

# Commencement

SPRING 2022



**PENN STATE SCHUYLKILL**

Saturday, May 7, 2022



**PennState**

## National Anthem

*by Francis Scott Key*

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming;  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air  
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.  
O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

## Alma Mater

*by Fred Lewis Pattee*

For the glory of old State,  
For her founders, strong and great,  
For the future that we wait,  
Raise the song, raise the song,  
  
Sing our love and loyalty,  
Sing our hopes that, bright and free,  
Rest, O Mother dear, with thee.  
All with thee, all with thee.  
  
When we stood at childhood's gate,  
Shapeless in the hands of fate,  
Thou didst mold us, dear old State,  
Dear old State, dear old State.  
  
May no act of ours bring shame  
To one heart that loves thy name,  
May our lives but swell thy fame,  
Dear old State, dear old State!

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**William J. Reppy, M.B.A.**

William Reppy serves as President of Lehigh Valley Hospital–Schuylkill and Vice President of Lehigh Valley Health Network’s Northwest Region (including Schuylkill, Luzerne, and Carbon counties). He also serves as the management representative to the Board of Managers of LVHN EMS, a wholly owned subsidiary of LVHN providing ambulance services in Lehigh, Monroe, and Luzerne counties.

Reppy began his tenure with LVHN at their Hazleton location in 2014, as the Vice President of Operations. In this role, Reppy was responsible for Clinical Support Departments, safety, security and plant operations, and played a vital role in strategic planning, business development, and physician recruitment. Prior to joining LVHN, he was part of the Greater Hazleton Health Alliance. For several years, Reppy served as the Schuylkill County Administrator, where he was responsible for day-to-day operations as well as development of a comprehensive Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual and significant reduction in longer term benefits liability.

Reppy received an Associate in Science degree in Radiologic Technology from George Washington University, a Bachelor of Business degree from St. Leo University, and a Master of Business Administration degree from Kutztown University.

Reppy served in uniform for six years in the U.S. Navy as an X-ray technologist, is active in the Orwigsburg Lions Club and other community service organizations, and serves as a member of 13 local non-profit boards, including Nativity BVM High School, the Pottsville City Health Board, and the Penn State Schuylkill Advisory Board.

# COMMENCEMENT

## PROGRAM

### PROCESSION

*Trio from Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1* by Edward Elgar  
Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

Nicole Andel, Ph.D., Faculty Marshal

### OPENING

Patrick M. Jones, Ph.D.  
Chancellor

### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

*The Star Spangled Banner* by John Stafford Smith  
United States Marine Band

### WELCOME

### ADVISORY BOARD MESSAGE

Richard J. Wiest, J.D.  
President, Penn State Schuylkill Advisory Board

### KEYNOTE ADDRESS

William J. Reppy, M.B.A., President, Lehigh Valley Hospital–Schuylkill  
Vice President of Operations, Lehigh Valley Health Network Northwest Region

### STUDENT ADDRESS

Michael W. Russell, '22

### CLASSES OF 2019 & 2020 REFLECTION

Anna Raquele Amato, '20

### RECOGNITION OF SCHOLASTIC DISTINCTION AND VETERANS

Darcy L. Medica, Ph.D.  
Director of Academic Affairs

### PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES AND CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

### ALUMNI MESSAGE

Lisa A. David Schroeder '85  
President, Penn State Schuylkill Alumni Society

### CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

### ALMA MATER

*For the Glory of Old State* by Fred Lewis Patee  
Penn State Glee Club

### RECESSION

*Trumpet Tune and Air* by Henry Purcell  
Philip Jones Brass Ensemble

## DISTINCTION

Distinction is conferred on graduates who have completed the required number of credits at various Penn State colleges, and who are in the top twelve percent of their college graduating class.

The twelve percent is divided into two percent “Summa Cum Laude,” four percent “Magna Cum Laude,” and six percent “Cum Laude.”

### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Richard E. Harper  
Lexi Johns  
Tara E. Laubenstein  
Michael W. Russell  
Debra Terraciano  
Aleksandra Williams  
Alex J. Witmer

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Lauren Faust  
Brian Oneil Leshay Nicherson  
Sierra A. Santarsiero  
Julia Shellhamer  
Matthew Williams

### CUM LAUDE

Kelsey Atkinson  
Abigayle Grace Kaiser  
Saige Lowe  
Tayla Kay Olt  
Matthew Williams  
Rebecca Vilella-Perez  
Poetic Session  
Courtney Weikel

## CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREES

### BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

*Associate of Science*  
Tayla Kay Olt  
Abella N. Surabian <sup>2</sup>  
Kaitlyn Tinari

## HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

*Associate of Science*  
Kaitlyn Bowers <sup>1</sup>  
Olivia Marie Carl  
Lisa Martin <sup>1</sup>  
Sarah Ricigliano <sup>1</sup>  
Poetic Session <sup>2</sup>

### LETTERS, ARTS, AND SCIENCES

*Associate of Arts*  
Bailey Denae Drey  
Maecada Herring <sup>1</sup>  
Carl Nathaniel Johnson, Jr.  
Giselle Renee Zdunowski

### PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT

*Associate of Science*  
Madison Felty <sup>2</sup>

### RADIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

*Associate of Science*  
Macy Erin Alansky <sup>2</sup>  
Bryana Bagi <sup>2</sup>  
Autumn Skye Behrent <sup>2</sup>  
KCAnn Blank <sup>2</sup>  
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Taylor Rose Kelchner <sup>2</sup>  
Taylor Nicole McAndrew <sup>2</sup>  
Kalista Jade Miller <sup>2</sup>  
Dinaea Otto <sup>2</sup>  
Allison Peterman <sup>2</sup>  
Emily Rose <sup>2</sup>  
Dayna Taber <sup>2</sup>  
Madeline Olivia Tonkin <sup>2</sup>  
Andrea Zook <sup>2</sup>

## CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

*Bachelor of Science*  
Tyler Michael Barnes  
Lamonttea Brown  
Steele Edward Fekette  
Steven Guers <sup>1</sup>  
Annie Mattes <sup>1</sup>  
Robert Michalik <sup>1</sup>  
Dylan David Stephen

**ANIMAL SCIENCE**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Lauren Faust <sup>1</sup>

**BIOLOGY**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Bethany E. Hollenbush  
Lexi Johns  
Ashley Pentz  
Michael W. Russell

**BUSINESS**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Kelsey Atkinson <sup>1</sup>  
Michael DeHaven, Jr. <sup>1</sup>  
Alyssa Gerber  
Jessica Leigh Gilfillan  
Dwayne Richard Kroh  
John Lindenmuth  
Matthew Mabry <sup>2</sup>  
Aaron Miller <sup>1</sup>  
Rachael Tarlecky <sup>1</sup>  
Debra Terraciano

**CORPORATE COMMUNICATION**  
*Bachelor of Arts*  
Corinne Ellis  
Brandon Michael Harris  
William Joseph Hoynoski  
Gracie Miller <sup>1</sup>  
Saliyah Sebro-McQueen  
Courtney Weikel

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**  
*Bachelor of Arts*  
Adam Amend <sup>2</sup>

*Bachelor of Science*  
Hannah Corrin Edmondson  
Ambur Elizabeth Ernst  
Nicholas Kerestus  
Garrett Lehman  
Mikaela Marie Seltzer  
Willie Joseph Streisel, Jr.  
Alex J. Witmer

**CRIMINOLOGY**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Killian Clark  
Andrea Natal <sup>1</sup>

**HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Siena Heim

**NURSING**  
*Bachelor of Science in Nursing*  
Jamie Michael Collo  
Nicole Russell <sup>1</sup>  
Julia Shellhamer <sup>1</sup>  
Aleksandra Williams <sup>1</sup>

**ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Kelli Hoffman

**PROJECT AND SUPPLY  
CHAIN MANAGEMENT**  
*Bachelor of Science*  
Alex Downey  
Chase Landon Hatter  
Nicole Prokopczyk  
Shaundra Leann Smith

**PSYCHOLOGY**  
*Bachelor of Arts*  
Courtney Bowers  
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Cassidy Catherine Reed  
Caitlyn Ross <sup>1</sup>

*Bachelor of Science*  
Ciara Bainbridge <sup>1</sup>  
Cassidy Barton <sup>1</sup>  
Savannah A. Berardino  
Kassandra Kuperavage  
Amy Marie Laubenstine  
Saige Lowe  
Sierra A. Santarsiero  
Mikaela Marie Seltzer  
Nathaniel Sirois-Parfitt <sup>1</sup>  
Rylee Jane Worthy  
Jessica Yohe <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Graduated fall 2021

<sup>2</sup> Will graduate summer 2022

This list was produced on April 15, 2022, as an unofficial  
list of graduating students and those earning honors.

# FALL 2019 - FALL 2020 GRADUATES

Special recognition of graduates for whom  
a traditional commencement ceremony was  
not held due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

## ASSOCIATE DEGREES

### HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

*Associate of Science*

Caitlin Kimmel

### LETTERS, ARTS AND SCIENCES

*Associate of Arts*

Lynn S. Sweet

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## BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

*Bachelor of Science*

Amanda Lynn Conshue

Armani J. Jefferson

Asaada Mona'e Jones

Dara Locke-Brown

Bria Oneil Leshay Nicherson

Christopher Joseph Opolsky

Khari Thompson

Rebecca Vilella-Perez

### BUSINESS

*Bachelor of Science*

Omar Hill-Walker

Nikki Maria Hozella

Abigayle Grace Kaiser

Tara E. Laubenstein

Meghan Murhon

## BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### CORPORATE COMMUNICATION

*Bachelor of Arts*

Anna Raquele Amato

Paige Marie Waddell

### DIGITAL JOURNALISM AND MEDIA

*Bachelor of Arts*

Matthew Williams

### INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

*Bachelor of Arts*

Matthew Williams

### PSYCHOLOGY

*Bachelor of Arts*

Samantha Wise

Willie Alexander

Richard E. Harper

*Bachelor of Science*

Kaitlyn Mae Seigfried



# HONOR CORDS

Graduating students who have earned distinction and honors are presented with cords to wear with their robes. The colors of the cords represent the distinction or honors they have attained as follows:

## **Academic Distinction**

Students graduating Cum Laude earn a white cord, students graduating Magna Cum Laude earn a blue cord, and students graduating Summa Cum Laude earn a blue and white cord.

## **Penn State Schuylkill Honors Program**

Students who have completed the Penn State Schuylkill Honors Program earn a gold cord.

## **Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society**

Students who have met the standards of this adult honor society earn a burgundy and gold cord.

## **Beta Beta Beta Honor Society**

Students who have met the standards of this biological honor society earn a green cord.

## **Chi Alpha Sigma College Athlete Honor Society**

Students who have met the standards of this society earn a yellow and black cord.

## **Gamma Beta Phi Honor and Service Society**

Students who have met the standards of this society earn a black and gold cord.

## **Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society**

Students who have met the standards of this national communication honor society earn a red and white cord.

## **Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society**

Students who have met the standards of this honor society earn a blue and gold cord.

## **Military and Veterans**

Veterans, currently serving members of the Armed Forces, and R.O.T.C cadets earn cords that are red, white, and blue.

## PENN STATE SCHUYLKILL

1934 – 2022

Established in 1934, Penn State Schuylkill was one of Penn State's first Commonwealth campuses. For over 87 years, Penn State Schuylkill has remained committed to fulfilling its land-grant mission. In doing so, it provides access to affordable high-quality education, conducts and promotes research to improve people's lives, and engages with our communities in order to make them better places to live.



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