

THE COLLEGE

Since 1916, Montreat College has established a strong tradition of Christian higher education. With seven campuses in Asheville, Black Mountain, Charlotte, Morganton, Raleigh, Rocky Mount, and Montreat and a student body of approximately 850, the Montreat College of today is continuing in its commitment to the individual student and to the integration of faith and learning.

Montreat provides a strong academic program that is intertwined with preparation for the future through an extraordinary range of leadership, internship, and service opportunities. As the only member in North Carolina of the Washington, D.C.-based Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCCU), Montreat takes seriously its role as a true Christ-centered institution of higher learning.

Montreat College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees, by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, and by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education.

THE MISSION STATEMENT

Christ-centered, Student-focused, Service-driven: Equipping agents of transformation, renewal, and reconciliation.

THE VISION STATEMENT

Montreat College seeks to become a leading provider of Christ-centered higher education, enriching lives through engagement in its communities, and by promoting responsible growth, culture, and spiritual life.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Graduation photos are available for purchase from thomasmarlow.com/commissions/events/mc2013/index.html two weeks after Commencement. To contact Thomas Marlow directly, email thomas.marlow@gmail.com.

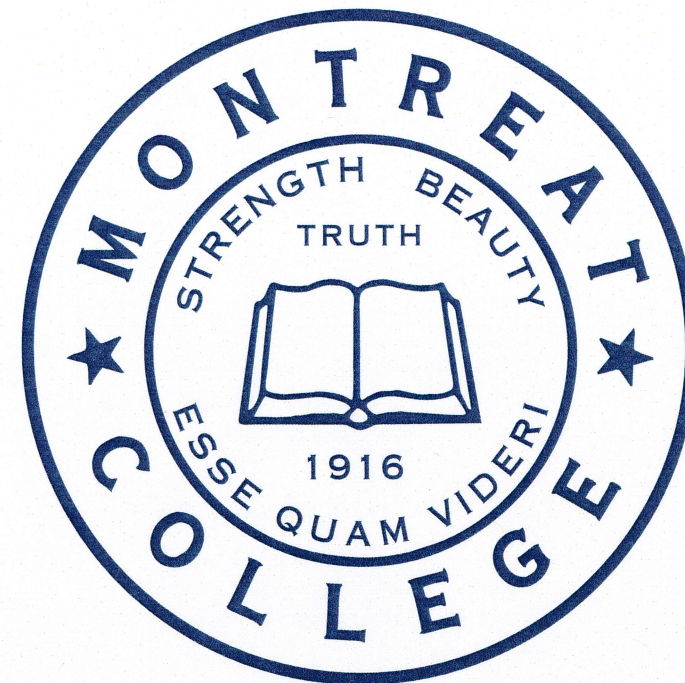
The Campus Store, located on the first floor of the Belk Campus Center, is open today until 5 p.m.

The robes worn by the students are made from recycled, biodegradable materials.

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MONTREAT COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

In the ninety-seventh year of the College
Saturday, the eleventh day of May
In the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen
at two o'clock in the afternoon

Anderson Auditorium
Montreat, North Carolina

ORDER OF SERVICE

Mr. Joe Kirkland
Interim President of the College
Presiding

THE PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision
Traditional / arr. McMichael

String Quartet
Brooke Alexander, violin
Robin Bentley, Class of 2013, violin
Caroline Mellard, Class of 2013, cello
Dr. Benjamin Smith, viola
Adjunct Professor of Music

Prelude and Fugue in E minor
Selections from *Songs Without Words*
Felix Mendelssohn

Dr. Eunice W. Stackhouse, piano
Professor of Music

*THE PROCESSIONAL

Medley of Traditional Scottish Marches

Mr. E.J. Jones, bagpipes

Amazing Grace
John Newton

*THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. John Ellington
Interim College Chaplain

*THE SCRIPTURE READING

Mrs. Callan White-Hinman
Associate Professor of Theater Arts

THE WELCOME

Mr. Joe Kirkland
Interim President

THE STUDENT ADDRESSES

School of Professional and Adult Studies
School of Arts and Sciences

Ms. Laura Skillman
Ms. Marta Hennigan

THE MONTREAT COLLEGE CHOIR

All Along
Russian hymn/trans. Thomas Slawson

Mr. Timothy Wilds, Director
Assistant Professor of Music

There’s No One Like Jesus
African worship chorus sung in Shona, French, and English

I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me
African-American spiritual/arr. Mark Sedio

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

“The Great Race”

Mr. Denny Rydberg
President of Young Life and Author

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The line of march for the procession follows academic protocol and historical tradition. At today’s ceremony, the academic procession begins with the commencement marshal carrying the College banner and with the longest-serving faculty member bearing the mace. Proceeding next are the candidates for graduation, and then the members of the faculty, and the President’s Cabinet. At the end of the processional is the platform party, including the chairman of the Board of Trustees, honored guests, invited speakers, and the president who presides over the ceremony. The line of march is reversed for the recessional.

THE COLLEGE SEAL

The seal of Montreat College is composed of concentric circles surrounding the open book of learning and the Word of God. The words “Montreat College” encompass the ideals of strength, beauty, and truth above the Latin motto meaning “to be rather than to seem.” The date of the founding of the College, 1916, completes the emblem.

THE MACE AND THE BANNER

Designed and created by Art Professor Emeritus James D. Southerland, M.F.A., Artist-in-Residence

The College mace symbolizes the authority of the president and is present in all official College ceremonies. The Montreat mace is of walnut and silver representing the simplicity and strength of the Cross of Christ, the open Bible, and the lamp of knowledge, transcendent over the seal of the College. The College banner features an arched window opening onto the mountains, framing heaven and the College’s Christ-centered education; the globe atop represents the worldwide scope provided by education and the development of a Christian worldview based upon the Bible’s teaching. The books represent the beauty and strength of scholarship and the variety of disciplines offered by the College. The candle embodies the illumination that education and faith bring to the individual and the world.

THE ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic regalia worn by the faculty are based upon costumes used in fourteenth and fifteenth century universities, particularly Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. This style of academic dress has been used in the United States since colonial times, and it was standardized by an intercollegiate code in 1895. The doctoral gown is distinguished by three velvet stripes on the bell-shaped sleeves, while the master gown’s sleeves are oblong. The hood was originally a practical element of dress, but it evolved into a purely ornamental article, draped over the shoulder and down the back. The doctoral hood extends longer than the master hood. The two colors in the satin lining of the hood are those authorized by the college or university, and the color of the velvet border indicates the degree earned as follows:

Arts, Letters, Humanities White
Business Light Brown
Communication Maroon
Divinity/Theology Scarlet
Education Light Blue
Environmental Education Russet/Light Blue
Fine Arts Brown
History White
Law Purple

Library Science Lemon Yellow
Music Pink
Nursing Apricot
Philosophy Dark Blue
Physical Education Sage Green
Psychology Gold
Science/Physics Gold
Social Work Citron Yellow

* Please stand, if able.

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

School of Arts and Sciences – Martha Guy (‘38)

Dr. Martha Guy graduated from Montreat High School in 1938, and went on to attend Lees-McRae College for her undergraduate degree. Fueled by a passion for learning, Dr. Guy pursued her graduate degree in chemistry from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1943. She settled in Avery County, and has lived in the home where she was born ever since. Dr. Guy took over the management of her family’s bank, the Avery County Bank, and under her leadership, the bank flourished. Many of her employees stayed for decades, and in 1998, American Banker ranked Avery County Bank first among the nation’s top 100 community banks in its class. The list of Dr. Guy’s work on education boards and with civic organizations is as impressive as it is lengthy. She has served on Montreat College’s Foundation Board, Board of Trustees, and Board of Visitors; the Lees-McRae Board of Trustees; the Advisory Boards of Mars Hill College and Warren Wilson College; and the Alumni Board of UNC-Chapel Hill. She has also served with a host of civic organizations, such as the Daniel Boone Council and the Daughters of the American Revolution. Dr. Guy was awarded an honorary doctorate from Montreat College in 2008, in addition to her honorary doctorate from Appalachian State. Dr. Guy has been a faithful supporter of Montreat College for many years and has exemplified a life of dedication and service to others. Her life is marked not only by her vibrant service, but also by her generous giving. She shares, “I don’t think we can fully repay our blessings – but we can try.”

School of Professional and Adult Studies – Bill Loelius (’98, ‘02)

With a full-time job and family of four, Bill Loelius completed not only one, but two degrees at Montreat College, and now has returned as an exceptional, empathetic professor for adult business students trying to accomplish the same feat. After a twenty-year absence from education, Mr. Loelius began attending the Montreat College School of Professional and Adult Studies Program in 1994. Shortly after receiving his BBA from Montreat in 1998, he pursued his MBA, which he completed in 2002. Following his MBA studies, Mr. Loelius started a company called Receivables Outsource Solutions, which provided specialized commercial accounts receivable management and recovery services for the Fortune 1000. He is currently the Vice President of Business Development for Cube Six, Inc. Mr. Loelius is also a founder and multi-term president of Carolina Crown, a non-profit organization focused on developing excellence in young people through performing arts education. In addition to his full-time responsibilities, Mr. Loelius serves as an adjunct faculty member at both Montreat College and Strayer University. He shares, “In fact, that is why I pursued my MBA in the first place: to give back through teaching.”

*THE HYMN

O for a Thousand Tongues
Charles Wesley

Led by Mr. Wilds

Verse 1
O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace

Verse 2
Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
‘Tis music in the sinner’s ears,
‘Tis life, and health, and peace.

Verse 3
He breaks the power of canceled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood availed for me.

Verse 4
Hear him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

Verse 5
My gracious Master and My God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro’ all the earth abroad,
The honors of Thy name.

THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI SERVICE AWARDS

Mr. Kirkland

THE CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREE

Mr. Bernard H. Wright, Jr.
Chairman, Board of Trustees

THE PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

Dr. Marshall Flowers, Jr.
Senior Vice President and Provost
Assisted by Mrs. Keri Boer
Director of Records and Registration

THE CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Mr. Kirkland

*THE COLLEGE HYMN

Betty Ferrell/John Dykes

Led by Mr. Wilds

Montreat, you stand in noble line,
With those who strive for heart and mind,
Who seek God’s truth to teach and guide,
Who lift those virtues which abide.
For servanthood, both taught and lived,
Our honor and devotion give.

For learning with integrity,
For truth imparted full and free,
For loving friendships cherished still,
For heritage on which to build,
With Christ the Cornerstone of grace,
Our Alma Mater we embrace.

*THE PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATES

Dr. Mark Wells
Professor of Ethics and Philosophy

*THE RECESSIONAL AND THE POSTLUDE

Medley of Traditional Scottish Marches

Mr. Jones

Please remain in place until the last graduate has exited Anderson Auditorium.

Today’s Commencement ceremony is being webcast live and can be viewed at the following link: www.montreat.edu/broadcasts.

* Please stand, if able.

GRADUATION HONORS

Montreat College associate and baccalaureate graduates are recognized with honors for achievement of a grade point average from 3.5 to 4.0, having completed a minimum of 60 hours in residence. Baccalaureate students with 45-59 hours earned at Montreat College with a minimum grade point average of 3.75, graduate “With Distinction.” Associate graduates with a grade point average of 3.75 and above are recognized “With Honors” and by wearing gold and white cords. Baccalaureate degree honors are recognized by wearing gold cords and by the following definitions:

Cum Laude.....	3.50 – 3.69
Magna Cum Laude.....	3.70 – 3.84
Summa Cum Laude.....	3.85 – 4.00

The 2013 Valedictorian and Salutatorian The School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Professional and Adult Studies recognize the baccalaureate degree student with the highest cumulative grade point average with the honor of Valedictorian and the student with the second highest cumulative grade point average with the honor of Salutatorian.

School of Arts and Sciences	School of Professional and Adult Studies
2013 Valedictorian – Marta Hennigan	2013 Valedictorian – Teresa Haynes
2013 Valedictorian – Misty Varnell	2013 Salutatorian – Laura Skillman
2013 Salutatorian – Brittnee Shepherd	

The Scholarship Pin is awarded to graduates receiving the bachelor’s degree who have fulfilled the requirements for Dean’s List (3.50-3.89 GPA) or Distinguished Scholars’ List (3.90 GPA or above) for six consecutive semesters.

School of Arts and Sciences	School of Professional and Adult Studies
Jessica Allen	Caroline Mellard
Allison Cochran	Hope Annie Poetker
Audrey Coffman	Avery Reinink
Marta Hennigan	Misty Varnell
Meredith Kalisch	Michael Weller
Alan Burnette	Holly McKinney
	Anita Scott

Alpha Chi Honor Society membership for the School of Arts and Sciences is based on good reputation and character, rank in the top ten percent of the junior and senior classes, and regular student status at Montreat College for no less than one academic year prior to election.

Audrey Coffman	Avery Reinink
Marta Hennigan	Raul Joshua Valdes
Meredith Kalisch	Misty Varnell
Caroline Mellard	Michael Weller
Hope Annie Poetker	

Pinnacle (bachelor degree) and **Spire** (associate degree) **Honor Societies** for students in the School of Professional and Adult Studies grant recognition for scholastic success and for community leadership. Undergraduate students must meet all the following requirements: minimum GPA of 3.5, at least 24 semester credits at Montreat College, and a commitment to community service through meaningful and active participation in at least three community projects or organizations during their time as a Montreat College student.

Pinnacle Honor Society

Judith Jamison
Amy Luce
Ricky Netherton
Crystal Shoemake
Laura Skillman

Spire Honor Society

Nicole Burton
Kathy McBride

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER AND HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Mr. Denny Rydberg

Denny Rydberg is President of Young Life. He became Young Life’s fifth president in 1993. During Denny’s tenure, Young Life has grown from just under 1,700 ministries to over 4,600 ministries in the US and around the world. The number of kids being impacted has grown exponentially and the number of Young Life camps has grown from less than ten to over thirty. Young Life is now in over 75 countries. Before joining Young Life, Denny served as director of university ministries at University Presbyterian Church in Seattle, Washington. In addition, Denny has served as the vice president of Youth Specialties, director of operations for Inspirational Films and the editor of *The Wittenburg Door*. He has ministered as chaplain for the University of Washington basketball team and the Seattle Supersonics. Denny and Marilyn, his wife, have also been involved in the LPGA Fellowship – a ministry to women professional golfers on the LPGA tour. He is the author of 10 books including *Beyond Graduation*, *How to Survive in College*, *Twentysomething*, *Building Community in Youth Groups*, and *Youth Group Trust Builders*. He graduated from Seattle Pacific University and attended graduate school at Western Washington University. Denny and Marilyn have four children and a growing number of grandchildren.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Nicole Stephanie Burton

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Kathy Lynn McBride

Valecia Genise Mobley¹

Tonya Solomon Ndjibu

Dwayne Anthony Pipkin

Cedric Lamar Porter

Dana Andrew Queen

Jason Adam Reed, *With Honors*

Angela Jacqueline Rojas

Harriet Okeith Wilson

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Robin Ann Bentley

Audrey Wilma Coffman, *Summa Cum Laude*¹

Carla Denise Ellis¹

Noah Alexander Hall, *Cum Laude*

Marta Patricia Heather Hennigan, *Summa Cum Laude*

Elizabeth Ashley Huitron

Jesse Danforth Merritt

William Allen Parker

Alexandru Paul Popa

Alan-Michael Sprinkle¹

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Sarah Bre'el Warren, *Cum Laude*

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Brianna Lee Williams, *Cum Laude*

Sara Elizabeth Wiseman, *Cum Laude*¹

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Stephen Bradford Long

Michael Joseph Weller, *Summa Cum Laude*

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Jessica Marie Allen, *Summa Cum Laude*

Michele Dorsey Allgood, *Magna Cum Laude*

Malindi Anne Arensen¹

Lisa Tyler Ariola

Deeana Lynn Bennett, *Summa Cum Laude*

James Cameron Boles, *Cum Laude*

Hannah Renee Bostic

Michael James Bruce

Alan Taylor Burnette, *Summa Cum Laude*

Heather Ashley Carr

Allison Bailey Cochran, *Magna Cum Laude*

Audrey Wilma Coffman, *Summa Cum Laude*¹

John Patrick Dawkins, *Cum Laude*

Katherine Madeline Dinkins, *Cum Laude*

Brittany Lynn Draughn¹

Stuart Elliott Foster¹

Jeremy Wade Freeman

David Jonathan Friedrichs, *Cum Laude*

Andrew David Frye

Theodore John Fussell

Justin Michael Haight¹

Tyler James Hawkins

Johnathan D. Hubbard

Meredith Anne Kalisch, *Summa Cum Laude*

Preston Allen Karup

Amy Elizabeth Luce, *With Distinction*

Kristin Nicole Maney, *Cum Laude*

Caroline Byrd Mellard, *Summa Cum Laude*

William J. Misenheimer

Caitlin Merideth Neal¹

Ricky Charles Netherton, *Cum Laude*

Hope Anna-Marie Poetker, *Summa Cum Laude*

Drew Taylor Powell

Avery Carol Reinink, *Summa Cum Laude*

Timothy Mark Roberts¹

Mykiea R. Russell

Anita Marie Scott, *Summa Cum Laude*

Brittnee Brock Shepherd, *Summa Cum Laude*

Laura Marie Skillman, *Summa Cum Laude*

Stephen Mapp Sloan

Gary Michael Smith

Lucas Jameson Smith

Lynnette Michelle Smith

Philip Joseph Spence

Misty Dawn Varnell, *Summa Cum Laude*

Selina Vincent¹

Michael Joseph Weller, *Summa Cum Laude*

¹Pending Conferral in August 2013

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Tiffany C. Carew	Janet K. Hise, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Mario Wendell Newton, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹
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Shawna Louise Carter, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Shirley Jennivieve Livingstone, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Crystal Lynn Shoemake, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Cynthia Marie Cook ¹	Amber Dawn McFee	LaKissia Nicole Slowiaczek, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ¹
Latanya Renee Gray	Holly Roberts McKinney, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Salvatore John Tringali, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Teresa Waynette Haynes, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Jerry Ray McMillan, Jr., <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Lucinda Jean Wilson

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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Tonya Michael David	Sheva Sylvain-Marsh	Donna Morton Wasserman ¹

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Marsha H. Barnes ¹	Linda Mae Harris ¹	Charmaine Andrea Parker
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Carlette Denise Brown ¹	Melissa Ann McAdams ¹	Eileen Christine Suazo
Reginald Martinez Clark ¹	Deonsha Shontae Morgan	Sally McDaniel Thomas ¹
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Renee Renn Greene ¹	Brenda McDaniel Owens ¹	

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The listing of Candidates for Graduation reflects information determined to be correct at the time of printing, but may not be the official list of degree candidates certified for graduation.