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CSM congratulates 41 winter graduates

OMAHA, NEB. – College of Saint Mary would like to congratulate the 41 students of this year’s winter graduating class. These students received their degrees at Winter Commencement on Saturday, Dec. 12, in the Lied Fitness Center. The commencement address was delivered by alumna Vernetta Boston Kosalka ’03, M’07. Vernetta owns The Wedding Planner Omaha, LLC, and is a manager and adjunct professor at Metropolitan Community College. CSM President Dr. Maryanne Stevens, RSM, presented the degrees to the graduates.

COLLEGE OF SAINT MARY 2020 WINTER GRADUATES

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	DEGREE	CITY	STATE	HONORS
Sarah	Borchers	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Erica	Boss	Master in Occupational Therapy	OMAHA	NE	
Megan	Bousquet	Bachelor of Science	Lincoln	NE	Magna Cum Laude
Jay'La	Brown	Bachelor of General Studies	Henderson	NV	
Carlyn	Byrnes	Master of Arts in Teaching	Hastings	NE	
Jacquelynne	Carlson	Master in Occupational Therapy	Omaha	NE	
Taylor	Chandler	Bachelor of Science	Omaha	NE	
Olivia	Coulter	Bachelor of Arts	Omaha	NE	
Rebecca	Daugherty	Bachelor of Arts	OMAHA	NE	
Maya	Douchev	Master in Occupational Therapy	OMAHA	NE	
Ashley	Farringer	Bachelor of Arts	Omaha	NE	Magna Cum Laude

Valeria	Fierro	Bachelor of General Studies	Kansas City	MO	Cum Laude
Margaret	Flinn	Bachelor of Science	Omaha	NE	
Joanna	Franco-Daniels	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Brett	Friesen	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Summer	Groteluschen	Bachelor of Science	Wilber	NE	Summa Cum Laude
Allayna	Hayden	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Max	Henscheid	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Stephanie	Jaques	Master of Arts in Teaching	Elkhorn	NE	
Sara	Kalar	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Pumulo	Kasaji	Bachelor of Arts	Omaha	NE	
Brenna	Kirchhoff	Master in Occupational Therapy	OMAHA	NE	
Jennifer	Kuchta	Doctor of Education	Blair	NE	
Olivia	Kuehler	Bachelor of Science	Humphrey	NE	
Alyssa	Laudato	Bachelor of Science	Palm Bay	FL	
Angelica	Martinez	Bachelor of Arts	Omaha	NE	
Kama	McAdams	Master of Arts in Teaching	Ashland	NE	
Carlene	McCulloch	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Laurel	Mitchell	Doctor of Education	Omaha	NE	
Sean	Mulholland	Master of Arts in Teaching	Eagle	NE	
Christina	Murcek	Doctor of Education	Omaha	NE	
Kelly	Nelsen	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Mary	Roarty	Bachelor of General Studies	OMAHA	NE	Cum Laude
Guadalupe	Salazar	Bachelor of Science	Omaha	NE	
Megan	Schafer	Master of Arts in Teaching	Gretna	NE	
Jessie	Stoffel	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Sarah	Swanigan	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	
Angela	Washington	Master of Science in Organizational Leadership	Lincoln	NE	
Alexandria	Welna	Bachelor of Science	Bellevue	NE	Cum Laude
Kayla	Welsh	Master in Occupational Therapy	Plattsmouth	NE	
Kimberly	Yau	Master of Arts in Teaching	Omaha	NE	

***Graduation Honors**

Graduation with honors is based on the undergraduate student's quality point average for College of Saint Mary courses only. To be eligible for honors, the student must complete at least sixty-five semester hours of CSM courses at the bachelor's degree level or thirty-seven semester hours at the associate's degree level.

For Bachelor's Degrees

- summa cum laude: a student must obtain a quality point average of at least 3.9
- magna cum laude: a student must obtain a quality point average of at least 3.7
- cum laude: a student must obtain a quality point average of at least 3.5

For Associate's Degrees

- with highest honors: a student must obtain a quality point average of at least 3.9
- with high honors: a student must obtain a quality point average of at least 3.7
- with honors: a student must obtain a quality point average of at least 3.5

College of Saint Mary – educating leaders since 1923. Founded for women by the Sisters of Mercy, CSM is a thriving Catholic university that provides access to affordable education. CSM fosters potential and leadership through academic excellence, scholarship and lifelong learning. The University offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in many of today's highest-paying, in-demand fields, including physician assistant studies, occupational therapy, nursing, science, education, business and legal studies.

CSM offers its student body an enriching collegiate experience that includes competitive athletics and a wide range of fine arts opportunities. A member of the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC), CSM Flames student-athletes field teams in 11 competitive sports: basketball, soccer, softball, volleyball, bowling, competitive dance, swimming, tennis, track, and cross country. Fine arts play a large role in rounding out an academic experience and CSM provides students with the opportunity to continue their passion for music, art and drama.

Located in the heart of Omaha, home of four Fortune 500 companies, CSM's 40-acre campus is adjacent to Aksarben Village's vibrant and bustling retail and entertainment space, as well as Baxter Arena. CSM is minutes from world-class attractions such as the Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium, Joslyn Art Museum, Lauritzen Gardens and CenturyLink Center Omaha.

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