Hooding Ceremony
2015

Wake Forest University
Graduate School of
Arts & Sciences
Wait Chapel
3:00 p.m. Saturday, May 16
Prelude ................................................................................................................................. Mr. Raymond Ebert
Organist

Procesional…Epithalame ~ Healey Willan ................................................................. Mr. Raymond Ebert
Platform Party, Faculty and Candidates

Audience please stand for processional and invocation.
Please turn off all cell phones during the ceremony.

Invocation ............................................................................................................................. Reverend Timothy Auman
University Chaplain

Opening Remarks ............................................................................................................ Dr. Dwayne Godwin
Dean, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Introduction of Distinguished Guest ............................................................................. Dr. Terry Blumenthal
Professor, Department of Psychology

Address .................................................................................................................................. “Finding My Voice”
Dr. Edward R. Ergenzinger, Jr.
Patent Attorney at Olive Law Group, PLLC

Presentation of Awards ...................................................................................................... Dr. Dwayne Godwin

Presenter ............................................................................................................................... Mr. Ronald Nelson, Jr.
Graduate Student Association

The Graduate Student Association Faculty Excellence Award ........................................ Dr. Jeffrey Weiner
Professor, Physiology and Pharmacology

Presenter ............................................................................................................................... Dr. Dwayne Godwin

The Gordon A. Melson Outstanding Doctoral Student Award ......................................... Dr. Alexander Birbrair
Neuroscience Program

The Gordon A. Melson Outstanding Master’s Student Award ........................................... Mr. Taylor Sullivan Bolt
Department of Psychology

The Gordon A. Melson Outstanding Master’s Student Award ........................................... Mr. Bryan Joshua Prosser
Department of Computer Science
THE HOODING CEREMONY

Presentation of Doctoral Candidates ......................................................... Dr. Dwayne Godwin

Conferral of Hoods .................................................................................... Doctoral Advisors

Presentation of Masters’ Candidates .......................................................... Dr. Brad Jones

  Dean, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Conferral of Hoods, Master of Arts............................................................. Mr. Mark Hall, JD

  Fred D. and Elizabeth L. Turnage Professor of Law, School of Law;
  Professor, Department of Social Sciences and Health Policy, School of Medicine

Conferral of Hoods, Master of Science ...................................................... Dr. Peter Brubaker

  Professor, Department of Health and Exercise Science

Conferral of Hoods, Master of Fine Arts.................................................... Ms. Cynthia Hill

  Co-director and Associate Teaching Professor, Documentary Film Program

Presentation of the Master of Arts in Education
  Candidates, May and August 2015......................................................... Dr. Brad Jones

Conferral of Hoods .................................................................................... Dr. Leah McCoy

  Professor, Department of Education

CLOSING REMARKS .................................................................................. Dr. Brad Jones

BENEDICTION ......................................................................................... Reverend Timothy Auman

RECESSIONAL…TOCCATA FROM ORGAN SYMPHONY V ~ C.M. WIDOR ........ Mr. Raymond Ebert

  Audience please stand in place for recessional.

RECEPTION ............................................................................................... Green Room, Reynolda Hall

FACULTY MARSHALS

Dr. J. Daniel Bourland, Professor, Radiation Oncology
Dr. Christa Colyer, Professor, Department of Chemistry

STUDENT MARSHALS

Matthew Brovold, Molecular Medicine and Translational Science Program
Claire Nagy-Kato, Sustainability Program
Ronald Nelson, Department of Chemistry
Mitchell Riley, Neuroscience Program
DISTINGUISHED GUEST

Dr. Edward R. Ergenzinger, Jr.

Attorney at Law
Olive Law Group, PLLC

EDUCATION Wake Forest Neuroscience alumnus Edward R. Ergenzinger, Jr., will be the invited speaker for the 2015 Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Hooding and Awards Ceremony, to be held at Wait Chapel on May 16. Dr. Ergenzinger currently practices patent law in the area of biotechnology with the Olive Law Group, PLLC. He received a J.D. in 2002, Ph.D. in Neuroscience in 1999, and B.A. in Biology and Psychology in 1994, all from Wake Forest University.

BIOGRAPHY Edward Ergenzinger focuses his intellectual property law practice on patent procurement issues in the area of biotechnology. In addition to his experience as a patent attorney, Dr. Ergenzinger has several years of experience in the field of intellectual property law through his work as a patent agent and law clerk while attending law school full-time. Furthermore, his scientific training includes research and graduate coursework in the areas of neurophysiology, neuropharmacology, drug delivery systems, cellular and biochemical neuroscience, and molecular neuroscience. Dr. Ergenzinger is the lead author or co-author on over 40 scientific and legal publications that have appeared in such venues as Nature Neuroscience, Nature Encyclopedia of Life Sciences, Legal Times, The Scientist, BioPharm Magazine, and Stanford Technology Law Review. He has lectured on scientific topics as part of the medical, graduate, and undergraduate curriculae at Wake Forest University. He has also lectured on intellectual property law as part of North Carolina Bar Association programs, including continuing legal education on developments in chemical and biotechnology patent law. He was selected for inclusion in Business North Carolina’s “Legal Elite” list for Intellectual Property. As Director of Intellectual Property and Academic Affairs at the Duke Human Vaccine Institute, Dr. Ergenzinger managed intellectual property assets arising from over $50 million dollars per year of extramural grants and contracts, including a worldwide patent portfolio of over 300 patent cases. Dr. Ergenzinger is also active in legislative advocacy efforts relating to patent law through organizations such as the Biotechnology Industry Organization (BIO), for which he serves on their Intellectual Property Counsel's Committee. He has co-chaired panels on patent legislation as part of the BIO 2003 and BIO 2004 conventions that have included members of the House Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property of the House Judiciary Committee. In particular, the panel he co-chaired for BIO 2003 was selected for a special program on Capitol Hill for members of Congress and their staff. In 1994, Dr. Ergenzinger received a B.A. in Biology and Psychology, cum laude with honors, from Wake Forest University, where he was a Presidential Scholar. He received a Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Wake Forest University in 1999, where he was a National Institute of Mental Health Predoctoral Fellow at the School of Medicine. In 2002, he received a J.D. from Wake Forest University School of Law, where he was co-founder and editor-in-chief of the Wake Forest Intellectual Property Law Journal and received an American Bar Association Award for Excellence in the Study of Intellectual Property Law. Dr. Ergenzinger is registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARD

This award is presented to the faculty member whom the Graduate Student Association has selected as having done the most to promote excellence in graduate education this past year.

GORDON A. MELSON OUTSTANDING DOCTORAL STUDENT AWARD

This student has been identified as being outstanding in research, productivity and quality. Although the award is for excellence in the student’s research program in general, special emphasis in selecting the recipient is given to the dissertation in terms of originality, importance, and potential influence on the student’s field. Other factors which are considered in conferring this award are academic record, activity in the discipline, as well as university and departmental citizenship. The award’s monetary prize is made possible through gifts from alumni and friends to the Gordon A. Melson Outstanding Doctoral Student Award Fund of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.

GORDON A. MELSON OUTSTANDING MASTER’S STUDENT AWARD

This student has been identified as being outstanding in terms of academic record, activity in the discipline, as well as university and departmental citizenship. Furthermore, the student’s research productivity and quality have been deemed exceptional. The award’s monetary prize is made possible through gifts from alumni and friends to the Gordon A. Melson Outstanding Master’s Student Award Fund of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.

AWARDS RECEIVED BY GRADUATES

Ellen Nicole Dover ................................................................. Cowgill Fellowship

Biochemistry Department,
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2013-2014

Elizabeth Grace Graham ..................................................... Gold Award, Basic Science

Surgical Sciences 22nd Annual Residents’ and Fellows’ Research Day
Wake Forest School of Medicine, 2014

Tanner Kinkade Hill ................................................................. Mike and Lucy Robbins Graduate Scholarship

Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2014

Jennifer Hawthorne Jordan ............................................. 1st Place Translational Sciences

11th Annual Graduate Student Research Day,
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2011

2nd Place Poster Presentation

9th Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium, Virginia Tech, 2010

Predoctoral Fellowship
American Heart Association, Mid-Atlantic Affiliation, 2010

Andrew Jon Kobin ................................................................. Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Department of Mathematics
Wake Forest University, 2014

Sarah Allyson Kromrey ............................................................. Best Thesis Award

Neuroscience Program, Wake Forest University Graduate School of Art and Sciences, 2015
AWARDS RECEIVED BY GRADUATES (continued)

Rongzhong Li ........................................................................................................... Alumni Student Travel Award
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2012

Jasmine Jean Luoma .................................................................................................. Richter Scholar
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2014

Justin Lyle ............................................................................................................. Outstanding Graduate Student Award
Department of Mathematics
Wake Forest University, 2014

Emma Moran ............................................................................................................ Three-Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition Award Winner
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2014
Best PhD Podium Presentation Award
SBES Symposium, 2014
Best Poster Award
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2013
Best Poster Award
Wake Forest Institute for Regenerative Medicine, 2013
Written Publication Award
Rocky Mountain Bioengineering Symposium, 2012

Kyle Allen Murrah .................................................................................................. Finalist, 1st Annual Breast Cancer Start-up Challenge
Avon Foundation, Center for Advancing Innovation, and the National Institutes of Health Cancer National Institute, 2014

Amanda Jayne Pickard .......................................................................................... Outstanding Graduate Student Award
American Institute of Chemists (AIC), 2014

Ricquita DeAnn Pollard .......................................................................................... Diversity Supplement Awardee Recognition
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Journal of Minority Medical Students, 2015
Early Career Investigator Travel Stipend Award
Kern Lipid Conference Organization, 2014
Travel Award for Young Investigators
Atherosclerosis, Thrombosis, and Vascular Biology/American Heart Association, 2014
Senior Commercialization Services Intern Award
Wake Forest Innovation Commercialization Services, 2014

Thomas L. Clark, Jr Memorial Scholarship
Thomas L. Clark, Jr. Memorial Scholarship, 2013-2015

William Hill Memorial Scholarship for Educational Excellence
William Hill Memorial Scholarship, 2012

Graduate Student Poster Competition, 2nd Place
South East Lipid Research Conference, 2012
AWARDS RECEIVED BY GRADUATES (continued)

Waqas T. Qureshi .................................................................................................................. Best Teacher Award for Medical Students
Wayne State University, 2013

Best Resident Award
Wayne State University/Henry Ford Health Systems, 2012

Young Investigator Award
American Society of Nuclear Cardiology, 2010

Andrew Ryan Rau ............................................................................................................. Memorial Award
Research Society on Alcoholism, 2015

Student Merit Award
Research Society on Alcoholism 2013-2015

Mary A. Bell Award
Western North Carolina Chapter, Society for Neuroscience, 2013

Ruth L. Kirschstein Predoctoral National Research Service Award
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 2012-2015

Kathryn Rosa Riley ............................................................................................................. GlaxoSmithKline Award
Department of Chemistry,
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2014

Postdoctoral Fellow at the National Institute of Standards and Technology
National Research Council, 2014

East Asia and Pacific Summer Institutes Fellow
National Science Foundation, 2012

William Randolph Hearst Minority Scholarship
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2010-2014

Lindsay U. Rodrigues ........................................................................................................ Women in Cancer Research Scholar Award
American Association for Cancer Research, 2014

Mary Jane Skelly ............................................................................................................. David K. Sundberg Memorial Award
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2015

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award
National Institutes of Health, 2013-2015

Student Merit Award
Research Society on Alcoholism, 2012-2015

Predoctoral Training Program in Neuroscience
National Institutes of Health 2010-2012

Leona Crystal Smith ........................................................................................................ Certificate of Appreciation
Wake Forest Baptist Hospital, 2015
Lora Elizabeth Smith ................................................................. Top Competitive Paper
Interpretation & Performance Study Division,
Eastern Communication Association, 2013

Candice Blair Summitt ................................................................. Herbert C. Cheung PhD Award
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2015
Short Term Travel Grant
Oxalosis & Hyperoxaluria Foundation, 2014
The Sandy Lee Cowgill Memorial Scholarship Fund
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2013

Alan Michael Teitleman ................................................................. Outstanding Academic Achievement
Phi Kappa Phi, 2012

Ryan Griffin Thys ................................................................. Best Poster
8th International Conference on Unstable Microsatellites in
Human Disease, Guanacaste, Costa Rica, 2015
Alumni Student Travel Award
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2015
Best Student Poster
Genetics and Environmental Mutagenesis Society Fall Meeting,
Chapel Hill, 2012
NIH/NRSA Predoctoral Fellowship in Cancer Biology
Wake Forest School of Medicine, 2010

Safyah Zafar Usmani ................................................................. Fulbright Scholar

Dipen Atulkumar Vyas ................................................................. Alumni Student Travel Award
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2014
Venture Capital Investment Competition, 2nd place
Southeast Regional, Georgetown University, 2014
Biotechnology Conference and Case Competition, 2nd place
Wake Forest University School of Business, 2013
Runner up – Translational Sciences Poster Presentation
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2012
Best Oral Presentation
North Carolina Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Society, 2011
AWARDS RECEIVED BY GRADUATES (continued)

John Thomas Wren, Jr. .......................................................... Eugene R. Heise Graduate Student Award
Department of Microbiology and Immunology,
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2014
Outstanding Student Poster
American Society for Microbiology, 2014
Louis Argenta Physician Scientist Scholarship,
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2010

Christie Ann Young ................................................................. Alumni Student Travel Award
Wake Forest University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2014
Experimental Biology’s Stand Up for Science Competition Award
Federation of American Societies, 2012
Cell Signaling Conference Travel Grant
American Society for Microbiology Cell, 2011

Xin Zhou ....................... Norman M. Sulkin Award in Neuroanatomy for Outstanding PhD Dissertation
Wake Forest University School of Medicine, 2014
Graduate Student Travel Award
Western North Carolina Society for Neuroscience, 2014
Graduate Student Travel Award
This list may be incomplete. The list which is read during the Hooding and Awards Ceremony will be official.

**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**  
**May 18, 2015**

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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
Conferred December 30, 2014

Edgar Mauricio Barajas-Mora
Theresa Ann Isbell
Christine Jane Kowalczewsiki
Kathryn Rosa Riley
Lindsey U. Rodrigues
Sandhya Bharti Sharma
Xin Zhou

Program
Microbiology and Immunology
Chemistry
Biomedical Engineering
Chemistry
Cancer Biology
Chemistry
Neurobiology and Anatomy

Advisor
Dr. Erik S. Barton
Dr. Christa L. Colyer
Dr. Justin M. Saul
Dr. Christa L. Colyer
Dr. Scott D. Cramer
Dr. Rebecca W. Alexander
Dr. Christos Constantinidis

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Ebaa Mohammad Alzayadneh
Alexander Birbrair
Dustin Lee Crouch
Kyle Allen Murrah
Amanda Jayne Pickard
Shreya Raghavan

Program
Physiology and Pharmacology
Neuroscience
Biomedical Engineering
Microbiology and Immunology
Chemistry
Biomedical Engineering

Advisor
Dr. Mark Chappell
Dr. Osvaldo Delbono
Dr. Katherine Saul
Dr. W. Edward Swords
Dr. Ulrich Bierbach
Dr. Khalil N. Bitar

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS
May 18, 2015

Stacey Appiah-Opoku
Sara W. Bailey
Nathan H. Bedsole
Christine E. Bishop*
Taylor Sullivan Bolt
Oliver M. Brass
Megan Elizabeth Bruening
Lisa Locklar Cashion§
Angelina Rose Castellani
Gregory P. Conklin
Catherine Anne Culbertson-Shelton
Justin Donald DeBenedetto
Mackenzie Alexis Douthit
Kelly Sonnabend Erickson
Jordan M. Foley
Martha Claire Fulton
Shannon Elizabeth Gartland
Rachel Elizabeth Glasser
Mary Catherine Grant
Niah Shaylin Grimes
Meghan Sabba Hall

Program
Counseling
Counseling
Communication
Bioethics
Psychology
Communication
English
Counseling
Counseling
Mathematics
Religion
Mathematics
Psychology
Communication
Religion
Counseling
English
Counseling
Bioethics

*In Absentia
§ Joint Degree with Master of Divinity
CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS (continued)

Emily Julia Hanson      Psychology
Elliot Z. Hollifield     Mathematics
Xiaochen Hu*            Mathematics
James Robert Hubbard, Jr. English
Mailys Hubert           Interpreting and Translation Studies
Jennifer Ann Hutcherson English
Andrew Jon Kobin        Mathematics
Kelly Lynn Kuykendall   Mathematics
Harry Alan Lerner        Counseling
Mary Welles Lineberger  Counseling
Elizabeth Katherine Majewski English
Janelle Saneishá Martin English
Hannah C. Moody          Communication
Annie Rose O’Brien      Religion
Alejandra Ortega        English
Jasmine Marie Osorio    Mathematics
Eleni Panayiota Palesis Bioethics
Mary Agnes Palilonis §§ English
Laure Parkinson         Liberal Studies
Kevin Lewis Patterson   English
Bailey Mestayer Pittenger English
Kelly A. Porter         English
Abby Rainer             Communication
Ashleigh Kathleen Rainko Communication
Felicity Ursula Ratway  Interpreting and Translation Studies
Mollee M. Reitz         Counseling
Catherine L. Robey      Bioethics
Asher Rubin             Psychology
Itzel Carolina Sánchez  Interpreting and Translation Studies
Amelie Schreiber        Mathematics
James E. Schultz        Communication
Earl Alton Scott, Jr.   Liberal Studies
Ontario Tyrone Stotts  Mathematics
Alan Michael Teitleman  Communication
Kathryn Allison Theall  Counseling
Sara Kristen Thomas*    Interpreting and Translation Studies
Ashley Thompson*        Counseling
Terri Elaine Thompson   Counseling
Amanda Tingley          Interpreting and Translation Studies
Alison Turner           Counseling
Cecile Vocelle          Communication
Samantha Beadotta Voncannon Sustainability
Rinchen Wangyel         Counseling
Alexandra Weihe         Counseling
Brandon Matthew Weiss   Psychology
Kristin Weiss           English
Brittan Elizabeth Wilkey English
Jocelyn M. Williams     Counseling
John Robert Williams    Sustainability
Chaowei Zhu             Interpreting and Translation Studies

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§§  Joint Degree with Doctor of Medicine
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Program
Bioethics
Communication
Bioethics
Mathematics
Psychology
Mathematics
Communication
Counseling

James Franklin Black
Roy Nathaniel Bowling
Kevin Michael Brewer
Thomas G. Coverson II
Catherine Melinda Hammack
Kelly Rose Miskewicz
Jesse Leigh Patsolic
Mladen K. Petkov
Satoko Suzuki

MASTER OF ARTS
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Program
Psychology
Psychology
English
Bioethics
Bioethics
Bioethics
Psychology
Psychology
Communication
Bioethics

Maxwell Louis Barranti
Alexandra Marie DeLone
Natasha Aileen Doski
Rebeca Ester Echevarria
Eugene Kirzhner
Nathaniel Douglas May
Joshua Prasad
Emily Grace Simpson
Lora Elizabeth Smith
Courtney Alexandra Whicker

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE
May 18, 2015

Program
Biomedical Science
Clinical and Population Translational Sciences
Clinical and Population Translational Sciences
Health and Exercise Science
Computer Science
Biomedical Science
Health and Exercise Science
Biomedical Science
Health and Exercise Science
Biomedical Science
Clinical and Population Translational Sciences
Biomedical Science

Abayomi Ade Adeyemi
Shivani R. Aggarwal
Martinson Kweku Arnan
Teagan Elizabeth Avis
Ivan Alekseyevich Azarov
Victoria Paige Beamer
John Thomas Becton
Corey D. Boggs
Seth Andrew Christopher
Phillip Cox
Ryan Richard Davis
Farah Zuhair Dawood
Colin Fennely

*In Absentia
Ψ Awarded Structural Computational Biophysics Certificate
§§§ Joint Degree with Juris Doctor
CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE (continued)

Charles Jordan Freeman
James Gaewsky*
Weiwei Ge*
Fletcher Hodnett
John Ainsworth Hopkins
Jason Thomas Jakiela
Steven Michael Johnson
Sampson G. King
Ryan David Koski-Vacirca*
Sarah Kathryn Lynch
Logan Miller*
Sourav Mishra*
Tesia LaChell Oliver
Bryan Joshua Prosser
Waqs T. Qureshi*
Michael Dominic Santarelli
Anirudh Sattiraju
Doron Schwartz
Jessica Lee Simpson
Andrea Marie Singleton
Leona Crystal Smith*
Cody Stevens*
Samuel Jesse Tweedie
Benjamin Ambler Vaughan*
Yiyuan Xia*
Samuel Yeboah
Xin Zhou

Biomedical Science
Biomedical Science
Computer Science
Computer Science
Biomedical Science
Health and Exercise Science
Computer Science
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Program
Biomedical Science
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Biomedical Engineering
Clinical and Population Translational Sciences
Computer Science
Health and Exercise Science

Amy Katherine Braden
Bryan Robert Cox
Jennifer Hawthorne Jordan
Callistus I Huy Minh Nguyen
Xanthia Samaropoulos
Timothy Owen Thomas
Joshua F. Wallace

MASTER OF SCIENCE
Conferred August 15, 2014

Program
Clinical and Population Translational Sciences
Biomedical Science
Biology
Biomedical Science

Pelbreton C. Balfour, Jr.
Kshitij Chawla
Samantha Jill Mandel
Ankita Poudyal

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MASTER OF SCIENCE (continued)
Conferred August 15, 2014

Kristen Sanders      Biomedical Science
Shuowen Wei      Computer Science
Julie Anne Williams      Clinical and Population Translational Sciences

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION
May 18, 2015

Program
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