

WINTER COMMENCEMENT 2022



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2022
9:00 A.M.
LEONIDAS S. JAMES PHYSICAL
EDUCATION COMPLEX

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PRESIDENT, BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY

Dr. Aminta H. Breaux

PRESIDENT, BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY



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 leading voice 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.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Allison Seymour

ANCHOR, GET UP DC, WUSA 9



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."

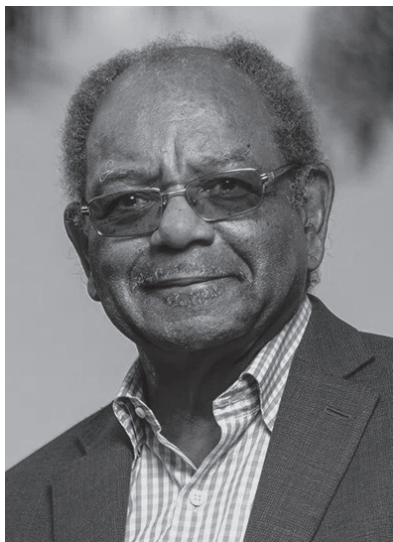
Allison is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and Jack and Jill of America, Inc. She and her husband Marc share three daughters and two shelter pups.

Allison feels extremely grateful to the community for all of the support over the years.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Eddie C. Brown

FOUNDER & PRESIDENT, BROWN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT



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.

MUSIC

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.

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

THE ORDER OF EXERCISES

“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 Nwokeafor

Interim Dean, Graduate School

Dr. George Acquah

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

DEGREES CONFERRED

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 Superintendency 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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THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

College of Arts and Sciences

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 Chukwudozie

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

Mutakiu 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

Terrell 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

MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Stephanie Renee Bloom

Temple Hills, Maryland

B.S. — University of Maryland
Global Campus

Chakeia Carnelia Campbell

Bryans Road, Maryland

B.S. — Bowie State University

Kailyn Nycole Davis

Temple Hills, Maryland

B.S. — Hood College

Shawna Danasia-Brenda Davis

Baldwin, New York

B.S. — North Carolina A&T
State University

Stanley M. Fontaine

Temple Hills, Maryland

B.S. — Florida 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. — Oalabisi Onabanjo
University

Matthieu Gilbert

Petit-Homme

Hyattsville, Maryland

B.S. — University of Maryland,
College Park

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THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

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

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Roberta 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

College of Education

MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

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

Briyane Greene
Bowie, Maryland
B.A. — Salisbury University

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

Diamond Alexas 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

MASTER OF ARTS IN MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

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

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

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 Alexis Wooten
Hyattsville, Maryland
B.S. — University of Maryland,
College Park

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN READING

Tonya Denise Pettaway*
Beltsville, Maryland
B.S. — Mercy College

Deitra Carlita Tasco*
Bowie, Maryland
B.A. — University of Maryland
Global Campus

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THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

College of Education

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SCHOOL COUNSELING

T'Niya Briana Bias

Washington, D.C.

B.S. — North Carolina

Central University

Isaiah Delano Chambers

Bowie, Maryland

B.S. — University of Maryland

Eastern Shore

Iyana Jemeka Lillian Downie

Laurel, Maryland

B.S. — Virginia Wesleyan College

Quiana M. Miles

Upper Marlboro, Maryland

B.A. — Norfolk State University

Deezya Monroe

Odenton, Maryland

B.S. — Stevenson University

Danielle Nicole Phelps

Huntingtown, Maryland

B.S. — Stevenson University

Courtney Fantasia St. John

Suitland, Maryland

B.S. — Trinity Washington

University

Jay Sturgis Thompson

Annapolis, Maryland

B.A. — University of Rochester

Carmen Lizeth Zapata

Montgomery Village, Maryland

B.A. — University of Maryland,

College Park

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Alyssa Lauren

Cochrane-Grannum

Springdale, Maryland

B.S. — Bowie State University

MASTER OF ARTS IN SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY

Crystal A. Travers*

Bowie, Maryland

B.A. — Spelman College

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Ariel Dean Scruggs Cheng

Laurel, Maryland

B.S. — Howard University

College of Professional Studies

MASTER OF ARTS IN HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Noura Mohammed Al Saif

Springfield, Virginia

B.S. — King Saud University

Abdulaziz Saud Alharbi

Fairfax, Virginia

B.S. — Al-Imam Muhammad Ibn

Saud Islamic

Desmonaye Travonia Brown*

Spencerville, Maryland

B.S. — Morgan State University

Elijah Samuel Gelzer

District Heights, Maryland

B.S. — Francis Marion University

Tomoy Ginell Nembhard

Laurel, Maryland

Tymica Waters*

Waldorf, Maryland

B.S. — Bowie State University

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THE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

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
Alieu Alieu 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 Ndobu
Trinity Kyenne Chisholm

Addo Mantey
Timeeca Devon Mitchell
Adrienne V. Wallace-Riddick
Sean Patrick Connor
Sitan Sanogo

Eboni A. Sellers
Antone' T. Graham
Jubemi Medaje
Abayaa Jefferson
Olivia Elaine Morgan
Serena Michelle Lee

This list of Honors and Recognition compiled as of December 1, 2022.

THE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

College of Arts and Sciences

BACHELOR OF ART IN ENGLISH

**Breanna Elizabeth
Rose Thomas***
Baltimore, Maryland

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN FINE ARTS

Alyssa Mei S. Malenab
Crofton, Maryland

Zakia Jasmine Rollins
Waldorf, Maryland

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOINFORMATICS

Joshua Lloyd Stephenson
Glenarden, Maryland

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY

Muhannad Ali Alghamdi
Chantilly, Virginia

Nneka M. Asimobi
Windsor Mill, Maryland

Bintou Diaoune
Hyattsville, Maryland

Taylor C. Douglas
Fort Washington, Maryland

Kyle Robert Fall
Pasadena, Maryland

Zhayne J. Hackett
Landover Hills, Maryland

Tia D. Harris
Lanham, Maryland

Rahmat Husain
Laurel, Maryland

Olasunkanmi Lawal
Burtonsville, Maryland

Latasia D. Lockett
Temple Hills, Maryland

Latonya A. Mayes
Upper Marlboro, Maryland

Ashley A. Moore
Westminster, Maryland

Dontavies D. Newton
Silver Spring, Maryland

Jessica C. Osuchukwu
Springdale, Maryland

**Sahara Dia'monique
Robinson**
Laurel, Maryland

Jonnae Y. Simmons
Temple Hills, Maryland

Rosheen Kadian Simpson
Silver Spring, Maryland

Christella S. Tsombeng
Laurel, Maryland

Tobi A. Tubo
Bowie, Maryland

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNICATIONS

Adeseye A. Afe
Upper Marlboro, Maryland

Ayolola O. Akinto
Glenn Dale, Maryland

Kara Z. Bailey*
Parkville, Maryland

Brandi A. Burris
Owings Mills, Maryland

Demetrius Tyrea Clark*
Oxon Hill, Maryland

Bria I. Crocker
Randallstown, Maryland

Keith R. Duffin Jr.*
Fort Meade, Maryland

Koyon L. Ellis
Capitol Heights, Maryland

Justin M. Fils
Frederick, Maryland

Arraja K. Green Jr.
Fort Washington, Maryland

Kwincy Eugene Hall
Washington, D.C.

Omar G. Hall
Jessup, Maryland

Cree R. Haynes
Prince Frederick, Maryland

Aniya Nahdre Hyatt
Hackensack, New Jersey

Kelvin Lajuan Jordan Jr.
Temple Hills, Maryland

Moses T. Kamara
Silver Spring, Maryland

Lisa Marie Kelly*
Fort Washington, Maryland

Christopher Logan
Bowie, Maryland

Elbi O. Lucas Amaya
Bowie, Maryland

Addo Mantey
New Carrollton, Maryland

Ralph Ivie Sese Mapile
Abingdon, Maryland

Alana Geneva Matson
Baltimore, Maryland

George R. McGill
Hyattsville, Maryland

Timeeca Devon Mitchell
Suitland, Maryland

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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 Medallion



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 and Academic Regalia

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.

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University Highlights



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.



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