TODAY’S COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

For your convenience, today’s Commencement ceremony will be live-streamed in the lounge area beside Starbucks on the second floor of the Lane University Center.

– HOURS –

Lane University Center 7:30 am - 4:30 pm
University Store 8:00 am - 4:15 pm (First Floor)
Starbucks 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (Second Floor)

You will need your ticket to be readmitted to the Cordts PE Center.
At Frostburg State University, we view our Commencement as both a celebration of our students’ achievements and a recognition of their families who supported them. Our ceremony is truly an academic ritual; therefore, we ask that you and your families recognize that such an event requires a certain decorum be maintained. So that all families can hear the announcement of each graduate’s name, please limit the length and decibel level of celebratory response. In addition, we ask that you silence all electronic devices during the ceremony.

The University retains the right to escort from the building any individual or group who creates inordinate noise that distracts from the solemnity of the program.
ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

From its inaugural class of 57 students, Frostburg State University has grown to a present day enrollment of nearly 5,200 students.

Established in 1927 as the Fruitland Normal School No. 2, the University owes its existence to the tenacity of J. Benson Oder, editor of the Frostburg Morning Journal, and the citizens of Frostburg who, in spite of political barriers, raised funds and purchased the site on which Old Main, the University’s first building, is located.

Principal Edmund Sandridge Markle and three faculty instructed the first Normal School class, in addition, other faculty taught 151 children in the Model School.

The Normal School students, who were high school students having to meet no requirements other than age (girls, 16; boys, 17), had but one two-year course of study: elementary education. The curriculum consisted of Latin, mathematics, history, rhetoric and literature, natural and physical sciences, drawing, music, calisthenics, psychology, philosophy of education, philosophy of school management, pedagogy, observation, practice work and primary manual training.

Over the years, the name of the institution has reflected the changes in the scope of its educational mission. In 1935, State Normal School No. 2 became State Teachers College at Frostburg, a four-year college that offered a Bachelor of Science degree. In 1937, the college became Frostburg State Teachers College and in 1967, with the strong support of the local civic and business community, it became Frostburg State University, an indication of its growing resources, diversity and excellence in educational opportunities for the region and the state.

In 1988, FSU became a constituent institution of the University System of Maryland, comprised of 12 of the state’s 14 public institutions.

The campus was once limited to Old Main, a single building housing classrooms and a library. It has now grown to more than 30 buildings, including the newest academic buildings, Compton Science Center and the Catherine R. Gira Center for Communications and Information Technology, as well as the Woodard D. Prealer Performing Arts Center, the Lewis J. Ott Library, residence halls and a dining hall.

The campus now encompasses 260 beautiful acres. Throughout its growth, the University has emphasized excellence in teaching. Approximately 80 percent of the full-time faculty hold doctorates or terminal degrees from institutions that are among the most prestigious in the nation. Faculty scholarship has led to scholarly work in books, manuals and journals, as well as numerous articles and reviews.

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Today, the University’s mission and services have expanded significantly. More than 400 full-time administrators and support staff and more than 200 full-time faculty serve the educational needs of students who come from throughout the United States and the world. These students have a choice of 45 major programs of study leading to the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees. Master’s degrees are offered in applied computer science; applied ecology and conservation biology; athletic training; business administration; counseling psychology; education; nursing; recreation; parks and sport management; physician assistant studies; teaching; and wildlife-fisheries biology. A Doctor of Education degree is offered in Educational Leadership.

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Dear Graduates,

Congratulations! This day is an opportunity for the University community to come together to celebrate your graduation, a significant milestone in your lives. We welcome the loved ones who have joined us to proudly mark your accomplishment. Never forget the role they have played in helping you be here today.

I hope that when you reflect on your time at Frostburg State University, your education and experiences here have expanded your sense of what is possible for you and for our world. I also trust that you will remember the friendships that you made and the mentorship among our faculty and staff who demonstrated a genuine interest in your future. A common reflection among Frostburg State alumni is how the people here made a difference in shaping their future and helping them realize their potential.

We are excited to see what comes next for you. Please stay connected with Frostburg State University as you join the ranks of alumni.

My very best wishes to you,

Ron Nowaczyk, President
Academic regalia is a visible reminder that the process of intellectual pursuits has historic and honorable antecedents. The dignity of scholarship in the past remains vital to the present.

Academic attire consists of gowns, hoods and caps. Traditionally made from black silk, gowns increasingly are the color of the institution granting the degree. The bachelor's gown falls straight lines and has long pointed sleeves, while the sleeves of the master's gowns are closed with slits for the arms at the wrist. The doctoral gown has a hood facing and three velvet bars on bell-shaped sleeves. The velvet is either black or the color stipulated for the degree held. The colorful hoods designate the degree of the wearer, the subject in which the degree is held, and the institution which awarded the degree. The colors of the hood's bands on each hood and robe represent the scholar's field of learning, while the official colors of the school awarding the degree are always shown in the lining of the hood. Frostburg State University's colors are red, black and white.

The black mortarboard type of cap is most commonly worn, and it is usually made of the same material as the gown. Doctor's caps may be made of velvet and may have tassels of gold or in the color of the wearer's degree. Tassels are white.

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The design of the Frostburg State University hood is based upon the crossing, a wooden musical instrument. Two-stick replicates of the University seal are affixed to the top.

The design was designed and crafted in 1886 by Dustin Dusts of the Frostburg State University Department of Visual Arts.

THE MACE

In the Middle Ages, the mace was a weapon used against armored warriors. It evolved through the years into an ornamental staff which served as a symbol of authority for the master of the gowns. Colleges and universities have adopted the mace as a decorative staff or baton which is carried by the grand marshal of the institution in all formal academic processions. The mace is also displayed at other significant events.

The Frostburg State University mace was crafted from mountain walnut which was milled in nearby Frostville, Maryland, in 1945. The grain pattern of the quartersawn wood was enhanced by laminating side sections to a central shaft which was then turned, point-to-point, on a wood lathe. To obtain a high-gloss finish, ten coats of shellac were applied while the mace was turned at high speed on the lathe. The fine detail work around the medallions and the final coating of wax were done by hand.

The design of the Frostburg State University mace is based upon the mace used by the University of the University of London in the 18th century, marked by a series of heraldic medallions. The mace incorporates elements of the University's foundation in the liberal arts and sciences and dual mission of the University: Scholarship and Leadership. The mountains represent not only the location of the University, but timelessness and endurance, and the columns represent the University's foundation in the liberal arts and sciences. The seal's original design was the result of a competition among the members of the junior class of 1960. By class vote, student Janet Reid's design was selected.

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MACKENZIE SWIFT  

College of Business  

Mackenzie Swift graduates today with a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in human resource management. She has served as the president of FSU’s chapter of SHRM, the Society for Human Resources Management, for the past year and was selected to be in the President’s Leadership Circle in 2018. She is a member of several honor societies, most notably Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honor Society. She was named the 2019 scholarship winner for the Maryland Daily Record’s Top 100 Women of Maryland, chosen out of all female college students in the state. Swift has organized many successful workshops, activities and networking events and has attended multiple leadership retreats, including the Skop Institute for Excellence in Leadership. She has interned with Garrett County Board of Education and at First United Bank and Trust. She also uses her time to serve and has been a volunteer mentor to a local elementary school student for the past year. She is very grateful for her time with the students and professors in Frostburg's College of Business, saying, “There is no student who has been more impacted by no one who is more humble for her time in this program.”

ROBERT BURNS  

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences  

Robert Burns graduates today with a bachelor’s in engineering with a minor in physics. Burns served as a student worker in FSU’s Materials Testing Lab for the past two years, completing projects used to help educate students on mechanical property testing. Burns showcased his skills outside of the classroom by internships with Meggit Defense Systems and recently traveling to Portland, Ore., to present his group’s capstone design project and represent FSU at the Materials Science and Technology Conference. He has also served as co-author with Dr. Zhen Liu on several graduate-level research projects and is working with the Physics and Engineering Department to improve learning for his peers. Burns has had to overcome many obstacles to obtain his success, according to department chair Dr. Eric Moon: “Robert has shown the world of experiences FSU offers to students—students who are willing to persist, and grab hold of opportunities they can get no place else,” Moore said. He has secured a job with the U.S. Department of the Navy.

KYNDRA DAWSON  

College of Education  

Kyndra Dawson graduates today with a bachelor’s in early childhood/elementary education. Dawson has made the Dean’s List every semester and was awarded the Hatie M. Strong Foundation “Strong Scholars” Scholarship in 2019. She is an active member of Frostburg Student Education Association and is an advocate for young children. Dawson has been a teaching assistant at Parkville Elementary School and has served as a teacher intern for kindergarten and second grade at Cash Valley Elementary Professional Development School. Faculty have recognized her diligence and hard work in every task, as she continues to strive for excellence. The nomination letter from the Department of Educational Professions says that “as an early childhood/elementary major, Kyndra exemplifies a dedicated, compassionate and competent beginning educator.”

JAMES HOLZAPFEL  

Regent  

University System of Maryland  

James Holzapfel is managing director investments with the Holzapfel Investment Group of Wells Fargo Advisors in Hagerstown, Md. He graduated from the University of Maryland in 1971 and the Securities Industry Institute at The Wharton School in 1987. He is a lifelong Marylander and a third-generation graduate of the University of Maryland. He has served as president of the Hagerstown/Washington County Chamber of Commerce, chair of the Hagerstown Commercial Industrial Commission, vice chair of the Washington County Economic Development Commission, president of the Washington County Public School Foundation and president of Fountains Head Country Club. He has served on the corporate boards of Dynmark Security Centers, Danzer Metals Corp. and Har-Tru Corp. He has also served on several community boards, including the Maryland Symphony, the Washington County Historical Society, the Washington Hospital Center (Meritus Medical), the Washington County Community Foundation, the Greater Hagerstown Committee, the Salvation Army, the Mason Dixon Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the Hagerstown Board of Public Works. He currently serves on the board of the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts.

Yor Bulbulian, head of the department of educational professor, said the program is designed to give students the skills they need to succeed in the classroom and beyond. “Our program is founded on the belief that every student has the potential to excel, and we work to provide the support and guidance they need to reach their full potential.”

The following is a list of the recipients:

- **Mackenzie Swift (College of Business)**
- **Robert Burns (College of Liberal Arts & Sciences)**
- **Kyndra Dawson (College of Education)**
- **James Holzapfel (University System of Maryland)**
At this Commencement, degrees are conferred upon persons who completed requirements in August and December 2019. As final action cannot always be taken by the time this program is printed, the list of candidates here is tentative only. The transcript of the University, signed and sealed by its proper officer, remains the official testimony to the possession of a degree. This commencement program lists the primary major for each candidate.

The designation of honor is based on the grade point average at the end of the summer semester. The final grade point average will determine honor ranking if an undergraduate student has completed at least 50 credits at Frostburg State University with a high cumulative grade point average, the ranking. If an undergraduate student has completed at least 50 credits at Frostburg State University, credits, the ranking.

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Welcome New FSU Alumni!

Today, you join our proud, historic Bobcat alumni family. Our family’s origin dates to June of 1904, when the first eight graduates of State Normal School No. 2 at Frostburg crossed the stage of the Frostburg Opera House. Over the last century, State Normal School No. 2 became Frostburg State Teacher’s College, then Frostburg State College, and finally Frostburg State University. Our alumni family has grown to nearly 40,000 members, many of whom have achieved remarkable careers in business, entertainment, non-profits and government.

Our alumni family has helped FSU evolve, bringing opportunities, ideas, scholarships, internships, mentorship and more. Every one of today’s graduates has benefited from those contributions in ways large and small, seen and unseen. Our alumni have helped grow Frostburg from a two-year teacher’s school in a single building into the modern, comprehensive University of today. We hope you, too, will decide to “pay it forward” in your own way.

As students, FSU encouraged you to engage with your professors, your courses, your fellow students and opportunities beyond the classroom to maximize your Frostburg experience. To maximize your Bobcat alumni experience, engagement will be equally important. The FSU Alumni Association exists to help connect our alumni with one another and keep them engaged with FSU and its students for the benefit of all.

We will soon ask you, as an alumna, to extend a helping hand to the students who follow you. While scholarships and other gifts change students’ lives, there are many ways of giving back. Whether volunteering to speak at a career day, welcoming Bobcats into your workplace as interns, attending the Sloop Leadership Institute, cheering on the Bobcats at a nearby game or even connecting with current students to offer advice and fellowship, find a way to stay engaged that speaks to you.

Welcome to our family, and congratulations!

Shannon Grizzle ‘98
Director of Alumni & Donor Relations

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SHARE YOUR PRIDE, BOBCATS!

Keep the celebration going, Class of 2019!
We invite you to share your favorite Commencement moments on social media with the hashtag #FrostburgGrad.
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Today’s ushers are volunteers from the staff and students of the FSU community.

A sincere and very special acknowledgement goes to all those who have contributed their time and energy into making this event possible and to George’s Creek Florist and Gift Shoppe for providing the flowers for today’s ceremony.
The Star-Spangled Banner
Francis Scott Key

O say can you see, by the dawn’s early light,

What so proudly we hail’d at the twilight’s last gleaming,

Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight

O’er the ramparts we watch’d were so gallantly streaming?

And the rocket’s 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?