Dear Graduate,

One of the greatest honors for the University of Colorado Board of Regents, the institution’s governing board, is to be part of a graduation ceremony. Your success is a success for us all. Your degree is a measure not only of an accomplishment of dedication and talent, but also notice to the world that you have the intellectual gifts and discipline to contribute greatly to our community.

Your commencement ceremony, like every University of Colorado graduation since 1935, will close with the reading of the timeless Norlin Charge. Today “marks your initiation in the fullest sense of the fellowship of the university, as bearers of her torch, as centers of her influence, as promoters of her spirit.” Each year, the University of Colorado grants thousands of bachelor’s, master’s, professional and doctoral degrees to some of the greatest minds in our country and the world. Today, we proudly add your name to this notable group of individuals. Congratulations on your hard-earned accomplishment.

THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Front Row: Irene Griego, District 7 (Lakewood); Michael Carrigan, Chair, District 1 (Denver); Kyle Hybl, District 5 (Colorado Springs); Sue Sharkey, Vice Chair, District 4 (Windsor).

Back Row: Joseph Neguse, District 2 (Boulder); Tilman “Tillie” Bishop, District 3 (Grand Junction); James Geddes, District 6 (Sedalia); Steve Bosley, At Large (Longmont); Stephen Ludwig, At Large (Denver).
ORDERS OF EXERCISES

TERI SWITZER, COMMENCEMENT MARSHAL
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO COLORADO SPRINGS
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Prelude
Instrumental Music ........................................... Music Program Honors Jazz Trio
Jay Baker – bass
Britton Ciampa – drums
Joel Medina – guitar

Processional
Pomp and Circumstance Military March No. 1 in D, Op. 39, No. 1
– Arranged by Joseph Prostakoff .............................. Pianist Sara McDaniel

Ceremony
America the Beautiful (Lyrics on page 4) ................................................
Visual and Performing Arts Student Jonathan Sulzbach
The National Anthem (Lyrics on page 4) ................................................
Visual and Performing Arts University Choir
Directed by Instructor Gayle Grace

Remarks .......................................................... President Bruce Benson

Congratulations from Distinguished Alum ....................... Mr. Thomas Saponas

Conferring of Advanced Degrees (page 12)
Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees (page 18)
Initiation of Graduates into Alumni and Friends Association .................... Alumni Chair Frederick Slane
Charge to the Graduates ........................................ Regent Stephen Ludwig
Alma Mater (Lyrics on page 5) ........................................ Visual and Performing Arts Instructor Gayle Grace

Recessional
Instrumental Music ........................................... Pianist Sara McDaniel
December 14, 2012

Dear University of Colorado Graduate,

Congratulations on earning your degree from the University of Colorado Colorado Springs.

I still remember the deep sense of pride I felt when I accepted my geology degree from the University of Colorado. My education has served me well over the years, and I am sure yours will, too. Welcome to the generations of alumni around the globe who carry that pride within them. Our collective legacy has been to leave a positive and meaningful mark on Colorado and the world.

Accepting your degree after years of self-sacrifice and dedication is one of life’s greatest achievements. When you walk away from this exciting day, my hope is that you will do so with a passion to pursue your dreams. Never forget how the university shaped you and prepared you to face life’s challenges. Expect nothing but the best from yourself and those who surround you on your journey through life.

Students who have passed through the campus’s classrooms, laboratories, lecture halls and libraries have emerged with a greater understanding of their place in the world. The University of Colorado community is proud of you and your accomplishments. As you leave here to start careers, draw on your academic achievements at UCCS to help you succeed and inspire others.

Today is your day to shine and share your accomplishments with your family and friends. We wish you success, prosperity, happiness and good health in all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Bruce D. Benson
President of the University of Colorado
THOMAS A. SAPONAS

Thomas Saponas is currently a director for nGimat, a nanopowders and coatings company in Atlanta, Georgia, as well as a director for Procera Networks, a level 7 switching and protection company in Fremont, California. He is a retiree of Hewlett Packard where, for more than 25 years, he served as vice president, general manager, marketing manager, and group research and development manager. When HP and Agilent became two companies, he served as senior vice president and chief technology officer for Agilent.

Starting his education at UCCS in the fall of 1967, Saponas earned both his BS in Electrical and Computer Science and his MS in Electrical Engineering in 1972. As a student, he served as the student representative to the Board of Regents and on the CU President's Planning Commission.

Though it has been 40 years since graduating from UCCS, Mr. Saponas continues to be an integral part of the campus. Saponas regularly mentors students and has served as a volunteer for the UCCS Freshman Seminar Program – always willing to share his stories of the importance of his education. In addition to his work with students, Thomas Saponas is a resource to campus leadership. He has been a member of the UCCS Science and Engineering Community Advisory Group, the UCCS Engineering Advisory Board and the CU Foundation Board of Directors. He also helped guide the development of a new computer engineering program. Consequently, he was the model recipient of the University of Colorado Medal in 1986 which recognizes contributions to the university. In 1997, the College of Engineering and Applied Science student lounge was named in his honor.

Not only does Thomas Saponas contribute his time to UCCS, he is also a donor. In 2000, he and his wife, Charlotte Saponas, established an endowed scholarship fund, and in 2005 they provided the largest gift by any engineering alumnus, increasing the endowment.

The University of Colorado Board of Regents were proud to present Saponas with the 2008 Distinguished Service Award for his numerous contributions.

Thomas and Charlotte Saponas have been married for 37 years and live in Colorado Springs. They have two children, Robert and Jennifer.
AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

Oh Beautiful for spacious skies
For amber waves of grain
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!

God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood

From sea to shining sea!

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro’ the perilous fight,
O’er the ramparts we watch’d, 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?
CU ALMA MATER

Hail, all Hail our Alma Mater
Ever will our hearts be true
You will live with us forever
Loyal we will be to you.
We will sing forever your praises
Ever more our love renew
Pledge our whole devotion to you
Dear Old CU!
MISSION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
The University of Colorado is a public research university with multiple campuses serving Colorado, the nation and the world through leadership in high-quality education and professional training, public service, advancing research and knowledge, and state-of-the-art health care.

Each campus has a distinct role and mission as provided by Colorado law.
(Laws of the Regents, Article 1, Part C. Adopted 02/11/2010.)

MISSION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO COLORADO SPRINGS
The Colorado Springs campus of the University of Colorado shall be a comprehensive baccalaureate and specialized graduate research university with selective admission standards. The Colorado Springs campus shall offer liberal arts and sciences, business, engineering, health sciences, and teacher preparation undergraduate degree programs, and a selected number of master’s and doctoral degree programs.

VISION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO COLORADO SPRINGS
UCCS, a premier comprehensive undergraduate and specialized graduate research university, provides students with academically rigorous and life-enriching experiences in a vibrant university community. We advance knowledge, integrate student learning with the spirit of discovery, and broaden access to higher education for the benefit of southern Colorado, the state, nation and world.

THE UNIVERSITY SEAL
The University of Colorado has used three seals in its lifetime. The present seal, adopted in 1908, depicts a classical male Greek figure seated against a pillar and holding a scroll. Laurel branches frame a burning torch beside him. The Greek inscription means “Let Your Light Shine.” The seal’s designer, Henry Reed of Denver, chose the classical motif because Greek civilization “stands as the criterion of culture.” The laurel symbolizes honor or success, the youth of the figure suggests the “morning of life,” and the scroll represents written language.

From 1893 to 1908, the university seal was a copy of Wyon’s medallion, “Science Trims the Lamp of Life.” The classical figure of a Greek woman knelt before a lamp and was flanked by mariposa lilies, which President Baker described as “a true Colorado flower.” Before 1893, a seal was used which essentially copies the Colorado state seal. It was never adopted by the Regents.

The official seal of the University of Colorado is used primarily on official documents, such as diplomas and transcripts that have been issued on behalf of the university. The Board of Regents uses the seal in transmitting official business.
ACADEMIC DRESS

The tradition of the academic costume began during the twelfth or thirteenth century in the early European universities. Since the clergy composed the majority of the educated class, academic dress is an adaptation of the cape or mantle which was usually of silk or wool and worn by church dignitaries in religious processions.

Through the years, great diversity in color and in style of cap, gown and hood developed. In 1896, the colleges and universities in the United States adopted a uniform code governing academic dress. Today, the black gown, hood, and mortar board worn by the graduates in most institutions follow this code.

While it is not apparent to the casual observer, the gowns worn by the recipients of the various degrees differ somewhat in design. The sleeves of the gown worn by the baccalaureate candidate are long and pointed, while the sleeves of the gown worn by the master’s degree recipients are square at one end with a slit at the elbow. The doctor's gown has flowing sleeves with three bars of velvet, and facing of velvet down the front of the gown.

Those who receive a master’s or a doctoral degree from the University of Colorado wear hoods lined with the school colors, silver and gold. The hood worn by the doctoral candidate differs in design from that of the master’s as it has side panels and is slightly longer. The velvet border of the hood indicates the degree and usually follows the same code as the color of the tassels.

The oxford cap, usually referred to as a mortar board, is black and has a long tassel which is fastened by a button on the top. Candidates for the baccalaureate degree wear the tassel pendant over the right front of the cap before the degree is conferred, then it is worn on the left thereafter.

Cum Laude candidates wear bronze honor cords. Magna Cum Laude and honors candidates wear silver honor cords. Summa Cum Laude and special honors candidates wear gold honor cords. The color of the tassel on the bachelor's cap indicates the field of study, with the exception of the BA degrees in Letters, Arts & Sciences whose candidates wear white tassels indicating the arts.

**DOCTORATE TASSEL COLORS**

Doctor of Philosophy ................. Old Gold
Doctor of Nursing Practice ............ Apricot

**MASTER TASSEL COLORS**

Master of Engineering/Science/Sciences .... Gold
Master of Business Administration ........ Sapphire
Master of Criminal Justice ............. Peacock
Master of Public Administration ........ Peacock
Master of Arts (Education) ............. White
Master of Arts (LAS) ..................... White

**BACHELOR TASSEL COLORS**

Nursing ..................................... Apricot
Health Science .............................. Green
Forensic Science ........................... Red
Business ...................................... Sapphire
Criminal Justice .......................... Peacock
Engineering ............................... Orange
Letters, Arts and Sciences ............. White
THE PRESIDENTIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE

The University of Colorado Presidential Chain of Office was created in 1980 by Mary Sartor, M.F.A., University of Colorado, Boulder, for the inauguration of President Arnold R. Weber. The chain was a gift to the university by Mr. and Mrs. David G. Hawthorn, Class of 1924.

Colorado gold and silver are used throughout the chain to symbolize the importance of those minerals to the history of the state. The gem stones chosen also consist entirely of minerals from Colorado.

Three pendants are suspended on the chain. The back pendant is the seal of the State of Colorado surrounded by a golden ribbon representing the golden “Circle of Knowledge.” The top pendant in the front, the seal of the University of Colorado surmounted by an arch set with diamond and topaz, signifies the necessary link between the search for knowledge and its practical application to the world outside the university. The seal is supported at the bottom by the laurel wreaths found in the seal, emblematic of honor and success.

The bottom pendant is centered with a golden topaz indicating man’s quest for knowledge. The surrounding ring is paved with fragmented cubes and diamonds which suggest fragments of knowledge with brilliant breakthroughs of understanding.

The chain surrounding these pendants symbolizes the endless but ever-changing cycle of human knowledge.

The presidents of the University of Colorado are:

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THE CHANCELLOR’S CHAIN OF OFFICE

A campus commencement tradition began in 2008 when the Chancellor’s Chain of Office was created to recognize and celebrate the chancellors who have led the University of Colorado Colorado Springs since its founding in 1965. The chain was a gift to the university from Mrs. Kathy Griffith and other campus leaders. Kathy worked in the Chancellor’s Office for 30 years, upon her retirement in 2008, and provided the initial gift to create the chain.

The chain is a traditional part of academic regalia that provides recognition at formal events to the person who currently holds the position of chancellor, as well as those who previously filled the role.

The Chancellor’s Chain of Office is connected with the interlocking CU to symbolize campus ties to the CU System. The words “Chancellor” and “Colorado Springs” surround the chain’s medallion of the university’s seal. The chain includes links denoting the university’s six colleges and schools; it also includes individual links recognizing all UCCS chancellors. The chancellors listed are:

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HONORS DESIGNATIONS DESCRIPTIONS

Graduates having been awarded honors are noted in the program. Following is an explanation of the criteria required of the honors designations.

*with Honors*  *with Special Honors*

These terms denote students who have met criteria including, but not limited to, grade point average set by the college from which they are graduating that demonstrate exceptional academic performance within the college.

*with Distinction*  *with High Distinction*  *with Highest Distinction*

These terms denote students who have met criteria including, but not limited to, grade point average set by the department of the student’s major that demonstrate exceptional academic performance within the major.

Graduates having completed an honors program are also noted in the program. Following is an explanation of the criteria required of the honors programs.

**University Honors**

This program recognizes students who have successfully maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.75 and have completed 18 hours of Honors-dedicated or designated courses, including the First-Year Honors Seminar, Honors Public Speaking, and the Honors Capstone Seminar.

**Mountain Lion Honors**

This program recognizes students who have successfully maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.50 and have completed the First-Year Honors Seminar, Honors Public Speaking, and the Honors Capstone Seminar.
THE NORLIN CHARGE TO GRADUATES
(From the baccalaureate address by President George Norlin, of the University of Colorado, June 1935)

“You are now certified to the world at large as alumni of the university. She is your kindly mother and you her cherished sons and daughters.

This exercise denotes not your severance from her, but your union with her. Commencement does not mean, as many wrongly think, the breaking of ties and the beginning of a life apart. Rather it marks your initiation in the fullest sense into the fellowship of the university, as bearers of her torch, as centers of her influence, as promoters of her spirit.

The university is not the campus, not the buildings on the campus, nor the faculties, nor the students of any one time — not one of these or all of them. The university consists of all who come into and go forth from her halls, who are touched by her influence and who carry on her spirit. Wherever you go, the university goes with you. Wherever you are at work, there is the university at work.

What the university purposes to be, what it must always strive to be, is represented on its seal, which is stamped on your diplomas — a lamp in the hands of youth. If its light shines not in you and from you, how great is its darkness! But if it shines in you today, and in the thousands before you, who can measure its power?

With hope and faith, I welcome you into the fellowship. I bid you farewell only in the sense that I pray you may fare well. You go forth, but not from us. We remain, but not severed from you. God go with you and be with you and us.”
GRADUATE SCHOOL
Kelli Klebe, Dean

PH.D. – EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP RESEARCH & POLICY
Wendi Anne Clouse
“The Effects of Non-compulsory Freshman Seminar and Core Curriculum Completion Ratios on Post-secondary Persistence and Baccalaureate Degree Attainment”
Michael F. Lamphere
“Student Achievement Through the Development of Complete High School Culture”
Michael Lawrence Pickering
“Transformations in Assessment and Accountability Policy in Colorado PreK-12 Education: The Road to Linking Academic Growth to Teach Driven Formative Assessment Practices”
Michael Scott Siegrist
“The Effect of Trades and Industry, A Career and Technical Education Curriculum, on Student Achievement: A Propensity Study”

PH.D. – ENGINEERING
Barry Michael Cornella (emphasis in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering)
“Neutral Gas Heating via Non-Resonant Optical Lattices”
Abu Taher Kabir (emphasis in Electrical Engineering)
“Voltage Controlled Oscillators Tuned with BST Ferrolectric Capacitors”
James Lawrence Lee (emphasis in Electrical Engineering)
“Reduced-Order Physics-Based Model of Lithium-Ion Batteries”

PH.D. – PSYCHOLOGY
Heidi S. Layton (emphasis in Clinical Geropsychology)
“Predicting Permanency Planning Behavior in Parents of Adults with Intellectual Disabilities”
Renée L. Pepin (emphasis in Clinical Geropsychology)
“Intrinsic and Extrinsic Barriers to Mental Health Care Among Older Adults: An Improved Measure and Examination of the Effects of an Educational Intervention”

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE - CAPSTONE PROJECT
Naena Parker
“Hispanic Parent’s Perception of Their Children’s Weight”
CANDIDATES FOR ADVANCED DEGREES

BETH-EL COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES
Nancy Smith, Dean

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING
Sharon Marie Higuchi  Candi Renee Lobenstein  Megan Hall Richardson
Huimei Ku  Shawna Rae Mitchell

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN FORENSIC SCIENCE
Sheena Lea Sampsel

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN HEALTH PROMOTION
Stacy Kay Davis  Katherine Bockelman McDonald  Gayle Erin Novotny
John Michael Leppert  Haley Marie Peterson

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN SPORTS MEDICINE
Kelly Marie Alexander  John Michael Leppert  Grace Christine Sims
Robyn Lynn Kadel

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN SPORTS NUTRITION
Kristina Lauravel Bray  Regina Anne Hammond  Sean Walker Robertson
Kirsten Mary David  Kavita Ajit Gavand  Nicole Allyson Rubenstein

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION
Venkateshwar Reddy, Dean

DEGREE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Distinguished Graduate Academic Achievement Award: Marissa Blazek, Min Jie Chong, David Drury, Todd Keller, Christopher Pratt, Francis Wiran

Taylor James Andrews  Enrique Tomas de la Garza  Gregory James Keating
Satish Rangaswamy Ayer  Daniel Disilvestro  Todd Lee Keller
James Bales  David Lee Drury  Kirk Holden Kemper
Caralyn Kay Barlow  Indy Ann Frazee  Jaclyn Marie Klimek
Danielle Renee Baxter  Sara Elizabeth Fulp-Al ten  Christopher James
Daniel Arthur Beyer  Mahathi Gorla  Kreuzberger
Marissa Louise Blazek  Andrew Robert Gray  Ai-Lee Kuan
Christopher Robert  Brian Russell Greta  Cory John LaPlante
Carlstrom  Wayne Martin Highness  Huijun Li
Bradley Joseph Casai  Amanda Kaye Holway  Josiah David Loeser
Robert Craig Cashell  James Anthony Howard, ll  Michelle Blaise Loretan
Min Jie Chong  Benjamin Clark Huffman  Jennifer Lee Martin
Jose Manuel Corral, Jr.  AnnaBrooke Renee Jacobson  Maribel Angelica Martinez
Michael James Crane, Jr.  Joshua David Johnson  Logan Lee Maynard
Tamara Cvetanovska  Ryan Robert Johnson  Trevor Brock Mc Leod
Jennifer Lynn Daniel  Colleen Dawn Kampa  Jonathan McMahon
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### SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Paul Teske, Dean

#### DEGREE MASTER OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Laurie Kathleen Buchanan

#### DEGREE MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Mary Snyder, Dean

#### DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING AND HUMAN SERVICES

Yvonne A. Cummings | Lea Marie List

#### DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

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DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION
Shanquith Janean Dawkins
Deana Duran
DaLane R. Fox
Scott Michael Fuller
Illana K. Gordon
Christina Hall
Angela M. Lane
Meagan Lee Moore
Theresa Diane Olson
Elizabeth Anne Rellaford
Jaime Beth Ross
Christy Anne Rotunno
Nicole Marie Spoto
Karina Lynn Strand-Rogers
Sheonaid Cori Vanderzwan
Glenda Lajoyce White

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN EDUCATION
Mary Margaret Kallage
Jessica A. Trovik

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE
Ramaswami Dandapani, Dean

DEGREE MASTER OF ENGINEERING
Brian Gregory Allen
Dawn Marie Badolato
Jesse Allen Bazley
Franklin McNeil Caldwell
Dae Bok Cho
Michael Allen Clonts
Laura Ebat
Israel Figueroa Rodriguez
Alan R. Garner
Branden Keith Graversen
Tzana Danica Hafner
Mark David Heiberger
John Andrew Holmes
Scott Zalmar Lowery
Jamie Malano Alva
Clifford Allen McCullough
Scott McLean
Brian Charles Miller
Danielle Rebecca Nicholson
John Morgan Nicholson
Daniel Christopher Ouper
Donald Thomas Perrotta
Aaron Rashod Shabazz
Brandi Anne Sippel
David Andrew Strange
Amy Lynn Tomasino
Joshua Vance
Brandon Dean Vogt
Amberley Zammieillo

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE
Charles Robert Beckmann
William Bruce Fitzpatrick
Abdullah Mohammad
Sheneamer
David Robert Stites
Anitha Tadimalla

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
Kenneth W. Cantrell
Chin Chieh Hsu
Ruslan Knobel
Cheng Peng

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
Zachary David Asher
Lucas Ryan Derby
Ross Morgan Elder
Jacob Stephen Graul
Joseph Charles Pius
Griebel, Jr.
Ryan Robert Hafer
Carlos Alex Maldonado
Mathew John Prentice
Michael Reid
Michael Christopher Suppes
Edith Leung Szarkowski
CANDIDATES FOR ADVANCED DEGREES

COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS AND SCIENCES

Peter Braza, Dean

DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN APPLIED GEOGRAPHY
Matthew John Scott Winter

DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION
Rayven Antoinette Irons E. Terry Sears

DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY
Joseph R. Sandoval Mary Aurora Trotter Alan Robert Van’t Land

DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY
Kevin Beitz KrisAnn Ashley McBroom Whitney Nicole Piro
Andrea Lee Bevan Jay Mats Medenwaldt Brenna Nikole Renn
Alisa Jaylene Estey Tasha Maria Moreno Jeremy Theodore Simenson
Peter Daniel Marle Scott William Partington Nicole Denise Torrence

DEGREE MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY
Jasmine Dionne Fuller Hettie Rose Myers Kyra Werdehausen
Joseph Adam Langston Jennifer Nguyen Chelsea Nicole
Kimberlee McWhirter Cara Elizabeth Sexton Wyettenbach
Allison Elizabeth Monterrosa Eileen Loretta Skahill

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS
Joshua Paul Carnahan David A. England

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN CHEMISTRY
Genevieve A. Kahrilas

DEGREE MASTER OF SCIENCES IN PHYSICS
Kane Kolby Sutton
The following list of candidates for degrees includes students graduating in August 2012 and December 2012. Graduates will receive their diploma jackets by walking across the commencement stage in two lines in order of college or school listed in this program.

BETH-EL COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES
Nancy Smith, Dean

DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH CARE SCIENCE
Richard R. Bittner
Amber Marie English
Whitney Joy Felker
James Edward Fife
Kelsey Christine Fuik*
Laura Kathleen Gonzalez
Molly Christine Goss*
Justin Cody Grissom
Caitlin Marie Hupe
Sara Donell Hye*
Brennen Scott Jackson
Ashley Beth Johnson
Charles Adam George
Manly, Ill
Leigh Ann Nicholson
Kevin Alexander O’ Dell*
Alexandra Claire Parva
Edward Craig Smith**
Rici Lee Smith
Phillip Joshua Tanicala
Vivian Renee Thullen
Katherine Michelle Tracy

DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING
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COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS AND SCIENCES
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DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIOLOGY
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The history of the University of Colorado dates back to the earliest days of Colorado and precedes the creation of the state. At its first session in 1861, the Colorado territorial legislature passed an act providing for the creation of a university in Boulder. To establish the university, the legislature appropriated $15,000, which was matched by Boulder residents. However, the formal founding was delayed for another fifteen years by the Civil War. When Colorado became the 38th state in the Union in 1876, the university was declared an institution of the state, and the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado was established under Colorado’s State Constitution as its governing authority.

The University of Colorado Colorado Springs has a rich history as a site and campus. Many millennia before any students began studying here, a small group of ancestral American Indians set up camp overlooking an arroyo on the west edge of what is now the campus. Remains from approximately 30 sites used by Plains Indians from about 100 A.D. to 1400 A.D. dot the campus grounds. The cultural heritage of the area is witnessed not only architecturally and in diverse ecological phenomena but also in the significant prehistoric archeological components observable throughout the University acreage. The daily discarded artifacts of Cragmor Sanitorium life - medicine bottles, crumbling foundations, and broken dishes are intertwined with artifacts from the prehistory of the region.

Henry Austin, for whom the bluffs on campus were named, purchased a large part of what is now the campus in 1873 to graze herds of sheep. The first known building on the site was a cabin built by the world-famous physician, Dr. Edwin Solly. Dr. Solly suffered from tuberculosis and moved from England to the area, as the region was becoming known for its healthy climate. After years of planning for a sanatorium on the site, Dr. Solly was spurred into action in 1902 when General William Jackson Palmer (founder of Colorado Springs) gave him 100 acres of land on Austin Bluffs and $50,000 towards the start of his sanatorium. Solly selected one of the most important and versatile architects working in Southern Colorado, Thomas MacLaren. MacLaren (1863-1928), acknowledged master of architecture, designed many structures in Colorado Springs including several sections of the opulent Broadmoor Hotel. The sanatorium building echoed the aesthetics of the founders merging with Spanish-Moorish influence; it embodied the heritage of the builders of Colorado Springs and the understated beauty of the Hispanic culture. Cragmor Sanitorium (now Main Hall) opened its doors to patients on June 20, 1905, and thereafter became the most luxurious place for well-to-do consumptives in the United States. Dr. Solly named the site Cragmoor (later shortened to Cragmor), reminiscent of the crags and moors he had left behind in Great Britain.

Cragmor became the health mecca for artists, writers, and corporate tycoons who found not only their health but also a new home in Colorado Springs. Laura la Tille (Broadway performer), Constance Pulitzer (Joseph Pulitzer’s daughter), Murielane Pancost (concert soprano), Jeanette MacCoil (well-known New York musician), and Russell Cheney (renowned painter) spent time and regained their health at Cragmor.

Upon his death Solly was memorialized as a world class physician who had brought the Colorado Springs community to global acclaim for its outstanding health facility. Ironically, the world forgot Solly as Cragmor became even more established under the direction of new leaders in health care: Gerald B. Webb, Alexius M. Forster, Otto Einstein, and George J. Dwire. The 1930’s stock market crash brought financial disaster to many of the Cragmor Sanitorium’s exclusive clientele. The facility was adapted to serve the health needs of less affluent patients. Alexius Forster’s death in 1954 (took charge of Cragmor in 1910 at age 29) found Cragmor at a loss for medical and financial leadership. The last decade of the sanatorium’s homeopathic life was to become tied to the Bureau of Indian Affairs as Navaho Indians were flown in to Cragmor. This was one of the first
public health programs launched by the newly formed U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW). The first Indian patients arrived at Cragmor in 1952 with the signing of a government contract between the Cragmor Foundation and HEW. The institution would be guaranteed a permanent base of financial support. In return, Cragmor would provide for the medical needs of hundreds of tuberculous Navajos. George J. Dwire, Managing Director, oversaw the decade of fiscal recovery for the institution. He created a dynamic program which not only provided for the health needs of hundreds of Navajos infected with tuberculosis but also expanded to include educational and occupational therapy. As the health crisis of the Navajo people subsided so did the Federal funding for Cragmor. By April of 1962, remaining patients were being transferred to other facilities.

As early as the 1920s, the University of Colorado offered courses at numerous Colorado Springs locations including Colorado College and various storefronts. By the mid-1960s, community leaders were pressing for a full-fledged CU presence in the community. In his negotiations with then-Governor John Love, Hewlett-Packard (HP) co-founder David Packard, a Pueblo native, wanted a permanent CU campus in Colorado Springs to support the educational needs of company employees. The combination of the state’s desire to attract HP to Colorado Springs and George J. Dwire’s sale of the defunct 80-acre Cragmor Sanatorium property for $1 led to birth of the Colorado Springs Center of the University of Colorado. June 15, 1964, commemorated the funding and legislation signed by Governor Love allowing the University of Colorado to assume custody of Cragmor. In 1965, the Colorado Springs Center opened on the south side of Austin Bluffs, an area which showcased a spectacular panoramic view of Pikes Peak and the Garden of the Gods; tuition was $13 per credit hour. Professor offices in Cragmor Manor (now Cragmor Hall) were equipped with small kitchenettes and private bathrooms, due to the building’s previous use as a nursing home; Cragmor Manor was added to the Sanitorium in the 1950s. A few offices were still outfitted with this unique piece of history as late as 2002; Cragmor Hall was completely remodeled and reopened in January 2004.

From 1965 to 1972 the Colorado Springs Center operated as a division or extension of the Boulder campus. It became the first permanent home for a growing following of scholars. Colorado Constitutional Amendment 4, approved at the 1972 Colorado General Election, designated the Colorado Springs campus and two other centers as distinct campuses of the University of Colorado. Dwire Hall opened as the first solely academic building on campus in 1972;
it was completely remodeled in 2007. In 1974, the University of Colorado reorganized into four campuses – Colorado Springs, Boulder, Denver, and the Health Sciences Center in Denver. The two Denver campuses later consolidated administratively in June 2004. 1974 also marked the establishment of the first Chancellor of the Colorado Springs campus, with ties to the Boulder campus being changed to have the campus directly reporting to the President of the University. UCCS grew over the years, and in 1997 the first on-campus student housing opened. That same year a community referendum merged the city-owned Beth-El College of Nursing with the campus. During the 2010-2011 University of Colorado System’s new branding campaign, “at” was removed from the official UCCS name – University of Colorado at Colorado Springs – to become University of Colorado Colorado Springs.

Because of the ties to HP, initial university programs focused on engineering and business. Today, 47 years after its beginning, UCCS offers 34 bachelor’s, 19 master’s, and five doctoral degrees in six colleges and schools. The initial university programs of engineering and business still serve as pillars of the university, and are joined by a broad range of degree programs offered in the liberal arts and sciences, as well as professional programs in nursing, education and public affairs to meet the needs of Colorado’s second-largest metropolitan area and beyond. In recent years, programs such as the National Institute of Science, Space and Security Centers (NISSSC) were added to connect the university with the military to improve national security. Other programs, including the CU Institute for Bioenergetics and the CU Center on Aging, cast an eye toward the future. From its original 80 acres, UCCS has added 450 additional acres along Austin Bluffs Parkway and North Nevada Avenue. The student population has grown significantly as well; as of fall 2012 more than 9,700 students are enrolled on campus.

UCCS spring commencement ceremonies have been held at the old Broadmoor Ice Arena, a campus parking lot where the Osborne Center for Science & Engineering now stands, and the Colorado Springs World Arena. The first December commencement ceremony for summer and fall graduates was held on December 14, 2007 at the Pikes Peak Center. After only two years, the December graduates outgrew the Pikes Peak Center, and now both yearly ceremonies are held at the World Arena. Since the first UCCS commencement in 1975, approximately 34,000 students have graduated from the University of Colorado Colorado Springs.
The University of Colorado Colorado Springs mascot is the mountain lion. It is visible across campus in a variety of ways – as the artistic logo on UCCS shuttles, the grand marble statue in the University Center Lower Plaza, and the costumed mascot who ignites crowds at athletic games and official campus events. The mountain lion is an integral part of campus life, but that has not always been the case.

As UCCS began to develop an intercollegiate sports program in the 1980s, it became necessary to establish team identity with official colors and a mascot. In 1986, the first UCCS mascot, the hawk, was chosen and green and white sports uniforms were purchased. The Editor’s Corner in The Scribe (student newspaper) was even renamed “The Hawk’s Eye.” Until this time, the campus was told it was part of the CU System, and as such, already had a mascot – the buffalo. NCAA rules stated that due to differences in division level sports played at the Boulder and Colorado Springs campuses that UCCS was not allowed to claim the buffalo as their mascot. At the June 18, 1987 CU Board of Regents Meeting, the “regents decided not to officially designate a school mascot and colors for UCCS, but instead opted to allow UCCS to choose its own mascot while still maintaining the official CU colors of gold, silver, blue and black” (The Scribe, August 1987, pg 1). “CU Gold” became the accepted identity of the sports teams in Fall 1987.

In 1991, the student body voted for the “Fighting Longneckers” – or giraffes – to become the unofficial spirit symbol. This was personified by “Stretch,” a costumed giraffe obtained by former chancellor Dwayne Nuzum. Other options for a new spirit symbol considered by the Student Government Association (SGA) Committee were eagles, prospectors, gold diggers, golden avalanche, and pronghorns. Popularity of the spirit symbol waned with time. Many did not connect the giraffe with “CU Gold” and wanted a stronger identity.

Not until 1997 did a new campaign for a UCCS mascot begin. Realizing a need for a credible mascot, the SGA created a suggestion box to collect nominees for an official mascot. The overwhelming suggestion was the mountain lion, which won by 86% of the student body vote in spring 1998. Since that time, it has been the officially recognized symbol of the University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Dakota, a 14-year-old mountain lion at the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, was adopted by the student body in December 2002. Boomer, the costumed mascot, was named by the winner of the “Name the Mascot” contest in September 2003 and was officially introduced at Fall Fest (original name for Back to the Bluffs) that year.

In spring 2008, a 200-pound, three-year-old mountain lion, named “Clyde,” became the university’s first live mascot. He currently resides at the Serenity Springs Wildlife Center in Calhan, Colorado but can be seen making educational visits to the campus. In September 2010, the renovated University Center pub re-opened bearing his name: Clyde’s.

In spring 2011 the UCCS student body voted to officially change the name of the school mascot from Boomer to Clyde.

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