



Sixty-Sixth Spring Commencement Exercises

Friday, May 9, 2025

at

*Nine o'clock in the morning for the
School of Liberal Arts*

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

*Five o'clock in the afternoon for the
School of Health Sciences*

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

Order of Exercises

School of Liberal Arts

9 a.m.

*Processional

Commencement Marshal Richard Bilsker, Ph.D.
Professor and Chair of Arts and Humanities Department, School of Liberal Arts

*The National Anthem Trenace Richardson, Ed.D.
Associate Vice President
CSM Organizational Development, Talent, and Equity Office

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 Jacqueline Henderson Carson
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2025

PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL AWARDS

Adjunct Faculty Excellence Award George Bedell

Trustees Distinguished Service Awards Shawn B. Coates

Presentation of Candidates for
Certificates and Degrees Suzanne Summers, Ph.D.
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 STEM and Professional Studies

1 p.m.

- *Processional
Commencement Marshal Sharon Smith-Douglas
Professor, School of STEM and Professional Studies
- *The National Anthem Trenace Richardson, Ed.D.
Associate Vice President
CSM Organizational Development, Talent, and Equity Office

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Address Delphine Emmanuelle Damen Fonke
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2025

PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL AWARDS

Full-Time Faculty Excellence Award George Bedell

Distinguished Alumni Award..... Trey Proctor
Chair, CSM Foundation Board

Special Degree Presentation to
Family of Demarley Martin..... Yolanda Wilson, Ed.D.

Presentation of Candidates for
Certificates and Degrees Suzanne Summers, Ph.D.
Vice President, Division of Learning

Conferring of Certificates and Degrees..... Yolanda Wilson, Ed.D.

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School of Health Sciences

5 p.m.

*Processional

Commencement Marshal Robin Young
Professor, School of Health Sciences

*The National Anthem Trenace Richardson, Ed.D.
Associate Vice President
CSM Organizational Development, Talent, and Equity Office

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*

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CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2025

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Conferring of Certificates and Degrees Yolanda Wilson, Ed.D.

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SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS STUDENT SPEAKER

JACQUELINE HENDERSON CARSON
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2025

Jacqueline Henderson Carson, 60, is receiving her Associate of Arts in Arts and Sciences: Art degree, with highest honors. As a lifelong learner, Carson previously received a bachelor's degree in technical theater from Emerson College in 1986, and she began pursuing her associate degree at the College of Southern Maryland in 2023 to nourish her artistic passion and creativity. While at CSM, she has been involved with the college's art club and participated in the 2024 and 2025 CSM Annual Student Juried Art Exhibitions. Carson plans to continue to unleash her creativity, taking art classes and illustrating children's books.

SCHOOL OF STEM AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES STUDENT SPEAKER

DELPHINE EMMANUELLE DAMEN FONKE
CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2025

Delphine Emmanuelle Damen Fonke, 18, is receiving her Associate of Applied Science degree and Certificate in Business Management with highest honors. Attending the College of Southern Maryland for two years as an Early College student, Fonke is a senior at Westlake High School, where she played girls' varsity basketball and varsity lacrosse. She has been inducted into CSM's Delta Phi chapter of the Kappa Beta Delta Honor Society. She plans to transfer to St. Mary's College of Maryland in the fall to pursue a bachelor's degree in biology/premed.

SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES STUDENT SPEAKER

KARA JADE NOVAK

CSM Graduate, Class of Spring 2025

Kara Jade Novak, 19, is receiving her Associate of Science degree in Pre-Professional Health Science, with highest honors. She describes the College of Southern Maryland as having a generational impact on her family. Novak attended classes at all four of CSM's campuses as she pursued her degree. Prior to that, she fondly recalls enjoying classes through Kids' & Teen College, Driver's Education, Destination Graduation, and Dual Enrollment. As she pursues her career in the healthcare field, she plans to continue her education in the fall at the University of Maryland, College Park.

ADJUNCT FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARD

ALICE YUTZY

Adjunct Professor of Ceramics, Arts and Humanities, School of Liberal Arts

CSM Ceramics Professor Alice Yutzy has been recognized by her peers with this year's Adjunct Faculty Excellence Award. The award honors outstanding achievement in classroom teaching, meaningful contributions to both her department and the college, ongoing professional development, and community engagement.

Yutzy has served as an adjunct ceramic professor at the College of Southern Maryland since 2009. Over the years, she has impacted countless students and colleagues through the works of clay and her dedication to the creative process.

Her classes bring together a wide range of learners, from teenagers to octogenarians, with experience levels from beginner to advanced. Her assignments go beyond technique, incorporating art production, research, critique, and mastery of ceramic vocabulary, along with practical studio skills such as mixing clay and glazes, and kiln operation.

"Patience and the ability to nurture and encourage each student to express their own voice through working with clay exemplifies my teaching philosophy," she said. "It is always a joy to watch each student become acquainted with clay and eventually master basic techniques. Students of all levels in my ceramic classes at the College of Southern Maryland are a joy and an inspiration to teach. It has been my privilege to be their instructor."

TRUSTEE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

JACQUELINE AND DR. FREEMAN HRABOWSKI III

Founders, Jacqueline and Freeman Hrabowski Charitable Giving Fund

Jacqueline and Dr. Freeman Hrabowski are widely recognized for their commitment to student advocacy and for advancing student success across Baltimore and throughout Maryland. They are the founders of the Jacqueline and Freeman Hrabowski Charitable Giving Fund, which established the Dexter K. Bordes Scholarship Endowment at the College of Southern Maryland in memory of their brother-in-law, Dexter Bordes. Bordes passed away in 2024 after a long and courageous battle against cancer and served on the CSM Foundation Board of Directors from 2019-2024.

The Hrabowskis have generously donated \$100,000 to the CSM Foundation. Dr. Freeman Hrabowski, President Emeritus of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, is nationally recognized for his visionary leadership in higher education and commitment to student success, particularly in STEM fields.

TRUSTEE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION (ESFCU)

The mission of ESFCU is to empower individuals and communities through accessible financial solutions. The organization supports the financial well-being of teachers and educators in Maryland and across the nation by building strong partnerships, supporting community growth, and promoting financial literacy.

ESFCU has been a loyal supporter and advocate for the College of Southern Maryland since 2005. The credit union has generously provided \$155,379 to CSM, including a gift of \$100,000 as part of a renewed partnership agreement that has the long-standing partner of CSM investing even further in the college's students, faculty, staff, and college-wide initiatives.

All of these efforts are in addition to ESFCU Support Education Foundation's partnership with CSM, which includes offering a \$3,000 annual scholarship to students; the annual Faculty Excellence Awards; the annual \$1,000 Maurice Erly Professional Development Award to college faculty; and the annual "Warming Hearts and Hands" event.

FULL-TIME FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARD

MARGARET BOLTON

Professor of Science, School of STEM and Professional Studies

Biological Sciences Professor Margaret Bolton has been recognized by her peers with this year's Full-Time Faculty Excellence Award.

Bolton was selected for the award for her outstanding achievement in classroom teaching, contributions to both her department and to the college, professional development, and community commitment.

In her teaching philosophy, she said she is most proud of incorporating a sense of belonging in the classroom. "I work hard to create a sense of belonging in my classrooms and labs by getting to know my students and letting them see the 'authentic me' when I teach. We learn to trust one another, which helps us build a sense of community, and creates an environment where students feel free to ask questions, make mistakes, and grow in their understanding of science," she said.

"I would like to thank my family, friends, and CSM family," Bolton said of the award. "I would not be where I am today without your love and support. It really does take a village."

Bolton has been active in her 18 years at CSM, serving as the Senate Executive Board representative for the School of Science and Health and the Science Department; a member of the Equity in Education Leadership team; a member of the Bee and Bird Campus Committee; a Faculty Promotion Committee mentor; a Full-Time and Part-Time Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award Committee member; and as coordinator and developer of several biology courses.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

KELLY ROBERTSON-SLAGLE '95

Director, Charles County Economic Development Department

Kelly Robertson-Slagle '95 has been selected as the 2025 recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award in recognition of her exemplary professional accomplishments, steadfast commitment to community service, and sustained dedication to the College of Southern Maryland. Her journey began here at CSM, where she earned her Associate of Science in Business Administration and Management Development. She continued on to the University of Maryland's Robert H. Smith School of Business, earning a bachelor's in marketing. A lifelong learner, she's since graduated from Maryland and Leadership Southern

Maryland, and earned her Master Economic Development Practitioner Certification from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Robertson-Slagle was appointed director of the Economic Development Department for Charles County, Maryland, in November 2021, becoming the first female economic development director in the county. In this role, Robertson-Slagle directs all services and activities of the 12-person department, including attracting increased capital investments and expanding and diversifying employment opportunities, agricultural development, and marketing.

Robertson-Slagle has over 25 years of extensive experience planning, organizing, and implementing economic development functions from conception to completion, including working with new and expanding businesses and cultivating relationships between the local business community, counties, and economic development agencies at the state, regional, and federal levels. Her dedication extends well beyond her professional role. She generously contributes her time and expertise in service to her peers and the broader community through her involvement with numerous organizations, including the Maryland Economic Development Association and Southern Maryland Innovates, where she is a founding board member. Her leadership is also reflected in her active participation with the Southern Maryland Regional Innovation Collaborative, the University System of Maryland at Southern Maryland, and the College of Southern Maryland Foundation.

Robertson-Slagle is a lifelong resident of Charles County and the proud mom of two grown children. She and her husband, Jeff, reside in La Plata.

Spring 2025

CANDIDATES FOR CERTIFICATES

Accounting: Advanced

Karla Aracely Contreras
Alec Xavier Viar Estravez^H
Anthony Gray
Allen (AJ) Rush Jenkins, Jr.
James Robert Rivotuso

Accounting: Basic

Karla Aracely Contreras
Alec Xavier Viar Estravez^H
Melanie Jane Goldsmith
Allen (AJ) Rush Jenkins, Jr.
Ashley Nicole Pumphrey
Abigail Frances Vanecko^H

Business Analysis

Alvin Andrew Abarca
Tracey Marie Luskey

Business Management

Amiayah J. Amos
Marisa Nicole Barrows Alexander
Valen Berry Joel Brevard
Kayla D. Brown
Joel Nathanel Byrd
Halie R. Caperones^H
Lorenzo Cappa Layla Rose Carrino^H
Lydia Creola Chandler^{HHH}
Nicholas Alonzo Cruz
Andre Joshua Curry
Zanaiyah Evoni Curtis
Alexis M. Dorsey
Beauty Lillie Dunn-Uthman
Joel Escobar Orozco^H

Delphine Emmanuelle Damen Fonke^{HH}

Tahj Georges-Giovanni Franco^H

Derek Raphael Garcia

Alyssa Danielle Gardner

Ameir I. Gibson

Kiera Divinity Gnotsavath^H

Morgan Bianca Nevean Hawkins

Anesa Jade Hicks

Autumn Chaunte Hill

Malaya Zamora Hollins

Jhenea Cheyann Johnson

Carla Denise Jones^{HHH}

Kaniyah Noelle Jones

Kaylah Jeane Kelley

Austin James Keys

Kyle Philip Kost^H

Kayla Grace Landis

Gabrielle Anna Lee

Niya Allyah Lewis^H

Amanda Kristine Lusk

Higinio Martinez, IV^{HHH}

Alexis G. Milam^H

Josiah Kemuel Moore

Princess Janai Ngang-Smith

Aliyah R. Nichols^{HHH}

Derrick Isaiah Nolan

Nishtha Sanjay Patel^H

Saniya Makenzie Pettus

Naiyanna Carmen Proctor^H

Ashley Nicole Pumphrey

Kaylee M. Putnam^H

Raynna Marlee Ratchford

Karina Reyes

Kristabelle Amaris Agullana Salazar^H

CANDIDATES FOR CERTIFICATES

Janiaya L. Simms
Chloe Jarde Stanford^{HH}
Eli O. Stevens^H
Cadence Merie Tolbert^{HH}
Gabrielle Sophia Turner^{HHH}
Landon Garrett Walker
Isaiah Kyrae Walters
Joleen Choulin Wang^{HHH}
Trinity Elise Watford^{HH}
Addison L. Welch
Mark Franklin White II^{HH}

Cloud and Information Technology

Isaac Reidenbaker
Tayloni Wyllmanise Bianca Ricks

Construction Management

Joseph Parker Alely

Criminal Justice

Jakob C. Getsinger^H
Megan S. Morgan
Hannah Elizabeth Richmond
Lakisia Lynette Washington^H

Cybersecurity

Ethan N. Bennington
William Fleitz^{HH}
Robert Garcia^H
Steven G. Wise

Data Science

David Mac Bailey^{HHH}

Digital Marketing Management

Charlie Reid
DaShawn N. Rustin^{HHH}
Jokisha N. Tansimore

Drafting

Elían Cruz Masangya
Peter John Santoro^{HH}
Garrett Michael Wallace

Electronics Technology

Kathryn E. Baker^{HH}

Emergency Medical Services - Paramedic

Anthony Jonathan Brown
Jajuan Jefferson Cunningham
Savannah F. Gaskill
Brian J. Kelly
Kasey Marrie Mentzer^H
Kaleigh Brooke Moore
Shannon K. Riley-Wince
Elizabeth McWey Shelton
Alexis Nichole Tiede
Jennifer A. Tyrrell

General Studies

Oluwasijibomi Florish Akinwumi
Bryce J. Allison
Kimberly Dayanna Alvizurez-Leon
Kortni Amundson
Amber Michelle Bias^{HHH}
Kiyah Blades
Kalaya V. Bonds
Genna Carmela Bucklew^{HH}
Ryan Jacob Burnett^H

CANDIDATES FOR CERTIFICATES

General Studies

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Logan H. Campbell ^H	Erika Aiyana Hardy
Nicole L. Carron ^{HH}	Parker Byard Harris
Jillian Nicole Catlett	Reece Janae Hart
Rebecca R. Clark	Nia Hatchell
Ryleigh M. Clark	Bridget A. Hawkins
Echo River Soliel Collins ^{HHH}	Leah Hayes ^H
Laura Elizabeth Comey ^{HH}	Madison L. Haynes
Genesis Renee Copeland	Abby R. Hays
Yarelis Cortes-Torres	Benjamin D. Heath
Alexander B. Crofcheck ^H	Iman Zeylia Holland
Tyana Lakenzie Dancy	Mayce Holson
Kayla E. Darvill	Abrianna Marcella-Marie Jandreau
Da'Ja Karraè Dawson	Isabel Marie Jefferson ^{HHH}
Sherice Alexis Daye	Solataire Johnson Reeves
Javier A. Delgado Campbell ^{HHH}	Shauna M. Jones
Nathan William Patrick D'Leon	Hannah M. Kavlick
Kaydance Edgeman ^H	Madison Elizabeth Kavlick
Brett Eide	William Kaylor ^{HHH}
Noah Elliott ^{HHH}	Madelynn Skylar Kelly
Kleyah Milian Fairley ^H	Scott Christopher Kelly
Jordan Elaina Ferris	Maxwell Trynt McRae Kenner
Avaya Michele Fields ^H	Ange Gabriella K. Dassi ^H
Aviana Marie Fields	Vincent S. Kruszka
Kiley Brianne Fitzpatrick ^H	Ava A. Kubischta
Jacori Desmond Bryant Ford	Zakiya Lashay Leak
Hagen Cole Gandee	Grant LeHew
Aniya Giselle Gaskins ^H	Zoey Leona Lisbon-Brown
Ethan Samuele Gbikpi-Benissan	Hailey Annabelle Lizotte ^H
Azar Leslie Gordon	Bailey Marshall
Quinn Isabella-Leigh Grant ^H	Erica Anne Martin ^{HHH}
Tia Danielle Gray	Jerbauri Rosevelt McFadden ^{HH}
Jamya Elise Green	Chasity G. McLeod
Michael Kenechiwah Grier	Kaelynn Nicole McWhirter
Madeleine Lorraine Hanson	Kwinton E. Meek
	Eyasu Teshome Mekonnen
	Abigayle Christine Milkowski

CANDIDATES FOR CERTIFICATES

Samantha Ann Miller
 Victoria Jayda Mitchell
 Jonathan David Morales
 Zachary Macklain Quinn Morgan
 Malak Fath Obeid
 Chika C. Obi
 Kaylee Ann Overby ^{HH}
 William Jayden Parker
 Kayla Patz ^H
 Bringham Peterson ^{HH}
 Grace Eleanor Piatt ^{HH}
 Austin Caden Porter
 Brooke Marie Portzen ^{HH}
 Ashley Nicole Pumphrey
 Aliya Queen ^{HH}
 Hannah Ray ^{HH}
 Jenniffer Reisewitz
 Daniel Thomas Renzi ^H
 Kaleb Xavier Richman
 Aaliyah C. Roach ^{HH}
 Catherine Lynn Roe
 DaShawn Rustin ^{HH}
 Kylie Renee Saddler
 Lauren Riley Sanders ^{HH}
 Malijah Dannielle Savoy
 Savannah Ashlynn Schreiber
 Madison E. Schultz
 Kennedi Natoria Scott ^{HH}
 Leo Morgan Shifflett ^{HH}
 Malina Chasity Silver ^H
 Karrington A. Singletary
 Taylor N. Skillin ^{HH}
 Rebecca Lynn Spring ^{HH}
 Shealyn McClanahan Stone
 Sara Jane Tawney ^H
 Nevaeh Tashay Thomas ^H

Christopher Edward Thumm ^H
 Matthew D. Traquair ^{HH}
 Lexi Marie Wagner
 Zaire-Alexander Eugene Walker ^H
 Sydney Nina Watson
 Shamayah Arika Webley
 Jayden Richard White
 Renico Reagan Williams, Jr. ^{HH}
 Sydney Rose Wolf ^H
 Jahari Wright
 Jennifer Zeade

Graphic Design

Erica M. Baney
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 Elijah Dixon
 Nelly Carolina Rodriguez
 Taylor N. Skillin ^{HH}
 Natalya B. Stern
 James Walker

Health Sciences

Loralei Eden Osterhouse ^{HH}

Human Services:

Alcohol and Drug Counseling

David L. Childs ^H
 Shelitha Fullwood ^{HH}
 Melanie Nicole Herndon
 Danell R. Johnson
 Diona Lightfoot
 Megan N. Lehnem
 Shara Quincyona Nolan ^H

CANDIDATES FOR CERTIFICATES

Human Services:

Mental Health Technician

Kelsea Mishelle Hancock^{HH}

Melanie Nicole Herndon

Kiara Johnson

Kara Anne Wagner^H

Information Services

Technology

Kevin Louis Wood, Jr.

Medical Assisting

Kirstyn Nicole Beaver

Cassie Marie Nelson

Treneyah Oliver

Leanna Lynn Williams

Medical Coding Specialist

Yvonne R. Hill^{HH}

Pharmacy Technician

Haley Marie Elliott

Jenna M. Jones

Loralei Eden Osterhouse^{HH}

Photography

Isabelle Renee Garcia^{HH}

Retail Management

Ashley Nicole Pumpfrey

Andre Orlonto Sheppard, Jr.

Security Management

Taylor H. Bray

Technical Support

William E. Blake

Troy James Everhart

Aidan Kelly

Isaac Reidenbaker

Technology Management

Eddyrleen Mia Cordova

Brihton Tyrell Cuff

*We strive to provide accurate listings of our candidates for graduation,
but apologize for any inadvertent omissions or misspellings.*

Spring 2025

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Accounting

John T. Bard
Kaylee Nichole Boszko
Bailey Bowie^{HH}
Oneka Connor
Matthew Windsor Eagan
Alec Xavier Viar Estravez^H
Anthony Gray
Jasmine Shauna Green
Russell L. Henson
Gabriel Anthony Hilker
Rodell Isaiah Hubbard
Samantha G. Reagan
Jonas David Schommer^H
Paige Rian Wallace
Kaiah BreAnn Warring Halloway
Jada Aushai Williams
Joiner-Serenity Williams

Art

Zariah Ira Gray^H

Arts and Sciences

Alvin Andrew Abarca
Megan O. Abt
Amelie Gisela-Mogeny Adams
Grace E. Adams^H
Isiah Lee Alexander
Dashawn Jamal Mason Allgood
Lauren Caroline Allie^H
Cody Allen Alvey^{HHH}
Anthony Maurice Austin
Erica M. Baney

Katlyn Marie Barlow
Heather Dawn Barnes
Christina Marie Beach
Madilyn Maria Beach
Brie-Ann N. Beavan
Olivia Becraft^H
Elias Jeremiah Bend
Lily Grace Bennear^{HH}
Corey Bernard
Jesse Lynn Betz^H
Wiktor Mariusz Blachowicz^{HH}
Aaliyah N. Blackmon^H
John David Tristan Boley^H
Kalaya V. Bonds
Elizabeth Ann Bowling^H
Blaine Taylor Brashear
Joanna Tracy Brima
Joshua Todd Briscoe
Holly D. Buckler
Genna Carmela Bucklew^{HH}
Alexis Caldwell
Jeremy R. Call
Sara Brianne Carson^{HHH}
Savannah Grace Carter
Angel Nicole Carvana
Ikia N. Christian
Kayla Marie Clark
Ryleigh M. Clark
Camille J. Collins
Gyselle D. Collins
Kaylee Cordova^{HHH}
Kaitlyn Jane Cosgrove
Leroy W. Crawford^H

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Arts and Sciences

(continued)

Antonia Shawn Davis
 Cari L. Davis
 Djemila M. Davis
 Merrick O. Davis^H
 Ryan Andrew Davis
 Macy Elizabeth Delahay
 Jacquelynn Zeola Dickerson
 Kristin Alexis Douglas
 Kleyah Milian Fairley^H
 John Andrew Fenwick
 Autumn Fortineau
 Dalton S. Frantz
 Luke Conrad Garrett^H
 Jakob C. Getsinger^H
 Devin Daymond Glover
 Mason H. Goddard^H
 Gabriela Alejandra Gomero Toscano
 Rylee Autumn Xaverie Gragg
 Starra Dominica Grajales-Murphy^H
 Tia Danielle Gray
 Alison K Groenwoldt
 Anayah Jeleeah Hale
 Jessica A. Hamilton
 Madeleine Lorraine Hanson
 Anais Leah Harley^H
 Elizabeth M. Hartlove
 William Thomas Hartwel
 Madison Lynn Haynes
 Garrett W. Heiston^H
 Ashyia Lachelle Higgins
 Joseph Thomas Holdsworth
 Nicole A. Holley^H
 Bayleigh L. Hooper
 Akeera D. James

Abrianna Marcella-Marie Jandreau
 Isabel Marie Jefferson^{HHH}
 Kyle M. Jenks
 Heather C. Johnson
 Pammie L. Johnson-Hancock
 Solataire Johnson Reeves
 LaTisha Marie Jones^{HH}
 Mercedes Portia Jones
 Shauna M. Jones
 Ashley Karwowski
 Diante Keita
 Braylon Eric Kindrick
 Selena Elizabeth Kooy-Bernal^{HH}
 Liam Neil Koppers
 Averi J. Kotlinski
 Vincent Stephen Kruszka
 Taylor Kay LeGrand
 Mariah Trynae Lescallett
 Michael Lipperini
 Mya C. Mahaffey^H
 Azrien Rashawn Marshall
 Erica Anne Martin^{HHH}
 Kawahna V. Martin
 Natasha Martinez-Flores
 Katelynn Nicole Maten^{HHH}
 Jonathan Adam McConnell
 La'Trelle Yvonne McCrae
 Peyton Elizabeth Rennie McIntyre
 Matthew Alan Mewbuorn
 Aleyah Thais Moore
 Shelby Morin-Pascual
 Autumn Rene Murphy
 Joseph Ryan Niemi
 Kara Jade Novak^{HH}
 Chika C. Obi
 Tryston Ofoh

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Lorelei Eden Osterhouse^{HH}
 Selena Marie Owens
 McKayla Logan Parker
 Dylan J. Pearman
 David M. Philpotts
 Madison Imani Poindexter
 Faith Marie Priester
 Meghan Pullen
 Justin Tyler Ream
 Marissa Reggett
 Latevea N. Richardson-Carson
 Ryan Rodriguez
 Ana G. Romero-Calvache
 Jack B. Rooney^H
 Layna Kayann Rye
 Nicole Rye
 Brittany Ferrari Saunders^H
 Micah J. Savarese^{HH}
 Malijah Dannielle Savoy
 William Melvin Scales
 Abigail Kaiulani Schaffer^{HH}
 Dominique Marie Schwarzmenn
 Melanie Jean Shipman
 Layla Marie Shunnarah
 Katie A. Shurgot
 Edward A. Smith
 Jaqrai Louis Smith^{HHH}
 Jenna N. Smith
 Carissa J. Stanton
 Natalya B. Stern
 Krystal Erin Stewart
 Sara Jane Tawney^H
 Sue Kwon Tayag
 Calandra Candice Taylor
 Averi Tejeda
 Immanuela Chiemelie Umeh

Ryan Dishea Underwood
 Kerri L. Vaccaro
 Erika Gabriella Velasco^{HH}
 Emily Lynn Vougioukles
 Zaire-Alexander Eugene Walker^H
 Sydney A. Warlin-Taylor^H
 Rodelle Elisha White
 Annabelle F. Wick^H
 Evan M. Williams
 Kailla Megan Winegar
 Calla Wheeler Ziebell
 Sam Zolfaghari^{HH}

Arts and Sciences: Art

Jacob T. Bryant
 Jacqueline Henderson Carson^{HH}
 Marlon S. Charles
 Jayda M Freeman
 Madeleine Lorraine Hanson
 Jayla Telisa Jimenez
 Kyle Hunter Kasupski^H
 Amaria McCauley^{HH}
 Matthew Blake McKnew
 Makayla Grace Metz
 Jonathan David Morales
 Baseemah S. Najeeullah^{HHH}
 Charlie Lynn Rowley
 Taylor N. Skillin^{HH}
 Lovely Imari Tatum
 Nea Tucker^H

Arts and Sciences: Exercise and Sport Science

Kara Reagan Bradbury^H
 Corinne Mathis Dehn^{HHH}

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Arts and Sciences: History

Tyriq Kevon Green
Megan A. Mills^H
Cameron Bruce Stevenson
John Thomas Tate

Arts and Sciences: Music

Daxzaneous Ricardo Banks, Jr.
Erich A. Donnelly^{HHH}

Arts and Sciences: Social Sciences

Marisabelle Aponte-Martinez^H
Madison E. Baldwin
Katlyn Marie Barlow
Darrin L. Bates
Morgan Kit Malone Bussey
Alejandra Gabriela Calvache
Angel Arnesto Campana
Alainah D'Onofrio^{HH}
Tanner Eaton
Kyla Norsha Fonville
Victoria Ardell Gordon
Jessica A. Hamilton
Seth Collin Heusted
Tracy D. Hurt^{HHH}
Samantha Hardie Miller
Michael D. Ogletree
Destinee Talaya Ransome
Ashton Connor Reedy
George J. Selph^H
Alexis Marie Stanley
Calandra Candice Taylor
Lochlain White
Eric J. Wiggins^H

Arts and Sciences: Theater and Dance

Charlotte Winifred Flade

Business Administration

Jacob R. Aldrich
Heather D. Barnes
Caleb Robert Bean^H
Joel Nathanel Byrd
Caitlin Nicole Daniels
Te'a E. Durham
Carly Rae Eastburn^{HHH}
Ellyssa G. Fultz
Jack L. Goodwin^{HHH}
Michael L. Handy, Jr.
Alyssa M. Henderson^{HHH}
Kyle Edward Hill
Megan Ann Hinton^{HHH}
Asjah Danae Hudson
James Brandon Jones
Diante Keita
Kaelyn Kolberg^H
Jennifer Grace Kreppel
Rhianna C. Munoz
Chika C. Obi
Kaylee Ann Overby^{HHH}
Madison Imani Poindexter
Aaliyah C. Roach^{HHH}
Andrew P. Shryock^H
Layla Marie Shunnarah
Cole Edward Smith
Madison E. Staples
Krystal Erin Stewart
David J. Thompson^H
Christopher Edward Thumm^H
Savannah Nicole Townsend

CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Immanuela Chiemelie Umeh
 Danielle Leigh Vanbrunt^{HH}
 Sydney Irene Verhaagh^{HH}
 Emily Lynn Vougioukles
 John Clarence Wiegman IV^H
 Psalms D. Wilson
 Nicholas Aiden Wyandt^{HH}

Business Management

Joseph Parker Aley
 Amiyah J. Amos
 Megumi Anderson^{HH}
 Kalycia Janae Banks
 Marisa Nicole Barrows
 Alexander Valen Berry
 Joel Brevard
 Kayla D. Brown
 Halie R. Caperones^H
 Layla Rose Carrino^H
 Lydia Creola Chandler^{HHH}
 Jenna Marie Cockrell
 Flannery Elizabeth Cortez
 Terran Crelly
 Nicholas Alonzo Cruz
 Andre Joshua Curry
 Zanaiah Evoni Curtis
 Alexis M. Dorsey
 Beauty Lillie Dunn-Uthman
 Shenecole L. Edmonds
 Joel Escobar Orozco^H
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Tayloni Wyllmanise Bianca Ricks
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Electrical Engineering

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Fire Science Technology

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General Studies

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Communication

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 Kathryn A. Dolan
 Bridget A. Hawkins
 Emily Margaret LaBille
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 Angela Marie Snell^H
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Law Enforcement

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Mathematics and Sciences

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William Joseph Nichols
Tyler Mason Rose^H
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Melanie Jean Shipman
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Pre-Professional Health Science

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Dakota Lynn Headley
Autumn R. Hutchison
Madison Michelle Jury^{HH}
Braylon Eric Kindrick
Jamyra S. Luby
Maxwell Mitchell

Kara Jade Novak^{HH}
Loralei Eden Osterhouse^{HH}
Lillie G. Parrish
Madison Lynn Powell
Malina Chasity Silver^H
Michael Bryant Swanson^H
Kerri L. Vaccaro

Psychology

Akeera D. James
Jenniffer Lee Reisewitz
Beverly Dearstine Russell
Erika Gabriella Velasco^{HH}

Software Development

Jusdan Robert Lyons

Sport Management

Quintin Thomas Dingman
Jordan Harley
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Jonathan C. Pharis
Derek Harrison Rush
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*We strive to provide accurate listings of our candidates for graduation,
but apologize for any inadvertent omissions or misspellings.*

Class of 2025

Student Distinctive Characteristics

The data below includes students receiving degrees and certificates in Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025, including those awarded by the auto-graduating process. Age information is calculated as of the student's earliest awarded degree or certificate in this timeframe.

- 1,364 candidates for 820 associate degrees and 1,118 certificates
- 29% of candidates are graduating with honors
- Top degrees: Arts and Sciences, AA; Nursing, AS; AS: Business Management, AAS; Cybersecurity, AAS; Business Administration, AS
- Top certificates: General Studies: Transfer; Business Management; Cybersecurity Technology; Accounting: Basic; Accounting: Advanced
- 65% female, 35% male
- Residency: 41.6% Charles County; 28.7% St. Mary's County; 25.0% Calvert County; 4.7% outside of region and state
- Youngest degree candidate, age 17; eldest degree candidate, age 69

Academic Attire

The caps, gowns, and hoods worn at college and university functions date 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

Academic Honors
Academic Student Peer Tutor
Alpha Delta Nu
Delta Psi Omega
Kappa Beta Delta
Kappa Delta Pi
Maryland Student Nursing Association
Men of Excellence Program
National Society of Leadership and Success
National Student Nursing Association
Phi Theta Kappa
Student Government Association
Veterans

Cord Color

Green and Gold
Navy and Silver
Apricot and White
Royal Blue and Gold
Blue and Gold
Green and Purple
Red, Black, and Gold
Black and Teal
Blue
Blue and White
Blue and Gold
Teal and Roman Gold
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

Early College
Student Government Association

Stole Color

Silver with Green Trim
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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