



COMMENCEMENT

Class of 2018

Charlotte, North Carolina
May 19, 2018

Johnson & Wales University: Future Leaders Start Here

Founded in 1914, Johnson & Wales University is a private, nonprofit, accredited institution with more than 15,000 graduate, undergraduate and online students at its four campuses in Providence, Rhode Island; North Miami, Florida; Denver, Colorado; and Charlotte, North Carolina. An innovative educational leader, the university offers degree programs in arts and sciences, business, culinary arts, design and engineering, education, health and wellness, hospitality, nutrition and physician assistant studies. Its unique model integrates arts and sciences and industry-focused education with work experience and leadership opportunities, inspiring students to achieve professional success and lifelong personal and intellectual growth. The university's impact is global, with alumni from 166 countries pursuing careers worldwide. For more information, visit jwu.edu.

A Global University

At Johnson & Wales, we've always been committed to embracing diversity and an international perspective to help foster a richly inclusive educational experience for all of our students.

As such, the university has a long and proud history of welcoming students from across the globe. In fact, our more than 9,700 international alumni — representing 166 countries — are a testament to our unique approach to experiential education, and to our welcoming and supportive culture.

Today, we're honored to host more than 1,300 international students representing 78 countries who are such an integral part of our university community. Because of this, we rank as the 126th overall institution in the United States for international student enrollment.

We're equally committed to enriching and expanding opportunities for global learning, and to enhancing opportunities for global citizenship. Our students completed internships in 32 countries last year and took advantage of our 75 study abroad and exchange programs across six continents. Because of this, we rank as the 26th master's level institution in the United States for number of students who studied abroad.

To all of our international graduates celebrating with us today, we thank you for your significant contributions to the JWU experience, and we wish you much success in all your personal and professional endeavors.



Diplomas will be awarded upon completion of all university requirements.

Graduate names are based on university records or information provided by students on their graduation application submitted via jwuLink. Names that are printed in the program should not be used as an indicator of degree completion. Students must satisfy all graduation requirements before officially graduating and receiving a diploma.



For the safety of everyone in attendance and to comply with local fire department regulations, guests are requested to remain in their seats during the program.

Guests will not be allowed onto the arena floor or in the area where graduates enter and exit the arena.

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After the ceremony, guests can join the graduates in either the front lobby or the front entrance area outside the Spectrum Center.

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Order of Exercises

PROCESSION

Loch Norman Pipe Band
Mace Bearer David Jewell, D.H.Sc., *associate dean of academic affairs*

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INVOCATION

Pastor N. Fazal, *Mosaic Church, Charlotte, North Carolina*

WELCOME

Tarun Malik, Ed.D., *president, Charlotte Campus*
The Honorable Vi Lyles, *mayor, City of Charlotte*

INTRODUCTION OF THE CLASS OF 2018 STUDENT SPEAKER

Tarun Malik, Ed.D.

CLASS OF 2018 STUDENT ADDRESS

Bailie McEntire '18, *B.S., Sports, Entertainment, Event Management*

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE CANDIDATE

Tarun Malik, Ed.D.

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE

Dennis Thompson, *founder and co-chairman of the board, Firebirds International LLC*
Conferred by David Jewell, D.H.Sc.

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Dennis Thompson '18 Hon.

PRESENTATION OF COLLEGE OF ONLINE EDUCATION MASTER DEGREE CANDIDATES

David Jewell, D.H.Sc.

CONFERRING OF MASTER DEGREES

Tarun Malik, Ed.D.

PRESENTATION OF UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE CANDIDATES

Jerry Lanuzza, *dean of culinary education*

CONFERRING OF UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Tarun Malik, Ed.D.

INDUCTION INTO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Nicole George '12, *chief executive officer and lead listing specialist, Premier Property Solutions*

BENEDICTION

Pastor Fazal

RECESSIONAL

Honorary Degree Recipient

DENNIS THOMPSON

Doctor of Business Administration



Dennis L. Thompson has been in the restaurant business for more than 40 years. He is currently founder and co-chairman of the board of Firebirds Wood Fired Grill, which has 45 locations with approximately \$200 million in projected sales for 2018. He is also a partner in Viva Peruvian Roasted Chicken, which is growing from seven locations today to almost 20 by the end of 2018, and the Sea Level Oyster Bar in downtown Charlotte.

Born in Wichita, Kansas, Thompson attended Wichita State University while working the third shift at Boeing Aircraft for five years to pay his way through school. After graduating with a degree in Business Administration, he learned the ins and outs of the restaurant industry while working in real estate, sourcing restaurant chain sites throughout the Midwest. Thompson has since built restaurant concepts that are located throughout the United States.

Originally, Thompson was a Godfather's Pizza franchisee and opened the first unit in 1977. There were approximately 57 locations in North Carolina and Virginia at the time it was sold in an IPO in 1982.

In 1983, Thompson founded Lone Star Steakhouse & Saloon, which went public in 1992. He served as a director until 1998 and helped grow the company to 250 restaurants. During Thompson's time there, Lone Star also purchased and developed Del Frisco's.

Thompson was a co-founder of Bailey's Sports Bar & Grilles, which merged with Fox & Hound in 1997 and resulted in an IPO. Thompson was chairman of the board with 90 locations until Bailey's was purchased by a private equity company in 2006.

Thompson was also a partner in Bad Daddy's Burger Bar, which was founded by Frank Scibelli '07 Hon., and sold in 2015 to a restaurant company located in Colorado. He was also a partner in Cantina 1511 with Scibelli; the duo developed two of the concepts before selling in Charlotte.

Over the years, Thompson was involved in the development of Dean & DeLuca in Charlotte, and other local concepts such as Frankie's Italian Grille and Pancho & Lefty's Mexican Grille.

Thompson and his wife of 51 years reside in Charlotte. They have two children and two grandchildren.

COLLEGE OF ONLINE EDUCATION

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Master of Science Degree Recipients

Melody N. Lee ²
Ariel Sharone Neal



COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Master of Science Degree Recipients

Jennifer Lynn Summers

Master of Business Administration Degree Recipients

Mark Jason Brewington
Lisa Haggerty Davis
Thomas K. DeRosa

Renita La'Toya Dicks ²
Kennetha Amentra
Leonard Fox ²

Angelica Sarah Hardy
Eric Wade Johnson Sr.
Summer Baliles Prunty

Jamareyal R. Robinson
Elizabeth D. Ruff ²



COLLEGE OF HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Master of Science Degree Recipients

Deanna Manners Ford ²



Michael Childers, J.D., chair, and the College of Arts & Sciences faculty proudly present their Class of 2018.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Bachelor of Science Degree Recipients

Lachelle Angela Scott



Benjamin Robinson III, Ph.D., chair, and the College of Business faculty proudly present their Class of 2018.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Degree Recipients

Kristen Nicole Jiannotti
magna cum laude

Rachel Marie Marci ²
cum laude

Bachelor of Science Degree Recipients

Rebecca Anne Arrowood ²
summa cum laude

Jahi T. Augustus

Christopher Brandon Bailey ²
cum laude

Leslie Allison Baker

Christa L. Barnoski ²

Alexis Rosa Bass

Serena Benson ²

Ashley Berger

Karla Judith Berrios-Padilla

Katherine Quinn Blanchard
cum laude

Kyla Maree Bolling

George-Alain D. Boti

Matthew Aaron Bowman

Zaria Alexia Brock
summa cum laude

LeAnna Kaitlyn Bussey
summa cum laude

Rashane' Sharli Byrdsell

Julius Lamund Camp Jr.

Jayvon Shenrique Campbell
cum laude

Lasha Quinisha Campbell ²

Russell Leundra Carroll

Morgan Ashleigh Carter

cum laude

Quan'De'Ty'Daven Carter

Jonathan Christopher

Charles ²

summa cum laude

Alexis Kierra Chester ²

Kayla Nicole Conley

magna cum laude

Jennifer Liz Cordero

magna cum laude

Elisha Marie Cutter

magna cum laude

Hilary Elizabeth Davis

cum laude

Dayshondra Jene Davis-Waters

summa cum laude

Daryl Anthony Dendy

Holly Dakota DeYoung

Luz M. Diaz

Joseph Anthony DiBona

magna cum laude

Bryan Evan Donnelson

Dominise Essence Duliepre

Kia Briana Dumas

Brittnee Rae Eaton ²

Kesha Marie Everson

Emily Alyssa Fisk

Zipporah Natal Frazier

magna cum laude

Nadirah Janelle Gathers ²

Ben Coby Geller

summa cum laude

Robert Christopher Golden Jr.

Shakira Zhane Goode ²

Jalen C. Gordon

Jessica Taylor Green

Kayla Sky Greene

Alexis Marie Greer

summa cum laude

Danielle Quashe

Sheniquia Hall

Elaina Noel Hall ²

Sarah Anne Hamrick

Nichel Yvette Hargrove

Sean Patrick Henderson

cum laude

Andrew Michael Horgan

summa cum laude

Joseph Horton Jr.

Alexis Keyanna Howell

Caleb Edward Hudspeth

Julia Patricia Huecias	Dustin Brent Marshall	Horace G. Payne Jr. ²	Briana Elizabeth Spence
Katherine Jane Hunt ²	<i>summa cum laude</i>	<i>cum laude</i>	Brandon Jerome Staton
Cassandra Marie Hunter	Meredith Anne Martin	Zoe Elizabeth Peckich	Ashleigh Alexandria Sterling
Erin Elizabeth Hutchison	<i>cum laude</i>	<i>summa cum laude</i>	<i>cum laude</i>
Diamond Carolyn-	Zulema Martinez	Olivia Christine Pedroff	Katelyn Marie Tabares
Champagne Jackson	<i>cum laude</i>	Jaime Phillips	Alyssa Rae Taylor
<i>cum laude</i>	Johnathon Taylor Matson ²	<i>summa cum laude</i>	<i>summa cum laude</i>
Chayil Alexander Johnson	Khaila Leigh McIntyre	Natisha Inez Pitts ²	Nathaniel Christopher
<i>cum laude</i>	Gabrielle Valencia McNeely	Cashmir Marcel-Josephine	Thomas
Deon Latrell Johnson	Maria Michela Meacher	Porter	<i>magna cum laude</i>
Destine Benae Johnson ²	Gekiia Alexsus Medley	James Alston Ray ²	Amanda Leigh Thompson
Samantha Jane Johnson	<i>magna cum laude</i>	Kylee Elizabeth Reed	<i>cum laude</i>
<i>cum laude</i>	Cory Matthew Merchant ²	<i>summa cum laude</i>	Sarah Judith Tozer
Thomas Acklin Johnson	<i>cum laude</i>	Shaqedra Ni'erkia Akelia	<i>cum laude</i>
Suzanne Elizabeth Jones	Destiny Marie Mickell ²	Riley ²	Celeste Barbara Tross
<i>cum laude</i>	Andres Gustavo Molinuevo	Caitlin Ann Risch ²	Ashley Nicole Uber
Luis Alfonso La Jara	<i>cum laude</i>	Hayley Renee Roark	<i>cum laude</i>
Juwan Raekwon Lamoree	Alcyone Delphi Moore ²	Sandrine M. Robinson	Lindsay Ann Valley ²
Michael Arvis Lay	Austin Lee Moore	Logan Alexander Robling	<i>magna cum laude</i>
<i>cum laude</i>	<i>magna cum laude</i>	<i>magna cum laude</i>	Caroline Elizabeth Velthoven
Chelsea Noelle Lemus	Jamie Lynn Morris	Tamon Shakur Rollins ²	Shianne Maria Wadsworth
Hannah Maureen Lips	<i>cum laude</i>	Madison Rose Ryan	<i>magna cum laude</i>
<i>magna cum laude</i>	Erica Elizabeth Moulder	Jamie Kristoffer Santos	Hannah Rose Warren
Kennedy Little ²	Terrell Murphy	Courtney Lane Satterfield	<i>magna cum laude</i>
Monica Gabriela Lopez	Morgan Jane Myers	Linda Sayaphet ²	Shannon Salone Warren
<i>magna cum laude</i>	Mackenzie Young Naill	Dustin Lee Schneider	Amy Whitley-Anthony
Seraphina Maria Lubbers	Noah Aaron Nash	<i>cum laude</i>	<i>summa cum laude</i>
Elena Maria Lundy ²	Brittny Nicole Nelson	Dezerraie Angelica Sealy	Delta B. Williams ²
<i>cum laude</i>	Devonta Tyree Nelson ²	Amy Lynn Shulman	Kaylon Jonae Wilson ²
Renee Lyons ²	Alicia Anjali Nemon ²	<i>magna cum laude</i>	Annie Julia Kiana Wright
Jose Luis Magana Jr.	<i>cum laude</i>	Stephanie Frances Sikorski	Qiting Wu
<i>magna cum laude</i>	Danielle Tychelle Oakley ²	Nashell Ashley Simpson	<i>summa cum laude</i>
Bini Maharjan ²	Nelly Ocampo	<i>cum laude</i>	Amanda Mary Wuenschel
Nova Marcin	A'bria Kelvinisha O'Neal	Taylor Morgan Singer	<i>cum laude</i>
<i>magna cum laude</i>	Catherine Denise Parker	<i>cum laude</i>	Jennifer Lynn Yeager ²
Danielle Marie Markus ²	Tianna Michelle Patterson	Taliah Shanyah Singleton	<i>magna cum laude</i>
<i>magna cum laude</i>	<i>summa cum laude</i>	Chrishelle Seles Smith ²	Emilee Dawn York
		Darrylvon Anthony Smith ²	<i>cum laude</i>



Sunil Atreya, chair, and the College of Hospitality Management faculty proudly present their Class of 2018.

COLLEGE OF HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Bachelor of Science Degree Recipients

Thomas R. Agaman ²	Sade Desiree Chisolm	Theresa Gedwien	Jennifer Lillian Jones
Christopher Joseph Alexander <i>summa cum laude</i>	<i>magna cum laude</i>	<i>magna cum laude</i>	<i>magna cum laude</i>
Sonica Veiga Andrade	Meredith Whiteleigh Clemmons ²	Autumn Maryam Giordano <i>cum laude</i>	Taylor Michelle Jones <i>cum laude</i>
Ashley Samantha Armstead Braxton	Molly Elizabeth Ann Coen <i>magna cum laude</i>	Shanaya Simone Gladden ²	Sharrie Dawn LeVette Judd
Amonique Janae Armstrong ²	Natasha S. Collymore ²	Christina Jane Godzuk	Brittany Gabriel Kaminski
Caila Sharae Bacon ²	Annalisa Maria Colombo ² <i>summa cum laude</i>	Virginia Temperance Goss	Amanda Christine Keller
Jarrett Ballard	Frank Henry Conner IV	Kilian Michael Gundry	Jared Peter Kent <i>magna cum laude</i>
Gabrielle A. Basile ²	Samantha Taylor Creech	Lindsay Julia Hammond	Angela Renee Kimbrough <i>cum laude</i>
Diamond Janelle Battle-Carroll <i>magna cum laude</i>	Kyra Lea Creek <i>magna cum laude</i>	Jared Lamont Harper ²	Graydon James King
Corey Joseph Baunchalk	Keira Chanel Crosby <i>cum laude</i>	Donna Marcella Harris ² <i>summa cum laude</i>	Isaac Krell
Chad Michael Beale	Earl Thomas Cross II	Honnah Noel Jean Hay	Greer Raymond Landry
Alexis Ciara Bethea	Steven E. Cumby	Alana Paige Hennin ²	Shakaila Aley Laribo <i>magna cum laude</i>
Jazmine Niche' Billings ²	Marisha Shonette Darville	Elizabeth Marie Hernandez Rodriguez <i>summa cum laude</i>	Jenna Anne Griffin Leak
Christal Dysherria Billups ²	Bronson David Dodge	Roberto C. Herrera	Jacob Arthur Leferson <i>cum laude</i>
Jonnea Alexandria Birdine	Kristina Duke <i>magna cum laude</i>	Keana S. Hill ²	Cortney Marie Legge <i>cum laude</i>
Tenaya Dominique Blackwell	Sabrina Kaye Dulaney <i>summa cum laude</i>	James Marshall Hilton	William Aaron Lewis
Cierra M. Bloodsworth	Chelsea Rae Duty <i>cum laude</i>	Brandon Howard Hinton ²	Mary Olivia Litten ² <i>summa cum laude</i>
Ebone Symone Bolder ²	Alex Marie Farrell	Chelsea Lee Hoadley ²	Garret Henry Lochner <i>cum laude</i>
Sophia Belle Bouchabchoub <i>cum laude</i>	Firmino Antão Fatuda Jr. ²	Kashiya Lare' Hogue ² <i>summa cum laude</i>	Aaron Justin Long
Anastasia Sylvia Brogan	Abigail Livia Flanagan <i>summa cum laude</i>	Kelsey Joy Hollin <i>summa cum laude</i>	Chandra Blake Lowe <i>cum laude</i>
Braxton Unece Brooks	Talour Imanni Ford <i>cum laude</i>	Hunter Hernandez Holmes	John James Lowes ² <i>magna cum laude</i>
Anthony L. Brown	Andrea Danielle Forsythe <i>summa cum laude</i>	Markia Renee Holmes ² <i>magna cum laude</i>	Kiree Lamonte Loyd
Xaviea Denise Brown <i>cum laude</i>	Paris Lenay-Ineese	Megan Diona Horsfall	Judy Luu ²
Tomera Alanna Bryant ²	France-Lynch ²	Devonte Howard ²	Sharece Lynn Mackall-Alvarez
Shaniora Imani Buford ²	Kentrell French ² <i>summa cum laude</i>	Emmanuel Kyle Irineo <i>summa cum laude</i>	Kiara Nicole Madison <i>cum laude</i>
Alexandria Danielle Bullock	Daniel Keith Frigeri	Jessica Ashley Jantz <i>magna cum laude</i>	Markos Jacob Maganares <i>cum laude</i>
Davonya Terri Campbell-Payton	Jonathan Thomas Fucci ²	Jasmine Latisha Jenkins <i>cum laude</i>	Caitlyn Mangiafico
Tayvonna Canty ²	Valancia Gaiter	Amber Rose T. Johnson ²	Holly Elizabeth Mansfield <i>magna cum laude</i>
Christine Grace Carlson <i>summa cum laude</i>	Emily Cate Gangle ²	Courtne Anne Johnson ²	Hannah Olivia Marsh ²
Zachary H. Carpenter <i>magna cum laude</i>	Kimberly Garza	Jada Chantelle Johnson	Gabriel Estevan Martinez
Myles Easton Carrick ²	Selena Judith Garza	Johnathan Wendale Johnson	Cassandra N. Mathurin
Precious Carroll ²		Mitchell Terence Johnson ²	
Isaac Castro Aranda		Zakyah T. Johnson ²	
Brion Xavier Cephus <i>magna cum laude</i>		Bethany Raye Jones	

Alexandra Lynn Mawra <i>magna cum laude</i>	Ariel N. Onque <i>cum laude</i>	Bobbi Lyannnda Roy	Dustin Kenneth
Jordan Cassidy Maxwell	Emily Victoria Ortiz <i>cum laude</i>	Blair O'neil Rucker ²	James Sullivan
Jack Thomas Mazzariello ²	Aaron Justin Parizo	Sarah Elizabeth Rushing ² <i>summa cum laude</i>	Andrea M. Suppa
Nathaniel Jacob McBee	Jayvoine Tomas' Parker	Breanna Nicole Ryan	Andrew Thomas Suppa
Nicole Loretta McCraw <i>magna cum laude</i>	Delaney Rose Passmore ¹ <i>summa cum laude</i>	Ryan D. Sale ²	Frank Alexander Takacs <i>summa cum laude</i>
Thomas Foster McDaniel ²	Jessica Lynn Patane ²	Kristina Denise Samuel	Jessica Jean Talerico <i>summa cum laude</i>
Bailie Marrie McEntire <i>summa cum laude</i>	Jaquana Oniece Pauling	Alicia Louise Sapp	Dominique Imani Thompson <i>summa cum laude</i>
Allison Joyce McKelvey <i>summa cum laude</i>	Marcus Anthony Peacock	Nicklas Benjamin Schuster	Amanda Katherine Schwarz
Davetta McKinney ²	Ashley Nichole Peoples Byndom ²	Amanda Katherine Schwarz	Austin Ryan Scoles <i>magna cum laude</i>
Michael Andrew Meadows II <i>summa cum laude</i>	Gregory Maurice Peterson	Johnnathann Sidney Scott Jr. <i>cum laude</i>	Jack Ryan Semrau <i>cum laude</i>
Matthew Brenton Meighen <i>magna cum laude</i>	Meghan Elizabeth Pfannenstiel	Vanderia Sharay Shackelford ²	Phylicia Aanise Shaw ²
Obed Caleb Mercer ²	Anthony Pham ²	Davon Khalil Shepard	Ashley Taylor Sherlock
Tyrell Jovan Merriweather <i>magna cum laude</i>	Katelyn Nicole Pickerall <i>summa cum laude</i>	Alex David Shobe	Stormy Great Short ²
Lenae T. Meyers ² <i>cum laude</i>	Yunika Maria Porchia	Marisa Faith Sigmon <i>cum laude</i>	Elyse Victoria Simchik <i>magna cum laude</i>
Gabriela Ann A. Miguel	Rickey Dwayne Porter Jr. ²	Monica Simril ²	Alaina Michelle Singleton
Oliver Bijan Milani	Desarae Michele Powers	Victoria Ann Slama	Daria Shelice Smith <i>cum laude</i>
Michael Dean Mitchell	Jaharri Breyanna Prince	Ian James Smith	Kyle Ramsey Smith ²
Trinity Renee Mitchell	Sean Erick Rainey	Morgan Avery Smith ² <i>summa cum laude</i>	Timesha Smith ²
Justin Lane Mitlehner	Bryanna Asia Ramsey <i>magna cum laude</i>	Richard Shawn Snodgrass <i>magna cum laude</i>	Andrew Jake Snyder
Anelle Marie Molina	Natasha Noelle Rasmussen ² <i>summa cum laude</i>	Andrew Jake Snyder	Sun Mee June Sisdian
Briana Gabrielle Monk ²	Christy Marie Ridolfo <i>magna cum laude</i>	Elizabeth Austin Sowell ²	Elizabeth Austin Sowell ²
Porsche Christine Moore <i>cum laude</i>	Christina Rilli	Gracen Marie Spears <i>cum laude</i>	Tatiana Dawn Stands
Lydia Ashley Moranski	Kristen Leigh Rimmel	Amber Chelsea Stewart <i>cum laude</i>	Amber Chelsea Stewart <i>cum laude</i>
Pablo Josue Morera ²	Aaliyah Crescencia Robinson ²	Cadejah L. Stukes ²	Cadejah L. Stukes ²
Ruan Mikhail Morrison-Rochester	Jessica Elise Rod ²		
Glen Robert Mowers Jr.	Jourdana L. P. Rodgers ² <i>magna cum laude</i>		
Julia Nicole Munoz	Ariel Dawn Rodriguez ²		
Connor Justin Naufel <i>magna cum laude</i>	Evelyn Maria Rodriguez		
Ayeishia Neal <i>summa cum laude</i>	Christian Isaac Rosales		
Justin Larry Joseph Nelson	Keely Jordan Rosenthal <i>cum laude</i>		
Stephanie Joan Newton <i>cum laude</i>	Jesse Matthew Rothstein <i>cum laude</i>		
Jennifer Elizabeth Nieto <i>cum laude</i>	Sarah Rose Rountree <i>summa cum laude</i>		
	Menchie Rovira <i>cum laude</i>		

Jerry Lanuzza, dean of Culinary Education; Amy Felder, Ed.D., department chair of Baking & Pastry Arts; Jennifer Gallagher, department chair of Culinary Arts; and the faculty of the College of Culinary Arts present their Class of 2018.

COLLEGE OF CULINARY ARTS

Associate in Applied Science Degree Recipients

Susi Michelle Aguirre
summa cum laude

Jeremy Clint Albertson

Haylee Michelle Allen

Jacob B. Allen ²

Legrant Markee Allen

Marina Kay Allison

Isaiah Alston

cum laude

Priscila Aurora Alvares

cum laude

Eleftheria Athena

Anastasopoulos

Uriah Sinclair

Anderson-Robertson

Jessica Marie Appleton

summa cum laude

Nicole Joan Aquilante ²

magna cum laude

Walker Harvin Ard ²

Aaron William Jared Ashley ²

Sydney Simone Atherly

magna cum laude

Zachary Eathan Atkins ²

Julia Kathryn Ayers ²

magna cum laude

Jamie Angela Bahrijczuk

cum laude

Theophilus Danso Baidoo ²

Myranda LeChele Bailey ²

Lora Marlene Baker

Cyndni Denise Baldwin ²

cum laude

Georgia Childress Ballew

magna cum laude

Briana Alexandra Banks ²

Heather Claire Barber ²

Keturah Nicole Barcliff ²

Amanda Jane Barger ²

cum laude

Jake Macklin Barker ²

cum laude

Teresa Janiece Barnes

Kaitlyn Elizabeth Baxter

magna cum laude

Kevin Beasley Jr.

Nicholas Jakobe Bediako

Kayla Almond Bellamy

Jada Aajale' Bennett

Hannah Celynn Bercaw

magna cum laude

Dione Nicole Beverley

Sean Paul Blaine ²

magna cum laude

Desiree' Shyane Blount

cum laude

Kaela Boone ²

Jamie Leigh Boswell

cum laude

Julia Rose Bouchard ²

Melissa Nalle Bounpheng

cum laude

Dominique A. Boyce

Rasheakia Sharmel Boyd

Brianna Boyer ²

summa cum laude

Lea Alexis Breedlove

Markayla Tranise Brooks

Daionte M. A'mar Brown

Dayshanay M. Brown

Jasmine Nicolescott Brown ²

magna cum laude

Kaitlyn Charie Brown

Robert Blake Brown

summa cum laude

Stephanie Michelle Brown

summa cum laude

Tanesha Cora Brown-Bey

Shaniora Imani Buford

cum laude

Tracy Lee Bui

summa cum laude

Zachary S. Bundus ²

cum laude

Mia L. Bunn

cum laude

Carlie Nichole Burk ²

Monika Elizabeth Georgette

Burkhardt ²

summa cum laude

Isaiah Marsellus Burroughs ²

Isaac Jamal Butler ²

Sean Michael Butler ²

Ahmir Sharif Caldwell ²

Calvin Calloway

Tiaira B. Cannady

Debbie Dinora Cantos ²

Jordan K. Carlin

magna cum laude

Michaela Julia Carn

cum laude

Myles Easton Carrick

Noah Jake Carsch ²

summa cum laude

Chasity Marie Carty

Nicole Castaneda ²

Berenice Castaneda-Melchor ²

summa cum laude

Sienna Micaela Castillon

summa cum laude

Jamie Jonelle Chambers

Kyndal Lazette Champy

Selena Leann Chandler

summa cum laude

Kelsey Noelle Child ²

Katherine Ciandella

magna cum laude

Robert Steven Clark ²

summa cum laude

Mitchell Steven Claus ²

cum laude

Maxwell Donnelly Clauss

Brittany Latrice Clay

Thomas James Clement

Jarod Anthony Clemente

cum laude

Dorienne Mary Clough

summa cum laude

Janae Denise Coachman

cum laude

Da'Montae Lereese Cobb

Evelyn Rose McVeigh Cohen ²

cum laude

Kellie Sue Collins

cum laude

Alan Jair Colon ²

Mark Constantine

Robert Alexander Cook Jr.

Breanna Nicole Cooper

James Frederick Cozart ²

Szaria Anise Credle ²

Christina Laurie Creech ²

cum laude

Colin Michael Creighton ²

magna cum laude

Mardy Perez Cressman ²

Antonio Alexander Criego ²

Kevin Lamont Cummings

Chasielle Kianna Curry

Rai-Ana Anjene Curtis ²

JaQuan Malik Dailey ²

Leondra Marion Dalal ²

Nina Mackenzie Dalal

Jalyn Deshawn Dale

Fabrice Etienne Dallies

summa cum laude

Angelique Toni Davis

summa cum laude

Tyler Melville Davis ²

Claudia Shayla De Morais ²

magna cum laude

Kaila Phonsevanh Dearing

Rejhana Demirovic

magna cum laude

Mallory Lindsey Denunzio ²

summa cum laude

Joseph John DiGiuseppi ²

Janelle Marlena Dillard



Allison Mae DiNardo <i>magna cum laude</i>	Karla Marcelle Galvan Lantigua ²	Lauryn Hendrickson ² Gavin Michael Hendrix ²	Julia Michelle Kushnirenko <i>magna cum laude</i>
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UNIVERSITY SEAL

The university seal represents Johnson & Wales University's roots. The year at the top of the shield, 1914, is the year that the university was founded by Gertrude I. Johnson and Mary T. Wales. The dragon of St. George on the upper portion of the crest honors the Wales family, while the lower portion of the crest bears the cross of St. John and honors the Johnson family.

MACE

The Johnson & Wales University mace symbolizes the ideals and values of JWU's educational philosophy. Cast of silver and bronze, it is engraved with the names of our founders and presidents, past and present. Our campus locations are engraved on the golden bands. On ceremonial occasions, university officials carry the mace to display the unity and continuity of Johnson & Wales University.

The mace dates to medieval times, when it was first used as a weapon. Forbidden to use swords, medieval European bishops were allowed to enter battle with a mace — typically an iron or steel club designed to split armor. By the 16th century, the mace had become a symbol of authority that colleges and universities began using ceremonially. That tradition continues today, and the mace is carried as part of formal academic occasions like these at colleges and universities across the globe.

ACADEMIC DRESS

The tradition of wearing distinctive dress for academic reasons dates back to the Middle Ages. Today, academic costumes are usually worn in the United States by people participating in academic ceremonies.

The faculty and platform party wear regalia representative of the degrees they possess.

GOLD CORD

Students graduating cum laude or above, as of winter term 2017-2018, are designated by gold cords.

BLUE & WHITE CORD

Students who have participated in co-curricular activities designated by university parameters are distinguished by a blue and white cord.

CAPS

There is more variety in the shape and color of academic hats than in any other area. Undergraduates wear the tassel on the right side of the cap. Upon reception of the associate or bachelor's degree, it is moved to the left. Master's and doctoral degree recipients wear the tassel on the left throughout the ceremony and the doctoral soft-cap often features a gold tassel.

To attendees of this event:

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