WINTER COMMENCEMENT 2022

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2022
9:00 A.M.
LEONIDAS S. JAMES PHYSICAL EDUCATION COMPLEX
Bowie State University
Winter 2022
Commencement

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Dr. Aminta H. Breaux has served as the visionary 10th president of Bowie State University since July 2017, bringing more than 30 years of diverse higher education leadership experience to the position. As president, she is committed to ensuring that every student at Bowie State University develops an entrepreneurial mindset to achieve success in the rapidly changing workplace and communities. Dr. Breaux initiated a university-wide focus to infuse entrepreneurship education across the disciplines and led the effort to build an Entrepreneurship Living Learning Community. She is dedicated to building on the legacy and rich history of Maryland’s oldest historically Black university with a strategic focus on ensuring the institution’s long-term viability.

Dr. Breaux is a leader in 21st century education, and because of her extensive knowledge and expertise, she has been tapped to serve in multiple leadership roles. She was appointed to the President’s Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities and the Governor’s P-20 Leadership Council of Maryland. She is chair of the Board of Directors for the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA).

Dr. Breaux is committed to serving her community, particularly with programs and support activities that enrich the lives of children and youth. She is a member of the board of directors for the Greater Prince George’s Business Roundtable, Prince George’s County Chamber of Commerce and the University of Maryland Capital Region Health.

Her recent honors include the Educator of the Year Award from the National Council of Negro Women. She also received the Trailblazer Award from the Bowie Business Innovation Center (BIC), the business accelerator located at Bowie State, in conjunction with Capital One, and the Capital City Chapter Links Inc. Leadership Award.

Throughout her career, Dr. Breaux has demonstrated a passion for ensuring student development and success. Prior to joining Bowie State, Dr. Breaux served as vice president for advancement for Millersville University, where she oversaw fundraising, alumni engagement, event management and external relations. Before that, she was vice president for student affairs at Millersville University.

Previously, she was dean of students at the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, known as the country’s first college of pharmacy. At Drexel University, she served as assistant provost. She started in higher education as a career counselor at the University of Pennsylvania.

She holds a bachelor’s degree in psychology from Temple University, a master’s degree in psychological services in education from the University of Pennsylvania and a doctorate in counseling psychology from Temple University. She is also a graduate of the Harvard Institute for Executive Management and the American Association for State Colleges and Universities Millennium Leadership Institute.

Dr. Breaux and her husband, Melvin – a former partner of Drinker Biddle & Reath – have three daughters and three grandchildren.
Allison Seymour is an Emmy® award-winning anchor who has been waking up viewers on the morning news in her hometown of Washington, D.C. since 1999. She is currently the weekday anchor for "Get Up DC" on WUSA9.

Allison started her career in television at the D.C. bureau of ABC News, behind the scenes, before earning her master’s degree in Mass Communication from the University of South Carolina. She is a proud graduate of Hampton University, where she is enshrined in the Mass Media Hall of Fame.

Allison’s on-air career began during the blizzard of 1993 in Upstate New York. She would go on to work in Utica, Binghamton and Albany, New York. During the summer of 1998 Allison took an anchor position in St. Louis, Missouri where, on her first day on the job, she met her future husband, radio host Marc Clarke. Allison spent 21 years at FOX 5 in the Nation's Capital where she anchored FOX 5 Morning News and Good Day DC before becoming the morning anchor at the Washington CBS affiliate, WUSA9. Allison can be seen weekday mornings on "Get Up DC."

Allison is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and Jack and Jill of America, Inc. She and her husband Marc share three daughters and two shelter pups.

Allison feels extremely grateful to the community for all of the support over the years.
Eddie Carl Brown is an American investment manager, entrepreneur and philanthropist. Renowned for his stock-picking acumen, Brown is the founder and president of Brown Capital Management, a Baltimore-based firm that's amassed more than $10 billion under management since it opened for business in 1983. An avid traveler and jazz aficionado, Brown and his wife, Sylvia, have given millions to various charitable causes under the aegis of the Baltimore-based Eddie C. and C. Sylvia Brown Family Foundation.

After graduating from Howard University, Brown worked for a few months with defense contractor Martin Marietta in Orlando, FL where he did quality control work on Titan Intercontinental ballistic missiles. That ended after Brown was called into Army service as a lieutenant at Ft. Monmouth County, New Jersey, to satisfy a military obligation Brown incurred when he joined the Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps program at Howard. Following two years on active duty as a Signal Corps officer, Brown joined IBM's systems Development Division in Poughkeepsie, New York. Brown spent five years designing computer circuits for large mainframe computers while employed by IBM, and also earned a master's degree in electrical engineering from New York University.

During his time at IBM, Brown became increasingly fascinated with finance and investing, so he opted to take advantage of an IBM management development program that allowed him to earn an MBA from Indiana University in 1970. Brown joined Irwin Management Co., in Columbus, Indiana eventually becoming a member of the money management firm's marketable securities group. In 1973 Brown moved to Baltimore to take a position as a portfolio manager with investment firm T. Rowe Price. A decade later Brown left to start Brown Capital Management, which initially operated out of his suburban Baltimore home. A valuation conscious investor, Brown put his company's focus on stocks offering growth-at-a-reasonable price, or GARP. Brown Capital Management caters to high-net-worth individuals, pension and profit-sharing plans, charitable organizations and corporations.

In the early years of Brown Capital Management, Brown's ability to attract investors received a welcome boost when he became a regular panelist on the PBS financial television program Wall Street Week with Louis Rukeyser, which was popular during the 1980s and 1990s.

Brown Capital Management celebrated its 30th year in business in 2013. It occupies a three-story building at 1201 North Calvert Street in downtown Baltimore and employs 37 workers. Brown continues to find money management a compelling and invigorating exercise, and remains an active and highly engaged participant in the day-to-day operations of the company he founded. "This is the kind of business that, if you enjoy it, as I do, it's not like work. It's like fun," Brown says.
**Alma Mater**

**Charlotte B. Robinson**

There’s a spot in my heart that never grows cold,
There’s a place in my memory that never grows old.
There’s a prayer on my lips that I’ll ever be true
   To God and my country,
   To Bowie State, my school.

(REFRAIN)
Oh, Bowie State, dear Bowie State
May you forever be, the flame of faith,
   The torch of truth,
   To guide the steps of youth.

There’s a song in my heart that I’ll ever sing
Of the beauties of Bowie State that each season brings.
There’s a pledge in my heart that I’ll ever keep true
To uphold the standards of Bowie State, my school.

(REFRAIN)
Oh, Bowie State, dear Bowie State
May you forever be, the flame of faith,
   The torch of truth,
   To guide the steps of youth.

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**Lift Every Voice and Sing**

**James Weldon Johnson**

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and Heaven ring,
   Ring with the harmonies of liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,
   Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
   Let us march on till victory is won.
THE ORDER OF EXERCISES

Dr. Aminta H. Breaux
President of the University, Presiding

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL

POSTING OF THE COLORS
BSU Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC)
Lieutenant Colonel Kareem Y. Fernandez, U.S. Army
Department Chair, Military Science

“THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER”
by Frances Scott Key

“LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING”
by James Weldon Johnson and J. Rosamond Johnson
Led by the Bowie State University Chorale
Professor Brandon Felder, Assistant Director

MOMENTS OF REFLECTIONS
Led by Dr. William Lewis, Mace Bearer

GREETINGS
Ms. Linda Gooden
Chair, University System of Maryland Board of Regents

Mr. Kamua Stith
President, Senior Class

Mr. Tomoy Nembhard
Representative, Graduate Student Association

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS
Ms. Karen J. Shaheed, Esq.
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Chief of Staff

“SENDING SONGS MEDLEY”
“Thuma Mina/Wangalo/Not Forgotten”
Traditional South African & Haitian Folk Songs
Arranged by R. Gray & I. Houghton
Performed by the Bowie State University Chorale

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER
Dr. Aminta H. Breaux
President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Ms. Allison Seymour
Anchor, Get Up DC, WUSA9
“AERIUS”
by Carl Strommen
Performed by the Bowie State University Symphonic Band
Mr. Billy Bennett, Director

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE
Mr. Eddie C. Brown
Founder, Executive Chairman & Senior Portfolio Manager
of Brown Capital Management, LLC
Presented by Dr. Aminta H. Breaux

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Candidates for Degrees presented by
Dr. Carl B. Goodman
Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES
Dr. Cosmas Nwokefor
Interim Dean, Graduate School

Dr. George Acquaah
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Lawrence McNeil
Dean, College of Business

Dr. Rhonda Jeter
Dean, College of Education

Dr. Cheryl Blackman
Interim Dean, College of Professional Studies

RECOGNITION OF HONOR GRADUATES
Dr. Carl B. Goodman

CHARGE TO THE GRADUATES
Dr. Aminta H. Breaux

INDUCTION INTO THE BSU NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
Mr. Darren M. Swain (’93 & ’95)
President, BSU National Alumni Association

ALMA MATER
Bowie State University Chorale
Led by Jamari Blagmon

RETIRING OF THE COLORS
BSU Army ROTC

ACADEMIC RECESSIONAL
THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

Doctor of Science in Computer Science
Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership
    Master of Arts
    Master of Arts in Teaching
    Master of Business Administration
    Master of Education
    Master of Public Administration
    Master of Science
Master of Science in Management Information Systems
    Master of Science in Nursing

THE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Science

The list of candidates for graduation was prepared within the time limits imposed for the printing of the program. Therefore, the list of names is not conclusive. Only those candidates who have met all graduation requirements will be granted a degree.
THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

Doctor of Science in Computer Science

**Eman Allogmani***

*White Marsh, Maryland*
M.S. — California Lutheran University  
B.S. — Taibah University  
"A Two-level Filtering Learner for Training with Noisy Inconsistent Data"

Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership

**Charlene Stallworth Allen**

*Woodbine, Maryland*
B.S. — University of Florida  
M.S. — Nova Southeastern University  
"Efforts to Close the Superintendancy Gender Gap: Examining Hiring Practices to Attract Women to the Position in a Mid-Atlantic State"

**Urcille D. Goddard**

*Baltimore, Maryland*
B.A. — Washington Adventist University  
M.Ed. — Bowie State University  
"An Examination of Ninth Grade Educators and Administrators Culturally Responsive Teaching and Leadership Practices in a Mid-Atlantic State in an Urban School District"

**Sherilyn Cherie Land**

*Hyattsville, Maryland*
B.S. — Slippery Rock University  
M.Ed. — University of Pittsburgh  
"A Phenomenological Study of Elementary Instructional Coaches: Their Training and Challenges Working With Adult Learners"

**Alicia Nichole Waldon**

*Bryans Road, Maryland*
B.A. — Lynchburg College  
M.S. — Old Dominion University & Troy University  
"The Historical Impact of the Roles and Perceptions of Public Charter School Authorizers on Student Achievement in Two Western Region States"

**June Lucas Zillich**

*Brookeville, Maryland*
B.A. — University of California San Diego  
M.A. — California University, Dominguez Hills  
"Investigating the Impact of Principal Leader Behavior On Psychological Safety to Promote Team Performance in Urban Community Schools"

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MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH
Rawan Alqhtani
Miamisburg, Ohio
B.A. — King Khalid University

Joseph Sampugnaro
Bowie, Maryland
B.A. — Catholic University of America

MASTER OF ARTS IN ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS
Lama Fahad Alkuthaila
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
B.A. — King Saud University

Mohammad Fahad Alkuthaila
McLean, Virginia
B.A. — King Saud University

Haifa Fahad Alkuthailah
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
B.S. — King Saud University

Keyaira Nashae Blake*
Clinton, Maryland
B.S. — Towson University

Shannon Danielle Boyd
Glenarden, Maryland
B.S. — Bowie State University

Austin Nicole Butler
Bowie, Maryland
B.S. — North Carolina State University

Vivian Carter
Upper Marlboro, Maryland
B.S. — Towson University

Nneka Yardley Chukwudzie
Laurel, Maryland
B.S. — Covenant University

James De’Andre Coleman
Temple Hills, Maryland
B.S. — Bridgewater College

Daniel Jarod
Alexander Gibson
Baltimore, Maryland
B.S. — Morgan State University

Mutakii Olarotimi Hassan
Hyattsville, Maryland
B.S. — University of Lagos

William Thomas Hunter
Upper Marlboro, Maryland
B.S. — University of Maryland, College Park

DeHaven Lamont Johnson
Riverdale, Maryland
B.S. — Bowie State University

Nikola Joya Johnson
Saint Louis, Missouri
B.S. — Harris-Stowe State College

Morgan I. Rahman
Windsor Mill, Maryland
B.S. — Virginia State University

Abu Bakarr Sillah
Hyattsville, Maryland
B.S. — University of Maryland Eastern Shore

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE
Gevonna Denae Cornelius
Brandywine, Maryland
B.S. — Bowie State University

Muctar Diaoune
Hyattsville, Maryland
B.S. — Bowie State University

Sophie Alya Johnson-Shapoval
Crofton, Maryland
B.S. — University of Maryland, College Park

Jonathan Bugtong Ngaya
Bowie, Maryland
B.S. — Capitol College

College of Business

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Tanisha Renae Brandon
Southaven, Mississippi
B.S. — Belhaven College

Terrel Chisholm*
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
B.S. — Cheyney University

Franklin Rostant Patipe
Lanham, Maryland
B.S. — Bowie State University

Sally N. Tucker
Silver Spring, Maryland
B.S. — Hampton University

Rikaiyah Monyahle
Winchester
Beltsville, Maryland
B.S. — Delaware State University

Anthony Quinn Haskins
Alexandria, Virginia
B.S. — Grand Canyon University

Marquan ReShay Lowe*
Severna Park, Maryland
B.S. — Bowie State University

Destinee Ianesha Mitchell
Gaithersburg, Maryland
B.S. — University of Maryland Global Campus

Adeola Olufunmilola
Oshiyemi
Landover, Maryland
B.S. — Olabisi Onabanjo University

Matthieu Gilbert
Petit-Homme
Hyattsville, Maryland
B.S. — University of Maryland, College Park

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### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

**Kristina Amber Simmonds**  
Laurel, Maryland  
B.S. — University of Maryland Global Campus

**Tyisha Thornton**  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland  
B.S. — University of Maryland Eastern Shore

**Robertta W. Biney-Afful**  
Severn, Maryland  
B.S. — Bowie State University

**Caitlin Aisha Boyles**  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland  
B.S. — Bowie State University

**Dereix Lamont Glover**  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland  
B.S. — Bowie State University

**Denis Aime Ngatcha Yokam**  
Hyattsville, Maryland  
B.A. — University of Yaounde'

**Oluwatoyin R. Parrish**  
Bladensburg, Maryland  
B.S. — National Open University of Nigeria

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### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

**Coleen Briana Alexander**  
Laurel, Maryland  
B.S. — Andrews University

**Cachet Patrice Burke**  
Gwynn Oak, Maryland  
B.A. — McDaniel College

**Trevana Danyel Eades**  
Baltimore, Maryland  
B.S. — Bucknell University

**Briyanee Greene**  
Bowie, Maryland  
B.A. — Salisbury University

**Rosalind P. Jacobs**  
Temple Hills, Maryland  
B.S. — University of Baltimore

**Diamond Alexis Keyes**  
Randallstown, Maryland  
B.A. — Ferrum College

**Jocelyn Renae Martin**  
Crofton, Maryland  
B.A. — McDaniel College

**Kori-lynn K. Ross**  
Jessup, Maryland  
B.A. — University of Maryland Baltimore County

**Joy Marie Turner**  
Silver Spring, Maryland  
B.S. — University of Maryland, College Park

**Dominique Chanise Watson***  
Capital Heights, Maryland  
B.S. — Morgan State University

**Olutoyosi Helen Ajayi**  
Laurel, Maryland  
B.S. — Bowie State University

**Alexis Marie Carter**  
Silver Spring, Maryland  
B.S. — Lincoln University

**Chinita Mone’e Colbert**  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland  
B.S. — Regent University

**Alia Lawson**  
Salisbury, Maryland  
B.A. — Salisbury University

**Mekedes Legesse**  
Silver Spring, Maryland  
B.S. — Washington Adventist University

**Kimberly Suzette Magaro**  
La Plata, Maryland  
B.S. — Nicholls State University

**Shannon Leanne Moore**  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland  
B.S. — Bowie State University

**Dyonna A. Nelson**  
Fort Washington, Maryland  
B.S. — Bowie State University

**Nicholas Peter Pappas**  
Silver Spring, Maryland  
B.S. — University of Maryland Baltimore County

**Maria Catherine Perroots**  
Bowie, Maryland  
B.S. — West Virginia University

**Amanda Baret***  
Stafford, Virginia  
B.A. — University of Florida

**Christian Richard Gibbs**  
Silver Spring, Maryland  
B.S. — Howard University

**Jean Sharde’ Hall**  
Silver Spring, Maryland  
B.S. — University of Virginia

**Christopher Alexander Hosey**  
Lanham, Maryland  
B.S. — Bowie State University

**Armani Marshai Wood**  
Suitland, Maryland  
B.A. — Cleveland State University

**Quanise Alexus Wooten**  
Hyattsville, Maryland  
B.S. — University of Maryland, College Park

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Latin Honors

SUMMA CUM LAUDE
LaNiya Tschantre Boyd
Ephonia Marie Green
Kimberly Bell
Markayla A. Mccoy
Nia S. Hicks
Leslie Vanessa Trejo

MAGNA CUM LAUDE
Zakia Jasmine Rollins
Zhayne J. Hackett
Jessica C. Osuchukwu
Rosheen Kadian Simpson
Josiah J. Hansley
Sophia M. Nowlin
Miya Staggers
Breanna T. Wright
Ayolola O. Akinto
Samuel Collin Zanders
Cherrie F. Espineda
Abdulaziz Mohammed
Alresheed
Kayla N. Little
Christopher R. Clay
Brandon Craig
Ryley Danielle Hinson
Cristal K. Paredes
Samuel Hulgizie Sisay
Armani L. Jackson
Kayla Michell Brown
Caleb Leandre Jackson
Jalexia C. Davis
Khira Michale Charles
Amanda Nicole Kenney
Jada Battle
Cayla Marie Kerley
Maximillian Don Taylor
Bobbi E. Winston

CUM LAUDE
Nneka M. Asimobi
Kyle Robert Fall
Razaq Oluwadurotimi
Amokomowo
Dariz Hill
Maya S. Noel
Katherine Priya Wycliffe
Airrund J. Woolen
Leasia Monet Perry
Dejanay A. Woods
Frederick B. Eiland II
Brian Toby Enwereuzo
Jawuan E. Jackson
Racquelina J. James
Roaniqua Akia Samuel
Ayana M. Kerr
Ratasha Tiara Harley
Ryan Malik Wise
Onyekenwa B. Anokam
Bryant James Shelton
Aliu Aliu Sow Sow
Kyia M. Holmes
Chase T. Taliaferro
Kheni Jasmine Upson

Summa Cum Laude 3.85 — 4.00
Magna Cum Laude 3.65 — 3.84
Cum Laude 3.50 — 3.64

Academic Recognition
Transfer students who have earned 30-59 semester hours at Bowie State University with a GPA of 3.50 or higher.

Alyssa Mei S. Malenab
Dontavies D. Newton
Jasmin Marie Mathews
Monique S. Mitchell
Ashley Ndoumbe Ndobo
Trinity Kyenne Chisholm
Addo Mantey
Timeeca Devon Mitchell
Adrienne V. Wallace-Riddick
Sean Patrick Connor
Sitan Sanogo
Ebong A. Sellers
Antone’ T. Graham
Jubemi Medaje
Abayaa Jefferson
Olivia Elaine Morgan
Serena Michelle Lee

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CLASS OF 2007

Eunique Jones Gibson is a cultural architect, brand builder and storyteller whose revolutionary campaigns have created global movements.

In 2013, Eunique launched Because of Them, We Can® (BOTWC), an award-winning campaign that helps people reimagine their possibilities. Founded during Black History Month with a mission to empower the next generation to honor the legacy of their ancestors, the multimedia platform has evolved into a global megaphone for Black Excellence. Keeping with the goal of refuting stereotypes and connecting the dots between the past, present and future, BOTWC continues to reach millions of people each month.

With her 15+ years of experience as a leading marketer and communications expert, Eunique formed Culture Brands in 2017. It’s an innovative agency that creates culturally relevant and affirming campaigns and content for some of the world’s leading brands. The agency, where Eunique serves as the CEO & Chief Creative Officer, made history when they were named the first African American agency of record for Hyundai Motor America.

Driven by her love and reverence of Black history and culture, in 2020 Eunique created #CultureTags®, an instant classic game that uses acronyms to encapsulate the joy and nostalgia of the Black experience. The game became available at Target stores in December 2020, and in 2021 Ad Age named it one of America’s hottest brands. It is now sold in thousands of stores across the United States.

A proud graduate of an HBCU (Bowie State University) and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., Eunique has received numerous awards and recognition for her work. Some include White House Champion for Change under the Obama administration, AdColor Rockstar, and Ebony Power100. Her work has been featured in TODAY, Forbes, MSNBC, The Washington Post and Ad Age, amongst many others.

Eunique resides in Maryland with her husband, Chris and their three children, Chase, Amari and Sage.
The ceremonial medallion offers a unique opportunity to honor the presiding president and the former presidents of the university. The chain designed for Bowie State University, an institution rich in tradition, depicts the university's heritage in intricate detail. Inscribed on each banner of the chain are the former president's name and term of office, while the center banner features the name of the university's current president.

Each presidential banner that makes up the chain is one and three-eighths inches. The Bowie State University medallion includes the university seal which is three and one-eighth inches in diameter and surrounded by a decorative bezel.
THE MACE

The mace, introduced in twelfth-century France by Philip II and in England by Richard I, was designed as an emblem signifying the authority of state officials, sergeants-at-arms, royal bodyguards and ecclesiastical dignitaries. It has been adopted for its symbolism by colleges and universities in the United States and is traditionally borne in academic processions by the faculty marshal.

The Bowie State University mace stands 50 inches tall and contains design details that represent the rich legacy of the institution’s history and pay homage to its alma mater. The tapered mahogany staff bears seven, gold-plated engraved banners that designate major epochs in the school’s history and changes in its name.

The staff supports an eight-inch brass flame that sits atop a four-sided base, with each side displaying a three-inch, gold-plated medallion. One side of the base features a medallion with the university seal — the opposing side depicts a replica of the African Baptist Chapel on Saratoga Street in Baltimore, where the original school was founded in 1865. The other two medallions bear the words, “Flame of Faith” and “Torch of Truth,” echoed in the alma mater. The lyrics carry the hope that Bowie State will continue to serve generations of students for years to come.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The custom of wearing academic dress can be traced to the Middle Ages when scholars were also clerics and wore the costume of their monastic order. The hood originally was a cowl attached to the gown, which could be slipped over the head for warmth. The originally round cap later became the square mortarboard commonly seen today.

Under contemporary rules of protocol, only holders of the doctorate may wear the four-sided, six-sided, or eight-sided velvet tam. The gown worn varies according to the degree earned. The bachelor’s gown, for example, is worn closed and can be distinguished from the rest by its long pointed sleeves. The master’s gown is designed to be worn open, with slits at the elbow of the sleeves to accommodate the arms. The doctor’s gown, also worn open, has full, bell-shaped sleeves with three horizontal bars stitched across the upper arm. A velvet panel that is stitched down the front edges is draped around the neck.

The doctor’s hood is four feet long, of fuller shape, and rounded at the base. The hood is bordered with velvet, the color of which typically indicates the field of study in which the wearer’s degree was earned: dark blue for philosophy, light blue for education, orange for engineering, gold/yellow for science, green for medicine, salmon pink for public health, purple for law, white for arts and letters, etc. The silk lining of the hood carries the colors of the institution that granted the degree. If more than one degree is held, the gown and hood symbolic of the highest degree are worn.
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Bowie State University is an outgrowth of a school opened in Baltimore, Maryland, by an organization dedicated to offering educational opportunities that the state failed to provide for its black citizens. From those humble beginnings, Bowie State has become a comprehensive university with more than 6,200 diverse students, offering 27 undergraduate majors and 35 master’s, doctoral and advanced certification programs in a broad range of disciplines. Bowie State University continues to build on its legacy of providing access to high-quality education.

FOUNDING OF THE FIRST SCHOOL

The Baltimore Association for the Moral and Educational Improvement of the Colored People was organized in 1864 by 46 men, comprised of businessmen, lawyers, clergymen and Quakers, committed to opening schools to educate the state’s newly emancipated citizens. One of those men was Joseph M. Cushing, an outspoken champion for the education of the black population.

As chairman of the Educational Committee for Maryland’s Constitutional Convention in 1864, Cushing chastised the committee’s refusal to fund schools for black people: “There will come a time when this state will be forced by public opinion to provide means for educating our colored population.”

The association opened its first Baltimore school, School #1, on January 9, 1865, in the African Baptist Church in Crane’s Building on the corner of Calvert and Saratoga streets. The school offered courses in the elements of education. Courses to train teachers were added in 1866.

The facility was woefully inadequate. In 1867, with the aid of the Freedmen’s Bureau, the Quakers of England and others, the Baltimore Association purchased and renovated the Old Friends Meeting House at the corner of Saratoga and Courtland streets to house the Baltimore Normal School for Colored Teachers.

MOVE TO BOWIE

After repeated petitions from the Baltimore Normal School trustees, the state legislature authorized the Board of Education to assume control of the school in 1908 and redesignated it as State Normal School No. 3, finally fulfilling the dream of Cushing and the Baltimore Association. By 1910, the state decided to relocate the school to Bowie, Maryland, purchasing a 187-acre tract formerly known as Jericho Farm dating to 1716. The school opened at the new location in 1911 with about 60 students and Don Speed Smith Goodloe as the first black man to head the school as principal. In 1914, its name changed to the Maryland Normal and Industrial School at Bowie.

Under President Leonidas James, the school began a two-year professional curriculum in teacher education in 1925, which expanded to a three-year program in 1931. A four-year program to train elementary school teachers was introduced in 1935, and the school was renamed the Maryland Teachers College at Bowie.

Teacher education continued to expand under the 25-year tenure of President William Henry. The institution established programs to train teachers for junior high school (1951) and secondary education (1961) and advanced toward becoming a liberal arts college.
TRANSITION TO A STATE LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE

The Maryland State Legislature authorized the College to become Bowie State College in 1963, following the establishment of a liberal arts program. New majors in English, history and general social science were added, expanding offerings beyond teacher education.

Under President Samuel Myers, the college established its first graduate degree program, offering the Master of Education in 1969. The first director of the graduate division was Dr. J. Alexander Wiseman, a graduate of the Maryland Teachers College at Bowie and the first African-American to earn a doctoral degree from the University of Maryland, College Park.

EMERGENCE AS A COMPREHENSIVE UNIVERSITY

In 1988, Bowie State College became Bowie State University, under President James Lyons, reflecting significant growth in academic programs, enrollment and community service. On the same day, the university also became one of the member institutions of the newly formed University System of Maryland.

Bowie State University gained recognition as a leader in the education of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. In 1995, Bowie State won an 11-year, $27 million award from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration/National Science Foundation, becoming one of only six national Model Institutions for Excellence in STEM.

TODAY’S BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY

Bowie State University ranks among the nation’s top comprehensive universities, cultivating next-generation leaders by providing opportunities for students to discover their strengths through focused academic experiences and opportunities to tackle real-world problems.

U.S. News & World Report ranks Bowie State among the top 20 HBCUs. Bowie State’s cybersecurity programs are recognized as a National Center for Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security.

Now more than ever, Bowie State University is committed to preparing students for success in a highly technological, global society.
LEADING BOWIE STATE INTO THE FUTURE

Bowie State University empowers more than 6,200 students with a rigorous curriculum and the support they need to find their strengths and prepare to compete in a changing world. The university has made great strides on the path to becoming one of the nation’s best comprehensive universities, with expanding academic initiatives and new modern facilities that provide opportunities for innovative teaching, learning and research.

KEY HONORS

• U.S. News & World Report ranks Bowie State in the top 20 historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs), and Money.com lists Bowie State among the nation’s best-value colleges and universities.

• Bowie State’s cybersecurity programs are recognized as a National Center for Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education by the National Security Agency and the Department of Homeland Security.

• The College of Education has maintained continuous accreditation of its professional teacher programs by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) since 1954. The college has also received national recognition for the quality of its partnerships with local schools that place student interns.

FIRST-CLASS TEACHING & RESEARCH

• Undergraduate natural sciences students who choose a research track work with faculty mentors to find breakthroughs in health and medicine.

• By partnering with local school districts, the College of Education has launched initiatives to prepare more students to become certified educators.

• The Bowie Business Innovation Center, a partnership with the city of Bowie, is Maryland’s only business incubator at an HBCU. Students interested in starting a business can enroll in the new entrepreneurship and small business management program and get support from the Entrepreneurship Innovation Center.

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

• Entrepreneurship Living Learning Community is a hub of innovation and home to 500+ students, designed to nurture their passion to start a business.

• The Center for Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Nursing includes research and instructional laboratories, flexible classrooms, a nursing simulation wing and a fully enclosed greenhouse.

• The Fine and Performing Arts Center has the distinction of being an All-Steinway facility, featuring only the prestigious Steinway pianos in both practice and performance spaces.

• The Student Center received LEED Gold certification for its environmentally sustainable design, making Bowie State the first HBCU to receive that honor for a student center.