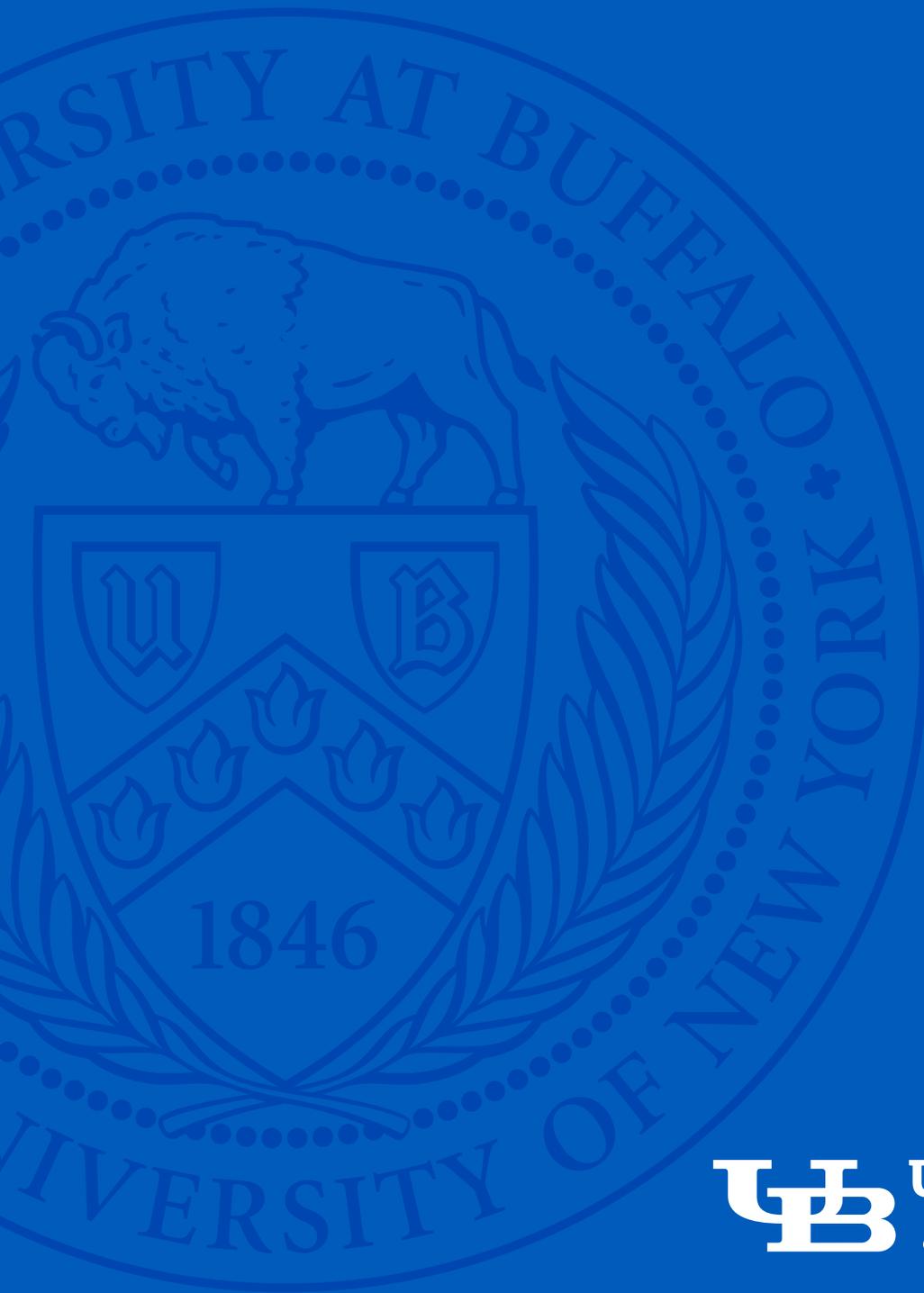


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COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES GRADUATE
COMMENCEMENT

Saturday

May 15, 2021

6:00 PM

UB Stadium

North Campus



Baird Point is an outdoor, Greek-style amphitheater located on the southern shore of Lake LaSalle. It was a gift to the University from the Baird Foundation and the Cameron Baird Foundation. The marble columns on the concrete platforms were once part of the old Federal Reserve Bank in downtown Buffalo. Following their relocation to the lake, the columns were dedicated as a memorial to servicemen and servicewomen.

Program

Processional

Selections from *Pomp & Circumstance*
by Edward Elgar

Opening Declaration & Welcome

Graham L. Hammill
*Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean
of the Graduate School*

National Anthem

Anna Fernandez, BFA '21

Greetings

Satish K. Tripathi
University President

Remarks

Robin G. Schulze
Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

University at Buffalo President's Medal

Peter A. Rogerson, PhD '82
SUNY Distinguished Professor of Geography

Satish K. Tripathi
University President

Conferring of Degrees

Satish K. Tripathi
University President

Robin G. Schulze
Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

University at Buffalo Alma Mater

Anna Fernandez, BFA '21

Closing Declaration

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SUNY Trustee and UB Officials

Eunice Ashman Lewin

Member of the State University of New York Board of Trustees



President and co-founder of Impacto Consulting Associates, Eunice Ashman Lewin joined the SUNY Board of Trustees in February 2010. She helped reinstate the Student Life Committee, on which she is co-chair. In that capacity,

she spearheaded the creation of the Food Insecurity and the Mental Health task forces. Lewin serves on the board's Executive Committee and the committees for academic affairs, communications and external affairs, community colleges, and academic medical centers and hospitals.

A former commissioner of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, Lewin was a founding member of the Roswell Park Alliance and a board member of the Buffalo Urban League and Hispanics United of Buffalo. She is a member of the Hispanic Women's League and the Greater Buffalo Racial Equity Roundtable. Earlier this year, she was named to the Western New York Health Equity Task Force to coordinate vaccine distribution for the region's counties.

A retired bilingual social worker for the Buffalo Board of Education, Lewin is a champion for STEM education.

Born in Guantanamo, Cuba, Lewin immigrated to the U.S. with her family in 1967. She holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Marymount Manhattan College and master's degrees in American and Puerto Rican studies, and in educational administration, from UB.

Jeremy M. Jacobs

Chairman of the University at Buffalo Council



Jeremy M. Jacobs was appointed to the UB Council in 1997; in 1998, then-Gov. George Pataki named him chairman. Jacobs is chairman of Delaware North, a global hospitality company with customers in the United

States, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. The company's operations include food and retail at airports and sports venues, sports facility ownership and management, operations of parks and major tourist attractions, hotel ownership and management, gaming operations and fine dining.

Jacobs owns the Boston Bruins and serves as chairman of the National Hockey League's Board of Governors. In 2018, he received the sport's highest honor when he was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

An alumnus of UB's School of Management and Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program, Jacobs holds honorary doctorates in humane letters from UB, Canisius College, Niagara University and Johnson & Wales University. In 2015, his family donated \$30 million to advance UB's medical school, which was renamed the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

Jacobs has served Western New York for more than four decades with his business expertise and philanthropic leadership, and Delaware North has received multiple awards for social responsibility, community service and environmental stewardship.

A longtime friend and supporter of UB, Jacobs has served as chairman, trustee and director of the UB Foundation, chairman of the President's Board of Visitors and adviser to the School of Management.

Satish K. Tripathi

University President



An internationally distinguished researcher and higher education leader, Satish K. Tripathi, PhD, is the University at Buffalo's 15th president.

Tripathi, who served as UB's provost from 2004-2011, was dean of the Bourns College of Engineering at the University of California-Riverside from 1997-2004. Previously, he spent 19 years as professor of computer science at the University of Maryland, including seven years as department chair.

Tripathi graduated at the top of his class from Banaras Hindu University (BHU). He holds a master's degree and a doctorate in computer science from the University of Toronto, as well as master's degrees in statistics from the University of Alberta and BHU. A fellow of the IEEE and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, he holds honorary doctorates from the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad, and Brock University in Canada.

A leader in the national higher education community, Tripathi serves as chair of the Mid-American Conference Council of Presidents and on the boards of the NCAA Division I, NCAA Board of Governors and College Football Playoff Board of Managers. A member of Gov. Andrew Cuomo's Reimagine NY Commission, he has served on the boards of the Association of American Universities, the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. In 2011, Gov. Cuomo appointed Tripathi inaugural co-chair of the Western New York Regional Economic Development Council, a position he held until 2017.

A. Scott Weber

*Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs*



As provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, A. Scott Weber, PhD, serves as the university's chief academic officer, responsible for leading the development and implementation of the

university's academic vision. Weber provides leadership across the academic enterprise including research, scholarship and creative activities; undergraduate, graduate, professional and international education; faculty development; diversity and inclusion initiatives; and university libraries.

A member of UB's faculty since 1983, Weber is an innovative scholar and teacher and former chair of UB's Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, where he helped establish UB's transportation engineering program and oversaw the department's significant rise in national rankings among U.S civil engineering programs. Weber has held progressively responsible administrative roles at UB, including senior vice provost and vice provost for academic affairs, where he was instrumental in the creation of the UB Curriculum and the nationally recognized Finish in 4 program; and vice president for student life, where he focused on enhancing the student experience on campus and promoting overall student wellness.

Weber's research focuses on biodegradation of chemicals in water and soil and the reclamation of environmentally impacted brownfield sites. He earned bachelor's and master's of science degrees in civil engineering from Virginia Polytechnical Institute and a PhD in civil engineering from the University of California, Davis.

Graham L. Hammill

*Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and
Dean of the Graduate School*



A well-regarded humanities scholar, Graham L. Hammill, PhD, is the University at Buffalo's vice provost for academic affairs and dean of the Graduate School.

A professor in the UB Department of English and former department chair, Hammill focuses his research on early modern British literature, political thought and the history of sexuality. He is the author of "Sexuality and Form: Caravaggio, Marlowe, and Bacon" (2000) and "The Mosaic Constitution: Political Theology and Imagination from Machiavelli to Milton" (2012), and the editor of three essay collections. His articles have appeared in numerous journals, and he currently serves on the editorial boards of *Postmodern Culture* and *The Spenser Review*.

Hammill currently serves on the board of directors of the Council of Graduate Schools. He has previously served as president of the International Spenser Society (2014-16), chair of the MLA Executive Committee for the Division on Renaissance Literature (2015) and chair of the MLA Executive Committee on Psychological Approaches to Literature (2008-09). He is the recipient of many awards and grants, including a UB Humanities Institute Research Fellowship (2012-13) and a Kaneb Center Award for Excellence in Teaching from the University of Notre Dame (2006).

Before arriving at UB in 2008, Hammill spent 13 years as a professor of English at the University of Notre Dame. A Louisiana native, he earned his PhD from Duke University.

Robin G. Schulze

Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences



Robin G. Schulze, PhD, joined the University at Buffalo in July 2016 as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and professor in the Department of English. As leader of UB's largest and most diverse academic unit, she drives

UB's commitment to prepare students to be active, knowledgeable, engaged citizens in a dynamic global community.

Over the last five years, Schulze has worked to keep the College strong. She has increased research expenditure in the College and has secured major investments to enhance the College's disciplinary excellence, including funds to support the College's first two female SUNY Empire Innovation Professors. While championing disciplinary excellence, she has also invested in programs that approach critical present problems from a variety of disciplinary vantage points. The College's new department of Environment and Sustainability is a testament to that approach. She is also Co-principal Investigator on UB's first-ever Mellon Foundation grant in support of the College's new Department of Indigenous Studies which honors the university's long-standing commitment to training generations of native scholars. An advocate for the value of experiential learning, she has raised funds to provide College students access to important career building, learn-by-doing opportunities.

Schulze began her career at the University of Kansas. She moved to Penn State, where she became Head of the Department of English. In 2012, she moved to the University of Delaware and became the Associate Dean for the Humanities, a position she held until her move to UB.

University at Buffalo President's Medal

Peter A. Rogerson, PhD '82

SUNY Distinguished Professor of Geography



Peter A. Rogerson, PhD, is an award-winning scholar in the field of geographical analysis whose work has led to significant advances in spatial statistics, demography, migration, criminology and public health. His research encompasses the study of demographic change, including the trends and nature of residential mobility of the U.S. population, and the development of statistical methods to quickly detect and examine changes

in geographic patterns, such as incidents of crime or disease.

Rogerson's scholarship is renowned for its breadth of applications, which transcend academic and professional boundaries and are making a tangible impact on society.

A UB faculty member for more than 35 years, Rogerson is a SUNY Distinguished Professor in the Department of Geography who holds an adjunct appointment in the Department of Biostatistics. He was a recipient of the UB Exceptional Scholar – Sustained Achievement Award in 2002 and received the SUNY Distinguished designation in 2012. Throughout his career, Rogerson has held a variety of leadership roles, including working with the New York State Department of Health, the National Science Foundation and the U.S. Census Bureau.

Widely recognized for his contributions to his field, Rogerson has received the National Science Foundation's Presidential Young Investigator Award and a Guggenheim Fellowship; additionally, he was resident fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University. A fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, he was elected a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2020.

UB President's Medal Recipients

1990	Charles M. Fogel
1992	William B. Hoyt*
1993	Northrup R. Knox Robert Wilmers John L. Hettrick Sr. Robert H. Rossberg
1994	Robert H. Rossberg
1995	George C. Lee
1996	Irving Freedman
1997	Philip B. Wels
1998	Lawrence P. Castellani
2000	Mary E. Randolph John N. Walsh III
2002	Robert J. Wagner
2003	Reginald B. Newman II
2007	Stephen C. Dunnett
2008	Robert Genco
2010	Robert G. Shibley
2012	Angelo M. Fatta Bruce D. McCombe
2013	Diane R. Christian Edmond J. Gicewicz
2014	Robert D. Gioia Nancy H. Nielsen
2015	John T. Ho Gerald S. Lippes
2016	Paras N. Prasad Claude E. Welch Jr.
2017	Margarita L. Dubocovich Francis M. Letro
2018	Michael E. Cain Laura E. Hubbard Cristanne Miller
2019	Amit Goyal Amanda B. Nickerson
2020	Jean Wactawski-Wende

** Awarded posthumously*

Graduates

Candidates for Degrees

Subject to the completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon those individuals listed herein who were identified by April 1, 2021, and upon such others as may meet the requirements of their respective degrees. Candidates are listed according to actual date of degree conferral (August 2020, February 2021 and June 2021).

Africana and American Studies

Master of Arts

Fauziyatu Ali / AUG
Paul Dennis Coleman / FEB
Graeme Munroe Eagles / JUN
Christian Gonzalez / AUG

Doctor of Philosophy

Laticia Gail McNaughton / JUN
James Edward Ponzio / JUN
Marilyn J. Schindler / AUG
Matthew Syfrett / JUN
Bin Xia / AUG

Anthropology

Master of Arts

Devon J. Asmus / FEB
Marianne Cooper / JUN
Kayla Danielle Mace / JUN
Keenan Thomas Phillips / AUG
Brianna Nichole Porter / JUN
John W. Thomas / FEB
Autumn Ariel Tonnesen / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Devon J. Asmus / JUN
Rebecca Ella Biermann Gurbuz / AUG
Katharine C. Burke / FEB
Mark Andrew Conaway / FEB
Kathryn Marie Hudson / FEB
Hyunwoo Jung / JUN
Brittany A. Kenyon-Flatt / AUG
Hannah Louise Quaintance / JUN
Britta A. Spaulding / JUN
Patrick Timothy Willett / JUN

Art

Master of Arts

Dinara Garifullina / AUG

Master of Fine Arts

Jason William Contangelo / JUN
Dietrich Olivier Delrieu-Schulze / JUN
Leanne Michelle Goldblatt / JUN
Karis Jones / JUN
David Joseph Mosier / JUN
Tanner Benjamin Petch / JUN
John C. Santomieri / JUN
Felipe Leonardo Santos Shibuya / JUN
Sara Marie Zak / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Matthew Harris Ballou / JUN
Conor Gorkowski Moynihan / JUN
Yuriko Nagatsuma / JUN

Arts Management

Master of Arts

Taylor Elizabeth Burrows / JUN
Robin Marie Chaney / JUN
Somthida Chanthabouala / JUN
Mengyi Jiang / JUN
Zixin Jiang / JUN
Xie Shitong / JUN
Yizhuo Su / JUN
Hongyu Ye / JUN
Weixiao Zhang / JUN

Biological Sciences

Master of Arts

Anna-Kay Latoya Adamson-McDonald / FEB
Paul Anthony Bargnesi / FEB
Marissa Noelle Catanzaro / JUN
Alexander Chiang / JUN
Sabrina Marie Daniels / AUG
YingYing Ding / JUN
Adam Paul Dommer / JUN
Andrew P. Dynka / AUG
Joel Kenneth Fernando / JUN

Katherine Foote / JUN
Deanna Jo Fronce / FEB
Olga Glagoviyak / JUN
Lindsey Hacherl / JUN
Christine Hickey / FEB
Anneliese Nicol Iacovitti / JUN
Sai Prasanthi Jayaprakash / JUN
Brianna Lynn Kinley / FEB
Francis Kwarteng / FEB
Zeesth Malik / JUN
Cheikh Saadibou Alassane Mballo / AUG
Veronika Borisova Micov / FEB
Deyana Nasri / JUN
Dorcas Kinkosi Nsumbu / JUN
John Puskas / FEB
Saeed Qadar / JUN
Saad Navid Rahman / FEB
LeAnn Richert / FEB
Gabrielle Mercedes Rodriguez-Asher / JUN
Philip Andrew Sales / FEB
Alyssa Esther Schwartz / FEB
Vincent Scozzaro / JUN
Anthony Vu / FEB
Alexandra Wadhvani / JUN
Nathaniel Walker / JUN
Jacob Wojakowski / AUG
Christopher Wood / AUG
Amber Zafar / JUN
Mariya Zlobinskaya / AUG

Master of Science

Muhammad Alber Aqil / JUN
Nathan John Custer Backenstose / FEB
Emily Carroll / JUN
Flavio Augusto Da Silva Coelho / JUN
Steven James Fleck / JUN
Yifeng Guo / JUN
Medha K. C. / JUN
Katie Lichtenthal / AUG
Anthony M. Marino / AUG
Emily Mehle / JUN
Mahnoosh Mirzaei / AUG
Mutia Masuka Muna / AUG
Thomas Willem Ossevoort / JUN
Atindra Pujari / AUG
Matthew J. Rosen / JUN
Elizabeth A. Vohwinkel / JUN
Hannah Waterman / JUN

Graduates

Doctor of Philosophy

Rupkatha Banerjee / AUG
Alexander Bowitch / JUN
Aditi Hemant Chaubey / JUN
Ying Liu / JUN
Haniam Maria / JUN
Aditi Prabhakar / FEB
Christopher Bryan Rupert / AUG
Courtney Elizabeth Szyjka / FEB
Guolei Zhao / JUN

Chemistry

Master of Science

Sarah Bradley / AUG
Steele Burgeson / AUG
Synthia S. Gratia / FEB
Sarah Marie Grimaldi / FEB
Mahsa Jabbar / JUN
Shadi Nasir Khayyo / FEB
Christopher S. Swagler / FEB
Story Temen / JUN
Jieyu Wang / FEB
Kankanamge Lakshani Jayaprada
Weeraratna / FEB
Dai-Chi You / AUG

Doctor of Philosophy

Didar Asik / FEB
Christopher John Brais / JUN
Julia C. Bulmahn / JUN
Ameya Shubhang Burde / JUN
Ruikai Cao / JUN
Jerry Luis Cartagena / JUN
Dake Chen / AUG
Matthew Crawley / FEB
Judith Cristobal / JUN
Anibal R. Davalos Morinigo / JUN
Kyle Richard Delgado / JUN
Paul Fanara / JUN
Patrick Lista Fernandez / AUG
Samuel Leonard Galster / JUN
Zackary R. Gregg / JUN
Mary Grace Encinares Guardian / FEB
Jonathan J. Kennedy-Ellis / JUN
Lauren Louise Lubecki / JUN
Caitlin Ruth McGranahan / JUN

Travis Mitchell / JUN
Samira Mohammed / FEB
Angelina E. Montes / JUN
Yaroslav Myshchuk / JUN
Kaitlin Ordiway / JUN
Vincent Joseph Pastore / JUN
Akanksha Patel / AUG
Adam Brett Philips / JUN
Micah Raab / JUN
Maria Elisa Rivera Albarran / JUN
Shohini Tanuka Sen / AUG
Aaron Sheng / AUG
Brendan A. Smith / JUN
Abigail Wellington Snyder / JUN
Akanksha Sood / AUG
Eric David Sylvester / FEB
Steven Christopher Travis / FEB
Subashi Tikiri Kumari Ubayawardhan / JUN
Josmely Velez-Gonzalez / JUN
Kelsey Lyn Williams / JUN
Kevin Zemaitis / JUN
Yutong Zhang / FEB

Classics

Master of Arts

Caitlin Rose Cole-Conroy / JUN
Alexandra Leanne Heller / FEB
Joseph U. Miller / JUN
Kevin Tessolecki / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Thomas Henry Buck / JUN
Max Jakob Huemer / FEB
Alexander Eli Mazurek / JUN
Cari Ann McLeod / JUN

Communication

Master of Arts

Emily Alise Andrews / JUN
Peter Deyo / JUN
Devin Khayri Forde / JUN
Wenxu Zhao / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Kaitlin Fitzgerald / JUN
Katy Annette Harris / JUN
Sixiao Liu / JUN
Jonathan M. Mertel / AUG
Melissa Moore / JUN
Zhiying Yue / JUN

Communicative Disorders and Sciences

Master of Arts

Sarah Barbolini / JUN
Meredith Blevins / JUN
Darianna Lynn Borowiec / JUN
Leanne Elizabeth Costello / JUN
Francesca D'Alessandro / JUN
Haley Davis / JUN
Emily Rose Davoli / JUN
Krizia Alonzi De Luca / JUN
Julianna Leigh Diamond / JUN
Allison Marie Diedrich / JUN
Desiree Doucette / JUN
Sara Lauren Eagen / JUN
Lindsey Goldstein / JUN
Sarah Herr / JUN
Nicole Lynn Kellar / JUN
Ashlee Khan / JUN
Rachel M. Knight / JUN
Jordynn Elizabeth Koroschetz / AUG
Emmalee K. Langtry / JUN
Samantha Litter / JUN
Rebecca Margaux Marcus / JUN
Mia Martin / JUN
Marissa Mae Nemitz / JUN
Monica Anne Peck / FEB
Katie Page / JUN
Paige Alexandra Papafagos / JUN
Hailey Elizabeth Parker / JUN
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Jessica Lee Stamatatos / JUN
Hunter Lee Steffenhagen / JUN
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Matthew Steven Valerio / JUN
Wan Chen Wang / JUN
Makayla Watson-Wales / JUN
Shannon Wilk / JUN
Stephanie Joan Wojnowski / JUN

Doctor of Audiology

Maryann Elizabeth Badura / JUN
Haley Janet Connolly / JUN
Jenette Helen Dziezynski / JUN
Emily Mae Haines / JUN
Jenna Alessandra Hendler / JUN
KeyOnna M. Miller / JUN
Jillian Rose Wiley / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Mengyang Qiu / JUN

Comparative Literature

Master of Arts

Yin Chun Hsiao / JUN
Shaohua Shi / FEB
Gigi Ariana Todaro / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Joshua Thomas Raymond Dawson / JUN
Matthew J. Herzog / FEB
Kevin Kane / JUN
Juan Carlos Robaina / AUG
Yitian Zhai / AUG

Critical Museum Studies

Master of Arts

Hannah Rachel Lewis / FEB
Cassandra Lynn Nason / JUN
Christopher Stenzel / JUN
Simone Jhane Tilmon / AUG
Addison Tobias / FEB
Mary Jo Whitman / JUN
Stanley William Zolnowski / JUN

Economics

Master of Arts

Alyssa Dudzic / FEB
Milton Eng / JUN
Scott Robert Marx / JUN

Master of Science

Braxton Robert Becker / FEB
Alan Edward Endres / FEB
Ryan Flynn / FEB
Xiaoying Gao / FEB
Minyu Liu / FEB
Qiong Liu / JUN
Yijia Lu / JUN
Maria Rose Mathew / FEB
Clarissa Anne Tuyn / FEB
Joseph Yaeger / JUN
Zheng Zhou / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Xinyan Chen / AUG
Hoang Xuan Dao / JUN
Shuhua He / FEB
Qiuyu Hu / JUN
Ye Jjiang / JUN
Yenan Sun / FEB

English

Master of Arts

Sara E. Chase / FEB
Riley Cole / AUG
Eli Didier / AUG
Chih Wei Hsu / AUG
Samuel Smith / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Hiroshi Aiki / AUG
Matthew Delmonico Connolly / JUN
Andrew Dorkin / AUG
Adam Drury / FEB
Hannah R. Fogarty / AUG
Martin Goffeney / AUG
Laura Nicole Hensch / JUN
Shao Wei Huang / JUN
Dae Jung / JUN
Caitlin Ailish McIntyre / JUN
Amanda McLaughlin / AUG
Claire Elizabeth Nashar / AUG
Charles Pawluk / AUG
Sean Pears / AUG
Jacob Reber / AUG
Ryan Thomas Smith / JUN

Kinga Monika Winnicki / JUN
Emerson Wright / JUN

Environment and Sustainability

Master of Arts

Britney-Bay S. Croyle / FEB
Mitchell DeBortoli / JUN
Allison DeMaria / JUN
Michael Joseph Johnson / JUN
Rachel Anne Salerno Saloom / FEB

Master of Science

Matthew Thomas Amoia / JUN
Faiza Hafeez / AUG
Patrick Sysiong / AUG

Doctor of Philosophy

Laura LaBarge / JUN
Erin Blake Schuster / JUN
Maura E. Tyrrell / FEB
Erin Weigel / AUG

Geography

Master of Arts

Nolan Alexander Calos / FEB
Timothy Connelly / AUG
Subin Kim / FEB

Master of Science

Weishan Bai / JUN
Gregory Bream / JUN
Qianru Liao / AUG
Jianqiao Liu / JUN
Yang Liu / AUG
Michael Monzillo / JUN
Jiazhen Sun / AUG
Jasper Gaetano Swiezy / JUN
Wei Wang / AUG
Matthew M. Wrona / JUN
Bowe Zhao / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Marissa Z. Bell / FEB
Dennis Choi / JUN
Youngseob Eum / JUN
Jessica Lowery Gilbert / JUN

Graduates

Candace Kuechler / JUN
Yue Luo / AUG
Torsten Schunder / AUG
Jong Seo Won / JUN
Misa Yasumiishi / JUN
Dameng Yin / FEB

Geology

Master of Science

Hannah Elizabeth Annunziata / JUN
Patrick Bobbitt Bobbitt / JUN
Joshua D. Charlton / JUN
Juliana Renee Conlon / JUN
Anissa Marie Croft / JUN
Jordan Michael Davern / JUN
Joseph Fentzke / JUN
Hui Gao / JUN
Julie Gibson / JUN
Kayla Vance Hollister / JUN
Scott A. Kamysz / FEB
Serena Ann Labrecque / FEB
Antonio Nichole Melvin Lang / JUN
Maggie Savannah LeClair / AUG
Natasha MacWalters / FEB
Richard Fredric Milleville / JUN
Nathan Pavlick / JUN
William T. Russo / JUN
Thomas J. Scialo / FEB
Katlyn Alexis Sewell / AUG
Jenny Thanathorn Soonthornrangsarn / JUN
Caleb Kazunari Walcott / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Allison Anne Cluett / JUN
David J. Narkevic / FEB

Global Gender and Sexuality Studies

Master of Arts

Courtney H. Ashraf / AUG

Doctor of Philosophy

Maria Amir / JUN
Gabriella Elena Nassif / JUN
Hilary Anne Vandenbark / JUN
Carolyn Washington / JUN

History

Master of Arts

Michael Patrick Barcomb / JUN
Caitlin Blue / JUN
Kelly Marie Brown / JUN
Brytton Burnside / JUN
Eric Aaron Deutsch / AUG
Colleen Elizabeth Dosch / JUN
Shannon Mattice / JUN
Ashley Marie Morin / AUG
Adam Rindfleisch / FEB
Emily Marie Seger / AUG
Mark Samuel Steffenilla / JUN
Charlee J. Strangia / JUN
Jeremy Alan Yavener / FEB

Doctor of Philosophy

Emily Ann Bowlus-Peck / JUN
Richard Donald Deverell / FEB
Qiong Liu / JUN
Jonathan Scott Lower / AUG
Amanda Beth Magdalena / JUN
Derek M. Taylor / JUN

Humanities Interdisciplinary

Master of Arts

Ebru Bodur / JUN
Ishween Jolly / JUN
Ya Hsin Ko / FEB
Hanyu Liao / AUG
Jenna Reiner / JUN
Brian Thomas Walker / AUG

Linguistics

Master of Arts

Yinfeng Ma / JUN

Master of Science

Jude LaFleur / JUN
Stephanie Nicole Richter / JUN
Yutong Yang / JUN

Doctor of Philosophy

Ali Mohammad A. Alshehri / JUN
Erika Marie Ellett Bellingham / JUN

Joshua Benn / FEB
Braden Andrew Brown / JUN
Thomas Sherman Diaz / JUN
Stephanie Anne Evers / FEB
Kiyono Fujinaga-Gordon / JUN
Richard John Hatcher Jr / JUN
Seung Jin Hong / JUN
Megan Elizabeth Hutto / JUN
Alexandra Felicity Lawson / FEB
Derry Brandon Moore / JUN
Jennifer Ann Schechter / JUN
William Jay Stallings / AUG

Materials Design and Innovation

Master of Science

Faemia Zullfikar Chaggan / AUG
Chaoran Chang / FEB
Natalia E. Crespo-Rosado / JUN
Nicholas Gerard Cucciniello / FEB
Parth Desai / FEB
Yu Fu / FEB
Prachi Garg / JUN
Haiwang Ge / FEB
YuHao Guo / FEB
Marshall Han / FEB
Jereena John / FEB
Raymond Alexander Johnson / AUG
Derek Lee / FEB
Chenxi Li / FEB
Hao Liu / FEB
Patrick Thomas McGuire / AUG
Nagasri Motukuru / JUN
Mruganka Sandip Parasnis / FEB
Ryan Peters / JUN
Yana Shimanovich / FEB
Jinhui Tan / FEB

Doctor of Philosophy

Soojung Baek / JUN
Ibrahim Diallo / JUN
Aditi Sonal / JUN
Thaicia Stona De Almeida / JUN
Kiran Vaddi / JUN
Robert Waelder / JUN
Yixiong Zheng / JUN

Mathematics

Master of Arts

Nuong Thi My Nguyen / JUN
Mitchell E. Sailsbery / AUG
Gregory Vinal / JUN
Jordyn Williams / FEB
Cheng Yuan / AUG

Doctor of Philosophy

Asela Viraj Abeya Ranasinghe
Mudiyansele / JUN
Linda Victoria Alegria / JUN
Ka Yue Cheuk / JUN
Dustin Louis Deutsch / JUN
Subhankar Dey / JUN
Hakan Doga / JUN
Jiayi Gu / AUG
Tao Hong / JUN
John Christopher Hopfensperger / JUN
Xifeng Jin / JUN
Megan Johnson / JUN
Dmitri Kireyev / JUN
Wei Lin / FEB
Yuan Liu / JUN
Renda Ma / JUN
Navya Teja Mandava / AUG
Jeffrey Oregero / JUN
Pasquale Peter Raico / AUG
Andrew G. Samer / JUN
Marc Benjamin Schilder / JUN
Aparna Upadhyay / JUN
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UB Alma Mater

Verse 1:

The pride of our spirit and tradition,
Our alma mater's truth and name declare.
Celebrate our history and wisdom,
O let us all prepare to sing her glory.

Refrain:

To Buffalo all hail to thee,
Noble and strong it's our university!
To blue and white pledge loyalty,
Singing, I will always remember thee!

Verse 2:

We'll ever keep our standards high,
And sing UB's praises to the sky.
Receiving the finest education,
Our knowledge we impart unto the nations.
(Repeat refrain)

Verse 3:

Our friends we've made with ties that bind,
A union of our spirit, heart, and mind.
Together we'll continue life's journey,
O may dear Buffalo forever be.
(Repeat refrain)

By Walter S. Goodale, MD, 1903
Lyrics adapted by UB students in 2006
for contemporary use

Welcome to the UB alumni family!

This is an exciting time full of promise as you embark on the next chapter of your life. The exceptional education you received at UB has prepared you for the challenges that lie ahead.

You are part of a continuously growing alumni-powered global network. I hope that you will join us in our mission to strengthen the network by attending the many exciting programs, networking events and career development opportunities that are offered to our alumni.

I encourage you to stay connected to UB and with your classmates, faculty, staff and fellow alumni as you continue on your journey. The relationships established through your UB experience will be here for you every step of the way.

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I wish you the very best in all your future endeavors, and once again, congratulations!

Mary Jo Rehak
Assistant Dean of Constituent and Alumni Engagement
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The Mace



Designed to tell the story of the university and the Niagara Frontier, the University at Buffalo mace was fashioned by silversmith Hudson Roysner of Arcadia, Calif. It was used for the first time in the 1962 general commencement.

The mace is silver with accents of lapis and howlite to represent the university's colors. It is topped by a miniature walled structure representing the city of Buffalo. Engraved atop the city are three arrows bound together, symbolizing the unity of UB and the city.

A band of alternating jewels of lapis and howlite encircles the head of the mace and bears the founding dates of the 13 divisions that composed the university in 1962.

The UB arms appear on the front of the head. On the back are the arms of the United States, encircled by the name Millard Fillmore and the dates during which he was U.S. president and UB chancellor.

The discovery of Lake Erie in 1669 by Louis Joliet and early explorations by Robert de LaSalle are symbolized on the left side of the head. A crest on the right side symbolizes the university's role as a dynamic center of human growth and welfare.

The wild rose, the New York state flower, is depicted in a floral motif at the top and bottom of the mace's head. Encircling the ends of the shaft are three wavy lines representing intellect and water, the latter a reference to the Niagara River and Great Lakes.

The motto "University and City: Community" is lettered in Latin around the knob of the shaft.

Traditionally used in university ceremonies, the mace is a symbol of enlightened authority. The mace bearer is the chair of the university's Faculty Senate.

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In the words of President Satish K. Tripathi, “UB has always been defined by our community’s intellect, innovations and contributions to humanity. And it will continue to be for the next 175 years—and beyond.”

