

**Black Hawk College  
East Campus**

**2022  
Commencement**



**Illinois National Guard Armory - Kewanee  
10 a.m. | Friday, May 20, 2022  
2 p.m. | Friday, May 20, 2022**

## On Academic Regalia

On at least one solemn occasion during the academic calendar – Spring Commencement – the faculty of the college publicly display their full academic regalia and participate in the ritual of a processional and recessional from the commencement ceremony. The purposes of commencement are well-known, but the reasons for the peculiar dress of the celebrants and the order of the procession are often as confusing to the audience as they are, in fact, to the faculty. This note may help to explain academic costumes.

Today's academics are descendants of clerical schoolmen in the universities of medieval Europe. Like clergy, members of the bench and bar, and other learned professionals, the medieval scholar clothed himself in heavy robes to keep out the draft from unheated, windowless buildings. Like all members of medieval society, faculty enjoyed the visible symbols of their rank. These outward signs of accomplishment and authority were tailored into the robes. The need for such voluminous garments to keep the scholar from catching a cold is long past but the use of them to symbolize the dignity of the profession remains.

Caps and gowns worn by our faculty are black. Black was the color adopted by mutual agreement among American colleges and universities at the end of the 19th century. In Europe, each university has its own distinctive gowns, varying in color and cut with each institution. A European commencement is a far more colorful occasion than its American counterpart.

There are four basic academic degrees: the associate degree, the baccalaureate or bachelor's degree, the master's degree and the doctorate. Each has a special robe. The associate and bachelor's gowns are trim, neat and unadorned, as befits apprentices. The master's gown is still simple, but fuller, with a hood draped from the shoulders down the back. Once used to keep the shaved heads of medieval clerks from freezing, the hood now is solely a badge of degree of scholarly achievement. The master's hood is small and narrow, but displays the colors of the institution that awarded the degree. The doctorate robe has a generous cut, is faced with velvet, and emblazoned with velvet stripes on the ample sleeves. Most of the velvet facings and chevrons or stripes are black, but some are other colors. According to personal taste, doctors may display the color of their doctoral degree on their sleeves and facings: for example; royal blue for philosophy, green for medicine, purple for law, scarlet for theology. The doctor's hood is lined in satin with the colors of the degree itself. All academic costumes include the square cap called a mortarboard. The doctor's tassels may be either black or gold. Tassels of all other degrees may be black or the colors of the college or department from which the student graduated or is graduating.

Stage party members wearing black, gold and red hoods are members of the Black Hawk College Board of Trustees. Their hoods do not represent academic rank; they indicate the trustees' public service through their governance of the local college district. The three colors represent an integration of the colors of the college's Quad-Cities Campus and East Campus.

# Commencement Program

**Processional** ..... Andre Buita, *Pianist*

*(The audience will rise when the procession enters the gym  
and will remain standing until after the Moment of Silence.)*

## **Academic Procession**

The Honor Marshal ..... Sierra Force

Posting of Colors ..... Illinois National Guard - Kewanee  
*HHT 2ND SQ 106TH CAV*

**National Anthem** ..... “The Star Spangled Banner”  
Arranged by John Philip Sousa  
Sja’Lell Downing-Mims, *Baritone*

## **Moment of Silence**

**Student Remarks** ..... Annika Spring  
*President, Student Government Association*

**Presentation of the Class of 2022** ..... Dr. Amy M. Maxeiner  
*Vice President for Instruction*

## **Awarding of Certificates**

**and Conferring of Degrees** ..... Tim Wynes, J.D.  
*Board of Trustees*  
Jodee Werkheiser  
*Professor*  
*President, East Campus Faculty Senate*

**Recessional** ..... Andre Buita, *Pianist*

*(The audience will rise and remain standing in place  
until the recession has exited the gymnasium.)*

*A sign language interpreter will be on the right-hand side of the stage.*



### **The Black Hawk College Seal**

The official college seal was adopted in May 1969. It incorporates some of the oldest symbols known. The “Y,” or fork, is a key sign symbolizing the up reaching spirit, the striving of being. Above the key sign is the flame which represents knowledge, specifically the knowledge of liberal arts and sciences programs. The old chemical sign at right is for basic metals, which represents vocational and technical education. On the left is the philosopher’s sign which describes the nature of human intellect and symbolizes the active intellect present in adults who continue their education. The enclosing circle represents the continuing circle of education. The Latin phrase, Collegium Pro Populo, identifies Black Hawk as the College for the People.

**ADVANCED LARGE ANIMAL  
TECHNICIAN**

Madison A. Blunier, Spear  
Cheyenne Marie Bruno, Kewanee  
Rachel Joy McCann, Sterling

**AGRICULTURE MECHANICS**

Nathan John DeRycke, Kewanee  
Hunter A. Wassenhove, Oneida

**ANIMAL SCIENCE**

Andrew Bane Bates, Gilson  
Laura B. Endress, Galva  
Emily Carole Luthringer, Dowagiac, MI  
Logan Lee Rozenboom, Bussey, IA  
\* Annika Grace Spring, Galesburg

**BASIC NURSE ASSISTANT  
TRAINING PROGRAM**

Skylar Mary Kay Dalrymple, Princeton

**BEEF PRODUCTION**

Andrew Bane Bates, Gilson  
Emily Carole Luthringer, Dowagiac, MI  
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**HORSE SCIENCE**

Jaania J. Ball, Crete

**MEDICAL ASSISTING**

Virginia Ochoa Ramos, Kewanee  
Gladys Yvonne Ramos, La Fayette

**MEDICAL CODING**

JeTara D. Johnson, Kewanee

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Colby James Wall, Bradford

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James Arlo Byrd, Galva  
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Drake M. Johnston, Wyoming

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Sarah R. Korthals, Geneseo  
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Samantha I. Haney, Beardstown  
\* Chad Christopher Hillier, Woodhull  
• Hannah Elizabeth Lemay, Tuscola  
Julian A. Ortiz, Plainfield  
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• Lily Zomparelli, Schererville, IN

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• Destiny Nicole Kidd, Cambridge

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◊ Emma May Madison Anderson, East Moline  
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• Kelsey Ann Doty, Port Byron  
\* Chad Christopher Hillier, Woodhull  
◊ Josie D. Spratt, Purcell, OK  
Kelsey Victoria Whalen, Grayslake  
• Lily Zomparelli, Schererville, IN

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Katherine Leah Anderson, Wadsworth  
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## Graduation Honors

**Summa Cum Laude graduates** have 60 hours at Black Hawk College and a 3.95 GPA or higher.

**Magna Cum Laude graduates** have 45 hours at Black Hawk College and a 3.85 GPA or higher.

**Cum Laude graduates** have 30 hours at Black Hawk College and a 3.75 GPA or higher.

- Phi Theta Kappa, Honor Society for Two-Year Colleges  
*Phi Theta Kappa graduates may be identified by a gold stole.*
- ◆ Phi Beta Lambda, Honor Society for Future Business Leaders  
*Phi Beta Lambda graduates may be identified by a gold and blue cord.*
- Alpha Beta Gamma, International Business Honor Society  
*Alpha Beta Gamma graduates may be identified by a blue stole with Greek letters or a blue stole with emblem and Greek letters.*
- ▲ Psi Beta, National Honor Society in Psychology for Community and Junior Colleges  
*Psi Beta graduates may be identified by a blue and gold cord.*
- ❖ Sigma Kappa Delta, the English Honor Society for Two-Year Colleges  
*Sigma Kappa Delta graduates may be identified by a green and gold cord.*
- ✚ Distinguished Academic All-American – National Horse Judging Team  
*These graduates are identified by the National Horse Judging Team Coaches Association as being in the Top 10 overall at the national level and must have a 3.8 GPA.*
- ✚ Academic All-American – National Horse Judging Team  
*These graduates are identified by the National Horse Judging Team Coaches Association as being in the Top 10 overall at the national level and must have a 3.5-3.79 GPA.*
- ☆ Academic All-American – National Horse Show 1st Team  
*These graduates are identified by participating at the national level in at least two shows and achieving a 3.8 or higher GPA.*
- ▮ Academic All-American – National Horse Show 2nd Team  
*These graduates are identified by participating at the national level in at least two shows and achieving a 3.5 or higher GPA.*
- ✘ Military Service  
*Military service members honorably discharged or currently serving may be identified by a red, white and blue honor cord.*
- ⊛ Black Hawk College Honors Program  
*These graduates are identified by a gold and black cord.*
- ⊕ Founders' Scholars  
*These graduates are recognized for achieving the criteria identified by the East Campus Liberal Arts and Sciences faculty.*

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