



2024

UB University at Buffalo
The State University of New York



SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT
COMMENCEMENT
GRADUATE CEREMONY

Friday
May 17, 2024
5 p.m.
Alumni Arena
North Campus

Ananth Iyer
Dean



Baird Point is an outdoor, Greek-style amphitheater located on the southern shore of Lake LaSalle. It was a gift to the University from the Baird Foundation and the Cameron Baird Foundation. The marble columns on the concrete platforms were once part of the old Federal Reserve Bank in downtown Buffalo. Following their relocation to the lake, the columns were dedicated as a memorial to servicemen and servicewomen.

Program

Processional *

Selections from Pomp and
Circumstance
by Edward Elgar

Opening Declaration

Natalie Simpson
*Associate Dean for Graduate Programs and
Professor, Operations Management and Strategy
School of Management*

National Anthem

West Richter, Jr.
BS/MBA '13

Greetings

Satish K. Tripathi
University President

Remarks

Ananth Iyer
*Dean and Professor
School of Management*

Presentation of Awards to Students

Dean Iyer

Sudha Bommedi, MBA '07
*President
School of Management Alumni Association*

Conferring of Academic Degrees

President Tripathi

Closing Remarks

Dean Iyer

UB Alma Mater

West Richter, Jr.
BS/MBA '13

Closing Declaration

Associate Dean Simpson

Recessional*

Triumphal March from Aida
by Giuseppe Verdi

**Audience will remain seated during the
Processional and Recessional.*

Faculty Marshals

Prasad Balkundi
Rose Hu
Arun Lakshmanan
Charles Lindsey
Timothy Maynes
G. Lawrence Sanders

SUNY Trustee and UB Officials

Eunice Ashman Lewin

Member of the State University of New York Board of Trustees



President and co-founder of Impacto Consulting Associates, Eunice Ashman Lewin joined the SUNY Board of Trustees in February 2010. She helped reinstate the Student Life Committee, which she co-chairs. In

this role, she spearheaded the creation of the Food Insecurity and the Mental Health task forces. Lewin serves on the board's Executive Committee and the committees for academic affairs, communications and external affairs, community colleges, and academic medical centers and hospitals.

A former commissioner of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority, Lewin was a founding member of the Roswell Park Alliance and a board member of the Buffalo Urban League and Hispanics United of Buffalo. She is a member of the Hispanic Women's League and the Greater Buffalo Racial Equity Roundtable. In 2022, Lewin was named co-chair of the 5/14 Remembrance Committee to honor the mass shooting victims of the May 14 tragedy in East Buffalo.

A retired bilingual social worker for the Buffalo Board of Education, she is a champion for STEM education.

Born in Guantanamo, Cuba, Lewin immigrated to the U.S. with her family in 1967. She holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Marymount Manhattan College and master's degrees in American and Puerto Rican studies, and in educational administration, from UB.

Jeremy M. Jacobs

Chairman of the University at Buffalo Council



Jeremy M. Jacobs was appointed to the UB Council in 1997; in 1998, then-Gov. George Pataki named him chairman. Jacobs is chairman of Delaware North, a global hospitality company with customers in the United

States, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. The company's operations include food and retail at airports and sports venues, sports facility ownership and management, operations of parks and major tourist attractions, hotel ownership and management, gaming operations and fine dining.

Jacobs owns the Boston Bruins and serves as chairman of the National Hockey League's Board of Governors. In 2018, he received the sport's highest honor when he was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

An alumnus of UB's School of Management and Harvard Business School's Advanced Management Program, Jacobs holds honorary doctorates in humane letters from UB, Canisius College, Niagara University and Johnson & Wales University. In 2015, his family donated \$30 million to advance UB's medical school, which was renamed the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

Jacobs has served Western New York for more than four decades with his business expertise and philanthropic leadership, and Delaware North has received multiple awards for social responsibility, community service and environmental stewardship.

A longtime friend and supporter of UB, Jacobs has served as chairman, trustee and director of the UB Foundation, chairman of the President's Board of Visitors and adviser to the School of Management.

Satish K. Tripathi

University President



An internationally distinguished researcher and higher education leader, Satish K. Tripathi, PhD, is the University at Buffalo's 15th president.

Tripathi, who served as UB's provost from 2004-2011, was dean of the Bourns College of Engineering at the University of California, Riverside, from 1997-2004. Previously, he spent 19 years as professor of computer science at the University of Maryland, including seven years as department chair.

In 2024, Tripathi was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. A fellow of IEEE and AAAS, he has published more than 200 scholarly papers, supervised more than 30 doctoral and postdoctoral students and served on program committees of numerous international conferences.

Tripathi graduated at the top of his class from Banaras Hindu University (BHU). He holds a master's degree and a doctorate in computer science from the University of Toronto, as well as master's degrees in statistics from the University of Alberta and BHU. He has received honorary doctorates from the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad, and Brock University in Canada.

Tripathi is co-chair of the Association of American Universities (AAU) Task Force on Expanding U.S.-India University Partnerships, and he serves on the College Football Playoff Board of Managers. Previously, he was chair of the Mid-American Conference Council of Presidents and Internet 2. He also served on the boards of the AAU, the NCAA Division I, the NCAA Board of Governors, the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

A. Scott Weber

*Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs*



As provost and executive vice president for academic affairs, A. Scott Weber, PhD, serves as the university's chief academic officer, providing leadership across the academic enterprise including

research, scholarship and creative activities; undergraduate, graduate, professional and international education; faculty development; diversity and inclusion initiatives; and university libraries. Weber is leading the implementation of the university's vision to be recognized among the top 25 public research universities in the nation, focused on building on UB's strengths to achieve new levels of excellence in research, scholarship, education, clinical care and engagement.

A member of UB's faculty since 1983, Weber is an innovative scholar and teacher and former chair of UB's Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering. Weber has held progressively responsible administrative roles at UB, including senior vice provost and vice provost for academic affairs, where he was instrumental in the creation of the UB Curriculum and the nationally recognized Finish in 4 program; and vice president for student life, where he focused on enhancing the student experience on campus and promoting overall student wellness.

Weber serves on New York's Hazardous Waste Facility Siting Board for Chemical Waste Management. He is a former board member and current advisory committee member of the United Way of Buffalo and Erie County.

Weber earned bachelor's and master's of science degrees in civil engineering from Virginia Polytechnical Institute and a PhD in civil engineering from the University of California, Davis.

Ananth Iyer

*Dean and Professor
School of Management*



Ananth V. Iyer, PhD, was named dean of the University at Buffalo School of Management in August 2022, and has championed key initiatives for the school, including the business of climate change; business analytics; the social impact of management; and

innovation, entrepreneurship and leadership. Academic programs, experiential learning, guest speakers, conferences and research projects are bringing new perspectives to these strategic areas.

Under Iyer's leadership, the school has launched an Online MBA, an Online MS in Business Analytics, an MS in Management for nonbusiness majors, and a STEM pathway in the Full-Time MBA program, with more programs under development.

A highly accomplished scholar in operations and supply chain management, Iyer has published five books and more than 50 journal articles and book chapters. His work has been supported by grants from the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Coast Guard, Indiana Department of Transportation and more.

Previously, Iyer was a senior associate dean, Susan Bulkeley Butler Chair in Operations Management and head of the Management Department at Purdue University's Krannert School of Management. He was an American Council of Education Fellow, a visiting professor at the Wharton School and MIT Operations Research Center, and a Purdue University Faculty Scholar.

Iyer holds a doctorate in industrial and systems engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology; an MS in industrial engineering and operations research from Syracuse University; and a Bachelor of Technology in mechanical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology at Bombay.

Candidates for Degrees

Subject to the completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon those individuals listed herein who were identified by April 4, 2024, and upon such others as may meet the requirements of their respective degrees. This listing includes candidates for the following degree conferral dates: August 2023, February 2024 and June 2024.

Academic Recognition Items

The Gold Cord

This cord is awarded to students who are graduating with Latin honors.

The Grey and Red Stole

This stole was received by students who are University Honors College graduates.

The WNY Prosperity Fellowship Medallion

This medallion was received by graduating WNY Prosperity Fellows. They were selected for this fellowship based on their commitment and demonstrated potential to positively impact WNY's economic development and sustainability.

Non-Academic, University-Wide Recognition Items

The Kente Stole

This stole was received by students who participated in UB's ALANA Celebration of Achievement which historically has honored graduating African, Latino/a, Asian and Native American students.

The Rainbow Tassel and Lavender Stole

These items were received by students who participated in the Lavender Reception, celebrating achievements of graduating students who identify with the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) community at UB.

The Red, White and Blue Cord

The red, white and blue cord is being worn by graduating UB students who are active duty servicemembers, reservists, members of the National Guard, newly commissioned officers program or veterans of the United States armed forces.

Master's Degrees

Recommending Candidates for Degrees

Ananth V. Iyer
Dean

Master of Science in Accounting

Joshua David Abbott
Mary Renee Katriel Bustamante Agregado
Mohammad Rayyan Akhter
Michael Araujo
Kevin Ellis Benner
Alyssea Michele-Angel Carroll
Colleen Chen
Andrew Chin
Melissa J Christensen
Robert William Clarke
Jacob T Coughlin
Gilberto Del Orbe
Dominic William Drexinger
William DuBois
Giovanni Fini
Justin Connor Froese
Noa Furman
ZhenDong Gao
Christian Robert Germann
Dishita Devanand Guwalani
Connor Jeffrey Harris
Anam Haseeb
Joseph Hnat
Vi Nguyen Tuong Ho
Courtney Isabella Hoffmann
Colin Duquin Irving
Nicholas William Jeoliolo
Connor Scott Jerutis
Kevin Jiang
Andrew Ryan Jung
Rachel Adele Kowalski
Tanner John Kulbacki
Amy Lian
Marc Licul
Edison Lin
Kun Lin
Xueru Lin
John Maier
Natalie Mejia
Kelley Morgan

Timothy Andrew Morris
Zengzeng Mu
Hannah Grace Mueller
Hortense Nankafu Musole
Zainab Mohsin Nasser
Angelo Natoli
Mac James Neuwirth
Zackory Charles Panfil
Ampry Denise Pena- Arias
Garrett Phelan
Mitchell Phillips
Syed Khalilullah Qadri
Jenna Theresa Reid
Jackson Thomas Rogers
Adam Rosenthal
Stephen Douglas Roulley
Mitchell S Ryczek
Gregory Thomas Schneider
Puja Shah
Aidan Patrick Snyder
Audi Tanusantoso
Brian William Tierney
Graciana Jeniqua Truesdale
Reyna Armineh Tutunjian
Alexander Guy-Pierre Valcourt
Rosita Maria Waltz-Rieber
Vicki Wang
Amanda Zhang
Ting Zheng
Amanda Ziehm

Master of Science in Business Analytics

Tanushree Agarwal
Mehrab Al Mashrur
Ahana Banerjee
Nicholas Peter Belaskas
Madhav Bhatia
Dylan Scott Birzon
Linghan Chen
Ruiquan Chen
Zhen Yi Chen
Yashwanth Chittibabu
Derek Choppolla
Matthew David Cohen
Rhett Adam Daggar

Anthony Joseph Eichhorn
Connor James Fetzer
Alexander Clarke Furtney
Sneha George
Yacoub Fadi Ghajar
Asritha Gopiseti
Shrutik Pravinbhai Goyani
Dahlia Jasper Guggilla
Nicholas Randal Hartnett
Alexia Hecico
Miranda Grace Hendricks
Yoginya Venkatraman Iyer
Manya Chandresh Jobanputra
Lillianna Michelle Johansen
Shivani Shrikant Joshi
Bhanu Prasad Reddy Kadumuri
Haley Kennedy
Disha Namdeo Kursange
Aiona Lawrence
Harsha Jasmin Mallela
Katharine Elizabeth Mayer
Thomas Allan Mills
Sidhant Mohanty
Tanjila Jaman Munny
Jahanvee Narang
Amber Niecpiel
Praneeth Kumar Reddy Palampalli
Pratiksha Bhupendra Pardhi
Aditi Patel
Karanjit Ranjit Pawar
Jared Joseph Pawlak
Namratha Pulluru
Somesh Rajasekar
Renoy Ranjith
Imran Nafis Rashid
Mansi Rathi
Satya Sri Ravipati
Prateek Sharma
Sonali Mukesh Chandra Sharma
Shweta Singh
Ankita Sinha
Yan Hui Tan
Venkata Apoorva Tiruchunapalli
Melissa Mae Tylock
Prasad Navnath Ugale
Archana Verma
Xinyi Zheng

Master of Science in Finance

Mentesnot Andarge Adamu
Piyush Anand
Anitha Anandhakrishnan
Anjali Anaveni
Sundhar Sankar Arun Shanker
Vrinda Vinayak Bhat
Mahak Bhatia
Rahil Rajesh Bhayani
Claudia Patricia Cabrera Segovia
Harsh Bharatkumar Chodvadia
Ryan Thomas Craft
Brian Angel Cruz
Noah Daniel Degroult-Elias
Palak Jeetendra Devadiga
Hardik Dhiman
Lance Arthur Dias
Prachi Pinakin Dudhara
Lianna Heckter Engineer
Matthew James Fahy
Alexander Palmer Falter
John Raymond Galvin III
Aniket Pramod Gangurde
Krishana Singh Gaur
Tanvi Vijay Ghosalkar
Gayathri Pranathi Govardhanam
Diksha Gulati
Shiv Parsad Gupta
Sarvesh Harhare
Joshua James Hobika
Xuanyu Hu
Cameron Charles Huber
Kiana Lan Hunter
Durga Subhash Jadhav
Taha Salim Jawadwala
Venkata Raghavendra SaiSivaRam
Jonnalagadda
Sidhant Tukaram Joshi
Ruchitha Kandamuri
Praneeth Kandula
Aayush Kapoor
Alexander Matthew Karalus
Priya Kashyap
Sushruth Saseendran Kavuttan
Christian Thomas Kowalski
Akshay Kumar Kukutapu

Chia-Wei Kuo
Nick Adam Lasnicki
Hao Lian
Jiazhen Lin
Melissa Ryan Link
Nitin Madagi
Dipanshu Maheshwari
Ramya Krishna Mangamuri
Manasa Manjunath
Stefan Marjanovic
. May Thwe Thwe Khaing
Nihal Anil Menon
Tejdeep Mudhireddy
Runal Ravi Nair
Sahil Nanda
Khushie Vivek Oberoi
Hetvi Parekh
Raghavendra Pasupuleti
Kashvi Pathak
Subham Pokharel
Zhenfan Qin
Sameer Pankaj Rajurkar
Gaurav Rana
Akshath Rao Mangalore
Viraj Rajesh Savalia
Varshil Ashish Shah
Siddhant Sharma
Tanisha Vikas Shetty
Swapnil Shukla
Geetha Singam
Colson John Skorka
Hanzhe Song
Sayani Talukdar
Afreen Tanisha
Ghebson Thelappilly Baby
Prasad Ravindra Ugale
Sai Priyesh Reddy Uppuluru
Nitin Vankayalapati
Tejashree Sandesh Waingankar
Yiqing Wang
Jiaming Xie
Yi Xing
Bala Krishna Yadav
Anuhya Yedduladoddi
Venkata Akhilesh Yernagula
Alexander Thomas Zdrojewski
Tingyue Zhang

Master's Degrees

Wei Zhou
Jacob R Zimmer

Master of Science in Management Information Systems

Anubhav Agarwal
Mohit Kumar Agarwal
Neha Vinodkumar Agrawal
Soumya Amte
. Anjali
Apoorva Dhananjay Auti
Mani Rathnam Balamurugan
Akshansh Baliyan
Sphatika Banakar
Arka Ketan Banerjee
Silky Batra
Sachin Beejady Teja
Sai Madhumathi Belluri
Annie Bhardwaj
Abhishek Bhatt
Lokesh Bollini
Suffraz Alam Hazarika Borbhuiyan
Sahil Shalil Borkar
Susmita Chakraborty
Mansha Chandna
Mohd Zaid Karimullah Chaudhary
Harshvardhan Singh Chauhan
Akshat Chhajer
Rajat Chopra
Tanvi Singh Chouhan
Subham Chowdhury
Hemanth Arjun Dande
Aparna Darapaneni
Atish Kumar Dash
Sree Harika Datla
Sukrit Datta
Bhumika Deo
Siddhanth Dhawan
Jude Paul Diffin
Sonali Dixit
Anisha Vinod Kumar Dubey
Sai Gagan Kishore Eitikela
Atharva Suhas Gajre
Amruta Vinayak Godase
Mounika Govindu

Rithik Sachin Gujar
Rohit Gunnam
Lovely Gupta
Shruti Gupta
Vidhi Harsora
Mayur Pralhad Hole
Ashirwad Ramakrishnan Iyer
Siddharth Iyer
Pranav Pramod Jadhav
Smita Ratnakar Jagtap
Amit Jaiswal
Abinash Jena
Rehan Rizwan Kadri
. Kajal Kiran
Ana Teressa Augustine Dass Kamthankar
Srikanth Reddy Kandada
. Kanupriya
Atakan Yesevi Karaman
Vishnuteja Karanam
Keerthi Kumar Karani
Depenti Karki
Om Subhash Karve
Gautami Jagannath Katti
Gokul Keerthivasan
Chirag Rajendra Khachane
Tejus Khadri
Mohit Khandelwal
Abhilash Kolapareddy
Joshita Konduru
Venkata Yashwanth Yadav Kongala
Vikram Srinivas Krishnamoorthy
Sai Hari Krishnan
Amruta Nandkumar Kulkarni
Nitesh Kumar
Justin Le
Quan Liang
Cheng Lin
Luo Ying Lin
Cody Ashton Longwell
Abdul Maalik
Shreya Shardul Madge
Joseph William Mager
Rasika Vitthal Mahadeshwar
Eliany M Martinez
Vincent Xi Bin Mei
Mausam Milan
Bhavna Gajananrao Milmile

Saalem Mirza
Tushar Mishra
Naman Kumar Modi
Prabhu Kumar Mohan
Shandilya Motupally
Rucha Rajendra Mulawekar
Abhishek Muneendrakumar Kori
Rajdeep Murmu
Kunal Vasudev Naickar
Swati Ajit Naik
Anjana Mohankumar Nair
Tran Tuan Kiet Nguyen
Pranay Niranjana
Sai Kalyan Pasunooru
Manankumar Patel
Shivani Bhavesh Patel
Pooja Shanmukh Patil
Yashwanth Raj Penugonda
Krishna Babu Penumala
Sai Kiran Reddy Ponnnavolu
Kurre Poojitha
Aniket Purohit
Maneesha Pusuluri
Shubham Rajivkumar Rai
Mohit Rane
Niharika Rangegowda
Venkata Aditya Ratnala
Paavani Sriya Ravuru
Pankajsingh Preamsingh Rawat
Ankit Rajesh Rewari
Sai Harish Sadasivuni
Swaraj Gopal Krishna Sahu
Ashna Saji
Sukanya Vijay Salvi
Mahima Saman
Prarthana Seeralan
Nadia Selim
Kevin Niranjana Shah
Dhaariny Shankaranarayanan
Divyam Sharma
Mahak Sharma
Srilakshmi Shivananda Anjanadevi
Shashank Shivananda
Priyanshu Shukla
Ashwin Alagappan Singaram
Anshul Singh
Mansi Mahesh Kumar Singh

Moumita Singh
Shreya Singh
Manogna Sivalenka
. Sruthi Babu Raj
Dhaksinyaa Subramaniam
William Swope
Saiharshitha Tamma
Soumya Tanwar
Kamal Narayan Singh Thakur
Kanishka Tikoo
Suleyman Omer Tunc
Abhishek Tyagi
Rashmi Balappa Ujjankop
Rohith Kumar Reddy Venkannagari
Rajesh Vishwanatham
Lashya Vootla
Vishal Vuppula
Pooja Suresh Walve
Kalyani Wanjare
Yifan Xu
Reena Yadav
Aparna Yalamarthy
Naga Sai Kruthi Yedavalli

Master of Science in Management Science: Business Analytics and Systems

. Abhijith Geetha Anil
Ashwin Asoka Kumar Ponal
Tejasri Bhaskar
Ananthakrishnan Girish
Supriya Gunasegaran
Srija Jasthi
Sri Shruthi Jaya Prakash
Naveen Joshi
Gurushiddappa Kattishettar
Yavanikaa Kethana
Harshitha Mandava
Amritha Shruthi Manoranjitham Prabhu
Archana Bhat Mavantoor
Hemanth Sai Reddy Mekala
Radhika Mittal
Sudharshan Narayanan
Gayathri Radhakrishnan

Abhinav Rajeev
Gokul Rajendran
Ramya Darshini Rameshkumar
Dindiraa Prakash Reddy
Manojprabu Sampath Kumar
Surya Sasidharan
Sharan Shibu
Maaryswaran Somasundaram
Dharmapal Uppala
. Vaidya Jayanthan
Sai Praneeth Raju Veeravara Thodramal
Adwaith Velayudhan
Gnanesh Venkataramasubramani
Chundayil Anjali Vijay

Master of Business Administration

Jonah Joseph Abdo-Suarez
Erin Lynn Appleton
Marco Vincenzo Artista
Patrick Asamoah
Ashley Asanjarani
Lauren Michaela Baker
Eric Bartnik
Colette Bertrand
Peter Robert Bouris
Steven Richard Brady
Felicity Tirzah Anne Carmichael
Della Lee Chen
Eric Thomas Cornell
Brenden K Diaz
Christian DiPaola
Quang Minh Vincent Duong
Amber Cecilia Edwin
Alisa Christine Fransiak
Jennifer A Gallo
Joseph Gambino III
Mary Clare Gannon
Kevin Thomas Gardener
Adam J. Gargano
Brennan Thomas Gorman
William Henry Gorman

Gabrielle Nicole Graca
Kaitlyn K He
Christopher Ho
Daniel Joey Ho
Andrew Houseman
Ajaylah Humphrey
Srikrithi Krishnan
Patrick Tomas Lageraaen
Chau Le
Danielle Sara Lehman
Jerome Thomas Machynski
Erik Nicholas Maier
Ryan Robert Martin
Mark Andrew McCarthy
Benjamin Michalowski
Taylor Rose Poltorak
Kevin Quinn
Elizabeth Ramirez
Alexandra Rothenburgh
Leah Trinity Ruiz
Kara Madeline Ryczek
Nicholas Frank Scaravaglione
Lolina Schietekat Sedas
Sophie Mae Schindler
Tori Lynn Schlosser
Laura Elisa Schultz
Jordana Simpson
Sumanth Reddy Thummala
Victoria Mary Tripodi
Lexis Tudisco
Dylan James Urban
Ryan Marcus Urena
Frances I Uwechue
Corey Werner
Reese Jordan Wong
Shirley Wu
Jack Anthony Yahn
Kalvin Yeung
Jack Zheng

Master's Degrees

Management Science Master of Business Administration

Kashif Firdaushalam Ansari
Robert Charles Beach Jr
Samantha Mary Green
Andrew Jasiura
Sangwoon Jeong
Pranay Karnatak
Akshay Prabhakar Koltewar
Fouad Laajine
Hsiang Heng Ma
Hsin Ju Ma
Anchana Gayathri Murugan
Zainul Aabedin Patrawala
Neetu Sharma
Kovid Shrivastava
Pankaj Kumar Singh
Shashwat Raj Singh
. Syyed Mohammad Ahbar Warsi
Nazia Tasleem
Jawad Tung
Zachary J Zelazo
Angela Zheng

Professional Master of Business Administration

Mohamed Hussein Abdulla
Bryce Adrian
Madeeha Almashhadany
Raquel Auwae
Dennis Grant Behrens
Matthew Ryan Biddle
Austin Bratek
Morgan Brown
Nicholas Brunelle
James Burns
Mauricio Canton Diaz
Allyson Glenn Cimerman
Jacqueline Clark
Patrick Thomas Comerford
Sean Crawford
Charles Henry Diemer
Gregory Matthew Dionne
Michael M. Doggendorf
Lavanya Dokania
Trevor Dougherty
Hailley Aleshia Fenski
Jerry Gao
Alvin Cherian George
Anthony Guzzetta
Jennifer Leigh Helfer
Alexander Jacob Herer
Zinhue Hernandez Juarez
Michael Hodgins
Megan Hora
Griffin Hoyt
Kristen Humphrey
Michael Joseph Ilacqua
Andrea Renee Karb
Hardeep Kaur
Nicholas James Kawczynski
Kevin Keefe
Nadine Ashley Kennedy
Brandon Arthur Koblich
Katherine Kolber
Michael John Larry
Lindsey Rose Lucatra
Gabrielle Kaukus Maier

Stephen Makula
Kelly Catherine Meinhold
Daniel Mohr
Douglas John Morrison
Guilherme Neves da Silva
Benard Obichie
Joshua Obrochta
Mychal Angelo Ostuni
Krystal Perlman
Alexandru Marius Pop
Craig Joseph Poturalski
Zachary R Root
Andrea Marie Ruhland
Taylor Schlittler
Brendan Shaw
Raymond Timothy Shu
Hayden Andrew Sierra
Robert Louis Vernon Slaughter
Jeffery Slebioda
Joan Harmony Snyder
Shailesh D Tailor
Jeffrey Joseph Tobolski
Sara Francesca VanHoose
Terryl George Varghese
Nohely M. Velez-Torres
Quentin Alexander Wakefield
Robert Nicholas Warner
Ellen Cutler Kapitan Weissman
Nathan James Wilson
Stephen Wozniak

Doctoral Degrees

Recommending Candidates for Degrees
Ananth V. Iyer
Dean

Lavlin Agrawal

BE, Electronics and Instrumentation,
Shri G S Institute of Technology & Science
(India)
MS, Management Information Systems,
University at Buffalo
*FinTech Harvesting Empathy: Social Unrest,
Natural Disasters and Post-event Prosocial
Behavior on P2P Lending Platforms*

Khadija Ajmal

BBA, Human Resource Management,
University of Central Punjab, Lahore
(Pakistan)
MBA, Marketing, Lahore School of
Economics (Pakistan)
MS, Operations and Supply Chain
Management, University at Buffalo
*Gauging the Impacts of Business Intelligence
Systems, Material Recovery Facilities and
Extended Producer Responsibility on Firms'
Environmental Performance: An Empirical
Investigation*

Xinghui Chen

BA, Harbin Institute of Technology (China)
MS, MBA, Peking University (China)
*Reasonably Green: The Effect of Giving
Reasons on Green Consumption*

Hoon Ha

BS, Accounting, University at Buffalo
BA, Mathematics, University at Buffalo
MS, Professional Accounting, University of
Texas at Austin
*Revenue Recognition and Management
Sales Forecasts: Evidence from ASC 606*

Seo Yoon Kang

BA, Architecture, Pratt Institute
MA, Arts and Cultural Management, Hongik
University (Korea)
*The Effect of Vector Illustration on Product
Valuation*

Scott Laing

BA, Mathematics, University at Buffalo
BS, Business Administration (Finance),
University at Buffalo
*Three Essays on the Unintended
Consequences of ESG Policy and Job
Quality in Asset Pricing*

Qiongwen Lei

BA, Mathematics and Economics, Fudan
University (China)
MS, Finance, Fankfurt School of Finance and
Management (Germany)
*An Empirical Analysis of Corporate
Governance Effect on Corporate Bond Yields
Using Neural Networks*

Zhiru Lin

BS, Accounting, Jimei University (China)
MS, Accounting, Xiamen University (China)
*Labor Market Consequences of Pay
Transparency: Evidence from Pay Ratio
Disclosure*

Theophile Ndabu

BS, Management Information Systems,
Rochester Institute of Technology
MBA, SUNY Polytechnic Institute
*Three essays on Using Information
Technology to Increase Patient Safety in
Healthcare Settings*

Erin O'Brien

BA, Psychology, University at Buffalo
MBA, University at Buffalo
*At The Intersection of Service Quality and
Online Reputation: How High-Quality Digital
Experiences and Internet Footprint Drive
Strategic Financial Outcomes in Service
Sector Nonprofit Organizations*

Jeayoung Park

BS, Physics, Seoul National University
(Korea)
MBA, Seoul National University (Korea)
ESG-Related Risk and Costs of Debt Capital

Honors

Beta Gamma Sigma 2023-2024

*The University at Buffalo Gamma Chapter for
scholars in management was established in 1932.
The purpose of Beta Gamma Sigma
is to recognize outstanding management students
of high scholarship and good moral character.
Election to membership in Beta Gamma Sigma
is the highest scholarship rank that a student in
management can attain.*

Masters

Greg Dionne
Srikrithi Krishnan
Hsin Ju Ma
Stephen Makula
Jawad Tung
Stephen Wozniak

PhD

Khadija Ajmal
Seo Yoon Kang
Scott Laing
Erin O'Brien
Jeayoung Park

Awards Presented at Commencement

SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence

This award acknowledges students for outstanding achievements that have demonstrated the integration of SUNY excellence within many aspects of their lives in areas such as academics; leadership; campus involvement; community service; diversity, equity, inclusion and justice; or the arts.



Brennan Gorman
Master of Business Administration

Brennan Gorman graduates with a Master of Business Administration and Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering with a minor in Music Performance. As President of the UB Residence Hall Association, Gorman started the award-winning late-night talk show, Late Night at UB. Gorman also played a pivotal role as the Executive Director of Policy for the SUNY Student Assembly, advocating on behalf of SUNY's 1.4 million students. He's a driven entrepreneur, having founded Bay Gull Productions to empower Gen-Z creators and has also co-founded EmpowerED Advocacy Network, a non-profit dedicated to education reform.



Charles H. Diefendorf Award in Finance

This award is presented to the student who has made the greatest contribution to the finance discipline.

Sayani Talukdar
May Thwe Thwe Khaing

Paul E. Green Award In Marketing

This award is presented to the doctoral student who exemplifies excellence in marketing research.

Xinghui Chen
Seo Yoon Kang

Drs. John and Arlyn Myers Award

This award is presented to an MBA student who demonstrates excellence in the field of marketing.

Patrick Lageraen

Student Achievement Awards

This award is presented to a student within each degree program. The student recipient has demonstrated scholastic excellence and has rendered outstanding extracurricular service to the school and the university.

PhD - Seo Yoon Kang
MS - Justin Froese

Dr. Marcel and Mrs. Kathryn Vinokur Award to Promote Global Understanding

This award is presented to an MBA student born outside of North America. The student promotes global understanding among MBA students.

Zainul Aabedin Patrawala

Dr. Jerry and Mrs. Dina Wind Award to Promote International Understanding

This award is presented to an MBA student born in North America. The student contributes to promoting international understanding among MBA students.

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Accounting Advisory Council Fellowship

Colleen Chen
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American Institute of CPA Legacy Scholarship

Puja Shah

EY Community Impact Award

Justin Froese

Accounting and Law Outstanding Fifth Year Student Award

Mitchell Ryczek

KPMG Accounting Excellence Scholarship

Mohammad (Rayyan) Akhter

New York State Society of CPA Award of Honor

Hannah Mueller

Public Company Accounting Oversight Board Scholarship

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Victor and Joan Brown MS Accounting Fellowship

Melissa Christensen

Connection to Excellence Scholarship

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Department of Accounting and Law MS Accounting Scholarship

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The Mace

Designed to tell the story of the university and the Niagara Frontier, the UB mace was fashioned by silversmith Hudson Roysner of Arcadia, California. It was used for the first time in the 1962 general commencement.

The mace is silver with accents of lapis and howlite to represent the university's colors. It is topped by a miniature walled structure representing the City of Buffalo. Engraved atop the city are three arrows bound together, symbolizing the unity of UB and the city.

A band of alternating jewels of lapis and howlite encircles the head of the mace and bears the founding dates of the thirteen divisions that composed the university in 1962.

The UB arms appear on the front of the head. On the back are the arms of the United States.

The discovery of Lake Erie in 1669 by Louis Joliet and early explorations by Robert de LaSalle are symbolized on the left side of the head. A crest on the right side is symbolic of the university's role as a dynamic center of human growth and welfare.

The wild rose, the official flower of the state, is depicted in a floral motif at the top and bottom of the mace's head. Encircling the ends of the shaft are three wavy lines representing intellect and water, the latter a reference to the Niagara River and the Great Lakes.

The motto "University and City: Community" is lettered in Latin around the knob of the shaft.

Traditionally used in university ceremonies, the mace is a symbol of "enlightened authority." The mace bearer is the chair of the university's Faculty Senate.



The Star Spangled Banner

Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that star spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

By Sir Francis Scott Key, 1779-1843

Vocalist: West W. Richter, Jr., Alumnus, BS/MBA '13

Musical Accompaniment: Norwood Brass

UB Alma Mater

Verse 1:

The pride of our spirit and tradition,
Our alma mater's truth and name declare.
Celebrate our history and wisdom,
O let us all prepare to sing her glory.

Refrain:

To Buffalo all hail to thee,
Noble and strong it's our university!
To blue and white pledge loyalty,
Singing, I will always remember thee!

Verse 2:

We'll ever keep our standards high,
And sing UB's praises to the sky.
Receiving the finest education,
Our knowledge we impart unto the nations.
(Repeat refrain)

Verse 3:

Our friends we've made with ties that bind,
A union of our spirit, heart, and mind.
Together we'll continue life's journey,
O may dear Buffalo forever be.
(Repeat refrain)

By Walter S. Goodale, MD, 1903

*Lyrics adapted by UB students in 2006
for contemporary use*



Congratulations! On behalf of the School of Management Alumni Association, I applaud you and your accomplishments over the past several years. You have completed a rigorous education at a top-ranked business school and now have the knowledge and skills to make your mark on the world.

Welcome to the School of Management alumni family — a group of nearly 47,000 graduates living and working in 86 countries. Wherever you go, you will find School of Management alumni who are willing to help you navigate your way to continued success.

Though you may be leaving campus today, you are not leaving UB behind. I encourage you to take advantage of the many ways to stay in contact with your alma mater:

- LinkedIn group (University at Buffalo School of Management Alumni)
- Facebook (University at Buffalo School of Management)
- Twitter (@UBSchoolofMGT)
- Attending events in a city near you (mgt.buffalo.edu/alumni)
- *Buffalo Business* and *At Buffalo* magazines

I also encourage you to keep your information up to date either online or by contacting the Office of Alumni Engagement and External Relations so that you can receive emails about alumni events and programming happening near you. You can contact the Office of Alumni Engagement and External Relations at 716-645-3224 or mgt-alumni@buffalo.edu.

Best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sudha Bommidi".

Sudha Bommidi, MBA '07
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Amid a yearlong recognition of our 100th anniversary, the School of Management invited nine distinguished alumni to campus in November to share insights, inspire the university community and look ahead to the future.

Their visit culminated with the school's Centennial Celebration event, where they each received a Centennial Achievement and Impact Award — a once-in-a-lifetime honor for demonstrating exceptional leadership in their careers, and for making outstanding contributions to their industries, communities and the world. The honorees were:

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