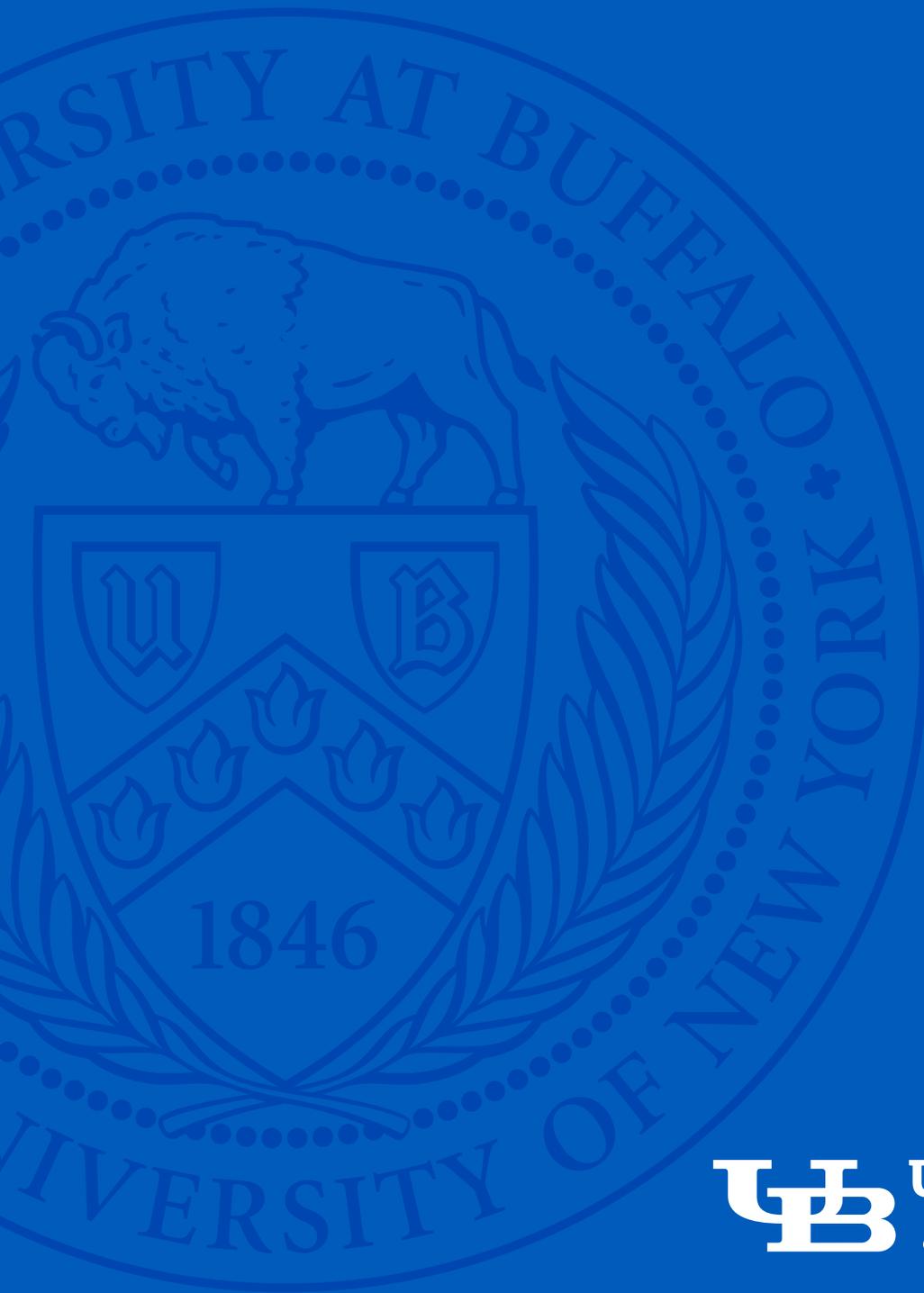


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Eighty-Seventh Annual Commencement



SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
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Saturday

May 15, 2021

9:00 A.M

Commencement Pavilion

North Campus

Nancy J. Smyth
Dean and Professor

We would like to acknowledge that the University at Buffalo operates on the traditional territory of the Seneca Nation, a Haudenosaunee/Six Nations Confederacy.



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

Prelude

Pomp and Circumstance
Sir Edward Elgar

Opening Declaration

Denise Krause
Clinical Professor
Associate Dean for Community Engagement
and Alumni Relations

National Anthem

Welcome & Introductions

Nancy J. Smyth
Dean

Greetings

Satish K. Tripathi
President
University at Buffalo,
The State University of New York

Dean's Remarks

Nancy J. Smyth
Dean

Commencement Address

Phylicia Brown
Commencement Speaker

SSW GSA Student Address

Michelle Melton
President

Announcement of 2020 Awards

Denise Krause
Clinical Professor
Associate Dean for Community Engagement
and Alumni Relations

SSW GSA Officers Announcement of the GSA Faculty, Staff, and Adjunct Faculty Awards

Jessica Mencia – *Vice President*
Ieah Ingraham – *Treasurer*
Jillian Connick – *Secretary*

Recommending Candidates for Degrees

Nancy J. Smyth
Dean

Conferring of Degrees

Satish K. Tripathi
President
University at Buffalo,
The State University of New York

MSW Hooding Ceremony

Announcing MSW Candidates for Hooding

Laura A. Lewis
Assistant Dean for Global Partnerships;
Director of Field Education

Hooders – MSW Program

Isok Kim
Associate Professor
Director of the MSW Program

Denise Krause
Clinical Professor
Associate Dean for Community Engagement
and Alumni Relations

Peter Sobota
Clinical Assistant Professor

Deborah Waldrop
Professor

Shelley M. Kimelberg
Director of Interdisciplinary Degree
Programs, in the Social Sciences
College of Arts and Sciences

Kimberly Krytus
MPH Coordinator
School of Public Health and Health
Professions

Melinda Saran
Vice Dean for Social Justice Initiatives and
Teaching Faculty
School of Law

Timothy Maynes
Faculty Director, MBA Program
School of Management

Recognition of Virtual Participants

Alumni Welcome

Rita M. Andolina
Chair of the SSW Alumni Association

UB Alma Mater

Closing Declaration

Denise Krause
Clinical Professor
Associate Dean for Community Engagement
and Alumni Relations

*Recessional

Great Exhibition
By James McConnell

*Audience will remain seated during the
Recessional.

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.

Commencement Speaker

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.

Nancy J. Smyth

Dean and Professor



Under Nancy J. Smyth's leadership as dean, the University at Buffalo School of Social Work has integrated a trauma-informed and human rights perspective throughout the master's curriculum,

established the Buffalo Center for Social Research, expanded international education and research, and raised the rankings of the MSW program to the top 25 schools of social work in the United States. Dean Smyth is a board member of the National Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work (NADD), a past president of the St. Louis Group (the national organization of social work deans at research universities), and helped to found the National Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare. Smyth is a Board Certified Expert in Traumatic Stress through the American Academy of Experts in Traumatic Stress and has worked in both mental health and addiction treatment settings for over 35 years as a clinical, manager, educator, researcher and program developer. Her research, teaching and practice focus on trauma, and on social work and social work education in a digital society. Smyth joined the School in 1991 from the State University of New York at Albany, her alma mater, where she earned a BA in psychology, and MSW, and PhD in Social Welfare. She is also an R-level New York State Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW-R), EMDRIA Certified EMDR Therapist and Consultant.

Phylicia Brown

Director, Black Love Resists in the Rust



Phylicia (she/her) is a sister, daughter, niece, auntie, and plant-mom. She was born and raised on Buffalo's East Side and is a product of Buffalo Public Schools. She obtained her undergraduate degree

in Education from Canisius College and her Master of Science in Education at SUNY Buffalo State College.

Phylicia has worked at the intersection of education and justice as a general and special education teacher, an advocate for Students with Disabilities, and a school administrator. Her most notable work involved teaching young children about justice, specifically food justice, and racial justice.

Prior to assuming her role of Director of Black Love Resists in the Rust (BLRR) in 2020, Phylcia served as the chair of BLRR's Advisory Board and a member-leader.

Phylicia is committed to base-building, leadership development, and political education for the sake of Black Liberation in Buffalo and beyond!

Greetings from the Dean

Nancy J. Smyth

Dean and Professor

Congratulations to each of you in the class of 2021. Your faculty and staff, as well as your family and friends celebrate this important day of transition with you as you move from student to professional. Completing a MSW degree is a remarkable achievement at any time and doing so now is even more impressive. We, your faculty, have witnessed your resilience throughout all the challenges of the past year.

You now join the more than 8000 alumni of the University at Buffalo School of Social Work who make a difference in people's lives. Your future as recognized leaders in your community will reflect and embody the values and ethics you acquired in your internships, classroom work, and research in the School of Social Work.

Through continuing education, the hallmark of lifelong learners, you will update and expand needed competencies and expertise to ensure you always use best practices as social workers. Staying up to date in this rapidly evolving environment is a daunting task for all of us and you will come to rely on professional learning networks to ensure you use the most effective tools to do your work and to disseminate your knowledge across transdisciplinary fields of practice.

Local and global racism and other forms of oppression, economic deprivation, inadequate education and reduced access to key services continue to confront our society: social workers are essential to effect needed change. Fear and its cousin, hatred, are too often the lens by which people reject those who are different. People are desperate for your cutting edge knowledge, skills and technologies to bring needed change to the lives of individuals, families, and communities facing violence, poverty, substance abuse, racism, homelessness, chronic diseases, psychological trauma and oppression in societies that disenfranchises and stigmatizes them.

The importance of the work you will do cannot be overstated. Your ability to establish relationships is the currency of professional practice. Your interactions with people, as you forge practice and research partnerships, will enable individuals, groups, families, organizations and communities to heal and move forward to reclaim wellness and wholeness in their lives and in the world around them. Each life you touch will affect hundreds of others. This ripple effect has more power than any of us realize in the moment and in the course of your professional careers, will affect hundreds if not thousands of lives.

Much like the School you entered, you will grow and change as a professional. Your generosity as individuals and through your Graduate Student Association and committee work has been invaluable to our faculty and staff developing transformative curriculum strategies, strengthening our trauma-informed and human rights perspectives, and supporting our emerging community-based participatory research infrastructure. Your enthusiasm about your educational experience is a crucial element of our rank as one of the top 25 graduate schools of social work. Today marks the beginning of your new connection with the School. From this point forward, you join the ranks of graduates who are promoters of our profession, representatives of the strengths of our programs, mentors to new cohorts of students and graduates, and donors who help build our scholarship funds to ensure that all qualified students can attend our programs. We look forward to hearing from you on our Facebook page or through Twitter or our LinkedIn Alumni Group as you enter the workforce and as your careers evolve. We anticipate a long and mutually fruitful connection to you through our Alumni Association, our School magazine, Mosaics, our Podcast Series, inSocialWork, and through your ongoing contacts with our faculty and staff. Like your families, we are proud of your achievements and rejoice in your current and future accomplishments. On behalf of the faculty and staff, I congratulate you, and welcome you to the profession of Social Work.

Awards

Andrew J. Laughlin Memorial Award – *Epiphany McGhee*

This award is presented to a graduating MSW student who demonstrates exemplary character, gives back to the community, is recognized for their sense of humor, strength, compassion and honesty, and models the values of the social work profession. This award was established to honor Andrew J. Laughlin, and outstanding young man who made significant contributions in the community through his volunteer work and a model of the values of the social work profession.

Angel McKnight-Miller Memorial Award – *Regine Ndanga*

This award was established to acknowledge and support an MSW Student who embodies the qualities and promise of the late Angel McKnight-Miller, who died suddenly in 2017 while in her foundation year at the UBSSW. The award is presented to a student who demonstrates a strong commitment to issues of social justice and the need to structure social institutions to promote human rights and opportunities for meaningful social participation; takes action to support the strengthening of actions, policies, practices, and attitudes that promote equitable power, opportunities, access, and outcomes for all people; and possesses the qualities of hope, courage, strength, and who takes action to create a path to social change.

Archie W. Swanson Honorary Award – *Heather Rand*

This award is presented to a graduating MSW student who demonstrated the following qualities in fieldwork practice: professional integrity, creativity, respect for the dignity of people, warmth, and keen sensitivity. This award was established to honor Archie W. Swanson, former Executive Secretary of Family Service Society who represented and upheld these ideals and endeavored to build and strengthen family life through professionally trained staff and high agency standards.

Bertha S. Laury Thorn and Rose Award – *Jennifer LaFratta*

This award is presented to a MSW student who demonstrates academic progress, and transformation into a positive role model. This award was established by faculty, alumni, and community leaders in honor of Bertha S. Laury, Emeritus Associate Dean for Community Affairs.

Deborah Zimmerman, MSW '89 Award – *Caroline Maurer*

This award is presented to an outstanding MSW Student who demonstrated passion and commitment to social work practice with older adults and who embodies the qualities the late Deborah Zimmerman. This award will honor her memory as an outstanding teacher and social worker who made significant contributions in the community through her work with the elderly.

Dorothy L. Lynn Honorary Award – *Briana Jones*

This award is presented to a foundation year MSW student who has demonstrated consistent outstanding performance in class and field during the foundation year. This award was established to honor Professor Emeritus Dorothy L Lynn, a pioneer in professional social work education and a dedicated and dynamic teacher in the School of Social Work for twenty-nine years.

Hazeltine T. Clements Memorial Award – *Epiphany McGee*

This award is presented to a graduating MSW student who has demonstrated concern for human dignity and continued efforts towards cultural competency in field placement. This award was established and sponsored by the Hazeltine T. Clements Society.

Jane Emmet Epstein, LCSW-R Honorary Award –

Rachel Jones

This award is presented to a second year MSW student who has an invested interest in mental health - specifically community mental health, demonstrates a commitment to volunteerism, and embodies the qualities that Ms. Epstein exemplifies - empathy, an ability to instill hope in others, sincerity, and professionalism.

Julian Sodja Memorial Award – *Elizabeth Walsh*

This award is presented to a graduating MSW student who has demonstrated an extraordinary contribution to addiction practice, addicted trauma survivors, and/or people with coexisting psychiatric disorders. This award was established by the School of Social Work Alumni Association.

Kristopher L. Braselton Memorial Award –

Damaris Velazquez

This award is presented to a graduating MSW student who has demonstrated academic persistence and determination, the ability to overcome a personal difficulty or challenge, and intends to pursue a career in the health and/or mental health and disabilities field. This award was established by the Braselton family to honor the memory of their son Kristopher L. Braselton.

Louisa Cielen Award – *Dominique Brown*

This award is presented to an MSW student within the foundation curriculum who demonstrated academic excellence, strong field performance, and shows potential for professional achievement. This scholarship is named after the first Dean of the School of Social Work.

Awards

Mary O'Donnell Memorial Scholarship Award – *Corinne Carlson*

This award is presented to a graduating School of Social Work student who has demonstrated a) a commitment to social work practice with older adults living with dementia b) academic excellence, c) leadership, and d) field placement and/or community service. This award was established by Mary Kaplan, in honor of her mother.

NASW Award – WNY Division – *leah Ingraham*

This award was established by the National Association of Social Workers, Western New York Division, for presentation to a graduate student who has demonstrated academic excellence and personified values that are enunciated by the National Association of Social Workers.

Niles Carpenter Award – *Ejura Adebayo*

This award is presented to an MSW student within the foundation curriculum who has demonstrated financial need, outstanding grade point average, strong field performance, and shows potential for professional achievement. This scholarship is named after the first Dean of the School of Social Work.

Rose Weinstein Scholar Award – *Jessica Szumowski*

This award is presented to a graduating MSW Student who successfully completed the Hartford Partnership Program for Aging Education (HPPAE) and who has demonstrated academic excellence, a commitment to social work practice with older adults, leadership, and community service. This award was established by the UB Emeritus Center in honor of Rose Weinstein's legacy.

School of Social Work Alumni Association Award – *Briana Jones*

This award is presented to a foundation year MSW student who has completed the foundation curriculum and who has demonstrated practice skills, relationship building with clients, and a commitment to the social work profession in the field education experience. This award was established by the School of Social Work Alumni Association.

School of Social Work Outstanding Student Award – *leah Ingraham*

This award is presented to a graduating MSW student who has demonstrated academic excellence, leadership abilities within the school, community, or university, and a commitment to the social work profession through his/her role as a student, colleague or member of a community.

Terese M. Eusanio Memorial Scholarship – *Miranda Selbst*

This award is presented to an MSW student who embodies the qualities the late Terese Eusanio exemplified. The student must identify as a feminist and demonstrate an interest in the area of women's health. The student must also maintain high academic standards and social work ethics, demonstrate respect for the dignity of all, an ability to work as a member of a team, possess an interest and aptitude for community action, and work towards social and political change.

School of Social Work GSA Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award

This award has been instituted to recognize a member of the faculty who embodies the four key qualities of commitment to student learning; dedication to his or her role as social worker, teacher, faculty member, citizen of the community, and role model; contributor to the furthering and betterment of the social work profession; and overall excellence in teaching. The individual has been selected by the students and GSA officers of the School of Social Work.

School of Social Work GSA Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award

This award has been instituted to recognize an outstanding adjunct faculty member dedicated to student learning. The individual has been selected by the students and GSA officers of the School of Social Work.

School of Social Work GSA Outstanding Staff Award

This award has been instituted to recognize the importance of staff member contribution in supporting students of the School of Social Work. The recipient has demonstrated excellence in his/her position and service to students. The individual has been selected by the students and GSA officers of the School of Social Work.

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 May 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 (February 2021, June 2021, and August 2021). Degree recipients will come forward to be congratulated during the commencement ceremony.

Special Recognition:

Gold Cords: University at Buffalo School of Social Work's Rho Kappa Chapter of the Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society.

Blue and Gold Cold: Delta Alpha Pi is an international academic honor society for college/university students with disabilities.

The Kente Stole: The kente stole was received by students who participated in UB's ALANA Celebration of Achievement which historically has honored graduating African, Latino/a, Asian, and Native American students.

The Rainbow Tassel: The rainbow tassel was received by students who participated in the Lavender Reception, celebrating achievements of graduating students who identify with the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) community at UB.

The Red, White and Blue Cord: The red, white and blue cord is being worn by graduating UB students who are reservists, members of the National Guard, newly commissioned officers from our ROTC program or veterans of the United States armed forces.

The first seat in the front row has been reserved and marked by a white ribbon in honor and memory of those students that have passed and cannot join us in the celebration of their graduates today.

* Denotes induction into the University at Buffalo School of Social Work's Rho Kappa Chapter of the Phi Alpha National Social Work Honor Society.

MSW

February

Rebecca Carol Cobin	University at Buffalo	BA
Onisse Colon-Gomez	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Joy Faulkner	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Taylor Lewis Jaramillo	University of Florida	BA
John Joseph Murray	CUNY, College of Staten Island	BSW
Alison B. Sterling	Marist College	BS
Sabrina Puttaya Timm	SUNY Buffalo State College	BS

June

Isabella Justine Acosta	Daemen College	BS
Abbigal Jane Adkins	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
Lucretia Mary Adymy	University at Buffalo	BA
Nolan Ahearn	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
Sherin Akter	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	BA
Taylor Elise Altwarz*	Canisius College	BA
Elizabeth A. Alvarado	SUNY Fredonia	BA
Alexandra Lynne Ambrosio	University at Buffalo	BA

Breanna Michele Austin	Messiah University	BSW
Sukhman Bal	University at Buffalo	BS
Karra Barrett	University at Buffalo	BA
Abigail Evelyn Barron	University at Buffalo	BA
Sierra Jasmine Bellgraph	University at Buffalo	BA
Carmann Marie Benedetto	SUNY Polytechnic Institute	BA
Adam Benware	SUNY Brockport	BS
Samantha Kathleen Benwitz	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
Marissa Lauren Biondolillo*	Hobart and William Smith Colleges	BA
Emily Brady	University at Buffalo	BA
Megan Breton	Niagara University	BSW
Sean Christopher Brosius	University at Buffalo	BA
Sierra Brown	Fayetteville State University	BSW
Dominique Jordan Brown*	SUNY Geneseo	BA
Alexandra Renee Buchner	SUNY Fredonia	BA
Jennifer Lynn Cambria	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
Shiva Campbell	University at Buffalo	BA

Candidates for Degrees

Natalia Capellan	University at Buffalo	BA	Madison Kabel	Canisius College	BA, BS
Corinne J. Carlson	SUNY Fredonia	BSW	Casie Keegan	Cazenovia College	BS
Kendra Ciezki	University of Alabama	BSW	Sydney Rayanne Keesler*	Canisius College	BA
Kayla Marie Coates	Alfred University	BA	Karishma Bianca Khemraj	University at Buffalo	BA
Elizabeth Eva Coleman	University of Utah	BA	Michael Korzelius	SUNY Oswego	BA
	Ontario College of Art & Design University	MFA	Kelsey Marie Koscielniak	University at Buffalo	BA
Jillian L. Connick	University at Buffalo	BA	Marie-Louise Kossakowski	Houghton College	BS
Jeanelle Conte	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW	Megan Elizabeth Krebs	Hilbert College	BS
Kimberly Clare Corrie*	SUNY Oswego	BA	Christopher Krysztofowicz	University at Buffalo	BA
Caroline Cosco	Niagara University	BSW	Taylor Laskey	Niagara University	BSW
Sarah Brooks			Jacqueline M. Leahy	University at Buffalo	BA
Denton-Zimmerman	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	BA	Brianna Lamade Leber	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
			Nekeata Lewis	West Chester University of Pennsylvania	BSW
Katie Marie Shelby			Jessica Lojacono	SUNY Buffalo State College	BA
DeRose	Cazenovia College	BS	Briona Suzanne Luthart	Daemen College	BS
Andrea Melissa			Sydney Marie Lyons	SUNY Fredonia	BA
DiCristofaro	SUNY Brockport	BS	Asha Akanke Mathis	University at Buffalo	BA
Mariah Kathryn Donley*	Niagara University	BSW	Aleah McAfee	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
Samantha Ebeling*	University at Buffalo	BA	Emily Denise McDougall	Niagara University	BSW
Adia J. Evans	Niagara University	BS	Epiphany Monique McGee		
Julia Faulise	SUNY Buffalo State College	BS		St. Lawrence University	BA
Austin David Fehrer	SUNY Buffalo State College	BA	Cameron Renee McLeod	Hilbert College	BA
Casey Fitzgerald	University at Buffalo	BA	Michelle Le'Ann Melton	University of California – Davis	BA
Courtney P. Gabamonte	Canisius College	BS	Jessica Joyce Mencia*	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	BA
Jenna Noelle Garlick	Le Moyne College	BA			
Morgan German	Niagara University	BSW	Jill Allyson Meyer	SUNY Buffalo State College	BA
Megan Danielle Glise	SUNY Fredonia	BSW	Kristina Meyer	Niagara University	BS
Ashley Emiris Gonzalez*	SUNY Fredonia	BSW	Brianna Joy Morrow	Baldwin-Wallace College	BA
Katelyn Marie Granville*	University at Buffalo	BA	Sierra Munson	California University of Pennsylvania	BSW
Courtney Green	University at Buffalo	BS			
Hannah Katherine Gunther	Nazareth College	BSW	Jazmine Murray	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Julia Hackford	SUNY Brockport	BS	Regine Ndanga	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Emma Lynne Halftown	University at Buffalo	BA	Zamzam Hassan Noor	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Kyra Lynn Hill	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW	Erin Elizabeth Nye	Canisius College	BA
Allison Nicole Hinshaw	University at Buffalo	BA	Victoria Omolayo	SUNY Brockport	BSW
Barbara Ann Hjelmhaug	Nazareth College	BSW	Sonia Jazmin Ortiz	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
leah Marie Ingraham*	Pacific Lutheran University	BS	Angela Osso-Carbonaro	SUNY Brockport	BSW
Alycia Ippolito*	Ithaca College	BA	Rachel Ovalle	SUNY Buffalo State College	BS
Gabriela Jazmin Jimenez	University at Buffalo	BA	Alanna Marie Paris*	Houghton College	BA
Sara Johnson	SUNY Buffalo State College	BS	Demetris Jordan Parks	SUNY Empire State College	BS
Ashley Jolliff	SUNY Buffalo State College	BA	Courtney Marie Perkins	SUNY Brockport	BS
Linda Marie Jones*	Le Moyne College	BA	Nadiia Petrenko*	University at Buffalo	BA
	University at Buffalo	MA, JD	Laura T. Petrocelli	SUNY New Paltz	BA
Hanna Josker	Canisius College	BS	Michayla Piatek	Mercyhurst University	BSW
Shawny Nequette			Carlisle Emily Pinter*	St. Bonaventure University	BA
Jules-Serries	University at Buffalo	BA	Maria Kay Grace Pirinelli	SUNY Fredonia	BSW
Amanda Renee Jurs	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW	Brandi Pittman	Stetson University	BA
			Vanesa Quints	SUNY Brockport	BS

Meagan Elizabeth Reed	American Public University	BA	Dixie Lee Blevins-Bozenko	Shepherd University	BSW
Julianne Reese	Niagara University	BS	Nicole Marie Brandt	Keuka College	BS
Travis Reilly	University at Buffalo	BA	Kofi Brenya	University at Buffalo	BA
Alexander Reyes	CUNY, Queens College	BA	Mara Lynn Brown	University at Buffalo	BA
Brianna Lynn Rine	University at Buffalo	BA	Brianna Briem	Keuka College	BS
Natalie Marie Rott	SUNY Geneseo	BA	Melonee Amanda		
Emily Ryan	University at Buffalo	BA,BSN	Brumbaugh	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Emily Lynn Sacco*	St. Bonaventure University	BA	Diana R. Calabrese	SUNY Empire State College	BA
Selena Denise Saltares	Roberts Wesleyan College	BSW	Luz Cardona-Valencia	University at Buffalo	BA
Amanda Lee Schultz	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW	Julia Carey*	Azusa Pacific University	BA
Shadow Sellers Sr	Mansfield University		Joseph A. Cicatello	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
	of Pennsylvania	BSW	Nadine Ava Cohen	Ithaca College	BA
MacKenzie Shanahan	Mercyhurst University	BSW	Kristy Colvin	Daemen College	BSW
Kyla Shine	SUNY Buffalo State College	BA	Jennifer Ann Cramer	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Lauren Elizabeth Siminski*	University at Buffalo	BA	Maria Crist	Slippery Rock University	BA, BS
Simran Singh	University at Buffalo	BA	Kelly Lynn Cruz	SUNY Empire State College	BS
Vasiliki Sofocli	University at Buffalo	BA	Rachel Dannheim	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW
Kristen Michelle Stark	SUNY Buffalo State College	BSW	Shawn Davis	Wells College	BA
Juliette Angela Stephan	West Virginia University – Morgantown	BS	Michaelene R.		
			Dawson-Globus	SUNY Buffalo State College	BS
Gerald Stevens	SUNY Empire State College	BA	Barbara Lynn Deitz	SUNY Geneseo	BA
Emma Eileen Stone	SUNY Brockport	BSW	Jillian Drake	SUNY Plattsburg	BSW
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*Music by Walter S. Goodale, MD, 1903.
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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)

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