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Stark State College

A History of Educational Excellence

Stark State College was founded in 1960 when computerization and the development of new technologies and companies created a need for well-educated, highly trained employees with two-year college degrees. Stark State College was born out of that need. Well-respected in the community, Stark State College plays a vital role in the economic growth and development of the region through its strong tradition of providing educational and training services to employers and residents.

Today, Stark State College offers over 200 associate degrees, one-year certificates and career enhancement certificates in business, education, engineering technologies, health and human services, information technologies, liberal arts, mathematics and sciences.

Degrees awarded are the associate of arts, associate of science, associate of applied science, associate of applied business and associate of technical studies. These degrees prepare our graduates for career success as they move directly into the workforce or choose to continue their education in pursuit of a baccalaureate degree. A wide range of short-term career enhancement certificates help employees improve skills and gain a competitive edge in a society with rapidly changing technology. Career enhancement certificates lead to associate degrees and one-year certificates in various fields of study.

Community and business partnerships are vital to Stark State College. The College has developed an outstanding reputation among business and industry for its willingness to aggressively enhance workforce development activities in support of emerging business needs. A few of Stark State College's public/private partnerships include The Timken Company, Diebold Nixdorf, Contained Energy, Lockheed Martin, Kohler Container Co., Metallus and Ariel Corporation.

The Stark State College Foundation is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization that provides financial support beyond that obtained through student fees and state allocations. The Foundation exists solely to benefit the students and programs of Stark State College and assists the College in reaching a higher level of excellence in serving the educational needs of our community.

More than 17,000 Stark State College graduates live and work in our community, contributing to the vitality of our region and serving as a true testament to Stark State's commitment to excellence in education.

Congratulations to the Class of 2024

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Senate District 28

December 10, 2024

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations to all in the 2024 Stark State College graduating class. Graduation is the culmination of years of dedication and hard work, and you are to be commended for the intelligence, perseverance, and initiative that you have displayed in attaining this goal. Your achievement is one of which you, your family, and friends can be proud of.

You have demonstrated a sincere determination to prepare yourself for a meaningful and rewarding role in our ever-changing and challenging society, and your efforts are truly deserving of the highest recognition. By earning a degree from such a wonderful institution, you have shown that you are well equipped and ready to carry out the mission and purpose of Stark State College. As future leaders and change agents, it is my sincere hope that you will take what you have learned during your time at this venerable institution to render a positive mark and profound impact on our society, to make our state, country, and world better tomorrow than how they are today.

Thus, with great pleasure and satisfaction, we pay tribute to you on your graduation and extend best wishes for continued success in all your endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vernon Sykes".

Senator Vernon Sykes
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Speaker Pro Tempore

December 10, 2024

Dear Graduates,

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my personal congratulations on your graduation from Stark State College!

This is a tremendous milestone in your life. The academic success you have accomplished demonstrates great commitment and determination. I wish you the best of luck as you begin this new chapter. May you find your future career to be both challenging and fulfilling.

Please accept my best wishes for a bright and flourishing future. If I may be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Oelslager".

Scott Oelslager
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Bill Roemer
State Representative

Dear Graduates of the Class of 2024,

It is with great pride and admiration that I extend my heartfelt congratulations to each of you on reaching this remarkable milestone. Graduating from Stark State College is a testament to your dedication, hard work, and resilience. As a state legislator, I understand the importance of education in shaping the future, and I am inspired by your commitment to your studies and your determination to succeed.

You are now part of a proud tradition of Stark State College alumni who have made significant contributions to our community, our state, and our nation. Your education has provided you with the tools and knowledge to achieve your goals, and I have no doubt that you will continue to excel in all your future endeavors, whether in the workforce, further education, or service to others.

As you take this next step in your journey, I encourage you to stay curious, embrace challenges, and always strive to make a positive impact in the world. Your achievement is not just a personal success—it is a victory for our community and a step forward for all of us.

On behalf of the State of Ohio, I congratulate you once again and salute you as one of Ohio's finest citizens. The future is bright, and I am excited to see the many ways you will continue to inspire and lead.



State Representative Bill Roemer, 31st District
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December 11th, 2024

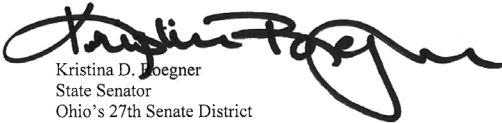
Dear Stark State Class of 2024,

The completion of a higher-level degree is one of the single-largest investments you can make in your long-term career success. Graduation is the culmination of years of dedication and hard work, and you are to be commended for the intelligence, perseverance, and initiative that you have displayed in attaining this goal. Earning your degree is an achievement of which you, your family, and friends can be justly proud.

You have demonstrated a sincere determination to prepare yourself for a meaningful and rewarding role in our ever-changing society. Your efforts are truly deserving of the highest praise.

Thus, with great pleasure and satisfaction, I sincerely congratulate you on your graduation and extend best wishes for continued success in all your endeavors.

Respectfully,



Kristina D. Boegner
State Senator
Ohio's 27th Senate District

The Academic Processional

The academic processional precedes the graduation ceremonies and reflects the early origins of education. To recognize the achievements of their students, higher education institutions in America hold an official commencement, during which time students are awarded appropriate degrees at the completion of their studies.

Academic costume has a history of nearly eight centuries. As students in medieval Europe organized into guilds, they developed distinctive costumes for various degrees. Differences among this garb appeared mainly in the hood, which is derived from the cloak. Hoods are now ornamental and are draped over the shoulders and down the back. The hood is faced with colors, which denote the field of study represented by the wearer's degree. The colors of the lining are those of the college or university by which the degree was granted.

In Europe, a professor generally wears the type of garment customary in the university where he or she is lecturing. In the U.S., professors continue to wear the gown and hood of the university where they received the highest degree.

The cap or "mortarboard" originated at Oxford. In Europe, one sees caps of other sorts, but in the U.S., caps are generally flat and square-shaped. Attached to a button on top of the "mortarboard" is a tassel. Tassels for associate and bachelor's degrees are black. Tassels for master's degrees are black or a color appropriate to the major field of study. For doctoral degrees, tassels are black or golden. The tassel is moved from the right side of the cap to the left side after receiving a degree and worn on the left side by those who have received a degree.

The various colors of the hoods signify the field of study in which the degree is earned. For example: white – arts, letters and humanities; olive – business and commerce; light blue – education; orange – engineering; purple – law; golden yellow – science; apricot – nursing; lemon – library science; pink – music; and green – medicine.

Distinction and High Distinction

Graduates who have demonstrated outstanding accomplishment in their technologies will be announced as graduating either with "Distinction" or "High Distinction."

Graduates who have a grade point average of 3.4 or above as of the end of fall semester 2024 will graduate with Distinction.

Graduates who have a grade point average of 3.8 or above as of the end of fall semester 2024 will graduate with High Distinction.

The level of distinction is based on the grade point average at the end of the semester preceding graduation. If the level of distinction changes after final grades are posted for the graduating semester, the student's academic record will be updated.

History and Tradition of the Mace

The ceremonial mace that is used in college and university commencement exercises was originally a weapon designed to protect kings that dates back to 12,000 B.C. Throughout history, the mace also has been a symbol of royalty and justice. Though maces traditionally were used as weapons, Scottish maces are musical instruments and have been and continue to be used as instruments of wartime music and military bands. The mace also is a symbol of academic authority. In commencement ceremonies, the mace is carried before the president and dignitaries who are seated at the platform where the graduates receive their diplomas.

The Construction and Symbolism of the Stark State College Mace

Stark State College's commencement mace is handcrafted from cherry wood, salvaged from a fallen tree on Stark State College's campus. The mace is 50 inches long and weighs 16 pounds. It was turned in March of 2006 by local craftsman Merle Weber. The Massillon Plaque Company fabricated the metal castings on the mace to the College's specifications.

The foundation for the head of the mace is constructed of "Ohio flint," a crypto-crystalline quartz and the state's official gemstone. The mace is crowned on both the obverse and reverse sides, with the official logo of the College.

Four brass bands on the staff are engraved with the four names of the College and the dates associated with those names, capturing the College's history and development since its founding in 1960. Three cast-brass plates affixed to the large barrel section near the top of the mace symbolize the College's national and state affiliations. The first cast brass plate depicts the United States flag. Symbolizing our state college status, the next casting displays the state motto and the final casting displays the Great Seal of the State of Ohio.



Commencement Speaker

Nicole Cleland, Ph.D.

Nicole Cleland is a distinguished associate professor and the psychology program coordinator at Stark State College. She earned a Ph.D. from The University of Akron in counselor education and supervision. She has an MA from The University of Akron in marriage and family therapy and a BA from the University of Mount Union in psychology. Nicole practiced for several years as a licensed supervising professional clinical counselor and marriage and family therapist in community health as well as in private practice.

Program

Processional	Pomp and Circumstance - Elgar-arr. Jack Gale Heights Brass Quintet <i>(Audience will please remain seated during processional)</i>
Welcome and Introduction	Lada Gibson-Shreve, Ph.D. Provost and Chief Academic Officer
Reflection	Ryan Johanning Director, Interfaith Campus Ministries
Pledge of Allegiance	Tracy L. Carter Second Vice Chair, Board of Trustees
<i>The Star Spangled Banner</i>	Stark State College Chorale
Introduction of Board of Trustees	Lada Gibson-Shreve, Ph.D.
Service Members and Veterans Recognition	Lada Gibson-Shreve, Ph.D.
Alumni Association and Introduction of Commencement Speaker	Para M. Jones, Ph.D. President
Graduation Address	Nicole Cleland, Ph.D. Associate Professor, Stark State College
Recommendation of the Class of 2024	Andrew Stephan, Ph.D., Dean, Arts and Sciences Donald M. Ball, Ed.D., Dean, Business, Engineering and Information Technologies Dean Mallernee, MBA, Dean, Health and Public Services
Presentation of the Class of 2024	Para M. Jones, Ph.D.
Conferring of Degrees	Harun Rashid Chair, Board of Trustees

———— Nomenclators ————
Trevis Brown and John David

Reflection	Ryan Johanning
Recessional	The Triumphal March - Verdi Heights Brass Quintet

(Audience will please remain seated until the platform party and all graduates have left the auditorium)

Out of respect for our graduates, please turn off ALL electronic devices during the ceremony.

THIS PROGRAM IS NOT AN OFFICIAL GRADUATION LIST

While every effort is made to ensure accuracy in this commencement program, printing deadlines sometimes prevent inclusion of graduates' names, or may result in listing of names of persons not completing graduation requirements. This printed program, therefore, should not be used to determine a student's permanent academic record kept by the Office of Academic Records/Registrar's Office.

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Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society

Graduates wearing gold tassels and stoles are members of the Beta Gamma Epsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, an international honorary society for two-year colleges, based on academic achievement in degree-related courses. Members must have a cumulative 3.5 GPA or higher in at least 12 semester hours of degree-related courses and maintain a cumulative 3.2 GPA.

Phi Theta Kappa has more than 1.2 million alumni worldwide and offers its members opportunities in scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship. Stark State's chapter began in 1996.

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Graduates wearing a gold medallion on a blue ribbon are graduating with an Honors distinction. The Stark State College Honors Program emphasizes breadth and depth of the academic experience throughout a student's program of study. The curriculum of the program is designed to satisfy general education requirements and/or major requirements while demonstrating a persistent emphasis on critical thinking, problem-solving skills, inquiry and analysis, with opportunities for independent projects. Honors graduates must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher.

Stark State's Honors Program was founded in 2016.

Psi Beta National Honor Society in Psychology

Graduates wearing a gold medallion on a blue and gold ribbon are members of the Psi Beta, national honor society in psychology for community and junior colleges. The society's mission is to support professional development of psychology students in two-year colleges through promotion and recognition of excellence in scholarship, leadership, research and community service.

Stark State's chapter was organized in 2014.

Psi Beta members graduating in the fall class of 2024

Marie Comi
Samjhana Gurung

Alpha Omega Tau

The graduates wearing the blue stoles are members of Alpha Omega Tau, the national honor society for occupational therapy assistants that supports excellence in occupational therapy by recognizing occupational therapy assistant students and professionals who have demonstrated distinction in scholarship leadership and service; and by fostering their continued growth and involvement in the field for the benefit of the profession and society. Members must have a 3.5 cumulative GPA.

Stark State's Chapter began in 2022.

Alpha Omega Tau members graduating in the fall class of 2024

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TriBeta National Biological Honor Society

Graduates wearing the red and green honor cords are members of the Sigma Sigma Gamma chapter of Beta Beta Beta (TriBeta). TriBeta is a national honor society dedicated to improving the understanding and appreciation of biological study and extending the boundaries of human knowledge through scientific research and scholarship. Members must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0, pass three biology classes with a B or better and participate regularly in chapter activities.

Stark State's chapter was first established in 2012.

Lambda Beta Society

The graduates wearing the blue and green honor cords are members of the Lambda Beta Society. It is the national honor society for the profession of respiratory care.

The Lambda Beta Society was formed to promote, recognize and honor scholarship, scholarly achievement, service and character of students, graduates, and faculty members of the profession. The name of the society is based on the goals of the respiratory care profession: sustaining "life and breath" for all mankind. Lambda is the Greek letter "L", and beta is the Greek letter "B". To qualify, members must have completed 50% of their respiratory care courses, be of good character, and hold a GPA that ranks in the top 25% of the respiratory class.

Stark State's Chapter was initiated in 2024.

Veteran and Service Member Cords

Stark State College recognizes those who serve or have honorably served in the U.S. armed forces with military and veteran honor cords. These red, white and blue cords signify Stark State College's gratitude and respect for the men and women who have made an unwavering commitment to both their nation and their academic studies.

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