

The moving sculpture "Servant Savior" depicts Jesus Christ washing the feet of His disciples just prior to The Lord's Supper. Created in 2004 by the late master sculptor Samuel Gore, "Servant Savior" was given to Mississippi College by the children of Robert and Sara Hederman.



# MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE VIRTUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE CLINTON, MISSISSIPPI SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2020 2:00 P.M.

PROCESSIONAL "Veritas March" Dr. Benjamin Williams

WELCOME Dr. Blake Thompson President, Mississippi College

INVOCATION
Aaron Feazelle
President, Student Government Association 2020

SPEAKER INTRODUCTION Dr. Thompson

#### COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Dr. Steven Price Professor, Department of English Distinguished Professor, 2019-2020

#### PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL DEGREE Dr. Thompson Mrs. Maggie Wade, WLBT News Anchor

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Dr. Cindy Melton, Dean, School of Education
Dr. Jonathan Randle, Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences
Dr. Kimberly Sharp, Dean, School of Nursing
Dr. Debbie Norris, Associate Provost and Graduate School Dean
Dr. Stan Baldwin, Dean, School of Science and Mathematics
Dr. Patricia Bennett, Dean, School of Law

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MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE
SUMMER AND FALL 2020 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE



# CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES SUMMER AND FALL 2020 COMMENCEMENT

\*Summer 2020 graduates

\*\*December candidates must meet all academic requirements to receive their degree and graduate from Mississippi College. All potentially eligible December graduation candidates have been included in the virtual ceremony, commencement program and will receive a graduation package. However, Mississippi College will not confer degrees for December candidates until grades are final on December 11.

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#### Master of Accountancy

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Crystal Lynn Gregory, Oxford, MS\* Major: Business Administration

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Susanna Gee Harris, North Carrollton, MS\* Major: Art Education

Carlie Alexis Sargent, Pensacola, FL Major: Art Education

#### MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Jon Micah Tyson, Madison, MS Major: Graphic Design

Thesis: The Function of Aesthetics in Game

Design

Thesis Committee:

Dr. Stephanie Busbea, Chair

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#### MASTER OF MUSIC

Brianna Maria Brown, Jackson, MS\* Major: Music Education

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Rachel Runnels Storey, Vicksburg, MS Major: Performance Piano

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- Emerson Nicolas Diaz, Magee, MS Major: Marriage & Family Counseling
- David Joel Fisher, II, *Rome*, GA
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- Jasmeka Koasher Cresha Foster, *Jackson*, MS Major: Mental Health Counseling
- Joshua Darnell Harper, Collierville, TN\* Major: Higher Education Administration
- Ansel Christian Heidelberg, *Jackson*, MS Major: Higher Education Administration
- Jill Albritton Johnson, *Pearl*, MS Major: Marriage & Family Counseling
- Joshua Shundel Lewis, Canton, MS Major: Higher Education Administration
- Moriah Joy Minnis, *Perkinston*, MS

  Major: Higher Education Administration
- Bronzen Azaria Smith, *Tupelo*, MS\*
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- Keon DeAunte Stewart, *Brookhaven*, MS\* Major: Mental Health Counseling
- Micha Tene Washington, New Albany, MS\*
  Major: Athletic Administration
  (Intercollegiate)
- Laraeven Symone White, *Pearl*, MS Major: Mental Health Counseling
- Katherine Elise Young, Madison, MS Major: Mental Health Counseling
- Yunyun Zhang, Fuyang, People's Republic of China\* Major: Mental Health Counseling

#### EDUCATION SPECIALIST

- LaTasha Ball, Florence, MS Major: Educational Leadership Administration, K-12
- Robert Eugene Benson, *Crystal Springs*, MS\* Major: Educational Leadership Administration, K-12
- Katherine Michelle Borho, Canton, MS\* Major: Counseling
- Ann Marie Carlyle, *Caledonia*, MS Major: Educational Leadership Administration, K-12
- Lisa Ann Carron, *Ridgeland*, MS Major: Educational Leadership Administration, K-12
- Jasmine Shanaye Coleman, *Pickens*, MS Major: Educational Leadership Administration, K-12
- Jerry D'Ante Currie, *Jackson*, MS Major: Educational Leadership Administration, K-12
- Carolyn McNair Dampeer, Brandon, MS\* Major: Counseling
- Nicholas Vernell Dotson, *Jackson*, MS\* Major: Educational Leadership Curriculum and Instruction
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#### DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

Sonya S. Bridges, Laurel, MS

Major: Educational Leadership

Dissertation: Assigning Quality Homework to

Dyslexic Students: A Mixed-Methods Phenomenological Study of Teachers

Dissertation Committee:

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Major: Educational Leadership

Dissertation: The Perceptions and Usage of Graphic Organizers of Middle School Teachers in

Mississippi

Dissertation Committee:

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Shelethia T. Manning McGruder, Canton, MS

Major: Educational Leadership

Dissertation: A Comparative Study on the

Effectiveness of 9th Grade Academies in Reference to Mississippi State Assessments, Suspensions, and

Chronic Absenteeism

Dissertation Committee:

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Dr. Chinelo Evans

Marnetta Smith McIntyre, Jackson, MS

Major: Educational Leadership

Dissertation: The Effects of Yearly Principal Attrition on The Accountability Rating of Traditional Public High Schools in Mississippi

from 2015-2019

Dissertation Committee:

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# Doctor of Professional Counseling

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Major: Professional Counseling

Alexandria Allen-Vincent, Meridian, MS Major: Professional Counseling

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Chameleon M. Davis, Glendora, MS Major: Professional Counseling

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Major: Professional Counseling

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Toni Rena Jones, Byram, MS Major: Professional Counseling

Destinee Carece Matthews, Bastrop, LA Major: Professional Counseling

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April Nicole Mitchell, Clinton, MS Major: Professional Counseling

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# SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

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Lilith Isabelle Duvall, Downsville, LA
Brooke Asheley Farmer, New Orleans, LA
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Morgan Faith Friedmann, Prairieville, LA
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Emily Rose Cloys

Defending the Facade: The Fight for Prestige and the Outbreak of World War I History

Dr. Steven Patterson

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Thesis: Attempts at Southern Expansion:

The Campaigns of Felix Huston

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Dr. Charles Weeks

Dr. Christian Pinnen

Savannah Leigh Martins, Como, MS\*

Major: English

Thesis: Sylvia Plath: Journey to The Colossus

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Professor Susan Lassiter, Chair

Dr. Kerry S. Jordan Mr. Daniel White

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Major: English

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Major: English

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Major: Administration of Justice

Cornesha Samone Coleman, Daleville, MS

Major: Homeland Security

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#### PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

The medallion concept originated in Biblical days as a symbol for authority. The medallion was worn for adornment, and its likeness served as the official seal. The Presidential Medallion, crafted for Dr. Blake Thompson, symbolizes the authority of the president's office as well as the president's responsibility to the Mississippi College

academic community. Fashioned in bronze and electroplated with gold, the Presidential Medallion depicts the Nelson Hall clock tower and is inscribed with the name and founding date of the university. The university's motto *Veritas et Virtus* (truth and virtue) and the title "president" are included in the inscriptions.







#### MACE AND SEAL

The Mississippi College Mace, carried by the faculty council president who serves as grand marshal, is a symbol of the authority of the president of Mississippi College. Originating in the Middle Ages as a hand weapon used by the guards of kings, the mace has evolved into a ceremonial symbol in academic processions. The Mississippi College Mace is an original design by Dr. Ruth Glaze, former professor of art, and the late art instructor Dr. Kenneth Quinn, and was crafted by the late Dr. Archie Germany, professor emeritus of chemistry. Dr. Cliff Fortenberry, professor of communication and former department head, suggested the creation and use of the

mace, which was first used during the inaugural ceremony of Dr. Howell Todd on April 28, 1995. The mounts were designed and cast by the late Dr. Sam Gore, professor of art and former department head, and former professor of art Steve Cook. The four bronze Ormolu mounts represent Provine Chapel, Nelson Hall, a Choctaw Indian, and the Mississippi College motto within a circle placed over an open Bible and under the torch of truth. The mounts are attached to the four quadrants of the mace, and the Mississippi College Presidential Seal is located in the crest of the mace.

### THE PRESIDENTIAL SEAL

The seal, which originated in prehistoric periods, came to represent the authority of the king. When used with wax and attached to a document, the impression of the seal carried with it the full weight of the king's authority. The university seal symbolizes the academic authority

controlled by the university. Any document which bears the seal is vested with the full authority of the university and its president. The Mississippi College Presidential Seal mirrors the design of the Presidential Medallion.



#### ACADEMIC REGALIA

A time-honored tradition of great dignity, the wearing of academic apparel dates to the ecclesiastical garb of the late Middle Ages. The academic gown and hood were apparently first adopted in the 13th century at the University of Cambridge (1284). The University of Oxford was soon to follow. The custom was transplanted to this country in colonial times by Kings College in New York, now Columbia University.

In 1885, American universities and colleges standardized their academic styles and developed the intercollegiate code of academic costume. The characteristic elements of academic regalia are the gown, hood, and cap. The gown

is usually of black material (serge or worsted for bachelors, the same or silk for masters, and silk for doctors).

The hood, worn around the neck to hang down the back, is the principal emblem of the nature and source of the degree held. It is edged with velvet of the color of the degree; its silk lining bears the colors of the institution which granted the degree. Hoods may be worn only after the degree has been granted.

The cap bears a tassel which may be black for all ranks of degrees, or may be of gold thread for doctors and the color representing the degree for bachelors and masters.



#### HISTORY OF MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

When Mississippi College opened its doors in 1826 as Hampstead Academy, much of the United States was still wilderness. A mere nine years earlier, Mississippi had been admitted into the Union as the twentieth state. Mississippi itself was still an untamed frontier – a challenge to be met by hard work, diligence, and faith. Applying these ideals to the academic setting, Mississippi College began educating men and women to become leaders in both professional and spiritual arenas.

Mississippi College is the oldest institution of higher learning in Mississippi and was the first co-educational

institution in the United States to grant a degree to a woman. In 1850, the Mississippi Baptist Convention obtained the university by lease and began operation through a board of trustees.

Now in its 195th year, Mississippi College is the oldest private university in the state. The university is governed by a board of trustees elected by the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Support comes through tuition, private donations from alumni and friends, foundation and corporate support, and the Mississippi Baptist Convention.



# MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE VISION STATEMENT

Mississippi College seeks to be known as a university recognized for academic excellence and commitment to the cause of Christ.





# MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Mississippi College, governed by a board of trustees elected by the Mississippi Baptist Convention, is a private, co-educational, comprehensive university of liberal arts and sciences and professional studies dedicated to the pursuit of academic excellence. Founded in 1826, Mississippi College is the oldest institution of higher learning and the largest private university in the state of Mississippi. As a Christian institution, Mississippi College values the integration of faith and learning throughout the educational process.

Consistent with its Baptist heritage and relationship to the Convention, Mississippi College provides a Christian education for its student population. Students select the university because of the quality of its academic programs, Christian environment, and location. The university recruits students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship, leadership, and church and community involvement. The majority of students come from Mississippi and other southern states.

Mississippi College stimulates the intellectual development of its students through the liberal arts and sciences and concentrated study in specialized fields, including preprofessional and professional programs. The

university environment promotes the spiritual, social, emotional, and physical development of its students and encourages them to utilize their skills, talents, and abilities as they pursue meaningful careers, lifelong learning, and service to God and others. The university emphasizes those undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs that offer opportunities for service. The university reflects its responsibility of service to the community through a variety of learning opportunities and numerous cultural enrichment experiences.

Mississippi College is committed to excellence and innovation in teaching and learning. The university seeks to employ and retain faculty who are dedicated to teaching, learning, and advising students; who support and engage in scholarship and creative activities that advance knowledge; and who seek to continue their own professional development. The university also seeks to employ and retain staff and administrators who are equally dedicated to supporting these efforts. Furthermore, the university selects employees who reflect Christian values and a commitment to service. Mississippi College is an equal opportunity employer in accordance with Title VII and applicable exemptions.



#### DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR AWARD

Each year since 1978 Mississippi College has recognized a member of the faculty as Distinguished Professor of the Year. In the spring of 2000, the General Faculty voted to revise the process by which the Distinguished Professor is chosen. Currently, faculty in the schools of Business, Education, Law, and Nursing nominate one member of their respective faculties for this award. The faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences nominates three members, one each from the Humanities, the Sciences, Fine Arts, and Communication. Each May, a committee appointed by the President of the Faculty Council and composed of faculty from all academic divisions of the university selects the Distinguished Professor of the Year based on criteria established by the General Faculty.

#### AWARD RECIPIENTS

1977-78 Dr. Archie Germany	1992-93 Dr. Kirk Ford	2007-08 Dr. Mark Modak-Truran
1978-79 Dr. Joe Cooper	1993-94 Mrs. Mary Catherine Gentry	2008-09 Dr. Michael Mann
1979-80 Dr. George Pittman	1994-95 Dr. Billy Hicks	2009-10 Dr. Kerri Jordan
1980-81 Dr. William P. Stark	1995-96 Dr. Becky Lynchard Clark	2010-11 Dr. James Everett
1981-82 Dr. L. Craig Whitlock	1996-97 Dr. James Sclater	2011-12 Dr. Emily Fokeladeh
1982-83 Dr. Ron Howard	1997-98 Dr. Debbie Pierce	2012-13 Dr. David G. Miller
1983-84 Dr. Lloyd Roberts	1998-99 Dr. John Meadors	2013-14 Dr. Patricia Bennett
1984-85 Dr. Anne Meydrech	1999-00 Dr. Shirley N. Jones	2014-15 Prof. Steve Cook
1985-86 Dr. Ed Akin	2000-01 Dr. Tom Williams	2015-16 Dr. Teresa Floyd
1986-87 Dr. Ralph Taylor	2001-02 Dr. Gerald Lee	2016-17 Dr. Cindy Melton
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1988-89 Dr. James Burnside	2003-04 Dr. William P. Stark	2018-19 Dr. John Anderson
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1990-91 Dr. John McCall	2005-06 Dr. Bill Wheeler, Jr.	
1991-92 Dr. Craig Turner	2006-07 Dr. Mary Ann Henriques	

### VAN "DOC" QUICK DISTINGUISHED STAFF AWARD

Each year since 2005 Mississippi College has recognized an outstanding member of the staff as the recipient of the Distinguished Staff Award. In honor of Dr. Van Dyke Quick, Vice President for Student and Alumni Affairs, Emeritus, an outstanding alumnus and long-time member of the Mississippi College family, the award was renamed and presented in 2010 as the Van "Doc" Quick Distinguished Staff Award. Nominations for this award are received in April each year and may be received from students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends of Mississippi College. A nominee for this award must be a current Mississippi College staff employee who has had three consecutive years of service as a full-time staff member. The recipient of the award is selected by a committee composed of seven staff members and presented at the May commencement.

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2006-07	Cindy Hampton	2012-13	Shirley Tipton	2018-19	Shelia Carpenter
2007-08	Sandy Reeves	2013-14	Ann Long	2019-20	Laura Ann Hoffman
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