



COMMENCEMENT

PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE

ANGWIN, CALIFORNIA

JUNE 14 ~ 16, 2024

CEREMONY & CELEBRATION

Welcome to Pacific Union College's annual Commencement Weekend. We're so glad you could join us in celebrating the hard work and achievements of the students you have entrusted to us. As this year's graduates prepare to begin their busy lives after college, we hope this weekend will have many moments you and your graduate will treasure forever.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024

- 4:00 p.m. Social Work Consecration (SC)
8:00 p.m. Consecration (CS)
(Refreshments for seniors and guests immediately following)

SABBATH, JUNE 15, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast (FS)
10:00 a.m. Sabbath School (CS)
11:15 a.m. Baccalaureate (CS)
3:30 p.m. Nursing Graduate Recognition Service (CS)
4:00 p.m. Teacher Dedication (SC)
5:30 p.m. President's Reception for Graduates,
Parents, and Faculty (DC)

SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024

- 9:00 a.m. Commencement (MC)

(CS) Church Sanctuary
(DC) Dining Commons
(FS) Fireside Room
(MC) Maxwell Commons *(near Paulin Hall)*
(SC) Scales Chapel

ABOUT PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE

Founded in 1882, Pacific Union College is an accredited Seventh-day Adventist Christian college where students learn with purpose, rise in faith, and serve with love. PUC has been recognized as a best value college for its diverse student population, strong retention, and high acceptance rates of its graduates into medical school, dental school, and prestigious graduate programs. The college is committed to providing students with an exceptional undergraduate experience focused on outstanding academics and Christian values.

POINTS OF DISTINCTION

- The college prides itself on a long tradition of high acceptance rates to medical and dental schools and graduate programs. Alumni have attended Loma Linda University, UC Davis School of Law, UCLA, Yale, and other prestigious institutions.
- PUC ranks third in the nation for associate degree schools which provide the best return on investment after graduation (Payscale.com).
- The department of biology houses several first-rate collections, which include a geology and paleontology museum, a vertebrate animal collection, and a herbarium.
- The Herbert Ford Pitcairn Islands Study Center houses the largest collection of Pitcairn artifacts in the world.
- The Albion Field Station serves as a 17-acre satellite campus on the Pacific Coast near Mendocino, California.
- PUC has sent over 1,400 student missionaries to serve in countries including Chile, the Czech Republic, Fiji, Kazakhstan, Kenya, the Marshall Islands, and South Korea.
- Students participate in over 30 cultural, academic, and special interest clubs; 11 honor societies; and 11 community outreach programs.
- PUC is one of only 58 NAIA Institutions to achieve gold level Champions of Character Five-Star status, among 250 member schools.
- PUC has over 27,000 graduates making a difference in our world.
- US News & World Report ranked PUC #1 Best Value school in California.

PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Pacific Union College is a Seventh-day Adventist learning community offering an excellent Christ-centered education that prepares its students for productive lives of useful human service and uncompromising personal integrity.

PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION

Ralph R. Trecartin, Ph.D., M.B.A. *President*
Lindsay Hayasaka, Ph.D. *Vice President for Academic Administration & Academic Dean*
Joy Hirdler, M.B.A. *Vice President for Financial Administration*
& Chief Financial Officer
Ryan Smith, Ed.D., L.M.S.W. *Vice President for Student Life*
Gene Edelbach, M.A. *Vice President for Enrollment, Marketing & Communication*

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

President..... Tyler J. Wilensky
Executive Vice President..... Sitraka C. Andrianarijaona
Religious Vice President & Public Relations Vice President Fara Miryam Andrianarijaona
Financial Vice President Venkat Reddy Dornadula
Social Vice President Hannah K. Mauth
Class Sponsors Rachelle Davis, Kent Davis, Sharleen Bouit, Emily Logan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEATING

There is an open seating plan for all weekend events. No more than one row per graduate may be reserved. A person must be present and remain present to reserve seats. Seats may not be held past 11:05 A.M. for Baccalaureate; seats for Commencement may only be held from 7:00 A.M. until 8:50 A.M., at which time all seats become available for the general audience.

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PHOTOS AT BACCALAUREATE

Other than during the processional, please refrain from using flash photography during the service. The processional will take place down the center aisle. Please stay behind the rope boundaries.

PHOTOS AT COMMENCEMENT

1. Graduates will march down the left and right center aisles. Check the seating chart board at the back of Maxwell Commons for your graduate's marching side (left or right).
2. For pictures of your graduate actually receiving their diploma, please rely on the professional photographers from Grad Images (at gradimages.com or 800-261-2576). Other photographers are not allowed near the stage or inside the rope boundaries.
3. On the left side, as you face the stage, the ropes are located near where your graduate will come down the steps after receiving their diploma. That will be your best position to snap your own picture of your graduate.
4. Following the ceremony, graduates are requested to go directly to the designated meet-up areas of their academic home department. Please meet at these locations for photos.

COMMENCEMENT LIVE STREAMING

Commencement will be streaming live on our website at puc.edu.

SPEAKERS



TAMMY MCGUIRE has served as a professor in Pacific Union College's Communication Department for the last 18 years. She teaches a wide range of courses, including Communication Research, Health Communication, Persuasion, Small Group and Interpersonal Communication. Dr. McGuire spent several years as an English teacher at Upper Columbia Academy in Washington state before earning her Ph.D. in Communication from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She has received the Zapara Excellence in Teaching award and was honored as PUC's Educator-of-the-Year in 2011. As a Colorado native, Dr. McGuire has a deeply ingrained love for the outdoors. She can often be spotted happily riding her mountain bike in the wilds of the desert southwest, PUC's "Back Forty," or wherever adventure calls.

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In his almost 40 years of service to the Seventh-day Adventist church, MARK WITAS has been a dormitory dean, Bible teacher, college professor, youth pastor, academy chaplain, and senior pastor. Pastor Witas is currently the Director of Mission and Spiritual Care for Adventist Health Glendale, where he works with 15 chaplains, staff, and administration to bring spiritual and emotional care to patients and staff. He has published four books and numerous articles. Pastor Witas is married to Wendy and is the father of his favorite son, Cole. Today is a homecoming for Pastor Witas, who returns to PUC after pastoring this church for several years.



TADELE (TAD) WORKU is a Family Nurse Practitioner, an educator, a musician, and most recently, a mission coach at Inland Empire Health Plan. Worku has won a range of awards, including the Vanderbilt Outstanding Family Nurse Practitioner Student of the Year and Loma Linda University Health Emergency Nurse of the Year. In 2012, Worku was set to embark on an international tour and release his debut pop album, for which he received a grant. Instead, he chose to cancel his tour, return his funding, and step away from music entirely in search of a more profound calling. That decision led Worku into emergency nursing at a level-one trauma center in Southern California. He credits his six years as an ER nurse as the foundation of the music he began to write to process his experiences as a clinician. In 2020, Worku reunited with his award-winning team of musicians to step back into the music world and release his debut album. Worku uses his stories and experiences in healthcare to create new music that inspires hope in listeners.



ROY ICE is the Speaker/Director for *Faith For Today* and the host of the #1 life coaching series on broadcast television, *Lifestyle*. Ice has explored the rain forests of Panama, Australia, and Costa Rica, and plunged into the freezing waters of Finland. He received multiple awards as a professional drummer and has coached Olympic Gold Medalists from various countries. Some of his favorite years were spent as PUC's Chaplain from 2005-2011. Ice has authored several books, including *12 Things to Try While You're Still Mortal*, which climbed to the #1 bestseller spot on Amazon Kindle Books in 2015. His greatest joy comes from helping people get unstuck and on their way to fulfilling their greatest life purpose. Ice and his wife, Dyna, have enjoyed 23 years of marriage and have two teenage boys who keep them active and laughing.

CONSECRATION SERVICE

SANCTUARY

FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024, 8:00 P.M.

The program is presented by members of the Class of 2024.

Welcome Sitraka C. Andrianarijaona,
Class Executive Vice President

Invocation Fara Miryam Andrianarijaona,
*Class Religious Vice President &
Public Relations Vice President*

Song Service Amanda Barnes
Abigail Mayan
Glanelle Ejurango
Kaitlyn Nakanishi
Tyler J. Wilensky,
Class President
Sitraka C. Andrianarijaona,
Class Executive Vice President

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Class President

Special Music *Someday* Chelsea Ussery
AEOLIANS OF OAKWOOD UNIVERSITY

Scripture *Romans 8:31* Joonsuh Huh

Introduction of Speaker Hannah K. Mauth,
Class Social Vice President

Address *In the Fullness of Uncertainty* Tammy McGuire,
Professor of Communication

Benediction David Ringer,
Residence Hall Associate Dean

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SABBATH SCHOOL
SANCTUARY
SABBATH, JUNE 15, 2024, 10:00 A.M.

The program is presented by members of the Class of 2024.

Welcome and Invocation		Rajeev Sigamoney, <i>Chair of Visual Arts</i>
Special Music	<i>You're About to Climb</i> THE COLLINGSWORTH FAMILY	Glanelle Ejurango
Student Panel Discussion	Panel: Ethan Foliente (Biochem/Pre-med) Ben Huh (Biology/Pre-med) Elliott J. Griggs (Nursing) Hannah K. Mauth, <i>Social Vice President</i> (Communication)	
Benediction		Reno Moreno

BACCALAUREATE
SANCTUARY
SABBATH, JUNE 15, 2024, 11:15 A.M.

Prelude	<i>Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word</i> JOHANN AHLE	
Processional	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i> MARTIN RINKART, ARR. PAUL FEY	
Invocation		Amanda Barnes
Welcome	Nathaniel J. Furness, <i>Head Pastor</i> U. Lemuel Garcia Millan, <i>Associate Pastor</i> Garrison M. Chaffee, <i>Youth Pastor</i>	

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BACCALAUREATE
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Song of Praise	<i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i> HYMNAL 100	Kaitlyn Nakanishi
Congregational Prayer		Anh Do
Children's Story		Hannah K. Mauth, <i>Class Social Vice President</i>
Offering	Worthy Student Fund	Venkat R. Dornadula, <i>Class Financial Vice President</i>
Offertory	<i>Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us</i> ARR. BY MARK HAYES	Seoyoung Kim, <i>Nursing</i>
Scripture	<i>Romans 8:31</i>	Class of 2024 and Friends
Introduction of Speaker		Fara Miryam Andrianarijaona, <i>Class Religious Vice President & Public Relations Vice President</i> Sitraka C. Andrianarijaona, <i>Class Executive Vice President</i>
Address	<i>The Abyss</i>	Mark Witas, <i>Director of Mission & Spiritual Care at Adventist Health Glendale</i>
Special Music	<i>The Prayer</i> DAVID FOSTER, CAROLE BAYER SAGER, TONY RENIS AND ALBERTO TESTA	Sitraka C. Andrianarijaona, <i>Class Executive Vice President</i> Tyler J. Wilensky, <i>Class President</i>
Benediction*		Emily Logan, <i>Class Sponsor</i>
Recessional	<i>Festive Trumpet Tune</i> DAVID GERMAN	
Postlude	<i>Toccata in B Minor</i> EUGÈNE GIGOUT	

ORGANIST: Ronnie Zanella

*Following the benediction, the congregation will be seated until after the recessional.

Junior class members Madeline Eastman and Benji Rangel will usher the senior procession.

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NURSING GRADUATE RECOGNITION SERVICE

SANCTUARY

SABBATH, JUNE 15, 2024, 3:30 P.M.

Prelude	<i>Adagio for Strings</i> SAMUEL BARBER, ARR. FRANKLIN EDDINGS	
Processional	<i>Marche Triomphale</i> JACQUES-NICOLAS LEMMENS	
Invocation		Elliott Griggs
Welcome		Anna Keen
Musical Selection	<i>In Christ Alone</i> NATASHIA MIDORI	Seoyoung Kim Frances Velarde
Scripture Reading	<i>Joshua 1:9</i>	George Purba
Introduction of Speaker		Kimberly Dunker, <i>Dean of Nursing & Health Science</i>
Address	<i>The Courage To See Hope</i>	Tad Worku, <i>Mission Coach at Inland Empire Health Plan</i>
Presentation of Awards		Kimberly Dunker
Significance of the Pin:	ASSOCIATE DEGREE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE MSN DEGREE	Charles D. Robbins Alondra M. Alvarez Camargo Heather Anderson
Pinning		Kimberly Dunker
Significance of Florence Nightingale Pledge		Kelsey Aritonang
Florence Nightingale Pledge		Anh Dao & Graduates
Tribute to Families	Slide Show	Charolette Bidwell Jillian F. McNab
Benediction		Tyler Williams
Recessional	<i>Festive Intrada</i> PAUL FEY	
Postlude	<i>Toccata</i> FROM SUITE GOTHIQUE, OP. 25, LÉON BOËLLMANN	

ORGANIST: Ronnie Zanella

Graduates and their families and friends are invited to the
President's Reception at the Dining Commons at 5:30 P.M.

COMMENCEMENT
MAXWELL COMMONS
SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024, 9:00 A.M.

Processional

Alla Hornpipe
FROM WATER MUSIC, GEORGE HANDEL

Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1
EDWARD ELGAR

Welcome

Ryan Smith,
Vice President for Student and Spiritual Life

Invocation

Leon Brown,
Pacific Union College Board of Trustees

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:10

Fara Miryam Andrianarijaona,
*Class Religious Vice President &
Public Relations Vice President*

Introduction of Speaker

Ralph R. Trecartin,
President

Commencement Address

*Why Are You Wearing a Square Hat
On Your Round Head?*

Roy Ice,
*Director, Faith &
Today Ministries*

Musical Selection

Be Not Afraid
TAYLOR DAVIS

Senior Class Ensemble

A Valedictory

Tyler J. Wilensky,
Class President

Presentation of Class Gift

Venkat R. Dornadula,
Class Financial Vice President

Presentation of Class

Lindsay Hayasaka,
*Vice President for Academic
Administration & Academic Dean*

Conferring of Degrees

Ralph R. Trecartin,
President

Alumni Welcome

Sandra Roberts,
Chair, PUC Board of Trustees

Benediction

Gene Edelbach,
*Vice President for Enrollment,
Marketing & Communication*

Recessional

Crown Imperial
WILLIAM WALTON



“The future
belongs to those
who believe in
the beauty of
their dreams.”

-Eleanor Roosevelt

SENIOR CLASS ENSEMBLE

SINGERS:

Amanda Barnes, Kaitlyn Nakanishi, Lauren VandenHoven
Tyler J. Wilensky, *Class President*

STRINGS:

Joonsuh Huh, Tiffany Ahn, Glanelle Ejurango

ORGANIST: Ronnie Zanella

REGISTRAR: Craig Philpott

COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS: Jon Carstens and Ross Winkle

Junior class members Madeline Eastman and Benji Rangel will usher the senior procession.

Please remain seated until graduates and faculty have exited.

PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE
CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES ~ JUNE 2024

MASTER OF BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION

Corbin Alexander Edelbach
(Healthcare Administration)

MASTER OF EDUCATION

Maleah Merrills Mungandi
Esther Bettina Nanasi
*Martin Daniel Reid Bua

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Andrea Maria Aleman
(Leadership and Business Management)
Heather Lynn Anderson
(Leadership and Business Management)
Greg Luke Aritonang
(Leadership and Business Management)
Alvin Carl Tamayo de Guzman
(Education)
Holly Hokulani Kalua
(Leadership and Business Management)
Rachel Vergara Sayo
(Leadership and Business Management)

CLASS OFFICERS

Tyler Wilensky
Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry;
Associate of Science in Music
(Performance)
(Summa Cum Laude)
Senior Class President
Sitraka Christianne Andrianarijaona
Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry;
Bachelor of Arts in Language & Culture
Studies (French and Biology);
Associate of Science in Health Sciences
(Summa Cum Laude)
Senior Class Executive Vice President
Fara Miryam Andrianarijaona
Bachelor of Arts in Film
(Cum Laude)
*Senior Class Religious and
Public Relations Vice President*

Venkat Reddy Dornadula

Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry;
Associate of Science in Health Sciences
(Cum Laude)
Senior Class Financial Vice President

Hannah Karoline Mauth

Bachelor of Science in Health
Communication
Senior Class Communications Vice President

STUDENT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Kaitlyn Elizabeth-Grace Nakanishi

Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry
and Music
HONORS PROJECT: *Ubiquitous Musical Motives:
A study of the pentatonic scale as it alludes to
the inherent connection of the human species*
(Cum Laude)
*Student Association President (23-24);
Student Association Social Vice President (21-22)*

Esteban Alfredo Ramirez

Bachelor of Business Administration
(Accounting)
(Cum Laude)
*Student Association Financial
Vice President (23-24)*

Cheyenne "Charlie" Kefalos

Bachelor of Arts in English (Writing)
(Magna Cum Laude)
Student Association Chronicle Editor (23-24)

Lauren Lynn VandenHoven

Bachelor of Arts in English (Education)
Honors Project: *Sharing Stories:
Student-Centered Pedagogy in the Secondary
English Classroom*
(Magna Cum Laude)
Student Association Chronicle Editor (21-22)

SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND PROFESSIONS

BACHELOR OF ARTS

- Amanda Moriah Barnes
English (Education)
HONORS PROJECT: *We Are Failing Our Children: Trauma Informed Pedagogy, A Comprehensive Overview*
(Magna Cum Laude)
- Megan Gardner
English (Writing)
- Megan Katherine Lira
Film
- Luiggi Loconi
Theology
- Alanys Osuna
Language & Culture Studies
(Spanish & Global Health)
- Hyunsuk Yang
Art (Fine Art)
(Cum Laude)

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- Christian Chorjel
(Management)
(Cum Laude)
- Caroline Clavel
(Finance)
- *Jalen Michael Francisco
(Accounting)
(Summa Cum Laude)
- Melisa Estela Lopez
(Healthcare Management)
(Magna Cum Laude)
- Isaac Mendoza Bucio
(Marketing)
- *Alexander A. Torres
(Accounting)
- Justin Patrick Vital
(Healthcare Management)
(Summa Cum Laude)

BACHELOR OF FINE ART

- Brannon Lee Anderson Bauman
Film
- Emily Karina Pena Alvarez
Film

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

- Courtney Martha Asker
Bachelor of Science in History, Political Studies, and Ethics
HONORS PROJECT: *Capital Punishment: Pros, Cons, and the Future of the Policy*
(Cum Laude)
- Jordan Baumbach
Early Childhood Education
- Jazmyn Brillana Bravo
Business Administration
(Cum Laude)
- Sherban Cedeno
History, Political Studies, and Ethics
(Summa Cum Laude)
- Edgar F. Correa Saenz
Business Administration
- Celia Gisela Cruz Poblete
Marketing Communication
- Glanelle Marie Perez Ejurango
Music
- *Cyasi Ynique Farries
Health Communication
- Abigail Faye Harris
Management for Medical Professionals
- Jacob Wade Hendricks
Marketing Communication
- Jerica Herman
Business Administration
(Summa Cum Laude)
- Justin M. Idsoe
Liberal Studies
- Lauren Jones
Liberal Studies
(Cum Laude)
- Andrianna Massena
Communication
- Abigail Kawehihwahiwaokawai Mayan
Liberal Studies
- Andrew Jeremiah Penners
Communication
- Espen Alexander Scarbrough
Social Studies
- Joli Holland Weber
Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies;
Bachelor of Arts in English, with an emphasis in Education
(Magna Cum Laude)
- Kai Ye
Management for Medical Professionals

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

- Dylan Sails
Film (Production)
(Cum Laude)

SCHOOL OF SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Frances Gabrielle C. Samson
Bachelor of Arts in Biology;
Associate of Science in Nursing

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Adam Grant Evanado Baluyot
Bachelor of Science in Biology;
Associate of Science in Health Sciences
(Cum Laude)

Joel Casillas
Exercise Science
(Cum Laude)

Stephanie Michaela Diep
Chemistry

Suljit Dodd
Biology

Ruby Douhan
Psychology

Ethan James Foliente
Biochemistry
(Cum Laude)

Catherine Garcia
Psychology

Pablo Garrido
Exercise Science
(Cum Laude)

Grant Owen Grainger
Biology

Dania Guerrero
Psychology
(Cum Laude)

Joonsuh Huh
Biology
(Summa Cum Laude)

Daniela Infante
Psychology

Kijoon Kim
Chemistry
(Cum Laude)

Alena Le
Chemistry
(Cum Laude)

Lizette Julia Moreno
Psychology

Reno Moreno
Biology
(Magna Cum Laude)

*Bao Nguyen
Exercise Science
(Cum Laude)

Christian Xavier Nunez
Biology
(Summa Cum Laude)

Sarai Ortega
Psychology

Sharie Gizelle Osorio
Bachelor of Science in Psychology;
Associate of Science in Early
Childhood Education

Shemarr Parker
Physical Education (Teacher Education)

Sara Porras Camargo
Psychology

Joanna Ruiz Dominguez
Biology

Thomas Michio Tatsuyama
Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science;
Associate of Science in Health Sciences
(Cum Laude)

Tristan Vuong Tran
Exercise Science

Madeline Grace Wagner
Psychology

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK

Arianna Alisa Amato
Beraldo Moises Barrios
Claire Renee Harlan Maghan
Yonayda Melissa Rodas Aguilar
Chelsea Christina Ussery

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Zachary James Hagele
Personal Training

SCHOOL OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Reytzel Esthela Chevez Mendoza
Emergency Management
Brydon Zeigler
Bachelor of Science in Emergency
Management (EMT); Associate of
Science in Emergency Services

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

*Regan Margaret Acosta
*Jaylynn Bongeo Advincula
(Cum Laude)
Nathalie Agudelo Arango
Ayodele Alabi
Alondra Alvarez Camargo
*Brelin Andermahr
Jalen Aquino
Mary JoAnn Aug
(Cum Laude)
Russell Barikdar
Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
Associate of Science in Nursing
(Cum Laude)
Charisma Monta Berry
*Taylor Ann Best
Valerie Callaway
(Cum Laude)
*Ashley Yahaira Cardenas
Lisa Ryan Carlson
(Cum Laude)
Erik Martin Carrillo
(Cum Laude)
Anayeli Cordova
Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
Associate of Science in Nursing
*Naiala O. DaSilva
*Andrew Dinh
Emily Edwards
Bianca Erghellegiu
Michael B. Escano
*Samantha Destiny Foong
(Cum Laude)
Glenn Karsten Ramos Garduce
Jayana Nikole Graham
*Alma Hernandez
*Josephine Erosa Igbineweka
Moises Iquite
*Rachel Egbuonu Kanno
Anna Raquel Keen
Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
Associate of Science in Nursing
(Cum Laude)
*Ashley Nicole Lemonius
(Magna Cum Laude)

Marley Lester
Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
Associate of Science in Nursing
(Magna Cum Laude)
Tina Marie Licciardi
Michael Ray Anastacio Mancio
Daisy Martinez
Jennifer Elizabeth Muenzberg
Ayla Belle Oania
Ashley-Malia O'Hara Rugnao
(Summa Cum Laude)
Maxime Maryrose Fua Paredes
*Samantha Cristina Pena
(Cum Laude)
Jocelyn Peralez
Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
Associate of Science in Nursing
(Cum Laude)
Liset Pizano
Andrew Priolo
(Magna Cum Laude)
George Purba
Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
Associate of Science in Nursing
Paul Amboya Raciles
Bachelor of Science in Nursing;
Associate of Science in Nursing
(Cum Laude)
Sheena Deleon Ragadio
(Cum Laude)
Randy Rei Roasa
*Anastasia Rowles
(Cum Laude)
Angie Tran Saeteurn
Rupinder Sangha
(Cum Laude)
Karmina Rose Atienza Santos
Eloise Gwendolyn Tran
(Cum Laude)
Sinai Utrera Jimenez
Frances Delle Malibago Velarde
Haley Christine Waite
*Kelly West
(Cum Laude)
*Kayla Reiko Yasukawa

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Cristian Alexis Marin Castañeda
Emergency Services
†Diana Martinez
Health Sciences
(Cum Laude)
Arielle Miranda
Health Sciences
Asia Aaliyah Fungisai Muzenda
Health Sciences
Jennifer Porras Camargo
Health Sciences

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

*Mayette M. Acierto
(Cum Laude)
Tiffany Ahn
John Castillo Alagon
Marahi Alejo
(Magna Cum Laude)
Erin Nicole Arciaga
Kelsey Wynona Aritonang
*Alex Azadi
(Magna Cum Laude)
Darryl Brad Gardiola Baena
Deanna Basham
(Cum Laude)
Charlotte Jane Bidwell
(Magna Cum Laude)
Iris D. Borjas
*Jarrod Daniel Bothwell
Ashley Michelle Bridgman
Oasis Horizon Buensalido
(Cum Laude)
Mac Cartledge
Marcella Castro
Mazie Contreras
Keilalani Jorilynn Arciaga Corpuz
(Cum Laude)
Anh N. Dao
(Cum Laude)
Leigh Dylan Autor De Chillo
Karena Dawn Cheryl DeHaven
(Magna Cum Laude)
Renne Monica Alipio Descallar
(Cum Laude)
Maya Diaz
(Cum Laude)
Tenzin Dolma

Jaylen Marie-Rose Dominguez
Berenice Donan
(Cum Laude)
*Baylee Mae Dymmer
(Summa Cum Laude)
Peace Kelechi Echendu
(Cum Laude)
Eryn Zeirah Bernal Fajardo
Marian Aliana Famularcano
Paola Flores
Michael T. Ford
*Marlee Dee Gant
Jennifer De La Rosa Garcia
(Cum Laude)
Nina Marie Garcia
Cameron Ferreras Genteroy
(Cum Laude)
Kelsey Anne Giles
Elliott Jedediah Griggs
(Cum Laude)
Jerrica Lee Harnois
Camila Hernandez Ochoa
(Cum Laude)
Alena Hill
Madison Jean Huss
Lacie Johst
Hannah Marie Kahrs
(Magna Cum Laude)
Seoyoung Kim
(Magna Cum Laude)
Madison Kindred
(Magna Cum Laude)
Peyton King
Mica Languerand
†Angeline Lee
(Magna Cum Laude)
Marley Lester
(Magna Cum Laude)
Trinnah Halen Limon
Nicole Rachelle Martinez
(Cum Laude)
Jillian Faye McNab
*Sean McNamare
Edward Mendoza
(Cum Laude)
Laura Mendoza
(Cum Laude)

Chiviamor Meriales (Cum Laude)	Justine Jade Schneider (Cum Laude)
Breanna Denise Meyer (Cum Laude)	Alyssa N. Semjenow
Carmen Naomi Miller	Ashley Anne Shrum
*Brianna Montgomery Kuhns	Anthony A. Solorzano
Jesse Alejandro Morales	Andrew Martin Spinetti (Magna Cum Laude)
Danielle Judith Evangelista Mortiz	Kristi Sundberg
Christine Dianne Mendoza Nepomuceno (Cum Laude)	Jenika Tanjuakio (Cum Laude)
Makoa David Pequeno-Kalua	Caleb Teshome
Kenneth John De Leon Perena (Cum Laude)	Esperanza Toscano
Jocelyn Yatzarely Perez	*Madison Cera Travels
Kylee Mae Price	Rachel Triglia
Mariah Elyssa Ramirez (Summa Cum Laude)	*Thithi Nwe Tun
Jennifer Roark (Cum Laude)	*Sieni Leticia Ulukivaiola
Charles Robbins (Cum Laude)	Melissa A. Washington (Cum Laude)
Morgan Sanders (Cum Laude)	Norman J. Weitzel
Tristan Sangalang (Cum Laude)	James Mason Williams
Jimmy Philip Santos	Tyler Martin Williams
Danika Salvo Saucelo	Aliyah Star Wood (Cum Laude)
Daphne Salvo Saucelo (Cum Laude)	Miquel Joshua Garcia Yturalde
	Teresita Zamudio Bucio
	Hannah Marisa Ziegele (Cum Laude)

Congratulations Class of 2024

*In Absentia †Maxwell Scholar

The commencement program does not constitute an official list of the 2024 graduates.

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Banner Bearers	Graduating Class of 2024:
Platform Party:	Master of Business Administration
Program Participants	Master of Education
Vice Presidents	Master of Science in Nursing
Board Members	Senior Class Officers
Commencement Marshals	Student Association Officers
Administration Associates	School of Arts, Humanities, and Professions:
Professors Emeriti	Bachelor of Arts
Faculty:	Bachelor of Business Administration
Professors	Bachelor of Fine Art
Associate Professors	Bachelor of Science
Assistant Professors	Associate of Science
Instructors	School of Sciences:
Lecturers	Bachelor of Arts
Staff	Bachelor of Science
	Bachelor of Social Work
	Associate of Science
	School of Nursing and Health Sciences:
	Bachelor of Science
	Bachelor of Science in Nursing
	Associate of Science
	Associate of Science in Nursing

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ACADEMIC BANNERS

The eight banners used in the graduation procession and displayed during the ceremony represent the college seal and the seven areas of study that are part of the college's legacy of academic offerings. Each banner incorporates either the torch or the book—elements of PUC's college seal. The colors and other symbols employed in each banner represent the academic fields.

- ~ APPLIED ARTS: *Symbols*—Torch and Symbol for Constructing
Colors—Maroon, Orange, and Green
- ~ FINE ARTS: *Symbols*—Torch and Spiral (symbolizing the golden mean)
Colors—Gold Yellow, Crimson, and White
- ~ HUMANITIES: *Symbols*—Book and Quill Pen
Colors—Light Blue and Citron
- ~ NATURAL SCIENCES: *Symbols*—Book and Symbol for the Four Elements
Colors—Green and Gold Yellow
- ~ PROFESSIONAL STUDIES: *Symbols*—Torch and Scroll
Colors—Burnished Gold, Silver Gray, and Apricot
- ~ RELIGION: *Symbols*—Cross and Book
Colors—Scarlet and Purple
- ~ SOCIAL SCIENCES: *Symbols*—Torch and Globe
Colors—Citron and Sage Green

SIGNIFICANCE OF ACADEMIC REGALIA

Caps and gowns worn in formal academic convocations in American colleges and universities are the descendants of the everyday attire worn in the universities of medieval Europe.

Three basic types of gowns are worn: bachelor's gowns have long, pointed sleeves; master's gowns have long, closed sleeves; and doctorate gowns have full sleeves with velvet bars. The bars may be black to indicate any doctoral degree, or the color of the particular degree, e.g. dark blue for doctors of philosophy.

The part of the regalia that tells the most about the degree is the hood. Hoods for master's degrees are lined with satin in the colors of the academic institution conferring the degree. The edging or trim of the hood is a wide velvet band, the color of which indicates the academic area in which the degree is earned. The wide, velvet edging of the doctoral hood indicates the particular kind of degree held, e.g., dark blue for Ph.D., light blue for Ed.D., and green for M.D.. The length of the hood reflects the level of the degree represented.

Some universities include stoles specific to their university. PUC graduates have the option of adding the college's stole or stoles representing their cultural heritage, status as a first-generation college graduate, or status in the US military to their regalia. PUC's stole is green with the college's seal in gold. Graduates who have participated in the Adventist Colleges Abroad and World Missions programs wear white and light gray stoles respectively with the flag of each country in which they studied or served, while members of the National Society of Leadership & Success may wear platinum stoles with black embroidery.

The mortarboard or beret is worn with all degrees. The tassel should be black or the color appropriate to the subject, with the exception of the doctor's cap that may have a tassel of gold.

STUDENT ROBE COLORS

M.A.T., M.B.A., M.Ed., M.S.N., B.A., B.S., B.B.A., B.F.A., B.Mus.....	Black
A.S.	Navy
A.S. in Nursing	White

TASSEL COLORS REPRESENTING FIELDS OF STUDY

Arts, Letters, and Humanities	White
Aviation.....	Orange
Business	Burnished Gold
Communication, Speech.....	Silvery Gray
Education, Liberal Studies.....	Light Blue
Emergency Services	Kelly Green
Health Sciences.....	Salmon Pink
Journalism	Crimson
Kinesiology, Physical Education.....	Sage Green
Music.....	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Psychology.....	Gold
Religion, Theology	Scarlet
Social Studies	White
Social Work.....	Citron
Sciences, Mathematics	Gold Yellow
Visual Arts.....	Brown

HONOR CORDS & MEDALLIONS

- ~ Seniors graduating Summa Cum Laude have attained a G.P.A. of 3.90 or above and wear three gold cords.
- ~ Seniors graduating Magna Cum Laude have attained a G.P.A. of 3.75-3.89 and wear two gold cords.
- ~ Seniors graduating Cum Laude have attained a G.P.A. of 3.5-3.749 and wear one gold cord.
- ~ Honors Program graduates wear blue, white, and gold cords.
- ~ Maxwell Scholars wear a medallion with green and gold ribbon.
- ~ Officers of the Senior Class wear a gold stole.
- ~ Student Association Senators wear a medallion with gold ribbon.
- ~ Officers of the Student Association wear a medallion with green and yellow ribbon.
- ~ Veterans, reservists, and active duty military personnel wear a red, white, and blue cord.
- ~ Members of the International Honor Society in Business, Management, and Administration (Sigma Beta Delta) wear a medallion with forest green ribbon.
- ~ Members of the National Honor Society for Homeland Security, Intelligence, Emergency Management, and all Protective Security Studies Disciplines (Omicron Sigma Sigma) wear blue and gold honor cords.
- ~ Members of the International Honor Society in English (Sigma Tau Delta) wear black and red honor cords.
- ~ Members of the International Honor Society in History (Phi Alpha Theta) wear red and blue cords.
- ~ Members of the International Honor Society in Music (Pi Kappa Lambda) wear gold and white honor cords.
- ~ Members of the Communication National Honor Society (Lambda Pi Eta) wear red and white honor cords.
- ~ Members of the PUC Nursing Honor Society wear apricot and green honor cords.
- ~ Members of the Nursing National Honor Society (Sigma) wear lavender and white cords.
- ~ Members of the Psychology National Honor Society (Psi Chi) wear a blue and silver cord with blue and silver tassels.
- ~ Members of the Social Work National Honor Society (Phi Alpha) wear a blue and gold cord with blue and gold tassels.
- ~ Members of the National Society of Leadership & Success (Sigma Alpha Pi) may wear platinum and black cords.
- ~ Certified Nurse Educators or Clinical Nurse Educators wear red or red and white cords.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE NURSING PIN

Florence Nightingale is the first nurse known to have been presented with a professional nursing pin, awarded by Queen Victoria for her outstanding patient care to soldiers during the Crimean War.

The Associate of Science graduates' pin is in the form of a Greek cross, which has become a symbol of unselfish nursing service given with professional knowledge and skill. The lamp in the center of the pin symbolizes the relief of suffering by nurses who give love, caring, and healing.

The Bachelor of Science graduates' pin has three circles surrounded by a laurel wreath. Within the inner circle is a flaming torch denoting Christ as the light of the world, and an open book which represents the book of life and the wisdom of the scriptures. The next circle contains the motto of the college, "They shall be all taught of God," and the outer circle identifies the college name, Pacific Union College. The wreath signifies the achievement of the victors of the baccalaureate nursing program.

CLASS VITA

GRADUATES	LARGEST DEPARTMENTAL GROUPS	ACADEMIC DISTINCTION
Total Graduates 245	Nursing & Health Sciences..... 177	Summa Cum Laude..... 12
	Psychology & Social Work..... 16	Magna Cum Laude..... 18
	Business Administration..... 15	Cum Laude..... 66
	Chemistry..... 10	With Honors..... 4
	World Languages & Communication..... 8	Maxwell Scholars 2
Associate 117		
Bachelor 135		
Master 8		
Total Degrees 260		

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS REPRESENTED

STATES REPRESENTED	STATES REPRESENTED	COUNTRIES REPRESENTED
Arizona 3	Kansas..... 1	Australia 1
California..... 205	Maryland..... 1	Brazil..... 1
Colorado..... 1	Michigan..... 1	Costa Rica..... 1
Florida..... 2	Minnesota 1	Mexico..... 1
Georgia..... 2	Nevada..... 4	Panama 1
Hawaii 3	Oregon 6	Philippines..... 1
Idaho..... 1	Tennessee..... 2	Vietnam..... 2
Illinois 1	Texas 1	
Indiana..... 1	Washington 1	

COMMENCEMENT DAY SHUTTLE SERVICE

A shuttle is available upon request from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. between the residence halls and the graduation site. Visit the residence hall receptionist or the Marketing and Communication Booth at the Graduation Site to request shuttle service. *See map on the following page for shuttle service locations.*

SEATING

There is an open seating plan for all weekend events. No more than one row (up to 14 seats) per graduate may be reserved. A person must be present and remain present to reserve seats. Seats may not be held past 11:05 a.m. for Baccalaureate; seats for Commencement may be held starting at 7:00 a.m. until 8:50 a.m. when all seats become available for the general audience.

PARKING

Plan to arrive at least an hour early to Commencement to find parking and get seated. Guests can park on the main campus. Campus parking lots will be closed as they become full. Overflow parking will be at the College Market on Howell Mountain Road. *See map on the following page for parking locations.*

DRESS

Weather can vary in June, from foggy and chilly to sunny and warm. Check the weather forecast and dress appropriately.

CEREMONY ETIQUETTE

Only service dogs are allowed at the Commencement ceremony. Dogs will not be permitted to stay in cars unattended. Please do not use air horns and confetti. If tortillas are thrown, they should not reach the platform and should only be used at appropriate times in the program.

ABOUT MAXWELL COMMONS

D. Malcolm Maxwell was the nineteenth president of PUC and the first alumnus to serve in that role. He had the longest tenure—18 years—of any president of the college. Maxwell passed away in 2007, but his legacy and the impact he has had on PUC continue to live on. He is remembered for his energy, passion, and commitment to higher education, and it is in this spirit Maxwell Commons was named.

THE HISTORY OF THROWING TORTILLAS

The tradition of throwing tortillas at graduation began in the mid- to late-90s during Pacific Union College's graduation in Commencement Grove. Beach balls and confetti poppers were a time-honored tradition, but then tortilla tossing was introduced. Due to its novelty, it quickly gained popularity, and slowly the other traditions (i.e., beach balls and poppers) faded.

The tortilla-throwing tradition possibly began at Bay to Breakers, the annual footrace in San Francisco. No one really knows when it started, but for decades now, thousands of people have gathered at the starting line and tossed tortillas in the air before the official race begins.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Kaitlyn Nakanishi.....	<i>President 2023-2024</i>
Esteban Ramirez.....	<i>Financial Vice President 2023-2024</i>
Lauren VandenHoven.....	<i>Campus Chronicle 2021-2022</i>
Cheyenne Kefalos	<i>Campus Chronicle 2023-2024</i>

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

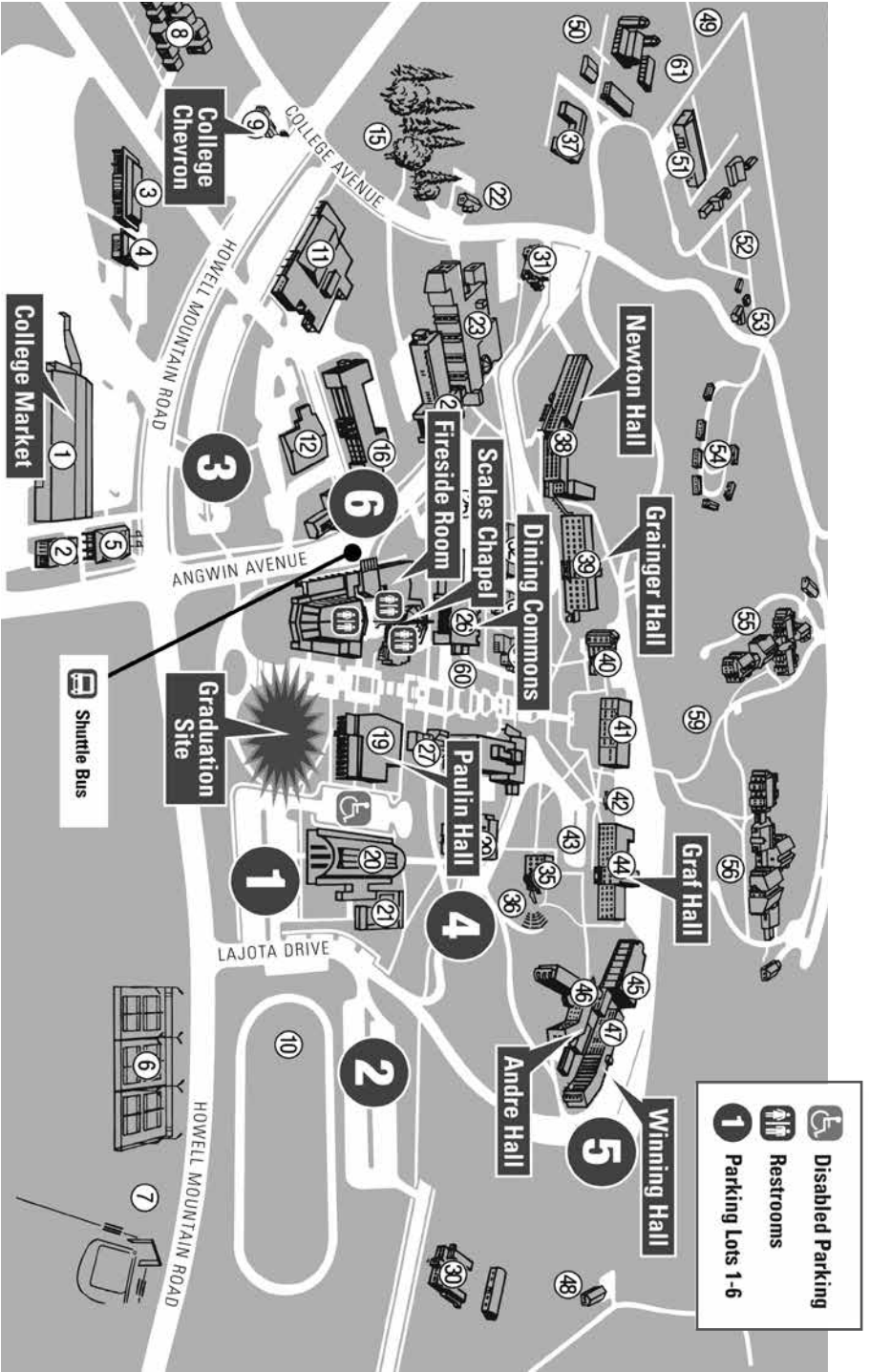
EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

HANNAH SARAVANAKUMAR is a highly respected nursing professor in education. Saravanakumar has over twenty years of experience in nursing education and combines her expertise in leadership, didactics, clinical and simulation experiences, curriculum development, and faculty mentorship in her current position. She is well known for her ability to connect with students and create a supportive and engaging learning environment.

In addition to her work in the classroom, Saravanakumar deems it a great privilege to serve God and the people in His vineyard. She believes students learn best through experience and active learning in the real world, fostering accountability, equity, and nurturing a sense of belonging. She believes that shared values and beliefs bind individuals together, influence their character, and guide their actions and behaviors, extending beyond the gates of educational organizations. Saravanakumar is well known for her passion for supporting all learners to achieve their academic and professional goals, inspiring them to reach their potential. She enjoys interacting with people, reading books, traveling, cooking, and seeking new adventures.

PROFESSOR EMERITUS

JON CARSTENS, a cornerstone of the Visual Arts Department at Pacific Union College, has dedicated over 45 years to nurturing a love for art and history on campus. As both Department Chair and faculty member, his wisdom and warm demeanor earned him the title of Educator of the Year in 1989. His mentorship has left an indelible mark on colleagues and students alike. Carstens's vision led to the establishment of the Graphic Design program, propelling the department to prominence with over 100 students and prestigious alumni working at companies like YouTube, Pinterest, and Apple. His extensive knowledge and enthusiasm for diverse styles and eras have enriched the educational experience of countless students. Beyond academia, Carstens has also showcased his talents on the basketball court, where he previously earned the title of Intramurals Basketball Champion.





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