

**MIDDLE
TENNESSEE**
STATE UNIVERSITY.

Commencement

DECEMBER 16, 2017



The Star-Spangled Banner

Lyrics by Francis Scott Key

Music by John Stafford Smith

C Am E Am D G C



O say, can you see by the dawn's ear-ly light what so proud - ly we

7 G C Am E



hailed at the twi-light's last gleam - ing? Whose broad stripes and bright stars thro' the

12 Am D G C G C



per - il - ous fight o'er the ram - parts we watched were so gal - lant - ly

17 G7



stream-ing? And the rock - ets' red glare, the bombs burst-ing in air, gave

22 C G C D G C F A7



proof thro' the night that our flag was still there. O say, does that star - spang - l'd

28 Dm G C Am D C G7 C



ban - ner yet wave o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Fall Commencement

105th ACADEMIC YEAR

Saturday, December 16, 2017

9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Murphy Athletic Center, Middle Tennessee State University

Murfreesboro, Tennessee



Middle Tennessee State University has graduated 139,531 students since its inception in 1911. These students have received associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees. Our first Doctor of Arts degrees were conferred on December 22, 1972, the first Educational Specialist degrees on December 20, 1974, the first Doctor of Philosophy degrees on May 10, 2003, and the first Doctor of Education degrees on August 6, 2016. There have been 399 Doctor of Arts degrees, 1,853 Educational Specialist degrees, 287 Doctor of Philosophy degrees, and 17 Doctor of Education degrees awarded.



Although degree candidates are listed in this program by academic degree sought, their names are called alphabetically by colleges. The listing of degree candidates and the announced honor distinctions are tentative and subject to final certification of graduation.

Program

Processional: "Rigaudon" by Andre Campra

*Audience, please remain standing for the processional, presentation of colors,
singing of the National Anthem, and moment of silence.*

Faculty, please remove hats for the moment of silence and the singing of the National Anthem.

Presentation of Colors (morning)	ROTC Cadet Color Guard
National Anthem	
Moment of Silence	
Presiding.....	Dr. Sidney A. McPhee <i>President</i>
Morning and Afternoon Address	Chef Maneet Chauhan <i>Chef/Restaurateur and Television Personality</i>
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees.....	Dr. Mark Byrnes <i>University Provost</i>
Conferring of Degrees.....	Dr. Sidney A. McPhee
Morning Recipients	listing begins on page 12
Afternoon Recipients.....	listing begins on page 29
Alma Mater (morning).....	Dr. Christine Isley-Farmer <i>Professor, School of Music</i>
Alma Mater (afternoon).....	Ms. Kristen Large <i>Graduate, School of Music</i>
Retirement of Colors (afternoon)	ROTC Cadet Color Guard

Recessional: "Hornpipe" from Water Music by G. F. Handel

Audience, please remain standing until the procession has left the arena floor.

Middle Tennessee State University Brass Ensemble
Morning Ceremony

Dr. David Loucky, Conductor

Andrew Bible and Bryan Sanders, trumpets; Holly Smith, horn;
Nicholas Thomas, trombone; Keya Mabilia, tuba

Program

Afternoon Ceremony

Dr. David Loucky, Conductor

Tyler Bouttavong and Wesley Robinson, trumpets;
Henry Hoffmann, horn; Reginald Coleman, trombone;
Anthony Anderson, tuba

Organist..... Mr. Joseph Walker

Announcing the Graduates (morning).....Dr. H. Stephen Smith
Interim Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Ms. Angela Tipps
Instructor, School of Music

Announcing the Graduates (afternoon)..... Dr. H. Stephen Smith
Interim Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Dr. Jennifer Vannatta-Hall
Assistant Professor, School of Music

Assisting with Diplomas.....Ms. Jaye Kiblinger
Executive Aide, Department of Marketing

Commencement Marshal

Dr. Laurie Witherow

Associate Vice Provost for Admissions and Enrollment Services

Heralds

Ms. Yvonne Elliott, Ms. Anne Ford, Mr. Tyler Henson,
Ms. Sherry Preston, Ms. Pat Thomas

***Commercial photographers will photograph each diploma presentation.
These pictures will be available to graduates for purchase. For this reason, no additional
photography will be allowed on the floor of Murphy Center.***

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Alumni Association President

On behalf of the Middle Tennessee State University National Alumni Association, I congratulate you on joining a very special group. With today's ceremony, you move from being a student to joining more than 130,000 MTSU alumni. As an alum, you are a vital part of the Middle Tennessee State University family. We count on you to represent us to this nation and the world. We hope that your experiences as a student will serve you well in the future.

Always be proud of your alma mater and stay connected to your University. If you would like to be involved in the Alumni Association, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 1-800-533-MTSU (6878) or visit mtalumni.com.

Welcome to the future and to your National Alumni Association.

President
Brian Walsh ('09)
President, MTSU National Alumni Association Board, 2017–18

Speaker

Maneet Chauhan **Chef/Restaurateur and Television Personality**



Maneet Chauhan, a featured judge on the Food Network's hit show *Chopped*, is a recognized cookbook author, active philanthropist, and chef/owner of Chauhan Ale and Masala House in Nashville. She also is a founding partner in Life Is Brewing LLC, whose Hop Springs agritourism complex and Steel Barrel Brewery facility in Murfreesboro are partnering with MTSU's new Fermentation Science program for fermentation and sensory labs.

A Culinary Institute of America (CIA) graduate who swept all the awards in her class, Chauhan has worked in some of the finest hotels and restaurants in her home country of India and in the United States. As an executive chef, she presided over kitchens in such successful ventures as Vermillion in Chicago and New York City, where she won Best New Chef.

In 2014, Chauhan was invited to the White House by President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama as part of the Easter Egg Roll Hunt. She is a member of Indiaspora, an organization of the top 100 influential Indian-Americans in the U.S.; the Board of Society of Fellows of the CIA; and Les Dames d'Escoffier.

Chauhan has been lauded by media in the U.S. and abroad, including *Bon Appétit*, *Wine Enthusiast*, *USA Today*, *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times*, *New York Post*, *Times of India*, *The Telegraph*, and *O: The Oprah Magazine*. Her TV appearances include ABC's *The View*, NBC's *TODAY*, Lifetime Channel's *Designing Spaces*, and Fox News.

After competing on *Iron Chef* and *The Next Iron Chef*, Chauhan sits on the permanent panel of judges on *Chopped*, where she became a James Beard Award of Excellence recipient.

She and her husband, Vivek Deora, live in Franklin, Tennessee, with their two children and are part of the dynamic team behind Life Is Brewing's Mantra Artisan Ales boutique craft beer brewery and taproom in Franklin and the newly established Steel Barrel Brewery. Chauhan is committed to her new Southern home, forming Nashville-based Morph Hospitality Group in 2016. The group has since opened Tansuo, a contemporary Chinese restaurant, and The Mockingbird, a modern diner serving global fare, in The Gulch, Nashville's booming neighborhood.

Devoted to creating a unique dining experience in the bustling Nashville food scene, she opened Chauhan Ale and Masala House in 2014 as her first venture into restaurant ownership. The menu offers globally-influenced fare that combines Indian cuisine with traditional Southern dishes.

Chauhan mentors new CIA graduates and is involved with the educational arm of the National Restaurant Association's ProStart program for high school students. She is an active supporter of various charities and locally was the 2016 event chair for the March of Dimes Signature Chef Auction.

Platform Party

Dr. Sidney A. McPhee
President

Mr. Darrell Freeman Sr., Vice Chair
Founder, Zycron Inc.

Dr. Mark Byrnes
University Provost

Chef Maneet Chauhan
*Chef/Restaurateur and
Television Personality*

Mr. Alan Thomas
Vice President, Business and Finance

Mr. William J. Bales
*Vice President for
University Advancement*

Mr. Bruce Petryshak
*Vice President for Information
Technology and Chief
Information Officer*

Dr. Debra K. Sells
*Vice President for Student Affairs
and Vice Provost for Enrollment
and Academic Services*

Mr. Jack Ross (morning)
*Division of Marketing and
Communications, Senior Director,
Resource and Operations Management*

Mr. Andrew Oppmann (afternoon)
*Vice President for Marketing
and Communications*

Dr. Cheryl B. Torsney
Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs

Dr. David L. Butler
*Vice Provost for Research and
Dean, College of Graduate Studies*

Dr. Richard Sluder
*Vice Provost, Student Success and
Dean, University College*

Dr. Robert Fischer
*Dean, College of Basic
and Applied Sciences*

Dr. Harold Whiteside
*Dean, College of Behavioral
and Health Sciences*

Dr. David J. Urban
*Dean, Jennings A. Jones
College of Business*

Dr. Lana Seivers
Dean, College of Education

Dr. Karen Petersen
Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts

Mr. Kenneth A. Paulson
*Dean, College of Media
and Entertainment*

Dr. John R. Vile
Dean, University Honors College

Ms. Bonnie Allen
Dean, James E. Walker Library

Mace and Chain of Office

Originally a medieval knight's weapon, the mace evolved into a symbol of royal scepters in various crown jewel collections. Large versions of the scepter have come to represent the power and authority of institutions such as our University. The mace measures 50 inches in length and is made of Tennessee cherry wood embellished with sterling silver and lapis lazuli. The Tennessee flower, the iris, denotes the public the University serves who, by their loyalty, give it strength and power. The leaves form a crown to symbolize the ennobling achievements of our graduates. Tennessee freshwater pearls, the official state gem, suggest the inestimable value of inquiring minds. The streamer on the wood shaft carries the names by which the University has been known since its founding. The finial at the base of the mace is a stylized nut, representing the core, the seed from which springs the mighty tree of those committed to lifelong learning.

The chain of office worn by the president is made of sterling silver. The lapis lazuli gems, mounted on scroll shapes, represent the colleges within the University. The knotted components depict the interdependence of knowledge and the various academic programs of MTSU. The lapis lazuli and sterling represent the University colors of blue and white. The Great Seal of the State of Tennessee embellishes the medallion suspended from the chain, representing the University as part of the Tennessee higher education system.

These unique emblems of authority were designed and crafted by Professor Klaus Kallenberger, formerly of the Art Department. The mace and chain of office are a generous gift to the University from the MTSU Foundation.

Mace Carriers

Morning

Dr. Robert B. Blair is a professor of Marketing in the Jennings A. Jones College of Business. He serves as director of the Center for Economic Education. He is also a member of the graduate faculty. Blair received a Ph.D. from Louisiana State University, M.B.E. from MTSU, and B.S. from Oral Roberts University. Blair has taught at the secondary and collegiate levels. He has served as sponsor to Collegiate DECA, Future Business Leaders of America and Phi Beta Lambda Collegiate Secretaries International chapters and is a lifetime member of FBLA-PBL.

Blair is a Certified Online Instructor, Certified Business and Social Etiquette Consultant, Certified Dale Carnegie Curriculum Trainer, and Professional Registered Parliamentarian. He was the first Tennessee career and technical education teacher to earn National Board Certification.

During his 30-year teaching career, Blair has been the recipient of 29 honors and awards for teaching, research, and service. He is an accomplished academic author and conference presenter.

Blair is past president of the National Business Education Association, National Association for Business Teacher Education, Southern Business Education Association, Tennessee Business Education Association, Tennessee Association of Parliamentarians, Gamma Eta Chapter of Delta Pi Epsilon, Tennessee Delta Unit of Parliamentarians, and Murfreesboro Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals. He served two terms as Tennessee Association for Career and Technical Education vice president. Blair is an active member of his profession, serving on several other national, regional, state, and local organization committees.

Afternoon

Dr. Lisa Langenbach joined the MTSU Political Science faculty in 1993. She received her Ph.D. in American Politics from Purdue University in 1986 and has a special interest in party politics and elections, specifically the role of interest groups in American politics. She has a particular interest in far right and far left political movements both in the U.S. and in Europe. Langenbach has taught 11 different classes for MTSU and regularly teaches both on campus and online. She is also director of the Political Science internship program and places about 50 interns per year in various legal, nonprofit, and governmental internships in the middle Tennessee area and all over the country.

Langenbach pioneered distance education in the department and has earned the Certified Online Instructor designation, works as an online faculty mentor involved in reviewing new and revised online classes, and has taught online for both MTSU and the Tennessee Board of Regents. For this effort, she won the Distinguished Educator Award in Distance Education in 2000 and again in 2013. She was also the recipient of the Golden Apple Award in 2001 and was honored as Outstanding Advisor for the College of Liberal Arts in 2014. Finally, Langenbach was recognized with the MTSU Outstanding Teacher Award for 2015–16.

She has been faculty advisor for over a half-dozen student organizations, teaches in the Experiential Learning (EXL) program, and has won several grants to revitalize and reinvent the teaching of General Education courses, specifically her PS 1005 Introduction to American Politics course.

Academic Regalia

The black gowns and colorful hoods traditionally worn in Middle Tennessee State University commencement ceremonies have their origins in the Middle Ages.

A statute in England in 1321 required that all “Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors” wear gowns. In the second half of the 14th century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade “excess in apparel” and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. Scholars were often clerics as well, and they adopted costumes similar to those of monastic orders. While the special attire covered rank or social status, thus lending a uniform look to ceremonies, it also served another purpose: warmth in drafty, unheated buildings.

As the universities began to pass from the control of the church, colors often were added to the somber robes and hoods, eventually signifying the degree and specialization.

The cut of the gown, which is usually black, also varies with the degree held—pointed sleeves for the bachelor’s degree; long, closed sleeves with a slit in the arm for the master’s degree; and round, open sleeves for the doctoral degree. While the bachelor’s and master’s gowns have no ornamentation, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and has three velvet bars across the sleeves.

At Middle Tennessee, hoods are worn by holders of the master’s and doctor’s degrees, with the latter being longer. Hoods are lined with the official colors of the university which confers the degree; thus holders of degrees from MTSU wear hoods lined in blue and white. The velvet edging on the hood, and often the velvet edging on the gown, represents the candidate’s major academic field. Often holders of the Doctor of Philosophy degree (Ph.D.) will be seen with regalia in dark blue instead of a color symbolic of their discipline. This is accepted academic dress. Further, the velvet lining on the gown may be the same color as the discipline color of the hood, or may be black. Colors associated with various subjects follow:

Agriculture - Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities - White
Commerce, Accountancy, Business - Drab
Criminal Justice - Midnight Blue
Economics - Copper
Education - Light Blue
Fine Arts - Brown
Home Economics - Maroon
Journalism - Crimson

Law - Purple
Library Science - Lemon
Music - Pink
Nursing - Apricot
Oratory (Speech) - Silver Gray
Philosophy - Dark Blue
Physical Education - Sage Green
Science - Golden Yellow
Social Work - Citrine

The black cap, the mortarboard, is customarily worn. There is no general rule for the position of the tassel. In practice at Middle Tennessee State University, the tassel is worn on the right. It may be shifted to the left after the degree is awarded. Men may remove their caps during prayer, the playing of the alma mater, and during the commencement address.

Honor graduates are distinguished by the stoles added to their gowns: gold for those graduating summa cum laude, 3.90 to 4.0 (overall grade point average); silver for magna cum laude, 3.75 to 3.89; and white for cum laude, 3.50 to 3.74. Graduates with University Honors wear blue and white cords and have completed at least 31 hours with a 3.25 average in the Honors program, a curriculum of special classes designed for superior students. Those who have maintained a minimum average of 3.65 in the Honors program are graduating with Distinction in University Honors. Honor graduates and persons graduating with University Honors, along with those who have been commissioned second lieutenant in the United States Army, are listed in this program after the degree recipients.

Some academic honor societies and programs may provide cords, ribbons, medallions, or lapel pins designating the achievement and involvement of their members.

Since 1993, graduates of the University Honors College have received the official Honors medallion in recognition of their final thesis defense and completion of special requirements of the college. The medallion itself is a replica of the official seal of the University Honors College and depicts a lighted torch, three Ionic columns, and a lightning bolt. Respectively, these symbolize the search for truth and knowledge, the stability and unwavering commitment to pursuing knowledge, and the flash of enlightenment or creative energy.

Military veteran students are distinguished by specially designed red stoles and red, white, and blue cords in recognition of their admirable service to their country.

Experiential Learning Scholars are distinguished by blue, silver, and white cords. These scholars completed EXL-designated hands-on learning courses, an off-campus service activity, an on-campus service activity, and a portfolio of reflections on their EXL activities. The EXL program provides students with opportunities for hands-on experience, valuable networking, and an opportunity to explore career paths through real-world experience.

International students may wear colorful sashes that represent their country of origin. Each sash symbolizes, in color and design, their country's flag.

Most American colleges and universities have adopted a uniform code. However, at any academic gathering, costumes often are worn that are not described by these guidelines. Some of these may be from foreign universities, others from American institutions that have preferred to remain with the European tradition of allowing each school to determine its own costume. Silver medallions worn by faculty denote 15 years of service, and gold medallions represent 25 years.

Academic Banners

The banners carried and displayed at commencement represent the University; its nine colleges (Basic and Applied Sciences, Behavioral and Health Sciences, Business, Education, Liberal Arts, Media and Entertainment, Graduate Studies, University College, and University Honors); Walker Library, and Faculty Senate. Art Professor Janet Higgins, her student Kristi Baughman, and Darrell Callis Burks, designer in Creative and Visual Services and 2000 B.F.A. graduate, designed and executed the banners. The colors used in each banner represent disciplines within the colleges. The University seal centers each banner, symbolizing that the whole is greater than any of its parts.

BANNER CARRIERS

College of Basic and Applied Sciences

Dr. Mary B. Farone is a professor in the Department of Biology. She earned her Ph.D. in Microbiology from Miami University in Ohio in 1993 and was a postdoctoral fellow in the Respiratory Biology and Physiology Program at the Harvard School of Public Health in 1994–95. Farone began teaching at MTSU in 1996 as adjunct faculty and joined the Biology faculty full time in 2003. She teaches undergraduate- and graduate-level courses in Microbiology. Her research interests are in the area of host-pathogen relationships. As part of MTSU's Tennessee Center for Botanical Medical Research, she is investigating the antibacterial and antifungal properties of natural and synthetic compounds and also studies the use of protozoa for production of biofuels. Farone mentors undergraduate, master's, and doctoral student research. Her research at MTSU has been funded by the U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency, Department of Homeland Security, and Department of Agriculture. She was also a co-investigator on an NSF-funded GK-12 grant to improve science communication skills of graduate students seeking careers in molecular biology. Farone has been honored with the MTSU Foundation's 2013 Outstanding Teacher Award and 2017 Distinguished Research Award.

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Dr. David Kelly is a professor in the Department of Psychology and joined the MTSU faculty in 1985. He earned a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Texas Tech University, an M.S. in Psychology from Oklahoma State University, and a B.A. from Georgetown University. Kelly completed an internship in Clinical Psychology at the Nashville Veterans Affairs hospital and the Vanderbilt Counseling Center. He served for several years as a consultant, supervisor, and psychotherapist at Dede Wallace Mental Health Center in Nashville. He has twice been director of MTSU's Clinical Psychology graduate program. Kelly has published research in national journals in the areas of psychological testing, issues in education, and chronic self-destructive behavior. He has presented at regional and national psychology conferences on topics such as crisis intervention, risk-taking in college students, and substance abuse.

Jennings A. Jones College of Business

Dr. Michael A. Roach received his Ph.D. in Economics in 2011 and his M.A. in Economics in 2007, both from Northwestern University. He received his B.A. in Economics from Rhodes College in 2004. Roach

joined the faculty at Middle Tennessee State University in 2011. Much of his research has focused on applying empirical microeconomic techniques to a variety of legal settings, in particular the labor market for criminal defense attorneys. Roach also has published a number of papers in the field of sports economics, with a particular focus on turnover in the labor market for head coaches. His research on coaching turnover has been featured in the *Washington Post*, *Sports Illustrated*, and on National Public Radio. During his time at MTSU, Roach has taught microeconomics courses at the undergraduate, M.A., and Ph.D. levels, as well as more specialized courses in industrial organization and sports economics. He has actively mentored graduate students in the department's Ph.D. program and undergraduate students working on Honors theses. In addition to serving on departmental committees, Roach has been faculty sponsor of the MTSU Economics Club since 2014, served on the Jones College of Business Faculty Development Committee, and was a member of both the University's Graduate Council and Faculty Research and Creative Activity Committee.

College of Education

Dr. John Lando Carter is an assistant professor in the Womack Educational Leadership Department and the Assessment, Learning, and School Improvement (ALSI) Ed.D. program. As a former Rutherford County English and creative writing teacher, he researched writing pedagogy and writing assessment strategies. Carter also co-founded the Central Magnet Writing Lab, a student-centered and student-led initiative modeled after the MTSU Writing Center. Carter is a True Blue graduate from Middle Tennessee State University, with a B.A. and M.A. in English and an Ed.D. in ALSI.

College of Graduate Studies

Dr. Amanda J. Flagg, Ph.D., RN, ACNS, CNE, is an associate professor in MTSU's School of Nursing. Flagg received her bachelor's degree at the Nursing School of York College of Pennsylvania, then earned a dual master's degree from Boston University in Education and Counseling and a third master's degree in Nursing, followed by her doctoral degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio School of Nursing. She is retired from the Air Force Nurse Corps after serving 20 years. Flagg currently is a clinical nurse scientist, teaching mental health, research, and nursing theory among other courses to undergraduate and graduate nursing students. Her research interests include theory building, using the concept of concordance in patient-centered care; women's health focus, regarding outcomes of women recovering from major cardiac events; educational interventions, noting impact of concept-based curriculum and improvement of NCLEX test scores; and

instrument development. She has traveled with students overseas to enhance their nursing experiences attending to populations living in underdeveloped countries and enjoys working with students participating in flu shot programs, health fairs, and poster presentations. This is her fifth year as a faculty member at MTSU.

College of Liberal Arts

Dr. LaToya Eaves is an assistant professor in the Department of Global Studies and Human Geography. She joined MTSU in January 2015 as a lecturer in the program. Eaves received her Ph.D. from the Department of Global and Sociocultural Studies, with a major field in Geography, from Florida International University. Her primary areas of research involve examining social identities within spatial narratives and sociopolitical movements of the American South and the Atlantic World more broadly. She is a North Carolina native and holds degrees from North Carolina State University (B.A.) and Florida State University (M.S.).

College of Media and Entertainment

Dr. Christine Eschenfelder began teaching at the MTSU School of Journalism in the fall of 2015. She brings to the classroom more than a dozen years of professional experience, working in television news as a reporter, anchor, assignment manager, and producer. She has been honored with several industry awards, including the prestigious Edward R. Murrow Award. Eschenfelder earned her Ph.D. in Mass Communication from the University of Florida. She is passionate about teaching the skills, theories, and ethics of the profession to young journalists. The courses Eschenfelder teaches at MTSU include Media Ethics, Electronic News Writing, and Broadcast Announcing and Performance. She is the 2017 recipient of the MTSU School of Journalism Edward Kimbrell Teaching Excellence in Journalism faculty award. Eschenfelder taught broadcast journalism courses at the University of Florida before joining the MTSU Journalism faculty. Her research focuses on newsroom diversity, women in television news, work-life balance, and broadcast journalism education.

College of University Honors

Dr. Julie Myatt Barger is an associate professor of English and co-director of General Education English at MTSU. A graduate of Tennessee Technological University and the University of Louisville, Barger joined the faculty of MTSU in 2008. A member of the Honors and graduate faculty, she is a 2016–17 recipient of the award for Outstanding Teaching in General Education. Barger serves as co-president of WPA Midsouth, an affiliate of the Council of Writing Program Administrators.

University College

Mr. Thomas Torku is a lecturer teaching mathematics courses in the University Studies Department. He earned his bachelor's degree in Mathematics with a Business minor from the University of Cape Coast, Ghana, West Africa. He obtained his master's degree in Mathematical Sciences from East Tennessee State University. Torku is currently a first-year doctoral candidate, pursuing his Ph.D. in Computational Science at MTSU. He serves as a social committee member of the University Studies Department. He tutors and assists with high school mathematics at Central Magnet School. Torku is passionate about student success.

James E. Walker Library

Ms. Kristen West, associate professor at Walker Library, has been a librarian at MTSU since 2007. Her work includes providing information literacy instruction to MTSU students in the library, in online courses, and through the library's website. Her articles have appeared in several professional publications, including *College & Undergraduate Libraries*. West holds a bachelor's degree in Art History from Brigham Young University and a master's degree in Information Science from the University of North Texas.

Faculty Senate

Dr. Joey Gray is an associate professor and program director of Leisure, Sport, and Tourism Studies in the Department of Health and Human Performance. She received her Ph.D. in Leisure Behavior from Indiana University; her master's degree in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management from North Carolina State University; and her bachelor's degree from Averett University. A faculty member at MTSU since 2006, Gray primarily focuses her research on pedagogy in Leisure Studies and gender issues in Leisure. Her dedication to teaching is marked by a history of student engagement. Gray's most prized honor to date is the MTSU Outstanding Teaching Award she received in 2017. While at Indiana University, she also received the Trustees' Teaching Award. Gray is well known for her sense of humor, accessibility, and mentorship. Active in the MTSU community, she is the current president of the Faculty Senate and serves as a member of the Honors faculty, graduate faculty, and EXL and MT Engage programs.

THE COLLEGE OF *Graduate Studies*

Doctor of Education

Assessment, Learning, and School Improvement

Isra Brifkani

B.S., Middle Tennessee State University
M.Ed., Middle Tennessee State University
Dissertation: "Striving for Wholeness in Education:
Perspectives from Accredited Islamic Schools in the
United States"
Hooded by: Fred Vanosdall

Doctor of Philosophy

Computational Science

Dalal Alrowaili

B.S., Al Jouf University
B.S., Middle Tennessee State University
Dissertation: "Mathematical Modeling for Ring Systems in
Molecular Systems"
Hooded by: Dong Ye

Economics

Saleh Saud Alsaif

B.S., Troy University
M.B.A., Troy University
M.A., Middle Tennessee State University
Dissertation: "Essays on Health Care Policies,
Market-Entry Decisions, Quality of Care, and
Medicaid Enrollments"
Hooded by: Michael Roach

English

Jessica L. Wofford

B.A., University of Illinois
Dissertation: "Practicing Feminist Cultural Studies:
Raymond Williams and Reading the Media of Gender"
Hooded by: Marion Hollings

Human Performance

James Lee Farnsworth II

B.A., University of North Carolina–Wilmington
M.S., Ohio University
Dissertation: “Improving Patient Reported Measures for Knee Function”
Hooded by: Minsoo Kang

Junbae Mun

B.A., Korea Military Academy
M.S., East Carolina University
Dissertation: “Development of a Practical and Accurate Concussion Assessment Instrument for the South Korean Soldier”
Hooded by: Norman Weatherby

Kristin Lynn Phillips

B.S., University of Illinois
M.Ed., Auburn University
Dissertation: “A Zero-Hour Physical Activity Program’s Benefit on Academic Achievement in Elementary-Aged School Children”
Hooded by: Vaughn Barry

Veronika Pribyslavka

B.S., Murray State University
M.S., University of North Alabama
Dissertation: “Examining Validity of Consumer-Available Activity Monitors in Measuring Energy Expenditure, Heart Rate, and Steps”
Hooded by: Vaughn Barry

Eric Michael Scudamore

B.S.Ed., University of Alabama
M.S., University of North Alabama
Dissertation: “Functional Movement Screening and Balance Under Torso-Loaded and Unloaded Conditions”
Hooded by: Sandy Stevens

Shayna L. Smith

M.S., University of Tennessee–Martin
B.S., University of Tennessee–Martin
Dissertation: “The Evaluation of the Revised Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) on Consumption of Fruits and Vegetables in Tennessee”
Hooded by: Norman Weatherby

Literacy Studies

Karen Nourse Reed

B.A., James Madison University
M.S., Radford University
M.L.I.S., University of North Carolina–Greensboro
Dissertation: “Empowering School Librarians to Be Literacy Instruction Leaders through Professional Development”
Hooded by: Eric Oslund

Mathematics and Science Education

Patrick E. Phoebus

B.S., University of Arizona
M.Ed., Tennessee State University
Dissertation: “Ecological Literacy, Urban Green Space, and Mobile Technology: Exploring the Impacts of an Arboretum Curriculum Designed for Undergraduate Biology Courses”
Hooded by: Michael Rutledge

Derek K. Smith

B.S., Manhattan College
M.S., University of Tennessee
Ed.S., Florida State University
Dissertation: “An Examination of Resources that Impact the Learning Experience of Underprepared Community College Students in a Redesigned Co-Requisite Statistics Course”
Hooded by: Michael Chappell

Samantha A. Stevens

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Alma Mater

words and music by Charles Douglas Williams (B.M. '54)

We sing thy prai - ses faith - ful guide of youth;

The first system of musical notation for the song 'Alma Mater'. It consists of a grand staff with a treble clef on the upper staff and a bass clef on the lower staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'We sing thy prai - ses faith - ful guide of youth;'.

Through all the a - ges af - firmed and strong in truth.

The second system of musical notation. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the accompaniment continues in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Through all the a - ges af - firmed and strong in truth.'.

Al - ma Ma - ter Mid - dle Ten - nes - see

The third system of musical notation. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the accompaniment continues in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Al - ma Ma - ter Mid - dle Ten - nes - see'.

We proud - ly of - fer our hearts in loy - al - ty.

The fourth and final system of musical notation. The melody concludes in the treble clef, and the accompaniment concludes in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'We proud - ly of - fer our hearts in loy - al - ty.'.

I AM *true*
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