

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
CROOKSTON

*Commencement*  
2008



*May 3*  
*2:00 p.m.*





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*Today the University of Minnesota, Crookston delivers more than 25 applied-science undergraduate degree programs and 50 concentrations, including several online degrees. A coordinate campus of the University of Minnesota, the Crookston campus offers prestigious U of M degrees in an affordable, scenic private-campus setting. Students have access to system-wide resources. Invent yourself through unique career-oriented learning and research and top-level technology. Visit us online at [www.UMCrookston.edu](http://www.UMCrookston.edu).*



*On May 11, 2008, Minnesota will reach its 150th anniversary as the 32nd state in the United States of America. The Sesquicentennial is a yearlong, statewide commemoration and a catalyst, to learn from our past and connect all of us as Minnesotans in creating a thriving, innovative future.*

*\*Dean Sorenson, director of Jazz Studies at the U of M, Twin Cities, was commissioned to write the official Sesquicentennial song entitled "Shines for All to See," which is being performed at today's ceremony by the UMC Choir. Mr. Sorenson is the stepfather of Kristin Zumbaum, Elk River, Minn., a candidate for graduation in the equine science program.*

# Order of Events

**Prelude:** “A Touch of Brass” Ensemble

**\*Processional:** “*Pomp and Circumstance*” by Edward Elgar

At two p.m., the processional will enter Lysaker Gymnasium led by the Mace-Bearer, William Peterson. The procession includes Faculty Marshal, Wendell Johnson, the faculty, candidates for degrees, and platform guests. **The audience will rise for the processional and remain standing for the National Anthem.**

**\*Presentation of Colors:** AFROTC Detachment 610 Color Guard

**\*National Anthem:** “*The Star Spangled Banner*” sung by “Eagle Four” (Kevin Anderson, Micah Meyer, Timothy Unke, Ryan Worstall)

**“Shines for All to See”** Official song of the Minnesota Sesquicentennial by Dean Sorenson\* performed by the UMC Choir directed by George French, Associate Professor of Music/Theater, accompanied by Michelle Ramstad and Jordan McCormick

**Welcome:** Charles H. Casey, D.V.M., Chancellor

**Greetings from the University of Minnesota Administration:**

Robert Jones, Ph.D., Senior Vice President for System Academic Administration

**Address:** The Honorable Patricia Simmons, M.D., Chair, University of Minnesota Board of Regents, Director of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology and Professor of Pediatrics, Mayo Medical School and Mayo Clinic

**Presentation of Candidates:** Thomas Baldwin, Ed.D., Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic/Student Affairs

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**Conferring of Degrees:** The Honorable Patricia Simmons, Regent

**Introduction of Candidates:** Lynnette Mullins, M.Ed., Assistant Professor, Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Department

**“Allegro Spirited”** by Franz Joseph Haydn performed by the UMC String Quartet (Vanessa Armstrong, Melissa Dingmann, Kaarina Visness and Joyana Wardrip)

**Congratulatory Remarks from Alumni Association:** Cindy Bigger, Class of 1979, Vice President, University of Minnesota, Crookston, Alumni Association

**Speaking for the Class:** Katie Jeremiason, Crookston Student Association President

**Passing the Torch:** Katie Jeremiason to Marshall Johnson, Crookston Student Association President-elect

**“The Power of Hope”** by Carole Stephens – UMC Choir

**\*Minnesota Hymn:** “Hail! Minnesota” sung by the audience (words on back page)

**Note:** Please remain in your seats until the recessional has left the gymnasium.

**\*Recessional:** “A Touch of Brass” Ensemble

\*The audience is requested to stand.

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# Candidates for Graduation

Spring Semester, 2008

Degrees will be conferred upon those listed below, subject to the completion of all curriculum requirements.

## Associate's Degree

### *High Distinction*

Amanda Marie Fickes, Sebeka, MN ..... Agriculture

### *Distinction*

\*\*Kimberly Ann Judy, Ridgeley, WV ..... Dietetic Technician



Austin James Aasness, Fergus Falls, MN ..... Agriculture

\*Kelsey Kaye Bazey, Stephen, MN ..... Dietetic Technician

\*Brandi A. Beattie, Crookston, MN ..... Dietetic Technician

\*Jess Daniel Brekke, Edmore, ND ..... Agriculture

\*Luis G. Cardenas ..... Marketing/Management

Emilee Jane Clark, Fort Branch, IN ..... Marketing/Management

\*\*\*Sheena Marie Engelbert, Bruce Crossing, MI ..... Agriculture

\*\*Kimberly Beth Huttunen, Sebeka, MN ..... Agriculture; Marketing/Management

Theresa A. Jesunas, Phillips, WI ..... Agriculture

Amy Jo Koski, Coon Rapids, MN ..... Dietetic Technician

Rebecca M. Kruschke, Milaca, MN ..... Agriculture

\*Rebecca Grace Langlois, Crookston, MN ..... Dietetic Technician

Todd Steven Mountin, Milaca, MN ..... Dietetic Technician

\*\*Amber M. Olson, Cooperstown, ND ..... Dietetic Technician

Corey A. Ramsden, Sisseton, SD ..... Agriculture

\*Abigail Joy Rogge, Wadena, MN ..... Business

\*Amanda Amelia Roiko, Sebeka, MN ..... Dietetic Technician

\*Patrick David Tronson, Doyon, ND ..... Agriculture

Susan Janette Turner, Granite Falls, MN ..... Business; Marketing/Management

Hung Tien Vo, Pelican Rapids, MN ..... Business

\*Christopher Craig Zellmer, Oakdale, CA ..... Agriculture

# Bachelor's Degree

## *High Distinction*

- Vanessa Louise Armstrong, Bemidji, MN ..... Biology; Health Sciences
- \*Alyssa Ann Cunningham, Huxley, IA..... Early Childhood Education
- Amanda Marie Fickes, Sebeka, MN ..... Agricultural Education
- \*Mary Jo Patricia Geldert, Annandale, MN ..... Natural Resources
- Emily E. Gildner, Apple Valley, MN ..... Early Childhood Education
- \*\*Scott Michael Hoffman, Wilmont, MN ..... Horticulture
- \*\*\*Stephen Gerald Roerick, Upsala, MN ..... Agronomy; Agricultural Business
- \*April Joy Thorstad, Hampden, ND ..... Business Management
- \*\*Joyana Cherie Wardrip, Nelson, MN ..... Agronomy
- Terence Cory Woodward, Eyota, MN ..... Natural Resources
- \*Mary Jo Youngbauer, Rush City, MN ..... Horticulture

## *Distinction*

- \*Christopher Matthew Cardinale, Norwood, MA..... Applied Studies
- Luke Dighans, Peerless, MT ..... Agronomy
- \*\*\*Jenae Kim Hanson, Andover, MN ..... Equine Science
- \*\*\*Jessica Lee Hanson, Andover, MN ..... Equine Science
- Jonathan Boyd Krigbaum, Grand Forks, ND ..... Accounting
- Josiah John Loll, Campbell, MN ..... Agricultural Business
- Micah David Meyer, Parkers Prairie, MN..... Natural Resources
- \*\*Paulo Cesar Perez, Bogota, Columbia ..... Information Technology Management
- \*Erik Robert Sureda, Brookfield, WI ..... Business Management



- Austin James Aasness, Fergus Falls, MN ..... Animal Science
- \*Gregory Paul Ackerman, Fridley, MN ..... Manufacturing Management
- \*\*Jessica L. Aguirre, Rochester, MN ..... Applied Health

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\*\*\*Eva Marleena Alkire ..... Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management  
 \*Luke Lawrence Anderson, Crookston, MN.....Natural Resources  
 \*Nicholas Louis Anderson, Fargo, ND .....Natural Resources  
 \*Quinn Mason Anderson, Maple Lake, MN ..... Manufacturing Management  
 \*Haruki Arai, Yokohama, Japan..... Information Technology Management  
 \*Nicole M. Arkell, Lamberton, MN..... Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management  
 \*Jacqueline Marie Baird, Langdon, ND ..... Early Childhood Education  
 Thomas Patrick Barrett, East Grand Forks, MN .....Agricultural Systems Management  
 \*Terry Lynn Bayne, Viking, MN ..... Applied Studies  
 \*Kelsey Kaye Bazey, Stephen, MN ..... Health Management  
 Jessica Lynn Beach, Sebeka, MN .....Animal Science  
 Brandi Anne Beattie, Crookston, MN..... Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional  
 Management  
 \*\*\*Sara Leigh Beattie, Crookston, MN.....Business Management  
 Brian John Beckman, Rochester, MN.....Agronomy  
 Mark Ryan Belanger, Pequot Lakes, MN .....Business Management  
 Information Technology Management  
 \*\*\*Martin E. Bender, Crookston, MN..... Applied Studies  
 \*\*\* Jonathan David Benz, Virginia, MN.....Natural Resources  
 \*Spencer Dean Berg, Cyrus, MN.....Natural Resources  
 \*Jessica Rae Berglund, East Grand Forks, MN .....Business Management  
 \*Mark Lowell Berglund, Dawson, MN .....Agricultural Systems Management  
 Cole R. Bertils, Crookston, MN..... Manufacturing Management  
 \*Michael John Bildeaux, Grand Rapids, MN .....Natural Resources  
 \*Daniel Lynn Bjornson, Arvilla, ND ..... Plant Industries Management  
 Jesse Ronald Bjur, Cosmos, MN..... Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management  
 \*\*\*Kiely Ann Bladow, Monument, CO ..... Early Childhood Education  
 Amanda D. Blazejewski, Newfolden, MN ..... Equine Science  
 Michelle Elizabeth Blocker, Zim, MN ..... Equine Science  
 Tyson Mark Bohlman, Grand Forks, ND..... Manufacturing Management

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\*Joseph Michael Bozyk, Crookston, MN ..... Early Childhood Education

\*Alexandre da Silva Brito, Crookston, MN..... Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Management

\*\*Allan Daniel Brown, Austin, TX..... Applied Studies

\*\*Steven Richard Busho, Blooming Prairie, MN ..... Business Management

Timothy Daniel Caillier, Crookston, MN ..... Plant Industries Management

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\*Thomas John Carlson, Badger, MN ..... Natural Resources

Vincent P. Carneal ..... Applied Studies

\*\*\*Andrew James Carrlson, Dent, MN..... Natural Resources

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Sarah Jean Christensen, Appleton, WI..... Equine Science

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Jacob Alex Darsow, South St. Paul, MN..... Business Management

Erin Elizabeth Davis, Bertha, MN ..... Applied Studies

James Edward Davis, Bertha, MN..... Natural Resources

Tyler Lee Derosier, Crookston, MN ..... Information Technology Management

Megan Gisele Derouard, Kenora, Ontario ..... Sport and Recreation Management

Carrie Ann Diaz ..... Communication

\*\*Dustin Jon Ecker, Fergus Falls, MN ..... Information Technology Management

Brittany Danielle Efird, Joplin, MO..... Equine Science

Shawn Andrew Egli, St. Anthony, MN..... Manufacturing Management

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\*\*\*Sheena Marie Engelbert, Bruce Crossing, MI..... Equine Science



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 Candace Christine Fenske, Madelia, MN .....Applied Health  
 Joseph Allen Field, Thief River Falls, MN .....Business Management  
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 \*Bethany Lynn Folland, Halma, MN ..... Early Childhood Education  
 Matthew Scott Forse, Sturgeon Lake, MN.....Accounting  
 Cody Brandon Fox, New Ulm, MN .....Natural Resources  
 Jacqueline Ann Friesen, Winona, MN ..... Equine Science  
 Kristin Ann Fritz, Fairmont, MN.....Natural Resources  
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 \*\*Steven Boyd Grove, Newfolden, MN ..... Manufacturing Management  
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Amber Crystal Arenda Werner, Big Lake, MN .....	Equine Science; Plant Industries Management
Casey Jo Anne Wilde, Oklee, MN .....	Animal Science
Amanda Mary Williams, Littlefork, MN.....	Natural Resources
Richard Lee Winkler, Mahnomen, MN.....	Natural Resources
Brian Peter Wolvert, Randle, WA.....	Natural Resources
**Blake Allen Younggren, Hallock, MN .....	Agricultural Business
*Christopher Craig Zellmer, Oakdale, CA.....	Animal Science
Kristin Lea Zumbaum, Elk River, MN.....	Equine Science
Steven G. Zutz, Red Lake Falls, MN .....	Sport and Recreation Management

- \* Fall Semester, 2007, graduate
- \*\* Summer Session, 2008, candidate
- \*\*\* Fall Semester, 2008, candidate

Students who complete a degree program with a minimum grade point average of 3.90 graduate "with high distinction."

Students who complete a degree program with a minimum grade point average of 3.75 graduate "with distinction."

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# **Student Marshals**

**(Members of Alpha Lambda Delta – First Year Honor Society)**

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Elizabeth Kern

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Jaclyn Otterson

Becky Powell

Kaarina Visness

Mallory Watson

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# \*Faculty Assembly

<b>Abbreviations:</b>	<b>AD:</b>	<b>Agriculture Department</b>
	<b>AHSSD:</b>	<b>Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Department</b>
	<b>BD:</b>	<b>Business Department</b>
	<b>MSTD:</b>	<b>Math, Science and Technology Department</b>
	<b>NRD:</b>	<b>Natural Resources Department</b>
	<b>ITC:</b>	<b>Information Technology Center</b>

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Brorson, Susan, PhD, Professor, Head, BD  
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Bulie, Kenneth, JD, Lecturer, BD  
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Elf, Pam, PhD, Associate Professor, MSTD  
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Geller, Jack, PhD, Professor, Head, AHSSD  
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Jacobson, Susan, MA, Instructor, NRD  
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Johnson, Rhett, MS, Instructor, NRD  
Johnson, Wendell, MS, Associate Professor, MSTD  
Killough, Alvin, PhD, Assistant Professor, AHSSD

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*The Faculty Assembly consists of: (a) tenured faculty, (b) tenure track faculty, and (c) faculty and other professional staff who work at least 50% time in credit teaching and 66% time in teaching, research and service.*

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# Academic Costume<sup>1</sup>

The caps and gowns worn by graduates and faculty are based on costumes used in universities of the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> centuries, particularly at Oxford and Cambridge universities in England. This academic dress has been used in the United States from colonial times and was standardized by an 1895 Intercollegiate Code. Like the military of medieval times with its pages, squires, and knights, the academic world has long had three basic grades of dignity and achievement. These are undergraduates, bachelors, and masters (or doctors). The distinction between masters and doctors is comparatively recent; both imply the right to teach.

Black is the most common color for academic gowns. There is no trimming on the gowns for the bachelor's or master's degrees. For the doctoral degree, the gown is faced down the front with black or colored velvet and with three bars of the same color across the sleeves. The color in the master's costume is restricted to the hood worn around the neck and down the back. This is edged with velvet or a color which indicates the subject area of the degree received, and is lined with silk in the colors of the institution which granted the degree.

Doctors have a larger and more open hood lined, like the master's hood, with the colors of the degree-granting institution and trimmed with the color of the subject area of the degree received. Gowns have black or colored velvet on the sleeves and the front.

<sup>1</sup> Adapted in part from *American Universities and Colleges*, 11<sup>th</sup> edition, Washington, American Council on Education, 1971.

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## The Regents' Medallion

The five-foot Regents' Medallion is displayed at commencements and other official events of the University of Minnesota Board of Regents. On the face of the medallion, silk screened in the University's colors of maroon and gold, is the seal of the regents.

An antique lamp represents the metaphysical sciences; a telescope, the physical sciences; a plow, the industrial arts; and a palette with brushes, the fine arts. The Latin motto, *Commune Vinculum Omnibus Artibus*, means "a common bond for all the arts."

## The Mace

The Mace is used for all University of Minnesota Commencements. The word "mace" is from Middle English and was originally used to refer to the implement for breaking armor during the Middle Ages. Today its use is more peaceful, for it now is a staff borne by, carried before, or placed near a dignitary as an insignia of his dignity and authority. First designed in 1961 for the inauguration of O. Meredith Wilson, the original mace is made of aluminum and topped by a crystal ball, which symbolizes the illuminating quality and the clarity of thinking that characterizes education. The crystal ball is topped by a star representing Minnesota, the North Star State. The staff, weighing forty pounds, is carried by the most senior professor of the

## The Torch

A tradition unique to UMC is the presence of the academic torch at special ceremonies. The symbolic light of the torch represents the educational philosophy of the University of Minnesota.

The original torch was designed and constructed in 1968 and was used in the last commencement ceremonies of the Northwest School of Agriculture (NWSA). It was then passed from the NWSA student council to a representative of the first graduating class of the University of Minnesota Technical Institute at Crookston—now known as the University of Minnesota, Crookston—to symbolize the shift in educational responsibility from the high school to the college.

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## The Torch . . . Continued

In the summer of 2002, David Badman, a regional artist, metal-smith, and designer, was asked to create a new torch that would reflect the continuing evolution of UMC from its roots in the NWSA to its current status as a baccalaureate institution with a focus on technology. He presented the new torch to UMC as a gift.

Around the top edge of the new torch—just below the flame—five important campus historical dates are etched:

- **1851** - The Minnesota Territorial Laws of 1851, chapter 3, establish the **University of Minnesota** at what is now its Minneapolis campus and vest its government in a Board of Regents. This statute was approved on February 25, 1851.
- **1895** - The Minnesota legislature appropriates \$30,000 to procure equipment and to construct two experimental research farms, one at Morris and one at Crookston. The Great Northern Railway, under the guidance of James J. Hill, donates 476.61 acres. **The Northwest Experiment Station** (now called the Northwest Research and Outreach Center) is established.
- **1905** - The Minnesota legislature appropriates \$15,000 to establish the **Northwest School of Agriculture**, a regional residential agricultural high school. The school provides training in “the technical and practical business of agriculture and in the art of homemaking.” The term of schooling begins in October and ends in March to accommodate farm students.
- **1966** - Classes begin in September at the **University of Minnesota Technical Institute**. Associate in Applied Science degrees are offered in three academic divisions: Agriculture, Business, and General Studies. Dedication ceremonies for the new college are held on November 30, 1966.
- **1993** - The **University of Minnesota, Crookston** is approved to offer baccalaureate degree programs by the Board of Regents and the Minnesota Higher Education Coordinating Board. The programs are accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Classes for the baccalaureate degrees began that fall. UMC also becomes the nation’s first “Laptop U”—an undertaking that places a notebook computer and software in the hands of each student and that creates a unique interactive learning environment.

## **Safety and Special Needs**

If you have any special needs during today's event, please contact one of our student marshals in the maroon gowns stationed at the exits near the hallway. They can direct you to a variety of university personnel prepared to assist you.

For your safety, please take a brief moment to locate Lysaker Gymnasium's exits. They are located to either side of the stage which will take you directly outside, and along the west wall which will take you out to the central hallway and then outside.

In the event of an emergency, choose the nearest exit and evacuate the gymnasium quickly and safely. Listen for further instructions from University event staff. Remain outside the building until the "all clear" is given by emergency responders.

## **Cell Phones and Pagers**

Out of respect for all in attendance and for this important ceremony, please turn off or set all cell phones and pagers to silent mode.

# National Anthem

## Star Spangled Banner

*Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?*

*And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night that our Flag was still there.  
O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave,  
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave?*

# University of Minnesota Hymn

## Hail! Minnesota

*Minnesota, hail to thee! Hail to thee, our college dear!  
Thy light shall ever be a beacon bright and clear;  
Thy sons and daughters true will proclaim thee near and far;  
They will guard thy fame and adore thy name;  
Thou shalt be their Northern Star.*

*Like the stream that bends to sea, like the pine that seeks the blue,  
Minnesota, still for thee thy sons are strong and true;  
From thy woods and waters fair, from thy prairies waving far,  
At thy call they throng with their shout and song,  
Hailing thee their Northern Star.*

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