

Graduation Recognition Ceremony

CELEBRATING
THE CLASS OF

2025



22 May 2025

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HARRY S TRUMAN
EDUCATION CENTER

Graduation Celebration

2025

Tuesday

May 22, 2025

Cache Creek Chapel

Fort Sill, OK





MISSION AND VISION OF ARMY EDUCATION

The Army Continuing Education System (ACES) through its many programs promotes lifelong learning opportunities and sharpens the competitive edge of the Army by providing and managing quality self-development programs and services.

Mission

The ACES mission is to promote lifelong learning, readiness and resilience through flexible and relevant education programs, services and systems in support of the Total Army Family.

The ACES vision is that every Soldier participates in the voluntary education program and every eligible Soldier uses TA for degree completion.

Harry S Truman Education Center
"Soldiers First—Mission Always!"

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PROGRAM

Call to Order

Edmond Vodochodsky
Master of Ceremony

Processional
(All Stand)

Pomp and Circumstance

Invocation
(Remain Standing)

CH (MAJ) Lisa Northway

National Anthem
(Remain Standing)

Mrs. Shannon Richardson

Commemorative Video of Graduates

Diana Ferguson
Ashley Williams

Opening Remarks

Michael Dodds
Education Services Officer

Award Presentation

Michael Dodds

Student Testimonial

SFC Corey Gulley

Introduction of the Dignitaries

Edmond Vodochodsky

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Edmond Vodochodsky

Keynote Speaker

CW5 Kenneth Pressley

Presentation of Graduates

*(Graduate candidates, as your school is called, stand and proceed to the stage
escorted by your school representatives)*

Cameron University
Columbia College
Upper Iowa University
American Military University
American Intercontinental University
Central State University
Excelsior University
Liberty University
Lionel University

Purdue University Global
Southern New Hampshire University
Strayer University
Trident University International
University of Arizona Global Campus
University of Maryland Global Campus
University of Massachusetts Global
University of Phoenix
Webster University

Closing Remarks

Michael Dodds

CAMERON UNIVERSITY

Graduates

Associate in Applied Science in Information Technology

Felicia Goetsch
Ellechel Ngiraibai
Jeremy Vongsana

Associate in Science in Allied Health Sciences

Geralyn Del Pozo
Owen Pitcock***

Associate in Science in Business

Shinta Brown

Associate in Science in Criminal Justice

William Blasengame

Bachelor of Accounting in Accounting

Tara Ostergard**

Bachelor of Arts in English Education

Kyra Harris**

Bachelor of Arts in Social Studies Education

William Jordan

Bachelor of Business Administration

Shinta Brown
Philip Morison
Tara Ostergard**

Bachelor of Music Education in Music Education

Marckese Williams

Bachelor of Music in Music

Antonio Lugo

Bachelor of Science in Biology

Cheyenne Franco
Nia Sauda

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

Angel Williams

Bachelor of Science in Family and Child Studies

Jesica Clemons**

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

Kyle Bringmann*
Felicia Goetsch

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies

William Blaine
Malerie Nyberg
Jessica Valdes

Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership

William Blasengame
Brooke Wilhelm

Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Luke Alltizer
Danielle Bodine
Amiah Osborne
Claudia Partridge

Bachelor of Science in Sports and Exercise Science

Joshua Emery***

Master of Business Administration

Preston Drain

Master of Education in Education

Damariaus Ellis

Master of Science in Educational Leadership

William Ponder

Master of Science in Organizational Leadership

Xavier Davidson
Martin Gonzales
Brian Hayes
Patrick Melvin

**Master of Science in Organizational
Leadership**

Colton Miller

Kristen Moser

Haley Nunez Morales

Lisa Pilcher

**summa cum laude*

***magna cum laude*

****cum laude*

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

Graduates

Associate in General Studies

Savanah Alexander

Hailey Crumer

Johnathon Huitt

Harmony Johnson

Eric Pietsch

Christina Villagomez

Bachelor of Arts in

Business Administration

David Fahle

**Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
Administration**

Jaclyn Daniels

Associate of Science in Health Services

Richard Cook

Ben Higgins

Destini Mason

Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity

Selvin Velasquez-Gomez***

**Associate of Science in
Business Administration**

Sandrine Williams

Bachelor of General Studies

Timothy McCrary

Chris Cronen

Bachelor of Science in Accounting

Joaquin Figueroa

Master of Business Administration

Deborah Gonzales

**summa cum laude*

***magna cum laude*

****cum laude*

UPPER IOWA UNIVERSITY

Graduates

Associate of Arts in General Business

Dashawn Carter

Elizabeth Kong

Tony Myers

Jared Turner

Geordan Wermey

Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts

Leobardo Juarez

Randy Love

Luis Morillo

Emily Ortiz

Oscar Ortiz

Javier Perez

Zachary Staats

Arkembia Swanson

Michael Thomas

Justin Williams

Meagan Williams

Lucas Zills

Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts

Robert Baker

Brittany Becerra

Ebony Diaz

Jacob Druschke

Andrew Guillian

Associate of Arts in Psychology

Ivan Robledo

**Bachelor of Science in
Business Administration**

Anselmo Beltran

Sabrina Harroun *

Gary Lambert

**Bachelor of Science in Business
Administration Minor in Marketing**

Stephanie Alvarez

Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design

LaCreisha Lane

**Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
Minor in Psychology**

Dana Walker **

**Bachelor of Science in
Human Resource Management**

Charles Burns *****

Jonathan Marrero Curbelo

Patrick Pena

**Bachelor of Science in Information
Technology**

Daniel Helmer *****

Bachelor of Science in Marketing

Leann McCabe

**Bachelor of Science in
Psychology**

Hayley Zills**

**Bachelor of Science in Public
Administration**

Jennifer Benson *

Yves Laurent Bright

Allen Carter

Brandon Giles ***

Master of Business Administration

Phong Dang

Master of Public Administration

Viktoreia McBride

**summa cum laude*

***magna cum laude*

****cum laude meritum*

*****cum laude*

AMERICAN MILITARY UNIVERSITY

Graduates

**Associate of Arts in
Business Administration**

Demetria White

Associate of Arts in Communication

Chrissy Jadwisiak

**Associate of Arts in
Interdisciplinary Studies**

Stephen Brand*

Zane Gehers

Gabriella Hawthorne***

Bryan Mills*

Jermaine Sayers**

**Associate of Science in
Paralegal Studies**

Jessica Dufault

**Bachelor of Applied Science in
Health Science**

Elisabeth Luna

Alyssa Verhonich

Bachelor of Arts in Business

JaCory Combs

Amos Galloway***

Larry Morgan

Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

Beau Ruiz**

Dominic Neff

Bachelor of Arts in English Literature

Nena Walker**

Bachelor of Arts in History

Johnathan Myers-Sharp

Bachelor of Arts in Homeland Security

Alvin Ball

Brianna Pruitt**

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

Stefanie Corless***

Elizabeth Robinson***

Bridget Romero

**Bachelor of Arts in
Human Resource Management**

Madison Phillips

Angel Pinott*

Bachelor of Arts in Intelligence Studies

Owen Bottorff***

Jon Henthorn***

Bachelor of Arts in Management

Derick Faison

Pateh Tine

Tuan Tran***

Bachelor of Arts in Military History

Matthew Chapman*

**Bachelor of Arts in
Security Management**

Christian Harris

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

Jonathan Durflinger**

**Bachelor of Arts in
Supply Chain Management**

Amrose Davis***

**Bachelor of Arts in Transportation
and Logistics Management**

Lonnie Francis***

Bachelor of Business Administration

Drake Keith***

Justin Murdock***

Bachelor of Science in Accounting

Opeyemi Akintulubo**

**Bachelor of Science in
Business Analytics**

Casey Kester**

Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity

Alecsia Nkwenti***

**Bachelor of Science in
Environmental Science**

Cody Morgan***

**Bachelor of Science in
Healthcare Administration**

Anrica Cruz**

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics

Adriana Miller

**Bachelor of Science in
Natural Sciences**

Philomena Marrah**

**Bachelor of Science in
Sports and Health Sciences**

Kristopher Alvarez

**Bachelor of Science in
Sports Management**

Joshua Lang

**Master of Arts in Emergency
and Disaster Management**

Anita Jeanette**

Johnta Mitchell**

**Master of Arts in
Business Administration**

Aminatou Bawa**

Morgan Morris**

Ramsey Robinson*

Master of Arts in Criminal Justice

Leonard Okolienta*

Master of Arts in History

Erica Conness*

Master of Arts in Homeland Security

Adeyemi Otitoyomi***

Master of Arts in**Human Resource Management**

Shelby Alford*

Robert Duplantier*

Rebyn Griffin-Douglas**

Master of Arts in Intelligence Studies

Quanicia Luckey*

**Master of Arts in International Relations
and Global Studies**

Yvette Tombi

Master of Arts in Management

Quentin Jackson*

Johnta Mitchell

Bryan Sodders*

Master of Arts in Psychology

Shelby Alford

Master of Education in**Education Leadership**

Jestin Carter*

Master of Science in Accounting

Tamika Thompson-Wright

Master of Science in Applied**Business Analytics**

Brian Boyd**

**summa cum laude*

***magna cum laude*

****cum laude*

AMERICAN INTERCONTINENTAL UNIVERSITY**Graduates****Associate of Arts in Business Administration**

Jameir Jackson

CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY**Graduates****Bachelor of Science in
Educational Studies**

Sandra Brown*

**summa cum laude*

***magna cum laude*

****cum laude*

EXCELSIOR UNIVERSITY**Graduates****Master of Business Administration**

Taina Roper

Shane Sanford

Master of Science in Management

Gustavo Arguello

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

Graduates

**Bachelor of Science in
Interdisciplinary Studies**
Coty Hawes****

**Doctor of Education in
Curriculum and Instruction**
Jacob Khalifeh*

**Doctorate of Business Administration
in Accounting**
Sara Trivari*

**distinction*
***summa cum laude*
****magna cum laude*
*****cum laude*

LIONEL UNIVERSITY

Graduates

Master of Science in Exercise Science and Kinesiology
Corey Gulley

PURDUE UNIVERSITY GLOBAL

Graduates

**Associate of Applied Science in
Health Science**
Adachukwu Ofojebe*

**Bachelor of Science in
Industrial Organizational Psychology**
Christopher Harvey

**Associate of Applied Science in Small Group
Management**
Jalen Bacon

**summa cum laude*
***magna cum laude*
****cum laude*

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIVERSITY

Graduates

**Bachelor of Science in Game
Programming and Development**
Keith Hemenway*

**summa cum laude*
***magna cum laude*
****cum laude*

STRAYER UNIVERSITY

Graduates

**Master of Business Administration
concentration in Accounting**
Maria Razo*

**summa cum laude*
***magna cum laude*
****cum laude*

TRIDENT UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL

Graduates

Master of Science in Homeland Security
Audra Bosley*

**summa cum laude*
***magna cum laude*
****cum laude*

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA GLOBAL CAMPUS

Graduates

Bachelor of Arts in Instructional Design

Krystal Martin*

**summa cum laude*

***magna cum laude*

****cum laude*

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND GLOBAL CAMPUS

Graduates

Associates in General Studies

Savannah Krekelberg

Mumbi Williams

Bachelor of Science in

Public Safety Administration

Sheneider Altidor

Bachelor of Arts in

Business Administration

Michael Englis

Master of Science in Acquisitions

and Contract Management

Michael Anderson**

Bachelor of Science in

Criminal Justice

Jennitza CruzLopez

Master of Science in

Cybersecurity Technology

Veronia Barajas

Bachelor of Science in Human

Resource Management

Bruiser Denard

**summa cum laude*

***magna cum laude*

****cum laude*

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS GLOBAL

Graduates

Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership

Jacquelyn Mongillo

UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX

Graduates

Master of Business Administration

Julia Bennett*

Alexander Forofontov*

**with distinction*

WEBSTER UNIVERSITY

Graduates

Master of Arts in

Management and Leadership

David Chastain

Alma Olivo

Master of Arts in Management

and Organizational Leadership

Darnell Brown

PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS



Cameron University

Founded in 1908, Cameron University is a thriving educational institution with an enrollment of approximately 3,500. In addition to campuses in Lawton and Duncan, Cameron offers various undergraduate courses at Fort Sill. Cameron offers more than 50 degree programs at the associate, bachelor's and master's degree levels, in areas of business, liberal arts and science. Classes at Cameron are taught by professors, not graduate students or teaching assistants. Students from southwest Oklahoma, throughout the state, and across the nation are attending Cameron University. For more information, visit www.cameron.edu.

Dr. Jari Askins is Interim President.



Columbia College

Today's Columbia College graduates join a network of more than 98,000 alumni across the globe. Founded in 1851,

Columbia College has a rich legacy of educational innovation and excellence. With a traditional campus in Columbia, Missouri, several learning venues nationwide and a robust online program, the college educates nearly 9,000 students each year. The institution features a liberal arts core curriculum and produces globally engaged citizens who are creative, curious and ethical.

For more information, visit ccis.edu



Upper Iowa University

Since 1857, Upper Iowa University has been preparing students to succeed—in the classroom and in the world. That rich history, coupled with a student-centered mission, has created a springboard for UIU to become a recognized innovator in offering accredited, quality programs through flexible, multiple delivery systems, including online and self-paced study.

UIU has a traditional, residential campus in Fayette, Iowa, and 11 off-campus educational centers in the U.S. The UIU-Fort Sill Center offers Associate degree programs in Liberal Arts and General Business, and Bachelor's degree programs in Business Administration, Human Resources Management, Management, Marketing, and Social Science, in addition to other programs. The university is led by Kathy Franken, who became the institution's 22nd President in 2024.

For more information, visit <https://uiu.edu/locations/fort-sill/>



American Military University

Founded in 1991 by a retired Marine Corps officer and instructor, American Military University (AMU) was designed to meet the needs of the military—a very mobile population with extended, irregular schedules and unique educational needs. Today, AMU is the largest provider of higher education to active-duty military as well as a leading provider to national security and public safety communities. Our professors are industry insiders that combine relevant theory with real-world experience. Many are working in, or have retired from, leadership roles in government, business and non-profit organizations, state and local law enforcement, as well as fire and emergency services. These include Department of Homeland Security, CIA, FBI, United Nations, Department of State, Department of Defense, NYPD, and major corporations. For more information, visit www.amu.apus.edu.

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UNIVERSITY



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OF MARYLAND
GLOBAL CAMPUS



**Truman Education Center
Recognition of Excellence in Military Education
2025 Award Recipient**

~ Mr. Edmond "Ed" Vodochodsky ~

Mr. Edmond "Ed" Vodochodsky is a native of Lawton, Oklahoma. As a military child, he traveled to multiple military locations which gave him a unique set of people skills that allowed him to effortlessly make personal connections with almost everyone he meets. Mr. Vodochodsky graduated from Eisenhower High school in 1979 with a full ROTC scholarship to Cameron University. Although he didn't finish his degree at Cameron University, he always knew that education was going to be an integral part of his life. Mr. Vodochodsky joined the US Navy in Feb 1988 and served aboard the USS Ohio at Bangor Submarine base, Washington. He served as a Fire-Control Technician – Ballistic where he programmed and targeted Strategic Nuclear Weapons both during and after the Cold War. After 7 successful deterrent patrols, he accepted recruiting duty in El Paso, Texas as his "shore" assignment where he earned his first degree, an Associates in Psychology.

Before Mr. Vodochodsky retired honorably from the Navy in 2008, he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with Excelsior College. A few years later, he completed his Master's Degree in Adult Education with the University of Phoenix and began work at Oklahoma's Dept of Veteran's Affairs where he became the sole Education Specialist for the OVDA Veterans Nursing Home in Norman, OK. In 2014, he began work at the Fort Sill Education center as the Transition Education Counselor. During his 7 years as the Transition Education Counselor, Mr. Vodochodsky provided counseling support to countless Soldiers enabling them to successfully transition from the military to the classroom.

In January 2022, Mr. Vodochodsky began serving as an Army Guidance Counselor at the Fort Sill Education Center. Over a three year period, Mr. Vodochodsky conducted over 8300 counseling sessions and over 300 briefings reaching over 4200 Soldiers and family members in attendance. He created a QR code for Fort Sill Education Center ICE submissions where he increased the submission rate 7 times over the previous rate. Mr. Vodochodsky also created a QR code to assist Soldiers in the completion of Career Path Decide in addition to creating a QR code for the digital version of the college graduation ceremony program. He has also been recognized as doing an outstanding job while performing as the Master of Ceremonies for the Graduation Recognition Ceremony and the Garrison Awards Ceremony.

Mr. Vodochodsky has served a total of 10 years at the Fort Sill Education Center where he provided invaluable support to Servicemembers, family members, and civilians at Fort Sill. His commitment to excellence, attitude of service, and dedication is clearly evident as he continues to provide the ACES programs and services that support Soldier professional development, Army leader development, and the mission readiness of the Army.

Mr. Vodochodsky and his wife Sylvia have been married for 20 years and have a blended family of 8 children.

**Congratulations from the entire staff and
school representatives of
Harry S Truman Education Center**

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Diana Ferguson
Ed Vodochodsky
Ashley Williams

Angela Reynolds
Petra Jackson
Todd Parks
Anthony Crawford

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***Thank you all for making this event special for our graduates.
Congratulations Class of 2025!***



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