



*Sixty-Fifth
Spring Commencement Exercises*

*Friday, May Tenth
Two Thousand and Twenty-Four*

at

Ten o'clock in the morning for the School of Liberal Arts

One o'clock in the afternoon for the School of Professional and Technical Studies

Four o'clock in the afternoon for the School of Science and Health

*College of Southern Maryland
La Plata Campus
Physical Education Center*

Order of Exercises
School of Liberal Arts

10 a.m.

- *Processional
Commencement Marshal.....Richard Bilsker, Ph.D.
Professor, School of Liberal Arts, La Plata Campus
- *The National Anthem Abigail McDanal
CSM Student

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
Yolanda Wilson, Ed.D., *President, College of Southern Maryland*

FACULTY SENATE REPRESENTATIVE
George Bedell, *President, CSM Faculty Senate*

INTRODUCTION OF GRADUATION SPEAKER
Shawn B. Coates, *Chair, CSM Board of Trustees*

Address Jaqrai (Louis) Smith
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2024

PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL AWARDS

- Faculty Excellence Award.....George Bedell
- Presentation of Candidates for
Certificates and Degrees.....Jacquelyn Madry-Taylor, Ed.D.
Interim Vice President, Division of Learning
- Conferring of Certificates and Degrees.....Yolanda Wilson, Ed.D.

*Recessional

*The audience will please stand.

Order of Exercises
School of Professional and Technical Studies

1 p.m.

- *Processional
Commencement Marshal.....Mike Green
Professor, School of Professional and Technical Studies, La Plata Campus
- *The National Anthem Favian Streat
CSM Student

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Order of Exercises
School of Science and Health

4 p.m.

*Processional

Commencement Marshal..... Sharon Smith-Douglas
Professor, School of Science and Health, La Plata Campus

*The National Anthem David Poe
CSM Student

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CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2024

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Distinguished Alumni Award..... Shawn B. Coates

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**SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS
STUDENT SPEAKER**

JAQRAI (LOUIS) SMITH
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2024

Jaqrai (Louis) Smith, of Charles County, is a senior at Westlake High School and will be receiving his Certificate in General Studies as an Early College student. At Westlake, Smith leads the Chess Club and the National Honor Society and at CSM, he has excelled in his classes. He will continue at CSM to earn his associate degree and plans to transfer to the University of Maryland to study management information systems.

**SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND
TECHNICAL STUDIES STUDENT SPEAKER**

ROBERT KATZBERG
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2024

Robert Katzberg, of St. Mary's County, enrolled at CSM 15 years after graduating from Leonardtown High School. Today, he will graduate with an Associate of Applied Science in Cybersecurity. Katzberg attended CSM while working full-time as a cloud administrator for the United States Army - Command, Control, Computers, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance. He will be attending the University of Maryland Global Campus in the fall and plans to pursue his master's degree.

**SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH
STUDENT SPEAKER**

WENDY BOLLINO
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2024

Wendy Bollino, of Calvert County, has been attending CSM on and off for 23 years. Last month, Bollino was inducted into the Organization for Associate Degree Nursing Alpha Delta Nu Honor Society for earning a B or higher in nursing courses and today, she will graduate with her Associate of Science in Nursing. She will enter her nurse residency program at CalvertHealth on the Level 2, medical-surgical telemetry and observation unit.

**DISTINGUISHED
ALUMNI AWARD**

DESTINY MORGAN '15
Kuinua Tech

CSM alumna, veteran, and small business owner Destiny Morgan earned her associate degree in general studies at CSM in 2015. Upon graduating, she joined the military, completed her undergraduate degree in communication studies at the University of Maryland Global Campus, earned a master's degree in management and leadership with a focus on IT from Western Governors University, and is currently pursuing a doctorate in artificial intelligence at Capitol Technology University. The La Plata resident is the owner and operator of an IT company, Kuinua Tech, and she has established the Kuinua Together scholarship at CSM to elevate students, particularly students of color, who may have otherwise not been able to access or afford a tech career.

FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARD

SHANEEZA KAZIM
Professor of Humanities and Social Sciences, School of Liberal Arts

CSM Professor Shaneeza Kazim has been recognized by her peers with this year's Faculty Excellence Award.

Because of her commitment to helping students and the college succeed, CSM Professor Shaneeza Kazim has been recognized by her peers with this year's Faculty Excellence Award.

Kazim specializes in early childhood development and in her classroom, she is known for modeling inclusivity, sharing her passion for diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging (DEIB) with students, and structuring her classroom according to the universal design for learning, always keeping the at-risk population in mind. Kazim is part of the college's DEIB leadership team and has co-chaired the Diversity in Education Committee and the College Success for Single Mothers Project.

Kazim uses her expertise to equip CSM students for college success. She co-chaired the first-year experience course and was its coordinator for more than seven years. She also co-chaired the Gateway Courses Community of Practice committee, was a member of the College Preparedness Committee and Admissions Review Board, made videos for the Hawk Set initiative, and has attended the Achieving the Dream conferences annually since 2020.

Spring 2024

CANDIDATES FOR CERTIFICATES

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Accounting: Advanced

Brooke McKenzie Mills
Barbara J. White

Accounting: Basic

Erica Elaine Cole

Business Management

Zachary Owen Alderman
Amanda Lynn Anderson
Halie R. Caperones
Lindsey Danielle McNeal
Ashley Nichole Russell ^H

Cloud and Information Technology

Terri L. Binns

Criminal Justice

Danielle Lee Holland
Micah J. Savarese ^{HHH}
Alayna E. Umber

Cybersecurity

Gregory James Croisetiere ^H
Brandi Danyell Page
Nicole Steffer ^{HHH}
William D. Testerman

Digital Marketing Management

Jisheia Chakayla Chase

Drafting

Stephanie Galdamez
Joshua C. Rittle

General Studies

Samecha O. Agbaje
Kennedy S. Alleyne
Kaliyah Iulani Alls
Phillip D. Avent
Kathleen Elizabeth Baldwin
Nia De Castro Bataan
Rylee Becraft
Gabrielle Alexa Benton ^{HHH}
Madalynn C. Bowen
Kaelyn Marie Bramell
Jaydan S. Bridges
Dylan Nathaniel Bridgewater

Taylor Savannah Cherry ^H

Tanasia Jamia Cole
Cailee Grace Cooper
Niya Kaelyn Cox ^H
Faith M. Croson ^{HHH}

Emily Aseneth Davis
Laila C. Dennis

Evelin Diaz Fuentes ^H
Alek Matthew DiLoretto

Karson Langston Douglass ^{HHH}

Kai E. Earl ^{HHH}

Kierra L. Evans

Amellia Denise Forbes

Jayla C. Ford-Glenn

Taylor Grace Frederickson ^H

Drew Reagan Emery Furmanski ^{HHH}

Shayne T. Gaskins

Ariyah Gay

Gracie G. Goddard

Jaden Micheal Gross

Tariq J. Gurley

Rachel Jones ^{HHH}

Nicholas Elijah Kelley ^H

Alexandra Rose Kreutzer ^{HHH}

Zoe Lynn Laciny ^{HHH}

Eden Anaya Lawson

Sean Alessandro Lema ^{HHH}

Abigail Leigh Marburger ^H

Molly Danielle McTaggart ^H

Soula Meundan

Emanuel Nakeith Miller ^H

Kendall R. Miller

Destaney Samiah Mitchell ^{HHH}

Kaley S. Morris

Erica Nakalembe Sekonde ^{HHH}

Kamilah Nelson ^H

Joshua Okyere-Boateng

Monique Shaunte' Patrick

Markala Jene' Pharr ^{HHH}

Ryan Blaze Reffner

Emerson Rigoberto Reyes Galan

Jadyn Michelle Riggs ^H

Camryn Scott ^{HHH}

Emma Sepulveda ^H

Dario P. Silverans

Gavin Alexander Sleeth

Jaquai Louis Smith ^H

Serenity Marie Stewart

Ameriona Studstill ^H

Joshua Timothy Thurmon

Brooklyn R. Vance

Alayla A. Vaughan ^{HHH}

Sara Ashley Vermillion ^{HHH}

Damien Jean Wendell ^{HHH}

Darian M. White, II

Jeylon White

Chyanne Deborah Wiley ^{HHH}

Leyna Williams

Ava McCauley Wilson ^{HHH}

Evan Wojciechowski

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Alexandra Eleanor Long ^H

Karen Schroeder ^H

Sakura J. Wilson

Hospitality Management

Kalaya V. Bonds

Holly Victoria Buckler

Human Services:

Alcohol and Drug Counseling

Dennis L. Allen, Sr.

Erika Lashawn Greene

Michael Hurry

Eileen McBain ^H

Onyema Michael Onyeike

Iesha Patterson ^{HHH}

Lisa Robinson

Human Services:

Mental Health Technician

Toni Adel Cherry

Erika Lashawn Greene

Lynn L. Williams

Security Management

Donald E. Russell ^{HHH}

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CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Accounting

Lizabeth Sarai Alvarado
Megan L. Lacey
Brooke McKenzie Mills
Jasmine Lorraine Pardo
Summer Deane Rickett ^H
Heather Shymansky ^H
Peter Glendon Steelman ^{HH}
Rghed N. Suleiman
Sarah F. Thir
Barbara J. White

Arts and Sciences

Amelie Gisel-Mogeny Adams
Briana J. Allen
Krissia J. Arana Lopez
Sarah R. Beavers
Gabrielle Alexa Benton ^{HH}
Darren William Boggs
Thomas Michael Bono
Austin Fredrick Boswell ^{HHH}
Madalynn C. Bowen
Luke Steven Bradbury
Samarra Niomee Bynum
Kaitlyn Alexis Campos ^H
Sarahmarie A. Caparrotta
Kealy C. Carter
Syanne Centeno ^{HHH}
Trina Clavelli
Rachel J. Cole
Cody Len Cox
Jessica R. Crandall ^H
Otmar Quincy Donald
Kimberly M. Finley
Elena Caitlin Flessas

Megan Elizabeth Floyd
Isaiah Matthew Garcia
Janese Liliana Gockley
Drake B. Goddard
Gracie G. Goddard
Brandon Joseph Hall
Lauren Michelle Hyde
Ja'Lynn L. Johnson
Brady Leigh Keech
Nicholas Elijah Kelley ^H
Mackenzie E. Klawitter ^{HHH}
Stacey E Langley ^{HHH}
Patience Littleton ^H
Aja M. Logan
Laura C. Lopez McNulty
Ava A. Lyddane
Kevin Matthew McConkey ^H
Naranja McCullough
Brooke Renee McQueeney
Candice Leigh Menard
Ethan G. Moon
Umar Ahmed Mughal
Louis Levi Neal III ^H
Lillee Rebecca Padilla-Hubbard
Hannah Celine Pessagno
Sandra Pierre
Manoah Jordan Pitt ^H
Brandon A. Porter ^H
Justin Robert Powers
Shayla Anika Pradier ^H
Grace Raby
Ryan Blaze Reffner
Jeaden Santos
Morgan Renee Spargo
Moses O. Unaegbu

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Brooklyn R. Vance
Carrico V. Vela
Jack C. Watson
Niaya Whitmyer
Sophia G. Williams ^H
Stephen Alexander Williams
Nhine Wills

Arts and Sciences: Art

Raven Sky Boehm
Torry Carpenter II ^{HH}
Samuel Albert Fauntleroy III
Ren Cirelli Fletcher
Jayda Freeman
Ezra Malachi Fulton
Jaylen Xavier Gross
Koah Vanessa Hedgspeth
Ayla Bleu Kenner
Liliana Rebecca Sachsels
Natalya Beulette Stern

Arts and Sciences: Exercise and Sport Science

Lillie J. Nelson
Tarryn Naomi Thomas

Arts and Sciences: History

Syanne Centeno ^{HH}
Rylee E. Josephs
Evan David Mairs ^{HHH}
Cameron Carson Quick

Arts and Sciences: Music

John Anthony Gaskins
Abigail Theresa McDanal

Arts and Sciences:

Social Sciences

Darrin L. Bates
Cameron Alexis Guy
Anneliese K. Hess ^{HHH}
Hailey Nicole Hewlett
Tracy D. Hurt ^H
Sydney Kotei
Alandra M. Ortiz
Faith Pritchard ^{HH}
Jalynn Natya Somerville ^{HH}
Jacob Christopher Straub
Kira Marei Van Vliet
Jordan Watson
Darian Montell White II
Arianna D. Williams
Byrom Enrique Zelaya Saucedo ^{HHH}

Arts and Sciences: Spanish

Joann W. Jenkins

Arts and Sciences:

Theater and Dance

Hannah Abigail Lunczynski

Business Administration

Kaidence Ryla Anderson
Camryn Sophia Baringer
Sarah A. Beale ^{HHH}
Jeremy D. Brown
Kaitlyn Leilani Catterton ^{HHH}
Morgan Johnson
Oneka Connor
Seth Edgar Gant
Emily L. Guy
Natalie Marie Higgins
Kaylee M. Howe ^H
Madison B. McClure ^{HHH}

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Business Administration

(continued)

Gabrielle Lynn McKee
 Brooke McKenzie Mills
 Kylie Madison Murphy
 Tess Danielle Murphy
 Haley Erin Neal
 Ian S. Obare
 Stacy Ramirez Llamas ^H
 Aaliyah C.V. Roach ^{HHH}
 Megan Simpson
 Emily E. Smith
 Valerie J. Tsitsiwu
 Sophia Williams ^H
 Ella Mae Womer ^H
 Alyssa M. Zupko

Business Management

Daniel Craig Albertsen ^H
 Zachary Owen Alderman
 Amanda Lynn Anderson
 Alexis R. Clark
 Beverly A. Dahlstrom ^{HH}
 Samantha Elizabeth Guy ^{HHH}
 Julie M Knott
 Jasmin R. Martinez
 Sophie Ann Seltzer
 Allison Vasquez-Victoria
 Deitric Tyrone Willis

Cloud and Information Technology

Benjamin Phillip Ader
 Josh Hedgeman, Jr. ^{HHH}
 Shane Robert Johnson
 Desmond Z. Mason
 Sybielle Valencia
 Jack R. Sien H

Computer Engineering

Keith Q. Davenport ^{HHH}

Computer Science

Adrian Angeles ^H
 Marco Allan DeCesaris ^{HHH}
 Christopher Andrew Kulp
 Thomas E. Lesko ^H
 Dylan James McPhillips
 Christopher R. Russell
 Elijah Z. Smith
 Jordan Stone
 Kartik Thakur ^H

Computer Science with Cloud Computing

Monique Zakiyah Vivianna Reed

Cybersecurity

Jessica A. Bell
 Nikolas Butler
 James N. Campbell
 Nicholas J. Carey ^H
 Kenneth Edward Alan Crim, Jr.
 Gregory James Croisetiere ^H
 Nicholas G. Fratantuono ^H
 Jahiem Fyffe
 Jhared D. Caesar
 Jalen Rian Jones
 Robert Lee Katzberg III ^{HH}
 Madison Paige Long ^H
 Jaime A. Marquez
 Nomen Felix Mbia Sampson
 Muhammad Ahsan Mushtaq
 Phuong H. Nguyen ^{HH}
 Heather E. Pforr ^H
 Justin G. Schutt
 Nicholas L. Scott
 Christopher J. Snell

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Emergency Medical Services

Kristi Benvenuto ^H

Engineering

Bailey J. Burroughs
 Thomas Alexander Donigan
 Michael D. Douglas ^H
 Albert Nathaniel Herb
 Thomas A. Howard ^H
 Liam Zack King ^{HHH}
 Ethan S. Kumbar
 Steven Anthony Lewis
 Jeremy D. Litka ^H
 Seth Lunceford
 Brian F. Myers
 Eric M. Rhoads
 Ethan M. Tobler
 Noah D. Tobler ^{HHH}
 Ian Wilfred Valle ^{HHH}
 James O. Wilkinson ^{HHH}

Engineering Technology

Tobias Barrera
 Sean B. Bean ^H
 Olivia Wade Buzzurro
 Brad Allen Pleger ^H

Environmental Studies

Ryan Lee Brookhart
 Aubrey Clare Zeltwanger

General Studies: Communication

Brooklyn Z. Beebe
 Nicholas Enrique Caboga
 Joseph M. Crozier
 Shelby Grace Floehr
 Johnny Ford
 Steven Frain ^H

Nicole Steffer ^{HHH}
 Chance Lane Stubblefield ^{HHH}
 Canon Mark Teselle ^{HH}
 William D. Testerman
 Clinton Matthew Walny

Digital Media Production

Monique Jasmine Butler ^H
 Gabriel X. Damasco
 Michelle Samira Marshall
 Ashlee Christine Miles

Early Childhood Development

Allaina Montana Myers
 Miriam Zusetta Ochoa-Castillo

Early Childhood/Generic Special Education Birth-Grade 3

Caroline M. Journey
 Michelle D. Metcalfe

Electrical Engineering

Keith Q. Davenport ^{HHH}
 Brice M. Desouza
 Michael D. Douglas ^H
 Thanya Gonzalez Vudoyra ^{HHH}
 Ralph Jacobs
 Kyle Nielsen ^{HH}

Elementary/Generic Special Education Grades 1-6

Allyson Mae Carson ^H
 Naomi Brown ^{HHH}
 Matthew Bradaleonard Cartier ^H
 Jolyn N. Lloyd ^H
 McKennah A. Waskiewicz

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

General Studies: Communication

(continued)

Andrew Bruce Garrett
Zachary J. Kimmel ^H
Mary E. Metz
Anthea Phillips ^{HHH}
Eric Matthew Svendgard

General Studies:

Criminal Justice

Lucas Allen Balajo
Gwyneth Abigail Haynes
Khamronn D. Keys ^H
Megan Elizabeth Knott ^{HHH}
Emily Rose Latvala ^{HHH}
Brooke Michelle Lee
Robert Oneil Mccollum, Sr.
Alyssa Marie Padgett
Jariyapon Phaophan
Tyler James Rochelle ^H
Robert A. Selkirk
John Hubert York IV
Hafsa Zahid

General Studies: English

Isabelle Renee Garcia ^{HHH}
Hannah Nicole Krauel ^{HH}
Melaina Lynn Sanders
Sarah R. Sbordone ^{HHH}
Taneisha Odessa Smith
Gianna Lynn Tenaglia
Catherine Tilley
Sara Ashley Vermillion ^{HHH}

General Studies:

Media Studies

Kasarachi S. Ezeakolam ^H

Health Information Management

Patricia Ignacio
Rainey Davine Johnson ^H
Gabrielle Brittany Powell
Brianna Nichole Russell
Natalia Adriana Salazar-Guzman
Destiny Renea Schwallenberg

Homeland Security

Nicole Marie Porter

Human Services

Erika LaShawn Greene ^H
Kara Anne Wagner ^H

Information Services Technology

Robert James Deckelmann ^{HHH}

Information Systems

Ron Christopher Brown

Law Enforcement

Jackson Thomas Ferguson
Richard A. Geger
Danielle Lee Holland
Keirstin Shelby Perez ^H
Shania Tivnan ^H

Mathematics and Sciences

Eli T. Gerstman
Lauren Elizabeth Hoover
Nastasha Z. Lasoski
Gerchel Mae Paragas Toledo ^{HHH}
Donald Lee Wengerd III ^{HHH}

Medical Laboratory Technology

Kaitlyn Marie Pumphrey ^H
Allyson Grace Raley

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Nursing

Lauren Ashlee Anderson
Megan Riley Armstrong
Lora Felicia Ayikoe ^{HHH}
Latashia D. Baker
Lakeshia Renia Batista
Evie Marie Beches
Rhamiel John Beltran
Johanna Lashaun Blackson
Wendy Nicole Bollino ^H
Rebekah Celeste Bonney
Jacob Ryan Brickell
Ashleigh Faith Brown ^H
Crystal Brown
Mary Michele Caperton
Nicholas Carter
Alana Leanne Cawood ^{HHH}
Lashae Nicole Ciriaco
Monica Michelle Corbin
Meagan L. Crow
Rebecca A. Douglass
Saige Duby ^H
Emily Ann Echols
Sierra Emory
Arianna J. Gantt-Hardy
Katelyn E. Garrison
Samantha Lerene Geger
Tanner J. Goshorn
Bethany Nicole Griffin
Nicole G. Hemmer
Ianee Maj Comahig Jaluag
Emma A. Kelly
Danielle M. Leginze
Yuk Yi Leung
Maria Enma Lopez Aguilar
Jennifer Lugaila
Krisha Marie Castillo Melchor

Savannah Jeanne Miles ^{HHH}

Rachel Lauren Nelson ^H
Alexa Nguyen ^{HHH}
Soilla Maraga Oliver
Madison Marie Osakowicz
Taylor Lee Phillips
Aleta Monet Plater
Emily Marie Post
Nasya Anaiyah Rahman
Heather M. Roecker
Courtney Marleane Romba ^H
Adriana Romero

Kierstie Nichole Schaefer ^H
Rebecca Mae Schindler
Abigail C. Scrivener
Samantha Lynn Smith
Tara Leigh Somers
Kelley L. Stoneback ^H
Kristan D. Thomas
Sara Marie VanRyswick
Andre Jumaine R. Vergara
Trixia Bernadette Rullan Vergara ^H
Jalesa Watkins
Michea Lonnell Wright

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Latisha Marie Jones ^{HHH}
Karen Schroeder ^H

Physical Therapist Assistant

Alayna Camryn Cox ^H
Kaitlin R. Glenn
Rachel N. Hill
Marquis K. Parker
Austin R. Taylor

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Spring Class of 2024 *Student Distinctive Characteristics*

Pre-Professional Health Science

Shayna Maire Catucci
Kurt Alexander Hess ^{HH}
Lillian A. Reynolds
Emily Rose Smetana ^{HHH}

Sport Management

John Lehman ^{HHH}
Whitney Michelle Mosher

Teacher Education: Secondary

Emily L. Ahlquist
Naomi Brown ^{HHH}
Angelia Joy Carson
Taylor Savannah Cherry ^H
Abigail Gray ^{HH}
Sarah R. Sbordone ^{HHH}
Ian M. Trent

- 449 candidates for 367 associate degrees and 111 certificates
- 30% of candidates are graduating with honors
- Top degrees: AA: Arts and Sciences; AS: Nursing; AS: Business Administration; AAS: Cybersecurity; AS: Engineering
- Top certificates: General Studies: Transfer; Human Services: Alcohol and Drug Counseling; Graphic Design; Business Management; Cybersecurity
- 65% female, 35% male
- Residency: 46% Charles County; 31% St. Mary's County; 22% Calvert County; 1% outside of region and state
- Youngest degree candidate, age 17; eldest degree candidate, age 69

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CONGRATULATIONS SPRING 2024 GRADUATES



The **CSM Alumni and Friends Connection** is a way for our graduates to network and stay connected to friends, faculty, and programs at the college—and membership is free! **We are dedicated**

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Alumni and Friends Connection

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- ▶ Your student record will be updated on your account as “graduated” **before the end of May**. The message box on our transcript webpage will notify you when that process is completed.

Do not order a transcript until after this has been updated.
www.csmd.edu/Transcripts

- ▶ **Diplomas will be mailed in June** as long as there are no outstanding balances on your account. Please be sure we have your current address.
- ▶ Photos from today will be available by **May 15**.
csmphoto.zenfolio.com/24MayGrad
- ▶ Share your graduation experience on social media with **#csmgrad2024**

Academic Attire

The caps, gowns, and hoods worn at college and university functions date back to the Middle Ages. Monks and students of those days wore them to keep warm in the damp and drafty 12th century castles and halls of learning.

The gowns for the associate degree, earned after 60-70 credits of undergraduate study, have a semistiff yoke, long pleated front, and shirring across the back and shoulders.

The gowns for the bachelor's degree, earned after undergraduate study, are similar in appearance to the gown for the associate degree. The bachelor's gown may be worn either open or closed and is primarily distinguished by its long, pointed sleeves.

The holder of the master's degree, earned by postgraduate work, wears a gown with the same yoke effect as the bachelor's, and it may be worn either open or closed. The very long sleeve is square and closed at the end. Some are designed to allow the forearm to come through a slit near the elbow. With others, the arm is covered to the wrist.

Gowns for the doctor's degree may be worn either open or closed, but they carry broad velvet bars on the full, round, open sleeves. This velvet trimming may be either black or the color distinctive of the field of learning to which the degree pertains.

Caps may be of serge, broadcloth, or, for the doctor's outfit only, of velvet; and the tassel of the doctor's cap may be of gold bullion. Tassels are moved from right to left upon graduation.

It is the hood that gives the color and real meaning of the academic costume. (The bachelor's hood is sometimes worn upon completion of the course even though the degree has not yet been actually conferred.) A black shell, of varying size for the three degrees, and of material to match the gown, is silk-lined with the color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The hood is then bordered with velvet of the proper width, to indicate the degree and of the color signifying the field of learning to which the degree pertains.

The colors indicative of the various fields of learning are as follows:

Arts and Letters	white	Engineering	orange
Nursing	apricot	Science	yellow
Theology	scarlet	Medicine	green
Library Science	lemon	Physical Education	sage green
Laws	purple	Fine Arts	brown
Pedagogy	light blue	Economics	copper
Philosophy	blue	Music	pink
Commerce	olive drab		

Honors

There are three levels of honors awarded at the completion of degrees or certificates. Candidates for graduation whose names on the program are followed by a HH have achieved highest honors, a cumulative grade point average of 3.9-4.0. The letters HHH indicate high honors, a cumulative grade point average of 3.75-3.89. The letter H indicates honors, a cumulative grade point average of 3.5-3.74. All of these students have earned at least half of their degree or certificate credits at the College of Southern Maryland.

Honor Cords

An honor cord is a token consisting of twisted cords with tassels on either end awarded to members of honor societies or for various academic and non-academic achievements, awards, or honors. Usually, cords come in pairs with a knot in the middle to hold them together. Students who are members of honors societies and programs at CSM are eligible to wear the following cords at graduation:

Society/Program	Cord Color
Academic Honors	Green and Gold
Alpha Delta Nu	Apricot and White
Delta Psi Omega	Royal Blue and Gold
English Honor Society	Gold and Green
Kappa Beta Delta	Blue and Gold
Kappa Delta Pi	Green and Purple
Maryland Student Nursing Association	Red, Black, and Gold
Men of Excellence Program	Black and Teal
National Society of Leadership and Success	Blue
National Student Nursing Association	Blue and White
Phi Theta Kappa	Blue and Gold
Student Government Association	Teal and Roman Gold
Veterans	Red, White, and Blue

Stoles

Similar to cords, stoles are draped around the shoulders of the gown. They are also sometimes referred to as graduation sashes and are made of a silky material. They signify affiliation with special programs, professional organizations, extracurricular clubs, and more. Students who are members of programs and organizations are eligible to wear the following stoles at graduation:

Program/Organization	Stole Color
Early College	Silver with Green Trim
Student Government Association	Black with Gold Trim

Ceremonial Maces

The ceremonial mace that is carried during academic occasions has its origins in medieval times when maces—long clubs with a ball at one end—were used as weapons in combat. Considered a symbol of authority, the mace was later borne by sergeants-at-arms and royal bodyguards to protect kings. The use of the mace as an instrument of ceremony began about the year 1250 in England and France. In the United States, almost all universities and colleges have a mace. It is a symbolic representation of the school's authority at official assemblies.



CSM College Mace

The official College of Southern Maryland (CSM) mace was a gift from the CSM Student Government Association. It is 48 inches long, handcrafted from African mahogany, and topped by pewter discs engraved with the official seal of the college. It is carried by the most senior faculty member at the head of the academic procession.

CSM Student Mace

The CSM student mace was crafted by Mechanicsville Amish furniture maker Gideon Kurtz. Crafted from a single 36-inch-long piece of basswood, this mace is carried by a student representative of the graduating class.



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