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Letter from the dean

Congratulations, Carlson Graduate!

We come together today to celebrate a significant accomplishment in your life. Today we honor the awarding of the degree that signifies your academic achievement and also represents considerable intellectual growth and development. Students come to the Carlson School to participate in a process that will change their lives. It is my sincere hope that you took advantage of all that the Carlson School and the University of Minnesota have to offer, that you gave it your all, and that your experiences at the Carlson School have transformed not only who you are today but what you can become in the future.

The University of Minnesota's goal to become one of the top three public research universities in the world will be achieved, in part, through its exceptional students. The Carlson School has a long history of recruiting, educating, challenging, and graduating outstanding students who become highly motivated lifelong learners, leaders, and global citizens. Your class came to the Carlson School well prepared, indeed better prepared than any class of students who had preceded you. It has been our privilege as educators to guide you through this remarkable transformative experience and to help you develop your unique capabilities.

You now join a larger Carlson School community of over 47,000 alumni who work in companies big and small and live across the United States and, indeed, throughout the world. One

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distinguishing characteristic of our alumni is their undying commitment to supporting the school's agenda for excellence. Carlson School alumni stay connected and they stay involved. The alumni network actively enriched your educational experience by providing mentors, speakers, class projects, internships, full-time jobs, and creating a direct information pipeline from the marketplace to the school. I now encourage you to embrace the opportunity to become a mentor, recruiter, speaker, and benefactor. As you accept these opportunities, you will transform the lives of future generations of students just as yours has been transformed.

On behalf of the faculty and staff of the Carlson School, I am delighted to extend congratulations to you on your achievement today. The process of learning you've begun at the Carlson School lasts a lifetime. We are here to assist in your continued pursuit of knowledge and professional development. I extend warm wishes for your continued personal and professional success. I hope that you will always be proud to call yourself a graduate of the University of Minnesota's Carlson School Class of 2007.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alison Davis-Blake". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Alison Davis-Blake

Dean, Carlson School of Management

Program

Processional

Capital City Brass Quintet

Welcome

Alison Davis-Blake
*Dean and Investors in Leadership
Distinguished Chair in
Organizational Behavior*

Salutation

Gerald Rinehart
*Vice Provost for Student Affairs,
University of Minnesota*

Commencement speaker

Steve Forbes
*President and CEO of Forbes, Inc.
Editor-in-Chief of Forbes magazine*

Undergraduate awards

Mary Maus Kosir
*Assistant Dean and Director
of the Undergraduate Program*

Program

Bachelor of Science in Business presentation of degrees

Robert Ruekert
*Associate Dean of the
Undergraduate Program*

Alumni greeting

Robert Bjork, '81 BSB
*President of the Undergraduate
Advisory Board*

Conferring of degrees

The Honorable David Larson
University of Minnesota Regent

“Hail Minnesota!”

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Commencement speaker

Steve Forbes

Steve Forbes is president and chief executive officer of Forbes and editor-in-chief of *Forbes* magazine.

Since Mr. Forbes assumed his position in 1990, the company has launched a variety of new publications and businesses. They include: *ForbesLife* (formerly FYI), the irreverent lifestyle supplement; *Forbes Asia*; and Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Russian, Arabic, Hebrew, and Polish editions of the magazine. Forbes also publishes the *Gilder Technology Report*, as well as a number of investment newsletters.

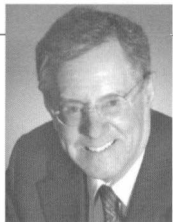
In 1996, Forbes entered the new media arena with the launch of Forbes.com. Now receiving more than 10 million monthly visitors, it has become a leading destination site for senior business decision-makers and investors.

Other company divisions include: Forbes Conference Group and Forbes Custom Media.

Mr. Forbes is also chairman of the company's American Heritage division, publisher of *American Heritage* magazine and two quarterlies, *American Legacy* and *American Heritage of Invention & Technology*.

The company's flagship publication, *Forbes*, is the nation's leading business magazine, with a circulation of 900,000. *Forbes*, combined with *Forbes Asia* and the company's eight local-language editions, together reach a worldwide audience of over five million readers.

Mr. Forbes writes editorials for each issue of *Forbes* under the heading of "Fact and Comment." A widely respected economic prognosticator, he is the only writer to have won the highly prestigious Crystal Owl Award four times. The prize was formerly given by U.S. Steel Corporation to the financial journalist whose economic forecasts for the coming year proved most accurate.



President and CEO of Forbes, Inc.
Editor-in-Chief of *Forbes* Magazine
Republican Candidate for President, 1996 and 2000

In both 1996 and 2000, Mr. Forbes campaigned vigorously for the Republican nomination for the Presidency. Key to his platform were a flat tax, medical savings accounts, a new Social Security system for working Americans, parental choice of schools for their children, term limits, and a strong national defense. Mr. Forbes continues to energetically promote this agenda.

Mr. Forbes is the author of the recently published *Flat Tax Revolution: Using a Postcard to Abolish the IRS*. He also wrote *A New Birth of Freedom*, a book of bold ideas for the new millennium.

In 1985, President Reagan named Mr. Forbes chairman of the bipartisan Board for International Broadcasting (BIB). In this position, he oversaw the operation of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. Broadcasting behind the Iron Curtain, Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty were praised by Poland's Lech Walesa as being critical to the struggle against communism. Mr. Forbes was reappointed to his post by President George H. W. Bush and served until 1993.

Mr. Forbes was born on July 18, 1947, in Morristown, New Jersey. He graduated cum laude in 1966 from Brooks School in North Andover, Massachusetts. He received a B.A. in history from Princeton in 1970. At Princeton, he was the founding editor of *Business Today*, which became the country's largest magazine published by students for students, with a circulation of 200,000. The magazine continues to be published today by Princeton undergraduates.

Mr. Forbes serves on the boards of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation, the Heritage Foundation, and the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies. He is on the Board of Overseers of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and on the Board of Visitors for the School of Public Policy of Pepperdine University. He served on the Board of Trustees of Princeton University for ten years.

Candidates for degrees • *Bachelor of Science in Business*

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| Mohammed Aaser δ <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Heather Axtman | Andrea Blankenheim <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Stacy Abbott | Tom Bader | Molly Bohrer |
| Julie Abrahamzon | Kyle Baker | Travis Boisvert δ <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Daniel Abrams | Devin Baker | David Brabec |
| Julie Ann Aho <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Samantha Bakken | Erin Bracke <i>Distinction</i> |
| Taofiki Alabi Jr | Andrew Balck | Bethany Bradford |
| Alia Allison <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Carla Ballecer <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Raymond Bradley |
| Alison Alness δ <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Brian Barch | David Bratt |
| Abdulaziz Al-Salim <i>Distinction</i> | Viktors Bariss | Daniel Breuer |
| Latnakhone Anantaphong | Jennifer Barneson | Joshua Brock |
| Deanna Anderson | Jacob Barnett | William Bronston δ <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Mollie Anderson | Laura Baron δ <i>High Distinction</i> | Ryan Broshar |
| Christy Anderson | Jordan Baskett-Pee | Sara Brown |
| Erin Anderson δ <i>Distinction</i> | Bethany Baumer | Ashleigh Brummund |
| Jeffrey Anderson | Catherine Becker <i>Distinction</i> | Jennifer Bruntlett <i>Distinction</i> |
| Julie Anderson | Dylan Bell | Phuoc Bui <i>Distinction</i> |
| Kayla Anderson | Natalie Bell | Brandy Burton |
| Melissa Anderson | Erin Belling <i>Distinction</i> | Katie Bushard <i>Distinction</i> |
| Cuyler Antus | Kevin Berg <i>Distinction</i> <i>Cum Laude</i> | Eric Butz |
| Daniel Appel δ <i>Distinction</i> | Donielle Berg | Krystell Cachon Escobar |
| Jennifer Arbogast <i>Distinction</i> | Olivia Berget <i>Cum Laude</i> | Tracy Canton <i>High Distinction</i> |
| John Arlt | Daniel Berning <i>Cum Laude</i> | Kevin Carlow |
| Katherine Armstrong | Cheryl Betcher | Joshua Carlson |
| Christopher Arnold | Katherine Biese <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Jamie Carlton <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Shawn Aronson | Amy Blake <i>High Distinction</i> | Lindsey Carmichael <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Andrew Auvinen <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Elizabeth Blakley | Laura Carter |
| | Derek Blanchard | |

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| Heidi Castiglione | Matthew Dmytryszyn | Darren Frederickson |
| Leonard Chalamila <i>Distinction</i> | James Dorweiler | Danielle Freitag |
| Jeremiah Champ | Erin Dreier | Matthew Frisk |
| David Chan | Erich Dummer <i>High Distinction</i> | Miranda Froistad |
| Hillary Chan δ <i>Distinction</i> | Elizabeth Duncan | Susan Gad <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| David Chang <i>Cum Laude</i> | Jason Dvorak | Patrick Gaddie <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Logan Christianson | Joseph Dylla | Eric Gangl |
| Brian Classen | Kristi Eberlein <i>Distinction</i> | Patrick Garrison |
| Nathan Clausen | Jeremy Eggerth <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Ryan Gehlen |
| Kevin Cohen <i>Distinction</i> | Laura Eidem | Sarah Gehrman |
| Nicholas Colbert | Charles Eisler | Nicholas Giambruno <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Megan Connolly | Erik Eliason <i>Distinction</i> | Paul Gordon |
| Angela Conrad * <i>High Distinction</i> | Kristi Ellis | Kris Govro <i>High Distinction</i> |
| Megan Cooper | Benjamin Emons * | Benjamin Grabski |
| Michael Copa <i>High Distinction</i> | Daniel Engwall | Rebecca Graham |
| April Cotterell <i>Distinction</i> <i>Cum Laude</i> | Katherine Erickson | Stephanie Graupmann |
| Justin Cox | Jeremy Eslinger | Jeffrey Grundtner |
| Paul Cronin | William Esser | Michelle Guillaume |
| Cen Cui | Allison Evans | Heather Gustafson |
| Andrew Dahle | Jennifer Exley | Kaitlin Gustafson |
| Lauren Dailey | Ali Farhat | Sofya Guterman |
| Anne Davis <i>Cum Laude</i> | Victor Feldberg | Tuan Ha |
| Dominic Decoux | Tim Felkner | Laura Haburn |
| Max DeGroen <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Nicole Felling | Andrew Haggerty |
| Rebecca Delmore | Irene Fernando | Abdinasir Haji-Bare |
| Alan Detzler | Rubens Feroz | Joseph Hall |
| Bernard Dickson | Kyle Flanagan δ <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Ashley Hall |
| Heidi Dickson | Laura Flicker | Eric Halverson |
| | Tysann Forsman | Michael Hamilton <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| | Gregory Foster | Rebeka Hammer |
| | Veniamin Frayman <i>Distinction</i> | Bradley Hammond |

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| Megan Hannon | Christopher Hulke | Fatin Khalid |
| Jack Hargesheimer | Jesse Hultgren | Brandon Kiel |
| Kimberly Harrison <i>Distinction</i> | Christopher Huset | Andrew Kilian |
| Dana Hartle δ <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Andrew Hyde <i>Distinction</i> | David Kim |
| Alexis Hartzler | Ahmad Ibtasar | Karen Kiscanden |
| Jennifer Hasling <i>High Distinction</i> | Michael Iverson | Aleksandr Kladnitsky |
| Amanda Helland <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Brandon Jackson | Denny Klause |
| Jacob Helms | Michael Jackson | Nicholas Klein |
| Rachel Henderson <i>Distinction</i> | Adair Jacobson <i>Distinction</i> | Andrew Knoechel |
| Nikolaus Hengel | Amanda Jacobson | Dana Knowlton <i>Distinction</i> |
| J. Benjamin Hess | Caryn Jacowski | Adam Koch <i>Distinction</i> |
| Megan Hicks | Shehab Jafari | John Koehnen <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Michael Hielscher | Bethany Jepsen δ <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Brieanne Kohlman |
| Bradley Hildebrand | Ashley Johannes | Gleb Kostetsky |
| Daniel Hildebrandt | David Johansson <i>Distinction</i> | Patricia Koth |
| Brian Higgins <i>Distinction</i> | Kristofor Johnson | Natalie Kotzian |
| Christina Hill | Christina Johnson δ <i>Distinction</i> | Jill Kreitinger |
| Michael Hilliard | Elizabeth Johnson <i>Distinction</i> | Jodi Kreuser |
| Destry Hinck | Justin Johnson <i>Distinction</i> | Joshua Krieglger |
| Jennifer Hitzker | Matthew Johnson | Eric Kuhn |
| Kelly Hoag <i>Distinction</i> <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Ashley Johnson | Michael Kuklok |
| Kyle Hoffman | Justin Johnson | Soo Hyon Kwon <i>Distinction</i> |
| Christopher Hommerding | Brian Juris | Cory Larsen |
| Kahli Hoppe <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Robert Kahn | Kara Larson |
| Matthew Horvath | Neeti Kambale | Meredith Larson δ <i>Distinction</i> |
| Eric Howard | Kristin Kanz δ <i>High Distinction</i> | Sarah Larson |
| Jake Hughes <i>Distinction</i> | Zlata Karpas <i>Distinction</i> | Brock Lauritsen |
| | Thomas Kaul | Brian Lebens <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| | David Kelley | Melinda Lee |
| | | Jennifer Lee |
| | | Benjamin Lehman <i>Distinction</i> |

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| Larisa Lehn | Kenneth McIntosh | Jonathan Nash |
| Nicholas Leiting <i>Distinction</i> | Michael McStott | Raymond Navarro |
| Bruce Leland | Maria Meacham | Amanda Neil |
| Kelly LeTourneau | John Meegan IV δ <i>Distinction</i> | Scott Neils δ |
| Brian Li | David Meier | Siri Nelson <i>Distinction</i> |
| Andrew Liebaert <i>Distinction</i> | Emily Mendel δ <i>High Distinction</i> | Tyler Nelson <i>High Distinction</i> |
| Eric Lind | Randall Mendenhall | Kyle Nesgood |
| Nicholas Lindberg | Matthew Merkey <i>Distinction</i> | Anthony Ness |
| Bethanie Lindorfer | Jeffrey Merrifield | Michelle Newton |
| Ashley Lipp | Michael Mesfin | Kaitlyn Nguyen |
| Bethany Lisell | Ana Mihaila <i>High Distinction</i> | Lynn Nguyen |
| Allyson Ludtke | Jamie Miller δ <i>High Distinction</i> | Ngoc Nguyen |
| Christopher Lund <i>Distinction</i> | <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Victor Nhul |
| April Mabie | Aways Mohamed | Anthony Niemeier |
| Erik Magnuson | Ibrahim Mohamed | Steven Nikkola |
| Clinton Malikowski | Joshua Morrison | Andrew Nolan |
| Joseph Mallen | Max Mortellaro | Yoshito Nomura |
| Catherine Malovrh <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Daniel Moshe | Lindsay Novak * <i>Distinction</i> |
| Rochelle Marshall | Eric Moss <i>Distinction</i> | Seth Oberlander |
| Samantha Martz | Michael Mowatt <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Matthew Oehler |
| Joshua Mathews δ <i>Distinction</i> | Timothy Mueller | Bradley Olson |
| Kraig Mathias | Christina Muldowney * <i>Distinction</i> <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Amanda Olson <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Christopher Matthees | Marcus Mullin <i>Cum Laude</i> | Ian Olson |
| Suzette Maul | Andrew Munoz | Megan Olson |
| Michelle May δ <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Janine Munson | Bryan Olsson |
| Lukas Mayer | Samantha Muraski <i>Cum Laude</i> | Devin O'Neil δ <i>Distinction</i> |
| Dominique Mazloom | Anjali Murray <i>Distinction</i> | Richard Opitz δ <i>Distinction</i> |
| Daniel McAllister | | Abdiasis Osman |
| Kelly McDonald | | Jacob Osowski <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| John Mcinerney | | Leslie Osterloh <i>Distinction</i> |

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| Theresa Ouellette | Ajay Puri | Robert Sande |
| Ashley Ovaska | Udairaj Purmessur | Katelyn Sandfort |
| Sarah Page <i>Distinction</i> | Lindsay Quady | Margarita Sapozhnikov δ <i>Distinction</i> |
| Matthew Palmieri | Jeff Quinn <i>Distinction</i> | Annalise Sazama |
| Bradley Paulson <i>Distinction</i> | Jessica Quinn | Aline Schellhas |
| John Pawielski | Rana Rand | Diana Schleisman |
| Maria Pazos | Debbie Ratzlaff | Christopher Schober |
| Nicholas Pechman | Matthew Reck | Ella Schovanec δ <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Taylor Pedersen | Boda Reddy | Casie Schumacher <i>Distinction</i> |
| Drew Pederson | Marie Reilly <i>Distinction</i> | Maria Schumacher |
| Susan Penders | Jessica Reipke | Ashlee Seutter |
| Heather Perla | Mark Rentz | Adam Severin |
| Jason Peterson | Brandon Ressler | Salman Shahid |
| Brian Peterson <i>Distinction</i> | Tessa Retterath | Anatoliy Shkurko |
| Christopher Peterson | Elena Reytel | John Sikora |
| Jacob Peterson <i>High Distinction</i> | Kevin Rice | Anna Simanovsky |
| Barbara Piatek | Anthony Richter <i>Distinction</i> | Adam Simonett |
| LeAnna Pierson | Nicole Ricker | Kathryn Simpson |
| Rosalie Pike <i>Distinction</i> | Stanley Ringold | Winston Sirajuddin |
| Robert Pilgrim | Erin Rise | Mary Ellen Six <i>Distinction</i> |
| Bradley Pitlick | Reed Robinson <i>Distinction</i> | Todd Slawson |
| Matthew Plant | Amanda Rosandich | Matthew Snelling |
| Jon Pogue | Nathan Rosenquist | Angie Sommers * <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Tetyana Polyulyakh | Crystal Rossel | Travis St Louis |
| Timothy Post <i>Distinction</i> | Robert Rotchadl <i>Distinction</i> | Joesph Stegeman <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Katherine Pritchard | Sarah Roths | Jill Stenberg |
| Theresa Proffitt | Christopher Rothstein | Daniel Stern δ <i>Distinction</i> |
| Chariya Prom | Kelly Rousar | Kelsey Steuber |
| Yuliya Pruzhanskaya | Robert Rubin <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Benjamin Stevens <i>Distinction</i> |
| Cassandra Purcell <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Jacob Rutz | |
| | Qais Sabri | |
| | Carrie Sakki | |

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| Brett Stier | Christopher Undersander | Samantha Willems |
| Alexander Stoewer <i>High Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Rebecca Upton | <i>High Distinction</i> |
| Brandon Stroschein | Jennifer Van Gompel | Joseph Willenbring |
| Mathew Sturgill | Jason Van Thiel | Jennifer Wilson <i>Distinction</i> |
| Candise Sullivan | Elizabeth Vangh | Mary Wirz |
| Joseph Sullivan | Blake Verdon | Alyson Wise |
| Nicole Sullivan | Jonathan Vescio | Matthew Wolf |
| Emily Swanson | Ellen Victor | Amy Wolkerstorfer <i>Distinction</i> |
| Shannon Szarke | Alyson Vilmo <i>Cum Laude</i> | Laurel Wooten <i>Distinction</i> |
| Daniel Tan | Maria Vizuete | Jacob Workman |
| Steven Taylor | Daniel Vogt | Arianne Wotzka <i>High Distinction</i> |
| Gregory Tehven | Matthew Volner | Megan Wright <i>Distinction</i> |
| Emily Thiel <i>Distinction</i> | Amanda Von Ruden <i>High Distinction</i> | Laura Wudel |
| Jill Thielen | Steven Wagner | Aeillyne Mae Yburan |
| Emily Thompson <i>Distinction</i> | April Wagner <i>Distinction</i> | Daniel Yentes |
| Philip Thompson | Lindsey Wahl <i>Distinction</i> | Jung Yi <i>Distinction</i> |
| Xiaoli Tian <i>High Distinction</i> | Laura Waldorf | Katherine Youtsos |
| Scott Tiedke | Christopher Wang <i>Distinction</i> <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Marcus Zahn |
| James Tinucci | Adam Webb <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Vincent Zamora |
| Ryan Titus <i>Distinction</i> <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Lydia Weinstein <i>High Distinction</i> | Paul Zebott |
| Lisa Ton | Andrew Weitnauer | Randolph Zhao |
| Nutthanit Towan | Tyson Welch | Feifei Zheng |
| Crystal Trampel <i>Distinction</i> | Jing Weng | Allison Ziegler <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Amy Tran <i>High Distinction</i> | Maja Wheeler | Amber Zobeck |
| Sarah Travis <i>High Distinction</i> | John Wigdahl | |
| Niall Turner | Rhonda Wiitanen | |
| Amy Tyson <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Ariel Wildenauer | |
| Brian Uhlenhopp | Amanda Wilkinson | |
| | Lindsey Willaert | |

Undergraduate honors

Degrees with distinction

Distinction and high distinction are awarded on the basis of scholarship. High distinction denotes those graduating students with a GPA between 3.90 and 4.0, while distinction denotes those who have a GPA between 3.75 and 3.89. Honors are final only after all degree work has been completed.

Degrees with honors

Students who earn the honors designation have completed a series of required upper division honors courses and have earned the following GPA in their final 60 credits at the University of Minnesota:

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| Cum laude | 3.500 |
| Magna cum laude | 3.667 |
| Summa cum laude | 3.750 |

Undergraduate awards

Tomato Can Loving Cup Award

This award began in 1929 and is the Carlson School's highest honor to an undergraduate student, recognizing performance of distinctive service to the school. The Tomato Can Loving Cup Award comes with a full-tuition scholarship to the Carlson Full-Time MBA program, redeemable after two years of work experience.

Recipient to be announced

The David S. Kidwell Silver Compass Award for Distinguished Leadership

In recognition of David Kidwell's decade of unwavering direction as dean, the Carlson School Board of Overseers commissioned the Silver Compass Award in his name to promote and reward students who demonstrate exceptional vision, commitment, and leadership.

Lindsay Novak

Academic Excellence Award

This award is presented to the student who ranks highest scholastically among all undergraduates at the Carlson School.

Julie Aho
Katherine Biese

Undergraduate awards

Hau Huong Phu Phan Award of Excellence

This award is a living remembrance of Hau Phan by recognizing her outstanding accomplishments and contributions to the Carlson School. Candidates are chosen for their commitment to and appreciation of ethnic diversity, leadership, and community building.

Phuoc Bui

Alpha Kappa Psi Tablet Awards

This award is given to four undergraduates who have performed distinctive service to the Carlson School through leadership, service, and participation.

Kahli Hoppe
Samantha Muraski
Anna Simanovsky
Ryan Titus

Community Engagement Scholar

Students graduating with the Community Engagement Scholar distinction have completed nine credits of service-learning course work, at least 400 hours of community service, and a series of reflective pieces. They also have completed an integrative community project that results in the creation of a sustainable project for a community organization. This is the first time a Carlson School graduate has earned this distinction.

Daniel Berning

Undergraduate awards

The General Mills Achievement Award

The General Mills Achievement Award is sponsored by General Mills to recognize the senior who ranks highest academically among those students who have pursued advanced marketing coursework, as well as overall scholastic achievement at the Carlson School.

Arianne Wotzka

The 3M Marketing Leadership Award

The 3M Marketing Leadership Award recognizes a graduating senior who has demonstrated leadership, service, and scholastic achievement while pursuing the study of marketing. This award is sponsored by 3M and is presented to an outstanding senior selected by Carlson School marketing faculty.

Erin Anderson

The Wall Street Journal Award

The Wall Street Journal Award is presented to a student selected by Carlson School finance faculty who ranks highest scholastically among those students who have expressed a special interest in finance and have pursued advanced courses in that area.

Katherine Biese

Honor societies

Beta Gamma Sigma

Beta Gamma Sigma is the honor society for students enrolled in business and management programs accredited by the The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business—The Association. Election to lifetime membership in Beta Gamma Sigma is the highest honor a business student anywhere in the world can receive from an undergraduate or master's program at a school accredited by AACSB. Students, based on high academic achievement, and tenured business school faculty members, are the only ones eligible for membership in the society. With more than 440,000 members worldwide, the society's membership comprises the brightest and best of the world's business leaders.

Membership is offered to the upper ten percent of the juniors and the upper ten percent of the seniors enrolled in the school, and the top twenty percent from master's programs, and all doctoral students who have completed their programs in the last year. Students invited for membership in Beta Gamma Sigma are indicated by a δ after their name on the list of graduates.

Beta Gamma Sigma membership provides recognition for a lifetime. With alumni chapters in major metropolitan areas across the United States and the BetaLink online membership community, those recognized for their academic achievements at the University of Minnesota can continue an active relationship with Beta Gamma Sigma long after graduation. This lifelong commitment to its members' academic and professional success is defined in the Society's mission: to encourage and honor academic achievement in the study of business and personal and professional excellence in the practice of business.

Beta Alpha Si

Membership in this national honorary accounting society is awarded to accounting majors on the basis of performance in specific accounting courses and overall grade point average. The award is presented to those students with an * after their name on the list of graduates.

Hail Minnesota!

Minnesota Hail to Thee!

Hail to Thee our College dear!

Thy light shall ever be

A beacon bright and clear.

Thy sons and daughters true

will proclaim Thee near and far.

They will guard Thy fame and adore Thy name;

Thou shalt be their Northern Star!

Like the stream that bends to sea,

Like the pine that seeks the blue!

Minnesota still for Thee

Thy sons are strong and true

from their woods and waters fair,

from their prairies waving far;

At Thy call they throng with their shout and song,

Hailing Thee their Northern Star!

Academic costume and regalia

Academic gowns date back to the 14th century, when they served two functions of nearly equal importance: to indicate the academic rank of the wearer and to keep the scholar warm in the drafty stone halls of academia.

The markings, cut, and color of the modern-day academic costume—cap, gown, and sometimes hood—indicate the academic degree, the field of study, and the institution that granted the degree.

Bachelor's degree gowns are black and untrimmed. A maroon and gold tassel hangs from the mortar board worn on the head by candidates.

Master's degree gowns, black and untrimmed, have pointed sleeves. Doctoral gowns in the United States traditionally have been black with velvet front facings and crossbars on the sleeves, but in recent years a number of universities have adopted gowns of distinctive school colors.

A new University of Minnesota doctoral gown and matching tam made their appearance in 1988 to celebrate the centenary of the first Minnesota doctor of philosophy degree. The new Minnesota gown is maroon-trimmed with black velvet chevrons and gold metallic braid. The traditional gown may still be worn.

The Minnesota hood, which may be worn by anyone with a doctoral degree from the University of Minnesota, is black with maroon chevron on gold. Each institution has its own pattern of colors on the hood, worn around the neck and down the back of the gown. The length and shape of the hood identify the most advanced degree the wearer has earned, and the velvet edging shows the field: drab for doctor of business administration.

At commencement ceremonies those who already have the doctoral degree wear hoods. Degree candidates wear the gowns appropriate for the degrees they are about to receive, and new doctorates are hooded on stage.

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