



**College of Agricultural,  
Consumer &  
Environmental Sciences**

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

# *Convocation*

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2022



PROCESSION

Sycamore Brass Quintet

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF DEAN

Anna Dilger

*Associate Head and Director of Undergraduate Studies, Animal Sciences*

REMARKS AND RECOGNITION OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

Anna Ball

*Associate Dean, Academic Programs*

CONVOCATION SPEAKER

Paul Stoddard

*Agricultural and Consumer Economics*

RECOGNITION OF JAMES SCHOLARS

Anna Dilger

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

Agricultural and Biological Engineering

Agricultural and Consumer Economics

Agricultural Leadership, Education, and  
Communications

Animal Sciences

Crop Sciences

Food Science and Human Nutrition

Human Development and Family Studies

Natural Resources and Environmental  
Sciences

Nutritional Sciences

CONFERRAL OF CANDIDATES

Anna Ball

CLOSING REMARKS

Anna Dilger

HAIL TO THE ORANGE

Sycamore Brass Quintet

Hail to the Orange, Hail to the Blue,

Hail Alma Mater, Ever so true.

We love no other, So let our motto be,

Victory, Illinois Varsity!

RECESSION OF FACULTY AND GRADUATES

## Academic Dress

Academic dress, consisting of cap, gown, and hood, originated about the twelfth century, and was worn primarily for warmth. Subsequently, the material of the gown and the lining, and shape of the hood, represented the economic, social, and academic status of the wearer.

In the United States, the great majority of the academic costumes now worn are in accordance with the general provisions of the Intercollegiate Code of 1895, which was revised in 1932 and again in 1960. Under this code, the bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves, the master's gown has oblong sleeves with an arc at the bottom, and the doctor's gown has bell-shaped sleeves. Black is the traditional color for gowns, although at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, academic dress has been designed specifically for the Institution: blue gowns with orange accents and blue mortarboards.

The bachelor's and master's gowns are untrimmed. The doctor's gown is faced down the front with velvet and has three bars of velvet across the sleeves. The facing and bars may be black or blue, as is the case at Illinois, or may be the color of the subject to which the degree pertains. The bachelor's gown is worn closed; the master's and doctor's gowns may be worn open or closed.

The bachelor's hood is 3 feet in length; the master's, 3 1/2 feet; and the doctor's, 4 feet. Hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree. At Illinois, the lining is orange and blue. The colored velvet border of the hood, which is 2 inches, 3 inches, and 5 inches wide for the bachelor's, master's, and doctor's degree, respectively, identifies the faculty or field of study to which the degree pertains.

The mortarboard cap is standard in the United States. Usually, all tassels are black, but where the bachelor's graduates do not wear hoods, as at Illinois, the color of the cap tassel indicates the department of study. Candidates for degrees wear tassels on the right front quadrant of their caps and move them to the left front quadrant after degrees are conferred. Caps are considered a part of the costume and are customarily removed only during an invocation or benediction, and then by men only. The orange and blue braided cords worn from the left shoulder by bachelor's graduates signify University Honors.

The Jewel of Office worn by the President was presented to the University of Illinois Alumni Association. It is emblematic of the Office of the President and is worn at all formal academic ceremonies. On the gold collar, also worn by the President, are engraved the names of the Presidents of the University and their years of service. For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctor's gown, edging of hoods, tassels of caps, and linings of banners, the colors associated with the different disciplines are indicated below.

ACES - Maize	Law - Purple
Applied Health Sciences - Sage Green	Liberal Arts & Sciences - White
Architecture - Blue-Velvet	Library Science - Lemon
Business - Drab	Media - Crimson
Education - Light Blue	Philosophy - Dark Blue
Engineering - Orange	Social Work - Citron
Fine & Applied Arts - Brown	Veterinary Medicine - Gray
Labor & Employment Relations - Drab	

*\* The tassel is worn on the right-front quadrant until the degree is conferred.*

## Agricultural and Biological Engineering

### **Bachelor of Science in Technical Systems Management**

Donovan Carlson  
Frances Coulter  
Daniel Alexander Gonzalez Patiño  
Michael Hoffman  
Daren Michael Kruchko  
Jakini S Larry  
Endy Lozano  
Bryan Moy  
Darren Novak  
Sagar Patel  
Max Schropp  
Robert Thomas Welsh  
Owen Yao

### **Master of Science in Engineering Technology & Management of Agricultural Systems | Technical Systems Management | Bioprocessing and Bioenergy**

James Consiglio  
Travis Johnson  
Anto Nirmal Louis Babu  
Jonathan Manzo  
Heather Vanheeswijk  
Ben Yeager

## Agricultural and Consumer Economics

### **Bachelor of Science in Agricultural and Consumer Economics**

Gracyn Allen  
Joseph Androwich  
Joshua Alejandro Barrios  
Grace Beyer  
Mary Blood  
Jordan S. Brewer  
Bradley Dale Brinkley  
Joe Buck  
Felipe Buso  
Victor Choi  
Zachary Jordan Columbus

Andrew Combs  
Joseph Daley  
George Davidkov  
Christopher Diaz  
Nam Doan  
Alex Dumitrescu  
Devan Blake Fischer  
Lilly Frentzel  
Brandon Goldstein  
Caige Daniel Gridley  
Sydney Guillory  
Chris Hartrich  
Ellie Hatton  
Clare Hur  
John Kelly  
Isabella Kolodziejczyk  
Kaitlyn Luong  
Tommy Marcotte  
Justin Navarro  
Rhett Netzer  
Thomas Robert O'Connor  
Costa Pavlopoulos  
Carter Pobloske  
Sathwik Reddy Pochampally  
Paul Prikos  
Avelardo Rivera  
Jose Rodriguez  
Cameron Rompf  
Yuncheol Shin  
Emily Song  
Isabella Swanson  
David Tapia-Rodriguez  
Carlos Tito  
Katie Underwood  
Jessica VanDyke  
Jaycie Nicole VanKampen  
Jason Wang  
Zhicheng Wang  
Jack Ward  
Isaac Nathaniel Wisthuff  
Joanne Yoo

### **Master of Science in Agricultural and Applied Economics**

Devan Blake Fischer  
Yilin Gao

Zhe Li  
Richie R Ma  
Hiroshi Matsushima  
Brayden Paur  
Shujie Wu

**Doctor of Philosophy in Agricultural and  
Applied Economics**

Siyu Bian  
Chang Cai  
Luoye Chen  
Hyeran Chung  
Brittani Edge  
Aolin Gong  
Xinyue He  
Kun Peng  
Quanbiao Shang  
Pedro Tremacoldi Rossi  
Juo-Han Tsay

**Agricultural Leadership,  
Education, and Communications**

**Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Leadership,  
Education and Communications**

Ethan Jacob Baker  
Kyle Christian  
Noelle Neef  
Abby Schlueter  
Rachel Scidmore  
Timothy James Shearer

**Master of Science in Agricultural Leadership,  
Education and Communications**

Lakiah Clark  
Erik Olson  
Brandon Smith-Nataraj

**Metropolitan Food & Environmental  
Systems**

**Bachelor of Science in Metropolitan Food &  
Environmental Systems**

Konrad Wojslaw

**Animal Sciences**

**Bachelor of Science in Animal Sciences**

Peyton Arnett  
Alix Awalt  
Julia Marie Barker  
Shaakira Barnes  
Maggie Arlington Bauerly  
Alicia Boryszewski  
David Castillo Estrada  
Grace Elizabeth Clarke  
Alia Flowers  
Nallely Galvez  
Kendra Gibson  
Julia Catherine Heller  
Jacob Arthur Henderson  
Mina Hieatt  
Yilan Huang  
Sara Kizziar  
Joonhee Alicia Lee  
John Deitrich Mauck  
David Leon McCarthy  
Chase McCullough  
Ariel Kyla McKee  
Alejandra Morales  
Adriana Muniz  
Lauren Neputy  
Sophie Nguyen  
Emily Paul  
Crystal Pedroza  
Grace Richardson  
Amy Noemi Ruiz  
Gloria Ying Xu

**Master of Science in Animal Sciences |  
Agricultural Production**

Sara Elizabeth Belchik  
Kersten Bornholt  
Kelli Brost  
Xuenan Chen  
Wonho Choi  
Rebekah Drysdale  
Raquel Fernandez Vinas  
Alexis Gonzalez  
Danielle Claire Johnson

Sydney Johnson  
Sierra Long  
Allison Paige McGrath  
Kyana Miller  
Nicole Moest  
Hannah Marie Remole  
Thalia Reynoso  
Molly Sermersheim  
Kaitlyn Sommer  
Katherine Cunningham Stavrou  
Christine Stroink-Pickering  
Paula Viero Marchioretto  
Jacob Wirth  
Sarah Womack

#### **Doctor of Philosophy in Animal Sciences**

Ahmad Aboragah  
Kayla Barkley  
Fabiana De Freitas Cardoso  
Jenny Morris

### **Crop Sciences**

#### **Bachelor of Science in Crop Sciences | Computer Science + Crop Sciences**

Dylan Allen  
Evan Cain  
Michael Cheng  
Fatouma Rosielee Elizabeth Hewitt  
Thomas Johnston  
Josh Kelley  
Alicia Lozano  
Galvin Michael McQuellon  
Joe Nugent  
Sally Ann Reed  
Sasha Zvenigorodsky  
Vanessa Cristina Soliz

#### **Master of Science in Crop Sciences | Agricultural Production**

Festus Acheampong  
Kristina Lynn Bruhn  
Franklin Flickinger  
Walter Friedli  
Gaven James Hernandez  
Mara Jeanne Krone  
Patricia Leon

Christopher Mujjabi  
Caleb Quinlan  
Harrison Jordan Seitz

#### **Doctor of Philosophy in Crop Sciences**

Muhammad Fayez Aziz  
Scott Foxhoven  
Nakian Kim  
Nicole Lee  
Joyce Njoki Njuguna  
Thesis Title: Assessing the impact of  
genotype calling methodologies on  
genome wide association studies in  
polyploids and evaluating key yield  
traits of miscanthus sacchariflorus

Rama Paudel  
Thesis: investigating herbicide and  
cover crop interaction in weeds  
Niranga Wickramarathne  
Thesis: Denitrifying bioreactor  
performance linkages with wood  
media type, moisture exposure, and  
bacterial vs. Fungal activity

Eric Thomas Winans  
Thesis: Innovations in Agronomic  
Management to Improve Maize  
Productivity

Eric Thomas Wolske  
Thesis: Current applications of  
uncrewed aerial systems for rapid  
phenotyping using recurrent high-  
resolution imagery with currant (ribes  
spp.) as a model berry shrub crop

### **Food Science and Human Nutrition**

#### **Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Human Nutrition**

Trisha Baranski  
Aaron Berkowitz  
Faith Nicole Burnham  
Emily Collins  
Evelyn Ellis  
Maggie Filkin  
Savannah Nicole Hemrick  
Kennedy Nicole Higginbottom

Deven Madhani  
Angelina Maestranzi  
Amer Majeed  
Mara Marie McKee  
Erik Mudd  
Nan Ni  
Isabella Przybylo  
Rose Riley  
Sage Sasso  
Jorge Vasquez  
Sierra Workman  
Mary Yarck  
Yutong Yi  
Wenni Zhang  
Skye Zlotkowski

**Master of Science in Food Science | Human Nutrition**

Audrey Mieke Akins  
Emily Blake  
Subhiksha Chandrasekaran  
Shijia Chen  
Courtney Chiu  
Jingxin Duan  
Dylan Flynn  
Rachel Gathman  
Lanting Guo  
Nidhi Jaiswal  
Diala Jawde  
Clare Jiang  
Lynn Marcia Kilber  
Anita Litwiler  
Maanvi Maheshwari  
Elle McKenzie  
Stacy Mundy  
Casey O'Neill  
Casey Radlowski  
Landon Renard  
Kevin Russell  
Bonginkosi Isabel Scott  
Sara Louise Stanicek  
Rossy Ivette Tejeda

**Doctor of Philosophy in Food Science | Human Nutrition**

Marta Albiol Tapia  
Alicia Arredondo Eve

Ruben Chavez Viteri  
Johana Coronel Laica  
Mengyi Dong  
Ece Gulkirpik  
Jamal Hussain  
Nahla Kreidly  
Qianying Zuo

**Human Development and Family Studies**

**Bachelor of Science in Human Development and Family Studies**

Stefania Alcantar  
Deffa Mariam Barro  
Madelyn Bird  
Andrea Elizabeth Blood  
Phillip Alexander Carroll  
Hannah Chen  
Atasiah Cousins  
Grayson Drach  
Nida Fatima  
Litzy Flores  
Micah Grice  
Priscila Gutierrez  
Deja R Jackson  
Mikayla Lauren Jones  
Kellen Kleiva  
Emily Luna  
Alyssa Mandell  
Tori Palmer  
Tyra Panion  
Jacki Park  
Deliah Talbert

**Doctor of Philosophy in Human Development and Family Studies**

Tianying Cai  
Lorraine Munoz

Thesis: The Process of Ethnic Identity Formation for Second-Generation Mexican-American First-Year College Students: Exploring Peers Role in Ethnic Identity Development

Jasmine Routon

Thesis: Minority Capacity in Rural  
Communities: Stakeholder  
Perceptions of Sexual and Gender  
Minority (SGM) Individuals and  
Families Experiences of Housing  
Instability

## Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences

### **Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences | Horticulture**

Ashley Aquino  
Jacob Bucko  
Tegan Cash  
Olivia Claire Ciolino  
Katrina Anais Cotten  
Gina Delascio  
Cole Anthony Diaz  
Matt Dinsmore  
David Edlund  
Malia Gehrenbeck  
Belle Hanson  
Grace Katherine Izzo  
Izabelle Sarah Jaquet  
Jared Kurland  
Matthew Kusek  
Ricky Lim  
Xiran Liu  
Jamilyn Martin  
Olivia Leslie Moline  
Eloise O'Leary  
Barbara Orłowska  
Paola Ramirez  
Piper Josephine Siblik  
Randi Jo Valtman  
Brendan Vanantwerp  
Angelo Zielinski

### **Master of Science in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences**

Alexa Ashbrook  
George Balto  
Taylor Bookout  
Ciera Burns

Cole Clayton

Danyang Duan  
Carly Fenstermacher  
Scott Garncarz  
Devin Goodson  
Donielle Grimsley  
Trent Henry  
Meredith Hoggatt  
Jonathan Hooyman  
Eric Janssen  
Robert Jensen  
North Joffe-Nelson  
Gabriella Lynn Jukkala  
Spencer Mesick  
Jessica Mingione  
Preethi Muralidharan  
Maria Rivera  
Bryan Sea  
Molly Sedig  
Lyn Shirley  
Emily Anne Steele  
Tyler Stewart  
Samantha Thompson  
Courtney Weldon

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences**

Kelsey Griesheim  
Tanjila Jesmin  
Lauren Lynch  
Katia Nakamura Lam  
John Strauser  
Thesis: Cycles of Landscape Change  
and Place-Meanings in Midwestern  
Farming Communities  
Genghong Wu  
Jack Zinnen



## Nutritional Sciences

### **Master of Science**

Jessica Paola Acosta Medellin

Elizabeth Gutierrez

Susannah Elizabeth Scaroni

### **Doctor of Philosophy**

Erin Elizabeth Bryan

Thesis: The effect of maternal immune  
activation on offspring muscle  
development and immune function

Amirah Burton Obanla

Justin Kim

Mindy Lee

Lindsey Ly

Ivan Pinos Cabezas

Clara Salame

*\*This program contains an unofficial list of candidates for  
graduation in the summer and fall terms.*

## **December 2022 ACES James Scholars**

Madelyn Bird

Katrina Anais Cotten

Abby Schlueter

Jaycie Nicole VanKampen

# Convocation Speaker

## PAUL STODDARD

Agricultural & Consumer Economics

Paul Stoddard is a senior lecturer in the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. He has taught close to 10,000 students since 2001 in agricultural marketing, food and agribusiness management, personal financial planning, farm management, commodity futures and options, and negotiation. He has received numerous teaching awards and has been recognized for 39 consecutive semesters on the U of I's List of Teachers Ranked Excellent.



Paul joined the University of Illinois full time in 2012 following a 30-year career in agricultural real estate, commodity trading, farm management, and agricultural lending. Paul lives in Monticello, Illinois with his beautiful wife, Sue, where he is actively searching for the perfect dessert that includes both marshmallow and ice cream.

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