Newberry College

Spring/Summer Commencement

Saturday, May 2, 2026
Setzler Field
10 a.m.

The Lutheran College of the South Carolina, Southeastern, Florida-Bahamas, and Caribbean Synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Newberry College Spring/Summer Commencement

Prelude "Alleluia" from *The Christmas Oratorio* ..... Camille Saint-Saëns, arr. Acton Ostling

The audience will please rise at the beginning of the Processional and remain standing until the conclusion of the Invocation. Please turn off all cell phones.

Processional "Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Edward Elgar, arr. Jack Gale

Invocation ..... The Rev. David Coffman '97

Welcome ..... Dr. David Harpool

Greetings from the Board of Trustees ..... Dr. Lenna Corley Young '77

Luceo Mea Luce Award ..... Dr. Beth Hinga

Introduction of Commencement Speaker ..... Mr. John Wallis

Commencement Address ..... Mr. Paul C. Fisher '26

Presentation of the class of 2026: ..... Mr. Patrick J. Gagliano
Dr. Beth Hinga
Dr. David Harpool

Conferral of degrees ..... Dr. David Harpool
Dr. Beth Hinga
Dr. John A. Lesaine '07

Induction into the alumni association: ..... Mr. Matthew Fogle '09

The audience will please rise for the Alma Mater and remain standing throughout the Benediction and Academic Recessional.

Alma Mater:

Though small nor rich in worldly goods,
Our Alma Mater dear,
We bless thy name fresh crowned with fame,
In every passing year.

Oh, Newberry, we pledge to thee
Our hearts and hands this day;
Our love, our faith, our loyalty,
Hail, Scarlet and the Gray.
Our love, our faith, our loyalty,
Hail, Scarlet and the Gray.

When years have passed and college days
Become but memories,
Though far or near we'll all hold dear
Thy name, thy victories.

Where'er we go, come weal or woe,
For thee we'll work and pray,
Thy loyal ones we'll ever hail,
The Scarlet and the Gray.
Thy loyal ones we'll ever hail,
The Scarlet and the Gray.

Benediction: ..... The Rev. David Coffman '97

Recessional: "St. Anthony's Chorale" from *Variations on a Theme by Haydn* ..... Johannes Brahms, trans. William H. Hill

Postlude: "Minuet" from *The Royal Fireworks Music* ..... George Frideric Handel, arr. Philip Gordon

Candidates for Degrees
May 2, 2026

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Shanya' Alexandrea Abrams
Criminal Justice
MINOR: Psychology
Columbia, SC

Ella Joy Allardice
Psychology
MINOR: Sport Management
Harare, ZIMBABWE

Sariah Cassandra Alston
Psychology
MINOR: Social Work AND
Criminal Justice
Conway, SC

❖ Josi Leigh Aull
Psychology
Newberry, SC

*** Ky'Heim Bethea**
Communications: Broadcasting
MINOR: Sport Management
Marion, SC

Wilbur Saxon Bouknight
Criminal Justice
Newberry, SC

Paige Rosetta-Mae Brown
Interdisciplinary Studies
Charleston, SC

Mason Michael Carfello
Criminal Justice
Pompton Plains, NJ

Emily Noelle Castaneda
Psychology
Corona, CA

Tatyanna Nicole Chapman
Psychology
MINOR: Social Work AND History
Myrtle Beach, SC

Fiona Carmella Clancy
Criminal Justice
North Chili, NY

Shannon Creagh
Communications
Lido Beach, NY

Gabriella Laura Darazi
Criminal Justice AND Psychology
Anderson, SC

Tyrese Anthony Dinkins
Psychology
Sumter, SC

*** Paul C. Fisher**
Communications: Journalism
MINOR: Political Science
Lenoir City, TN

Myracle Gaillard
Psychology
MINOR: African American Studies
Charleston, SC

*** Tyrone Garlington, Jr.**
Graphic Design
Clinton, SC

Lyndon Andra'e Dorelle Glover, Jr.
Psychology
MINOR: Sport Management
St. Matthews, SC

Joshua Greig
History
MINOR: Sport Management
Horsham, England, UNITED KINGDOM

Cheyenne Labassare Halford
Music
Spartanburg, SC

*** Sierra Michelle Harley**
History
Beaufort, SC

❖ Justin David Hedgepath
English: Secondary Education
MINOR: Sport Management
Newberry, SC

Victor Belial Hennion
Communications: Broadcasting
MINOR: Business Administration
Newberry, SC

* Walking Early
❖ Summerland Honors
Completed Degree
Requirements – December 2025

Chance Philip Jackson
Social Studies: Secondary Education
Georgetown, SC

Helen Rose Johnson
Psychology
MINOR: English
Batesburg, SC

Henry Johnson
Art
Fayetteville, NC

Houston Samuel Jones
Political Science
MINOR: Pre-Law
Lexington, SC

Brianna Gray Lazar
English
MINOR: Graphic Design
Myrtle Beach, SC

Ja'Nora Ra'Shawna Levell
Psychology
MINOR: Sociology
Sumter, SC

Aina Miralles Lopez
International Studies: Business Administration
MINOR: Psychology
Tarragona, SPAIN

Sydney Hope Marchese
Psychology
MINOR: Criminal Justice
Shirley, NY

Skyla Lynette Martin
Sociology
MINOR: Social Work
Blacksburg, SC

Luis Antonio Martinez-Gullien
Music
Saluda, SC

Mason G. Mayer
Criminal Justice
MINOR: Sport Management
Cumming, GA

Amaryah Mendez-Dorisca
Psychology
MINOR: Criminal Justice
Columbia, SC

*** Malaika Monai Mishoe-Brown**
Criminal Justice
West Columbia, SC

*** Levi Tucker Moore**
Communications: Sports Communication
MINOR: Business Administration
Chapin, SC

D'Ante Ramone Parker
Criminal Justice
MINOR: Pre-Law
Port Royal, SC

Tre Joshua Phillips
Graphic Design
MINOR: Art
Myrtle Beach, SC

*** Jacie Rodriguez-Garcia**
Interdisciplinary Studies
Pelion, SC

*** Colby Rogers**
Criminal Justice
Great River, NY

Margarita Nikonorova Roshka
Criminal Justice AND Political Science
MINOR: Pre-Law
Sunny Isles Beach, FL

Marley Elizabeth Claire Rourk
Political Science
MINOR: Criminal Justice AND Pre-Law
Summerville, SC

Daniel Isaiah Rowson
Graphic Design
MINOR: Art
Elgin, SC

Madison Jade Schiffbauer
Communications: Sports Communication
Cape May, NJ

Britlyn Michelle Serio
Interdisciplinary Studies
Newberry, SC

John Micah Shivers
Communications: Broadcasting
Greenville, SC

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Requirements – December 2025

Alex Tyler Shook
Graphic Design
MINOR: Art
Elgin, SC

Gabriel Lindler Soots
English
MINOR: Coaching
Irmo, SC

Keaton Bailey Steele
Social Studies: Secondary Education
Prosperity, SC

Ella Stone
Sociology
MINOR: Criminal Justice
Trenton, SC

Allie Grace Strickland
Music
MINOR: English AND Jazz Studies
Lake City, SC

*** Brady Patrick Szumilas**
Communications: Public Relations
MINOR: Political Science
Columbia, SC

Elizabeth Rae Thomas
Music
West Columbia, SC

Lola Elisa Timmons
Graphic Design
MINOR: Art
Chapin, SC

Hazel Vernon
Psychology AND Criminal Justice
Tavistock, England, UNITED KINGDOM

Phillip Grant Wade
Communication: Sports Communication
MINOR: Speech
Gaffney, SC

*** Collin Jermale Wakefield**
Graphic Design
Greenville, SC

Daniel Watson
Psychology
MINOR: Sport Management
Durban, SOUTH AFRICA

Es'ence Janijah Watts
Psychology: Forensic Psychology
MINOR: Social Work AND Sociology
Honea Path, SC

Luther Backman Worthy
Criminal Justice
MINOR: Psychology
Lexington, SC

BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Roqúe Joseph Heathcliffee Clendinen III
Music Performance (Instrumental)
MINOR: Music Theory
Snellville, GA

Jorge Luis Martinez, Jr.
Music Performance (Instrumental)
MINOR: Jazz Studies AND
Music Theory
Summerville, SC

David Jeremiah Price
Music Performance (Instrumental)
MINOR: Jazz Studies AND
Music Theory
Blacksburg, SC

Tristin Reid Sundell
Music Performance (Choral)
MINOR: Jazz Studies AND
Music Theory
Ladson, SC

BACHELOR OF MUSIC EDUCATION

Jahleel Naasir Butler
Music Education: Instrumental
Saluda, SC

Taylor Maree Clark
Music Education: Instrumental
Sardis, GA

Micah Jeremiah McNamee
Music Education: Instrumental
Aiken, SC

Megan Kathleen Stimman
Music Education: Instrumental
Laurens, SC

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Barbara Lynn Akridge
Business Administration
Greenwood, SC

Rushna Ali
Business Administration
MINOR: Accounting
Hoover, AL

Eneth Rebecca Aquino Chavez
Business Administration
MINOR: Accounting
Newberry, SC

Omesia L. Ashford
Business Administration
Columbia, SC

Brennan Sage Baker
Health Science
Jacksonville, FL

Cadence Marie Beckman
Middle Level Education: Science
West Columbia, SC

Courtney Amia Belton
Business Administration
MINOR: Communications
Columbia, SC

Paris Jah'zell Bowers
Health Science
Savannah, GA

Kelsea Lynn Bradley
Elementary Education
Lexington, SC

Miley Cecile Brant
Business Administration
MINOR: Healthcare Management
Gilbert, SC

Anna Rae Brasington
Health Science
Chappells, SC

Sandra Payton Brennan
Digital Marketing AND
Business Administration
MINOR: Graphic Design
Summerville, SC

Elijah Brewer
Sport Management
MINOR: Coaching
Clinton, SC

❖ **Alexus Nichole Brooks**
Biology
MINOR: Chemistry
Spartanburg, SC

Jadie Justice Burns
Administration of Recreation & Parks
Hogansburg, NY

Matthew Burt
Business Administration
Delta, British Columbia, CANADA

Mary Hunter Byrd
Health Science
Darlington, SC

Cristina Lynne Calidonio
Health Science
MINOR: Psychology
Flagler Beach, FL

Zachary Davis Carabo
Business Administration: Project Management AND
Supply Chain Management
Cheraw, SC

Marshall Jayden Carnahan
Biology
Lexington, SC

Jada Carver
Accounting
Blythewood, SC

❖ **Aniella Paige Casper**
Health Science
MINOR: Psychology
Newton, NJ

Kenny Jerimy Cay II
Biology: Forensic Biology
Bridgeville, DE

Hannah Pauline Chalmers
Health Science
MINOR: Psychology
North Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA

❖ **Mary Thomas Christofaro**
Early Childhood Education
Camden, SC

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Daria Emmanuelle Clet
Business Administration
Tarbes, FRANCE

Kylie Jane Coker
Health Science
Tulsa, OK

Gabreyel Marie Cook
Digital Marketing
MINOR: Sport Management AND Graphic Design
AND Business Administration
Charlotte, NC

Joseph Haskell Copeland
Physical Education
Swansea, SC

Travis Cox, Jr.
Exercise Science
Little River, SC

Coye Layton Cutshall
Interdisciplinary Studies
Newberry, SC

Michelle Brown DaMoude
Health Science
Newberry, SC

Ra'Niyah Shay'Quan Daniels
Business Administration
Olar, SC

Macenzie Oswald Davis
Health Science
MINOR: Biology
Columbia, SC

Nicholas Del Grosso
Business Administration
Wantagh, NY

Anthony DellaRos, Jr.
Exercise Science
Pylesville, MD

Anna Katherine Dill
Business Administration
Jacksonville, FL

❖ **Isabelle Anna Dominguez**
Biology: Forensic Biology
MINOR: Chemistry
Newberry, SC

Rico Andre Dorsey, Jr.
Sport Management
Winsboro, SC

Renee Dorval
Business Administration AND Accounting
Messancy, BELGIUM

Logan Doss
Health Science
MINOR: Psychology
Mount Pleasant, SC

*** Xavior Drake Downs**
Sport Management
Simpsonville, SC

Christian Jamel Draper
Digital Marketing
Cayce, SC

Leanni Marie Echevarria
Business Administration AND
Sport Management
Philadelphia, PA

Daniel Brady Edwards
Business Administration
Gilbert, SC

Avalina Aniles Espinoza
Elementary Education
Roseville, CA

John Allen Forrester
Administration of Recreation & Parks
MINOR: Coaching
West Columbia, SC

Rimeak Foulks
Administration of Recreation & Parks
MINOR: Coaching
Batesburg-Leesville, SC

Seth Mason Fowler
Business Administration
MINOR: Accounting
Raleigh, NC

Marcus Xaiver Foy
Business Administration
Columbia, SC

Coy Andreas Frasure
Sport Management
Augusta, GA

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Jykorie Gary
Administration of Recreation & Parks
MINOR: Coaching
Laurens, SC

❖ **Adalene Kaylie Gendill**
Business Administration AND
Digital Marketing
MINOR: Coaching AND Graphic Design
Denver, CO

DaKoda Marshall Gillian
Computer Science
MINOR: Music
Newberry, SC

* **Carter Allen Gosnell**
Business Administration AND
Sport Management
Lyman, SC

Maren Reese Gowan
Sport Management
MINOR: Business Administration
Clinton, SC

❖ **Gracie Louise Graham**
Business Administration
MINOR: English
Kingstree, SC

❖ **Hope Akela Green**
Biology
Cayce, SC

Leila Nichole Green
Health Science
MINOR: Biology
Beaufort, SC

Lindsey Kate Green
Business Administration
MINOR: Healthcare Management
Apex, NC

Thomas Barrett Gregory
Exercise Science
Moore, SC

* **Jesper Frederik Gruendemann**
Business Administration
Dassendorf, GERMANY

William'Lavon Gurley
Sport Management
MINOR: Coaching
Marion, SC

Sydney Elizabeth Gusewelle
Health Science
MINOR: Biology AND Psychology
Fallon, NV

Katharina Ann Hamilton
Exercise Science
MINOR: Psychology
Grand Ridge, FL

Cayden Allan Hansen
Business Administration
Willmar, MN

Jasmine Ty'Anna Harps
Elementary Education
Latta, SC

Brylee Lynn Harriell
Exercise Science
Eagle Mountain, UT

Carson Hayes
Sport Management
Puyallup, WA

Hope Alexandra Homa
Interdisciplinary Studies
Columbia, SC

Houston Horton
Business Administration
Austin, TX

Lana Shea Howell
Exercise Science
Aurora, CO

❖ **Emma Hulsmeyer**
Healthcare Management AND
Business Administration
Louisville, KY

Jakiera Kayanna Hutcherson
Business Administration AND Healthcare Administration
Blythewood, SC

Pablo Colin Jaime
Business Administration: Marketing
San Pedro Garza Garcia, MEXICO

Jacob Michael Johnson
Business Administration
Atlanta, GA

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Kristin Alexandra Johnson
Healthcare Management AND Accounting
MINOR: Business Administration
North Charleston, SC

Judah Stephen Kennedy
Sport Management
Pittsburgh, PA

Austin Robert Kestler
Sport Management
MINOR: Business Administration
Bluffton, SC

Grayson Earley Leaphart
Computer Science
Gilbert, SC

Kayden M. Lee
Accounting
MINOR: Healthcare Management
West Columbia, SC

 # Donna Lynn Livingston
Business Administration
MINOR: Criminal Justice
Prosperity, SC

Alexander Lopez
Digital Marketing
Rock Hill, SC

Connor Wilson Lundkovsky
Business Administration AND Accounting
Lexington, SC

Nathaniel Jason Lynch
Mathematics
Donalds, SC

John Eston Mack
Biology
Orangeburg, SC

Andrew Osman Marks
Computer Science
Mooresville, NC

Emily Meghan Marshall
Business Administration
Acworth, GA

Javier Borrego Martin
Business Administration AND
Digital Marketing
Madrid, SPAIN

*** Zachary James Martin**
Business Administration
Mullins, SC

Amber Mattmiller
Exercise Science
Sumter, SC

Noah Tyler McCathern
Business Administration
Camden, SC

Richard Logan Howard McConnell
Business Administration
Anderson, SC

Ella McDevitt
Biology
Henderson, NV

Kevin Chandler Mims
Healthcare Management
Edgefield, SC

*** Elizabeth Andison Ashe Montgomery**
Business Administration
Columbia, SC

Agustina Belén Montserrat
Exercise Science
MINOR: Biology
Buenos Aires ARGENTINA

Justin Iain Morison
Digital Marketing
MINOR: Business Administration
AND Graphic Design
Pomaria, SC

Christopher Blake Morrison
Exercise Science
Cayce, SC

Ryan Morrison
Exercise Science
Chester, MA

Lucas Mruk
Exercise Science
Sugar Hill, GA

Jordan Alexis Noad
Sport Management
Rock Hill, SC

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❖ Summerland Honors
Completed Degree
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 # Victoria Noel
Biology
MINOR: Environmental Science
AND Chemistry
Elgin, SC

Meagan Anne O'Connell
Business Administration
MINOR: English
Newberry, SC

Deontray Hunter Onley
Exercise Science
Conway, SC

John D. Parker
Mathematics: Secondary Education
Yulee, FL

Caiden Bernard Pelc
Business Administration: Entrepreneurship
Portland, MI

Colby Charles Peterson
Business Administration
MINOR: Spanish
Piedmont, SC

Evan Michael Phillips
Business Administration AND Accounting
Grayson, GA

Stavon J. Porter
Administration of Recreation & Parks
North, SC

Nathan Pouliot
Business Administration
MINOR: Accounting
Rosemere, Quebec, CANADA

Noah Wade Quinn
Business Administration:
Project Management
Gaffney, SC

Summer Rain Rabon
Chemistry: Forensic Science
Hopkins, SC

Andrew Allen Reed
Physical Education
MINOR: Coaching
Newberry, SC

*** Ka'Tavian Rajermez Robinson**
Sport Management
Newberry, SC

❖ Elsa Caroline Rogosky
Chemistry: Biochemistry AND Biology
MINOR: Mathematics
Indian Land, SC

Parker Theodore Rowe
Physical Education
Lexington, SC

Cameron Ruiz
Digital Marketing
MINOR: Sport Management
Johnston, SC

Marlon James Sandifer
Business Administration
Chapin, SC

*** LaRontae Mikél Scroggins, Jr.**
Business Administration
MINOR: Psychology
Irmo, SC

Karisma Keyonne Monique Shannon
Health Science
Summerville, SC

*** Jamieson Davonne Sitton**
Business Administration
Greenville, SC

*** Madeline Salley Skinner**
Exercise Science
Fernandina Beach, FL

Hunter Smith
Sport Management
Davie, FL

Joshua Smith
Accounting
MINOR: Business Administration
Columbia, SC

Ayden Allen Snow
Business Administration: Entrepreneurship
Clemmons, NC

Gabriel Alexander Squillace
Digital Marketing
MINOR: Graphic Design
Woodstock, GA

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❖ **Thomas Anthony Starkoski III**
Business Administration
MINOR: English
Frederick, MA

Joshua Josiah Steele
Exercise Science
Greenville, SC

* **Eric Vicente Stevens**
Exercise Science
Abbeville, SC

* **Gabriela Stevens**
Business Administration
MINOR: Spanish
Grand Blanc, MI

Ronny Nicole Stone
Business Administration
Blacksburg, SC

❖ **Gavin Michael Straub**
Health Science
Ocean Springs, MS

* **Kai Talley**
Sport Management
MINOR: Business Administration
Oregon City, OR

❖ **Brooke Nicole Taylor**
Biology: Forensic Biology
MINOR: Chemistry
Monmouth, IL

Maxwell Michael Allan Taylor
Sport Management
MINOR: Business Administration
Bowmanville, Ontario, CANADA

* **Jaiden Kaine Marion Terry**
Business Administration
Newberry, SC

Grace Ann Thompkins
Exercise Science
Aiken, SC

Tavarian Thompson
Accounting AND
Business Administration
Summerville, SC

Aubrey Lamar Thompson, Jr.
Sport Management
Rock Hill, SC

Filip Tmusic
Business Administration AND Accounting
Cetinje, MONTENEGRO

Emily Grace Truett
Health Science
MINOR: Psychology
Columbia, SC

Kadin Lamar Tyson
Exercise Science MINOR: History
Pomaria, SC

Sofia Grace Urzillo
Early Childhood Education
Mullica Hill, NJ

Benjamin Lucas Hanna
Business Administration
MINOR: Criminal Justice
Atlanta, GA

Lieke Varenkamp
Exercise Science AND Psychology
Middelburg, THE NETHERLANDS

Elijah Timothy Vereen
Sport Management
MINOR: Business Administration
Longs, SC

Savanna Victoria Wactor
Health Science
Chapin, SC

Ziya Amia Walker
Exercise Science
Sumter, SC

Jazzelle Ora-Luna Saulter Ware
Sport Management
Acworth, GA

Thomas James Wayne
Business Administration: Finance & Accounting
Oviedo, FL

Emma Cason Westbrook
Exercise Science
MINOR: Coaching
Dover, DE

Luke Crayton White
Physical Education
MINOR: Coaching
Clinton, SC

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Xaiber Rasheen White
Health Science
Varnville, SC

❖ Emma Faye Wicker
Biology: Environmental Studies
AND Digital Marketing
Little Mountain, SC

Collin Robert Wingard
Business Administration: Entrepreneurship
West Columbia, SC

Carlisha LaToya Workman
Healthcare Management
Blair, SC

William J. Wozniak
Business Administration
Chuluota, FL

Jenna Yanity
Physical Education
Leesville, SC

Gabriella Leigh Zachary
Exercise Science
MINOR: Biology
Mantua, NJ

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE NURSING

Virginia Leigh Bass
Nursing
MINOR: Biology
Prosperity, SC

Cale Daniel Brown
Nursing
MINOR: Biology
Pauline, SC

Nadia Salene Burns
Nursing
Rock Hill, SC

Shania Breona Easley
Nursing
MINOR: Biology
Rock Hill, SC

Kaitlyn Nicole Feller
Nursing
MINOR: Biology
Newberry, SC

Hannah Ghaly
Nursing
Newberry, SC

Daniela Gutierrez
Nursing
Ravenel, SC

Tiffany Aureann Hammond
Nursing
Hollywood, SC

Timothy Carlisle Hartman, Jr.
Nursing
Gaffney, SC

Kenneth Anthony Jamison
Nursing
Prosperity, SC

Stacey Hayes Miller
Nursing
Gaffney, SC

Alexus M. Nye
Nursing
Prosperity, SC

Jada Ahshyah Stanley
Nursing
Loris, SC

Kayla Grace Urbates
Nursing
Lexington, SC

❖ Amelia Margaret Waldrop
Nursing
Lexington, SC

Erin Elaine Wilson
Nursing
Blythewood, SC

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE RESPIRATORY THERAPY

Joy Noel Darden
Respiratory Therapy
Katy, TX

Cherlonda A. Towns
Respiratory Therapy
Morven, NC

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 # Nichole Ashley Waldron
Respiratory Therapy
Easley, SC

MASTER OF ARTS

Bradford Windham Brooks
Criminal Justice
Mount Pleasant, SC

*** Christine Nicole Butler**
Criminal Justice
Newberry, SC

Leigha Harris
Criminal Justice
Aiken, SC

MASTER OF EDUCATION

*** Tamaya Lashawn Brooks**
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Newberry, SC

Susan J. Davies
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Spartanburg, SC

Mikayla Brooke Dupree
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Moncks Corner, SC

Kennedy Ty'Ronna Alice Myers
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Hopkins, SC

*** Davion Michael Pyles**
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Columbia, SC

Emily Abigayle Thoms
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Duncan, SC

Brad Douglas Washington
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Newberry, SC

Kelsie Jo Young
Teaching, Learning & Curriculum:
Literacy Leadership
Gunnison, UT

MASTER OF SCIENCE

*** Aquirius Tion Abrams**
Organizational Development & Leadership
Newberry, SC

Alexa Anderson
Sport Management & Leadership
Conyers, GA

*** Konstantina E. Ayling**
Organizational Development & Leadership
MINOR: Military Science Leadership
Columbia, SC

Timothy Wade Baker, Jr.
Sport Management & Leadership
Newberry, SC

Jacob Dee Brenner
Sport Management & Leadership
Lancaster, SC

Alexander Adrian Cherne
Sport Management & Leadership
Charlotte, NC

Alexander James Daly
Sport Management & Leadership
Daytona Beach, FL

Drew Eliot Davidson
Organizational Development & Leadership
Gray Court, SC

Harlan Kaden Faircloth
Organizational Development & Leadership
Oviedo, FL

Benedikt Jean-Claude Fischer
Organizational Development & Leadership
Regensburg, GERMANY

Mary Gary
Organizational Development & Leadership
Newberry, SC

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Ronald Harold Goodwin, Sr.
Organizational Development & Leadership
Greer, SC

Ryan Christian Heisler
Sport Management & Leadership
Mantua Township, NJ

*** Matthew Tyler Hoelke**
Sport Management & Leadership
Blackwood, NJ

Preston Adonis DeShane Holmes
Sport Management & Leadership
Boiling Springs, SC

*** Eddie Martinez Horton, Jr.**
Organizational Development & Leadership
Mooresville, NC

Kristen Michelle Kinard
Organizational Development & Leadership
Newberry, SC

*** Marcus Lee Kirkland, Jr.**
Sport Management & Leadership
Indian Land, SC

Archkela Shykeema Akhira Lane
Sport Management & Leadership
Pomaria, SC

*** Paula Katherine Leal**
Organizational Development & Leadership
Chapin, SC

Jomar A. Lugo López
Sport Management & Leadership
San Sebastian, PUERTO RICO

*** Stephanie Savas Joannou Menefee**
Organizational Development & Leadership
Chesapeake, VA

Kristy Nichole Parker
Organizational Development & Leadership
Jacksonville, FL

Andrew Robinson
Organizational Development & Leadership
Charlotte, NC

Kale Ryan Schrader
Sport Management & Leadership
Stark City, MO

Malakhi Anthony Stremlow
Sport Management & Leadership
Hypoluxo, FL

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Bachman Honor Society

The Bachman Honor Society was founded on March 15, 1962, by a group of faculty who were members of Phi Beta Kappa and others who were deeply committed to fostering high standards of scholarship. The society is named for the Rev. John Bachman, D.D., churchman and scholar, and the main guiding force in the founding of Newberry College in 1856. Each year the Society inducts new members from the top eight percent of the senior class, as well as distinguished members of the faculty.

Sandra Brennan
Alexus Brooks
Mary Christofaro
Taylor Clark
Wibien Dahmen
Renee Dorval
John Forrester
Katharina Hamilton
Victor Hennion
Emma Hulsmeyer
Helen Johnson
Sydney Marchese
Skyla Martin
Micah McNamee
Agustina Montserrat
Margarita Nikonorova Roshka
John Parker
Evan Phillips
William Phillips III
Gavin Straub
Grace Tompkins
Lieke Varenkamp
Emma Wicker

Executive Council

Nikki Brooks, Vice President for Human Resources

Molly Gutterud, M.B.A., Vice President for Marketing

Beth Hinga, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs

Steven Janowiak, Vice President for Student Affairs and Student Experience

Sean Johnson, Vice President for Athletics

Barbara Joyner, Vice President for Enrollment Management

John LaNear, J.D., Ph.D., Vice President for Online and Graduate Programs

Bill Nash, Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Sid Parrish, Ph.D., Vice President for Administration

Chelsea Young, Ed.D., M.B.A., Vice President for Innovation and College-Wide Initiatives

Division Deans and Directors

Lindsy Boateng, Ph.D., Dean of the Division of Health Professions, Sciences, and Mathematics

Steven McClung, Ph.D., Dean of the Division of Business, Communications, and Sport

Wiebke Strehl, Ph.D., Dean of the Division of Arts, Education, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Robin Geiger, D.N.P., A.P.R.N., Dean of Nursing

Tracy Cook, M.S., Director of Health Sciences

Platform Party

David Harpool, J.D., Ph.D. ..... President
Lenna Corley Young '77, Ph.D. ..... Chair, Newberry College Board of Trustees
Beth Hinga, Ph.D. ..... Vice President for Academic Affairs
Patrick J. Gagliano, MFA ..... Professor of Theatre and Speech
David W. Coffman '07 ..... Campus Pastor
John A. Lesaine '07, Ed.D. ..... Faculty Marshal
Jodie Peeler, Ph.D. ..... Faculty Marshal
Kristy Parker ..... Registrar

Music

Newberry College Brass

Conductor Dr. Jackie Townsend

Alma Mater Leader	**Trumpet**	**Horn**	**Trombone**	**Euphonium**	**Tuba**
Tristin Reid Sundell '26	Porter Compton	Ella Grace Aikman	Kindred Booth	Emily Davis	M. Dreyton Farmer
	Jacob Duck	Morgan Chaplin	Fred Carpio-Rodriguez	Kaleb Ellis	Drey Farmer
	Lillian Shumpert		Gabriel Clark		
			Tanner Patterson		

Hearing Interpreter

Holly May ..... Certified Interpreter

Faculty Marshals

John A. Lesaine '07, Ed.D. ..... Associate Dean for Student-Athlete Success
Jodie Peeler, Ph.D. ..... Associate Professor of Communications

Student Marshals

Student Marshals have achieved the highest scholarship ranking in their respective classes and serve as Marshals for one year.

Freshman
Zavier Devette

Juniors
Celeste Welch
Jenna Lincomfelt
Jose Bonilla Garcia

Senior
Jayson Sanders

Undergraduate Honors

Cum Laude	Magna Cum Laude	Summa Cum Laude
3.5 GPA-3.74 GPA	3.75 GPA-3.89 GPA	3.9 GPA or higher
on a 4.0 Scale	on a 4.0 Scale	on a 4.0 Scale

Distinguished Transfer and Online Student Honors

30-55 credit hours
3.75 GPA on a 4.0 Scale

Academic Hoods for 2026 Graduates

Members of the graduating class receive academic hoods, similar to those worn by the faculty, as part of the commencement ceremony. These hoods are lined with the Newberry College colors of scarlet and gray and trimmed in white for the Bachelor of Arts degree, pink for the Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Music Education degrees, gold for the Bachelor of Science degree, apricot for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, gold for the Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy degree, white for the Master of Arts degree, drab for the Master of Science degrees in Organizational Development & Leadership and Sport Management & Leadership, and light blue for the Master of Education degree.

Summerland Honors Community

In the 1995-1996 academic year, a group of faculty and staff crafted a general honors program for Newberry College that is now called the Summerland Honors Community. The program is structured upon the theme Quest for Identity, exploring what it means to be human through a three-year, six-course sequence featuring interdisciplinary seminars, each of which focuses on a particular aspect of the human story. Newberry College is very proud to honor this year's students who will carry the distinction of being graduates of the Summerland Honors Community.

Safety Statement

For safety purposes, all guests are required to remain in their seats throughout the commencement ceremony. Please do not leave your seat to take photographs of your graduate. This blocks other guests from being able to see the platform clearly and creates a personal hazard.

Professionals are in place to photograph all graduates. Each graduate will be contacted by email so that proofs may be viewed and ordered.

In case of emergency, follow the directions of Newberry College Director of Security, Kevin Gilliam. Please remain in your seats after the recessional until dismissed by a member of the platform party.

Disclaimer

This program contains the most accurate graduation information available at present time. Appearance of a Degree Candidate's name in the program is presumptive evidence of graduation and graduation honors, but it must not be regarded as conclusive. The signed and sealed diploma of Newberry College remains the official testimony of the possession of a degree. This program has the Degree Candidates for spring 2026 and summer 2026.

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