

Commencement

SPRING SEMESTER 2023



COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Pegula Ice Arena

9:00 a.m.



PennState



National Anthem

by Francis Scott Key

O 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, thro' 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 thro' 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!

Alma Mater

by Fred Lewis Pattee

For the glory of old State,
For her founders, strong and great,
For the future that we wait,
Raise the song, raise the song,

Sing our love and loyalty,
Sing our hopes that, bright and free,
Rest, O Mother dear, with thee.
All with thee, all with thee.

When we stood at childhood's gate,
Shapeless in the hands of fate,
Thou didst mold us, dear old State,
Dear old State, dear old State.

May no act of ours bring shame
To one heart that loves thy name,
May our lives but swell thy fame,
Dear old State, dear old State!

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BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

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Message from Kimberly A. Lawless, B.A., M.A, Ph.D. Dean of the College of Education



On behalf of the Penn State College of Education family, I extend sincere congratulations to the college's Class of 2023. Graduates, you have overcome many obstacles and forged new paths to reach this milestone. You have pushed boundaries, both in terms of your own growth and in terms of the world around you. I am truly excited to see you go out in the world and push more boundaries in your chosen fields, making a true difference in the lives of others.

Today's commencement ceremony includes nine individuals who have earned certificates through our WorkLink Program. This is the second cohort of students to graduate from the program, which expands Penn State's commitment to creating inclusive learning opportunities for people with disabilities that lead to student self-advocacy, social integration, career development and independent living skill development. Congratulations on this important milestone. We are excited to see where you go from here.

All of our students graduating with undergraduate degrees today are incredibly talented, effective education professionals. You are preparing to go out in the world and make your mark as teachers, policymakers, rehabilitation specialists, counselors and workforce educators. Some of you may find yourselves thriving in unexpected careers. Whether you are starting a career or continuing your education, I challenge you to continue to be a change-maker.

Do not focus on what has always been done. Instead focus on challenging the assumptions of why we do things the way we do. I encourage you to dream big. Imagine the world as you want to see it and build your practice around achieving that dream!

As lifetime members of the College of Education, regardless of our specific connection to Penn State, we all have the opportunity to enrich the lives of those around us. Graduating students, as you embark upon and progress through your careers, I urge you to always remember this connection and why you chose your respective professions and the sacrifices that you endured to make it happen: to serve our communities and improve the quality of life of others with compassion, honesty and integrity through education. You have been exceptional representatives of the college and University. I have no doubt that you will continue to serve as incredible ambassadors for the college by building upon our reputation for excellence.

I would also like to give special thanks to the parents, spouses, children and friends of our graduates for their patience, understanding, sacrifices and support – both moral and financial – during these challenging, but rewarding, years that your graduate has spent pursuing a degree. I hope you relish in the shared feeling of pride in what your graduate has accomplished and the abundant opportunities ahead.

In the coming years, I would ask that you not forget Penn State, the College of Education, former professors, and fellow and future Nittany Lions. I encourage you to not only give back by supporting college activities, programs and scholarships, but also by keeping us updated on the many achievements you will experience in your careers and personal lives. We will always take great pride in your achievements.

Congratulations again. The entire Penn State College of Education family is very proud of you! Take care and stay in touch. #WeAre #ChangED

Commencement Speaker | Tony B. Watlington Sr.

Tony B. Watlington Sr., superintendent of the School District of Philadelphia, will be the commencement speaker for the College of Education's spring 2023 commencement ceremony at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 7, at Pegula Ice Arena on the University Park campus.

Appointed to the role in April 2022, Watlington leads the eighth-largest school district in the nation, with more than 197,000 students.

Watlington is a visionary educator with nearly three decades of experience, who began his career as a history teacher in 1994 in Guilford County, North Carolina. Before joining the School District of Philadelphia, he served as superintendent of Rowan-Salisbury Schools, North Carolina's only Renewal School District. He previously served as chief of schools in Guilford County Schools, the third-largest school district in North Carolina and the 47th largest among 14,000 school districts in the United States.



Watlington is focused on improving systems that lead to an equitable and extraordinary education for every student every day. A first-generation college graduate and a champion for equity, he is committed to building collaborative school and community teams accountable for creating life-changing opportunities for all children while significantly reducing achievement and opportunity gaps.

He received his undergraduate degree in history education from North Carolina A&T State University, a master's degree in American political history from The Ohio State University, and a master's degree in school administration and a doctoral degree in educational leadership from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he was a North Carolina Principal Fellow. Watlington also holds training certificates from Harvard and Yale universities and is a member of the National Urban Superintendents Academy sponsored by the American Association of School Administrators.

College Student Marshal | Maya Urbanski

The College of Education has selected **Maya Urbanski** to serve as student marshal for Penn State's spring 2023 Commencement ceremony, which will be held at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 7, at Pegula Ice Arena.

From State College, Pennsylvania, Urbanski is graduating with a 4.0 GPA, with a bachelor of science in elementary and early childhood education and minors in special education, deafness and hearing studies, and education policy studies.

"Throughout my time in the College of Education, I have been fortunate to have so many transformative experiences that have shaped my identity, pushed me to challenge myself and enabled me to become the person that I am today," Urbanski said.

"I am so grateful to the college for giving me so many opportunities to learn and grow not only as a student, but as a teacher and facilitator of learning. It means so much to me to now be honored as the student marshal for the College of Education. I couldn't imagine a better way to finish my four years at Penn State than with this honor. I am so lucky to have been able to learn from our professors and staff and can't wait to graduate and spread my love of learning as far as I can reach," she said.

During her college career, Urbanski earned the President's Freshman Award and the Evan Pugh Scholar Senior Award. She has been on the Dean's List every semester since fall 2019.

She was active in the College of Education Student



Council, serving as outreach chair and then vice president. She also was a member of Penn State Club Water Polo.

Urbanski's experience includes student-teaching at Marion Walker Elementary School in the Bellefonte Area School District; and working as support staff for the Community Education Extended Learning Program in State College. She also was assistant group supervisor and assistant teacher at The Goddard School in State College, ELA instructor for Upward

Bound Summer Academy at Penn State University Park, co-teacher intern for the Science 20/20 Partnership for Innovation in Language Learning in Hazleton, Pennsylvania, and a swim lesson instructor for Centre Region Parks and Recreation in State College.

She also was a member of the Community Dialogue Grant Team in State College; a coach for the Park Forest Bullfrogs Swim Team in State College; a lifeguard at Park Forest Pool and State College Area High School, both in State College; and a facility attendant and then building supervisor for the Intramural Building and Hepper Fitness Center at Penn State University Park.

After graduation, Urbanski plans to pursue a teaching position in any grade K-4, while later obtaining her graduate degree. She also hopes to teach and live abroad at some point in her career.

Urbanski's mother, Heidi; father, Jeff; and stepmother, Kim, plan to attend the ceremony, along with her brother, Jack; grandmother, Sandy Urbanski; grandfather, Ted Borgel; and stepgrandparents, Patrick and Kathleen Buescher.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

PERFORMED BY CENTRE BRASS

NATIONAL ANTHEM

LED BY KATRINA COLE

The audience is asked to join in the singing.

PRESIDING

NEELI BENDAPUDI, B.A., MBA, PH.D.

President

KIMBERLY A. LAWLESS, B.A., M.A., PH.D.

Dean, College of Education

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

TONY B. WATLINGTON SR., B.A., M.A., ED.D.

Superintendent of the School District
of Philadelphia

AUTHORIZATION TO CONFER DEGREES

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Member, Board of Trustees

RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT

DEAN LAWLESS

RECOGNITION OF STUDENT MARSHALS

RAYNE SPERLING, B.A., M.A., PH.D.

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NEELI BENDAPUDI

INDUCTION INTO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

JONATHAN KLINGEMAN, B.S.

President, Education Alumni Society
Board

PENN STATE ALMA MATER

KATRINA COLE

RECESSIONAL

The audience will please remain seated.

College Marshal

MAYA M. URBANSKI

Program Marshals

Education and Public Policy

MIA JOY THOMAS

Elementary and Early Childhood Education

GEORGIA NOEL YOUNG

Middle Level Education

LILLY MARGARET GREENE

Rehabilitation and Human Services

TAYLOR MACKENZIE NIGGEL

Secondary Education

ALLISON ROSS

Special Education

BRIANNA K. SHAW

World Languages Education

MADELINE MARKS

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RAYNE A. SPERLING, B.A., M.A., PH.D.
Associate Dean for Undergraduate
and Graduate Studies

Commencement Marshal-in-Charge

GREGORY MASON, B.S., M.S., M.S.ED.

University Nomenclator

GREGORY MASON

PLEASE NOTE:

This is an unofficial list of students who indicated an intent to graduate for spring semester. The final list of graduates for the program was pulled on March 16, 2023. Students who indicated their intent to graduate after that date are not listed. Distinction lists were determined on March 21, 2023. Students must have been applied by that date in order to be listed in the Honors Group. Their distinction was based upon fall grades and could change after spring grades are finalized. Schreyer Scholars were determined on March 21, 2023. Any changes after that date are not reflected in the program.

Subject to completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon the individuals listed herein and upon such others as may meet the requirements.

Congratulations on your achievements!

Honors Group

This group is made up of those students who have completed the required number of credits at the University and who are in the top 12% of their graduating class in their college. The 12% is divided into 2% "Summa Cum Laude," 4% "Magna Cum Laude" and 6% "Cum Laude."

Summa Cum Laude

Alanna-Nikole Abt
Madelyn Ramsey Chester
Rachel L. Cole
Kelly Marie Eckerd
Olivia P. Fisher
Johanna Suzanne Fitzgerald
Kelly McGarrey
Taylor Mackenzie Niggel
Olivia Robinson
Allison Ross
Brianna K. Shaw
Hallie Speitel
Paige Elizabeth Tiesi
Melanie Tobar Lota
Maya M. Urbanski
Georgia Noel Young

Magna Cum Laude

Jennifer Mae Axarlis
Natalie Ayotte
Gina Marie Biase

Jane Bissett
Elizabeth Lynn Bojalad
Austin Fleegal
Eve Francisco
Lilly Margaret Greene
Amanda Brooke Hally
Elijah Russell Himes
Cara Nicole Himmel
Hailey Hurst
Rachel Jimenez
Margaret Claire Petrizzi Jurich
Sarah Karwoski
Rachel Marie Krizner
Allison Marie Lukac
Rebekah Lundy
Sara McGovern
Olivia Siena Pietropola
Grace Pitterle
Emily Beth Rosen
Joshua Sanville
Elizabeth Ann Tracey
Caroline Elizabeth Turner
Olivia Wassmer

Cum Laude

Amber Creegan
Eve Cunningham
Alexandra Ann Czerski
Mariah Lea Estojak
Julia Finkel
Angelina Rose Giordano
Abigail Elizabeth Grim
Karli Nicole Haines
Lauren E. Hartman
Cassidy Darlene Hofbauer
Marissa Lynn Hunt
Amethyst Elizabeth Hymans
Terrance Jefferson
Megan E. Lowe
Julie Ann Montague
Kenneth Eugene Reuther
Francine Elizabeth Richick
Paige Rignola
Kaylie Anne Schmitt
Rita Sheridan
Jennifer Starzecky
Elizabeth Kate Sudano
Mia Joy Thomas
Megan VanOsdol
Elizabeth I. Vollmer
Colby Michael Yaglowski

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CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

College of Education

The candidates are presented by
Dean Kimberly A. Lawless, B.A.,
M.A., Ph.D.

Education and Public Policy

Bethany Carole Burton
Sofia Amanda Colocho
Autumn Kathleen Forte
Jacob Blake Frank
Robert Aivars Grots
Zoe Lampione
Shunzhi Luo
Mia Joy Thomas
Xiaoke Wei
Yi Zhao

Elementary and Early Childhood Education

Alanna-Nikole Abt
Abbigale Jean Alauzen
Alexis Arriola
Julianne Taylor Aumiller
Jennifer Mae Axarlis
Sophia Bailey
Rachel Alyse Balunis
Sophia Barnello
Riley Amelia Barrett
Charles Ott Beale
Kerry Renard Benson Jr.
Gina Marie Biase
Jane Bissett
Michelle Kristine Blando
Anna Elizabeth Bonsick Priscilla
Camille Bromley Madison Taylor
Buchinski Lindsay Cardello
Stephen Cassese
Madelyn Ramsey Chester
Allison Elizabeth Colameo
Amber Creegan
Alexandra Ann Czerski
Jennifer Mackenzie Day
Kathleen Rose DeAngelis
Emma Frances DeFranco
Lauren Elizabeth Del Biondo
Karissa Ann Delli Carpini
Katrina Leigh Delo
Laura DiNunzio
Grace Meredith Dryden
Kelly Marie Eckerd
Mariah Lea Estojak
Dylan Michael Farronato
Julia Finkel
Olivia M. Fisher
Olivia P. Fisher
Hannah Cathryn Flanders

Amy Forbes
Ellie Jaclyn Fox
Eve Francisco
Emily J. Gloeckner
Rae Anna Golderer
Abigail Elizabeth Grim
Karli Nicole Haines
Olivia Nicole Hallman
Amanda Brooke Hally
Lauren E. Hartman
Carly Heaton
Alivia Renee Heivly
Ashley R. Hinshaw
Marissa Lynn Hunt
Melinda Ann Hunt
Hailey Hurst
Amethyst Elizabeth Hymans
Katherine G. Irving
Rachel Jimenez
Courtney Renee Kable
Sarah Karwoski
Charlotte Keller
Angelina Kilkeary
Kasey M Knauff
Lauren Rose Kratz
Jared Krehely
Rachel Marie Krizner
Tara Lynne Kurtianyk
Karyssa Nicole Larson
Alyssa Ann Lazzaro
Ethan Locke
Kaitlyn Marie Lohr
Mackenzie Longridge
Megan E. Lowe
Mingmin Lu
Maggie Jordan Lucas
Allison Marie Lukac
Leah Katharine Maines
Sydney Marsden
Ashley Jo McCoy
Grace Anne McDaid
Kelsey Rae McDonald
Sara McGovern
Brianna Kelly McKiernan
Caroline Rose Medl
Caroline Nancy Moore
Eliza Morales
Hope Morrison
Sarah Michelle Murray
Creyn Dennis Muthard
Sophia Christine Nardo
Rachel Katharine Nees
Emily Huynh Nguyen
Shannon Margaret Northey
Kyle G. O'Keeffe
Shannon Palmer
Tessa Nicole Keyser Peluso
Olivia Siena Pietropola
Grace Pitterle
Elizabeth Grace Poseno
Emily Ann Radwanski
Francine Elizabeth Richick

Paige Rignola
Samantha Lyn Riley
Sydney Roberson
Olivia Robinson
Elisabeth Paige Rodgers
Julia Alexandra Rodriguez
Emily Beth Rosen
Julia S Rostcheck
Alyssa Scappaticci
Nina Schiller
Rachel Elizabeth Sherman
Rebekah Kelly Shipley
Lindsey Sklar
Ivy Smith
McKenna Adelaide Snyder
Hallie Speitel
John Squatrito
Megan C. Starr
Elizabeth Kate Sudano
Irelynd Sullivan
Paige Elizabeth Tiesi
Kayla Tillery
Melanie Tobar Lata
Elizabeth Ann Tracey
Kate Lauren Trizzino
Caroline Elizabeth Turner
Maya M. Urbanski
Megan VanOsdol
Elizabeth I. Vollmer
Yuxuan Wang
Sydney Washell
Olivia Wassmer
Carly Grace Weisfelner
Katherine Weller
Grace Marie Wetzell
Connor Madison Woodlock
Yiyun Wu
Colby Michael Yaglowski
Georgia Noel Young
Cindy Zheng

Middle Level Education

Logan Jones Bortz
William Alexander DeBellis
Caroline Grace Fenerty
Jacqueline Aletha Fisher
Angelina Rose Giordano
Lilly Margaret Greene
Elisabeth M. Mead
Riley Rebecca Moriarty
Amanda O'Donnell
Ryan Palm
McKenzie Lynn Reeves*
Emma Gray Scattergood
Siany Small
Brady Specht
Rochell Temple
Greta Winkler
Amanda Wrynn

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Rehabilitation and Human Services

Madison Hope Abelson
Eleanor Rose Ahern
Abigail Marlee Amdor
Sophia Balasko
Patrick Bodnar
Kathryn Louise Boothby
Reese Burns
Meredith Claire Canova
Jacqueline Kimlin Chhay
Siobhan Marion Collins
Lauren Conklin
XiangYi Duan
Abigail Freda
Julie Gough
Kerry A. Hasson
Alex M. Hoenstine Kamryn
Elizabeth Jameson
Parveen Kaur
Laila Kennedy
Molly Lisha Kenny Lindsey
Kirk
Tali Klaff
Nia Isabel Victoria Klein
Hannah Kalei Kuhn Gloria
Lundberg Alexandra J.
Madeira Kelli Bridget
McEachern Lauren
McIntyre
Keaira McKeithan
Nadine Mumaw
Dextina Tincobell Nebo
Catherine Linh Nguyen
Taylor Mackenzie Niggel
Michael Francis Olenick
Sabrina Palmer
Grace Joanne Paone
Isabella Patula
Shea Pauley
Sara Nicole Pellegrino
Katherine Rose Perry
Emmi Brooke Schwartz
Maie Kathleen Seelaus
Gregory Shoemaker Sarah
Angela Sudano Alyvia
Svetovich
Eda Melissa Uyanik
Luciana Vasquez
Isabella Villamor
Emily Weidner
Jenny Yang

Secondary Education

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Brynn Elizabeth Barnhart
Anna Morgan Becnel
Shaun Berzonski
Mason Charles Blanchard
Elizabeth Lynn Bojalad

Logan Charles Borkey
Clare Elizabeth Brdar
Nolan Patrick Byrnes
Zachary R. Canimore
Harrison Andrew Cantor
Kevin A. Ceh
Braydon John Cockley
Rachel L. Cole
Jackson Davis Collins
Quinn Michael Connelly
Michael Cotrone
Rylee Rae Crawford
Eve Cunningham
Isabella B. DeMarco
Molly Coleen Derleth
Emma Dewit
Gabrielle Lynn Dobosh
Carson Neal Endy
Samantha Eselby
Siyi Fang
Mariajose Figueroa
Johanna Suzanne Fitzgerald
Austin Fleegal
Amy Willow Garry
Nicholas T. George
Evan Haggerty
Regan Mairead Handley
Jaden Hannings
Elijah Russell Himes
Cara Nicole Himmel*
Shannon Elizabeth Huber
Emma J. Jacobson
Terrance Jefferson
Margaret Claire Petrizzi Jurich
Brett Katz
Jacob Heneberry Kelk
Alexis Kiesewetter
Michael Christopher Kinsey Jr.
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Christine Kwan
Hailey L. Laugerman
Julia Light
Emily Locker
Rebekah Lundy*
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Kelly McGarrey
Samantha McGuire
Kieran Mercer
Alana Christine Mesko
Jacqueline Petrina Metz
Julie Ann Montague*
Benjamin Clair Mooney
Lily M Najjar
Makenna Nicarry
Kathleen Ann Nolt
Noelia Pagano
Loren Olivia Perry
Rachael Marie Reiley
Kenneth Eugene Reuther
Michael Roper
Kathryn Rose
Allison Ross
Patrick J. Russell

Kathryn Salada
Joshua Sanville*
Kaylie Anne Schmitt*
Jordan Scukupak
Jarod Micah Sharrah
Rita Sheridan
Ashley June Slomsky
Jack Bradley Smith
Maddie Jacinda Solano- LaForme
Miranda Joan Stein
John Stock
Isabelle Thompson
Francis Villanueva
Rijian Wen
Livia G. Whitesel
Kayleigh Wittman
Emma Wolfe
Cole Young

Special Education

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Samantha Mae Canfield
Meghan Kathleen DiGiacomo
Kate Feczko
Cassidy Darlene Hofbauer
Hailey Jeon Kim
Katherine Ellen Kuhn
Luke Wallace Merkovsky
Matthew Vaughn Popadiuk
Brianna K. Shaw
Julia Elizabeth Silberman
Michael Totten
Elizabeth Faith Wagner
Grace Ann Williams
Amir Zisling

Workforce Education and Development

Amy Michelle Bothun

World Languages Education

Madeline Marks
Michael O'Mahony
Samuel Pawling
Jennifer Starzecky

Bachelor of Philosophy

Jada Okundaye

WorkLink Strategies and Employability

Gabriel Billy
Dalyn Call
Pari Cocolin
Aaron Eiman
Christpoher Nguyen
Haley Smith
Emily Thom
Thomas Verderame
Mitchell Wagoner

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College of Education Alumni Society

We invite all new graduates to join the College of Education Alumni Society. Some 11,993 of our college's alumni are members of the College of Education Alumni Society.

This organization promotes the continued interest of all former students, and it provides a means for alumni to come together to help improve the college and the University.

The College of Education Alumni Society oversees a number of important projects that help serve the needs of alumni, students, the college, the University and the community as a whole, as well as promote the esteem of the institution. It offers programs directed toward students, alumni, and teachers in general.

The Alumni Society's board of directors organizes award-winning community service projects such as the Alumni-Student Teacher Network, and sponsors an awards program that recognizes outstanding alumni in various categories every year.

You automatically become a member of the College of Education Alumni Society when you join the Penn State Alumni Association.

About our programs

Education and Public Policy

This degree prepares students to enter professional careers in educational organizations, government, community development, public service, nonprofits, consulting, philanthropy, and interest groups for the betterment of a diverse and democratic society.

Elementary and Early Childhood Education

This degree prepares candidates to teach children in preschool through fourth grade.

Middle Level Education

This degree prepares candidates to teach all subjects in grades four to six and Mathematics, English or Social Studies in grades seven and eight.

Rehabilitation and Human Services

This degree prepares candidates for a variety of positions in rehabilitation, mental health, welfare, and employment services or for graduate work in the helping professions.

Secondary Education

This degree prepares candidates for teaching positions related to their content areas in grades 7-12. Candidates pursue one or more of the following teaching options: Biological Science, Chemistry, Earth and Space Science, English, Mathematics, Physics, and Social Studies.

Special Education

This degree prepares candidates for teaching individuals with special learning needs, at any age or ability level.

Workforce Education and Development

This degree prepares candidates to teach a specific trade or skill in a vocational-technical school, trade school, or community college, or to coordinate or supervise in a vocational education setting. Candidates choose from three options: Health Occupations Education, Industrial Education, or Occupational Home Economics Education, all of which lead to a teacher certificate; or a non-certificate Industrial Training option. Each degree candidate has also shown competency in their respective trade or skill.

World Languages Education

This degree prepares candidates for K-12 teaching positions or other employment fields related to their content language area, which may be French, German, Latin or Spanish.

WorkLink Certificate

The WorkLink program is a fully integrated, on-campus, non-residential two-year certificate program in WorkLink Strategies and Employability. The WorkLink program provides the opportunity for individuals with Intellectual Disabilities to participate in postsecondary experiences and education alongside their peers to build and develop skills necessary to navigate successful employment and work/life balance.



WELCOME TO THE PRIDE!

Congratulations on your graduation, and welcome to the Penn State Alumni Association —the largest and most powerful alumni network in the world.

New graduates receive a **complimentary one-year membership** in the Penn State Alumni Association. As you enter the pride, you'll join the ranks of alumni who keep their connection to Penn State strong through membership. We encourage you to stay connected and learn more about the 30+ benefits that are included with your membership

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