

December 2022 Commencement

UNIVERSITY of NEBRASKA-LINCOLN



Graduate Commencement and Hooding Pinnacle Bank Arena December 16, 2022

Undergraduate Commencement Pinnacle Bank Arena December 17, 2022

Congratulations from the Chancellor



RONNIE D. GREEN. Ph.D.

Congratulations to the Class of 2022. You have completed the requirements for your degree, and today we celebrate your commitment and hard work! You should be enormously proud of what you have achieved.

Our university community is made up of students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends who know what it means to be determined and resilient in the face of obstacles. We strive toward our goals by adapting and innovating. We reach out for help when we need it and support one another when we see someone who could use a helping hand. We build on our strengths and combine them with those of others. That is how we do big things — and that is what we mean by "In Our Grit, Our Glory." I could not be prouder of what you and all our graduating students have accomplished. You have earned all the glory that comes with it!

Commencement is a truly special time. As the first in my family to earn a college degree, I cherished my commencement ceremonies. Today, as part of all we do to make this an unforgettable event, we continue our time-honored tradition of presenting your actual diploma on stage.

Congratulations, and best of luck with whatever you do next. We believe in you and all you can do with your Nebraska degree!

Ronnie D. Green, Ph.D.

Chancellor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Ronnie D. Green became the University of Nebraska–Lincoln's 20th chancellor on May 8, 2016. Green received bachelors and masters degrees in animal science from Virginia Tech and Colorado State University, respectively. His doctoral program was completed jointly at the University of Nebraska and the USDA-ARS U.S. Meat Animal Research Center in animal breeding and genetics in 1988.

Chancellor Green is married to UNL alumna Jane Green and they are the proud parents of four children, all graduates of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln.



Graduate Commencement & Hooding

Friday, December 16, 2022 3:00 p.m.

THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

WELCOME

Ronnie D. Green, Ph.D. Chancellor, University of Nebraska–Lincoln

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Jamie Reimer Seaman, D.M.A., Associate Professor of Voice, Glenn Korff School of Music

GREETINGS

Debbie Minter, Ph.D., President, Faculty Senate

Jacob Drake, Student Regent; President, Association of Students of the University of Nebraska

Andrew Donesky, M.S., President, Graduate Student Assembly

INTRODUCTIONS

Chancellor Green

BOARD OF REGENTS GREETING

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COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

"Stay Ready: Lifelong Learning and Excellence at UNL and Beyond"

Katrina Liane Jagodinsky, PhD Susan J. Rosowski Associate Professor of History, University of Nebraska–Lincoln

HOODING OF DOCTORAL CANDIDATES

Doctor of Philosophy Doctor of Education Doctor of Musical Arts Doctor of Plant Health

CONFERRING OF MASTERS DEGREES

Master of Applied Science

Master of Arts

Master of Arts for Teachers

Master of Business Administration

Master of Community and Regional Planning

Master of Education

Master of Engineering Management

Master of Legal Studies

Master of Music

Master of Professional Accountancy

Master of Science

Master of Architecture

ALUMNI CONGRATULATIONS

Shelley Zaborowski, M.Ed., Executive Director, Nebraska Alumni Association

CLOSING REMARKS

Chancellor Green

RECESSIONAL

Baccalaureate degrees will be presented at a ceremony on December 17, 2022.

Today's Music Provided by:

ORGANIST: Johnathan Ross

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA FACULTY BRASS AND PERCUSSION: Tom Kelly, Deb Bouffard, Alan Mattinoly, Scott Anderson, Bo Atlas, Tony Falcone

Note to Guests: The audience will remain seated for both the Processional and Recessional and will rise, if able, for the National Anthem. Only official photographers are permitted in the area between the stage and the graduating class. The program lists all persons who were 2021 candidates for degrees as of December 12, 2022, and who have not requested exclusion from publication.

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Commencement Speaker



KATRINA LIANE JAGODINSKY, Ph.D.

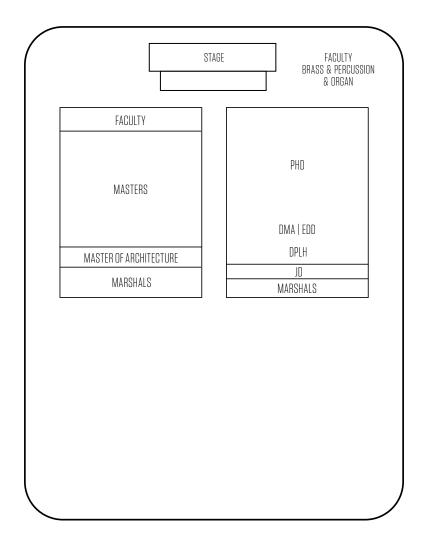
Dr. Jagodinsky earned her BA in English and History from Lawrence University in Wisconsin before pursuing a Masters in American Indian Studies and PhD in History from the University of Arizona. She taught at Tohono O'odham Community College, Pima Community College and University of Arizona while pursuing her graduate degrees and enjoyed a postdoctoral year at Southern Methodist University's Clements Center for Southwest Studies before joining the history faculty at UNL in 2012. More recently, she served as the inaugural Farley Distinguished Visiting Scholar at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia.

Her scholarship has earned funding and awards from the National Science Foundation, the American Philosophical Society, the William Nelson Cromwell Foundation, the Coalition for Western Women's History, the Western History Association, and the Western Legal History Journal. Jagodinsky's current project features collaboration with the Center for Digital Research in the Humanities and colleagues within and beyond UNL to design a database of archival legal records that bring the histories of marginalized people and the development of an American legal canon and profession to a broader public of scholars and constituent communities.

Her scholarly interest in ordinary people's engagement and interactions with the law stems from her upbringing in urban and rural communities wracked by economic downturns, domestic disputes, and substance abuse. Stepping out of these environments to pursue higher education and navigate a broader world required a constant readiness that has translated into a passion for lifelong learning and excellence in the interest of both personal and professional growth.



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Undergraduate Commencement Speaker



DEB FISCHER
UNITED STATES SENATOR
FOR NEBRASKA

Deb Fischer is the senior senator from Nebraska and was elected to the U.S. Senate in 2012 and again in 2018. Senator Fischer serves on the following five Senate committees: Armed Services, Commerce, Agriculture, Rules, and Ethics.

On the Armed Services Committee, she is the top Republican on the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces. The subcommittee covers critical issues including our nuclear triad and associated delivery systems, the emergence of space as warfighting domain, and defending the nation against increasingly sophisticated missile threats. The subcommittee directly oversees two unified combatant commands: U.S. Strategic Command and U.S. Space Command. Additionally, Fischer serves as the top Republican on the Surface Transportation Subcommittee on the Commerce Committee.

Before her election to the U.S. Senate, Fischer served in the Nebraska Unicameral, representing the 43rd Legislative District since 2004. During her time in the state legislature, she chaired the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee.

Born and raised in Lincoln, Nebraska, Senator Fischer graduated from Lincoln Southeast High School and earned a bachelor of science in education degree from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln in 1988.

She and her husband, Bruce, have a family ranching business in the Nebraska Sandhills. They have three sons and four grandchildren.



Undergraduate Commencement

Saturday, December 17, 2022 9:00 a.m.

THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

WELCOME

Ronnie D. Green, Ph.D. Chancellor, University of Nebraska–Lincoln

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Kevin Hanrahan, D.M.A., Associate Professor Voice and Vocal Pedagogy, Glenn Korff School of Music

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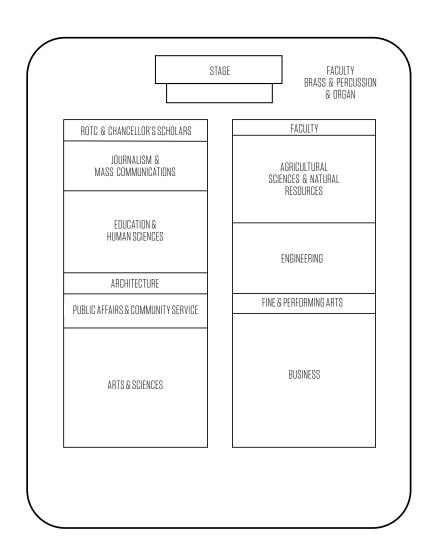
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THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

The Commencement Committee thanks the volunteers from the American Red Cross for staffing the first aid station during the ceremony.

VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to the many faculty, staff and friends of the University that devoted their energy and time to ensure graduates received their degrees today and families were able to join in-person and online for the celebration.

HUSKERVISION

The Commencement Committee thanks the staff of HuskerVision and Nebraska Athletics.

NEBRASKA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Commencement Committee thanks the staff of the Nebraska Alumni Association and their volunteers for assisting with the commencement ceremony.

For information on joining the Nebraska Alumni Association, go to www.huskeralum.org.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photographs of each student receiving their diploma will be available to view and order within 1-2 weeks after the ceremony. To order, go to www.gradimages.com.

For additional help, call Grad Images Customer Service Department at 800-261-2576 or email giservice@gradimages.net.



Doctoral Degrees

Graduate College

All degrees are University of Nebraska Degrees Presented by Dean Debra Hope

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

- Ayotunde O. Akinleye, *Abule Egba, Nigeria*; Psychological Studies in Education—Dissertation: *The Lived Experiences of African Social Science Doctoral Students at a U.S. University: An Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis Study.* Advised by Professor Wayne Babchuk.
- Derek Allen, *Lincoln*; Biological Sciences—Dissertation: *Utilization of an Engineered Clostridium Botulinum Protein in Pain Treatment and Diagnostics*. Advised by Professor Paul Blum.
- Kimia Ameri, Omaha; Engineering—Dissertation: A New Feature Engineering-Driven Pre-Trained Language Model for Enabling Semantically Enriched Natural Language Processing Tasks. Advised by Professor Hamid Sharif.
- Justin Robert Andersson, Omaha; Psychological Studies in Education—Dissertation: Why I Keep Doing Science Fair: Using Constructivist Grounded Theory to Study Out-Of-School Time Science Learning Among Females and Underrepresented Minorities. Advised by Professor Eric Buhs.
- Haley N. Beer, Lincoln; Animal Science—Dissertation:
 Continuous Video Monitoring of Zoo Cheetahs Demonstrates
 Differential Engagement Patterns for Six Different Types
 of Environmental Enrichment; Placental Insufficiency
 Indicators Improve in Intrauterine Growth-Restricted Fetal
 Sheep Receiving Daily Omega-3 Polyunsaturated Fatty
 Acid Infusions; Investigation of Differentially Expressed
 Transcripts of the Adipose Tissue in Fetal and Neonatal Iugr
 Sheep. Advised by Professors Dustin Yates and Ty Schmidt.
- Megan Cheyenne Berry-Cohen, *Centralia, WA*; Psychology— Dissertation: *The Intersecting and Additive Nature of Vulnerability: Dehumanizing or Protecting?* Advised by Professor Richard Wiener.
- Marianna Richardson Burks, *Lincoln*; Educational Studies— Dissertation: *Factors Critical in Developing Science Self-Efficacy in First-Generation Undergraduate Students*. Advised by Professor Lawrence Scharmann.

- Ahmed Chennak, *Lincoln*; Agricultural Economics—
 Dissertation: *Essays on Patent Licensing: Externalities,*Organized Activism, and Cooperatives. Advised by Professors
 Konstantinos Giannakas and Amalia Yiannaka.
- Shawna Clement, Ceresco; Animal Science—Dissertation:
 Cadaveric Prosection Versus Dissection in Veterinary
 Gross Anatomy: Evaluating Student Time Expenditure,
 Performance, and Knowledge Retention; Non-Cyclicity at
 Expected Pubertal Onset in Beef Heifers is Associated with
 Decreased Inflammatory Tone in Male Offspring; Deficient
 Myoblast Proliferation in Juvenile IUGR-Born Lambs is
 Improved by Daily Clenbuterol Administration. Advised by
 Professors Dustin Yates and Trent Shrader.
- Candice Nicole Cress, *Eubank*, *KY*; Educational Studies— Dissertation: *Women as Leaders in the Bourbon Industry*. Advised by Professor Marilyn Grady.
- Molly Darlington, Lincoln; Entomology—Dissertation:
 Exploration into the Western Corn Rootworm, Diabrotica
 Virgifera Virgifera, RNA Interference Mechansim. Advised
 by Professor Ana Maria Velez Arango.
- Yavuz Delen, *Lincoln*; Agronomy and Horticulture—
 Dissertation: *Dissecting the Genetic Architecture of Morphological Traits in Sunflower (Helianthus annuus L.)*.
 Advised by Professor Ismail Dweikat.
- Balpreet Kaur Dhatt, Lincoln; Agronomy and Horticulture— Dissertation: Genetic Variation for Grain Width in Rice (Oryza sativa) Under High Night Temperature Stress. Advised by Professor Harkamal Walia.
- Lisabeth Seldin Dotan, *Omaha*; Educational Studies— Dissertation: *Integrating Narratives with Digital Humanities Tools to Inform Holocaust Education Pedagogies*. Advised by Professor John Raible.
- Dean T. Dustin, Lincoln; Statistics—Dissertation: Predictive Assessment of Model Uncertainty. Advised by Professor Bertrand Clarke
- Paula Jeanne Egging, Lincoln; Mathematics—Dissertation: A Mixed Variational Formulation for the Wellposedness and Numerical Approximation of a PDE Model Arising in a 2-D Fluid-Fluid Interaction. Advised by Professor George Avalos.
- Dillon Thomas Fogarty, *Lincoln*; Agronomy and Horticulture— Dissertation: *A Biome in Transition: Co-Produced Science for Grassland Conservation*. Advised by Professors Dirac Twidell and Craig Allen.



- Rebecca Furbeck, *Geneseo, IL*; Animal Science—Dissertation: The Invisible Meat Microcosmos – Investigations of Processed Meats' Specific Spoilage Organisms. Advised by Professor Gary Sullivan.
- Krystal Leigh Gabel, Shelby; Human Sciences—Dissertation: Exploring the Direct Relationship Between Sustainability Leader Ecospirituality and Human Capital Sustainability Leadership Capacity, A Moderated Mediation Study. Advised by Professor Gina Matkin.
- Karl Evan Giuseffi, *Lincoln*; Political Science—Dissertation: The Social Brain and Politics: The Effects of Social Inclinations and Stress on Political Participation. Advised by Professor Kevin Smith.
- Bhuvaneswari Gopal, Lincoln; Computer Science—
 Dissertation: Teaching Software Testing and Devops in
 Undergraduate Software Engineering: A Comparison of Peer
 Instruction and Pogil. Advised by Professor Stephen Cooper.
- Natalia Gutiérrez Pinto, Bogota, Colombia; Biological Sciences—Dissertation: Adjusting to Life at High Elevations: Eco-Physiological and Genetic Insights from Andean Vertebrates. Advised by Professor Jay Storz.
- Masoomeh Hajizadeh Oghaz, Lincoln; Nutrition—Dissertation: Summer Food Access for Nebraskan Children: A Qualitative, Collective Case Study Analysis of the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Advised by Professor Megan Kelley.
- Elizabeth F. Hasseler, *Lincoln*; Educational Studies—
 Dissertation: *A Multiple Case Study on Districts'*Programmatic Approach to Integrating Engineering and
 Science Instruction. Advised by Professor Elizabeth Lewis.
- Jerilyn Ellen Hynes Kamm, *Omaha*; Educational Studies— Dissertation: *The Influence of Mothers on College Choice Using a Consumer Decision Framework*. Advised by Professor Nicholas Pace.
- Sazia Iftekhar, Lincoln; Chemistry—Dissertation: Analysis of Solute-Binding Agent Interactions by High-Performance Affinity Chromatography and Sandwich Immunoassay. Advised by Professor David Hage.
- Showmic Islam, *Dhaka, Bangladesh*; Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics—Dissertation: *Ultrasonic Scattering in Two-Phase Polycrystalline Materials Using Synthetic Volumes*. Advised by Professor Joseph Turner.
- Rula Jabbour, *Omaha*; Political Science—Dissertation: *Military Moves in the Middle East: Explaining the Military's Role During the Arab Spring.* Advised by Professor Patrice
 McMahon.

- Alicia Linette Johnson, *Lincoln*; Biochemistry—Dissertation: *Uncovering Metabolic Dynamics in Epileptic Phenotypes Using a Systems Biology Approach*. Advised by Professor Jiri Adamec.
- Rituraj Khound, *Jorhat, India*; Agronomy and Horticulture— Dissertation: *Developing Breeding Tools for Genetic Improvement of Proso Millet (Panicum miliaceum L.)*. Advised by Professor Dipak Santra.
- Nathaniel James Korth, *Lincoln*; Complex Biosystems— Dissertation: *Identification and Characterization of Human Gut Microbiome Active Traits in Cereal Grains*. Advised by Professors Andrew Benson and James Schnable.
- Siya Kunde, White Plains, NY; Computer Science— Dissertation: Recognizing and Building User Proficiency with Small Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (sUAV). Advised by Professor Brittany Duncan.
- Nan Li, *Jinan, China*; Electrical Engineering—Dissertation: *Femtosecond Laser Surface Processing*. Advised by Professor Yongfeng Lu.
- Yingshan Li, *Lincoln*; Biological Sciences—Dissertation: The Versatile Small RNAS in the Unicellular Microalga Chlamydomonas Reinhardtii. Advised by Professors Heriberto Cerutti and Etsuko Moriyama.
- Chuyang Liu, Suichang, China; Civil Engineering—
 Dissertation: Impacts of Climate Change on the
 Spatiotemporal Variability of Agricultural Pollution Across
 Various Scales. Advised by Professors Yusong Li and
 Shannon Bartelt-Hunt.
- Lingyi Liu, Wuhan, China; Food Science and Technology— Dissertation: Development of High-Oil-Content Food Pastes for 3D Food Printing. Advised by Professor Ozan Ciftci.
- Bin Ma, Lincoln; Chemistry—Dissertation: Site-Selective Modification of Proteins Through Genetic Encoding Unnatural Amino Acid and Bioorthogonal Reaction Development in Biological Studies. Advised by Professor Jiantao Guo.
- Niloofar Mansoor, Ahvaz, Iran; Computer Science— Dissertation: An Empirical Assessment of Formal Models and Static Analysis Alarms in the Context of Defect Detection. Advised by Professor Bonita Sharif.
- Siamak Mirfendereski, *Lincoln*; Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics—Dissertation: *Multiscale Hydrodynamics and Rheology of Dense Suspensions Undergoing Nonlinear Electrokinetics Towards Active Rheology Control.* Advised by Professor Jae Sung Park.



- Sam Moayedi, Omaha; Architectural Engineering— Dissertation: A Framework to Predict Variability Characteristics in Building Load Profiles. Advised by Professor Mahmoud Alahmad.
- Donna Marcel Morrison, *Georgetown, Guyana*; Food Science and Technology—Dissertation: *Mycotoxins and Mycotoxigenic Fungi in Nepalese Chili*. Advised by Professors Andreia Bianchini and Jayne Stratton.
- Hollman Andres Motta Romero, *Lincoln*; Food Science and Technology—Dissertation: *Studies on Cadmium in Wheat and it's Effects on the Human Gut Microbiome*. Advised by Professor Devin Rose.
- Yu Hang Ng, Lincoln; Physics and Astronomy—Dissertation: Fermion-Induced Electroweak Symmetry Non-Restoration via Temperature-Dependent Masses. Advised by Professor Peisi Huang.
- Semra Palali Delen, *Lincoln*; Agronomy and Horticulture— Dissertation: *Dissecting the Genetic Architecture of Mineral Compositions and Yield-Related Traits Under Different N Conditions in Maize*. Advised by Professor Jinliang Yang.
- Sepehr Pashoutani, *Omaha*; Civil Engineering—Dissertation: *Ground Penetrating RADAR Data Processing for Concrete Bridge Deck Evaluation*. Advised by Professor Jinying Zhu.
- Gonzalo Dario Rizzo Ayphassorho, *Lincoln*; Agronomy and Horticulture—Dissertation: *Prospects for Yield Gains in High-Yielding Cropping Systems*. Advised by Professor Patricio Grassini.
- Leslie Ann Ronish, *Lincoln*; Biochemistry—Dissertation: *A Mechanistic Study of Biofilm Formation in Clostridioides Difficile*. Advised by Kurt Piepenbrink.
- Muhammad Khalid Saifullah, Sahiwal, Pakistan; Civil Engineering—Dissertation: Uncertainty in the Seismic Response of Freestanding Structures. Advised by Professor Christine Wittich.
- Isin Tuna Sakallioglu, *Lincoln*; Chemistry—Dissertation: *Multiomics Approach to the Systems Biology for Understanding Drug Mechanism and Diseases*. Advised by Professor Robert Powers.
- Anthony Ross Schneider, *Lincoln*; Computer Science— Dissertation: *New Relational Consistency Algorithms and a Flexible Solver Architecture for Integrating Them During Search*. Advised by Professor Berthe Choueiry.

- Jennifer Marie Schneider, *Bellevue*; Educational Studies— Dissertation: *Student Agency, Engagement, Autonomy,* and *Motivation Through a Hybrid Project-Based Learning Approach*. Advised by Professor Guy Trainin.
- Barbara Wolf Shousha, *Waterloo*; Educational Studies— Dissertation: *Student Support in Online Learning at Small Catholic Colleges*. Advised by Professor Marilyn Grady.
- Jaspinder Singh, , India; Agronomy and Horticulture—
 Dissertation: Exploring the Impacts of a Tertiary Amine Plant
 Growth Regulator and Heat Stress on Seed Development and
 Seedling Growth. Advised by Professors Harkamal Walia
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Academic Attire

The caps and gowns worn during formal academic occasions in American colleges today are the direct descendants of the everyday costumes worn in the universities of Medieval England.

Because of the tremendous growth of American colleges and the confusion which would result if each were to adopt a distinctive costume, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume was organized. The Bureau has established a uniform code which over 700 institutions have adopted.

There are three types of gowns and three types of hoods for bachelors, masters, and doctors, respectively. The bachelors gown has a long pointed sleeve; the masters gown has a long closed sleeve, square at the end with an arc of a circle just above the bottom. The sleeve extends well below the knee, the arm coming through a slit near the elbow. The doctors gown has a voluminous bell-shaped sleeve with three velvet bars. The colors of the bars are usually the colors of the faculty that granted the degree, but may be black.

The hood is the most important and distinctive feature of the code. The hoods for all degrees are lined with silk in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree and have an edging or trim of velvet. The color of the velvet edging indicates the course or faculty to which the degree pertains. The lining is exposed when the hood is worn. For example, a doctor of philosophy of the University of Nebraska will wear a hood whose lining is scarlet above the cream-white indicating Nebraska, trimmed with blue velvet for philosophy. The bachelors hood is rather short with narrow velvet edging. It is

not worn by candidates for the bachelors degree but only by those upon whom this degree has been previously conferred. The masters hood is considerably longer, has a wider velvet edging, and exposes more of the lining. The doctors hood has wide panels at the side and is easily recognized since, of the three types of hoods, it has the widest velvet edging, greatest length, and fullest exposure of the lining.

The black mortar board cap with tassel is worn with each type of gown. Those holding a doctors degree are privileged to wear a gold tassel. Masters and bachelors wear tassels that are either black or the color appropriate to the course in which they are being graduated.

The Board of Regents, the President, and the Chancellor wear robes with velvet front panels and sleeve bars denoting their office. The Commencement Marshals wear scarlet robes with black velvet front panels and sleeve bars.

Hood colors observed at this commencement, which symbolize various areas of study, are as follows:

Masters Degrees

Agriculture – maize
Architecture – lilac
Arts – white
Business – drab
Education – light blue
Engineering – orange
Fine Arts – brown
Human Sciences – maroon
Journalism (arts) – white
Journalism (science) – yellow
Law – purple
Music – pink
Public Accounting – drab
Science – golden yellow

Doctorate Degrees

Audiology – olive green Education – light blue Law – purple Music – pink Philosophy – blue Plant Health – maize

Tassel Colors

Undergraduate – black Masters – same color as hood Doctorate – gold

DEGREES WITH DISTINCTION

Selection for degrees with distinction, high distinction, and highest distinction is made by the college awarding the degree. Each college establishes its requirement for this honor. Students graduating with honors are presented a keepsake medallion. A medallion with a red ribbon denotes graduation with distinction, one with a white ribbon denotes high distinction, and one with a combination red and white ribbon denotes highest distinction.

Chancellor's Scholars have earned As on all of their graded work at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and all other postsecondary institutions. They wear a Chancellor's Scholar pin on their ribbon.

Graduates of the University Honors Program have fulfilled specific requirements. Honors Program graduates wear a red and white epaulette in recognition of their achievement.



