

HERZING UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT



Thursday, September 29th 2022, 7:30 PM CT

Minneapolis Convention Center

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Commencement Ceremony

~ Processional ~

**Welcome &
Introduction**

Jason Morgan
Campus President, Sr. Vice
President, Campus Operations

**Student
Awards**

Herzing University
Academic Faculty

**Student
Speaker**

Sarah Olson
Bachelor of Science in Dental
Hygiene

**Student
Speaker**

Jenna Hendrickson
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

**Commencement
Speaker**

Gigi Bisong
Speaker, Author, Publisher and
Life Coach

**Conferring of
Diplomas**

Daniel Marcelle
Academic Dean

**Hooding of Master
Candidates**

Daniel Marcelle
Academic Dean
Ashley Chouinard
Dental Programs Department
Chair

**Alumni
Pledge**

Erika Conley
Master of Business
Administration, 2021

**Charge to Graduates
& Closing Remarks**

Karen Nelson
Vice President, Inclusion &
Community Impact

~ Recessional ~

Commencement Speaker



Gigi Bisong

Speaker, Author, Publisher and Life Coach

Born and raised in Minneapolis, Gigi Bisong is a warm, deeply grounded, and poetic speaker. Gigi's passion for writing began at a very young age and has inspired her to become a best-selling author, entrepreneur, and motivational speaker.

Some of Gigi's experience includes leading workshops at Ra Ma Yoga institute as well as various speaking engagements including Mankato State University, US Bank, Comcast, 3M, and Northeast Middle School. She is also a former Huff Post contributor, best selling author and creator of the Embodied Ally Program and 20 Beautiful Women, Birthing a Vision Course, and Sacred Mother Yoga.

Gigi leads retreats, workshops and conducts in-person coaching sessions to help women and youth find their unique purpose so happiness and passion can fill every area of their lives. She believes that the main purpose in life is to be fully present in the moment and to infuse love into everything we do.

Student Speakers



Sarah Olson

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

Born in Minnesota, Sarah Olson has lived in the southern suburbs of Minneapolis her entire life. After high school she attended the University of St Thomas for two years while looking to find her passion. It was her experience in helping care for her sisters that she found her way into healthcare.

Throughout her Herzing University journey, Sarah was driven by connections made with patients in clinic and close friendships made in class. One of Sarah's greatest inspirations for dental hygiene was at her own dental office where they demonstrated personal care by making patients feel like family. Sarah was inspired to help her patients feel the same support and care as she did when going to the dentist.



Jenna Hendrickson

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Jenna is graduating from Herzing University with her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing and a Public Health Nurse certification. While at Herzing, Jenna has been actively involved as a member of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, Vice-President of the Student Nurse Association, student representative for nursing faculty meetings, and peer mentor to two underclassmen. She also worked in the nursing lab helping other students practice their skills.

Jenna was the recipient of the 2021 Herzing Cup Award for exemplifying the core values of the University, having a high GPA, and being a student body representative. During her limited free time while in school, Jenna married the man of her dreams and continued to be a mom to her two cats. She also was an active member of the Salvation Army's Emergency Disaster Services division.

Jenna looks forward to starting her career as a neonatal/pediatric nurse and pursuing specialty certifications. Jenna would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her as she chased her dream of becoming a nurse. She is thankful for the friendships she made with her classmates and appreciates their endless support.

Students of the Year



Sarah Olson
Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene



Jenna Hendrickson
Bachelor of Science in Nursing



Carrie Wolfson
Associate of Applied Science in Occupational
Therapy Assistant

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.



Diploma in Dental Assisting

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| Sajda Ali | Aleida Marroquin |
| Cindy Burciaga | Alexis McKinney |
| Tina Bush | Elizabeth Murvartian Sanchez <i>h</i> |
| Amanda Charles | Brianna Parsons |
| Kayla Deters | Brenna Peck |
| Jessie Elmtalab | Samantha Roske |
| Kayla Erickson <i>h</i> | Alexis Rounds |
| Taylor Fehrman <i>h</i> | Matthew Schinzel <i>h</i> |
| Jennica Feigum <i>h</i> | Chelsea Scott <i>h</i> |
| Precious Gaykpua | Brynna Seidl |
| Francesca Gedatus <i>h</i> | Christina Spratt |
| Aszure Givens | Erica Studnicka-Hoff <i>h</i> |
| Riley Goetz <i>h</i> | Tori Thoreson <i>h</i> |
| Janaya Greer | David Thuok |
| Mary Hakseth | Philomena Tugbe |
| Megan Hanke <i>h</i> | Brittney Vittera |
| Melissa Harlan | Ariana Vochoska <i>h</i> |
| Kaylin Hastings | Sarah Walsh |
| Alan Ke <i>h</i> | Aliyah Whittington <i>h</i> |
| Morgan Knutson | Belladonna Wolfe |
| Kayla Krone | Selina Xiong <i>h</i> |
| Alexis Lowe | |

Diplomas

Diploma in Insurance Billing and Coding Specialist

Shannon Hadd

Nicole Parkhurst

Thanithka Phaviseth

Azure Teien

Diploma in Medical Assisting

Tamera Daniels

Selina Graves

Alyssa Pleier

Lady Romano Garcia

Diploma in Medical Office Administration

Sienna Stice

Diploma in Sterile Processing

Gangadai Singh *h*

Associate Degrees

Associate of Applied Science in Dental Assisting

Hamze Abdi *h*
Lindsay Alguire
Christiana Boadu *h*
Rafael Bonilla Mejia *h*
Abby Booth *h*
Ladaria Claybrone *h*
Olukemi Dosunmu
Tara Fast
Alexandra Hondl *h*
Elizabeth Jara Molina
Cassidy Katz
Taylor Kern *h*

Mai Lor
Mackenzie Mackey
Gabrielle Meyer *h*
Foziya Mohammed
Abbie-Jo Peterson *h*
Bailey Reitz *h*
Ashley Renner
Olga Sadullo
Anthony Scheele *h*
Sulina Thao *h*
Alison Winters-Nava *h*

Associate of Applied Science in General Studies– Pre-Nursing

Alyannah Obay

Associate of Science in Healthcare Administration

Ezbone Kibogo *h*

Associate of Applied Science in Insurance in Billing and Coding

Jesse Caron

Andrea Wentzel

Associate of Applied Science in Medical Assisting

Melissa Campbell

Sokleang Keav *h*

Associate of Applied Science in Medical Office Administration

Taya Sam-Sablan *h*

Associate of Applied Science in Occupational Therapy Assistant

Gretta Becker
Tanner Bulock
Elizabeth Koconsen
Tina Lawal

Natasha Lewis
Vanessa Nguyen
Carrie Wolfson

Bachelor's Degrees

Bachelor of Science in Accounting

Eden Takele s

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

Payten Bemboom

Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene

Elizabeth Albrecht

Kinza Asghar c

Kayla Bayer

Esther Buchholz

Chelsy Carrillo

Taylor Caruso m

Larissa Crocker

Nicole Farniok

Shae Fleming

Hawi Gudeta

Jesica Jagoe s

Madison Jung

Mayanlay Kromah James

Jennifer Lange

Sunny Moon m

Gao Moua c

Marissa Munos

Sarah Olson

Nicolle Plumbo

Nicole Rapp m

Brittany Robb c

Sydney Schaub Schlager

Madalyn Smith

Alexa Starr

Jeryn Strouse

Hailey Swedlund

Ashley Tegantvoort

Heidi Vandermeer

Summer Wagner

Madison Watters

Lindsay Watts c

Jordyn Willenbring c

Maddie Zenanko

Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration

Caryn Jerry

Elizabeth Okerosi

Thiralynn Cocherell

Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management

Haley Holmquist

Gina Rebischke

Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management

Natosha Meyer m

Abdimajid Nur

Bachelor's Degrees

Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences

Shawna Makepeace *s*
Faydra Morgenstern *m*

Amy Vang *s*

Bachelor of Science in Human Resources

Kyia Burks Lankford

Sherry Laumann *c*

Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Professional Studies

Jillian Erickson

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Sadiya Abdullahi *c*

Mekedas Abebe *c*

Hibo Ahmed

Hodan Ahmed

Folasade Ajewole

Kuburat Akindele

Olawumi Akojede

Ourji Ali

Molli Andrews

Agnes Angwenyi *c*

Damilola Atibioke

Anthony Bassey

Sierra Beehler *c*

Mariah Bell

Mamie Bestman

Jessica Bronsing

Geoffrey Bundi

Erika Cesar

Amber Dahling *m*

Somaiya Daud *c*

Tiffany Engquist

Reema Fadel

Nickolas Flotman

Abigail Frenchik

Makamah Gbalah *m*

Nia Gilbert

Florence Gyamfi-Ababio

Meagen Hamlin

Feven Hanns *c*

Sadia Hassan

Jenna Hendrickson *m*

Georgia Holm *c*

Jaimie Hong

Zizette Howard *m*

Chidi Ibekwe *c*

Firdaus Ibrahim

Nehra Ismail

Mark Jacobi

Sameria Jentzen

Lelise Kenea

Jerome Klah

Amber Klawitter

Vivek Kuppamala

Rubie Kurvers

Bachelor's Degrees

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (cont.)

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| Christina Lee | Diane Pham |
| Jenny Lee | Jaleesa Rectenwal |
| Irma Lema Llapa | Chelsea Reil |
| Cecelia Leska | Benedicta Saah |
| Jenna Lipinoga | Brittley Sealy |
| Paige Livingston | Karyn Sherrett |
| Selene Lohn <i>m</i> | Nicholas Shodeen |
| Fatuma Mame <i>m</i> | Brett Smith <i>s</i> |
| Samena Massally | Cindy Stevenson <i>m</i> |
| Christabella Mbaku | Emma Sullivan |
| Pascha McCormick | Andre Swayne |
| Andargachew Mengste <i>m</i> | LaVina Taylor <i>c</i> |
| Cristina Meza | Elfinesh Teshome |
| Kailen Miller | Christine Thor |
| Sadia Mohamud <i>m</i> | Bingle Torres |
| Melia Morris | Michael Tuah <i>m</i> |
| Leonida Musta | Mohamed Turay |
| Sabrina Niemeyer | Lisa Vorlicek |
| Eva Nkrumah <i>c</i> | Gao Houa Vu |
| Nicole O'Brien | Elisa Westermeyer |
| Daniele Ogle | Paul Wilson |
| Oluwabusayo Olowo <i>m</i> | Larissa Woebkenberg <i>s</i> |
| Ashley Otterness | Amanual Wolday |
| Johanna Pacheco <i>m</i> | Kaylee Xiong |
| Claretta Paye | Gysel Zangano Alvillar |

Master's Degrees

Master of Business Administration

Stephanie Kurkoski

Kevin McCarthy

Laura Wolter

Master of Science in Nursing

Stephanie Ehli

Leigh LaRoque

Lynde Quirk

Post Master's Certificate in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Jessica Wettlin

In Memoriam

Samantha “Sami” Jo Roske

The Herzing University family was deeply saddened to learn of Sami’s passing earlier this month. Sami was studying to be a dental assistant in the Diploma in Dental Assisting program. She will be remembered for her smile, positive energy, bright sense of humor and vibrant personality.

Accepting Sami’s diploma is her mother, Traci Roske.



Gone from our sight, but never from our hearts.

Samantha “Sami” Jo Roske
1996-2022

In Memoriam

Nancy Hamson

It is difficult saying goodbye to those we love and cherish. This year, we said farewell to a valued faculty member, Nancy Hamson, who passed away at the age of 51, on January 23rd.

Nancy began working at Herzing University in 2018 as an adjunct faculty member in the dental hygiene program. In her adjunct role, Nancy completed her Master's Degree in Dental Hygiene with a goal of becoming a full-time faculty member at Herzing University. Nancy successfully transitioned to a full-time faculty member in the Dental Hygiene program earlier this year in January.

Throughout her time at Herzing University, Nancy developed many friendships and unselfishly supported countless students. Her positive attitude and lively personality will always be remembered.



Nancy Hamson
1970-2022

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

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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!



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