

*One Hundred Twenty-Seventh Annual
Spring
Commencement Exercise*

*Northwestern Oklahoma
State University
Alva, Oklahoma*



*Ranger Field
May 9, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.*

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Saturday, May 9, 2026, 10:30 a.m.



Processional	University Band
Star Spangled Banner	University Band
<i>Directed by Xan Perkins</i>	
Invocation.....	Pastor Tim Roggow
<i>Zion Lutheran Church</i>	
Address	Connie Sturgeon
<i>Class of 1986</i>	
Presentation of Class	Dr. James Bell
<i>Vice President for Academic Affairs</i>	
Conferring of Academic Degrees.....	Dr. Bo Hannaford
<i>President</i>	
Alma Mater	Audience
<i>Alevian Gray Crumpton, Class of 2026</i>	
Benediction.....	Pastor Tim Roggow
<i>Zion Lutheran Church</i>	
Recessional	University Band

Graduating Class

DOCTORATE OF NURSING PRACTICE

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Piedmont, Oklahoma

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Cherokee, Oklahoma

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Elk City, Oklahoma

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Altus, Oklahoma

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Aline, Oklahoma

Heatherene Merrill
Apple Valley, California

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M'Cheila Rader
Eudora, Kansas

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MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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Hennessey, Oklahoma

Shylo Durrell Glover
Stuart, Oklahoma

Donovan Hines
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Saddie Lynn Hammond
Kim, Colorado

Addie Lea Huber
Preston, Kansas

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Brooklynn Dawn Pierson
Indiahoma, Oklahoma

Carlos Iván Flores Melgar
Texhoma, Oklahoma

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- BA - Bachelor of Arts
- BM - Bachelor of Music
- BS - Bachelor of Science
- BAAS - Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences
- BAEd - Bachelor of Arts Education
- BBA - Bachelor of Business Administration
- BMEd - Bachelor of Music Education
- BSEd - Bachelor of Science Education
- BSN - Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- BSW - Bachelor of Social Work

HONORS PROGRAM

The Honors Program was designed by faculty and administration to provide intellectual stimulation in a challenging and supportive environment. Only a few of the academically elite students are selected to participate. Program requirements include taking a minimum of four honors courses and participating in student/faculty research projects or attending seminars. Students who complete the program will “Graduate with Honors” and are indicated in the program by the symbol “†”.

LEVELS OF ACADEMIC DISTINCTION

Latin honors are Latin phrases used to indicate the level of academic distinction with which an academic degree was earned. Northwestern Oklahoma State University recognizes graduates with levels of academic distinction based upon their cumulative grade point average.

*Cum Laude: 3.70-3.79 CGPA

**Magna Cum Laude: 3.80-3.89 CGPA

***Summa Cum Laude: 3.90-4.00 CGPA

ACADEMIC DRESS

The origins of academic dress date back to the 12th and 13th centuries when universities were being organized in medieval Europe. The ordinary dress of the scholar, whether student or teacher, was the dress worn by church officials of the time. The academic dress of American institutions has evolved from European traditions and has been in use in the country since colonial times. In the United States, academic degrees are identified by distinctive gowns, hoods, and colors.

Gowns recommended for use in the colleges and universities in the United States have the following characteristics. The gown of the bachelor’s degree has pointed sleeves. The gown for the master’s degree has an oblong sleeve. The gown for the doctor’s degree has bell-shaped sleeves. Today gowns are designed so that they may be worn open or closed.

Gowns for the bachelor’s or master’s degrees are untrimmed. For the doctor’s degree, the gown is faced in front with velvet; three bars (chevrons) are used across the sleeves. These velvet facings and cross bars (chevrons) may be black or the color distinctive of the academic disciplines to which the degree pertains, thus coinciding with the edging of the hood that is appropriate to the particular academic discipline of the doctor’s degree.

The academic hood is colorful, having its outside black with an edging of velvet in the color representing the academic degree. Each hood is lined with silk in colors representing the university granting the degree. Northwestern Oklahoma State University hoods are lined with red and black in addition to the trim representing the academic degree.

The cap or mortarboard comes from Italy and has its origins during the Renaissance. The cap has evolved from one that originally was worn over the ears and including no tassel to today's modification of a black square on a skullcap including a tassel. Variations of the mortarboard include the beret or the tam.

The colors of the tassel worn with the academic cap represent the level of degree or academic field in which the degree is conferred. For example, doctoral degree holders often wear a gold tassel that used to be worn only by presidents or chancellors.

For academic purposes, including trimmings of doctor's gown, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different academic disciplines are as follows:

- Agriculture (Maize)
- Arts, Letters, Humanities (White)
- Behavioral Science (Royal Blue)
- Commerce, Accountancy, Business (Drab)
- Economics (Copper)
- Education (Light Blue)
- English (White)
- Fine Arts, including Architecture (Brown)
- Journalism (Crimson)
- Law (Purple)
- Library Science (Lemon)
- Medicine (Green)
- Music (Pink)
- Nursing (Apricot)
- Oratory - Speech (Silver Gray)
- Philosophy (Dark Blue)
- Physical Education (Sage Blue)
- Science (Golden Yellow)
- Social Work (Citron)
- Theology (Scarlet)

Parts of the preceding information were adapted from the commencement programs of Fort Hays State University, Oklahoma State University, Texas A&M University, and the University of Oklahoma.

HONOR SOCIETIES

Northwestern Oklahoma State University offers the opportunity for its students to be members of a number of academic honor societies. Membership traditionally is by invitation to those who have excelled predominantly in academic achievement. Some academic honor societies recognize students from all academic fields while others focus on specialized areas such as psychology or history. At Northwestern, these academic honor societies include Alpha Psi Omega, Cardinal Key, Delta Tau Alpha, Delta Mu Delta, Chi Sigma Iota, Kappa Kappa Psi, Lambda Iota Tau, Phi Alpha Theta, Psi Chi, Pi Kappa Delta, Pi Sigma Alpha, Red and Black Scroll, Sigma Beta Delta, Sigma Tau Delta, and Sigma Delta Pi. Some of the members of these honor societies can be identified during graduation ceremonies by the honors cords or honors stoles they will be wearing over their academic dress.

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

The University Mace leads the academic procession at commencement and on other special ceremonial occasions. The mace symbolizes the authority of the President on behalf of the University. Historically, the use of a mace dates back to the Middle Ages and was carried before or placed near a magistrate or other dignitary as an ensign of authority.

The mace was designed by Dr. Jerry Brownrigg, Professor Emeritus of Technology. Brownrigg, who retired from Northwestern after 42 years of dedicated service, crafted the mace from a 45-year-old piece of local black walnut. Brownrigg was a skilled artist who has received national and worldwide acclaim for his craftsmanship. The mace depicts various University symbols, including the University seal, the names of the institution since it was established in 1897, and the names of the presidents of the University.





NORTHWESTERN ALMA MATER

Oh, Northwestern Alma Mater,
In our hearts you will remain,
To keep your honor and your glory,
Our devotion we proclaim.

In days to come,
And years begun
Throughout the land,
We'll praise your name.

For all your honor and your glory,
And your great undying fame,
We hail our Alma Mater.

F.A. McClain

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