



# GEORGIA REGENTS UNIVERSITY

COMMENCEMENT

Friday, May 9, 2014 James Brown Arena Augusta, Georgia



Founded in 1828, Georgia Regents University is a unique blend of the old and the new, the traditional and the innovative. GRU is one of only four public comprehensive research institutions in the state of Georgia.

The university's mission is to provide leadership and excellence in teaching, discovery, clinical care, and service as a student-centered comprehensive research university and academic health center with a wide range of programs from learning assistance through postdoctoral studies.

GRU offers 118 academic programs in nine colleges and schools and houses the nation's 13th-oldest medical school; the state's sole dental college; an aligned and integrated health system; a growing intercollegiate athletics program; the College of Allied Health Sciences; the highly respected James M. Hull College of Business; the Pamplin College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences; The Graduate School; and the Colleges of Education, Nursing, and Science and Mathematics.

GRU's Medical College of Georgia includes a partnership campus in Athens, Ga., and satellite campuses in the Georgia cities of Albany, Rome, and Savannah. With 650 acres of campus and nearly 150 buildings, the university is a \$1 billion-plus enterprise with statewide and national reach.

Nearly 9,000 students attend GRU and are taught by some of the most prestigious scientists, clinicians, artists, and scholars in the nation. Over 1,500 faculty members convey vital information, and many conduct extensive research, providing opportunities for collaborative research to both graduate and undergraduate students.

Georgia Regents University is committed to creating and sharing new knowledge as a university of growing national and international stature in education, research, and health care.

## Program

Dr. Ricardo Azziz, President, officiating

PRELUDE

Georgia Regents University Wind Ensemble

Dr. John Wojcik, Director

PROCESSIONAL

**GRU Wind Ensemble** 

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Georgia Regents University R.O.T.C.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Tonya Currier

INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Flowers, Chaplain

GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Larry Ellis

University System of Georgia Board of Regents

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Dr. Azziz

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Liz Murray

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE

Dr. Gretchen Caughman, Provost

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Dr. Azziz

COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

Dr. Andrew Balas, Dean

PAMPLIN COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Dr. Charles "Skip" Clark, Dean

HULL COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Dr. Lucindia Chance, Dean

COLLEGE OF NURSING

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Dr. Lucy Marion, Dean

Dr. Marc Miller, Dean

Dr. Rickey Hicks, Dean

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Dr. Mitchell Watsky, Dean

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Dr. Carol Lefebvre, Dean

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA

COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE

Dr. Peter Buckley, Dean

GREETINGS FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Tonya Currier

Adam Williams

ALMA MATER

RECESSIONAL

GRU Wind Ensemble

### HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

#### Emile Fisher

Dr. Emile T. Fisher, an Atlanta dentist and philanthropist, will be awarded an honorary doctorate at today's commencement ceremonies.

Dr. Fisher is a graduate of Emory University's School of Dentistry and completed his training in periodontics at Northwestern University.

He had an active practice in Atlanta for over 50 years and, through his work in the Georgia Dental Association and other state and national organizations, became one of the earliest advocates for the establishment of the GRU College of Dental Medicine.

Dr. Fisher became the first scholarship donor to the College of Dental Medicine in 1969 when he presented a full tuition award in the amount of \$825. He has presented annual scholarships for the last 45 years. Through his personal generosity, seven dental students now receive annual scholarships. The Georgia Dental Association foundation Dr. Fisher established — that now bears his name — has awarded over \$1 million in scholarships during its 30-year existence.

Dr. Fisher was a member of the fundraising committee for the new College of Dental Medicine building, encouraging support from dental professionals across the state and personally contributing \$1 million to the campaign. The facility's three-story atrium is named in his honor.

#### ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

### Liz Murray

From homeless to Harvard . . . it is an unlikely turn of events. Liz Murray's life is a triumph over adversity and a stunning example of the importance of dreaming big. Murray's life as the child of cocaine-addicted parents in the Bronx was bitterly grim. There was never food in the house; everything was filthy; drugs were everywhere; and the welfare checks were spent before they arrived.

Her mother had died by the time Murray was 15, and she was homeless — living on the streets, riding the subway all night, and eating from dumpsters. Amidst this pain, Murray always imagined her life could be much better than it was. "I started to grasp the value of the lessons learned while living on the streets. I knew after overcoming those daily obstacles that next to nothing could hold me down." Determined to take charge of her life, Murray finished high school in just two years while camping out in New York City parks and subway stations.

Murray's story is exhilarating, and her delivery innocently honest, as she takes audiences on a very personal journey where she achieves the improbable. Her story sounds like a Hollywood movie — and it practically is. Lifetime Television produced a movie about Murray's life titled *From Homeless to Harvard*, which premiered April 2003. Murray is the recipient of Oprah Winfrey's first Chutzpah Award. Her memoir, *Breaking Night*, was released in September 2010 and, within a week, landed on *The New York Times* bestseller list.

Murray received her Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Harvard University in June 2009.

## COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

## Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

Jaqueline Rae Bascino Leigh Anne Beaudreau\* Amanda Elizabeth Benner Wendy Jones Brown Anna Nichole Chandler\* Wanda Nicole Chapman Jamie Lee Dibble LaShaunda B. Garrett\*\* Sarah Katherine Gunnels\*\* Victoria Gail Ham Charlina Maria Hollie Ashlyn Janette Howerton Kathryn Michelle Johnston Ceteria Katrina Patrice Key Kate Eugenia Knox Paige Amanda Legand\*\* Elysse Marie Lewandowski Pauline Mary Martinchick\* Jessica Elizabeth McKinney\* Kamarin Danielle Moon Theresa Amber Patterson Kelly Ann Paxton Chelsea Elyse Pike\*\*\* Kayla Marie Prater Casey Leigh Simmons\*\* Adrienne Shanice Smiley Rhonda Michelle Smith Molly Marie Smith\*\* Claire Echols Smithson\* Emily Marie Trudeau\*\* Trixie Ware Arielle DeAnna White Rachael K. Whittle Michelle Williams

## Bachelor of Science in Health Information Administration

Daniela Souza Wiman\*\*

Ana Francesca Alston\*
Anastasia Adoma Asomaning
Ozair A. Dangra\*
Angela Lopes Galvao-Pride
Jenna Lindsey Giello
Freda Pokua Gyamfi
Remmya Kaparampil

Charlene Diana McMullin Angela N. Miles-McDuffie Tiffany Mantle Purmort Kayla Tiara Raye Kimberely Kay Simonenko Casey Henderson Wood

## Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences Nuclear Medicine Technology

Courtney Ashley
Joshua James Byne
Juliana Chappell
Marisha D. Clark
Ashleigh Quattlebaum Conaway
Charmi P. Desai\*\*
Heather Elizabeth Dye
Haynes Morgan Gibbs
Kimberly Denise Halbert\*\*\*
Prince Alphonso Nwabu
Onyeka Christopher Ogbuka
Rachel Ann Pierson
Eric J. Svancara

## Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences Radiation Therapy

Brittany DeAnne Harper Clark\*\*
Ashley Jordan Close
Alexis Kai Harville\*\*\*
Sydni Delane McClintock
Mary Kathryn Oxford
Daniel S. Puryear
Mallorie Lynne Shaw

## Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy

Ashleigh Lasandra Bellamy
Bryan Edward Byrd
Theresa Craig
Sara Kathleen Critchfield
Jeffrey Scott Dail
Kelley Anne Flynn
Antuan Rafael Harris
Naeconda Hayes Ivey
Luna Michael Kahsay
Kayla Adams Lariscy
Blake Longmire
Ashley Miller
Musi Norbert Nde
Jancy Nicole Neville

Melanie Hardin O'Connor\*
Christopher Jackson Partridge
Stephanie Amelia Rountree
Hyeun Shin
Jonathan Alexander Stanford
Pamela Renee Usher
Candace Lee Walters
Michael E. White Jr.
Jennifer Leigh Whitman
Steven Wilson\*\*
Talicia Cienae Wilson
Chimere DeLois Woodall

## Master of Health Science in Clinical Laboratory Science

Shemeka Brownlee
Richard Jason Dixon
Erin Louise Everett
Kimberly Lewis Galland
Ginger Leigh Geiger
Ryan Justin Knowles
Michael D. Lu
Rebecca Louise Russell
Tina Vang

## Master of Health Science in Occupational Therapy

Alexius John Alzheimer Courtney Ann Andersen Danielle Marie Angelisanti Nika Arkhipov Rachel Elizabeth Arthur Carmel Leigh Ast Lindsey Renee Banks Sydney Leah Baranovitz Stephanie Cathcart Chelsie Marie Chancey Catherine Lee Clark Brandi Nichole Cook Danielle Lynne DeRamus Kaylee Nicole Dowling Mary Christina Elder Lauren Coleen Finnegan Amy Marie French Mary E. Gower Peter Hassanzadeh Lauren Elizabeth Heard Janna Patricia Hyde Charles Weldon Johnson Abby Leigh Lefkove Shannon Leigh Lynch

Lindsay Blair Merrick Rose Aileen Monico Elizabeth Francis Pacheco Amy Bharat Patel Amanda M. Rowe Marga Francesca Schoch Kathleen Marie Shanahan Joshua E. Sizemore Julia Wilson Story Amber McCreary Strickland Jordan Elizabeth Theis Ashlyn Blythe Thomas Charlie Nicole Turk William Medlock Webb Lauren Ann Wessel Kaitlin Elizabeth Westfall Kimberly Marie White Shelly Marie Woodward Julie Catherine Zimmerman

### Master of Physician Assistant

Kabir Alshan Ali Deena Altman Abby Marie Alvarez Purvi Siddharth Amin Callaway Kristen Anderson Kirsten Elizabeth Biernot Mallory Ann Braski Nicholas Andrew Carstens Joshua Flynn Clack Tyger Meade Clayton Jennifer Walpole Cox Bernard Coxton Jr. Catherine Leigh Ellison Amy Nicole Garrett Maci Elizabeth Gilleon Erica Janeen Haber Bibi Jennifer Haniff Colleen Harter Erica Leigh Henderson Jeremi Roberson Hightower Julie Jacobson Paige Renee Johnson Sara Frances Kennedy Benjamin Matthew Kilpatrick Jennifer D. Leckie Michael Joseph Marien Donna J. Mathis Colleen Margaret McCoy Duncan Hunt Moffitt Caitlin Paige Moyer

Pretesh Parmar
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Andrew Paul Porter
Melissa Davis Porter
Danielle Lynn Schimpf
Melinda Faith Scott
Kayde Ree Sharpe
Lauren Elizabeth Snyder
Yehkyoung Crystal Stephens
Margaret Anne Summers
Isabell Juliane Wells
Shelley Bright Young

#### Doctor of Physical Therapy

Katie Leigh Adams Stephanie Carmen Allen Winfred Brandon Bird Brett Matthew Bowen Kendal Shaffer Bowers Caitlin Virginia Chamblee Megan Elizabeth Duffin Jennifer Michelle Faglier Kristen Leigh Farist Leah Rose Finney Leah Marie Forlines George Ryan Gadow Mark Chandler Grayson Morgan Nicole Hale Kathryn Anne Hodges Jennifer Nicole Kirby Corey Edward Klein Ashley Elizabeth McClain James Robert McGahee Jr. Caleb John Mellinger Hooman Nourparvar Katie Alexandra Raisor Stephen Cameron Ramsey Samantha Lee Red Ali Renee Rieger Katherine Ann Rudder Allyson Lynn Sadow Cassandra Mary Sage Jason Willem Salisbury Angela Marie Smith Eric Thomas Steed Michelle Lynn Terschan Rebecca Marshall Tippins

## PAMPLIN COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

# Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice

Scott William Randall Franklin Justin Hodges

### Associate of Arts in Core Curriculum

James Emitt Bowen
Lisa Cates Bunch
Aaron James Clark
Christopher J. Crawford
Erika Marie Grimm
Montrez Holloway
Christopher Peavler
Jonathan W. Stewart

### Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology

Carol Anne Breland Ryan Amnyon McLay\*

#### Bachelor of Arts in Art

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# Bachelor of Arts in Communications

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Michelle Angela Wehner

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### Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

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Amy Lauren Griffith
Miranda Kathleen Grim
Amy Lauren Hunter
Christopher Wade Kitchens
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Calvin W. Pennywell Jr.
Megan Irene Petrie

Stephanie Allison Poloney
Juanita Diana Royal
Kevin Simpson
Kathryn Rebecca Stanland
Kristen Topping\*
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#### Bachelor of Arts in History

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#### Bachelor of Arts in Music

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## Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

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Maribel Rosas Brown\*\*\*
Amanda C. Bryant
Andrew Robert Buchholz
Michael Dickey
Elijah Ruel Eskelsen
Megan Elizabeth Frazier\*\*
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Brittany Lynette Mathews
Roberta da Fontoura Oliveira
Austin Wayne Whisenant
Daniel R. White
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#### Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

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## Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages

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Rhea Christine Obermeyer
Cynthia Otero
Evin Resto-Soto
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Teresa Rose Schneider
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#### Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art

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Shannon Victoria Smith\*
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#### Bachelor of Social Work

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LaTasha Marie Brown
Josephine Courtright

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## HULL COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

## Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting

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Austin James Hixenbaugh
Andrew H. Klosson
Tylor Ryan Richards
Chad Thomas Rickerson
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## Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing

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## Bachelor of Science in Applied Information Systems and Technologies

John C. Hopkins\*

# Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

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Clint Colby Glover
Josh Guillebeau
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James L. Introcaso
Jonathan Grant Rodriguez
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Carol Jeanine White
Matthew J. Wiseman

# COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

## Bachelor of Science in Education in Early Childhood Education

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Brenna Lauren Cook\*\*
Margaret Irene DeLoach

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## Bachelor of Science in Education in Health and Physical Education

Jamie Christopher Boyd Emmanuel Isaiah Finney Demetrius Calvin Howard Alexander Walker Gina Zagarella

## Bachelor of Science in Education in Middle Grades Education

Milinda Lynn Brown\*\*
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Amanda Michelle Hemann
Dawn Irons\*\*
Shelby Leigh Milton
Jamie M. Smith
Debra Westmoreland

## Bachelor of Science in Education in Special Education

Beatrice Grace Ashmore Shaniel Lil Haney\* Sheena Marie Kopecky
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# Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology

Evelyn Amelia Barber Ansley Geneva Bennett Johnny Cason Brooks III LaSwann D. Brown Sarah Ann Bryant Ashley Elizabeth Burt Charles Chiappetto Alicia Marie Connolly Charles Thomas Darracott Julie Fontaine\*\* Alicia Nicole Goniea Kevin Daniel Hutchins Chris D. Hutchinson Katelyn Amanda Orr Christopher Michael Owens Marcellus Ponder Preston Joseph Pye Rosina Skaria P. Gabrielle Snodgrass Macy Kaitlyn Terry\* Tristan Omar Toorie Nisa Frances Vera Jenna DeLayne Walton Leanna J. Wenger\*\* Ryan Williamson

### Master of Arts in Teaching

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# COLLEGE OF NURSING

#### Bachelor of Science In Nursing

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Glory Ahone Toke Dioh-Esona

Shearon Auryel Eggleston

Chelsea Chamblin Elrod

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Miguel Jose Luciano Figueroa

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Cordelia La'Triece Freeman

Casey Elise Gibson

Jillian Dawn Glaude\*

Stephanie Christine Goetzman

Kalomi E. Goss

Cecil Cheney Griffin\*\*

Evan Grovenstein\*

Hannah Elizabeth Hall\*

Shannon Joelle Hall\*

Mallory Harris\*

Amber Denise Holloman\*\*

Rebecca Elizabeth Horton

Emily Howell

Morgan Elizabeth Howell

Andrea Marie Hubbert

Mary Katherine Huling\*\*

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Grace Caroline Kimble Holly Catherine King\*

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Jenna Marie Lattanzi\*\*\*

Alaina Judith Lee\*

Michelle Jacqueline Lowe\*

Andrea Marie Mahoney\*

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Stephanie Lyn McCardel\*

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Lindsay Cavale Peavy\*\*

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Morgan Ashley Poole

Heather Nicole Posthauer\*\*

Robert Grant Reed\*\*

Yvonne Reeves

Janet Gwen Rehm\*\*

Mallory Paige Rich\*\*

Michelle Kendall Robb

Beatrice Rosu\*\*

Brittany Nicole Royer\*

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Krithika Sri Sampathkumar

Catrena Lavonya Santana

Alexandra Paige Sawyer\*\*\*

Alexandra i aige Gawyei

Chelsea Kathleen Sawyer\*
Laci Danielle Schreiber

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Emily Elizabeth Shaw\*

Lisa Anne Shead

Kelsey Elizabeth Sheffer\*

Elizabeth Christina Simmons\*

Daniel David Smith

Regina Mae Snodgrass

Erin Snyder

Robert James Sosebee\*\*

Brianna Dee Speck\*\*

Ashley Dawn Stanczak\*

Cassandra Tiffany Strasburg

Joseph Allen Strickling

Heather Szoch

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Lindsey Lyneath Waller\*\*

Antwoinika Shawne Watkins

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Michael Daniel Wilson\*\*

Taylor Marie Wolbert

Natasha Marie Wolff\*\*\*

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Bethany June Yost\*\*

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# COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

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Kandice Rose Futrell

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Nesley Ann George

Austin Taylor Goetz

Rebecca Rose Griffith

Monique Hall

Brooke Nicole Hutto\*\*\*

Jessica Renee' Jenkins

Jessica Le

Angela Lozano

Dayle Antoinette Mathis\*\*\*

JoAnna Molina

Rebecca Dawn Montgomery

Alice Reed Murphy

Maxwell Enowoghomwenma

Osaghae

Tamicka D. Parks

Evonna S. Richardson

Latoyia Katriece Robinson

Valerie Shaw\*

Erin Rebecca Smith

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### Bachelor of Science in Biology

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## Bachelor of Science in Chemistry

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Daniel Hogan Jones
Jacob Andrew Magoulas
Garrett Thomas Matthews\*
Andrew Stewart Mays
Zachary Austin Minter
Joshua Todd Smith
David Joshua Stone\*\*
Sandra Yousef Tadros\*\*
Jonathan Lam Tran
Britta K. White\*\*

### Bachelor of Science in Ecology

Charles F. Best Jr.
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Elgin Nathaniel Hobbs III
Grace Caroline Jansen\*\*\*
Austin Bayne Kelley

Matthias Laschet Sierra Danielle Mannix Evin Resto-Soto Chanel J. Young

### Bachelor of Science in Mathematics

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Colin Frazier
Megan Elizabeth Frazier\*\*
James P.W. Garrett
Brittany Hudson
Amy A. Lewis
Katherine Overman\*\*
J. Hampton Rhodes
Kimberly N. Sawyer

### Bachelor of Science in Physics

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Christopher Ross Cutler
Simeon Reed Hanks
Alexander Hughes
Jacob M. Lundeen
Katherine Overman\*\*
Matthew Roberts

# THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

## Master of Business Administration

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# Master of Education in Counselor Education

Colisha Marie Amos
Amanda Catherine Brooke
Angela Walton Collingsworth
Denise Field
Michelle Renee Harrell
Valeria Idenu Azuka Nwabiani
Glenn Kelly Taylor

## Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Courtney Baker
Kathleen Elizabeth Barbara
Jessica Marie Coleman
Traci Rayshell Crowder
Michael Lee Eubanks
Christine L. Malone
Brooke Ogletree
Lisa Lynn Parks
Seth Amos Porter
Shalondra Temeka Shifflette
Barry Orlando Smith
Tiffany Natisha Tatem
Kimberly A. Wahus

## Master of Education in Educational Leadership

Courtney R. Boyd
Ian Charles Bramhall
Justin Ray Cumbee
Leslie Diane Goldman
Ashleigh Ann Koch
Amy Amick Wingate

#### Master of Public Administration

Cara Leigh Crawford Daniel Patrick Moore Melissa Ann Rodgers

#### Master of Public Health

Amaris Beatty
Andrew Wesley Bruner
Megan Simons Furno
Charles Anthony Hughes
Juhak Lee
Geoffrey Joseph Weidner

#### Master of Science in Biostatistics

James Madison Hyer

Michael Preston Vanderhoof

## Master of Science in Kinesiology

Scotty Aswald Frater
Kristen Alese Jones
Andrew S. Newberry
Asia Ja'Niece O'Bryant
Haruka Sakauchi
Ben'Nisha Dawnn Thomas
Clarissa René Wilburn

### Master of Science in Medical Illustration

Ellen Christian Davis
Amy Katherine D'Camp
Joel B. Floyd Jr.
Brittany Griffin King
Elizabeth Nixon-Shapiro
Morgan Luanne Noonan
Tasha Lynn Obrin
Russell H. Weekes

#### Master of Science in Nursing

Cornelia Ann Benoit Heather Corley Bentley Hailey Schroeder Campbell Kayla Fowler Cochran Christopher Lee Cook Hannah Shope Day Jessica Lauren Dunwiddie Hannah Carline Folds Noah Andrew Fouts Brittany Ruth Frankhouser Lauren Emily Geeter Lani Nykel Hendrix Kansas L. Koran Susan Hardy Leighty Susanna McKeown McBride Rebecca McDaniel Ayjanah Rasheeda Sherie Moore Joyce Marie Moore Bethany Rennaye Norwood Christina Day Peters Jennifer Kay Rubner Courtni Schaaf Carrie Leigh Silas Shannon Elizabeth Slocumb Melissa Smith Stacy Emery Smith Ashley Brooke Spake

Kimberly Renee Stanley

Julianne Shelley Temple
Chasity Christina Tierney
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Marion Alicia Turner

# Master of Science in Oral Biology

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William Warren Crissman
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Megan Nelson
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Michael A. Parsons
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Marie Watson-Gunter
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### Doctor of Nursing Practice

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Amanda Leigh Frame
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Lindsay Nicole Moore
Lorna M. Okorowo
Bridgette F. Ruch
Jo Ann Saxon
Donna Jeanetta Scott
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### Doctor of Philosophy

Arnab Barik
Dissertation:
Cellular and Molecular Players
in Neuromuscular Junction
Formation and Function

Melinda Lee Beavers
Dissertation:
Impaired Volume Regulation in
Cardiovascular Disease in Two
Distinct Populations

Ahmed Rifaat El-Sayed El-Awady
Dissertation:
Porphyromonas Gingivalis Escape
from Autophagy in Human
Myeloid Dendritic Cells via

Minor Mfa-1 Fimbria- DC - SIGN

Interactions

Deeksha Gambhir

Dissertation:

Morphological and Functional Characterization of GPR109A in Mammalian Retina

Folami Lamoke

Dissertation:

Characterization of the Thioredoxin System in the Diabetic Retina

Tien-Hung Lan
Dissertation:
Transient Self-Association of Beta2Adrenergic Receptors

Lingqian Li

Dissertation:

Introduction and Role of Indoleamine 2,3 Dioxygenase (IDO) in Controlling Responses to Influenza Infection and DNA

Suchreet Takhar Mander

Dissertation:

A Key Role for BIM in Executing ER Positive Breast Cancer Cell Death and its Potential Regulation by RB

Chaitanya Anil Patwardhan

Dissertation:

Development of Novel Inhibitors of HSP90 Chaperoning Machinery as Powerful Anti-Cancer Drugs

Buvana Ravishankar

Dissertation:

Role of Splenic Macrophages in the Initiation of Tolerance to Apoptotic Cell Associated Antigens

Juilee Rege

Dissertation:

The Steroid Metabolome and Transcriptome of the Human Adrenal Gland Mutsa Patience Seremwe

Dissertation:

Involvement of Calpain in Angiotensin II Induced Aldosterone Production in Adrenal Glomerulosa Cells

Kathryn Spitler

Dissertation:

Stressful Signaling: A Role for Endoplasmic Reticulum Stress in Aortic Stiffening During Hypertension

Ashlee Tipton

Dissertation:

The Impact of Blood Pressure and
Transforming Growth Factor-b
on the Renal T Cell Profile of
Male and Female Spontaneously
Hypertensive Rats

Ying-Ying Tsai
Dissertation:

The Mechanisms Underlying VLDL-Induced Aldosterone Production

Steven Lester Walker

Dissertation:

Dynamic Bayesian Network Analysis
Reveals Unique and Conserved
Elements of Genetic Circuitry
Governing two Different CellSpecific Regenerative Paradigms
in the Retina

# COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE

#### Doctor of Dental Medicine

Rhoda LeAnn Ballentine
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Christian Daniel Boliere
Kristen Marie Bonkowski
Jovas Christopher Booker
Chadwick Turner Brantley
David Willis Brantley
Michael Andrew Brittingham
Brett Taylor Burford
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Ruby Truong

Charles A. Straughan

Jason Michael Strever

Chad Wiggs Thomas

Marko Y. Tadros

Haley Marie Swearingen

Yvonne Chong Tomlinson

Blake William Upshaw
Kathryn Lee Vesper
Lindsey Barrett Vinson
Elizabeth Waring
John Gregory Whitaker III
Robert Norman Wilson III
Kevin Christopher Wiman
Michael Lee Winstead
Corey Lee Woodard
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## MEDICAL COLLEGE OF GEORGIA

#### Doctor of Medicine

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Tina Anand

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Rebecca Lee Carter

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Tyler Wilson Cunningham
Samantha JoAnn Curtis

Chi Wai Dai

Curran Hunter Daigle
Peter Benjamin Daniel
Heather Alicia Daniels
Porscha Elizabeth Dickens

Elyceia Mona Dortch
Joseph Casimir Drwiega
Colby Ryan Duckett
Alford Leon Dyer III
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Lawrence Patrick Fannon Jr.

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Zachary Chaz Fausel
Fred Tolbert Finney Jr.
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Katie Zhang Garrett
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Aaron Kyle Goodwin
Sierra Noelle Green
Harold Andrew Hall

James Gregory Hamilton III

Erik James Hansen
Patrick John Harkins
Jason Holmes Harms
Jessica Crabbe Harris
Joshua Michael Hedrick
Brenten Lance Heeke
Sarah Ashley Hilton
Junjian Huang

Christine Onyekachuku Ibilibor

Mehreen Iqbal

Seema Banu Jabbar Alexandria Sung-Eun Jo

Laura Jane Juul Nikhil Shyam Kadle Shikha Kapil

Peter Scott Karempelis

Aasif A. Kazi

Jessica McGann Kempton

Fahad Khan
Albert Eusik Kim
Ethan Sukhoon Kim
Julie JungAh Kim
Thomas Kim

Andrew Glenn Klein Karl Nelson Knights

Christopher Francis Koch Jr.

Kayla Koch

Brett Colin Kodish Srinija Konduru Srikar Kumar

Jennifer Corinne LaBarge Brett Thomas LaBrecque

Kelsey White Lane

Brian Tim Lê

Thao-Vy Ngoc Le

Shannon Sin-Man Leung

XiaoTian Li Lisa Marie Lima Nanlong Liu

David Joseph Love Dylan Coker Lovin

Jun Ma

Alexander Henry MacDonell IV
Amanda Marie MacGregor
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Holly Barmore Mahoney
Cory Kane Mansour
Amy Elizabeth Martin
Brittany Michelle Martin
Erika Martinez-Uribe

Nihar Mohan Mathur

Meredith Margaret Maxwell

David Christopher McCall
Lance David McLeroy
William Neilser Melton
Prathyusha Mididoddi
Chelsea Jones Mikell
Scott Lindsey Mikell
Kenyatta Akosua Mireku
Gazelle Shariat Moharari
Margaret Mariscal Monette
Fletcher Stuart Moore

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Benjamin James Mullenbach

Nitya Meera Nair Emily Widner Nance Shannon Marie O'Brien Connie Francia Osorio Andrew Kenneth Ostrowski Allison Rogers Paine

Travis McCall Palmer

Vijay Palvia Amar Parikh

Jodi Lee Parungao Maharsh Krishna Patel

Neil D. Patel

Priya Narendra Patel

Rutvi Patel

Shama Dinubhai Patel

Clayton William Pennington

Sarah Denise Pettyjohn

Micah James Pherson

Julie Emanuelle Pinheiro

Charity Pires

Rebecca Meredith Plant

Thomas Spencer Poore

Chelsea Juanita Pyle

Madiha Qamar Raees

Tracey Monique Ragsdale

Insiya Shabbir Rasiwala

Pratibha Rayapati

Guilly Ricafort Rebagay

Santosh Neelam Reddy

Cecil Bryant Rhodes

Vanessa Theresa Rigaud

Matthew Ward Romine

Yakov Rubinchik

Vikram Sampath

Amanda Marian Sanders

Savini Lanka Santha

Gregory Brent Schmitz

Yashesh Ilesh Shah

Aamne Dianne Shalabi

Edgar Shartilov

Rebecca Lauren Meyer Shay

Travis Allen Smith

Tara Danielle Spell

Lauren Len Spiegel

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Charlotte Katherine Steelman

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Kevin Alan Tyler

Bijal Pankaj Vashi

Saman Vojdani

Rachel Ann Weaver

Michael Thomas Wildes

Bradley Weldon Wills

Cheney Fenn Wilson

Hunter Callahan Wilson

Jonathan David Wilson

Katherine Morgan Wilson

Brian Thomas Winn

Bryce Thompson Wyatt

Ei Ye Mon

Julie Yea-Teen Yeh

Jane Chung Yoon

Xi Zhang

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## Honors Program

Honors program graduates are undergraduate students in a variety of majors who have achieved a grade point average of at least 3.3 while completing a program of work designed specifically for honors students.

Katherine "Leigh" Beeson
Maria Cain
Sabrina Littleton
Joanna Molina
Jourdain "Jodie" Searles
David Stone

## U.S. Army Commissionees

Graduates who successfully complete the military science program receive commissions as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army upon their graduations. They may be assigned to active or inactive status.

Second Lieutenant Maribel Brown
Second Lieutenant Kierra Brundage
Second Lieutenant Elijah Eskelsen
Second Lieutenant William Hammond
Second Lieutenant Shawn Kramer
Second Lieutenant Joshua Morris
Second Lieutenant Justina Tillman

## Georgia Regents University Alma Mater

Words by James W. Garvey; Music by Martin David Jones For Eugenia Toole Glover (in memoriam)

They settled by the river,
They planted, built, and bled,
Groping through the darkness,
Seeing light ahead.

Some of them were healers, with healers' hands and heart.

Antony began a school to teach the healer's art.

We seek the truth that heals, the truth that sets us free, we are Georgia Regents University.

They settled by the river,
And in the early light,
Walton dreamed a college,
on the sand hill's height;

But soldiers with their weapons,
Stood guard and watched until,
The swords were turned to plow-shares
by dreamers on the hill,

We seek the truth that heals, the truth that sets us free, we are Georgia Regents University.

Healers in the hollow,
Dreamers on the hill,
We have come together
And together will

Seek the ways of healing,
Make the dream come true;
The dreamers and the healers,
Georgia Regents U.

We seek the truth that heals, the truth that sets us free, we are Georgia Regents University.

## Academic Regalia

The style of academic regalia worn in today's commencement originated in medieval European universities and has undergone little modification since the 16th century. As in the Middle Ages, the attire denotes the wearer's academic accomplishment. In 1895, a code was adopted to specify design and appropriate colors for various degrees.

The modern dress consists of a gown or robe, headpiece, and hood. The gown denotes the wearer's level of education, with the baccalaureate gown being the simplest in design. Usually black, it is distinguished by open, flowing sleeves, which end in a point. The master's gown is similar to the baccalaureate gown except that it has a closed or glove sleeve that is open at the wrist. The doctoral gown is full flowing and has bell-shaped sleeves. It is trimmed with velvet panels down the front and velvet chevrons on the sleeves. While black is still the predominate color, the color of the gown may denote the wearer's university. Georgia Regents University follows the guidelines of the Intercollegiate Regalia Costume Code and has adopted the use of black gowns. The color of the trim denotes the wearer's discipline.

The headpiece in most American universities is a mortar board. At GRU, mortarboards are worn by those attaining bachelor, master's, or specialist degrees while a soft Tam is worn by candidates receiving doctoral degrees. The color of the tassel denotes the discipline in which the wearer's degree was earned.

It is the hood that adds meaning to the academic regalia. Changed little since the Middle Ages, the hood is worn falling from the shoulders down the

back of the gown in a display of color. It is edged in velvet, which by its color denotes the discipline in which the wearer's degree was earned. It is lined in two colors of silk, which represent the university from which the degree was awarded. The hood lining of GRU graduates consists of blue and silver fields with a red saltire cross superimposed.

A partial listing of colors signifying disciplines as standardized in the 1895 Intercollegiate Code includes:

Arts and Letters – white

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Commerce and Accounting – drab

Dentistry – lilac

Education – light blue

Kinesiology – sage green

Mathematics – science gold

Medicine – kelly green

Music – pink

Nursing – apricot

Philosophy – dark blu

Philosophy – dark blue Psychology – gold

Social Science - citron

Public Administration – peacock blue
Public Health – salmon pink
Science – golden yellow

A braided cord, worn draped from the neck on the front of the gown, designates the wearer as an honor graduate. At Georgia Regents Uni-

versity, honor cords are silver and blue. Members of Phi Kappa Phi, an interdisciplinary honor society, are designated by medallions suspended from the neck by ribbon and bearing the society's insignia. Some disciplines may have their own honor society, which distinguishes its honor graduates the same way. Normally, the color of the

ribbon is unique to the honor society.

## The University Mace

Historically, the mace is a symbol of authority dating from medieval times. As the tradition grew, it became a ceremonial symbol of leadership. The mace is sculpted from red oak and incorporates an image of crossed cannon that appears on historic Payne Hall on the Summerville Campus, and draws on the history of the campus as the former Augusta Arsenal. At the bottom of the mace is a bell, representing the Bell Ringer student newspaper, and the bell that hangs in the university's bell tower. In earlier times, this bell was used to summon students to class. The mace displays the Rod of Asclepius, an Ancient Greek symbol associated with the healing arts, and the old Medical College of Georgia building and incorporates Georgia Regents University's founding date of 1828 as well as the Unity Flame.



### The President's Medallion and Chain of Office

President Ricardo Azziz is wearing a medallion and chain of office during today's Commencement ceremony. The medallion is a symbol of the Office of the President. The chain of office refers to the authority granted to the President by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents to confer degrees and lead the university.

#### The President's Medallion

The President's Medallion of Georgia Regents University is a finely detailed silver medallion that hangs from the Chain of Office. Approximately three inches in diameter, it features the university's name and the date of its founding, 1828. Oak leaves are used on either side of the founding date and symbolize strength, endurance, eternity, and honor. Above the date is the Latin phrase "Vivere Discere," which means "live to learn."

Appearing on the shield are four images: the Arsenal Oak, the Lamp of Knowledge, the Rod of Asclepius, and the old Medical College of Georgia building. Atop the shield is the Unity Flame, an element representing the university.

In a circle surrounding the shield are words incorporated in the Vision Statement of Georgia Regents University that denote the university as a destination of choice in health, innovation, discovery, creativity, and education.

#### The Chain of Office

Engraved on silver plates on each side of the Chain of Office are the names and dates of service of the Presidents of the university. Joining the chains together in the center is the name of the current President of Georgia Regents University, Dr. Ricardo Azziz.



