

127th Goshen College Commencement

April 27, 2025



Congratulations Class of 2025!

I am honored and delighted to celebrate this momentous occasion with all of you. My heart is full of gratitude for you, your tremendous accomplishments and the many ways you have contributed to the Goshen College community.

On behalf of the Goshen College faculty and staff, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to all students, parents and families for a journey well traveled. We are profoundly conscious of the hard work and strong dedication to college education that brought you to this important moment in your life and the life of the college. A big Maple Leaf welcome will always be here for you as you join our illustrious alumni. We look forward to staying connected with you.

I'll close with this prayer of blessing for you:

May God bless each one of you with grace and courage for the life that lies ahead.

May all your dreams and service begin, continue and end in God's best intentions for you.

May you always experience the abiding joy and deep meaning of a life sustained by the Christ-centered core values that uphold and guide this great institution: passionate learning, global citizenship, compassionate peacemaking and servant leadership.

Above all, may you be divine instruments of peace — serving the world through your work and witness as a courageous, creative and compassionate leader.

Joyfully,

Keberce Statt fur

President Rebecca J. Stoltzfus '83

Schedule of Commencement Weekend Events

Saturday, April 26, 2025

10 a.m.	Commencement Rehearsal Graduates meet in the hallway by the Church-Chapel Fellowship Hall Opportunity to sign alumni book	
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Senior Art Exhibit Music Center, Hershberger Art Gallery	
1 – 5 p.m.	Academic Department Receptions Various locations	
3:30 p.m.	Nurses' Pinning Ceremony Church-Chapel	
7:30 p.m.	Baccalaureate* <i>Music Center, Sauder Concert Hall</i> Join the Class of 2025 at this sacred celebration of their Goshen College experience as they offer their God-given gifts of music, dance, spoken word, pictures, art and more. This event is open to all.	
8:30 p.m.	President's Reception <i>Music Center Lobby and Courtyard</i> President Rebecca Stoltzfus and spouse Kevin Miller will greet graduates, families and friends at this reception immediately following the Baccalaureate. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome to attend.	
Sunday, April 27, 2025		
2:40 p.m.	Graduates line up for the processional Hallway by Church-Chapel Fellowship Hall	
3 p.m.	127th Annual Commencement Ceremony* <i>Roman Gingerich Recreation-Fitness Center</i> (Tickets required) Doors open at 2:15 p.m. Processional starts at 2:55 p.m.	

*Denotes events that will be live-streamed at **goshen.edu/livestream**

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Commencement Speaker Sarah Augustine

Augustine is the Executive Director and co-founder of the Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery, a national coalition with global reach. A senior mediator with over 20 years of experience, she has worked in dispute resolution, strategic planning and advocacy for Indigenous rights. She has represented Indigenous communities to international bodies such as the United Nations, the World Council of Churches, and the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

Augustine previously directed a Dispute Resolution Center in Washington and has served as faculty at multiple institutions, including Goshen College. She chaired the Washington State Redistricting Commission in 2021–22 and served on the Washington State Supreme Court's Office of Civil Legal Aid Oversight Committee. A regular columnist for Anabaptist World, she is the author of *The Land is Not Empty* and co-author of *So We & Our Children May Live*.

127th Annual Commencement

Sunday, April 27, 2025, 3 p.m. | Roman Gingerich Recreation-Fitness Center

Dr. Rebecca J. Stoltzfus, president

Dr. Gilberto Pérez, Jr., vice president for student life and Hispanic Serving Initiatives, dean of students **Dr. Ann Vendrely**, vice president for academic affairs and academic dean **Dr. Jeanne Liechty**, faculty chair and processional marshal

Pre-Commencement Music and Processional

Welcome

Dr. Rebecca J. Stoltzfus, president

Invocation

Mario Gomez, Sr., parent of Mario Gomez, Class of 2025

Commencement Address

"You are enough." Sarah Peplow Augustine, MA, Executive Director, Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery

Conferring of Degrees

Dr. Rebecca J. Stoltzfus and Dr. Ann Vendrely; assisted by Dr. Gilberto Perez, Jr.;

- Dr. Carla Gull, coordinator of Master of Arts in Environmental Education and associate professor of sustainability and environmental education;
- Dr. Jeanette Harder, program director, Master of Social Work program and professor of social work;

Gretchen Sauder, program director, Master of Science in Nursing and associate professor of nursing; and

Michelle Horning, program director, Collaborative MBA and professor of accounting

Goshen College Alma Mater*

(see page 5) Verses sung by senior ensemble — Madeline Bollinger, Maggie Lapp, Fatima Zahara, Sarah Miller, Leif Billings, Phil Witmer-Rich, Dontaye Albert, Jocsan Barahona Rosales, Victor Vegas *All are invited to sing the refrain.*

Benediction*

Jane Ross Richer, parent of Teresa Ross Richer, Class of 2025

Recessional

Audience please be seated.

*Please stand as you are able.

American Sign Language interpreters: Wendy Yoder Nice, M.L.S., CI; Kim Fournier C.I., C.T. Spanish interpreter: David Araujo

Goshen Alma Mater

M. E. Miller John D. Brunk
Allegretto $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{J}$
There's a spot in In - di - a - na where the lea - fy ma - ple grows; 'Tis our Here we learn life's du ties do - ing in our sa - cred col - lege halls. First - year, And the las - ting ties of friend - ship, wo - ven through with hopes and fears, May they
dear, be - lo - ved ci - ty where the Elk - hart ri - ver flows. "Tis a soph' - more, ju - nior, se - nior an - swer "Aye" when du - ty calls. All our ne'er be brok'n a - sun - der in the di - stant co - ming years. Though our 6
spot we love most dear - ly. 'Tis a spot we'll che - rish long af - ter ta - lents marked for ser - vice, and our hearts beat warm and true. E - ver fu - ture paths may lead us to fair heights we can - not see, Al - ma
youth and strength have fa - ded and the world has heard our song. lead us on - ward, up - ward, e - ver shall our strength re - new. Ma - ter, 'ere we leave you, lo - yal - ty we pledge to thee.
Go-shen Col-lege e-ver sing - ing, to our mot - to we'll be true.
Ho-nor to our Ma - ster bring- ing, Al-ma Ma - ter, we love you.

The Academic Procession

The history of academic dress reaches back into the earliest days of the oldest universities. The costumes and colors, trimmings and patterns you will see are all traditional and interpret both the degree and field of learning. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves; the master's gown has an oblong sleeve. The doctor's gown has bell-shaped sleeves decorated with chevrons of velvet.

The hoods, differing in length for the three degrees, are lined with the official colors of the university or college conferring the degree. Hoods are edged and bound with velvet of the color appropriate for the degree.

The colors you will see in the hoods and gowns of Goshen College faculty represent the various fields in which the degrees were taken:

arts and humanities – white	music – <i>pink</i>
business – brown	nursing – apricot
education – <i>blue</i>	philosophy – <i>dark blue</i>
engineering – orange	physical education - sage green
fine arts – <i>brown</i>	public and environmental affairs – turquoise
journalism – crimson	public health – <i>salmon pink</i>
law – purple	science – yellow
library science – <i>lemon yellow</i>	social work – citron
medicine – green	theology – scarlet

Graduates are wearing caps and gowns made from natural wood sources exclusively from renewable management forests. They will break down in the soil in a year or less.

Alma Mater

Goshen College's beloved Alma Mater was written in 1911, based on a poem by Menno Ezra Miller of Kalona, Iowa, an alumnus of GC's high school level academy in 1908-09. The head of the School of Music at the time, John D. Brunk, set it to music. As Becky Horst writes in *Goshen College: A Pictorial History, 1894-1994*, "It is probably the only college song anywhere to be written with a 5/4 time signature, although the chorus returns to a more familiar 4/4 pattern."

The Lamp and the Book

Goshen College is a place of light and of enlightenment. The college seal incorporates the official motto, a lamp and a book. In 1904, "Culture for Service" was made the motto of Goshen College after the term was used by the college's first president, Noah E. Byers, in his 1903 inaugural address. The book symbolizes the importance of the written word, especially holy Scripture. The lighted lamp represents the light of learning that, in a world of darkness, provides illumination.

The actual lamp and book used to be passed from the graduating senior class to the junior class in a ceremony. Now, graduates sign the book in a tradition that links generations of alumni in the spirit of "Culture for Service" and extends the light of learning to future students.



Graduation Pledge

Many graduates are wearing a green pin today signifying that they support the Graduation Pledge. It states: "I pledge to explore and take into account the social and environmental consequences of any job I consider and will try to improve these aspects of any organizations for which I work." This pledge is being taken on over 100 campuses across the country this spring and encourages graduates to be intentional and responsible about their employment.

Official Photographs

Arrangements have been made with GradImages[™] to take pictures of each graduate. Color proofs of these photos are made available to graduates within 72 hours of commencement. Please go to their website for additional information. **gradimages.com**

Livestreaming

Video of the commencement ceremony is livestreaming online at **goshen.edu/livestream**.

Translation, Accessibility and Cell Phone Use

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The Class of 2025

The following list of degree candidates includes all members of the 2025 graduating class. Some December 2024 and 2025 graduates have chosen to participate in the April 2025 commencement exercises and are listed in this program. Inclusion in this publication may not be construed as documentation of completion of degree requirements. Certification of the conferral of a degree is by receipt of a diploma or official transcript noting degree completion.

Degrees

Goshen College confers five graduate degrees: Doctor of Nursing Practice, Master of Arts, Master of Business Administration, Master of Science in Nursing and Master of Social Work. The DNP is a collaboration with Eastern Mennonite University; the Master of Business Administration program (the Collaborative MBA) is in collaboration with Bluffton University, Canadian Mennonite University and Eastern Mennonite University; and the Master of Social Work program is in collaboration with Bluffton University. All graduates of the Collaborative MBA and the MSW program are listed in each school's commencement program.

Three baccalaureate degrees are conferred: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

Following each name is the field of study being completed by the student. Use of the diagonal (/) indicates that the two fields are a double major program with two equal areas of concentration. Areas in which a minor will be completed are indicated by *italics*. Interdisciplinary concentrations are listed after the colon.

Graduation Honors

Graduation honors are awarded to undergraduate students who have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.6 or above with no grade lower than a "C" at Goshen College. Students in the traditional baccalaureate degree program must have completed a minimum of 48 graded hours at Goshen College. Students in degree completion programs must have completed at least 40 graded hours at Goshen College. Honors are reflective of grade point averages as of December 2024 and are subject to change with the addition of grades in later terms. Recipients wear a gold cord with their regalia, and the specific honor is indicated with an asterisk after the name.

- *** Summa Cum Laude: 3.90-4.00 GPA (with highest honor)
- ** Magna Cum Laude: 3.80-3.89 GPA (with great honor)
- * *Cum Laude*: 3.60-3.79 GPA (with honor)

Master of Arts Degree

Sara Rebecca Rose Bowman Environmental Education Manteno, Illinois Zane R. Wulliger Environmental Education Columbus, Ohio

Master of Business Administration Degree

Sherifat Abike Abolarinwa MBA General Management Abeokuta South-Ogun State, Nigeria

Asmait Bekuretsion Asgedom MBA General Management Woodstock, Virginia

Ruth Bruinooge MBA General Management Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Jocelle Campbell-Stephen MBA General Management Belize City, Belize

Laura Jane Daily MBA General Management Dayton, Virginia

Yan Deng MBA General Management Beijing, China **Frances Fonseca** MBA General Management Mobile, Alabama

Dale Brent Friesen MBA General Management Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

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David A. Thomson MBA General Management Saint Paul, Minnesota

Riya Tingwa MBA General Management Scottsdale, Arizona

Philip Steven Tyson MBA General Management Charlottesville, Virginia

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Amy Katherine Moncure Whitney MBA General Management Harrisonburg, Virginia

Master of Science in Nursing Degree

Holly Anne Eshuis Family Nurse Practitioner Climax, Michigan

Jennifer Guardado Family Nurse Practitioner Elkhart, Indiana

Oksana Jumanov Family Nurse Practitioner Middlebury, Indiana **Jesse Ross Kooistra** Family Nurse Practitioner Nappanee, Indiana

Bethany JoAnn Metz Family Nurse Practitioner Granger, Indiana

Kyle F. Rotondo Family Nurse Practitioner Buchanan, Michigan **Ellen M. Wickey** Family Nurse Practitioner Middlebury, Indiana

Master of Social Work

Kenia Carbajal Master of Social Work Goshen, Indiana

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In Memory

We remember and honor the lives and service of faculty who died during the past year:

Marvin Bartel

Professor Emeritus of Art (served 1970-2002) Jan. 26, 1937 – Nov. 18, 2024

Anita Stalter

Professor Emerita of Education, Vice President for Academic Affairs Emerita (served 1987-2015) Feb. 9, 1947 – Dec. 10, 2024

About Goshen College

Goshen College is a nationally-ranked college in Indiana; renowned for its purposeful and integrated curriculum, its distinctive hands-on, real-world educational opportunities, and its commitment to creating positive change in the world. Located in the City of Goshen, the college's 135-acre tree-filled campus is home to about 850 students, including more than 52% that identify as students of color or from countries outside of the U.S. It offers over 45 undergraduate areas of study; as well as best-in-class graduate programs in nursing, business administration, environmental education and social work. Named the #1 Bachelor's Colleae in Indiana by Washington Monthly and listed among Princeton Review's Greenest Colleges, Goshen prides itself on providing an integrated and multifaceted education that connects arts with sciences. and foundation with practice — exposing students to multiple perspectives and encouraging them to think deeply and live purposefully. With 95% of graduates entering their careers, service work or pursuing further education within a year of completion, Goshen students graduate prepared to thrive in their lives and careers; and to make meaningful and measurable impacts on their communities and their relationships with others.

Mission

Goshen College transforms local and global communities through courageous, creative and compassionate leaders. Shaped by Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition, we integrate academic excellence and real-world experience with active love for God and neighbor.

Vision

Goshen College will cultivate joy, growth and purpose, preparing students to thrive in life, leadership and service.

Rooted in the way of Jesus, we will seek inclusive community and transformative justice in all that we do.

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