

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

Commencement

SATURDAY, MAY 18

T. H. BARTON COLISEUM



College of Health Professions
College of Nursing
Fay W. Boozman
College of Public Health
College of Pharmacy
College of Medicine
Graduate School

————— **2024**



2024 Commencement

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The academic procession originated in Europe about 800 years ago. As the Middle Ages drew to a close, scholars began to associate in institutions accepting students for the purpose of higher learning. By the 13th century, these institutions had come to be known as universities – a name derived from the word universal, implying that they contained all the knowledge available at that time. The rise of these great European universities in Italy, France, England and the German states was an important part of the Renaissance. Faculties of these early universities wore robes similar to those of the clergy. Hooded robes began when itinerant or “begging” friars added tippets, or shoulder coverings, to the robes that contained a pocket to collect alms or offerings. Today’s academic hoods still contain pockets.

Part of the tradition of each university was to adopt official colors of the ornate academic robes its faculty would wear. Universities often selected colors derived from their sponsors, such as royal families

or city-states. Although much of the pomp and circumstance of these early universities has passed into history, the academic gowns and hoods retain the colors passed down by generations of graduates.

American universities followed the traditions of the European universities by adopting their own academic colors, according to a variety of reasons. The University of Kansas chose blue and crimson because the faculty was divided between those wearing the blue of Yale University and the crimson of Harvard University. The gold and silver colors of the University of Colorado symbolized the mineral wealth that financed the university. The cardinal red of the University of Arkansas was chosen in 1895 in a spirited contest, defeating heliotrope, a reddish purple; white was added years later after the rise of intercollegiate athletics.

In addition to the university colors worn on the back of the hoods, faculty holding doctoral and master’s degrees wear a specific color on the front bands of their gowns to denote the type of degree

they possess. By the 17th century, there were four types of doctoral degrees – law, medicine, philosophy and theology – represented by the colors of purple, green, blue and red, respectively. As you see from your program, there are a large number of colors denoting the many different degrees awarded by universities. Many of these colors will be seen here today on the faculty and officers of the university.

The procession begins with the Grand Marshal representing the faculty, followed by the UAMS Chancellor, members of the University of Arkansas Board of Trustees, Deans of the colleges and platform guests. Members of the faculty of UAMS’ six colleges follow, and finally, the candidates receiving degrees.

In addition to their academic attire, the UAMS Chancellor and President of the University of Arkansas wear medallions signifying the powers vested in their offices. This is a tradition that also began in the Middle Ages and continues to this day.

Order of Exercises

The Musical Prelude

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet

Remarks on Academic Procession

Vice Marshal

Angela L. Scott, M.D., Ph.D.
Associate Professor, College of Medicine

The Processional

Grand Marshal

Jeremy Thomas, Pharm.D.
Associate Professor, College of Pharmacy

The National Anthem†

Zoe Ledbetter

College of Pharmacy, Class of 2024

A Call to Gather

Susan McDougal, M.S., BCCC

Director of UAMS Pastoral Care Department and Clinical Pastoral Education Programs

Greeting from the UA System

Kelly Eichler, Chair

University of Arkansas Board of Trustees

Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Service

Mandy Macke, J.D.

Presented by

Cam Patterson, M.D., MBA, Chancellor & CEO, UAMS Health
Stephanie Gardner, PharmD., Ed.D., Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost

Honorary Degree

David H. Pryor

Accepted by

Mark L. Pryor

Presented by

Chancellor Patterson

Provost Gardner

Chancellor's Remarks

Chancellor Patterson

Conferring of Degrees

Chancellor Patterson

Provost Gardner

Deans of the Colleges

Recognition of Graduates and Closing Remarks

Chancellor Patterson

The Recessional††

Grand Marshal Thomas

Vice Marshal Scott

† The audience will please stand.

†† The audience will please remain seated until
the recessional has left the arena floor.



Mandy Macke is the executive director and vice chair of the Willard and Pat Walker Charitable Foundation located in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Mandy works tirelessly across the state and around the country to carry out the mission and vision of the foundation. The Walker Foundation is committed to supporting charitable, religious, scientific, literary and education endeavors across Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri. Mandy has worked for the Walker Foundation since 2003 and served as executive director and vice chair since 2013.

A Fayetteville native and a graduate of the University of Arkansas with both undergraduate and juris doctorate degrees, Mandy has served the UAMS community in many vital roles. For more than 21 years, Mandy has served on various boards and advisory committees

engaging in and advancing the mission-critical work of a multitude of programs across the institution. She joined the UAMS Northwest Arkansas Regional Campus Board of Advisors and the board of the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute in 2016, followed by joining the board of the Harvey and Bernice Jones Eye Institute and the Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging in 2019. In 2023, she became involved with the UAMS Well Into the Future Capital Campaign Committee. During her engagement with UAMS on behalf of the Walker Foundation, Mandy has been personally responsible for facilitating and advocating for more than \$47 million in private philanthropic support to advance UAMS' education, research and clinical initiatives that will deliver dramatic and lasting health and health care improvements for our state.

Mandy consistently leads by example when serving in these volunteer roles, taking her advocacy for our institution to continual new heights. She enthusiastically embraces the opportunity to listen and learn about the many ways UAMS serves Arkansans in every county across the state, and she actively encourages others to do the same. Mandy is a steadfast leader whose personal humility would never allow her to seek the spotlight, but her opinion and her counsel are often among the first sought when faced with new opportunities and difficult decisions. She is entrepreneurial in her approach, always exercising caution and concern for the greater good as she seeks to represent and deliver on the philanthropic intentions of the family she represents.

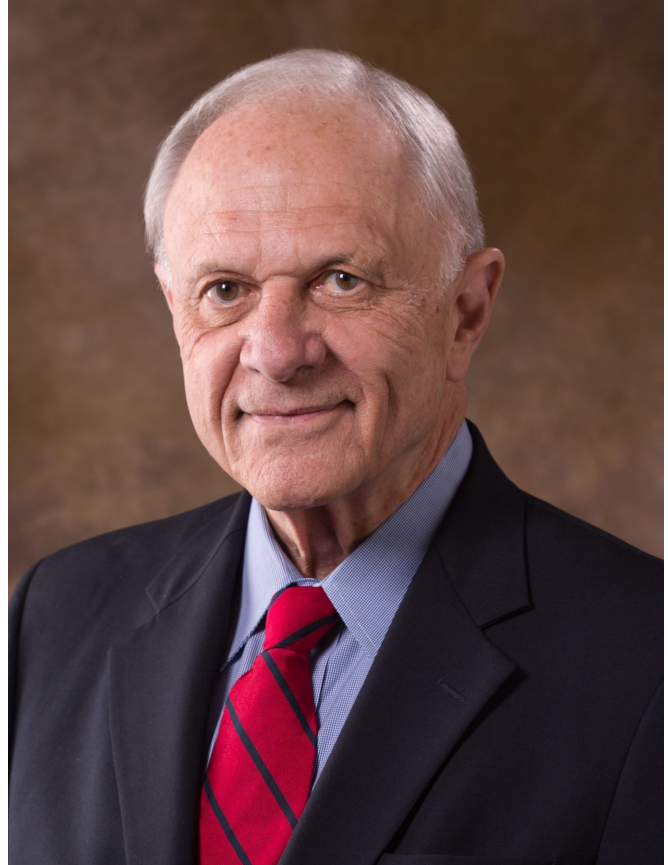
Senator David H. Pryor

David Hampton Pryor had a tenure of distinguished public service that stretched across four decades. He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives (1966-1973), as Arkansas' 39th Governor (1975-1979), and as a U.S. Senator (1980-1997). In 2004, he was appointed the inaugural dean of the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service, serving until 2006. In 2009, Gov. Mike Beebe appointed him to a 10-year term on the University of Arkansas Board of Trustees.

A native of Camden, Senator Pryor and his three siblings grew up in a family already committed to public service: both his father, William Edgar Pryor, and grandfather were sheriffs and his mother, Susan, became the first woman to run for elective office when she ran for county clerk in 1926 and was later elected to the school board. Senator Pryor graduated in 1957 from the University of Arkansas with a degree in government and earned a law degree in 1964. He married Barbara Jean Lunsford in 1957. They are the proud parents of three sons, David Jr., Mark, and Scott. Mark also entered public service, serving as a state legislator (1991-1995), state attorney general (1999-2003) and then in 2002 was elected to the U.S. Senate seat once held by his father, serving from 2003-2015.

He was elected in 1960 to the first of three terms in the state House of Representatives at the age of 26. As governor, he is credited with a reorganization of state government and creation of a state natural and cultural heritage department. As a Senator, Pryor chaired the Senate Special Committee on Aging, was a member of the Senate Agricultural Committee and a member of the Senate Finance Committee.

Retiring from public office in 1997, Senator Pryor became a Fulbright Distinguished Fellow of Law and Public Affairs, a lecturer in public policy at the University of Arkansas and a Distinguished Visiting Lecturer in Politics at Lyon College. In 2000, he became a Fellow and subsequent Director of the Institute of Politics at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. The archiving of his gubernatorial and senatorial papers by the



University of Arkansas led to the 2005 establishment of the David and Barbara Pryor Center for Oral and Visual History to document the cultural heritage of Arkansans by collecting audio and video resources to share with scholars, students, and the public. In June 2006, President George W. Bush nominated him to a six-year term on the board of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Senator Pryor was a strong and constant friend of UAMS. Throughout his career, he and Barbara attended numerous events supporting and celebrating UAMS. In 2013, they were honored at the UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute's Gala for Life with the Pat and Willard Walker Tribute Award for their support of the institute's work. In 2018, the UA Board of Trustees honored him as the first ever Chair Emeritus of the Board in honor of his service, followed by naming him a Trustee Emeritus upon his 2019 retirement.

Senator Pryor passed away on April 20, 2024 at the age of 89.

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

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 Luke Christian Edwards Orison
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 Madison Rae Reynolds
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 Landen Wayne Saling
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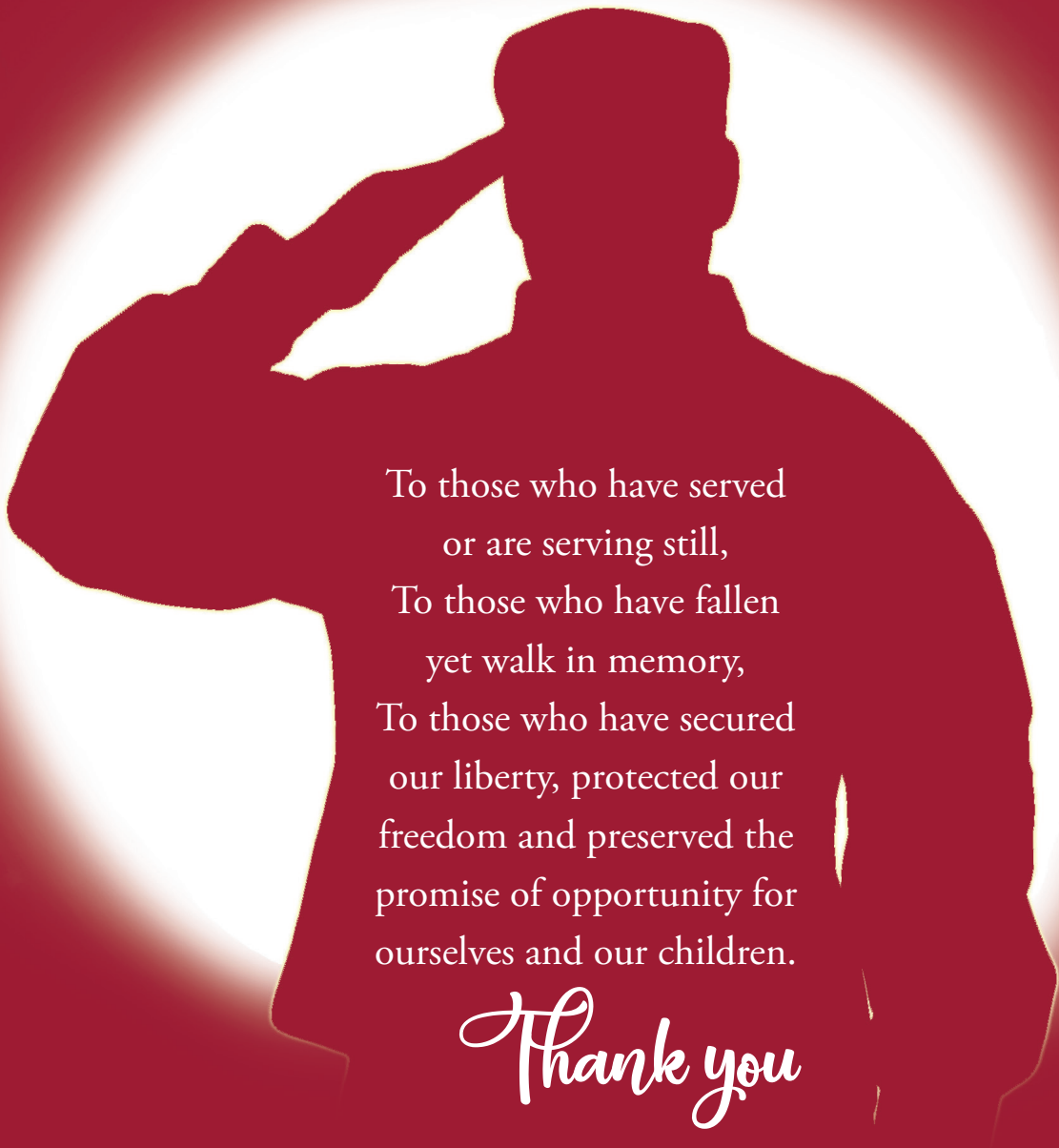
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To those who have served
or are serving still,
To those who have fallen
yet walk in memory,
To those who have secured
our liberty, protected our
freedom and preserved the
promise of opportunity for
ourselves and our children.

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“When I was a child, I was told that men were branded by war. Has the brand been put on me? Have the years of blood and ruin stripped me of all decency? Of all belief?

Not of all belief. I believe in the force of a hand grenade, the power of artillery, the accuracy of a Garand. I believe in hitting before you get hit, and that dead men do not look noble.

But I also believe in men like Brandon and Novak and Swope and Kerrigan; and all the men who stood up against the enemy, taking their beatings without whimper and their triumphs without boasting. The men who went and would go again to hell and back to preserve what our country thinks right and decent.

My country. America! That is it. We have been so intent on death that we have forgotten life. And now suddenly life faces

us. I swear to myself that I will measure up to it. I may be branded by war, but I will not be defeated by it.

Gradually it becomes clear. I will go back. I will find the kind of girl of whom I once dreamed. I will learn to look at life through uncynical eyes, to have faith, to know love. I will learn to work in peace as in war. And finally—finally, like countless others, I will learn to live again.”

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To Hell and Back

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