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one hundred forty-fourth year*

2023

**Creighton University
Commencement**

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD

President, Creighton University



Dear Creighton University Graduate,

As we gather in the company of family, friends, and supporters to celebrate your tremendous accomplishments, let me offer my heartfelt congratulations on behalf of our Creighton community that you are now, officially, a proud member of the graduating Class of 2023.

This commencement ceremony is an incredibly special and well-deserved recognition of your persistence and dedication. All the effort that you have put in up to this point is yours to cherish as you close the book on one chapter and turn the page to discover something entirely new. I know I join everyone who has helped you and supported you along the way when I say that we cannot wait to see what awaits you in this world of endless possibility.

I encourage you to give yourself the chance to enjoy this special moment and reflect on the transformational journey that has brought you here. The rigor, sense of purpose, and focus needed to reach this point is not just something anyone can achieve; however, you can now count yourself among those few who can call themselves a college graduate. You have done something extraordinary.

This is the same passion that I hope you bring as you go on to make meaningful contributions in your profession and in your community. The world needs you, and I have faith that you will be a leader who will remain steadfastly driven and compassionate because you are not just a graduate, you are a Creighton University graduate.

Know, too, that you are not alone on this journey. You are now part of a Creighton alumni family that is nearly 80,000 strong and stretches across the globe. May you take from your experiences the best of what a Jesuit, Catholic education offers—inquiry, imagination, and inspiration. You are a changemaker and that means you do not wait for the world to come to you; you go forth with a mission to make it better.

Enjoy this milestone in your life, and may God bless you and your families.

Sincerely,

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD



Order of Exercises

PROCESSION

MACE BEARER

Mary Ann Danielson, PhD
Professor, College of Arts and Sciences

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Kiley L. Meleán
Class of 2023, College of Arts and Sciences

INVOCATION

Rev. Nicholas J. C. Santos, SJ, PhD
Rector, Jesuit Community

PROVOST'S WELCOME

Mardell A. Wilson, EdD, RDN
Provost

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD
President

ROBERT F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL AWARD FOR TEACHING ACHIEVEMENT

Presented by
Fineas G. Herrera
Class of 2024, Creighton Students Union President

SPIRIT OF CREIGHTON AWARDS

Presented by
Michele K. Bogard, PhD
Associate Vice Provost, Student Engagement

HONORARY DEGREES

Hooded by
Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD
President

Presented by
Cynthia M. Schmiersal, EdD
Vice President, Mission and Ministry

Anthony R. Hendrickson, PhD
Dean, Heider College of Business

Bridget M. Keegan, PhD
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Joshua P. Fershée, JD
Dean, School of Law

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Sheila S. Boston, JD
Partner, Arnold & Porter, New York City

BOARD AUTHORIZATION

Presented by
Board of Trustees Member

DEGREE CONFERRAL STATEMENT

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD
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PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR EARNED DEGREES

College of Arts and Sciences
Bridget M. Keegan, PhD, Dean

Heider College of Business
Anthony R. Hendrickson, PhD, Dean

College of Professional and Continuing Education
Gayla M. Stoner, PhD, Dean

College of Nursing
Catherine M. Todero, PhD, RN, Dean
Vice Provost, Health Sciences Campuses

TURNING OF THE TASSEL

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD
President

STAGE PARTY AND FACULTY RECESSIONAL



Dustin K. Ormond, PhD

Associate Professor, Business Intelligence and Analytics

The Creighton Students Union recognizes achievements of students, staff and faculty through various awards. However, the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Award for Teaching Achievement stands above the rest. Each year, students from all nine colleges and schools nominate professors considered exemplary educators. Nominees must demonstrate high competence in their fields and present subject matter in interesting and effective ways. Beyond teaching aptitude, nominees must inspire and serve students, and take interest in students as individuals.

The Creighton Students Union is pleased to recognize Dustin Ormond, PhD, associate professor of business intelligence and analytics in the Heider College of Business, as the recipient of the 2023 Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Award for Teaching Achievement.

A student nominator said Dr. Ormond “...goes above and beyond to ensure his students receive the best possible education. He demonstrates a unique ability to make every student feel seen and heard. One of the most impressive things about Professor Ormond is his ability to memorize every student’s name, which creates a welcoming and friendly environment.”

He also takes the time to research student interests and incorporate them into lessons and activities. Midsemester, he asks for feedback from students, which he then integrates into his teaching, giving students a voice in the direction of the course. Students say this attention to detail shows how invested he is in the success of his students. He celebrates students’

achievements whether they grasp a new concept or land an internship or job. Significantly, he shows just as much concern for students who are struggling.



Dr. Ormond joined Creighton in 2014 and has taught management information systems, database and cybersecurity courses to undergraduate, graduate and online students. One of his primary research interests is behavioral cybersecurity, specifically looking at how emotions, rationalizations, curiosity and boredom impact cybersecurity behaviors, and he has been published numerous times in leading journals in the field.

One of Dr. Ormond’s greatest service contributions to the University community and beyond is through the BlueBox Project. A BlueBox is a small digital library that facilitates education in the most remote areas of the world. A solar version of the BlueBox can also be deployed

in areas without electricity. The BlueBox Project led to developing one of the first academic service-learning courses in Heider College, giving students the opportunity to go to the Dominican Republic to instruct rural teachers and others on using BlueBox technology. Additionally, Dr. Ormond dedicated his sabbatical to further the project in South Africa.

He completed his PhD in information systems at Mississippi State University and received both his bachelor’s degree in information systems and his master’s degree in information systems management from Brigham Young University.



Lance M. Fritz

Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, Union Pacific

Lance Fritz is the chairman, president and chief executive officer of Union Pacific, a position he's held since 2015. Union Pacific is one of just four Fortune 500 companies based in Omaha.

Earning a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from Bucknell University and then a Master of Management from Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, Fritz began his career at Union Pacific in 2000 after working for Fiskars Inc., Cooper Industries and General Electric. He first served as vice president and general manager of Energy in Union Pacific's Marketing and Sales Department and later as vice president-Labor Relations as well as executive vice president-Operations. He was named president and chief operating officer in 2014.

A recognized thought leader in the business and transportation sectors, Fritz regularly contributes to national media outlets, symposiums and conferences. He is also nationally recognized for his leadership in the industry, serving as a board member for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the STRATCOM Consultation Committee. He is also on the board of directors for the Association of American Railroads, Parker-Hannifin, The Business Council and Business Roundtable, and is incoming chairman of the Georgia Institute of Technology president's advisory board.



Fritz's involvement in the Omaha area and across Nebraska includes serving as a board member of the Omaha Zoological Society and Nebraska Medicine, and as a trustee of the Omaha Business Ethics Alliance. His past involvement includes serving as a board member and chair of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce; fundraising and board chairman of United Way of the Midlands, and co-chair of Blueprint Nebraska, a statewide economic development plan launched in 2018.

He and his wife, Julie, who likewise serves or has served on the boards of many nonprofits, were Salvation Army Tree of Lights campaign chairs and were recognized as United Way Midlanders of the Year in 2022. Julie currently serves on the board of directors for Film Streams and on the board of governors for Joslyn Art Museum. She also serves on the DJ's Hero Scholarship Selection Committee and United Way of the Midlands' Women United steering committee. She previously served on the board of directors for Habitat for Humanity. The Fritzes are the proud parents of two children, Victoria and Marshall.

In recognition of his impactful career and contributions to Nebraska's economy, as well as his support of nonprofit and charitable causes, Creighton University proudly confers upon Lance M. Fritz the honorary degree, **Doctor of Business Administration.**



Bruce R. Lauritzen

*Chairman Emeritus, First National of Nebraska,
the Lauritzen Corporation, and First National Bank of Omaha*

Bruce R. Lauritzen is chairman emeritus of First National of Nebraska and the Lauritzen Corporation, holding companies for First National Bank of Omaha. He is a past director of the Omaha branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and Visa, USA, and a past member of the Federal Advisory Council to the Federal Reserve Board. Lauritzen is also a current or past board member for numerous community organizations, including the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, Ak-Sar-Ben, Clarkson Regional Health Services, Lauritzen Gardens, and the Nebraska Game and Parks Foundation. He has served as a member of the Creighton University Board of Trustees since 1987.

After graduation from St. Paul's School in New Hampshire, Lauritzen would go on to receive a bachelor's degree from Princeton University and his MBA from the University of Virginia. Shortly thereafter he moved to Nebraska and began working at First National Bank, launching what would become a decades-long career with the company.

In 1972, Lauritzen was promoted to second vice president before becoming vice president later that same year, at just 29. He was named an Outstanding Young Omahan by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce in 1978.

Lauritzen continued to advance at First National of Nebraska, taking on the role of executive vice president in 1983 and then president in 1987. He would remain as president of First National of Nebraska for nearly 20 years before stepping down in 2006.



Throughout his career, Lauritzen engaged with the community by supporting, or through leadership positions with, 30 nonprofit organizations or causes. He currently serves in leadership

capacities with 15 varied local, regional, and national nonprofit groups and is the founder of the John and Elizabeth Lauritzen Foundation, which financially supports a variety of nonprofits.

Additionally, Lauritzen has been recognized with numerous awards including United Way's Citizens of the Year with his wife Geraldine "Gerry" Dougherty Morrow Lauritzen for 2016-2017; *Omaha World-Herald's* Midlander of the Year in 2015; "Face on the Barroom Floor" at the Omaha Press Club in 2011; and King of Ak-Sar-Ben in 2001.

He married his first wife, Kimball "Kim" McKay Bowles Lauritzen, in 1967, with whom he had three children. After Kim died in 2008, Bruce would later marry Gerry and gain two stepchildren, including Christopher Morrow, who earned his BSN from Creighton in 2017.

In recognition of his long-standing commitment to Omaha; his decades of service to higher education, including the Creighton University Board of Trustees; and his leadership in the business community, Creighton University proudly confers upon Bruce R. Lauritzen the honorary degree of **Doctor of Business Administration**.



John W. Pehle

Executive Director, U.S. War Refugee Board

The late John W. Pehle served many roles during his life, but there was none more impactful than the two years he spent as executive director of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's War Refugee Board, leading an effort to save tens of thousands of Jews from death during the Holocaust.

After graduating from Creighton in 1930 with a degree in philosophy, Pehle would go on to earn two law degrees from Yale University and find his way to the U.S. Treasury Department where he worked from 1934 to 1940 as a lawyer in the Office of the General Counsel.

By the time America had entered the war, Pehle had ascended the ranks of the Treasury to become the head of Foreign Funds Control. In the summer of 1943, Pehle's office received a license request from the World Jewish Congress to fund relief for Jewish people in France and Romania.

In his role, Pehle pushed for delivering financial aid to European Jews being targeted by Hitler's regime, often directly confronting members of the U.S. government who did not want the details of the Holocaust to be fully known to the American population. His determination secured him a meeting with President Roosevelt who, upon hearing Pehle's pleas for Jewish aid, created the War Refugee Board and placed Pehle at the top of the newly formed organization.

Over the next two years, until the end of the war in 1945, the War Refugee Board covertly helped many Jews escape Nazi-occupied territories by issuing visas, providing financial means to escape, paying bribes to Nazis, and

more. He also authored the first official public report on Hitler's targeting and execution of European Jews, galvanizing the U.S. in support of the war effort. Some historians' estimates have placed the number of lives saved by the board's actions at more than 200,000.

Upon the dissolution of the board, Pehle left the government and entered private practice as a tax attorney, eventually becoming a partner with a national firm and then managing partner before retiring in 1975. He would live until the age of 90 before his death in 1999 from cancer. He was posthumously awarded a Congressional Gold Medal and was a key figure in Ken Burns' three-part PBS documentary *The U.S. and the Holocaust*.

In recognition of his tremendous efforts to preserve the lives of countless refugees, his bravery in the face of opposition, and his lasting impact on world history, Creighton University proudly confers upon John W. Pehle the honorary degree **Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa***.





Sheila S. Boston

Partner, Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP

Sheila S. Boston, a trial lawyer and legal strategist in New York City, is a groundbreaking figure in many ways. A successful litigator at the state and federal levels, her clients have included companies such as Bayer, Pfizer, and Takeda. She is also known for leveraging expert witnesses in support of her client, working closely with specialists across a variety of science and health professions including toxicology, epidemiology, cardiology, psychology, psychiatry, and more.

Active in the legal community, Boston was appointed by New York governors on two occasions to serve three-year terms on the state's First Department Judicial Screening Committee. She has also been appointed by Chief Judges of the Second Circuit Court of Appeals to serve terms on the Attorney Grievance Committee.

She is held in high regard for her passionate advocacy of inclusivity in the legal field and beyond, for which she has won numerous honors and awards. She was the first Black woman at a major New York City law firm to rise from summer associate to partner while remaining at the same firm for the full duration of her career. More recently, Boston was the first woman of color to be voted in as president of the New York City Bar Association in its 150-year history.

As president of the New York City Bar from May 2020 until June 2022, Boston had six main pillars of focus during her term: COVID-19 recovery projects; mental health and wellness; access to justice; criminal justice reform; fair representation; and protection of the rule of law. Leading

the bar association through a pandemic, Boston sought to inspire and galvanize the legal community by nicknaming the organization, "The Bar of Hope." She is especially well known for decrying assaults to the rule of law and elevating conversations around discrimination, access to justice, and mental health and wellness.



A graduate of Princeton University and Columbia Law School, Boston was a highly engaged student. She served as a resident advisor for two years, was vice president of Princeton's NAACP college chapter, sang as a member of the Princeton Gospel Ensemble, and was a co-founder of the Hallelujah Worship Service for students. While at Columbia, she was a member of the Black Law Students Association and participated as an instructor and mentor in the student pipeline project, Legal Outreach. In her career she has served, or currently serves, on at least 14 different committees and organizations.

With her husband, Reverend Jerome Robinson, an ordained minister who serves as an Associate Minister at the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York City, Boston has two children, a son named Rome, who is a corrections officer, and a daughter named Ariel, who is a registered nurse.

In recognition of her significant contributions to the legal profession and trailblazing efforts ensuring fairness under the law, Creighton University proudly confers upon Sheila S. Boston the honorary degree **Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa***.



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Omaha, Nebraska

Katie Ann Clark
Chesterfield, Missouri

Mary Elizabeth Conway
cum laude
Overland Park, Kansas

Michaela Jane Cordova
cum laude
Lawrence, Kansas

Kyle Steven Cormier
Castle Rock, Colorado

Brayden Patric Coté
cum laude
Omaha, Nebraska

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magna cum laude
St. Paul, Minnesota

Katherine Mary Cox
summa cum laude
Olathe, Kansas

Gabrielle Anne Cranford
magna cum laude
Basehor, Kansas

Saren Katelyn Croker
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Cottage Grove, Minnesota

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magna cum laude
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cum laude
Lincoln, Nebraska

Anisha Rhea Das
magna cum laude
Aurora, Colorado

Christina Irene Davis
summa cum laude
Omaha, Nebraska

Gabriella Louise De La Pena
Seattle, Washington

Maria Sofia Deatherage
summa cum laude
Beaverton, Oregon

Lydia Marie Delkamiller
magna cum laude
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Meron Tesfaye Demeke
cum laude
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Portland, Oregon

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Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Meghan Patricia Thornton
cum laude
Greenwood Village, Colorado

Alyssa Nicole Itzin Timm
cum laude
West St. Paul, Minnesota

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York, Nebraska

Amelia Grace Treu
summa cum laude
Bellevue, Nebraska

Megan Grace Tymins
summa cum laude
Phoenix, Arizona

Amanda Rae Vacca
cum laude
Huron, Ohio

Kyra Shea Van Helden
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cum laude
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Traditions of Creighton



Creighton Seal

The Creighton University seal includes elements representing the Creighton family, Creighton's Jesuit tradition and the Omaha Archdiocese.

The gold stripes on the red field, in the upper left-hand quadrant of the shield, come from the family coat of arms of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). The lion rampant comes from the Creighton family coat of arms, and the three seashells on a field of white and red sable come from the Wareham family coat of arms—paying homage to Creighton University's founding families. The design for the shield's final quadrant, in the lower left, comes from the coat of arms of the Archdiocese of Omaha. The starburst behind the shield comes from the seal of the Society of Jesus.



Ceremonial Mace

In the Middle Ages, the mace was a club used in battle and carried by a bodyguard to defend a person of authority. Over the years, it began to lose its warlike image and became a symbol of peaceful leadership.

At an academic institution, the mace is the symbol of the legal and chartered authority of the leadership to whom the board of trustees has delegated authority. When the ceremonial mace is present, the authority of the University is present. Use of the mace is reserved for occasions of outstanding importance, and it is an honor to bear the mace.

The Creighton University mace was designed and fashioned by Brian K. Besack, operations supervisor of the University's carpenter shop, at the invitation of then president, the Rev. John P. Schlegel, SJ, to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the University.

Using a cherry wood baluster from a long-abandoned staircase in the attic of Creighton Hall, the oldest building on Creighton's campus, Besack designed and fashioned the shaft, head and foot of the mace. Each facet of the nine-sided head displays a bronze, gold-plated medallion bearing the name and founding date of the University's schools and colleges. Its foot is sheathed in gold-plated brass, and cradled in its shaft rests the official seal of the University. At its top, the mace is crowned with a three-dimensional blue and gold medallion symbol of the Society of Jesus.



Academic Attire

The history of academic dress reaches far back into the early days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required that all “Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors” of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. In England, 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. While European institutions continue to show great diversity in their specifications of academic dress, American colleges and universities generally have adopted the Intercollegiate Code for Academic Costumes. This code specifies design characteristics of gowns, hoods, caps and tassels, including pattern, material, color and trimmings.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors’ gowns, edging of hoods and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different subjects are as follows:

Agriculture	Maize	Nursing	Apricot
Architecture.....	Blue Violet	Occupational Therapy.....	Ink Blue
Arts, Letters, Humanities.....	White	Oratory (Speech).....	Silver Gray
Commerce, Accountancy, Business.....	Nugget	Pharmacy	Olive Green
Dentistry.....	Lilac	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Economics	Copper	Physical Education	Sage Green
Education	Light Blue	Physical Therapy	Teal
Engineering	Orange	Public Administration,	
Fine Arts	Brown	including Foreign Service.....	Peacock Blue
Forestry	Russet	Public Health.....	Salmon Pink
Journalism.....	Crimson	Science	Golden Yellow
Law.....	Purple	Social Work.....	Citron
Library Science.....	Lemon	Theology	Scarlet
Medicine.....	Green	Veterinary Science.....	Gray
Music	Pink		





Spirit of Creighton Award

Creighton University, through the Public Honors and Events Committee, annually recognizes outstanding students at May commencement with the Spirit of Creighton Award. This is the highest student award presented by the University, and the student receiving it does not know until his/her name is called during the commencement ceremony.

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2022

Nibras Basitkey
Heider College of Business
Eli Blaney
College of Arts and Sciences

2021

Diego Gomez
College of Arts and Sciences
Adrienne Pyle
School of Medicine

2020

Michael Galeski
College of Arts and Sciences

2019

Nathaniel S. Hansen
School of Dentistry
Hannah O'Hagan
College of Arts and Sciences

2018

Tyler Clement
Heider College of Business
Samantha Kappenman
School of Dentistry
Samantha Stoupa
College of Arts and Sciences

2017

Nicholas Fischer
College of Arts and Sciences

2016

Tara Dammer
School of Pharmacy and Health Professions
Brandon Warrington
College of Arts and Sciences

2015

Stephan Charles Brannan
School of Medicine
Augusta Rose Herman
College of Arts and Sciences
John Thomas McCoy
College of Arts and Sciences and Heider College of Business

2014

Hunter Colt Allen
Heider College of Business
Douglas Richard McDermott
Heider College of Business
Sarah Elizabeth Seifert
College of Nursing

2013

Laura Haller
College of Arts and Sciences
Matthew Leedom
School of Pharmacy and Health Professions

2012

Melissa List
School of Nursing
Edward Saito
School of Pharmacy and Health Professions

2011

Elizabeth M. Fairbairn
College of Arts and Sciences
Patrick M. O'Malley
College of Arts and Sciences

2010

Patrick Carter
College of Arts and Sciences
Marley Doyle
School of Medicine

2009

Geoffrey Hayes
College of Arts and Sciences
Danielle Potter
School of Medicine

2008

Justin Birge, Jacob Smeltzer and Mary Skrypek
School of Medicine
Joseph M. Ortega
College of Business Administration

2007

Brandon C. Hankey
College of Arts and Sciences
Mary Therese Rogers
School of Medicine

2006

Adam Greteman
College of Arts and Sciences
Marie Halbur
School of Dentistry
Raquel "Kelly" Orbik
College of Arts and Sciences

2005

Keith McGovern
College of Business Administration
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School of Nursing

2004

Micah Kiel
College of Arts and Sciences
Gerard J. Stanley
School of Medicine
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College of Arts and Sciences

2003

Margaret Bowie
College of Arts and Sciences
Jesse Luis Renteria
College of Arts and Sciences

2002

Nakina Mills
College of Arts and Sciences
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College of Arts and Sciences

2001

Amber Van Kirk
School of Nursing
Chad N. Scholl
School of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions

2000

Sarah Elizabeth Waetzig
College of Arts and Sciences
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College of Arts and Sciences

1999

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School of Medicine
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1998

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1997

Edward T. Dziedzic
College of Arts and Sciences
Christie Michels
College of Arts and Sciences

1996

Jennifer Naughton
College of Arts and Sciences
Ralph Ralphson
College of Arts and Sciences

1995

Trenten B. Baush
School of Law
Courtney L. Carlson
College of Arts and Sciences

1994

Robyn Davis
College of Arts and Sciences
Steve Kern
School of Medicine

1993

Jana Braklow
School of Nursing
Christopher Shaffer
School of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions

1992

Shirley Kern
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G. Scott Wall
School of Dentistry

1991

Mary T. O'Keif
School of Nursing
Melvin "Paul" Palalay
School of Medicine

1990

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College of Business Administration
Lisa Zimmerman
College of Arts and Sciences

1989

Kathryn Ault
College of Arts and Sciences
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School of Nursing

1988

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Graduate School
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School of Medicine

1987

Anne M. Duffy
College of Arts and Sciences
Daniel J. Huesgen
College of Arts and Sciences

1986

James J. Crandall Jr.
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History of Creighton University

Edward and Mary Lucretia Creighton, along with Edward's brother, John, settled in Omaha in the 1850s. John married Mary Lucretia's sister, Sarah Emily Wareham, in 1868, and the four are considered the founders of Creighton University. Edward's work with the transcontinental telegraph and freighting, ranching, railroading and banking became a major force in the city's economic development. The two brothers were widely known for their business enterprises, and the two couples were also widely regarded for their philanthropy.

Edward died in 1874, and his widow included \$100,000 in her will to establish Creighton College in memory of her husband. Mary Lucretia died in 1876, and her executors, who included her brother-in-law John, purchased 6.2 acres of land at the northwest corner of what is currently 24th and California streets. The land and additional securities were transferred to Bishop James O'Connor of Omaha, and construction began on the school.

The bishop asked the Jesuits to operate the school and the first president, Roman A. Shaffel, S.J., arrived in Omaha in late 1877; the school opened on Sept. 2, 1878. One priest, two scholastics, a layman and a laywoman formed the faculty. The school began with 120 students ranging in age from 6 to 30. On Aug. 14, 1879, Bishop O'Connor surrendered his trust to the Jesuits, who incorporated "The Creighton University" under Nebraska law. Much of the initial teaching was below the collegiate level; in 1891, Creighton University awarded its first baccalaureate degree.

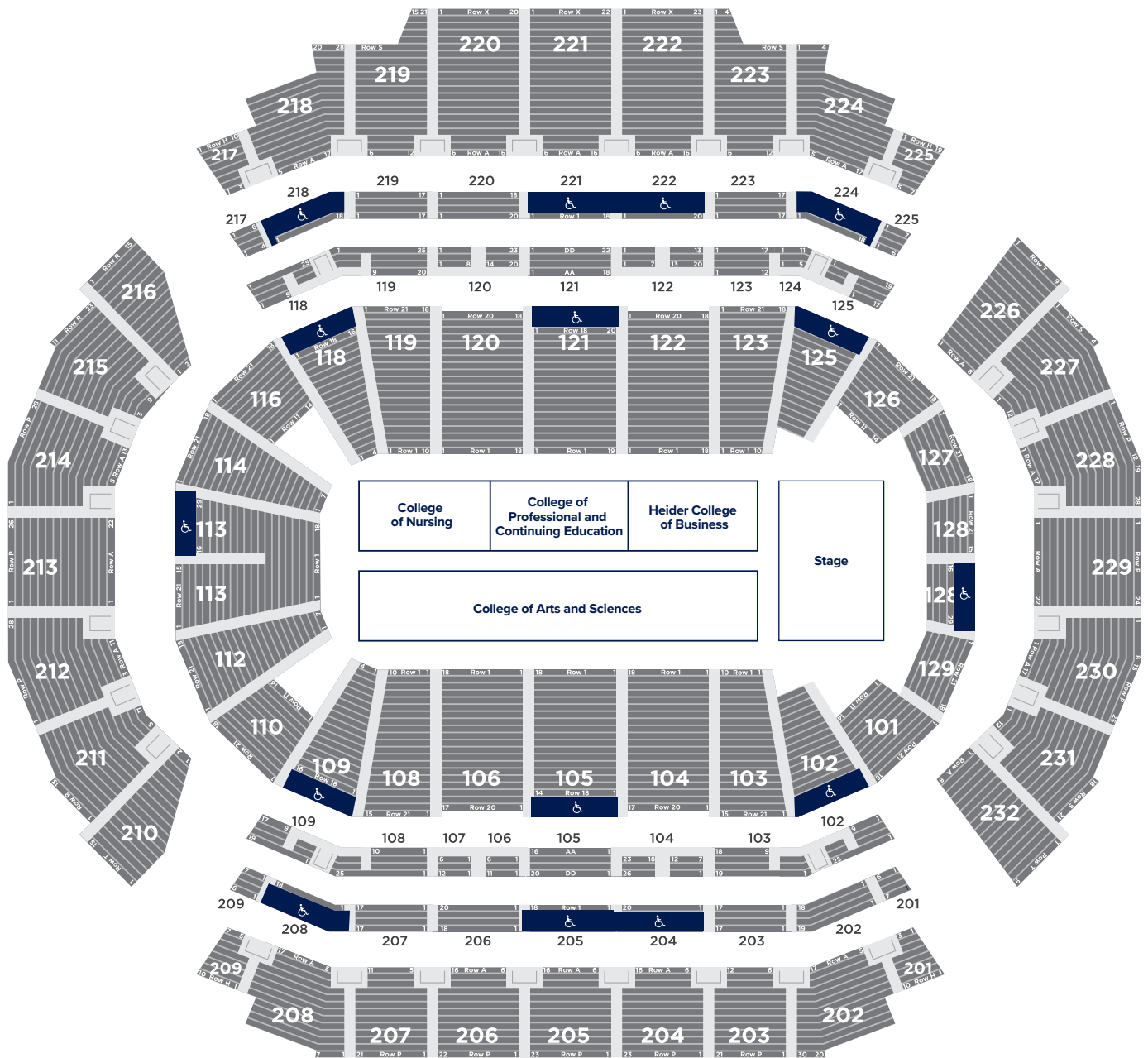


Edward and Mary Lucretia's generosity is credited with establishing Creighton College, while John and Sarah Emily's philanthropy enlarged it to a five-school university. Today, Creighton University consists of nine schools and colleges:

- College of Arts and Sciences (1878)
- School of Medicine (1892)
- School of Law (1904)
- School of Dentistry (1905)
- School of Pharmacy and Health Professions (1905)
- Heider College of Business (1920)
- Graduate School (1926)
- College of Nursing (1971; four-year bachelor's degree program began in 1958)
- College of Professional and Continuing Education (Established as University College in 1983)



CHI Health Arena Map





Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labor and not to ask for reward; save that of knowing that I am doing your will.

A Prayer for Generosity

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Founder of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits)



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Degree Conferral

Creighton University confers degrees three times per year: August, December, and May. Annual University commencement ceremonies are held in May for all Colleges and Schools. The hooding ritual is included in the commencement ceremony for master and doctoral level students. An additional graduate level commencement ceremony is held in December. Students who complete their degree programs in August or December may attend the commencement ceremony following completion, or with the approval of the Office of the Dean, in the preceding May. Participation in a commencement ceremony does not guarantee a degree is officially earned. A degree is conferred only after the dean verifies all academic requirements are met and the degree is posted on the student's transcript by the Office of the Registrar.

Ceremony Photos

Ceremony Photos will photograph each graduate receiving his or her diploma. Graduates will be emailed a link to their photo proofs, or they can go to ceremonyphotos.com for more information. Questions may be addressed to service@ceremonyphotos.com or call 402.917.6518.



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