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# College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences Commencement



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

*May 12, 2002  
two o'clock*



Northrop Auditorium

Minneapolis, Minnesota



The College of  
**Agricultural, Food and  
Environmental Sciences**

*Knowledge for a changing world*

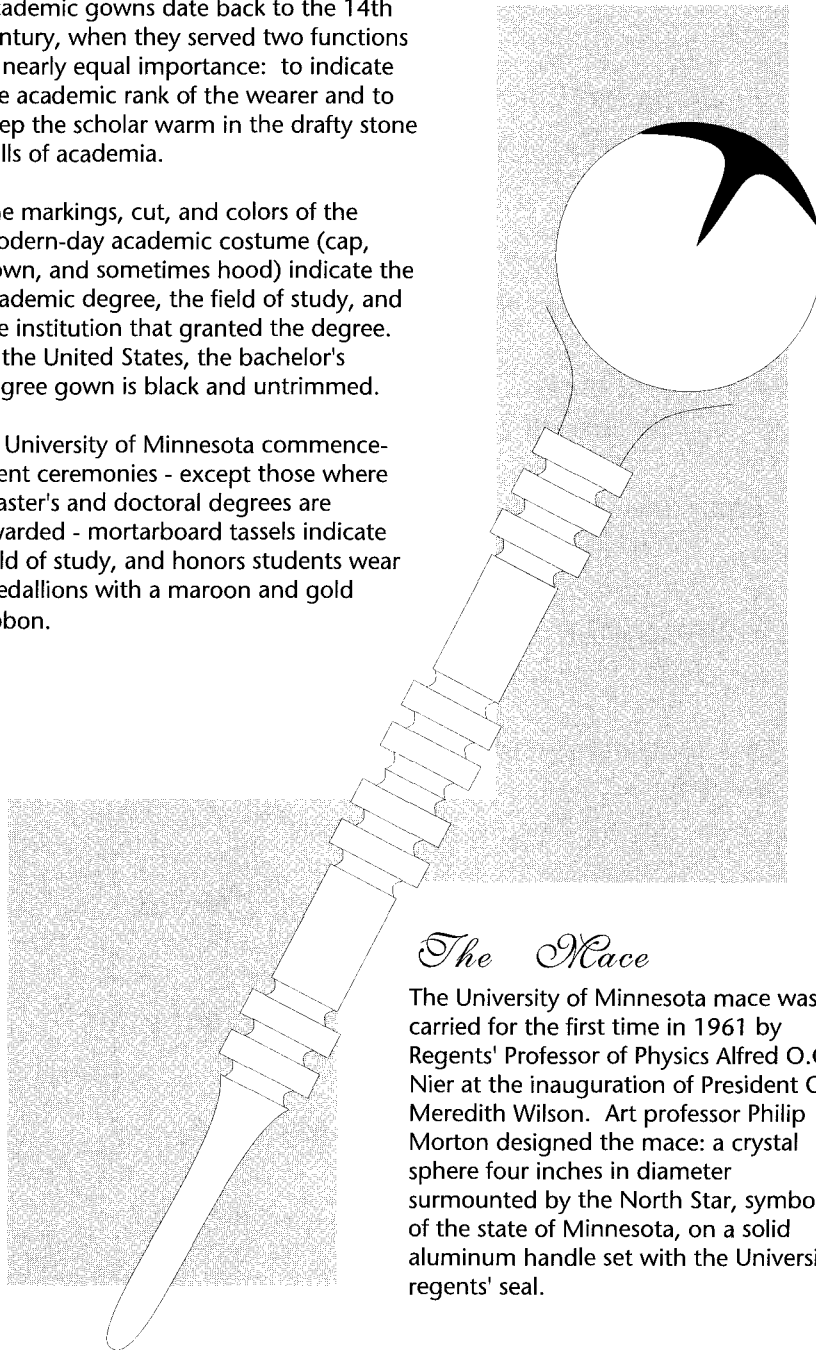


## *Academic Costume*

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 colors 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. In the United States, the bachelor's degree gown is black and untrimmed.

At University of Minnesota commencement ceremonies - except those where master's and doctoral degrees are awarded - mortarboard tassels indicate field of study, and honors students wear medallions with a maroon and gold ribbon.



## *The Mace*

The University of Minnesota mace was carried for the first time in 1961 by Regents' Professor of Physics Alfred O.C. Nier at the inauguration of President O. Meredith Wilson. Art professor Philip Morton designed the mace: a crystal sphere four inches in diameter surmounted by the North Star, symbol of the state of Minnesota, on a solid aluminum handle set with the University regents' seal.



## **PROGRAM**

### ***Processional \****

Accompanist: Ms. Helen Jensen

### ***Solo***

*America, the Beautiful*

Dr. Michael White, Professor, Animal Science

### ***Opening Remarks***

Dr. Ann Hill-Duin, Associate Dean

### ***Inauguration of 2002-2003 Student Board President***

Mr. Christopher Ovrebo, President 2001-2002

### ***Presentation of Dean E. M. Freeman Awards***

Dr. Philip O. Larsen, Senior Associate Dean

### ***Acknowledgment of President's Leadership & Service Awards***

Dr. Bev Durgan, Associate Dean

### ***Presentation of Distinguished Teaching Awards***

Dr. Ann Hill Duin, Associate Dean

### ***Acknowledgment of Other Faculty and Staff Awards***

Dr. Ann Hill Duin, Associate Dean

### ***Presentation of the Student Board's Faculty and Staff Awards***

Mr. Christopher Ovrebo, President 2001-2002



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**Address**

*“The Main Thing”*

Dr. Charles C. Muscoplat, Dean

**Presentation of the Graduates**

Dr. Ann Hill Duin, Associate Dean

**Conferring of the Degrees**

The Honorable Robert S. Bergland,  
University of Minnesota Regent

**Concluding Remarks**

Mr. Robert Freemore, Minnesota Alumni Association  
Dr. Ann Hill Duin, Associate Dean

**Song**

*Hail! Minnesota\*\**

**Recessional**

Accompanist: Ms. Helen Jensen

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*A reception will follow on the plaza.*

*\* Please stand for the Processional*

*\*\*Words are on the last page of the program*



This program contains the names of College of Agricultural, Food, and Environmental Sciences students who have applied to graduate from fall semester 2000 through fall semester 2001. Degrees will be granted when all graduation requirements have been met.

### ***Honors Designations***

Students in the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences may graduate with various honors depending upon grade point average and the completion of an honors curriculum.

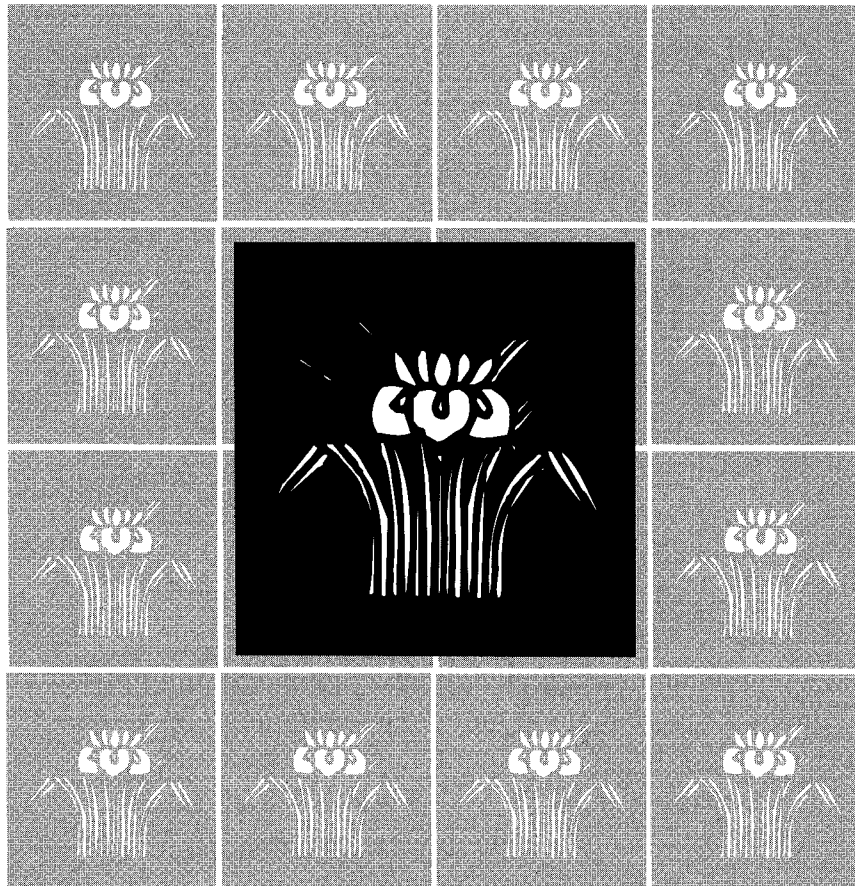
The College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences Honors Program is an academic enrichment program providing a college-wide educational opportunity for students who qualify and accept the challenge for academic enrichment. The Honors Program is designed to give students and faculty, regardless of their specific majors and academic departments, the opportunity to interact with each other in formal and informal contexts. Students graduating with honors must have completed honors colloquia courses and presented the results of a research project defined and sponsored in cooperation with a faculty member. Honors courses are taken in addition to degree program requirements. Students graduating *Cum Laude* have earned a grade point average of 3.5 - 3.65; *Magna Cum Laude*, a grade point average of 3.66 - 3.74 and *Summa Cum Laude* graduates have earned a grade point average greater than 3.75 over their final 60 credits.

For those students who chose not to participate in the Honors Program we acknowledge their academic success with the designations *Distinction* and *High Distinction*. Graduation with *High Distinction* is awarded to students graduating with a grade point average of at least 3.9 and at least 60 credits at the University of Minnesota; *Distinction*, is awarded to students graduating with a grade point average of at least 3.75 and a minimum of 60 credits at the University of Minnesota.

*DL* following a student's name signifies that the student has been on the Dean's List at least twice while in COAFES (semester GPA of 3.7 or better with 12 or more credits).



# *Degree Candidates*





# *Master of Agriculture Degree Candidates*

## **MAG Horticulture**

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Carl J. Rosen*

Kimberly Ann Brown

Dana Marie Gardner

Carol Anne Hough

Alyson L. Landmark







# Baccalaureate Degree Candidates

## Agricultural and Food Business Management

Faculty Representative: Dr. Donald J. Liu

Kyle J. Althoff *DL—Summa Cum Laude with High Distinction  
Presidential Leadership Award*

Caralee Anderson

David Andreotti

Khaysy Bayphrachanh

Kelly Behning

Adam R. Brunet

Jennifer Lee Cordes

James Engen

Thomas Gerdng

Travis Hanson

Heidi Lynn Hilger

Samuel Frank Hoffman

Jason L Holschbach

Latha Lakshmanan

John William Larson

Paul Larson

Amanda Anh Mai

Ryan C. Martinck

Catalina Nguyen *DL*

Brandon Carl Nordstrom

Melissa Lee Noska

Benjamin John Porubcan

Daniel John Radke

Jeff Rolf *DL*

Timothy M. Schneider

Eva Tone

Aaron Wicks

Nathan S. Willey



## Agricultural Education

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Roland Peterson*

Brent Boeshans  
Christofer Crowley  
Michelle Gregory  
Mindy Sandra Groskreutz  
Karen Kenefick  
Eric Kowal  
Duane J. Lichy  
Jesse Rauk  
Jennifer Schoenfeld  
Julie M. Schuch *DL*  
Casey Staloch  
Amanda Marie Thiesse  
Nathon Vrieze  
Genna Weis  
Stephanie Williamson *DL*

## Agricultural Industries and Marketing

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Vernon Cardwell*

Lisa Marie Albrecht  
Eric P. Bly  
Mitchell Burfiend *DL*  
Kameron Karl Duncanson  
Shannon Marie Goulet  
Sara Lynn Nelson  
Abigail Elizabeth Neu  
Christopher J. Ovrebo *DL Distinction*  
*Presidential Leadership Award*  
Michael Donald Redalen  
Elizabeth Marie Rollin  
Nichole Kristine Tyrrell



## Animal and Plant Systems

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Anthony Seykora*

Erick Barberg  
Dennis Neitz  
Adam Rein  
Christina Ann Rohrer-Carlson  
Alex Westhoff

## Animal Production Systems

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Anthony Seykora*

Rita Marie Albrecht *DL*  
Jason Beisker  
Jolene Michelle Danner  
Katherine Lea Dunn  
Joni Christine Heins  
James Richard Hoefs *DL Distinction*  
Nicole Laidlaw  
Julie A. Layeux-Parks  
Scott Miller  
Benjamin Warren Pamp  
Jeffrey David Pleskac  
Raquel Severson  
Alicia Thurk

## Applied Economics

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Kent Olson*

Brenda Jean Adams  
Carrie L. Anderson *DL Magna Cum Laude*  
Jeffrey Arnold  
Jason Callan  
Emmett J. Dacey *DL Distinction*  
Kerri L. Davis  
Arik E. Domian  
Renee Evans  
Oscar Ferrara  
Megan Katherine FitzGibbon



Michael Frank  
Jeremy Freborg  
Dustin Douglas Hammel  
Andrew W. Hennes  
Joshua George Holthaus  
Andrew Hopko  
Hawanya Hopson  
James Imbrogno  
Tina Johnson  
Karen Lynn Kuechle  
Eva Irene Lassemo *DL Distinction*  
JingLing Li *DL Distinction*  
Tina Marie Lorsung  
Andrew McDevitt  
Yuliya Navasialetskaia  
Brooke Lyndsey Norrell  
H. Sheldon Norton *DL—Summa Cum Laude with Distinction*  
Dustin Daniel Olson  
Eric James Palmer  
Michael Thomas Peterson  
Mark Steven Phelps  
David Ross  
Anna K. Sandberg  
Michael Sanfilippo  
Sean Schilz  
Roger Schrader  
David Duane Stewart  
Craig Strong  
Stephanie Talley  
Stephanie Kay Torgerson *DL Distinction*  
Hung Tuan Tran  
Donald E. Vasatka III  
Joe Volp Jr.  
Nyle Walch  
Minh H. D. Wendt *DL High Distinction*  
Michael John Yost *DL*  
John Robert Zillhardt *DL High Distinction*  
Jeffrey E. Zimmerman *DL Magna Cum Laude*  
Kari Jo ZumHofe



## Crops and Soils Resource Management

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Vernon Cardwell*

Shannon Bengtson  
Ann Byers *DL Distinction*  
Joel Harvey Dorn  
Ross Eischens  
Martin Johnson  
Brent Kelsey  
Jared Kooima  
Chad LeBrun  
Douglas Andrew Nagel *DL Distinction*  
Michael Norgaard  
Krisen Singh  
Robert Vetter  
Trent Wadd  
Christopher Wong

## Environmental Horticulture

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Carl J. Rosen*

Sara Bauer  
Laura D. Baune  
Gary Deters  
Bret Dubbles *DL*  
Laura Ducklow  
Wendy C. Gagne  
Brandon Kalland  
Kevin J. Laumann  
Matthew McDonough  
Ekizabeth Lee Pfund  
Jonah Reyes  
Mary Jo Rosenow *DL*  
John Stadelman *DL*  
Daniel James Stang  
Eric Unger  
Jessica C. Vieths  
Julie Weiland  
Susan Lyn Wilkins *DL—Summa Cum Laude with Distinction*



## Environmental Science

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Terence Cooper*

Elizabeth Marie Anderson  
Chandra Carter  
Steven Casperson  
Jennifer Fitchorn  
Michael Gensmer  
Emily Littrell  
Beth Lynn McClure  
Sarah Olftedahl  
Jason Seiffert  
Ryan Vial

## Food Science

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Zata M. Vickers*

Alamin Adam  
Marilyn Diane Anderson  
Michele Cortese  
Joel Dunn  
Kimberly Gessner  
Benjamin D. Johnson  
Devie Karema  
Michelle Masanz  
Carl Moody  
Alyssa Rae Oувerson *DL*  
Duane Schmidt

## Nutrition

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Joanne Slovin*

Michelle Anderson *DL High Distinction*  
MaKeisha Hall  
Hannah L. Olson *DL Distinction*  
Denise Lynn Steel  
Sandra Swami  
Jennifer Turek *DL Distinction*



## Science in Agriculture

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Marcia Hathaway*

Thomas Bakken *DL Cum Laude*  
Noah Barka  
Lucas Carrol Clow *DL High Distinction*  
Alana Marie Glass  
Kara Katie Kuha *DL Summa Cum Laude*  
Nathania Kathelen Lee-Norris  
Aaron Lorenz  
Amanda Lynn Schultze  
Kristina Marie Seybold  
Moriah June Smith  
Amy Steinhorst

## Scientific and Technical Communication

*Faculty Representative: Dr. Bernadette Longo*

Sandra G. Castillo-Petersson  
Elena Chapeton  
Lance Cunningham  
Jennifer C. Gouka  
Christos Dimitrios Goutis  
Allsion Hartfiel *DL Distinction*  
Julie Horton *DL Distinction*  
Matthew Wayne Jensen *DL Distinction*  
Jill Elizabeth Jostock  
Brian Kopp  
Jamie Porras  
Jessica M. Raygor  
Peggy Sanchez *DL*  
Connie Marie Scholtes *DL Summa Cum Laude*  
Megan Schutz  
Andrew Smith  
Angela Somers  
Holly L. Stojan *DL*  
Derek A. Young *DL*



## *Faculty Awards*

The College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences relies on the contributions of its faculty and staff to enhance undergraduate education. The commitment of College faculty and staff to teaching, advising, research and curriculum development continues to provide energy and innovation for the college.

- ❖ The recipient of the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences *Distinguished Teaching Award* for non-tenured faculty is Dr. Lee-Ann Kastman-Breuch, Department of Rhetoric.
- ❖ The recipient of the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences *Distinguished Teaching Award* for tenured faculty is Dr. James C. (Jay) Bell, Department of Soil, Water, and Climate.
- ❖ The College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences Student Board's *Outstanding Teacher of the Year* is Dr. Claudia Parliament, Department of Applied Economics.
- ❖ The College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences Student Board's *Outstanding Club Adviser* is Mr. Mark Bultmann, Student Services, adviser for the Student Board.

## *Student Awards*

Dean Freeman Certificate Award Recipients:

- ❖ The recipient of the *Dean E.M. Freeman Medal, and the Dean E.M. Freeman/Walter C. Coffey Prize*, given in recognition of outstanding contributions to student life on the St. Paul Campus is Rita Albrecht.
- ❖ The recipients of the *Dean E.M. Freeman Certificate*, given in recognition of outstanding contributions to student life on the St. Paul Campus are Kyle Althoff and Christopher Ovrebo.

*President's Leadership and Service Award Recipients are noted in the program.*





## ***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  
*- Truman E. Richard*



Special acknowledgements to the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences Student Board, College student and staff volunteers, and the College's Student Services staff for their work in hosting the commencement ceremony.



*The College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences encompasses responsibilities for research, education, and outreach related to the use of biological materials for society's needs and for the interactions of these products and processes with people and the environment.*

*More explicitly, the mission is to provide responsible leadership in the generation and application of research-based knowledge to the use of our natural and human resources for the production, distribution, and consumption of food, fiber and renewable energy, and for the betterment of our natural and human environments; all with technology that addresses needs and concerns of a diverse constituency.*

