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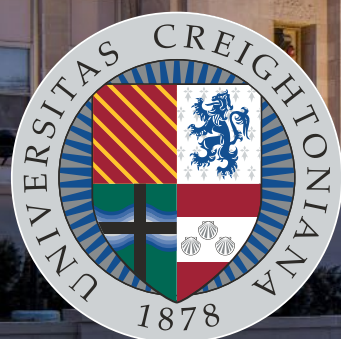




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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD

President, Creighton University



The Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD, completed his seventh year as president of Creighton University, with the end of this academic term.

Dear Creighton University Graduate,

On behalf of the entire Creighton University community, I offer my heartfelt congratulations to you—as a member of the Class of 2022—on this momentous occasion.

Commencement is a joyous celebration, a culmination of your hard work and dedication, and the dawn of infinite opportunities in your life. Part of the time you have been studying at Creighton, from March 2020 well into 2021, presented obstacles and uncertainty due to the pandemic. You, as well as all people of the world, faced adjustments, complications, and hardships unprecedented in modern times. You persevered and overcame those obstacles, and you remained devoted to the goals you had set for yourself. I know I join your family, friends, professors, and mentors when I say that you have my utmost admiration for your adaptability and for maintaining your sense of purpose, commitment, and focus.

Please take a moment during this exhilarating time in your life to reflect on the transformative journey you have undertaken, and how you have deepened your understanding of yourself, those around you, and the world. You are prepared to make meaningful contributions to your profession and the communities you will join and serve. I have faith that you will be a leader who will help others thrive and who exhibits a restlessness and thirst for justice and equality for all.

May you take from Creighton University the best of what your Jesuit, Catholic education offers—inquiry, imagination, and inspiration. You are a changemaker, and the world awaits.

Know, too, that you are not alone in this journey. You are now part of a Creighton alumni family that is nearly 80,000 strong and stretches across the globe. Enjoy this milestone day in your life, and may God bless you and your families.

Sincerely,

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD



Order of Exercises

PROCESSION

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Provost

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD
President

ROBERT F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL AWARD FOR TEACHING ACHIEVEMENT

Presented by **Francisco Pastor-Rivera**
President, Creighton Students Union

INTRODUCTION OF ACADEMIC HONORS

Presented by **Mardell A. Wilson, EdD, RDN**
Provost

SPIRIT OF CREIGHTON AWARDS

Presented by **Tanya A. Winegard, PhD**
Vice Provost, Student Life

HONORARY DEGREES

Presented and hooded by
Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD
President

INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Lydia R. Cooper, PhD
Associate Professor, College of Arts and Sciences

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Natalie Diaz, MFA
*Pulitzer Prize Winning Poet,
Director of the Center for Imagination
in the Borderlands, Arizona State University*

BOARD AUTHORIZATION

Presented by
Rev. Nicholas J. C. Santos, SJ, PhD
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DEGREE CONFERRAL STATEMENT

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

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TURNING OF THE TASSEL

Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD
President

STAGE PARTY AND FACULTY RECESSIONAL

Gwendalyn King, PhD

Assistant Professor of Neuroscience

The Creighton Students Union recognizes the 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 must 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 Gwendalyn King, PhD, assistant professor of neuroscience in the Department of Biology, College of Arts and Sciences, as the recipient of the 2022 Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Award for Teaching Achievement.

Dr. King's commitment to her students, to their education and to their future has seen her described as a cheerleader, a mentor and an "incredibly positive force."

Through her dedication to undergraduate neuroscience, she has prioritized student career training and shaped her pedagogy to produce competitive and holistic neuroscientists. Within a year of her arrival on campus in June 2019, Dr. King established a chapter of Nu Rho Psi, the National Honor Society in Neuroscience.



The chapter this year held the inaugural Creighton Brain Day and 15 local high school students spent the day on campus with Creighton neuroscience students. She also designed and won approval for Creighton's

first STEM-based academic service-learning course, which enables neuroscience majors to develop critical communication skills by engaging with the public.

This intentionality has earned Dr. King a reputation for mentorship both inside and outside the laboratory and for steadfast advocacy of her students. One student testifies she received more than 20 interviews in a single month from universities across the country considering her applications to their PhD programs, on the strength of a letter of recommendation written by Dr. King. Interviewers at Johns Hopkins, Harvard and the University of California, San Francisco, told the student the letter "was one of the best they had ever read simply

because it was so obvious how much she cared about me as both a young scientist and an individual."

Dr. King earned her PhD in neuroscience from the University of Michigan, served as a postdoctoral fellow at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, an instructor at Boston University School of Medicine and as an assistant professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham before joining the Creighton faculty.

Sr. Judy Carle, RSM

Advocate for the Marginalized

Sixty-four years after she entered the Sisters of Mercy, Sr. Judy Carle, RSM, is still advocating for the homeless, the incarcerated, immigrants and others who reside on the margins of society.

Hers has been, and remains, a life dedicated to education, volunteer work and social activism. She has served on the advisory committee of Healing WELL, an organization supporting the homeless of San Francisco; been a coordinator for Mercy Volunteer Corps; and serves as an ambassador to the Catherine Center, a Catholic, California-based residential program that helps previously incarcerated women transition back into society.

In 1991, Sr. Carle helped establish the Institute of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas and later served in Mercy Housing before being elected regional community president in 1997.

The Institute of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas comprises communities in the United States, Central America, South America, the Philippines, Guam and the Caribbean, all of which express a special concern for women and children who are trafficked for sexual exploitation and labor.

Now based in Burlingame, California, Sr. Carle has immersed herself in immigration work, marching with protesters in support of the human right to migrate and calling for an end to the militarization of border communities and detention sites.

She currently serves on the board of stewardship trustees at CommonSpirit Health, the largest Catholic health system in the United States. Additionally, she recently guided a new program called “Nuns and Nones,”

which brings together women religious and religiously unaffiliated Millennials in an environment where they can share a common dialogue and connect across spiritual and generational divides.

In Sr. Carle’s words, participants in “Nuns and Nones”:

“... share stories, they discover their likeness in a strong devotion to service, to a sense of meaning and purpose, which can only be called sacred. They share a commitment to doing what is right, good and life affirming in the community and in the world. They recognize together how much they share in common: an authentic hope, a shared belief in social change.”

Sr. Carle’s long years of service reflect Creighton University’s Jesuit

and Ignatian spirit and provide an example for future generations to follow.

In recognition, therefore, of her lifelong commitment to the needs of the homeless, the incarcerated, immigrants, and marginalized populations, Creighton University proudly confers upon Sr. Judy Carle the honorary degree Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*.



Natalie Diaz, MFA

*Pulitzer Prize Winning Poet and Director of the
Center for Imagination in the Borderlands, Arizona State University*

Natalie Diaz is a Pulitzer Prize winner and a recipient of the coveted MacArthur Fellowship, or “genius” grant, among her many accomplishments, fellowships, and honors. She is the director of the Center for Imagination in the Borderlands at Arizona State University, where she also is an associate professor and holds the Maxine and Jonathan Marshall Chair in Modern and Contemporary Poetry.

Such accolades are only part of Diaz’s inspiring story. She was a decorated college basketball player for Old Dominion University, reaching the NCAA Final in 1997 and three additional Sweet 16s, and played professional basketball in Europe and Asia. Following her basketball career, she returned to Old Dominion in Norfolk, Virginia, to earn her MFA in poetry and fiction.

Her indigenous life experience as a member of the Gila River Indian Community in Arizona and childhood on the Fort Mojave Reservation in California characterizes and drives her work.

Her first poetry collection, *When My Brother Was an Aztec*, won the American Book Award and her

second, *Postcolonial Love Poem*, was a finalist for the National Book Award and the Forward Prize, and won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry in 2021.



Diaz speaks Mojave and Spanish and has been involved in language revitalization efforts on her reservation. She is passionate about indigenous issues. The Center for Imagination in the Borderlands at ASU was her brainchild, and as director she leads its efforts to courageously ask difficult questions, including those that concern the oppression and violence that continue to afflict indigenous Americans. As a poet, Diaz is renowned for blending personal, political, and cultural references in works that challenge the systems of belief underlying contemporary American culture.

Therefore, in recognition of her significant and thought-provoking contributions to poetry, academia and culture, her courage, and her passionate commitment to the concerns of indigenous Americans, Creighton University proudly confers upon Natalie Diaz the honorary degree Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*.



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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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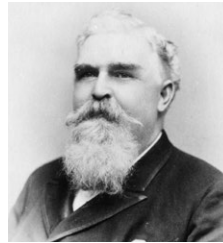
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Edward Creighton



Mary Lucretia Creighton



John Creighton



Sarah Emily Creighton

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.

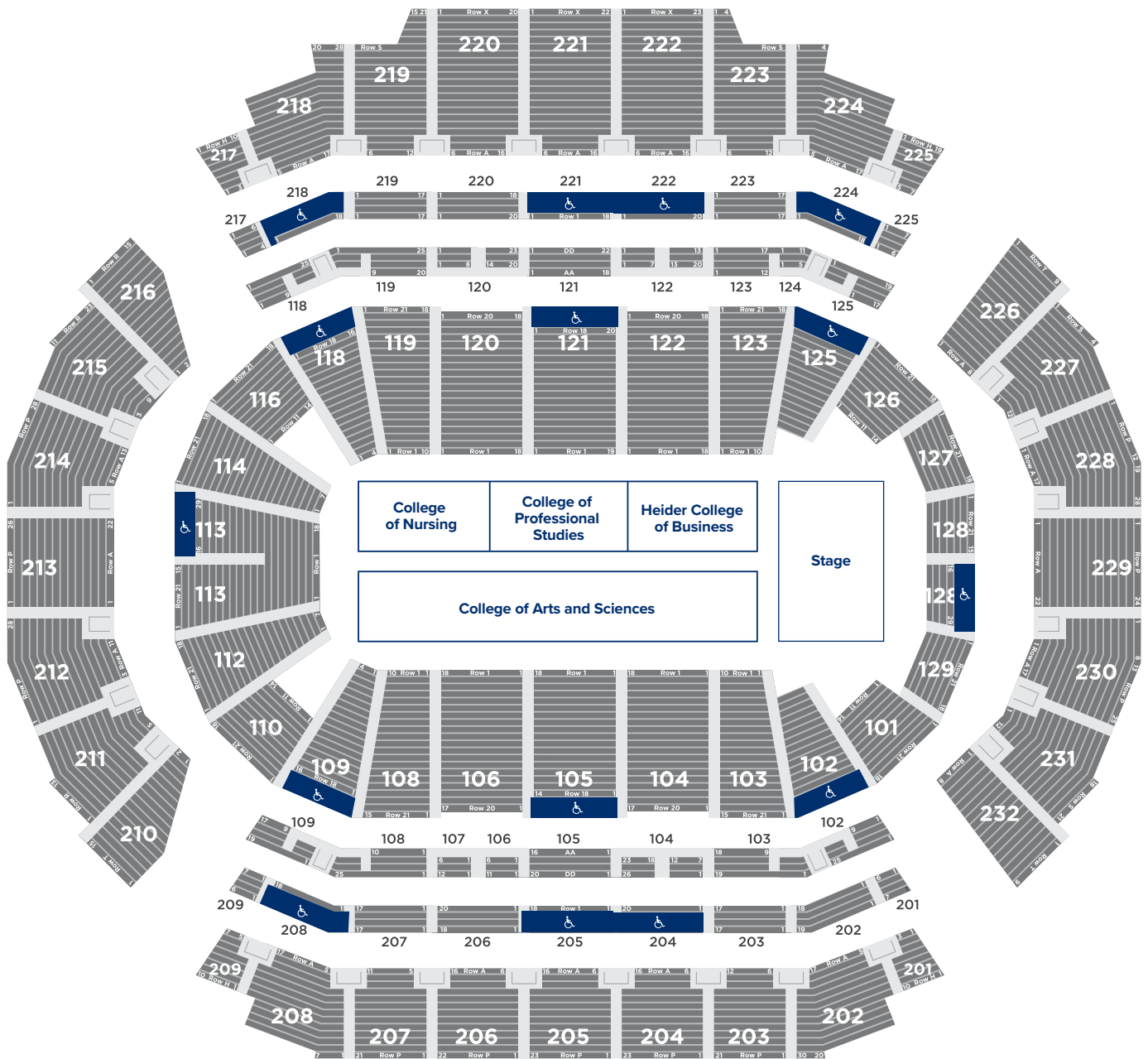
The bishop asked the Jesuits to operate the school and the first president, Roman A. Shaffel, SJ, arrived in Omaha in late 1877; the school opened on Sept. 2, 1878. One priest, two scholastics, a layman and a laywoman formed the faculty. The school began with 120 students ranging in age from 6 to 30. 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 Studies (Established as University College in 1983)

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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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