# HERZING UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT



Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> 2022, 2:00 PM CT

Pelham Civic Complex Pelham, AL

## **Commencement Ceremony**

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Welcome & Introduction

Sarah Higgins Multi-Campus President

Commencement Speaker Martha A. Dawson DNP, MSN, RN, FACHE

President/CEO, National Black Nurses Association

Conferring of Diplomas

Renée Herzing

President, Herzing University

Hooding of Master Candidates

**Dr. Candy P. Jenkins**Academic Dean

Alumni Pledge Amber Doss, MSN,RN Associate of Science, Nursing

2009

**Charge to Graduates** 

Renée Herzing

President, Herzing University

**Closing Remarks** 

**Sarah Higgins** 

Multi-Campus President

## **Commencement Speaker**



Martha A. Dawson, DNP, MSN, RN, FACHE President/CEO National Black Nurses Association

Martha A. Dawson, DNP, RN, FACHE is an Associate Professor at UAB School of Nursing and beginning in serves as the 13<sup>th</sup> president of the National Black Nurses' Association. She earned her bachelor's and master's degree from UAB School of Nursing, and in 2010 earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice from Case Western Reserve University Frances Payne Bolton School

of Nursing. Dr. Dawson completed her hospital administration residency at Gaston Memorial Hospital, NC. Her practice, leadership and clinical research focuses are in the domains of administrative systematology, career progression, organizational injustices and barriers, and equality in nursing. Dr. Dawson has served in a variety of senior level hospital positions improving effectiveness and outcomes. She was a co-convenor of the 2020 National Black Coalition Against COVID reaching over five million during the pandemic and a co-lead of the 2020 National Commission Addressing Racism in Nursing which is ground-breaking work to improve healing within the nursing profession.

Dr. Dawson serves on the Advisory Board for Direct Relief Health Equity Fund that awarded 99 grants in 2021 providing 19.5 million dolllars to address health inequities. She is a Scholar in UAB Sparkman Global Health Center, American College of Healthcare Executives Fellow, Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Executive Fellow alumina, and a Johnson & Johnson Wharton Nurse Administrative Fellow, alumina. In 2019. Dr. Dawson was inducted into the Alabama Nurses Hall of Fame, in 2021 honored as a UABSON visionary leader and in 2022, awarded president of the year by the American Nurses Associations. She has received the UAB President's Excellence in Teaching Award, UAB Dean's Mentorship Award, and the American Organization of Nurse Leaders Prism Award. This year she will be inducted as Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing. She has publications in books, journals, newsletters, and podcasts. The University of Louisville Hospital, where she served as CNO and vice president was the first to provide drive through flu shots which is the model that the CDC used during COVID-19. She was a contributing author in the *Drive-Thru Flu Shots*: A Model for Mass Immunization. In 2006, the Martha A. Dawson Genesis Scholarship was established at the National Black Nurses Association. Dr. Dawson is a dynamic speaker and workshop leader, and Herzing University is pleased to welcome her as our fall 2022 commencement speaker.

## **University President**



Renée Herzing University President Herzing University

Renée succeeded her father, Henry Herzing, as president of the Herzing University System on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. After attaining a bachelor's degree from Brown University, she taught abroad in Scotland and Germany for nine years before completing her Masters in Business Administration.

She has worked in various positions at Herzing University at the campus level, including registrar, director of admissions, and president of Herzing University online. In addition, Ms. Herzing has overseen the System's online, strategic planning, and information technology initiatives. She launched the System's Online division in 2003, which has grown from 100 students to over 2500 students.

In education, she is on the Steering Committee of the Higher Education Regional Alliance (HERA), the Board of WAICU (Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities), and a Trustee of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee. Renée served on the Board of Directors for the Career Education Colleges and Universities (CECU) and was the Chair of its Grassroots Committee. Additionally, she is active in national educational idea-sharing groups.

In the business community, she is a member of YPO (Young Presidents' Organization), an international organization of over 20,000 CEOs, where she has held a variety of leadership roles since 2011. She is also a member of the Greater Milwaukee Committee (GMC), on the Steering Committee of Milwaukee Women, Inc. and a member of TEMPO Milwaukee.

Outside of work, Renée enjoys playing rock music in a band with her husband and son, traveling, entertaining, learning languages, and spending as much time as possible with her two teenage children, including horseback riding with her daughter.

#### **Roster of Candidates**

This Commencement Program is a roster of candidates, not an official list of graduates. Appropriate degrees and honors are only awarded to candidates who successfully complete all requirements for program completion by established deadlines.

Herzing University's official designator for degree conferral is the student's permanent academic record and is displayed on the official transcript.



#### **Certificate in Emergency Medical Technician**

Sophie Kelley



#### **Diploma in Emergency Medical Technician (Paramedic)**

Justin Nowland Christopher Russell

Tommie Reese Violet Smith

Rachel Renda Erica Sparks

#### Diploma in Insurance Billing & Coding Specialist

Felicia Bandy, h Aundrea Moore

Tiffany Bates Verkeya Parker

Dorothy Bush Alijanae Wright

Wendy Lavant, h

#### **Diploma in Medical Assisting**

Ashley Colon Erica Taylor

Kimley Holloway Markesia Tune

Kasady Lambert, *h* Sesley Walker, *h* 

Jimmy Stewart

#### **Diploma in Medical Coding**

Lena Lando



## **Diplomas**

#### **Diploma in Medical Office Administration**

Brittany Bloodworth
Eugenia Slayton
Robert Washington

#### **Diploma in Practical Nursing**

Takila Adair, h Tawanda Lark Shelia Alverson Katerica Liptrot Ashley Ayala Julia McKinney Kiana Bates Ashia Peasant Taijah Daniels Hope Sharp Brenda Delbridge Shannetta Simon William Hall Tracy Sullivan Shameka Haynes Taneisha Walker

Pamela Jones

#### **Diploma in Sterile Processing**

Jessieka Mercer



## **Associate Degrees**

#### **Associate of Science in Accounting**

Amber Tucker, h

#### **Associate of Science in Business Management**

Jahshay Tucker

#### **Associate of Science in Emergency Medical Technician (Paramedic)**

James Robinson

#### **Associate of Science in Health Information Management**

Maya Carter

#### **Associate of Science in Healthcare Administration**

Candace Coleman

Tameka Gibson, h

#### Associate of Science in Insurance Billing & Coding Specialist

Jennifer McNeil

#### **Associate of Science in Medical Assisting Services**

**Andrea Sampleton** 

**Dominque Vincent** 

#### **Associate of Science in Medical Office Administration**

Marilyn Jules

Santeara Pryor



### **Associate Degrees**

#### **Associate of Science in Nursing**

Trevor Campbell Fortune Otuonye

Ashley Jewell LaBrandy Peoples

Terrica Kelley Dontrell Ross

Hannah Ndungu Stephanie Wilson

KeChonda Nicholson

#### **Associate of Science in Nursing (LPN to RN Bridge)**

Petrula Aaron Counsella Hargress

Mary Arnold Raysean Hawkins

Alyssa Benson Shanise Hooks

Toni Calvert Kiara Lewis

Deana Cilento Katlynn Mccorvey

Stephanie Coney Shermecia Pearson

Courtney Crowder Brittani Rhoney

Gary Crowe Jeremi Scott

Jamie Farley Haley Snyder, h

Kalicia Firley Maceo Tanner

Linda Fleming Samantha Wadsworth

Chelsea Foster Naimah Ware

Zelia Glanton Jaronia Williams-Ware

Vanessa Green



## Bachelor's Degrees

#### **Bachelor of Science in Computer Programming**

Joshua East, s

#### **Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice**

Joshua Cherry, c

## **Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management**

**Andrew Spear** 

#### **Bachelor of Science in Human Resources**

Kendra Harrison-Adams, *c*Venita Allen



## **Master's Degrees**

#### **Master of Business Administration**

Evan Cowan

LaTosha Marhoon

Erika Smith

#### **Master of Business Administration Dual Concentration**

LaShondra Johnson

#### Master of Science in Nursing with Concentration in Family Nurse Practitioner

Jennifer Craig Sheila McGill
Teaisha Dalis Latoya Turner
Grace Holcomb Cassandra Wells

## Master of Science in Nursing with Concentration in Family Nurse Practitioner

Meaghan Ward

Master of Science in Nursing with Concentration in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

**Ireta Favors** 



## **Key to Honors**

#### **Master Degree**

Graduates receive the Masters degree hood as a recognition of academic achievement.

#### **Bachelor Degree Honors**

s = Summa Cum Laude (with greatest honor)

A cumulative grade point average of 3.90-4.00 is recognized by a gold stole that is part of the graduate's academic regalia.

*m* = Magna Cum Laude (with high honor)

A cumulative grade point average of 3.70-3.89 is recognized by a double gold cord that is part of the graduate's academic regalia.

c = Cum Laude (with honor)

A cumulative grade point average of 3.50-3.69 is recognized by a double silver cord that is part of the graduate's academic regalia.

#### **Associate Degree and Diploma Honors**

h = Honors A cumulative grade point average of 3.50 to 4.00. is recognized by double white cord that is part of the graduate's academic regalia.

#### Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society (ABK)

† = ABK National Honor Society

Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society membership inductees have a grade point average of 3.75 or higher and are recognized by wearing red, white and blue honor cords. Additional qualifications for membership include leadership and service in class and school activities, and personal integrity and good moral character. The purpose of the society is to help schools, colleges and universities how-so-ever organized and named, and their students and alumni through the encouragement and recognition of superior academic work and laboratory training in honorable fields of endeavor.

## **Alumni Pledge**

#### I Acknowledge:

That I continue to be an essential part of Herzing University and shall represent the University proudly by mentoring and guiding others. That I am fortunate and empowered by my education to positively invest in supporting the well-being of the people around me helping to build a strong and inclusive community.

#### I Pledge Therefore:

That I will remember to demonstrate the P.R.I.C.E. of Success values that I have learned of Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Caring and Engagement in all that I do – in the workplace, at home and in my network.

Graduates, welcome to the Herzing University alumni circle! Please go to:

alumni.herzing.edu

and register to connect with classmates as well as enjoy the numerous complimentary benefits of the Association.

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## **Executive Committee**

#### Renée Herzing, M.B.A.

**University President** 

#### Nigel Longworth, M.S.

Chief Operations Officer and Chief Information Officer

#### Kitty Kautzer, ED.D.

Chief Academic Officer

#### Erik Parks, B.S.

Chief Operations Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Clay Gillespie, B.S.

**Chief Marketing Officer** 

The faculty, staff, and administration of Herzing University cordially welcome graduates, their families, and their friends to this festive occasion and extend to each graduate heartfelt congratulations and best wishes on the journey ahead!



## Locations

## Herzing University is an Institution of Higher Learning with Locations in the Following States

#### Alabama

Herzing University, Birmingham

#### Florida

Herzing University, Orlando Herzing University, Tampa

#### Georgia

Herzing University, Atlanta

#### Louisiana

Herzing University, New Orleans

#### **Minnesota**

Herzing University, Minneapolis

#### Ohio

Herzing University, Akron

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