

LEWIS HONORS COLLEGE

Medal Ceremony

SPRING 2024



MISSION

The mission of the Lewis Honors College is to better the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the world by helping students to explore their purpose, develop intellectually, and lead with integrity.



VISION

The Lewis Honors College will provide a world-class honors experience that is known for the success of its students, the quality of its faculty and curriculum, the respect of its peers, and the economic and social progress of our communities.

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ACADEMIC ATTIRE

All candidates for degrees and those who hold these degrees, including University officials, faculty, and visiting dignitaries, are attired in traditional cap and gown. The basic color for many caps and gowns is the formal black. University of Kentucky (UK) Baccalaureate and Master Degree candidates wear custom UK blue caps and gowns. However, recipients of different degrees wear distinctive tassels on their caps and hoods of various hues draped down the backs of the gowns.

CAPS

Candidates for Bachelor's degrees wear the regulation cap with the tassel appropriate to the school or division from which they are being graduated, with the exception of those who already hold Doctoral degrees and are privileged to wear gold or silver tassels. Candidates for Master's degrees wear black tassels with their school or division represented by the color on their hood. Except during the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner," traditionally males in academic regalia wear their caps. The authorized list of tassel and hood colors follows:

Agriculture, Food, & Environment - Maize	Engineering - Orange
Arts & Sciences	Fine Arts - Brown
Arts - White	Music - Pink
Sciences - Gold	Graduate School
Business & Economics - Drab	Diplomacy - Copper
Communication & Information	Public Policy & Administration - Peacock Blue
Communication - Silver/Gray	Health Sciences - Mint Green
Journalism - Crimson	Law - Purple
Library Sciences - Lemon	Medicine - Hunter Green
Dentistry - Lilac	Nursing - Apricot
Design - Blue Violet	Pharmacy - Olive Green
Historic Preservation - Sage	Public Health - Salmon
Education - Light Blue	Social Work - Citron

GOWNS

The gown for the Bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves. It is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the Master's degree has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, like the others. The sleeve base hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut and the front part has an arc cutaway. The gown is designed and supplied with fasteners so that it may be worn open or closed. The gown for the Doctoral degree has a bell-shaped sleeve on which are three velvet bars. Usually the gowns for Doctoral degrees are black but sometimes other colors, depending on the degree or the college or university. The UK gown for the Doctoral degree is UK blue with black panels and three black bars on the sleeve.

HOODS

The Master's hood is long, has a wide velvet edging, and exposes the lining. The outside velvet trim color designates the degree which the person is receiving. The Doctoral hood is easily recognized by the width of the velvet edging, the wide panels at the sides, the greater length, and the full exposure of the lining. The colors of the edging most frequently seen are blue for philosophy, green for medicine, purple for laws; the colors for the honorary Doctoral degrees are purple for laws, white for arts/letters/humanities, and golden yellow for science.

RIBBONS, CORDS, AND SASHES

White ribbon with the Honors Medallion indicates the wearer is a graduate of the Lewis Honors College.

Purple and white ribbons on the Honors ribbon indicate the wearer is a Singletary Scholar.

Dark green ribbons on the Honors ribbon indicate the wearer completed the Rising Leaders program.

Drab ribbons on the Honors ribbon indicate the wearer completed a Business pathway.

Orange ribbons on the Honors ribbon indicate the wearer completed the Scholars in Engineering and Management pathway.

Pink and blue ribbons indicate the wearer is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Black, blue, and white cords indicate membership in Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society.

Red, white, and blue cords indicate military service.

Double white honor cords signify academic honors of cum laude.

White and gold honor cords signify academic honors of magna cum laude.

Double gold honor cords signify academic honors of summa cum laude.

Silver cords indicate the wearer is a student athlete.

Green and red sashes indicate the wearer is a Gaines Scholar.

Lewis Honors College Awards

Staff Excellence Award

Awarded to a Lewis Honors College staff member who has demonstrated excellence in their role. Staff are nominated by students, faculty, staff, or administrators.

This is the inaugural year for the Staff Excellence Award.

Raymond Betts Crystal Award

Awarded to a graduating senior for outstanding service to the Lewis Honors College and the UK community at large. Students must be nominated by students, faculty, or staff.

The award was created in 1986 to honor the career of UK Honors Program Director and Founder of the Gaines Center for the Humanities, Dr. Raymond F. Betts.

Leadership Award

Awarded to a graduating senior who has excelled in leadership positions at the university, college, or major level. Students must be nominated by students, faculty, or staff.

This recognition, originally named the *Spirit of Honors Award*, was established in 2017.

Diachun Research Award

Awarded to a graduating senior who has “demonstrated outstanding research talent in the form of their Independent Project and who holds high promise for further professional development in graduate school.” This \$1,000 award is to be used for expenses in graduate or professional school. Students must be nominated by students, faculty, or staff.

This award was established in 1982 by the UK Honors Program to honor the first Director of the UK Honors Program, Dr. Stephen N. Diachun.

Diachun Scholar Award

Awarded to a graduating senior, majoring in science or a related field, who has the highest academic achievement among their peers. Candidates are selected based on their GPA and course rigor at the end of December before their graduating year as well as breadth of intellectual interest, such as courses in the humanities. The recognition includes a monetary award of \$5,000.

This award was created in 2019 to honor the first Director of the UK Honors Program, Dr. Stephen N. Diachun. The endowment is made possible by the generosity of Karen Kemper Henson '69 and Jan B. Henson '69.

Evans Scholar Award

Awarded to a graduating senior, majoring in humanities, arts, or social sciences, who has the highest academic achievement among their peers. Candidates are selected based on their GPA and course rigor at the end of December before their graduating year as well as breadth of intellectual interest, such as courses in the sciences. The recognition includes a monetary award of \$5,000.

This award was created in 2019 to honor the second Director of the UK Honors Program, Dr. Robert O. Evans. The endowment is made possible by the generosity of Karen Kemper Henson '69 and Jan B. Henson '69.

Founding Dean’s Award for Faculty Excellence in Honors Education

Awarded to two Honors faculty who demonstrate excellence in Honors education through student engagement, mentoring, and supervising research or independent study projects. Faculty must be nominated by students, faculty, or staff.

This award was established in 2023 and made possible by the generosity of Dr. and Mrs. Christian M. M. Brady. Dr. Brady is the inaugural Dean of the Lewis Honors College.

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May 2, 2024

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RECESSIONAL

*Please remain seated until all graduates have recessed.

GRADUATES

Lily Abby

Management, Marketing

Trinity Adams

Psychology

Seun Adekunle

Computer Science

Princess Magor Agbozo

Public Health

Rohma Akhtar

Health, Society and Populations

Aidan Aldridge

Political Science

Martin Alfaya

History

Abraham Alhamdani

Neuroscience

Caroline Allen

Biology

Charles Allen

Civil Engineering

Reece Allen

Computer Science

Paul Allison

Marketing

Olivia Allran

Public Health

Rana Alsoufi

Journalism

Elena Andrews

Folklore and Mythology

Joseph Andrews

Political Science

Artin Asadipooya

Neuroscience

Kaitlyn Bacik

Computer Science

Autum Bailey

Human Health Sciences

Sarah Baird

Mechanical Engineering

Madison Baker

Psychology

Jack Ballard

Accounting

Rachel Barber

Civil Engineering

Tyler Barnes

Biology

Avrie Barthel

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Matthew Bartholomai

Computer Science

Ryan Beckwith

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Political Science, Spanish

Praneeth Bhatt

Computer Science

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Biology

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Psychology

Cailey Bingham

Marketing, Integrated Strategic

Communication

Madison Blair

Political Science

Emma Blazis

Merchandising, Apparel and

Textiles; Management

Megan Bordner

Biomedical Engineering

Mareike Bravin

Political Science

Meghan Brockman

History, Spanish

Grace Brooks

Human Health Sciences

Emily Brown

Interiors: Planning/Strategy/Design

Karlyle Brown

Management, Marketing

Katie Anne Brown

Neuroscience

Riley Bryson

History

Eriel Burns

Political Science

Jackson Butcher

Computer Science

Claire Butler

Digital Media and Design

Braden Bybee

Mechanical Engineering

Aidan Byrd

Human Health Sciences

Hadley Carmichael

Biology

Lily Carpenter

Communication Sciences and

Disorders

Jaycee Castro

Anthropology

Jack Charlton

Electrical Engineering

Isha Chauhan

Biology

Emily Chazen

Integrated Strategic

Communication

Alexandra Cobble

Psychology

Madeleine Cohen

Anthropology

Jack Comerford

History

Marlenne Conrado Rojas

Biosystems Engineering

Carley Conway

Biology

John Cotthoff

Computer Science

Hannah Croom

Psychology, Sociology

David Crosby

Digital Media and Design

Lucy Custer

Economics

Benjamin Damage

Finance

Tessa DeBra

Psychology

Sophia DeCorte

Arts Administration

Anna Del Genio

Management, Marketing

Celina Delgra

Human Health Sciences

Lauren Depa

Neuroscience

Kayleigh Dobson

Biology

Hunter Dockery

Biology

Kennedy Dotson
Neuroscience

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International Studies, Linguistics

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English, Biology

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Biotechnology

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Zachary Edwards
Computer Engineering

Laken Ellis
Psychology

Magdalyn Epling
Writing, Rhetoric, and Digital
Studies

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Accounting

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Animal Sciences

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