



SAINT XAVIER UNIVERSITY  
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2023

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## ***The Seal of Saint Xavier University***

From its earliest design honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary to the Coat of Arms seal of today, the seal of Saint Xavier University symbolizes a proud history of Catholic education in Chicago.

Designed by Art Department faculty member Sister Mary Solina Hicks, R.S.M., this seal includes a black-and-white checkerboard and diagonal gold bars from the family coat of arms of Saint Francis Xavier, red and gold bars and a white Jerusalem cross taken from the shield of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, an open book to represent education and the Scripture verse: “I am the way, and the truth, and the life.” (John 14:6)

Saint Xavier University continues to use this seal as a symbol of its heritage and mission.



# Congratulations, Graduates!

On behalf of the Saint Xavier University community, we look forward to celebrating your achievements and witnessing your continued success after graduation.

The experience you gained at Saint Xavier has prepared you to lead with confidence and compassion in service of the common good, as called for by our Mercy mission. Today, you begin your next chapter with a deeper understanding of your values and responsibility to help create a more just and humane world. We are confident that the creativity, critical thought, compassion and sense of resolve you demonstrated during your time at Saint Xavier will continue to lift up those around you.

We are grateful for the contributions you have made to our community and are honored to have helped you prepare for a future of professional success and meaningful service. We know the fond memories and enduring friendships you built here will last a lifetime, and we hope you remain active in our alumni network. This sustained connection to SXU helps ensure that those who come after you have access to the same transformative educational experience.

We extend our best wishes as you embark on the next exciting chapter of your story.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laurie M. Joyner".

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

*President*

**"We can never say 'it is enough.'"**

*Catherine McAuley, Familiar Instructions*

## ***Mission Statement***

Saint Xavier University, a Catholic institution inspired by the heritage of the Sisters of Mercy, educates persons to search for truth, to think critically, to communicate effectively, and to serve wisely and compassionately in support of human dignity and the common good.

## ***University Vision***

Saint Xavier University, the affordable, Catholic Mercy institution, will become known for the strength of its relevant curricular and co-curricular offerings; accomplishments of its faculty, staff and students; robust community engagement; and the success of its graduates.

## ***Core Values***

The Saint Xavier University community commits itself to practicing eight core values as it engages in a search for truth and knowledge, both for personal enhancement and to understand and improve our world.

### **RESPECT**

moves us to understand the gifts and unique contributions of every person in the University community and to value diverse perspectives.

### **EXCELLENCE**

commits us to challenge ourselves to utilize our God-given gifts: intellectual, social, physical, spiritual and ethical.

### **COMPASSION**

compels us to stand with and embrace others in their suffering that, together, we may experience God's liberating and healing presence.

### **SERVICE**

calls us to use our gifts, talents and abilities to advance the genuine well-being of our community and those we encounter.

### **HOSPITALITY**

draws us to do our daily work with a spirit of graciousness that welcomes new ideas and people of all backgrounds and beliefs.

### **INTEGRITY**

gives us the ability to realize the greater good in our actions and programs, and challenges us to look at our work and ourselves holistically and as one united with others across the globe.

### **DIVERSITY**

builds a community that fosters a climate that is open and welcoming to diverse people, ideas and perspectives; that promotes a constructive discourse on the nature of diversity; and that engages faculty, staff and students in activities that promote the University's core values.

### **LEARNING FOR LIFE**

in the liberal arts tradition, encourages us to pursue knowledge and truth throughout our lives in ways that improve our communities and ourselves and that strengthen our understanding of each other.

## ***The Ceremonial Mace***

Saint Xavier University introduced a ceremonial mace to the commencement procession in January 2004. The mace is an ornamental staff that has historically symbolized academic authority and adds to the pageantry of the ceremony. The Saint Xavier University mace consists of a carved walnut staff adorned with the Saint Xavier seal, cast in bronze, and is ushered in by a faculty member serving as the grand marshal of the procession. The mace is displayed in the University's Robert and Mary Rita Murphy Stump Library.



## Academic Dress

“The formal academic regalia being worn today had their origins in the clerical costumes of medieval Europe and have evolved into a great variety of patterns and styles. Late in the last century, the American colleges and universities agreed to standardize their regalia; however, there is now a movement to return to individual designs for each institution.

The gown worn by those holding or receiving the bachelor’s degree is plain black with pointed sleeves. The master’s gown was characterized by a unique, long, closed sleeve with a slit at the elbow, through which the arm protruded; this peculiarity is now being replaced by a sleeve more like that of the bachelor’s. The doctoral gown has very full bell sleeves and is trimmed with velvet in panels down the front and in strips across the sleeves. This trim may be either black or in a color that denotes the particular type of doctorate – royal blue for the Ph.D., green for the M.D. and various others.

The familiar mortarboard cap bears only a faint resemblance to its close relative, the clerical biretta. Some institutions now specify a soft cap somewhat like a tam o’shanter. The bachelor’s decorate the cap with a tassel in black or the color indicative of the degree. Masters wear black tassels; the doctors wear either black or metallic gold.

Most symbolic and informative of the regalia is the hood, which is no longer raised over the head, but is hung down the back, just as a cleric wore it when baring the head in church. The bachelor’s hood is three feet long, the master’s is three-and-one-half feet, and the doctor’s is four feet long with a rectangular panel, which once served as a shoulder cap when the hood was raised. A curious short tail at the peak of the hood is all that now remains of a long strip, which was wrapped around the throat as a scarf. All of the hoods have a velvet border in the color of the degree according to the same system used for the trim of the doctoral gown.

In the Middle Ages, academic hoods were lined with miniver, lamb’s wool or rabbit fur – a necessity in unheated schools and churches. By the 14th century, professors wore silk-lined hoods in summer; satin is now used to line the hoods. The colors and patterns of the satin lining of the hood identify the college or university conferring the degree.”

*Richard C. Pilger, Jr., Marshal Emeritus, Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame, Indiana.  
Used with permission.*

The following is a list of common academic colors:

Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Business, Accounting	Light Brown	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Education	Light Blue	Science	Golden Yellow
Fine Arts	Brown	Social Work	Citron
Music	Pink	Speech	Gold
Nursing	Apricot	Theology, Religious Studies	Scarlet



## Graduation Honors

Due to grade reporting and program printing deadlines, graduation honors are not listed in the commencement booklet. However, graduation honors are announced with the students' names as the diploma is awarded.

To be eligible for graduation honors, students must have completed at least 50 graded semester hours at Saint Xavier University and earned a cumulative grade-point average of:

3.50 for Cum Laude (with honors, white Honor Cords)

3.70 for Magna Cum Laude (with high honors, silver Honor Cords)

3.90 for Summa Cum Laude (with highest honors, gold Honor Cords)

The cumulative GPA is based exclusively on credits earned at Saint Xavier University and is the higher of (a) the GPA for all credits earned at Saint Xavier University or (b) the last 50 hours earned prior to graduation. If the student reaches and exceeds 50 hours in a term, then all courses earned that term are counted in the GPA for the "last 50 hours." The student is not allowed to pick the courses to equal exactly 50 hours. Graduation honors are recognized for undergraduate degrees only.

Honors announced during the commencement ceremonies are anticipated honors based upon grades posted to the student record, excluding the current active semester. The honors posted on the transcript, as part of the student's official record, are based upon grades earned through the final semester. The posted honors may differ from the announced honors.

"Honors Scholar" denotes a student who has completed all requirements of the Saint Xavier University Undergraduate Honors Program, including senior-year research or creative project.

# **College of Arts and Sciences**

## **Honorary Degree Recipient**

Citation honoring Sister Anita Baird

Upon the conferral by Saint Xavier University of the degree Doctor of Arts and Letters, *honoris causa*



Sister Anita Baird is part of the Religious Congregation of the Society of the Daughters of the Heart of Mary and holds degrees in sociology and theology from DePaul University and Loyola University Chicago. Sister Anita is recognized for her religious and community activism around the nation. She has been awarded an honorary Doctor of Ministry from the Catholic Theological Union in recognition of her outstanding contributions in the work for racial justice in the Catholic Church and the city of Chicago. Sister Anita is also the recipient of the National Black Sisters' Conference's Harriet Tubman Moses of Her People Award; NBC-5 Jefferson Award for exceptional community service; and Outstanding Leadership Award by the Leadership Conference of Women Religious.

A resident of Oak Park, she has served as regional superior, provincial councilor, and U.S. provincial. Sister Anita is the first African American to serve as chief of staff to the Archbishop of Chicago and the founding director of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Racial Justice. Her work included directing the Archdiocese's initiatives to eradicate racism in its structures and institutions. Sister Anita also served as Francis Cardinal George's liaison for race relations in the city of Chicago. Presently, Sister Anita serves as co-chair of the LCWR's committee on racial justice and the USCCB's Sub-Committee for Jewish-Catholic Dialogue.

For this and other pertinent reasons, we are most pleased to confer on Sister Anita Baird the degree of Doctor of Arts and Letters, *honoris causa*, with all the rights and privileges thereof. Done in Chicago, this sixth day of May 2023.

# ***College of Arts and Sciences Ceremony***

## **Musical Prelude**

Saint Xavier University Saxophone Quartet  
Lara Ochoa Regan '98, M.M., Director

## **Processional**

“*Procession of the Nobles*” from *Mlada Suite*  
by Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, transcribed by Kenneth Abeling

Saint Xavier University Saxophone Quartet

## **Order of Procession**

Marshal

Forrest Perry, Ph.D.  
Vice President, Faculty Senate  
Associate Professor, Philosophy

Master of Ceremonies

Saib Othman, Ph.D.  
Provost

Faculty  
Staff  
President’s Senior Leadership Team  
Deans  
Members of the Board of Trustees  
Honorary Degree Recipient  
President of the University

## **Procession of Graduates**

“*Pomp and Circumstance*” March, Op.39, No.1  
by Sir Edward Elgar, arranged by Diego Marani

Saint Xavier University Saxophone Quartet

## **Welcome**

Saib Othman, Ph.D.

## **Invocation**

Jenny DeVivo '99, Ph.D.  
Executive Director, Mission and Heritage

## **The Suscipe of Catherine McAuley**

Sr. Dolores Nieratke, R.S.M.  
arr. Thomas McNichols

The University Chamber Singers  
Thomas McNichols '05, M.M., Conductor  
Director of Choral Activities

## **The National Anthem (please stand)**

*The Star-Spangled Banner*  
arr. James McKelvy

The University Chamber Singers  
Thomas McNichols '05, M.M., Conductor  
Words by Francis Scott Key

## **A Special Request to All Guests**

*To assure that today’s ceremony is a joyous occasion for all present, we respectfully request that guests silence cell phones and remain seated during the entire ceremony unless otherwise noted. As student names are called, please refrain from shouting, whistling or making other noise. At the end of the ceremony, please remain seated until all graduates have exited the building. Thank you.*

# May 6, 2023

## President's Address

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

## Student Speaker

Mary Eileen Ward  
*Bachelor of Arts*

## Conferral of Honorary Degree

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

## Commencement Address

Sister Anita Baird  
*Honorary Degree Recipient*

## Presentation of Candidates

### College of Arts and Sciences

Gina Rossetti, Ph.D.  
*Interim Dean, College of Arts and Sciences*

## Announcer of Recipients

Vincent Alexander Davis '10, Ph.D.  
*Candidate (ABD)*  
*Faculty Specialist, Communication Department*

## Alumni Welcome

Imelda Macias, Ed.D. '13  
*Executive Director, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion*

## Benediction

Charles R. Newman, B.Arch  
*Vice Chair, Board of Trustees*

## Closing Remarks

Saib Othman, Ph.D.  
*Provost*

## Recessional

Saint Xavier University Saxophone Quartet  
"March" from *Second Suite in F for Military Band*  
by Gustav Holst, arranged by Kenneth Abeling

## Reception

Student Café Atrium/O'Malley Quad  
Warde Academic Center

## A Special Invitation

*You are invited to a reception immediately following the ceremony to celebrate our graduates. As you exit through the east doors, please follow the signs that will direct you through the Smith Morris Quad into the Warde Academic Center. Along the way, you will find many photo opportunities for students and families.*

# College of Arts and Sciences

Gina Rossetti, Ph.D., Interim Dean

## Bachelor of Arts

Ali I. Abdelhamid  
Dania G. Abidrabbu  
Aaron Acosta  
Alex M. Acosta  
Soledad Alberto  
Gabriella Alessandrini  
Olivia A. Alfirevich  
Jacklyn Ripley Alfred\*  
Gisselle Elena Almazan  
Jeanette J. Alvarado  
Cristina Alvarez  
Rubi Aragon-Hernandez  
Daniel S. Arrington  
Wendy Karina Bahena  
Nicole Marie Baldwin  
Chloe Elizabeth Banicki  
Mina Gabrielle Baniewicz  
Aliza E. Barrera  
Esteban Barrera  
Saira C. Barrera  
Joselin I. Barrios  
Bertha Becerra  
Ryan A. Bedell  
Martin J. Bennett  
Daniel Anthony Bolger  
Kamila M. Borczyk  
Sarah A. Bowen  
Casey N. Bruce  
Natalie K. Calderon  
Monica Camacho  
Alfredo Cantero  
Idalis Cardenas  
Anthony E. Cardinal  
Madeline Rose Carmona  
Isabel Carrillo  
Briana Ceja  
Ashley K. Clifton  
Ernesto J. Colon  
Tenishia Christine Crawford

Mark James Creed  
Ethan Damian  
Liam D. Daniher-Bowes  
Mary C. Deely  
Paige R. Deitz  
Delilah C. Delgado  
Sean Dennis  
Graciela R. Diaz  
Jose A. Diaz  
Melanie N. Diaz\*  
Kelsey Rose Donovan  
Patrick J. Doran  
Kevin Michael Dryer  
Michael Raymond Drynan  
Nicole P. Dvorak  
Tala Alaa Elchami  
Sarah J. Enriquez  
Angie Esparza  
Jose F. Estrada Jr.  
Thomas J. Falvey  
Andres M. Fausto  
Lonell Fletcher  
Autumn Alexis Flick  
Devin A. J. Fox  
William T. Franklin  
Ryesha Nicole Gaines  
Daniel F. Galvan  
Jennifer D. Garcia  
Jocelyn A. Garcia  
Alexis K. Gonzalez  
Mason C. Gray  
Sean R. Greenfield  
Andres Felipe Guachichulca  
Guadalupe Guzman\*  
Jonathan Guzman  
Valeria A. Guzman  
Stephanie Hadaniak  
Amanie H. Hammad  
Cassandra Hernandez  
Miranda E. Hernandez  
Jose Hernandez-Lopez  
Lauryn A. Hodges  
Mariam Ibrahim  
Sumer Jaber  
Emily J. Jachymiak  
Kelly E. James  
Jessica Jimenez  
Tyler A. Jozsa  
Jason A. Kudelko  
Ryan Landa  
Julia Lignarska  
Rocio D. Linares  
Carlos-Ronaldo Lopez  
Charles Henry Lunsford  
David M. Lyons  
Michelle Ann Malatia  
Joslyn M. Malave  
Montzerrat G. Martinez  
Nayeli F. Martinez Gomez  
Susan E. Marzano  
Madisyn Rose McDaniel  
Brenda Montalvo  
Joselyne Montoya  
Devin Lashawn Moore  
Diamond Marie Moore  
Angela Rose Morales  
Beatriz Munoz  
Daniel Naranjo  
Jose L. Naranjo  
Peyton Nigro  
Jacqueline Ojeda  
Maria Laura Olivares  
Valeria Olivares  
Gage A. Olszak  
Erthel T. Oruma  
John J. O'Sullivan  
Anthony Otero  
Olivia J. Ozga  
Robert J. Palermo  
Madeleine Palmer  
Kimberly Paniagua  
Max Pantoja

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LaKresha Ann Parker	Lola J. Shoemaker	Fernanda Y. Anaya Jimenez
La'Quita Tyesha Parker	Yanira I. Silva	Alfredo Arreguin
Elizabeth A. Paroubek	Shaunia Darice Singleton*	Elizabeth Arvizu
Michael L. Pascalo	Julianna Stanford	Esra H. Awadallah*
Santiago J. Perez Guzman	Emily Stepanek	Lesley Baez
Abigael R. Powell	Mason Lawrence Steponik	Erica Jacqueline Banicki
Abigail N. Prado	Zoe A. Supanich	Azmi Barakat
Diego A. Prado	Alexandra Takuski	Gabrielle Rae Barrett
Elias Rabadi	Martin Tambor	Joselin I. Barrios
Jennifer Ramirez	Elizabeth Tenison	Brenda Batrez-Galaviz
Sofia Nicole Ramos	Jordan L. Tims	Daniel T. Birmingham
Anita J. Raphael-McElroy	Gabriella Torres	Jessica A. Boger
Brittny Reguyal	Emily E. Torrisi	Marci Jane Brandenburg
Ryan Elizabeth Reid	Nolan M. Trost	Mills*
Allyson P. Rein	Kyla J. Turner	Isela Briano
Thressa Marie Reyes Nelson	Thomas J. Tylka	Umber Bulqueez
Monica Rios-Munoz	Ceci K. Uruena	Bianca Bustos Ortega
Michael A. Rivera	David Valadez	Gianna M. Caruso
David Rodriguez	Youbeth Aylin Valdes	Kaela Shea Caveney
Jessica Rodriguez	Paola Francesca Vaniglia	Brendan J. Chausse
Julian Cesar Rodriguez	Adelita Vargas	Zihomara K. Chavez
Alejandra Rodriguez Patino	Fabian Vazquez Vallejo	Lauren M. Christianson
Jacqueline M. Ruiz	Yulisa Vega	Miranda A. Clinton*
Sonia L. Rymus	Stephanie Vela	Paula I. Clohessy
Jena Said*	Franchesca Louise Villarrubia	Makayla D. Coleman
Ayah Salah	Valerie Marie Villegas	Hannah C. Cracco
Beesan H. Salama	Daniel J. Wajda	Izabela Czerny
Ana V. Salazar	Daniel K. Walton	Nicholas J. Davies
Alyssa Salgado	Mary Eileen Ward	Jessica G. Dawson
Crystal R. Sanchez	Jeremy Joseph Widmayer	Paige R. Deitz
Omar Sanchez	Taylor L. Woodward	Lisbeth Delabra
Robert Sanchez Jr.	Emily Zavala	Dalia G. Delgadillo-Silva
Samuel Robert Sanchez		Jocelyn Delgado
Sophia Rose Sanchez		Lisa T. Doan*
Dina Nicole Sarlas	Gladys I. Acosta Gonzalez	Gabriella T. Doto
Justin J. Scanlon	Marissa B. Adcock	Rocio Duarte
Peter D. Schied	Karrington N. Albert	Jessica Escobedo
Matthew A. Sciortino	Morgan M. Albertsen	Jasmine M. Farias
Mitchell J. Seggerman	Hamzah Alnajjar	Ailyn Y. Gallardo
Christian Serrano	Abraham Altabakhi	Kimberly M. Gallegos
Laurie A. Shelton		Carlos A. Galvan

## **Bachelor of Science**

Gladys I. Acosta Gonzalez
Marissa B. Adcock
Karrington N. Albert
Morgan M. Albertsen
Hamzah Alnajjar
Abraham Altabakhi

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Stephanie Galvez	Alaina A. Maynez	Cheyenne G. Roberts
Jonathan Garcia	Anthony F. McFee	Haley P. Robinson
Denis R. Gelumbauskas	Meghan Elizabeth McKibbin	Ariana Rodriguez
Ken E. Gibbs	Joseph B. McMullen	Jalen D. Rodriguez
Karina V. Godinez	Kevin Michael McQuillan	Maria Del Carmen Rodriguez
Carolina Gomez	Kassandra Monserrat Medina	Gabriela Romero
Gisselle Gonzalez	Maria C. Medina	Hiyam Salameh
Jesus L. Gonzalez	Grace Lilly Medlicott	Bianca E. Salazar
Genelle L. Grabowski	Jacqueline S. Medran	Aliya R. Salem
Morgan A. Greene	Ana R. Mendez	Brian Salgado
Belinda Green-Randall	Karisa Mendoza	Benjamin Samano
Vanessa Marie Guillen	Steven M. Meyer	Emmanuel A. Samuel
Danya Hammad	Yara R. Mhanna	Adamaris P. Sanchez
Adali Haro	Nicholas J. Miller	Sarah Ann Sanders
Sama I. Hasan	Danya N. Mohamed*	Nia M. Sandifer
Jada K. Hayden	Starr Monroy	Sean William Smith
Destiny S. Haywood	Steven Monroy	Axel Sotelo
Maritza Hernandez	Britney Morales	Denise Spinos
William K. Hines	Jennifer Victoria Mulvey	Kaylee R. Springer
Horace Holifield	Ayat M. Nakhleh*	Brittney M. Stano*
Dalia A. Husein	Halimah Jihad Nassan	Hamdi Sughayar
Emily M. Jankowski	Gabriela Nava	Micah K. Swansey
Rokas Jastiuginovas	Megan C. Noonan	Jehan R. Tadros
Juma R. Kanan	Shane Joseph Noone	Lizeth Tapia-Tellez
Andrew Thomas Kay	Johnathon M. O'Grady	Alexander Nicholas Tenorio
Leena Samir Kheir-Eddin	Daniela Ojeda	Nicole Marie Tetre
Grzegorz Knapczyk	Braulio Joel Olmedo	Steve Mathew Thomas
Scott R. Krafft	Gracy Jean O'Rahilly	Natalie Joann Tolstych
Daniel M. Lamphere	Eduardo Ortega	Reiner N. Utria-Ramirez
Javier A. Lazaro	Julia M. Ortiz	Erika Elizabeth Velazquez
Alexia Lopez	Eniola M. Oyefeso*	Mayra Velazquez
Annabel G. Lopez	Alondra L. Parquette	Christina Villa
Alex J. Lyles-Collins	Rachel Lynn Parsons	Jennifer Villanueva
Elizabeth M. MacDonald	Giana Lynn Pietkiewicz	Julian Anthony Villar
Joslyn M. Malave	Ruth Pina	Isabelle T. Walters
Arianna Maravilla	Isabella Eve Pira	Kaylan A. Waters
Katherine M. Marshall	Christian A. Ramirez	Ambria C. Westerfield
Renee S. Martin	Tasneem I. Rayyan	Denisha R. Williams
Miguel Angel Martinez	Angelle L. Reeves	Emily R. Yerkes
Selva Martinez	Roman M. Ries	Mario L. Young
Abraham Mathew	Joseph Shane Robb	Andres Zamora Jr.

# *College of Arts and Sciences*

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Michal Zasadni  
Patrycja Zieba\*  
Otto H. Zimmerman

## **Bachelor of Music**

Luke R. Walshon

## **Master of Arts**

Joi Lynn Chapman  
Carletta A. Christian  
Mainard J. Easley  
Robert L. Evans  
Gricelda Gonzalez  
Darrellyn C. Green  
Carly N. Gruchot  
Taylor Marie Haynes  
Chi Nu Phuong Huynh  
Ivy Belinda Jefferson  
Lindsey K. Justin  
Latonia N. Kimmons  
Kevin E. Leifker  
Jacob E. Luketin  
Kyle L. Maloney  
Assurim Manjarrez  
Kassandra L. Maricle  
Sophia Mohammed  
Grace K. Murphy  
Stella Nosike  
Marissa A. Ramirez  
Victoria L. Rollins  
Kevin Schultz  
Christina Sekula  
Ashley S. Serrano  
Emily R. Smith  
Yasmine Tabbara  
Victoria Williams  
Karmisha M. Womack  
Amber Rose Woods

## **Master of Arts in Teaching**

Thahab Abduljawad  
Rachelle M. Ashford  
Tierra Kennyse Atkins  
Abigail V. Bailey  
Yasmine Ballout  
Ashley R. Bartels  
Jennifer Bertram  
Michael Bikulcius  
Elina Marie Bustamante  
Karina Cahue Anguiano  
Kimberly Carter  
Jessica Celeste Clarke  
Vifa Selali Cunningham  
Afsar S. Farooqui  
Melissa L. Flores  
Martin John Paul Gianotti  
Claudia Gonzalez  
Elizabeth Gonzalez  
Sean Kevin Good  
Hannah E. Halcomb  
Cheyanne C. Hein  
Bryan Jemaar Hillman  
Kimberly B. Hoffman  
Jess Howard  
Alexis Idrovo  
Ryan Jacobs  
Christin T. James  
Eli Jenkinson  
Zachary W. Johnson  
Lindsey Jones  
Emily Ann Jurica  
Victoria L. Keilman  
Karliegh Mae Krchmery  
Jamie L. Kucala  
Jessica Rae Lalowski  
Esteban Norberto Linares  
Natalia E. Liszka  
Nicole B. Maier

Elizabeth A. Martin  
Jennifer L. Marynowski  
Sara Mostofi Murray  
Lily G. Murphy  
Clarissa R. E. Myers  
Melissa A. Naggles  
Kiana M. Neely  
Carmen Nevarez  
Melinda C. Nolen  
Jennifer C. O'Connell  
Edith Perez  
Taschell D. Pickens  
Milagros Quintana  
Willie J. Sims  
Jennifer Talent  
Angelica N. Uribe  
Nancy Villanueva Aceves  
Robert E. Wals Jr.  
Kyran E. Weaver  
Melissa L. Wortel

## **Master of Applied Computer Science**

Nicholas K. Chatman  
William H. Davis  
Christian Hinojosa  
Nicholas N. Josten  
Cory Lody  
Peter D. Para  
Jose R. Paz Jr.  
Shanta Shaniel Reynolds-Woods  
Emily A. Roa  
David Rozo  
Nicole Marie Salow  
Jeneen R. Samara  
Sami R. Samara  
Alexander D. Wigsmoen

# ***College of Arts and Sciences***

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## **Master of Science in Medical Sciences**

Mohammad N. Arifee  
Lillian Barriga  
Hayli Bryana Bentley  
Arianna Marie Canales  
Myles L. Carter  
Jamie Murao Francisco  
Anahar Ibrahim  
Brittney Cierra McKnight  
Aylin A. Ornelas Loredo  
Salma V. Rodriguez  
James George St. Clair  
Darniecia J. Stevenson  
Kaila Monae Swint  
Bella Scarlett Tillman  
Gladys A. Torres  
Nicholas Martin Williams

***Graham School of Management and  
School of Nursing and Health Sciences  
Honorary Degree Recipient***

Citation honoring Sister Karen Schneider, M.D.

Upon the conferral by Saint Xavier University of the degree Doctor of Public Service, *honoris causa*



Sister Karen Schneider entered the Sisters of Mercy in 1983. She holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics education, a Master of Public Health, and a Doctor of Medicine. She taught mathematics at Catherine McAuley High School in Brooklyn before earning her Doctor of Medicine from the State University of New York Health Science Center at Brooklyn. After completing a pediatric residency at Yale Children's Hospital and a pediatric emergency medicine fellowship at Johns Hopkins in 2002, she joined the faculty at Johns Hopkins University.

Sister Karen coordinates the Pediatric Tropical Medicine elective, supervising clinical experiences for residents in Haiti, Guyana, Kenya, Nigeria, and a number of other countries. She has completed more than 100 medical mission trips. She is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Ambulatory Pediatric Association, and Amnesty International.

Sister Karen has been recognized for her international medical work in the service of children and has received honorary doctorates from Carlow University, Mount Mercy University, Georgian Court University, Maria College, Mount Aloysius College, St. Joseph's College, and Trocaire College. Her tireless efforts have been spotlighted by the media many times. She has been featured on CBS News, Catholic News Service, CNN, and the National Catholic Reporter.

For this and other pertinent reasons, we are most pleased to confer on Sister Karen Schneider, M.D. the degree of Doctor of Public Service, *honoris causa*, with all the rights and privileges thereof. Done in Chicago, this sixth day of May 2023.

# ***Graham School of Management and School of Nursing and Health Sciences Ceremony***

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by Sir Edward Elgar, arranged by Diego Marani

Saint Xavier University Saxophone Quartet

## **Welcome**

Saib Othman, Ph.D.

## **Invocation**

Jenny DeVivo '99, Ph.D.  
Executive Director, Mission and Heritage

## **The Suscipe of Catherine McAuley**

Sr. Dolores Nieratke, R.S.M.  
arr. Thomas McNichols

The University Chamber Singers  
Thomas McNichols '05, M.M., Conductor  
Director of Choral Activities

## **The National Anthem (please stand)**

*The Star-Spangled Banner*  
arr. James McKelvy

The University Chamber Singers  
Thomas McNichols '05, M.M., Conductor  
Words by Francis Scott Key

## **A Special Request to All Guests**

*To assure that today's ceremony is a joyous occasion for all present, we respectfully request that guests silence cell phones and remain seated during the entire ceremony unless otherwise noted. As student names are called, please refrain from shouting, whistling or making other noise. At the end of the ceremony, please remain seated until all graduates have exited the building. Thank you.*

# May 6, 2023

## President's Address

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

## Student Speaker

Gylshen Mante  
*Master of Science in Nursing*

## Conferral of Honorary Degree

Laurie M. Joyner, Ph.D.

## Commencement Address

Sister Karen Schneider, M.D.  
*Honorary Degree Recipient*

## Presentation of Candidates

### Graham School of Management

Indranil K. Ghosh, Ph.D.  
*Professor and Director, Graham School of Management*

### School of Nursing and Health Sciences

Gwendolyn George, DNP  
*Dean, School of Nursing and Health Sciences*

## Announcer of Recipients

Vincent Alexander Davis '10, Ph.D.  
*Candidate (ABD)*  
*Faculty Specialist, Communication Department*

## Alumni Association Welcome

Imelda Macias, Ed.D. '13  
*Executive Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion*

## Benediction

Charles R. Newman, B.Arch  
*Vice Chair, Board of Trustees*

## Closing Remarks

Saib Othman, Ph.D.  
*Provost*

## Recessional

Saint Xavier University Saxophone Quartet  
"March" from *Second Suite in F for Military Band*  
by Gustav Holst, arranged by Kenneth Abeling

## Reception

Student Café Atrium/O'Malley Quad  
Warde Academic Center

## A Special Invitation

*You are invited to a reception immediately following the ceremony to celebrate our graduates. As you exit through the east doors, please follow the signs that will direct you through the Smith Morris Quad into the Warde Academic Center. Along the way, you will find many photo opportunities for students and families.*

# **Graham School of Management**

Indranil K. Ghosh, Ph.D., Director

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The mission of the Conference for Mercy Higher Education is the preservation and development of the core Catholic identity and mission of Mercy higher education in accord with the spirit, mission and heritage of the Sisters of Mercy.

## ***Member Institutions***

### Founded

1846	Saint Xavier University	Chicago, Illinois
1853	Mount Aloysius College	Cresson, Pennsylvania
1899	Mercy College of Health Sciences	Des Moines, Iowa
1908	Georgian Court University	Lakewood, New Jersey
1912	Saint Joseph's College of Maine	Standish, Maine
1918	Mercy College of Ohio	Toledo, Ohio
1923	College of Saint Mary	Omaha, Nebraska
1924	Misericordia University	Dallas, Pennsylvania
1926	Mercyhurst University	Erie, Pennsylvania
1928	Mount Mercy University	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
1929	Carlow University	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1932	University of Saint Joseph, Connecticut	West Hartford, Connecticut
1934	Salve Regina University	Newport, Rhode Island
1941	University of Detroit Mercy	Detroit, Michigan
1948	Gwynedd-Mercy College	Gwynedd Valley, Pennsylvania
1958	Maria College	Albany, New York
1958	Trocaire College	Buffalo, New York

## ***Mercy Heritage***

Founder and sponsor of Saint Xavier University, the religious congregation of the Sisters of Mercy originated in Dublin, Ireland. Today, more than 6,000 Sisters of Mercy, along with Mercy Associates and Companions, serve more than 30 countries on every continent except Antarctica. The Sisters of Mercy sponsor 17 colleges and universities in the United States and serve more than 34,000 students.



## ***Presidents of Saint Xavier College/University***

1912-1916	Mother M. Xavier Flanagan, R.S.M. †
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# ***The Suscipe of Mother Mary Catherine McAuley***

(1778-1841)

Founder of the Religious Sisters of Mercy (1831)  
Declared Venerable by Pope John Paul II (1990)

My God, I am thine for all eternity;

teach me to cast my whole self into the arms of Thy Providence

with the most lively unlimited confidence

in Thy compassionate, tender pity.

“Grant, O most Merciful Redeemer,

that whatever Thou dost ordain or permit

may always be acceptable to me;

take from my heart all painful anxiety,

suffer nothing to afflict me, but sin;

nothing to delight me, but the hope of coming

to the possession of Thee, my God,

in Thy own everlasting Kingdom. Amen.”

The original wording of “The Suscipe” as found  
in *Catherine McAuley and the Tradition of Mercy*, by Mary C. Sullivan, R.S.M.



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1950	Ms. Mary Amberg	1987	Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
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