

Austin Peay State University Commencement

August 7, 2026

10 a.m.

College of Arts & Letters

College of Behavioral & Health Sciences

College of Business

Eriksson College of Education

College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and
Mathematics (STEM)

University College



Summer Commencement

Austin Peay State University

Clarksville, Tennessee

Friday, August 7, 2026

Concert

Brass Quintet

Soloists

APSU student performers

Processional *

Administration, Faculty and Students

National Anthem *

APSU student performers

Welcome

Dr. Mike J. Licari, President, Austin Peay State University

Conferring of Degrees

Dr. Mike J. Licari

Dr. Mitchell Cordova, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. Felicia Nagel, Assistant Provost & University Registrar

Presentation of Candidates

College of Arts and Letters

Dr. Buzz Hoon, Dean

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Dr. Dlynn Williams, Dean

College of Business

Dr. Mickey Hepner, Dean

Eriksson College of Education

Dr. John McConnell, Dean

College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

Dr. Karen Meisch, Dean

University College

Dr. Loretta Griffy, Dean

Alma Mater *

All Hail to Austin Peay

All Hail our Alma Mater,
All Hail to Austin Peay,
Forever faithful to thy standards will we ever be.
We love thy campus beauty, serene in dignity,
And so we proudly sing this song in praise of thee,
All Hail, All Hail,
We sing in praise of thee,
We love our Alma Mater,
All Hail to Austin Peay.

Recessional *

Administration, Faculty and Students

Guests may join their graduate(s) on the Dunn Center lawn at the conclusion of the recessional.

* Audience should stand.

The following list of candidates for graduation was prepared before course and/or degree requirements were completed, and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. The listing of a name in this program should not be construed as an indication that a person in fact will receive a degree from Austin Peay State University at this commencement. Conversely, the absence of a student's name from the list does not necessarily mean that the person will not be awarded a degree. Honors for the degree candidates are based on the inclusive grade-point average on file at this time. Honors to be printed on the diploma will be based on the final inclusive grade-point average on all collegiate work.

College of Arts & Letters

Master of Arts

Victoria Concepcion Godinez
With Honor

Jackson Burns Parnell

Madison Nicole Pertuset
With Honor

Taylor Keith Schor

Errol Foster Williams

Bachelor of Arts

Hannah Marie Carlson
Magna Cum Laude

Josephina Victoria Anne Garcia
Cum Laude

Cameron Lane Jones

Joseph Wayne Williams

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Isabella L. Fortino

Bachelor of Music

Jediah Clark Edmondson
Magna Cum Laude

Travis Warner Franck

Bachelor of Science

Vincent S. Buchanan
Cum Laude

Alexis Gray Chapman

Phillip Nathaniel Hoskins

Luke G. Joiner

© Abigail Lauren Krieg
Magna Cum Laude

Brooklyn Nychole Lisenby
Magna Cum Laude

Mary Grace McAlister

Alyssa Kate Nance
Magna Cum Laude

Nicholas Chase Pickens

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Doctor of Psychology

Dr. Kari Jane Barnes

Dr. Jordana Jean McLaughlin

Dr. Leah Beth Walker

Master of Science

Alan Anderson
With Honor

Katelynn Nichole Baranosky
With Honor

Evan Scott Bassham

Kaitlyn Paige Beluardo
With Honor

Nya Anne Browne
With Honor

Annalise Mary Carr
With Honor

Elizabeth Claire Carter
With Honor

Ellie Claus
With Honor

Jackelyn Velasquez Crape
With Honor

Raymond Emil Datugan
With Honor

Tera F. Dillard
With Honor

Tiya Nachele Douglas
With Honor

Madison Eldridge
With Honor

LaShonda Raechelle Ellis

Gracie Blaine Gentry

Destini Ann-Moett Harlan

Addison Noelle Hultquist
With Honor

Makenna Lane Leach
With Honor

Kelvin Lee Jr.
With Honor

Jessie Victoria Meehan
With Honor

Vanessa Marie Miller

Creighton Morisch

Jeriney Moss
With Honor

Lindsay Ellen Preston
With Honor

Evelyn Maria Rivera
With Honor

Rachel Marie Russell
With Honor

Cody Schultz

Mariesa Stone

Molly Annaliese Wiggins
With Honor

Master of Science in Industrial-Organizational Psychology

Shajita L. Rios
With Honor

Calli Danielle Willett
With Honor

Master of Science in Leadership

Lisa Mae Brown
With Honor

LaTasha LaShawn Davis-Smith

Malik J. Denkins

Allen C. Senseney
With Honor

Master of Science in Nursing

Amy M. Bontrager
With Honor

Kyle Allen Cantwell

Lisa Sue Corneal

Traci Davis

Amy Elizabeth Deaner

Angela Mae Ellison

Jenine M. Fajardo

Melissa Crabtree Haston

Yanira Elizabeth Hughes

Jill Robin Jackson

Krista Jean Klingenberg

Taylor Amanda Larsen

Marie Loriane Lavri

Kara Ford Merritt

Erwin Miranda Ruiz

Andrea Christine Nolin

Rakelia Pearson

Spencer John William Pelkey
With Honor

Elizabeth Quezada

Bethany Kate Rogers

Kamile Schmitting

Raegan Jayde Venables

Master of Social Work

Andrea Shanique Douglass

Dienshia Harney

Gabrielle Shanice Meneese

Adriene Williams-Joseph
With Honor

Bachelor of Science

Donkayla Mon'na Alexander

Cecilia B. Alquinta

LaPorsche Capri Anderson

Alexandra Elaine Bailey-Buckner

Jamie Basarab

Zakery Bowden

Dustie Lynn Boxx
Cum Laude

Makaila Nevaeh Buchanan

Cory Cain

Charles Crews III

Tiana Lane Crow
Summa Cum Laude

Anthony Jerome Currie Jr.
Cum Laude

Kristen Marie Daniels

James Michael Dolin

Maria Isabella Doyle

Colton Douglas Edlin

Evan E'vonta Eursher

Oretia Farrar
Cum Laude

Lakayla Shanese Franklin

Zoie G. Gaines

Shamen Nathaniel Hall

Tita Brinley Hall
Magna Cum Laude

• Grayson Vance Harper
Summa Cum Laude

Shannon Marie Hawley

Seanna Hayes
Cum Laude

Samantha Ivette Henriquez

Mallory Hodge

Cameron D. Hunt

Samuel Zachariah Jines

Nathaniel Keeling

Rafael Antonio Kenney

Bo ram Kim
Summa Cum Laude

Mamdouh Abdel Fattah Lattif
Cum Laude

Jordana Scott Lewis

Lillian Grace Lorenz

McKenzy Layne Mann

Mark G. Mantsevich
Cum Laude

Mykiara Martin

Shanae A. McCray
Cum Laude

Christian Victoria McNair

Kylee Rena Olmstead

Adrianna Belene Overton

Aaron M. Parker

Liviya Peters

Caleigh E. Pinson

Catina Price

Joseph Blake Pruitt

Makenzie Paige Pryor

Katelyn Josephine Rawls-
DeLoach

Gaelen Markieron Reid

Cody Nelson Reynolds

Corey Mac Reynolds

Marissa Elizabeth Rodriguez

Brendo Jan Sandoval

Kozue Shaffer
Magna Cum Laude

Archie Blessing Smith
Magna Cum Laude

Autumn Smith

Scarlett Rose Smith
Summa Cum Laude

Laquario J. Stewart

Tu Ngoc My Than

Breonna Irie Wade

Darius Wendell Desean
Washington

Brianna Wilson
Cum Laude

Vanders Franklin Wilson

Autumn Wood

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Jenna Cathryn Aguirre

Mindy Yong Baptist

Madelyn Elizebeth Bell

Joyce Boyles
Magna Cum Laude

Iris Denise Brovont
Magna Cum Laude

Kaleiah Antoinette Brown

LaStacia D. Childress

Amber Aliyah Cooper
Cum Laude

Juan DeSpain

Trinity Michelle Dixon

Eric Dean Fipps

Jessica Sarah Gbizie-Johnson
Cum Laude

JoAnna Gilkey

Kellie Ann Groetsch

Ebony Hardy

Cortney Nicole Hill

Abigail O. Isikhuemhen
Cum Laude

John Nicholas Jacquez

- Carly Marie Jenkins
Cum Laude

Sarah-Isabell Johnson

Chase Allen Krokosky

Nicole Marie Leitch
Cum Laude

Caitlyn Brooke Lewis

Sarah Elizabeth Lifferth

Marissa Richelle Lott
Magna Cum Laude

- © Aariana Lucas
Cum Laude

Elizabeth A. Mayberry

Kathleen McNary
Summa Cum Laude

Lizbeth Montesinos

Emma Myers
Cum Laude

Marilyn Mari Navarro

Olive Moraa Nyanchongi

Lillian Paige Pabon
Cum Laude

Sophie Charlotte Pekkanen
Summa Cum Laude

Cathye Richardson
Magna Cum Laude

Carrie Lane Ross
Cum Laude

Emily Siobhan Rowe

Emilia Sapieha
Magna Cum Laude

Monique Taylor Sharrer
Cum Laude

Sophie Solano

Robin Tandarich

Piper Eden Vail
Cum Laude

Arlee Anne Witt
Summa Cum Laude

Darrea' Christene Young

Hannah Younger

Bachelor of Social Work

Kelsilee Taylor Beaty

College of Business

Master of Business Administration

Charles Edward Albert
With Honor

Anne Baldwin
With Honor

Shelby Casey Becerra
With Honor

Hayley Mignon Bobel
With Honor

Jenna Marie Bricks

Kandyl Madison Brown

Samuel Oluwadamilare Coker

James Ross Coughlin
With Honor

Adaleigh Grace Elgin
With Honor

JaNasha Schnique Feagin

Lei Lani Michelle Figueroa De
La Cruz
With Honor

Simira Gail Leari Flakes
With Honor

Cheryl P. Graham
With Honor

Skylar Hayes
With Honor

Terence I. Hilton Jr.
With Honor

Jackson Connor Hohensee

Quiana Howard
With Honor

Diamond A. Jones
With Honor

KeShay Autonique Jones

Deborah Maldonado

Andres Alfonso Matias
With Honor

Johnny McDaniel

Precious Nicol Medley-Colon

Cassandra A. Moline
With Honor

Zoeigh Mackenzie Owens
With Honor

Makayla Parker

Jonathon Tyler Pellom
With Honor

Savannah Faith Pope
With Honor

Edwin Clemente Reyes
With Honor

Dana Nichole Rivera
With Honor

Jocelyn Nicole Rundio
With Honor

Elizabeth A. Snodgrass
With Honor

Joseph Warren Ware Jr.
With Honor

Skylar Jay Warren Ortiz

Nancy Louise Williams

**Bachelor of Business
Administration**

James Clement Alvis

Skylar Lynwood Anthony
Cum Laude

Dylan Lee Arnold

Roberto Javier Barajas
Magna Cum Laude

Yojana Barakoti

Megan Elizabeth Bookout
Magna Cum Laude

Richard Dale Collins Jr.

Charisse Jene' Evans

Ava M. Freeburg
Summa Cum Laude

Michael Keenan Gallagher

Uniquee La'Shay Allen Glasper

• Grayson Vance Harper
Summa Cum Laude

Courtney Danielle Heatherly

Cordell Dale Holliday Jr.

Logan Mark Jackson
Cum Laude

Leah Nicole Kimble
Summa Cum Laude

Xavier Gentry Lancaster

Quint Dunivant Lassiter

Waverly Alistyn McLaughlin
Cum Laude

Rachel Marie Jasmine Miller

Tonya J. Mull

Arianna M. Noel

Adelin Paulino
Magna Cum Laude

Matias Sanchez

Jermiah De'von Skipworth Jr.
Cum Laude

Elijah Benjamin Slikker

Jamiya Relda Smith
Cum Laude

Jasmine C. Stallworth

Elizabeth R. Stenke

Maggie Looney Turner
Cum Laude

Ariana Raechelle Vance

Jacob Nathaniel Wade

Chase Waggoner
Cum Laude

Malik Syncere Williams

Martha Dickerson Eriksson College of Education

Doctor of Education

Dr. Claudia L. Alonzo

Dr. Julie Denise Amstutz

Dr. Jacob Franklin Coleman

Dr. Erika Leigh Golden

Dr. Emmanuel Méjeun

Dr. Robert Troy Priest

Dr. Benjamin Michael Smith

Dr. Hannah Locke Thomas

Master of Arts in Education

Jerome Agnew
With Honor

Audra Anne Alumbaugh
With Honor

Ashley Lynn Anderson
With Honor

Amanda Jo Armstrong
With Honor

Taylor Ashton Bailey
With Honor

Robert Joseph Baltz IV
With Honor

Angela Gabrielle Banks
With Honor

Mary Cornelia Banks
With Honor

Tabitha Jones Banks
With Honor

Tristea Bankston

Lisa Barefoot
With Honor

Tabitha Burton Bates
With Honor

Kimberly Clifford Beard
With Honor

Elizabeth Raine Bentley

Lauren Kelley Bevis
With Honor

Sara Ann Black
With Honor

Hope Bledsoe Blizzard
With Honor

Alexis Noelle Booker
With Honor

Marshe Alohalani Kalanipoo
Kahape'a Booker
With Honor

Shelby Lenzie Bowman
With Honor

Hayley Jo-el Box
With Honor

Jacob D. Breed
With Honor

Dylan Wayne Brewster
With Honor

Samantha Lynne Bridges
With Honor

Marilynn Danielle Broadbent
With Honor

Debra Louise Brooks
With Honor

Allison Brown
With Honor

Chelsea Elizabeth Brown
With Honor

Jennifer Mary Brown
With Honor

Robert Colby Brown
With Honor

Joy Lynn Burton
With Honor

Joshua Kevin Butner
With Honor

Hannah M. Byrd
With Honor

Grant Harrison Cacy
With Honor

Elizabeth Campbell
With Honor

Jessica Walsh Carr
With Honor

Kelley Carr
With Honor

Kyle Carrasco
With Honor

Calvin Kyle Case
With Honor

LaVandalous Christion

Brandon Michael Cline
With Honor

Jeffrey Todd Clippard
With Honor

Anna Marie Cobb
With Honor

Chancey Prince Cochran
With Honor

Heather Conditt
With Honor

Lorrie A. Cooksey
With Honor

Nicola Young Cooksey
With Honor

Joshua Kacey Couch
With Honor

Betha Jo Crabtree
With Honor

Ashley Marie Craig
With Honor

Malina Kamille Craig
With Honor

Carissa Nikole Crismon
With Honor

Larry James Crismon II
With Honor

Amanda Cronin
With Honor

Miranda Littrell Cruce
With Honor

Katelynn Scarlett Daniels
With Honor

Lindsey Lee Davis
With Honor

Robert Michael Davis
With Honor

Ryan Donald DeVore
With Honor

Elizabeth Dewberry
With Honor

Leslie Kristina Diaz
With Honor

William Carter Dirmeyer

Ashley Marie Dixon
With Honor

Kenneth Gene Dugger Jr.
With Honor

Traci Michelle Eason
With Honor

Hannah Eaton
With Honor

Tracy George Edwards
With Honor

Kamiren Elrod
With Honor

Tianna Marie Ewing
With Honor

Saniya Fields
With Honor

Jennifer Gill Fordham
With Honor

Heather Marie Gaskin
With Honor

Nathan James Giacchino
With Honor

Lauren Ashley Gladson
With Honor

Kristie Nicole Gosar
With Honor

Chasity Gregory
With Honor

Shivon Abiola Griffey
With Honor

David Dillon Griffith
With Honor

Whitney Nicole Gullledge
With Honor

Kara D. Guynn
With Honor

Joshua Van Hager

Abigail Warren Harding
With Honor

Kevin Erickson Hargis
With Honor

Elijah Harris
With Honor

Jessica Elizabeth Harrison
With Honor

Rebekah Colleen Hayes
With Honor

Shonda Renee Hensley
With Honor

Angela Kay Hern

Shelby Paige Hicks
With Honor

Heather Laine Hill
With Honor

Felicia Hopkins
With Honor

Michelle Horton-Tyus
With Honor

Savannah Baleigh Hughes
With Honor

Kassondra Michelle Hunley
With Honor

LoEva AnquyAnette Jackson
With Honor

Tenerika N. Jackson
With Honor

Danielle Nichole Jenkins
With Honor

Myah Nicole Jennings
With Honor

Shamica Andrea Johnson

Michael Colin Jones
With Honor

Jennifer Nichols Jordan
With Honor

Devin Michael Keeler With Honor	Kimberly P. Mink With Honor	Cynthia Lynn Pope With Honor
Hannah King With Honor	Jordan Taylor Moates With Honor	Sandra Rae Powell With Honor
Abigail Kirsch With Honor	Aimee Suzanne Morelock With Honor	Tamra Dian Pryor With Honor
Tiffany Lea Davis Klages With Honor	Rebecca Jean Morrison With Honor	Elizabeth L. Reith With Honor
Nicholas Kougiaris With Honor	Susan Michelle Mullican With Honor	Tyler Cranford Rhodes With Honor
Kristen Dare Lanier With Honor	Annalee Graham Muncy With Honor	Casey Rhiannon Roach With Honor
Trina M. Leasure	Kendra Nicole Nash With Honor	David Keith Roberts With Honor
Kimberly Michelle Ledford With Honor	LeAnna Pearl Oliver With Honor	Elizabeth Anne Robles With Honor
Christopher Caleb Leo With Honor	Kassie Nicole Overman With Honor	Meilany Rodriguez With Honor
Alisa Marie Little With Honor	Amy Elaine Palmer With Honor	Katherine Hope Russell With Honor
Melissa Lynne Locke With Honor	Katie Worsham Pardue With Honor	Kailey Brooke Ryan With Honor
Kayla Christine Long With Honor	Deidra Parham With Honor	Crystal Sandoval With Honor
Wally T. Luckeydoo With Honor	Autumn Comfort Lee Parks With Honor	Susan A. Sewell With Honor
Shannon Nicole Martin With Honor	Alexa Kristine Pasley With Honor	Jada Jo Sherfey
Dionne LaChelle McAtee With Honor	Natasha Amanda Jeane Pass With Honor	Stephen Curtis Simmons With Honor
Richard Shea McClure With Honor	Jessica Danielle Patterson With Honor	Jessica Nicole Smith With Honor
Scarlett Christine McClurkin With Honor	Belinda Lee Payne With Honor	Leah Liverett Smith With Honor
Mandi Jeannine McCullah With Honor	Danielle Payne With Honor	Erik Shane Snider With Honor
Shanna Grace McGinnis With Honor	Amber Leann Pennington With Honor	Ericka Sparks
Krystal McGowen-Earley With Honor	Kathryn Erin Penzo With Honor	Kari Lynn Stabb With Honor
Angelette Lewis McGrath With Honor	Matthew Lee Peters With Honor	Hunter J. Steele With Honor
Kelli McKinney With Honor	Amanda Petrowski With Honor	Misty Dawn Stehle With Honor
Kyle Nathaniel McKinney With Honor	Zachary John Pickard With Honor	Sara Elizabeth Stephens With Honor
Mary Ellen Melton With Honor	Melissa Polly With Honor	Amanda Zade Stewart With Honor
Lindsay Harmon Menne With Honor		Eric Matthew Stone With Honor

Hali Lorene Stonecipher
With Honor

Lori Streitmatter
With Honor

Chelsey LeShaye Stuard
With Honor

Malik A. Sylvester
With Honor

Ashley Tate
With Honor

Alexander Threatt
With Honor

Rebecca Jo Throneberry
With Honor

Brittany Ann Tubbs
With Honor

Julie Michelle Vananda
With Honor

Blake VanWinkle
With Honor

Mammie Angel Lynn Viera
With Honor

Tana Marie Vigus
With Honor

Allison Rhea Walker
With Honor

Gabriel Tyler Walls
With Honor

Anne Kate Ward
With Honor

Margaret Lacey Warren
With Honor

Gloria Watson

Marissa Denise Wells
With Honor

Jeremy Richard Whaley
With Honor

Chandler Blake Whitaker
With Honor

Nancy Kimberly Michelle White
With Honor

Cassie Smith Williams
With Honor

Rachael Maureen Williams
With Honor

Kelsey Elizabeth Wilson
With Honor

Jennifer Laura Winters
With Honor

Amanda Kay Woods
With Honor

April Dawn Woods
With Honor

Christen Renea Woodson
With Honor

Melanie Dawn Wright
With Honor

Alicia Wynn
With Honor

Lisa Lynn Wyrick
With Honor

Courtney Leah York
With Honor

Master of Arts in Teaching

Jessica Dianne Bradley

Ashleigh Celeste Guthrie
With Honor

Zachary Hackett
With Honor

Kulia Peter Garkhor Kulia

Jayden Grace McDaniel
With Honor

Nicole Tara Pulliam

Ethan Blake Roberts
With Honor

Madison Larae Tricker

Allyson Paige Wallace

Ciara Dawn White

Bachelor of Science

Alexis Ashburn
Cum Laude

Brittney Nicole Asher

Jalia L. Barbee

Haylee Allison Black
Magna Cum Laude

Kyleigh Blackburn
Magna Cum Laude

Michelle Bolton
Summa Cum Laude

Margaret Elizabeth Bradshaw

Kira Danielle Caisip
Magna Cum Laude

Amanda Dawn Casto

Tara Leann Caudill
Cum Laude

Maty Graice Chilton
Summa Cum Laude

Aubrey Clinard

Jamie Lee Clinard
Cum Laude

Jonathan W. Cook

Clarissa Michelle Coppola
Cum Laude

Chloe Cottrell
Cum Laude

Olivia Caylann Cox

Andrew Thomas Daniels

April Renee Davenport

Darian L. Elliott

Prentice Denise Evans
Summa Cum Laude

Saimara Falcon
Magna Cum Laude

Wendy Covarrubias Figueroa
Magna Cum Laude

Cortney Maree Foster

Leigh Anne Gaster

Frankye Lanell Gaw
Cum Laude

Michelle Marie Greer
Cum Laude

Wendelyn Ashley Hadley

Alex Lee Handy
Magna Cum Laude

Shelby Heatherly

Claire Elizabeth Henley

Tiffany Hester
Cum Laude

Lynn Hicks
Cum Laude

◊ Brandie Carter Howell
Magna Cum Laude

Ashley Nicole Hunnell
Summa Cum Laude

Tori Lynn James
Magna Cum Laude

Emerson Leann Kennedy

Erika Rae Kleinfelt
Cum Laude

Erika Anne Krstic
Summa Cum Laude

Teagan Fay Lampley
Cum Laude

Tamara Alexis Lenard
Magna Cum Laude

Cassie Lynn Linn

Mackeenzie Looney

Tina Mansfield
Summa Cum Laude

Samantha Ann Mata
Cum Laude

Jennie Louisa Maughan
Summa Cum Laude

Jacquelyn Suzanne McCarrick

Emily Elizabeth McCormick
Magna Cum Laude

Carly N. Norrod
Cum Laude

Lillian Elizabeth Ohara

Hannah Elizabeth Panter
Summa Cum Laude

Carla Gabriela Patterson

Peyton Michele Petsch
Magna Cum Laude

Meredith Lane Redfern
Summa Cum Laude

Kaitlyn Nichole Richie
Magna Cum Laude

Madison Rish

Connor Eric Robinson
Magna Cum Laude

Jennifer Sanchez Francisco

Dustin Brett Schrader
Cum Laude

Alexis Desiree Sheppard

Mary Elizabeth Staggs
Magna Cum Laude

Elizabeth Leigh Stephens
Magna Cum Laude

Daviana Virginia Street
Magna Cum Laude

Jackson Andrew Tidwell

Valerie McKay Totty

Jessica Michelle Tucker

Lesley Van Der Merwe
Summa Cum Laude

Tammy Jean Wilson

Lauren Elizabeth Wilson Rhodes

Jimmy Frank Zambrano-Menard
Magna Cum Laude

College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

Master of Science

Hannah M. Alloway
With Honor

Christopher Seth Birch

Anna Danielle Chess
With Honor

Nautica Moét Wysteria Dixon
With Honor

Robert Alan Hancock
With Honor

Kwadwo Kyei

Allison Nicole Palmer
With Honor

Nathanael Hasfjord Reveal
With Honor

Sharley J. Ross
With Honor

Mohammad Saud Bin Samad
With Honor

Sienna Solis-Stokes
With Honor

Bachelor of Science

Ryan A. Ayers
Cum Laude

Elizabeth Lynne Baldwin

Caden Scott Bartlett
Magna Cum Laude

Joseph Owen Batson
Cum Laude

Michael Hunter Blythe

Tyler Aaron Burns

Clintavius Ravon Clardy

Savannah Grace Cook

Elijah Gabriel Crossan

Adam Henri Davis

Ashton Ryan Day
Magna Cum Laude

Michael Antonio Day

Nhial David Dol

Michael John Donahue

Matthew James Edwards

★ Precious Osamudiamen Egbon

Trevor Linwood Ensor

Myra Eriksson

Jaidyn Christopher Fowler

Travon Marquez Funderburk

Tyler L. Gilbert

Karl Gross

Brogan Alexander Harden

Tristen Chase Horton

Samantha Brooke Jones

Kyah M. Ledbetter
Cum Laude

Danny J. Lee

Sadie Leigh Lovelace

Zachary McDonald

Rachel Annemarie Mohamed

Jon-Michael Phoenix Morgan
Summa Cum Laude

Jared Byron Mosier
Cum Laude

Ryan Robert Moyer

Shane Michael Rawls Jr.

Nicholas Schwinn

Melissa Sinitsky

Jahleel Smith

James Luke Smith

Cypress Ren Staab

Antonio Lamar Stanton Jr.

Huong Thu Ngoc Tran

Noah M. Turock
Magna Cum Laude

Xavier Olamide Vincent

BreAnna Shondrinique Walker

Hannah Marie Weatherford

Joseph Wayne Williams

Abigail Iris Williams-Martin

**Bachelor of Science in
Medical Laboratory Science**

Shimles Kemal Ahmed
Cum Laude

Chantel Mae Cline
Cum Laude

Zowie Dawn Davis

Connie Fancher

Samantha Goforth

Carrie Elizabeth Harrell

Yu Yin Lam
Magna Cum Laude

Keshia Brooke Lucas

Lyndsey Marie Miller
Magna Cum Laude

Christian Ryu Newton

Vivian M. Pimentel
Cum Laude

Zachary Adam Robinson

Kenneth Smith II

Elisha Inez Wells

**Bachelor of Science in
Radiologic Science**

Chloe Noelle Borst
Cum Laude

Braelyn Paige Mason

Brittney Noel Shields

University College

Bachelor of Science

Jeffrey Mychal Arnold

Katelynn Jae Bowers

Brianne LynA' Eaton

William Lavern Fitzpatrick Sr.

Christian Tyler Frome

Abigail Katharina Graham

Kidist Turan Haileyesus

Christina Lee Hardesty

Talyra Harris

Victor Lee Hyatt III

Karissa Michelle-Boyce Kilpatrick

Catherine McCaffrey
Magna Cum Laude

Elijah McCarty

Andres Molinares
Cum Laude

Coraindia Shakeenab

Tyler Revae Lynn Slep

Terrance D. Smith

Kathleen A. Staple

Andrew Donovan Sullivan

Christopher S. Thornton Jr.

Christopher Wright

Associate of Science

Cody Aaron
Magna Cum Laude

Andrew Abrams
Magna Cum Laude

Donkayla Mon'na Alexander

Kanah Tabret Alexander-Myers

Shannon Averie Aljoe

Morgan Briana Allen
Summa Cum Laude

Nayeliz Marie Aponte-Santiago

Lawrence Barham Jr.

Christal Blake
Summa Cum Laude

Tyler L. Boen

Pablo A. Borda

Dustie Lynn Boxx
Cum Laude

Shakyrá N. Bufford

Cecil Byron Jr.

Serenity Shardaé Lashawn Carter

Allison Michelle Caywood

Davor Clarke

Shamoy Clarke
Magna Cum Laude

Elijah Kameron Cooper
Cum Laude

Keaira L. Cox

Ladajae Craddock

Tara L. Curtis

Kristen Marie Daniels

Roselyn Delcid-Hernandez

Tyzanae Shy'Quille Latrice Dozier
Cum Laude

Lawanda Dudley-Danzy

Alexia Gisselle Escobedo

Presley Esposito
Magna Cum Laude

Charisse Jene' Evans

William Lavern Fitzpatrick Sr.

Alarah Ziona Flakes
Cum Laude

Alysia Z. Flakes

Niya Veronica Francois

Liam James Ganey
Cum Laude

Adriana Juana Garcia
Summa Cum Laude

Jennifer Adanay Garcia

Xavier M. George
Cum Laude

Chastity Isabel Goff
Summa Cum Laude

Ethan Fernando-Monroe Gonzalez

Mackenzie Caprice Grandberry

Scott Gregory

Shyam B. Gurung
Magna Cum Laude

Shamen Nathaniel Hall

Marlin James Hardin

Clinton Alan Harper

Jessica Hauck

Cierra Brynne Hawkins

Samantha Ivette Henriquez

Owen Lee Hesketh

Cecelia Hill-Eurales

Isabella Ferrell Hughes
Magna Cum Laude

Amanda Michelle Hyatt	Eric Murphy Jr.	Lisa Josephine Truex Summa Cum Laude
Bryson Johnson	George Manuel Nambo	Wryli Emma Ulrick
DeMareo Antwain Jones	D'Vonte Aunrie Newbill	Dustina Vawter Cum Laude
Syr-Shannon Wade Jones Jr.	Nina Norfleet	Faviola Maria Vazquez Rodriguez
Jennnifer Killebrew	Kaidence Lee Parker	Steven W. Vega Cum Laude
Kareem Tyree Knight	Shaquille Patrice	Abby Kristine Vlach
Solomon Kpodo Summa Cum Laude	Liviya Peters	Nathan Jacob Watts
Patrick Brinson Ledbetter	Nasir Quron Phillip	Joy Weaver Summa Cum Laude
Randall Lennon Magna Cum Laude	A'Mya Riley Rhodes	Imani Markendra West
Timothy Robert Long	Sogodala Gaelle Sanou	Brianna S. Williams
Viliani Halatoango Lynn	Gabriel M. Scott	Na'Kyla Woods Magna Cum Laude
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William Lavon Martin Jr.	Autumn Nichelle Simmons Summa Cum Laude	
Lucas Mayberry Cum Laude	Samuel Henry Singelyn	
Alexis Florence Mazzola Summa Cum Laude	Aurielle Slater Magna Cum Laude	
Jacquelyn Suzanne McCarrick	Archie Blessing Smith Magna Cum Laude	
Tuesday Lynn McClendon	Sarah Elizabeth Smith Summa Cum Laude	
Sha'nae Aliyah McCray Cum Laude	Alfred John Soto Jr.	
Erin Madlangbayan McDaniel Magna Cum Laude	Soran Gaybe Pesebre Sumauang	
Tara E. McFarland Cum Laude	Maggie Marie Tate Cum Laude	
Willie Lee McGhee III Magna Cum Laude	Jasmine Yomyra Thompson	
Callie Marcelle Mercer	Tiffany Terrell Tipton	
David Merchant	Brooklyn Tomlinson Magna Cum Laude	
Aaron Jermaine Miller Sr.	Talia Gabrielle Toon Summa Cum Laude	
Ja'Niyah Charm Mitchell	Jamara L. Trotter	
Kenneth Andrew Montalvo		

THE HISTORY OF AUSTIN PEAY STATE UNIVERSITY

Austin Peay State University occupies a site that has served the cultural and educational needs of the Clarksville-Montgomery County area for more than 200 years. In 1806, the Rural Academy was founded at what is now the corner of College and Henry streets, and over the next century, several schools — Rural Academy, Mount Pleasant Academy, Clarksville Academy, Masonic College, Stewart College and Southwestern Presbyterian University — would come to occupy this campus.

In 1925, Southwestern Presbyterian University relocated to Memphis, becoming Rhodes College, and at 3 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 1927, Gov. Austin Peay signed a bill calling for a new teachers college in Clarksville. The bill became state law the next day, officially creating a two-year junior college and teacher-training institution. The school — Austin Peay Normal School — was eventually named in honor of the governor, a Clarksville native who died six months after signing the legislation.

In 1943, the normal school was renamed Austin Peay State College, and in 1967, became Austin Peay State University. The Tennessee General Assembly established the Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts at APSU in July 1985, and that program received a major boost a few months later when country music legend Roy Acuff generously endowed a chair of excellence. In July 1986, the university opened another specialized program — the Center of Excellence for Field Biology.

Today, Austin Peay offers exceptional doctoral, master's and undergraduate degree programs to approximately 11,185 students on its 195-acre campus in downtown Clarksville. In 2016, the Tennessee General Assembly passed the FOCUS Act, calling for the establishment of an institutional board of trustees for Austin Peay and the other five universities previously governed by the Tennessee Board of Regents. On March 30, 2017, the inaugural Austin Peay State University Board of Trustees held its first meeting.

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RECIPIENTS OF APSU FACULTY AWARDS

SOCRATES AWARD

The Socrates Award is given to tenure-track faculty members who have been judged to be outstanding classroom teachers.

1993	Judith Bartley, Nell K. Rayburn, Marilyn Rhoads, Lori L. Slavin	2008	Gina Garber, Norbert Puszkar, Tamara Robertson
1994	Linda A. Barnes, Michael D. Phillips, Nanci S. Woods	2009	Gregory A. Moore, Kevin D. Schultz, Minoa Uffelman
1995	Susan Calovini, Kathy Martin, Stephanie Newport, Ronald Robertson	2010	Christos Frentzos, Karen McFarland Meisch, James Gary Stewart
1996	Kell Black, Joyce A. Jarrett-Hargrove, Don Luck, Mickey Wadia	2011	Michelle Rogers, Christina Chester-Fangman, Benita Bruster, David Nelson, Mercy Cannon
1997	Doris Davenport, Mark Ginn, Barry Kitterman, Larry Lowrence	2012	Lisa O'Dear Lewis, Jeannette Zyko, Christopher Gentry
1998	Margaret Duffy, John Mark Hunter, Carolyn O'Drobinak, Jaime Taylor	2013	Lynn Sims, Eric Branscome, Grace Moodt, Rebecca Johansen
1999	Anne Black, Anne Edwards, David O'Drobinak, April Purcell	2014	Osvaldo Di Paolo, Timothy Leszczak, John Nicholson
2000	Susan Simms, Timothy Winters, Faye Zeigler	2015	Kristen Hershey, Jane Semler, Andrea Spofford
2001	Connie Medford-Bowman, Rhonda M. Bryant, John X. Volker	2016	Korre Foster, Melissa Gomez, Rodney Mills
2002	Jill Eichhorn, Alex King, Jerry Plummer, Omie Shepherd	2017	Tara Alvey, Timothy Wesley, Jennifer Yantz
2003	Robin Reed, Jordy Rocheleau, Patti Wilson	2018	Kallina Dunkle, Gloria Miller, Katherine Honea
2005	Spencer Buckner, Dwonna Goldstone, Uma Iyer	2019	McLean Fahnestock, Mollie Cashner, Kathryn Woods
2006	Gilbert Pitts, Anne Wall, Greg Woly nec	2020	James Church, Dzavid Dzanic, Jennifer Thayer
2007	Chad Brooks, Blas Falconer, Brian J. Hock	2021	Talon Beeson, Eva Gibson, Rebecca Darrough
		2022	Jessica Fripp, Florian Gargaillo, Catherine Haase
		2023	Leslie Binford, Michael Chandler, Brandon Di Paolo Harrison, Erik Haroldson, Donna Short
		2024	Wansoo Kim, Grayson Elmore, Joanne Philhower, Eugene Donev
		2025	Min Sang Kim, Tianyu Li, Eren Cifci, Allison Oliver, Mir Hasan

RICHARD M. HAWKINS AWARD

Faculty members who receive the Richard M. Hawkins Award have made noteworthy contributions to scholarship or creative activity.

1970	Sharon Mabry	1998	Carl Stedman	2017	Billy Renkl
1980	Phillip Kemmerly	1999	Steven Ryan	2018	David Steinquest
1981	Olen L. Bryant	2000	Dewey A. Browder	2019	Dwayne Estes
1982	James X. Corgan	2001	Roger Clark	2020	Debra Wilson
1983	George L. Mabry	2002	Stanley Yates	2021	Kathryn Woods
1984	Richard P. Gildrie	2003	Allene Phy-Olsen	2022	Lisa Barron
1985	Malcolm Glass	2004	Carlette Hardin	2023	Rebecca Johansen
1986	Dolores Gore	2005	Michele Butts	2024	Emily Pica
1987	Ernest Woodward	2006	No recipient selected	2025	Frank Ferdik
1988	Jeffrey Neal Wood	2007	Dixie Dennis		
1989	Larry Hoehn	2008	J. Allyn Smith		
1990	Anthony Golden	2009	Samuel Jator		
1991	Harvey F. Blanck	2010	Jill Franks		
1992	Malcolm "Kip" Muir	2011	Sergei Markov		
1993	Albert B. Randall Jr.	2012	Kevin Harris		
1994	James Michael Gotcher	2013	Andriy Kovalskyy		
1995	Victor Ukpolo	2014	Osvaldo Di Paolo		
1996	James Michael McClusky	2015	Dwonna Goldstone		
1997	DeAnn Campbell	2016	Roman Holovchak		

APSU NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR AWARD

The APSU National Alumni Association Distinguished Professor Award is awarded to a faculty member who has shown exemplary professional performance, with an emphasis on teaching.

1975	Edward Irwin	1996	Lawrence E. Baggett	2017	Steven T. Ryan
1976	Elizabeth H. Stokes	1997	Edward Irwin	2018	Doris Davenport
1977	Haskell Phillips	1998	Dolores Gore	2019	Gilbert Pitts
1978	Floyd Ford	1999	Carlette Hardin	2020	Minoa Uffelman
1979	Charles M. Waters	2000	Malcolm "Kip" Muir	2021	Patty Orr
1980	Richard P. Gildrie	2001	John Butler	2022	Amy Hamlin
1981	Malcolm Glass	2002	David Till	2023	Tamara Smithers
1982	Ernest Woodward	2003	Sharon Mabry	2024	Ann Silverberg
1983	George L. Mabry	2004	Ronald Robertson	2025	Benita Bruster
1984	Durward S. Harris	2005	Susan Calovini		
1985	Aaron Schmidt	2006	David Kanervo		
1986	William G. Stokes	2007	Mickey Wadia		
1987	Lewis C. Tatham Jr.	2008	Dewey Browder		
1988	Aaron A. Hutcheson	2009	Tim Winters		
1989	Betty Joe Wallace	2010	Karen Sorenson		
1990	Eleanor Beiswenger	2011	Bert Randall		
1991	I. Joe Filippo	2012	Mary Lou Witherspoon		
1992	Robert F. Sears	2013	Bruce Myers		
1993	Ellen W. Kanervo	2014	John Moseley		
1994	David H. Snyder	2015	Nell Rayburn		
1995	Albert Joseph Bekus	2016	Mike Gotcher		

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARD FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Faculty Award for Community Service is based on service to the greater Clarksville-Montgomery County community, with emphasis placed on contributions that have enhanced, or will enhance, the quality of life in the area.

1986	Elizabeth H. Stokes	2001	Allen Henderson	2016	David Steinquest
1987	JF Burney	2002	No recipient selected	2017	Benita Bruster
1988	Gaines C. Hunt	2003	Bruce Myers	2018	Victoria McCarth
1989	Allan S. Williams	2004	Carmen Reagan	2019	Jill Eichhorn
1990	No recipient selected	2005	Robert Robison	2020	Gail Robinson-Oturu
1991	George L. Mabry	2006	Nell Rayburn	2021	Jennifer Thayer
1992	Dolores Gore	2007	Anne Black	2022	Leong Lee
1993	T. Howard Winn	2008	Ronald Robertson	2023	Michelle Rogers
1994	No recipient selected	2009	Cindy Marsh	2024	Allyn Smith
1995	Camille B. Holt	2010	Gregg Schlanger	2025	Eva Gibson
1996	Rebecca A. Glass	2011	Dewey Browder		
1997	Carlette Hardin	2012	Tim Winters		
1998	Richard Gildrie	2013	Doris Davenport		
1999	Max Hochstetler	2014	Carrie Brennan		
2000	Phillip R. Kemmerly	2015	Minoa Uffelman		

TENURED FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

The Tenured Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching is awarded to a tenured faculty member who demonstrates outstanding teaching, advising, and pedagogical scholarship.

2023	Kadi Bliss	2025	Emily Pica
2024	Audrey Bullock		

COMMENCEMENT SYMBOLS AND TRADITIONS



The Presidential Medallion

The Presidential Medallion signifies position, authority and trust and was designed to be worn by Austin Peay State University presidents at all ceremonial occasions. The bronze medallion, encircled by a laurel wreath, features the university seal. Printed in relief around the border are the words, "The Seal of Austin Peay State University," and the founding date, 1927, is located at the lower edge. The seal's open book and burning torch stand in relief within a second, inner circle. The lighted torch symbolizes the flame of knowledge, and the book represents the accumulated knowledge of the world. The seal's location within the circle symbolizes the continuity of truth through learning. The medallion is suspended by an engraved succession chain honoring all presidents of the university.

The Ceremonial Mace

Originally, the mace was a weapon of offense carried into battle by medieval bishops. Today, it is a symbol of authority.

Austin Peay State University's mace was originally designed and crafted by Dr. James Diehr for the 1988 inauguration of Dr. Oscar Page, APSU's sixth president.

Then a professor of art, Diehr created the mace from oak — a material that, like education, is known for durability and ageless qualities. The mace design incorporates the seal of the university, keys symbolizing strength and knowledge and a lantern shining forth the light of learning. The crest on top of the mace is a polished brass miniature of Diehr's sculpture, *Gateway*, which stands in front of the Browning Administration Building.



Academic Regalia

The academic gowns donned for today’s ceremony are patterned after those worn during the Middle Ages in European universitas — informal gatherings of teachers and students who came together to study. During the 12th and 13th centuries, universities typically occupied unheated buildings. To keep warm, students and teachers wore large, heavy robes that generally included a hood or cowl for covering the head during inclement weather. The distinctive gowns also set the students and teachers apart from their fellow citizens.

The current academic attire originates from the University of Oxford and Cambridge University, both in England. Evolving over the course of more than 600 years, Oxford’s colorful regalia is composed of heavily embroidered silk.

Until the mid-1800s, faculty and students at most United States universities wore gowns on a daily basis. Today, we find three basic types of gowns.

The bachelor’s degree gown is made of a red worsted material and features a stiff yoke. Worn closed, it is distinguished by long, pointed sleeves.

The master’s degree gown is designed to be worn open and, like the bachelor’s gown, has a stiff yoke. The long, rectangular sleeves have an arc cut from the bottom front. The sleeve is closed at the bottom and the wearer’s forearm protrudes through a slit near the elbow.

The doctoral degree gown is silk with full sleeves. Worn closed, the gown shows wide velvet facing down the front. Sleeves are trimmed with velvet bars. The velvet trim may be either red or the color distinctive to the discipline in which the wearer earned the degree.

The hood is an outstanding feature of academic regalia. The exterior is black and the interior lining displays the colors of the institution that conferred the degree. A velvet border indicates the discipline.

- Agriculture Maize
- Arts, Letters, Humanities White

- Commerce, Accountancy, Business . . . Drab
- Dentistry Lilac
- Economics Copper
- Education Light Blue
- Engineering Orange
- Fine Arts Brown
- Forestry Russet
- Home Economics Maroon
- Journalism Crimson
- Law Purple
- Library Science Lemon
- Medicine Green
- Music Pink
- Nursing Apricot
- Oratory Silver Gray
- Pharmacy Olive Green
- Philosophy Dark Blue
- Physical Education Sage Green
- Public Administration Peacock Blue
- Public Health Salmon Pink
- Science Golden Yellow
- Social Work Citron
- Theology Scarlet
- Veterinary Medicine Gray

The headpiece is red and generally consists of a tight-fitting cap attached to a stiff square called a mortarboard. The tassel is worn on the left front quarter of the cap. The style or color of the tassel has no assigned meaning.

Academic Honors

Undergraduate students who have earned a grade-point average of 3.90 to 4.00 will graduate summa cum laude. Students who earn a grade-point average of 3.70 to 3.89 will graduate magna cum laude. Students who earn a grade-point average of 3.50 to 3.69 will graduate cum laude. Graduate students who earn a grade-point average of 3.85 or greater will graduate with honor. Listed honors reflect grades earned prior to the current semester.

Gonfalons

Today, faculty marshals from each college are leading the graduates into the Dunn Center. These faculty members carry what are known as gonfalons. Banners such as these have been used since medieval times in graduation ceremonies to symbolize the different academic areas within a university.

The college seals on each gonfalon were designed by the Austin Peay State University Public Relations and Marketing staff with input from the college faculty. The symbols within the seals represent the programs within each college. The Browning Building, which is the administrative center of the university, serves as the backdrop for each gonfalon.

APSU National Alumni Association

The Austin Peay State University National Alumni Association is composed of more than 100,000 alumni - both graduates and former students - and is represented by more than 30 active alumni chapters.

Members of the APSU National Alumni Association receive a complimentary subscription to the Austin Peay Alumni Magazine, a free APSU email account for life, e-newsletters and special invitations to events and programs like Homecoming, Candlelight Ball, alumni receptions/reunions and alumni travel.

The NAA also offers opportunities for alumni to help shape the future of APSU. By participating in student recruitment events, networking events or making a gift to the university, APSU alumni can have a direct impact on the success of their alma mater and its students.

The APSU National Alumni Association and Office of Alumni Relations staff are housed at the Pace Alumni Center at Emerald Hill, located at 751 N. Second St. To learn more about the NAA, visit www.apsu.edu/alumni or call 931-221-7979.



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Commencement photography is conducted in-house by university photography staff. Ceremony participants will be emailed once photos are available for digital download.

Downloads are available at no cost to graduates and their families.

This and previous commencement programs can be found on Austin Peay's commencement website:

apsu.edu/graduation/commencement-programs

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