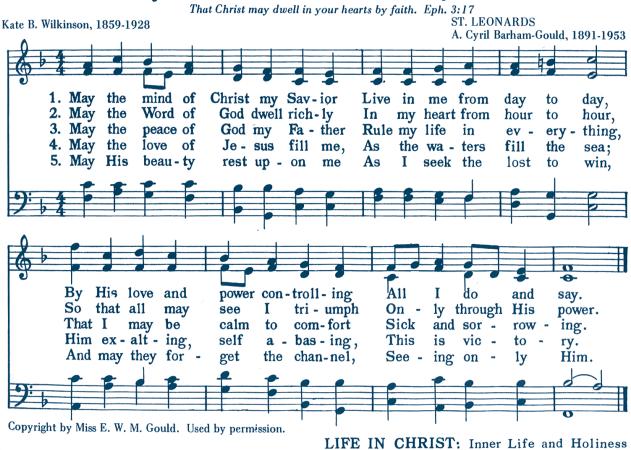
Fresno Pacific University believes that to be prophetic is to serve the church and society by engaging in dialogue with and critique of contemporary culture and practice. The university encourages informed reflection on personal, institutional and societal values which contribute to developing a vision for wholeness, justice and reconciliation. It offers leadership to the church and the world by enabling persons to extend perceptive, creative and skillful responses to current issues: to illuminate darkness with light and dispel ignorance with wisdom and understanding. It seeks to bring an integrative, Christian ethic and perspective to present day thought and experience and to a common search for the better way.

Fresno Pacific University understands learning to be a journey; a journey of exploration, reflection and transformation; a journey toward deepened meaning and faith growing out of creative encounter with Christ and the world. The university believes that such learning may be nurtured through many different modalities and in many different settings and that it should be encouraged to continue throughout life.

Thus the university values imaginative, experimental and innovative ways of engaging students and faculty in the process of learning even as it seeks to remain faithful to its core values and identity.

Fresno Pacific University is a deliberate and continuing attempt to realize the vision expressed in the *Fresno Pacific Idea*. The *Idea* gives the university reason for existence, courage for growth and stimulus for adventure.

May The Mind Of Christ My Savior



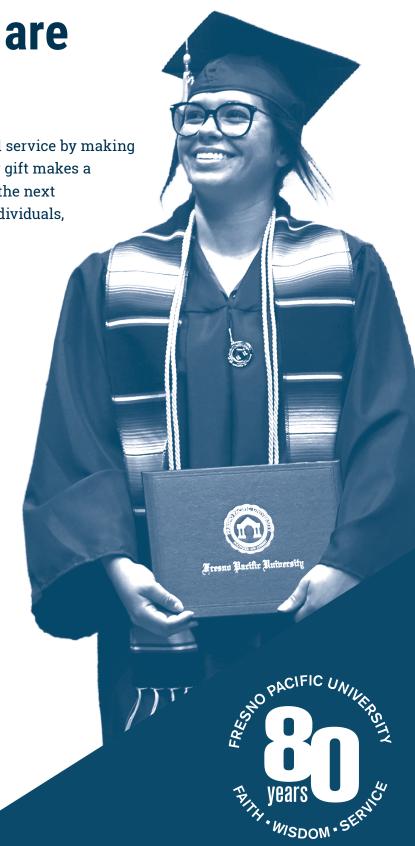
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