

# HERZING UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT



**Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> 2026, 11:00 AM CT**

Birmingham Jefferson Convention Center

East Exhibition Hall

Birmingham, AL

# Commencement Ceremony

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**Welcome &  
Introduction**

**Dr. Nicole Franklin**  
Director of Campus Operations

**Student of the Year  
Introduction**

**Sarah Higgins**  
Regional Vice President of  
Operations, South

**Student of the Year Award**

**Kekke Young**  
Diploma in Practical Nursing,  
2026

**Commencement  
Speaker**

**Dr. Eliza Belle**  
Director of Psychological &  
Behavioral Services, Alabama  
Department of Mental Health

**Hooding & Conferral of  
Doctoral Candidates**

**Dr. Nicole Franklin**  
Director of Campus Operations

**Conferral of Master  
Candidates**

**Dr. Nicole Franklin**  
Director of Campus Operations

**Conferral of Undergraduate  
Candidates**

**Dr. Nicole Franklin**  
Director of Campus Operations

**Distinguished Alumni  
Introduction**

**Stephanie Hoppe**  
Senior Alumni Relations  
Ambassador

# Commencement Ceremony

**Distinguished Alumni  
Award**

**Catherine Wilson**  
Associate of Science in Nursing,  
2015

**Alumni  
Pledge**

**Catherine Wilson**  
Associate of Science in Nursing,  
2015

**Charge to Graduates  
& Closing Remarks**

**Renée Herzing**  
University President

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## Commencement Speaker



### **Dr. Eliza Belle**

Director of Psychological and Behavioral Services  
Alabama Department of Mental Health

Dr. Eliza Belle is a Licensed Psychologist, consultant, and respected clinical leader with over 20 years of experience in the field of behavioral health. She serves as State Director of Psychological and Behavioral Services for the Alabama Department of Mental Health. Dr. Belle is the former governor appointed member and past chair of the Alabama Board

of Examiners in Psychology, the state's licensing authority for practitioners.

Dr. Belle's career has included service with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, psychiatric facilities, community mental health agencies, and college and university counseling centers. She earned a B.S. in Psychology from Xavier University of Louisiana, an M.S. in Counseling from Loyola University New Orleans, and a Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from the University of Georgia.

She is the Owner and Executive Director of The Life Collective, a clinical wellness practice dedicated to normalizing mental health through community partnerships, public advocacy, and therapy services. She is also the co-founder of Goals & Girlfriends, an empowerment network designed to help individuals pursue their dreams and life goals through vision boards, fellowship, and entertainment.

Dr. Belle is a published researcher whose work has explored ethnic minority representation and stress and burnout among professionals of color. She has also contributed to the Encyclopedia of Counseling and has been featured as a mental health expert in *Essence*, *O*, *The Oprah Magazine*, *Ebony*, *Teen Vogue*, *HuffPost*, *Glamour*, *Reader's Digest*, and other national publications, as well as television news programs.

A dedicated advocate for mental health and community wellness, Dr. Belle resides in Birmingham with her husband and two young daughters. She is also a proud bonus mom and co-parent to a young adult daughter.

# University President



**Renée Herzing**  
University President  
Herzing University

Renée Herzing is President of Herzing University, a private nonprofit system focused on progressive, career-oriented adult learning. Herzing serves more than 11,000 students nationally in healthcare, behavioral health, nursing, business, IT, and public safety through 13 campuses in nine states and its online division. Herzing has graduated more than 10,000 nurses through multiple programs, including online and hybrid pathways. Over the past four years, the University has received seven federal grants totaling more than \$10 million to support underrepresented populations and expand the healthcare and mental health workforce.

Renée is passionate about human potential and educational access as pathways to changing lives. She has served as Herzing's President for 16 years, advancing student outcomes, strengthening partnerships with healthcare organizations and community groups, expanding academic programs, and adding campus locations. She also led Herzing through its transition from a family-owned organization to a nonprofit institution in 2015. During her previous 10 years at Herzing, she held leadership roles in student services, admissions, online education, and served as Executive Vice President. In 2003, she launched the University's online division, which has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report for 13 consecutive years among its Best Online Bachelor's programs and other categories.

Renée is an active leader in Wisconsin's education and business communities. She serves on the Steering Committee of the Higher Education Regional Alliance, the Board of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and as Chair of the Member Experience Committee for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee. She is also a member of the Young Presidents' Organization, where she has held leadership roles and was recently elected YPO Chapter Chair. She serves on the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors.

Renée earned an MBA in 2001 and holds a B.A. with Honors, Magna Cum Laude, from Brown University. She co-authored *Troubleshooting Your Business English*. Outside of work, she enjoys music, salsa dancing, traveling, learning languages, spending time on the beach or water, and being with her two children.

# Student of the Year



## **Kekke Young**

Nursing Lab & Simulation Technician  
Herzing University  
Diploma in Practical Nursing, 2026

Kekke Young, Ed.S. is a dedicated educator, healthcare professional, entrepreneur, mother, and lifelong learner whose journey reflects perseverance, leadership, service, and a commitment to making a difference in the lives of others.

Kekke began her career in education, earning her bachelor's degree in 2010, Master of Education in 2012, and Educational Specialist degree in 2014. During more than eleven years in education, she served as a classroom teacher, academic interventionist, literacy specialist, program director, and educational leader. These experiences strengthened her passion for leadership, mentorship, advocacy, and helping others reach their fullest potential.

In 2022, driven by a desire to expand her ability to serve others, Kekke became a Certified Nursing Assistant and later enrolled in the Nursing program at Herzing University's Birmingham campus. Transitioning from an established career in education to nursing required tremendous sacrifice and determination. While balancing motherhood, employment, entrepreneurship, clinical responsibilities, and personal challenges, she remained committed to achieving her goal.

Throughout her nursing journey, Kekke distinguished herself through academic perseverance, leadership, compassion, and service. Her accomplishments include receiving the DAISY Student Nurse Award and being selected as Student of the Year. She has also served as a Nursing Lab and Simulation Technician, combining her education and healthcare experience to help future nurses build clinical skills and confidence.

As a mother, Kekke strives to show her children that setbacks do not define their story and that it is never too late to pursue a new calling. As she enters the nursing profession as an LPN, she plans to continue advancing her education, mentoring others, advocating for patients and families, and providing compassionate care.

Kekke Young's story is a testament to resilience, reinvention, purpose, and perseverance.

## Distinguished Alumnus



### **Catherine Wilson**

Registered Nurse

Encompass Health

Associate of Science in Nursing, 2015

Catherine Wilson is a proud 2015 graduate of Herzing University whose nursing career exemplifies compassion, perseverance, professional excellence, and a steadfast commitment to serving others. As a Registered Nurse, Catherine has dedicated her career to providing high-quality, patient-centered care while continually expanding her knowledge, skills, and leadership within the healthcare

profession.

Throughout her nursing career, Catherine has served in diverse healthcare settings, where she has consistently demonstrated a passion for patient advocacy, clinical excellence, and compassionate service. Her dedication to those in her care and her commitment to excellence have earned her notable recognition, including the 2025 DAISY Award and selection as a 2026 Employee Spotlight honoree at Encompass Health. These honors reflect her commitment to making a meaningful difference in the lives of her patients, colleagues, and community.

Catherine's educational journey is a testament to her dedication to lifelong learning and professional growth. She earned her Associate of Science in Nursing and Licensed Practical Nursing Diploma from Herzing University before continuing her education and earning her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). Her commitment to advancing her profession has brought her back to Herzing University, where she is currently pursuing her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) with the goal of becoming a Nurse Practitioner.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Catherine is an author, entrepreneur, mother, grandmother, and woman of faith. Her journey is one of resilience, determination, and purpose. She remains passionate about inspiring and empowering others to pursue their goals, overcome obstacles, and recognize their own potential.

Through her dedication to nursing, pursuit of advanced education, and commitment to service, Catherine represents the values of leadership, perseverance, and excellence. Her journey and accomplishments embody the spirit of a Distinguished Alumna and serve as an inspiration to current and future healthcare professionals.

# 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 Information Technology

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Daniel Benefield | Teknyia Posey  |
| Janisha Green    | Latedra Steele |
| Michael Hester   |                |



## Diploma in Bookkeeping and Payroll Accounting

Shama Sultan

## Diploma in Health and Human Services

|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| April Adams <i>h</i>    | Shalanda Lawrence         |
| Anjelica Bush <i>h</i>  | Pamela Steele             |
| Abrilya Catlin <i>h</i> | Tanjanika Steele <i>h</i> |
| Destiny Hatcher         |                           |

## Diplomas

### Diploma in Insurance Billing and Coding Specialist

|                      |                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Brittany Arrington   | Brittany Moore <i>h</i>    |
| Reagan Caldwell      | Page Perdue                |
| Orlandria Carrington | Tremaine Scott <i>h</i>    |
| Cearia Ford          | Tashayla Weatherly         |
| Aiesha Frison        | Jennifer Williams <i>h</i> |
| Natalie Gamble       | Kaitlyn Winston            |
| Elizabeth Hardin     | Tanisha Woods              |
| LaDeshia Hawkins     | Tierra Young               |
| LaQuana Lyons        |                            |

### Diploma in Medical Assisting

|                         |                            |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Ieshia Austin           | Tynesha McCall             |
| LaTomara Bridges        | Keoria Mccoy               |
| Felisha Daniel          | Brittney Robinson <i>h</i> |
| Jalerya Ford            | Kenecia Smith              |
| Alleisha Hardy <i>h</i> | Melissa Southall           |
| Melissa Hester <i>h</i> | Elizabeth Turner           |
| Aeriel Hopkins          |                            |

### Diploma in Medical Coding

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Jessica Bishop        | Jasmine McIntyre |
| Shay Carmack <i>h</i> |                  |

### Diploma in Medical Office Administration

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Katherine Harrell <i>h</i> | Ashley Rogers   |
| Myra McGee                 | Tahirah Sanders |
| Jasmine Roberson           |                 |

## Diplomas

### Diploma in Practical Nursing

|                          |                             |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Ava Addison              | ShaNyia Carpenter           |
| Titilayo Alakija         | Jessica Carter              |
| Roquanna Allison         | LaShaundra Carter           |
| Arminda Alverson         | Leketa Carter               |
| Shakara Anderson         | Montclair Carter            |
| Ashanti Askew            | Heaven Clark <i>h</i>       |
| Riante Askew <i>h</i>    | Latrena Clark               |
| Meosha Banks <i>h</i>    | Stefanie Clark              |
| Shanika Barber           | Temesha Colvin              |
| Denise Bell <i>h</i>     | Autumn Cospers              |
| Monifah Bell             | Alana Cowan                 |
| Ashley Benson            | Morgan Crutchfield          |
| Reagan Best              | Taliafferio Cureton-Coleman |
| Amber Besteder <i>h</i>  | Tanae Daniel                |
| Dinitria Blackburn       | Layesca Dasilva             |
| Audrey Boffa <i>h</i>    | Kierian Davis               |
| Deandrea Borden          | Raneshia Davis              |
| AcQuavious Bowden        | Katisha Debose              |
| Tnesha Bowman            | Canisha Dennis              |
| Ebonie Brooks            | Alienne Desulme             |
| Alencia Brown            | Courtney Duke               |
| Aliyah Brown <i>h</i>    | Ivy Dupree                  |
| Ariona Brown             | Megan Dye                   |
| Jamilia Brown <i>h</i>   | Ashley Earnest              |
| Jeremiah Brown           | Corbie Edwards              |
| Rolesa Brown             | Tionna Ellis                |
| Jasmine Burns            | Camillia Elmore <i>h</i>    |
| Keondra Butler <i>h</i>  | Carrington Evans            |
| Miranda Byrd             | Micah Floyd <i>h</i>        |
| Miguel Campbell <i>h</i> | Deirdre Foster              |

## Diplomas

### Diploma in Practical Nursing (Cont.)

|                            |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Amaya Freeman              | Daisa Jones              |
| Laurecatsia Freeman        | Kiona Jones              |
| Whitley Gazaway            | Malinda Jones            |
| Leshawne Grant <i>h</i>    | Shasta Jones <i>h</i>    |
| Nakia Grant                | Jasmine Kennedy <i>h</i> |
| Davonte Green              | Jasmine Kennedy <i>h</i> |
| Kiana Green                | Jordan Kimball           |
| Iyanla Hackworth           | Shecovia Kirksey         |
| Ashley Hairston            | Aniyya Knox              |
| Tonga Hall                 | Taylor Lacour            |
| Stephanie Hardy <i>h</i>   | Jennifer Laffitte        |
| Angela Hargrove <i>h</i>   | Jurlessiah Laffitte      |
| Alexis Harmon              | Ashley Lake              |
| Sidney Harrell             | Jazmine Lake             |
| Malasia Harris             | Jaida Lane               |
| Adia Hasty                 | Jacinta Lanier           |
| Zariah Henderson           | Catlyn Lattimore         |
| Deborah Herring            | Desiree Lauderdale       |
| Monique Hickerson Keitt    | Taneisha Lesane          |
| Kimber Hicks               | Albertinia Lester        |
| Quanaydreia Hinton         | Brandy Loftis            |
| Brittaney Hipps <i>h</i>   | Lakesa Long              |
| Anna Hocutt <i>h</i>       | Brittney Love <i>h</i>   |
| Ayanna Holmes              | Courtney Love            |
| DeAsia Horn <i>h</i>       | Erica Lucius             |
| Jermine Horston <i>h</i>   | Tomeika Lynch            |
| Donterrika Hughes <i>h</i> | Samuel Martin <i>h</i>   |
| Brianna James <i>h</i>     | Aimee Martinez <i>h</i>  |
| Markita James              | Teaqua Mayfield          |
| Melanie Jenkins            | Jessica McAlpine         |
| CorDozier Jones            | Danielle Mccollough      |

## Diplomas

### Diploma in Practical Nursing (Cont.)

|                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Gwendolyn McCurry <i>h</i> | Synethia Pryor             |
| Tameka McElrath            | Tambanique Quinn           |
| Chelsea McNeil             | Lafayette Rankin <i>h</i>  |
| Daisie McPherson <i>h</i>  | Morgan Rayner <i>h</i>     |
| McKenzie Mellown           | Liengu Rebecca             |
| Danayisha Miles            | Tajae Reed <i>h</i>        |
| Alexis Miller              | Chelsea Reese              |
| Jamya Mills                | Tiffany Rembert <i>h</i>   |
| Loretta Minor              | Laporsha Rhone             |
| Brittany Monroe            | Braxton Richardson         |
| CaNetra Moore              | April Robinson <i>h</i>    |
| Demetria Moore             | Chrissy Robinson           |
| Marreiua Moore             | Toni Rodrigues             |
| Patrice Moore              | Chanelle Rogers            |
| Nicolas Munoz Paredes      | Chitara Rogers             |
| Edwin Mutuku               | Alexis Romano              |
| Jamahna Nelson <i>h</i>    | TaMeisha Rowe              |
| Kiara Nelson               | Monika Ruffin              |
| Elizabeth Njoroge          | Dametria Rutley            |
| Erika Orr <i>h</i>         | Ja'Lia Samuel              |
| Romecko Osborne            | Kezia Sattiewhite <i>h</i> |
| Raveona Owensby            | Nia Saye                   |
| Alexis Paige               | Chloe Scott                |
| Falon Paige                | Kanisha Scott              |
| Ashley Pass                | Tamarrow Scroggins-Shaffer |
| Brea Patton <i>h</i>       | Kentrice Sellers           |
| Rosario Perez Hernandez    | Jamekia Sharpe             |
| Eboni Peterson <i>h</i>    | Jacob Simmons              |
| Addie Phillips             | Jamella Simmons <i>h</i>   |
| Dymond Pickett <i>h</i>    | Erica Singleton            |
| Wendy Powell               | Brittney Smith <i>h</i>    |

## Diplomas

### Diploma in Practical Nursing (Cont.)

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Candice Smith <i>h</i>    | Shamia Walker              |
| Jasmine Smith             | Shamyia Walker             |
| Mary Smith                | Mercy Wathaiga <i>h</i>    |
| Shandrekia Smith          | Jane Wathiru               |
| Lejanae Sneed             | Kwanza Watkins             |
| Martisha Spencer          | Tyler Watts                |
| Deandraneka Stanford      | Jasmine Webb               |
| Ashley Steger             | Jordan Webster             |
| Lalexus Stevenson         | Aikyra Wedgeworth <i>h</i> |
| Conikki Stinson           | Jasmine White              |
| Destinie Stone            | Victoria White             |
| Ilesha Stover             | Lavita Whitley             |
| Kenyatta Stover           | Anna Williams              |
| Ronnesha Tabb             | Aryana Williams <i>h</i>   |
| Joshua Tate               | Jamia Williams             |
| Shenita Tate              | Latisha Williams           |
| Angel Taylor <i>h</i>     | Nathanael Williams         |
| Ke'Ante Taylor            | Taniya Williams            |
| Ashley Thomas             | Acoryanna Wilson           |
| NaKayla Thomas            | LaDiamondnique Wilson      |
| Aniya Thompson            | Nyah Wilson                |
| KeAndrea Tinker           | Tiffany Wilson             |
| Cassandra Todd            | Ashley Winn                |
| Dene Turner <i>h</i>      | Jimecia Worthey <i>h</i>   |
| Amanda VanWagner <i>h</i> | Karmen Young               |
| Raymond Vega              | Kekke Young                |

## Diplomas

### Diploma in Sterile Processing

|                         |                        |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Melisa Adolphe          | Ruth King              |
| Dannesha Amerson        | Avionna Lacey          |
| Melissa Berry           | Shaquetta Lee          |
| Lauren Blair <i>h</i>   | Arlillie Ligon         |
| Katresa Brooks          | Shykeria Love <i>h</i> |
| Penny Brooks            | Sajuan Lucas           |
| Jakoriah Brown          | Earlicia Martin        |
| Shakira Brownlow        | Thea Miles             |
| Taneisha Buckner        | Darrielle Morgan       |
| Tova Caldwell <i>h</i>  | Marchae Norwood        |
| Dazja Campos            | Kalyn Paige            |
| Adriane Clayton         | Candace Palmer         |
| Nazjhai Cozart          | Shonte' Parker         |
| Emily Crenshaw          | Jessica Pearson        |
| Zarria Daniels          | Christen Phillips      |
| Breya Davis             | JaQuanna Pitts         |
| Jasmine Davis           | Ametrice Pratt         |
| Tori Dodson             | Ashley Robinson        |
| Tytiania Dukes <i>h</i> | Olivia Ruffin          |
| Rachel Farmer           | Tamyah Sanford         |
| Ukenya Foster           | Kalena Shell <i>h</i>  |
| Kendra Fowler <i>h</i>  | TaShara Smith <i>h</i> |
| Willa Hails             | Tiffany Stone <i>h</i> |
| Valarie Hall            | Jasia Taylor           |
| Jayla Harris <i>h</i>   | Keaira Terry           |
| Terrill Hickey          | Diana Thomas           |
| Destiny Hugley          | Latishia Trimble       |
| Terica Jackson          | Kierra Turner          |
| DarAngel Johnson        | Jamillah Watson        |
| Shelia Johnson          | Britney Williams       |
| Tamekia Jones           | Sade' Williams         |
| Teshiya Jones           | Amy Williamson         |
| Keondria Kent           |                        |

## Associate Degrees

### Associate of Science in Accounting

Kayla Nored

### Associate of Science in Business Management

Aleah Crumpton

Danielle Knox

Ashley Smith

Brittany Wells

Sharlisa Winston *h*

### Associate of Science in Criminal Justice

Destiny Brown

Chassidy Gayden

### Associate of Science in General Studies Pre-Nursing

Andrea Cruz Barillas *h*

Rayuna Grant

Rebecca Harkrider

Tangela Harris *h*

### Associate of Science in Health and Human Services

Rodnekia Bryant

Breauna Eaton

David Ford

Tatiana Harris *h*

Jeydon Lynn

Ciaria Patillo

Joshlyn Pettus

Christopher Scales

### Associate of Science in Health Information Management

Cynthia Barnes *h*

Menyotta Brown *h*

Keundra Irby *h*

Yolanda Nord *h*

Estella Spencer *h*

Barrisha Stephens

## Associate Degrees

### Associate of Science in Healthcare Administration

Tiffany Bates  
Brittany Cook  
Jayla Hall  
Suzanne Johnson  
TaLisha Lewis

Celia Miller *h*  
Mary Nduhiu *h*  
Keaira Sturdivant  
Destiny Williams *h*  
Tiffany Williamson

### Associate of Science in Information Technology

Janice Barkley *h*  
RaKiyah Dunlap  
Terrence Sizemore

Renea Ticking *h*  
Casey Turner *h*

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

Shanequa Barnes  
Amber Callen  
Meighan Hollis

Lauren Kelley  
Naomi Smith *h*  
Adgerlina Sneed

### Associate of Science in Legal Studies

Kekoia Blakely

Enjoli Jones

### Associate of Science in Medical Assisting Services

Aleah Covington *h*  
Kabrishia Harper *h*  
Tasha Mccoy  
Joanna McKinstry Williams  
Markquaisha Rush

LaDonna Russell  
Zakeria Staples *h*  
Ashton Terry *h*  
Kasmyn Wilder

## Associate Degrees

### Associate of Science in Medical Office Administration

Lynndrette Bennette *h*  
Shameaka Everson

Shatedra Rich

### Associate of Science in Nursing

Lakeesha Bailey  
Kiana Bates  
Jessica Blankenship  
Jaliyah Bodley  
Janiyah Bodley  
Carlorial Boles  
Madison Brown  
Whitney Buckner  
Tyra Campbell  
Brandie Cowans  
Karriem Davis  
Shanetra Fowler  
Janice Gunn  
Conquista Hall *h*  
Leah Harrison  
April Johnson  
Beverly Johnson  
Jasmine Johnson  
Terilyn Kornegay  
Alexandria Lawrence  
Ariel Lawson  
Katerica Liptrot  
Phallen Marshall

Priscilla Mburu  
ShanQuita McClellan  
Bridget McCormick  
Kaneesha McGinnis  
Regina Njuguna  
Porcha Pace  
Ashia Peasant  
Amber Powell  
Martha Sanders  
Latrina Sanford  
Zyon Smith  
Tonesika Square  
Tracy Sullivan  
Nakesha Taylor  
Keosha Tubbs  
Tyiesha Underwood  
Candice Whitt  
Krystal Williams  
Elizabeth Williamson  
Jeanette Wilson  
T'Keyha Wright  
Kaireesha Wright-Smith  
Shakira Young

### Associate of Science in Software Development

Michael Crosby

## Bachelor's Degrees

### Bachelor of Science in Accounting

Cleopatra Pratt

### Bachelor of Science in Business Management

Karlesha Perkins

Courtney Traylor s

### Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice

Lucas Allums *m*

### Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity

Trista Franklin

Michael Gay *c*

### Bachelor of Science in Health and Human Services

Dora Eirby

LaKeeia Jones

### Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management

Trishella Delks *c*

Valerie Slaughter *c*

### Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences

Terence Davis *s*

### Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration

Tammy Adams *c*

Brooke Daniely

Kamaria Ambers *s*

Agnella Prince

Anna Casey *c*

## Bachelor's Degrees

### Bachelor of Science in Human Resources

Jazmine Freeman

Jessica Pearce

### Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Professional Studies

Keuntae Manuel

### Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Ashley Ayala

Kiara Forrest

Ashley Bunker c

Dashianeke Irby

Cassidy Calhoun

Iris Joseph

April Champion

Vivian Kendix

Latasha Connor

Chinonso Okugo m

Travis Deese

Deanna Richardson

Amber Exum

Tristan Tyus c

### Bachelor of Science in Project Management

Saleighna Pryor

### Bachelor of Science in Psychology

Crystal Burt m

Conie Esteras-Nogue

Haley Campbell

Carlisha Shack m

Adia Daniels s

Lindsey Smith m

Monick Davis

Dakota Whisenant s

### Bachelor of Science in Software Development

Carlos Ortigoza

## Master's Degrees

### Master of Business Administration

Tamika Boyd  
Alexis Cowart

Kenneth Howard

### Master of Business Administration in Business Analytics

Ashish Dahal

### Master of Science in Cybersecurity

Carlos Ortigoza

### Master of Science in Healthcare Administration

Kamaria Ambers  
Rebecca Foster  
Rachel Jones

Enasha Phillips  
Anderea Sampleton

### Master of Science in Nursing

Mary Aliter  
Brooke Allen  
Tracey Blanchard  
Asianna Blount  
Juanita Blount  
Tymara Butler

Brittani Hood  
Nkechi Jejenywa  
Joseph Martin  
Monique Smith  
Timmecia Smith

### Master of Science in Nursing in Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

Danielle Anthony

Passian Burton

## Master's Degrees

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

Heather Gardner

Taylor Gibson

Raylen King

Brooke Lowery

Jason Oates

Regina Posey

Jessica Rubin

Briana Wiggins

Donna Zellers Alsop

### Master of Science in Nursing in Nursing Education

Carlie Lassitter

### Master of Science in Nursing in Nursing Leadership and Administration

Evangelina Gatson

Katina Rogers-Lewis

### Master of Science in Nursing in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner

Phylecia Bazan

Victoria Bradshaw

Chrisalyn Butler

Ebony Byers

Ketche Clark

Dale Fixler

Candie Johnson

Patrece Martin

DeAndrea Napoleon

Kristyn Schneider Σ

Keondra White

### Master of Social Work

Tawanna Davis ‡

Lydia Etheridge

Myia Gaines

Earnestine Rawls ‡

Ashley Washington ‡

## Post Master's Certificate

### **Post Master's Certificate in Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner**

Marylande Regis

### **Post Master's Certificate in Family Nurse Practitioner**

Mary Coffman

### **Post Master's Certificate in Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner**

Sharnice Myles

## Doctorate Degrees

### **Doctor of Nursing Education**

Kayla King

### **Doctor of Nursing Practice**

Yvonne Roscoe

# Key to Honors

## Master & Doctoral Degree

Graduates receive the Masters and Doctoral 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 is open to undergraduate students who have a grade point average of 3.75 or higher and are recognized at commencement 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 however 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.

## Phi Alpha Social Work Honor Society (PA)

‡ = PA Social Work Honor Society

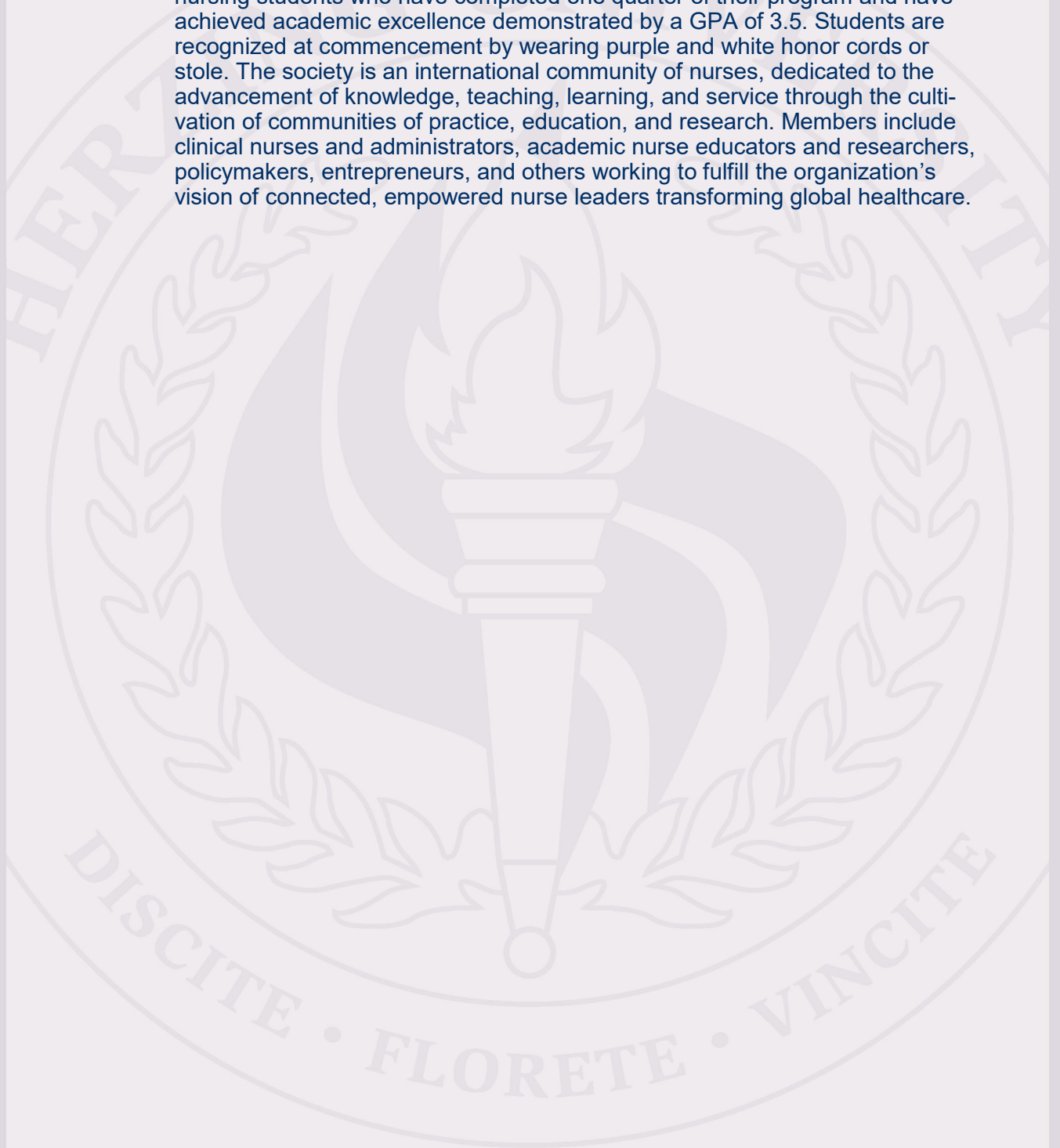
The highest honor one can receive in Social Work at Herzing University is membership in the Delta Kappa Sigma Chapter of Phi Alpha International Honor Society. Members must earn a 3.5 cumulative GPA, have completed at least one-third of the program, and have completed 10 hours of community service. Phi Alpha fosters high standards of education for social workers and invites into membership those who have attained excellence in scholarship and achievement in social work. Students are recognized at commencement by wearing a blue and gold honor cord or stole. The purpose of Phi Alpha Honor Society is to provide a closer bond among students of social work and promote humanitarian goals and ideals.

# Key to Honors

## Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing (STT)

Σ = STT International Honor Society

Induction into the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing is open to undergraduate nursing students who have completed one half of their nursing curriculum, achieved academic excellence demonstrated by a GPA of 3.0 and rank in the upper 35% of their class; membership is open to graduate nursing students who have completed one quarter of their program and have achieved academic excellence demonstrated by a GPA of 3.5. Students are recognized at commencement by wearing purple and white honor cords or stole. The society is an international community of nurses, dedicated to the advancement of knowledge, teaching, learning, and service through the cultivation of communities of practice, education, and research. Members include clinical nurses and administrators, academic nurse educators and researchers, policymakers, entrepreneurs, and others working to fulfill the organization's vision of connected, empowered nurse leaders transforming global healthcare.



# Alumni Pledge

## I Acknowledge:

As a proud Herzing University alum, I am part of a lifelong community built on mentorship, leadership, and support. Empowered by my education, I will inspire others, foster inclusivity, and create meaningful change.

## I Pledge Therefore:

To embody the P.R.I.C.E. of Success—Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Caring, and Engagement—in all aspects of my life, making a positive impact wherever I go.

**Graduates, welcome to the Herzing University Alumni Circle! Keep in touch and access your no-cost alumni benefits!**



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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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