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FIU

Commencement

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

U.S. Century Bank Arena,
University Park, Miami, Florida

Monday, December 15, 2008
Tuesday, December 16, 2008

FIU Alma Mater

*by Dr. Clair T. McElfresh
Rededicated on November 3, 1988 • Orchestration by Dr. Philip Fink*

Hail to thee dear FIU with voices true we pledge to thee.

All our love and our devotion.

Humble faith and loyalty.

We will strive for understanding and for peace and unity.

We will search for truth and wisdom.

We will always honor thee.

FIU Alma Mater Hail! Hail to Thee.

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Florida International University is one of the nation’s leading urban, public institutions of higher learning and one of the region’s most vital educational assets. Since 1965, when FIU was chartered as South Florida’s first public university, FIU has built a widespread reputation for the excellence of its teaching and research programs.

The university has a nationally celebrated faculty, students from throughout the United States and more than 130 foreign countries, and alumni who have risen to prominence in every field. The university takes full advantage of its location in Miami, which serves as a “living laboratory” for many of its programs and offers unparalleled internship and job opportunities. As a major university located in one of the nation’s great cities, FIU offers a rare combination of vast resources, personal attention and affordability.

The university offers more than 200 baccalaureate, master’s, doctoral and specialist degree programs in 24 colleges and schools: Accounting; Architecture; Architecture and the Arts; Art and Art History; Arts and Sciences; Business Administration; Chapman Graduate School of Business; Computing and Information Sciences; Continuing and Professional Studies; Education; Criminal Justice; Engineering and Computing; Medicine; Honors College; Hospitality and Tourism Management; Journalism and Mass Communication; Law; Medicine; Music; Nursing and Health Sciences; Public Administration; Social Work, Justice and Public Affairs; Stempel School of Public Health; Theatre, Dance and Speech Communication; and University Graduate School.

FIU has more than 38,000 students, 1,000 full-time faculty, and 130,000 alumni, making it the largest university in South Florida. The university has three campuses — University Park in western Miami-Dade County and the Biscayne Bay Campus in northeast Miami-Dade County — and the FIU Broward-Pines Center, an academic facility in nearby Broward County. The 40-acre Engineering Center, a major research facility, is located near University Park.

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 UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL..... Jason Pearl, *Banner Marshal*
 UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION J. Valdes, *Banner Marshal*
 HONORS COLLEGE..... Mary Lou Pfeiffer, *Banner Marshal*
 STUDENT AFFAIRS Suzanne Onorato, *Banner Marshal*

PROCESSIONAL..... Grand Marshal Thomas Breslin, *Chair, Faculty Senate*
Pomp and Circumstance, Sir Edward Elgar
Fanfare for the Common Man, Aaron Copland

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM Sarah Olivia Hale, *Masters, Voice Performance*
The Star-Spangled Banner, Francis Scott Key

FIU ALMA MATER..... Sarah Olivia Hale, *Masters, Voice Performance*

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CHARGE TO GRADUATES..... President Maidique

RECESSIONAL

Commencement Program

Monday, December 15, 3:00 p.m.

The audience is requested to remain seated for the Processional and rise for the National Anthem and the FIU Alma Mater.

SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT Steve Moll, *Banner Marshal*
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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION Benjamin Baez, *Banner Marshal*
UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL Fredrick Blevens, *Banner Marshal*
UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION Lourdes Acevedo, *Banner Marshal*
HONORS COLLEGE Bill Ritzi, *Banner Marshal*
STUDENT AFFAIRS Beverly Dalrymple, *Banner Marshal*

PROCESSIONAL Grand Marshal Thomas Breslin, *Chair, Faculty Senate*
Pomp and Circumstance, Sir Edward Elgar
Fanfare for the Common Man, Aaron Copland

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM Leah Prinz, *Sophomore, Music Education*
The Star-Spangled Banner, Francis Scott Key

FIU ALMA MATER Leah Prinz, *Sophomore, Music Education*

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School of Hospitality and Tourism Management Joseph West, *Dean*
School of Journalism and Mass Communication Lillian Lodge Kopenhaver, *Dean*
College of Education Kingsley Banya, *Dean*
University Graduate School George E. Walker, *SeniorVice President, Research and Graduate Education, Dean*
Undergraduate Education Douglas Reimondo Robertson, *Dean*

CHARGE TO GRADUATES President Maidique

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Monday, December 15, 7:30 p.m.

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COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTING Geoffery Smith, *Banner Marshal*
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND THE ARTS Kathleen Kerstetter, *Banner Marshal*
UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL Christine Lisetti, *Banner Marshal*
UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION Sharyne Connell, *Banner Marshal*
HONORS COLLEGE Jose Rodriguez, *Banner Marshal*
STUDENT AFFIARS Eric Arneson, *Banner Marshal*

PROCESSIONAL Grand Marshal Thomas Breslin, *Chair, Faculty Senate*
Pomp and Circumstance, Sir Edward Elgar
Fanfare for the Common Man, Aaron Copland

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM Myra Kucera, *Junior, Music*
The Star-Spangled Banner, Francis Scott Key

FIU ALMA MATER Myra Kucera, *Junior, Music*

CONVENER Ronald M. Berkman, *Executive Vice President and Provost*

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Narrator Stephen Neal, *Instructor, Theatre*
College of Engineering and Computing Amir Mirmiran, *Interim Dean*
College of Architecture and The Arts Juan Antonio Bueno, *Founding Dean*
University Graduate School Stephan Mintz, *Associate Dean*
Undergraduate Education Douglas Reimondo Robertson, *Dean*

CHARGE TO GRADUATES President Maidique

RECESSIONAL

Commencement Program

Tuesday, December 16, 10:00 a.m.

The audience is requested to remain seated for the Processional and rise for the National Anthem and the FIU Alma Mater.

COLLEGE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL WORK Richard Beaulaurier, *Banner Marshal*
COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES Martha Bloyer, *Banner Marshal*
UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL Marilys Randolph, *Banner Marshal*
UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION Phillip Andrews, *Banner Marshal*
HONORS COLLEGE John Tsalikis, *Banner Marshal*
STUDENT AFFAIRS Sofia Santiesteban, *Banner Marshal*
UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES Scott Kass, *Banner Marshal*

PROCESSIONAL Grand Marshal Thomas Breslin, *Chair, Faculty Senate*
Pomp and Circumstance, Sir Edward Elgar
Fanfare for the Common Man, Aaron Copland

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM Theresa Sparbel, *Masters, Voice Performance*
The Star-Spangled Banner, Francis Scott Key

FIU ALMA MATER Theresa Sparbel, *Masters, Voice Performance*

CONVENER Ronald M. Berkman, *Executive Vice President and Provost*

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Marvin O'Quinn, *Doctor of Public Service*

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College of Public Health and Social Work Fernando Treviño, *Interim Dean*
College of Nursing and Health Sciences Divina Grossman, *Dean*
University Graduate School George E. Walker, *SeniorVice President, Research and Graduate Education, Dean*
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Commencement Program

Tuesday, December 16, 3:00 p.m.

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COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION Donald Roomes, *Banner Marshal*
CHAPMAN GRADUATE SCHOOL Diveshi Sharma, *Banner Marshal*
UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL Kathleen Wilson, *Banner Marshal*
HONORS COLLEGE John Bailly, *Banner Marshal*
STUDENT AFFAIRS Elvira Velez, *Banner Marshal*

PROCESSIONAL Grand Marshal Thomas Breslin, *Chair, Faculty Senate*
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Mario de Armas, '85 *Outstanding Alumnus*

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College of Business Administration Joyce Elam, *Executive Dean and Vice Provost, FIU On-line*
Chapman Graduate School Joyce Elam, *Executive Dean and Vice Provost, FIU On-line*
University Graduate School George E. Walker, *SeniorVice President, Research and Graduate Education, Dean*
Undergraduate Education Douglas Reimondo Robertson, *Dean*

CHARGE TO GRADUATES President Maidique

RECESSIONAL



FIU Medallion

Elsa Murano '81
Outstanding Alumna

As the 23rd president of Texas A&M University, one of the nation's largest teaching and research universities, Dr. Elsa A. Murano is the first woman and first Hispanic-American to lead Texas' oldest public institution of higher learning.

Born in Havana, she left Cuba with her family when she was 2 years old. They lived in several Latin American countries before settling in Miami 12 years later. She received a bachelor's degree in biological sciences from FIU in 1981 and later earned master's and Ph.D. degrees from Virginia Tech.

Murano began her career in higher education in 1990 as an assistant professor in the Department of Microbiology, Immunology and Preventive Medicine at Iowa State.

She joined Texas A&M in 1995 as associate professor in the Department of Animal Science and associate director of the Center for Food Safety in the Institute for Food Science and Engineering. She served as the center's director from 1997-2001, becoming a full-time professor as well as the holder of the Sadie Hatfield Professorship in Agriculture. In 2001, President George W. Bush appointed her Under Secretary for Food Safety in the Department of Agriculture, making her the highest-ranked food safety official in the U.S. government.

Says Murano, "Someday, if I write a book, it will be called *Only in America*, because this great country has provided me so many opportunities."



FIU Medallion

Bruce Blum '83
Outstanding Alumnus

A graduate with honors from the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, Bruce Blum brings more than 25 years of primarily principal-oriented hotel investment, acquisition, development, asset management and operational experience as a partner of The Chartres Lodging Group, LLC.

Prior to the company's formation, he was with Doral Hotels & Resorts. Blum served as CEO for five years and as president for three years, when the organization became a division of MeriStar, formerly one of the nation's largest publicly traded hotel companies.

During his career, Blum has been instrumental in the acquisition, development, sale and/or refinance of more than \$2 billion of institutional-quality hotel and resort projects. On behalf of the Dubai Investment Group, Blum led the acquisition of the Essex House Hotel, which was awarded the 2005 Americas Lodging Investment Summit Single Asset Transaction Award.

Blum is a frequent speaker at national and international hospitality industry conferences. He supports several charities, among them Hockey in Harlem and The Center for Mind-Body Medicine's Healing the Wounds of War program.



Cal Kovens Distinguished Community Service Award

Michael M. Adler

As chairman and CEO of Adler Group, Inc., one of South Florida's largest real estate companies, Michael M. Adler has played a significant role in the growth and development of South Florida as a center for international trade.

A second-generation member of one of Florida's most respected "builder families," he followed in the footsteps of his father, Samuel I. Adler, the founder of Southern General Builders.

As a business administration college student, Adler learned his father's business as a crew member of the Laborers and Carpenters unions, participating in the construction of high-rise apartment buildings throughout South Florida. In 1979, he developed Miami International Commerce Center, a 340-acre mixed-use project in Miami-Dade County's Airport West market that today includes approximately four million square feet of warehouse, flex showroom and office space.

His Adler Realty Services oversees a branded network of business communities spanning more than eight million square feet throughout the American Southeast.

A noted member of Miami's philanthropic community, Adler is a founding member and trustee of The Beacon Council, and a trustee member of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce and the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce. He also is chairman of the National Jewish Democratic Committee, immediate past president of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, founder and trustee of both the Mount Sinai Medical Center and the Mount Sinai Philanthropic Foundation. Adler serves on the board of directors of the FIU Foundation, Inc.



Honorary Degree

Marvin O'Quinn
Doctor of Public Service

A veteran health care administrator known for his dedication to improving community health care, Marvin O'Quinn rose through the ranks after launching his career as a hospital orderly more than 25 years ago, to become president of the Public Health Trust and CEO of Jackson Health System.

Since 2003, he has overseen Jackson Memorial Hospital and a countywide network of health care services that includes 12 neighborhood primary care centers, nine school-based health clinics, two long term-care nursing facilities, a series of community mental health centers, a children's hospital and two community hospitals.

Under his leadership, Jackson embarked upon a major capital expansion to better serve all of Miami-Dade County. Jackson's efforts to reach residents have included the 2006 acquisition of Jackson North Medical Center, as well as the recent groundbreaking for a renovation and expansion of Jackson South Community Hospital to double its size.

O'Quinn will be leaving Jackson Health System at the end of 2008 to accept a top job with Catholic Healthcare West, a San Francisco-based system of more than 40 hospitals in California, Arizona and Nevada.

O'Quinn, who graduated from the University of Washington in Seattle with a bachelor's degree in biology and a master's degree in health administration, is a diplomat in the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Among the numerous awards he has received for his community involvement and business savvy are the March of Dimes Humanitarian of the Year Award, the Orange Bowl Foundation "El Espiritu de la Comunidad" Award, the Community Health of South Dade Health Hero Award and the South Florida Business Journal Miami Ultimate CEO Award.



FIU Medallion

Mario de Armas '85
Outstanding Alumnus

A graduate of the College of Business Administration's School of Accounting, Mario de Armas is market managing partner for the Florida offices of PricewaterhouseCoopers. In this role he works with a number of the company's private and public clients in South Florida and Latin America.

A certified public accountant, de Armas has experience in industries such as distribution, higher education, telecommunications, travel and leisure, technology, entertainment, and media.

De Armas was appointed to his current position at PricewaterhouseCoopers in 2007. Prior to that, he spent two years as office managing partner, and the previous seven as a partner at the firm.

From 1991-1994, de Armas spent time in Barcelona where he served U.S. and British multinationals with operations in Spain.

De Armas is an engaged member of the community. Among his extensive public service commitments is his participation on the Board of Trustees of Dade Marine Institute, Inc., a United Way agency that works with court-supervised youth in Miami-Dade County. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees and Executive Committee of the New World Symphony, and serves on the Board of Directors of the Florida Chamber of Commerce. He volunteers his time for FIU as well, serving as a member of the Dean's Council of FIU's College of Business Administration.

In addition to his FIU degree, de Armas has an MBA from the University of Florida.

THE COMMENCEMENT:

An Academic Tradition

Michael J. Wagner, Ph.D., Retired Professor of Music Education

At every academic institution, commencement exercises are the high point of the calendar. Since the purpose of a college or university is to prepare its students to merit the conferral of an academic degree, the commencement ceremony serves as the instrument for exhibiting the success of both the university and its students in fulfilling this primary goal. The rites involved in the celebration of commencement stem from civilization's earliest times. In fact, the very word, commencement, means a beginning. If you are familiar with the trappings of this grand ceremony, you are aware that the traditions carried forth from medieval days are revealed in all of their pomp, color and symbolism. It is a celebration of new beginnings. For participants and observers alike, commencement is meant to be both self-serving and an emotional experience.

The Chain of Office

President Maidique personifies the university at the FIU Commencement. He is the ceremony's convener and chief presider, and he displays a great chain, which is the FIU chain of office. This ancient symbol is perhaps the most beautiful and artistic of any of the accoutrements of the ceremony. During the Renaissance, holders of very high office sometimes wore a chain as a symbol of their authority. FIU's chain is made of sterling silver and its designs are cast, cut and etched. The center medallion represents the world and is surrounded by sea shells cast from an actual shell. Reflecting the university and the South Florida area are the eight ovals which make up the chain. Each link is connected by a shell motif and exemplifies a specific entity: 1) the University Park tower, 2) the Vrana sculpture over the entrance of Primera Casa, and 3) the Torch of Friendship. The others represent the five original schools in the FIU community: Arts and Sciences, Business, Education, Hospitality Management, and Engineering. Inscribed upon four of the medallions are the names and dates of tenure of FIU presidents — Charles Perry, Harold Crosby, Gregory Wolfe, Modesto A. Maidique. The chain was designed by Dr. Clem Pennington, associate professor of art education, now retired, and executed in 1977 by Leo Shirker, a Miami goldsmith, art teacher and FIU alumnus.

The Mace

The Grand Marshal carries a ceremonial club called a mace. In antiquity, when an official of high rank went out in public, a mace-bearer was assigned to accompany him in order to literally beat away those who got close enough to try to petition the favors of the official. Today, the bearing of the university's mace is ceremonial in nature, signifying the authority and authenticity of those who are to follow.

Music

Music plays an important role in the commencement experience. The commencement procession begins with the playing of Aaron Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man. It is followed by the traditional and familiar Pomp and Circumstance March #1, by Sir Edward Elgar. This march, one of a set of five Pomp and Circumstance marches by Elgar, is traditionally played at commencement ceremonies throughout the United States, and many places around the world. It has come to symbolize the commencement experience. After the processional, and after the academic body is assembled, our national anthem, The Star Spangled Banner, is played.

After the National Anthem, the FIU Alma Mater is played. This piece of FIU symbolism was composed by Clair McElfresh of the FIU Music faculty, former dean of undergraduate studies, and now retired.

Marshals

The leader of the academic procession is the Grand Marshal. At FIU, this prestigious honor goes to the chairperson of the Faculty Senate (the university's governing body for academic matters). You will notice that as the Grand Marshal processes, the mace (a formidable weapon) is held at port arms, the ready position for quick protection. Faculty and student marshals have been elected to lead candidates for graduation from each of the university's schools and colleges.

The Dais Party

The Dais Party is also known as the Platform Party. This group is composed of the university's administrative leaders and very special guests. The Dais Party enters the hall before the faculty and proceeds directly to stage. At the end of the processional, the Grand Marshal declares the proceedings open, and the ceremony moves forward.

Academic Regalia

The tradition of wearing distinctive academic attire at commencement ceremonies originated in Europe in the twelfth century. However, gowns and capes had been worn by clerics and ecclesiastics even before that date. A heavy black or brown gown was apparently worn at all times. Hoods and capes were also a necessity during the long, cold European winters because the buildings in which scholars lived, studied and taught were cold and drafty. When not being used to provide warmth, hoods and baggy sleeves served the same purpose as do today's pockets. Often a crust of bread or some cheese were tucked away in them for sustenance on a long journey. The academic costume at English universities (from which many of our American commencement traditions originate) can be traced as far back as the middle of the fourteenth century, to the time when scholars were rebuked that a decent habit was to be worn (Statutes

of Peterhouse, 1344). This document further prescribed the code of dress for university teachers of that era. In a 1432 statute, students and even doctors of theology were restricted to bunge and sad-colored habits. The robes of master were to be flowing and reach the ankles. In an order dated 1358, tailors were admonished not to stint the robes, which should be argae et talares, because clerks (of whom scholars were one type) should be distinguished from the laity. A few universities still require students and faculty to wear a short gown both on and off the university campus. Oxford, Cambridge and some Scottish universities maintain this custom. The faculties of American universities have worn academic garb for commencement ceremonies since the beginning of the system. For almost 250 years, each university chose its own costume until it was realized that in 1896 an event unique in history would be taking place. This was the simultaneous celebrations of the 250th anniversary of Harvard University and the 500th anniversary of Heidelberg University. Because of this unique circumstance, the Intercollegiate Bureau of Academic Costume was opened in 1895 to record the distinctive colors of institutions, their arrangement, the particulars of gowns, hoods and caps, as well as information pertaining to academic ceremonies. At that time, an American code of academic dress was agreed upon. With few modifications, it is still with us today.

Gowns

Academic gowns of today are most easily identified by the distinctive style of their sleeves. The bachelor's gown is worn closed and its sleeves are long, open and pointed. The master's gown can be worn either open or closed, and has long distinctive sleeves which are closed, with a slit near the elbow to free the hand and forearm. These pointed sleeves hang down from the elbow to below the hand. The doctor's gown can be worn either opened or closed, and has five inches of velvet trim down both front edges, and three velvet chevrons on each sleeve. The velvet trim may be either black or the color of the discipline in which the degree is granted. The sleeves are closed and bloused.

Hoods

Probably the greatest degree of symbolism is expressed with the academic hood. Those who hold bachelor's degrees and participate in commencement sometimes wear a hood. Candidates for the bachelor's degree do not. The bachelor's hood is black and is three-feet long, with a two-inch velvet border in the color of discipline in which the degree is awarded. The master's hood is also of black material, and is three-and-one-half feet long with a three-inch velvet border in the color of the discipline. It is lined with the colors of the institution conferring the degree. The doctor's hood is four-feet long, has a five-inch velvet border in the the color of the discipline, and is lined with the colors of the institution granting the degree.

Caps

Traditionally, the Oxford style square cap is considered proper headdress. In recent times, however, it has become stylish to wear a soft cap of either square or octagonal shape. All graduates wear a tassel over the left side of the cap. Bachelor's and master's tassels may be black or the color of the academic discipline, while doctor's tassels are always gold.

These are by no means all of the styles or accoutrements worn as academic dress. Indeed, in South American, Spanish and Dutch universities, the academic attire can be likened to plumage. It is not uncommon to see brightly colored gowns adorned with ermine and other furs, flowing capes, and caps trimmed with beads or tassels. Some universities in South America even add Indian feathers to the headdress, in honor of the Inca Indians. At Florida International University, whose colors are blue and gold, the traditional colors of the disciplines are:

FIU traditional tassel colors, according to college/school are:

School of Architecture and The Arts	Blue Violet
— Architecture	White
— The Arts	White
College of Arts and Sciences	Peacock Blue
— Public Administration	Peacock Blue
— Criminal Justice	Drab
College of Business Administration	Light Blue
College of Education	Orange
College of Engineering and Computing	Navy Blue
School of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Crimson
School of Journalism and Mass Communication	
College of Nursing and Health Sciences	
— Nursing	Apricot
— Health Sciences	Green
College of Public Health and Social Work	
— Public Health	Salmon
— Social Work	Peacock Blue
Honors College	Gold

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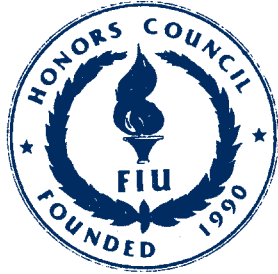
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College of Arts and Sciences

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Doctor of Philosophy in Geosciences

Dissertation: *Lattice Boltzmann Modeling of Fluid Flow and Solute Transport in Karst Aquifers*

Major Professor: Dr. Michael C. Sukop

Magda Gómez de Cruz

Doctor of Philosophy in History

Dissertation: *Smallpox Vaccination, the Establishment of Vaccination Boards, and State Formation in Venezuela and Cuba in the Nineteenth Century*

Major Professor: Dr. Victor Uribe

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Doctor of Philosophy in History

Dissertation: *A Comparative Analysis of Corporate Finance in the United States and Japan from 1880 to 1930*

Co-Major Professors: Dr. Kenneth Lipartito and Dr. Mira Wilkins

Kerry Lynn Opel

Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry

Dissertation: *The Application of Reduced-Size Short Tandem Repeat Primer Sets in the Analysis of Human DNA from Degraded and Compromised Samples*

Major Professor: Dr. Bruce McCord

Claudio Dario Ortiz

Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology

Dissertation: *Predicting Posttraumatic Stress Reactions in Children Prior to Traumatic Exposure*

Major Professor: Dr. Wendy K. Silverman

Margaret Reardon

Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology

Dissertation: *Jury Decision Making and the Story Model: How Do Deliberation Style and Evidence Order Influence the Story that Juries Create?*

Major Professor: Dr. Kevin M. O'Neil

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Doctor of Philosophy in Biology

Dissertation: *Identification, Distribution, and Probability of Infection in Sympatric Gastropods by Digenean Parasites at Pa-hay-okee, Everglades National Park using Molecules and Morphology*

Major Professor: Dr. Timothy M. Collins

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Doctor of Philosophy in Economics

Dissertation: *Essays on Exchange Rate Economics*

Major Professor: Dr. Prasad Bidarkota

Gönül Tol

Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science

Dissertation: *The Rise of Islamism among the Turkish Immigrants in Germany and the Netherlands*

Major Professor: Dr. John F. Stack, Jr.

Clayton Jack Williams

Doctor of Philosophy in Biology

Dissertation: *Relative Significance of Pelagic, Benthic, and Allochthonous Organic Matter to Microbial Carbon Cycling in a Phosphorus-depleted Subtropical Estuary (Florida Bay)*

Major Professor: Dr. Frank J. Jochem

Rachel M. York

Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology

Dissertation: *Examining Moderators of the Hindsight Bias in the Context of Civil Legal Decision-Making: Counterfactuals, Causal Proximity, and Self-Referencing*

Major Professor: Dr. Kevin M. O'Neil

Jiepeng Zhang

Doctor of Philosophy in Physics

Dissertation: *Nonlinear Optical Effects Manifested by Electromagnetic Induced Transparency in Cold Atoms*

Major Professor: Dr. Yifu Zhu

College of Business Administration

Aravinthan Arunachalam

Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *Essays on the Impact of Stakeholders' Sentiment on the Financial Decision Making Process*

Major Professor: Dr. Arun J. Prakash

Jang Hyung Cho

Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *An Autoregressive Conditional Filtering Process to Remove Intraday Seasonal Volatility and its Application to Testing the Noisy Rational Expectations Model*

Major Professor: Dr. Robert T. Daigler

Ahmed Elshahat

Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *A Comprehensive Portfolio Construction under Stochastic Environment*

Major Professor: Dr. Ali M. Parhizgari

Ann Marie Hibbert

Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *Essays on Risk Aversion, Diversification and Non-Participation*

Major Professor: Dr. Arun J. Prakash

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Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *A Deontic Analysis of Inter-organizational Control Requirements*

Major Professor: Dr. Ronald M. Lee

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Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *Genetic Algorithms and Investment Strategies: A Global Perspective*

Major Professor: Dr. Ali M. Parhizgari

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Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *Three Essays on the Interrelationships among Financial Restatements, Corporate Governance, Market Microstructure and the Firm's Rate of Return*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Dissertation: *Gender Differences in Audit Committees*

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Dissertation: *Essays in Book-Tax Income Differences and Analyst Forecasts/Recommendations*

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Doctor of Education in Educational Administration and Supervision

Dissertation: *The Impact of Standards-Based Practices in Mathematics on the Achievement of Low-Performing Students*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Curriculum and Instruction

Dissertation: *Effect of Performance Feedback on Perceived Knowledge and Likelihood to Pursue Continuing Education*

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Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Dissertation: *Education Policy and National Income Distribution: New Evidence from Recent Cross-Country Data*

Major Professor: Dr. Kingsley Banya

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Doctor of Philosophy in Curriculum and Instruction

Dissertation: *The Effects of using Rap Music on the Fluency Skills of 2nd Grade African American Students*

Major Professor: Dr. Lisbeth Dixon-Krauss

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Doctor of Education in Adult Education and Human Resource Development

Dissertation: *From Foster Care to College: Young Adults' Perceptions of Factors that Impacted their Academic Achievement*

Major Professor: Dr. Tonette Rocco

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Doctor of Education in Exceptional Student Education

Dissertation: *The Effects of Word Prediction and Text-to-Speech Technologies on the Narrative Writing Skills of Students with Specific Learning Disabilities*

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Doctor of Education in Adult Education and Human Resource Development

Dissertation: *A Comparative Analysis of Self-Determined Evaluations of Work Performance and Support Needs by Adults with Mental Retardation in Supported Work and Sheltered Workshop Environments*

Major Professor: Dr. Douglas H. Smith

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Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Dissertation: *Adolescent Readers' Self-Perceptions of Affective Factors Related to Performance on Standardized Tests*

Major Professor: Dr. Joyce C. Fine

College of Engineering and Computing

Anna R. Bernardo-Bricker

Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering

Dissertation: *Investigating the Origin of PM 2.5 in Baltimore using Highly Time-Resolved Organic Molecular Markers Measured during the Baltimore PM-Supersite*

Major Professor: Dr. Wolfgang F. Rogge

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Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering

Dissertation: *Lattice Boltzmann Method for Flow and Heat Transfer in Microgeometries*

Major Professor: Dr. George S. Dulikravich

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Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering

Dissertation: *Development of Surface Flaw Thresholds for Pre-Cured Fiber Reinforced Polymer and Groove Size Tolerance for Near Surface Mounted Fiber Reinforced Polymer Retrofit Systems*

Major Professor: Dr. Amir Mirmiran

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Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering

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Major Professor: Dr. Surendra K. Saxena

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Dissertation: *Peak-to-Average Power Ratio Reduced Parallel Interference Cancellation Multicarrier-Code Division Multiple Access System with Anti-interference Property*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering

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Doctor of Philosophy in Mechanical Engineering

Dissertation: *Synthesis, Characterization and Study of Physical Properties of Novel M_{n+1}AX_n Compounds*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science

Dissertation: *An Innovative Approach to Teaching Structural Induction for Computer Science*

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Dissertation: *Application of Intervention Analysis to Evaluate the Impacts of Special Events on Freeways*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering

Dissertation: *Freeway Travel Time Estimation and Prediction using Dynamic Neural Networks*

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Dissertation: *Bioinformatic Analysis for Exploring Relationships between Genes and Gene Products*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Dietetics and Nutrition

Dissertation: *Relationships among Dietary Intake, Dietary Patterns, Dietary Quality and Nutrient Adequacy and Substance use in Latina Mother/Daughter Dyads*

Major Professor: Dr. Dian O. Weddle

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Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare

Dissertation: *Hispanic Adolescents with Severe Substance Abuse Problems: Parental Involvement, Acculturation-Related Factors, and Attachment*

Major Professor: Dr. Mario De La Rosa

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Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare

Dissertation: *The Practice and Use of Picuristes (Lay Injectionists) among Haitian Immigrants in Miami-Dade County, Florida*

Major Professor: Dr. Mario De La Rosa

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Doctor of Philosophy in Dietetics and Nutrition

Dissertation: *The Impact of a Cognitive-behavioral Weight-control Program on Body Weight, Diet Quality, and Smoking Cessation in Weight-concerned Female Smokers*

Co-Major Professors: Dr. Michele Ciccazzo and Dr. Zisca Dixon

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Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health

Dissertation: *The Relationship of Fear of Intimacy, Body Image Avoidance and Body Mass Index*

Major Professor: Dr. Robert M. Malow

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College of Arts and Sciences

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Doctor of Philosophy in International Relations

Dissertation: *Conceptualizing U.S. Power and Security in a Post-Cold War, Post-9/11 World: Unipolarity, Conflict, Resistance, and Global Security, 2001-Present*

Major Professor: Dr. Felix Martin

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Doctor of Philosophy in Biology

Dissertation: *Melanocytes in the Developing and Adult Atrioventricular Valves of the Murine Heart*

Major Professor: Dr. Lidia Kos

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Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry

Dissertation: *Elemental Analysis of Biological Matrices by Laser Ablation High Resolution Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (LA-HR-ICP-MS) and High Resolution Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (HR-ICP-MS)*

Major Professor: Dr. José R. Almirall

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Doctor of Philosophy in Geosciences

Dissertation: *Quantifying the Effects of Temperature and Concentration on Variable-density Flow in Numerical Modeling of Groundwater Systems: Implications for Predictive Uncertainty and Data Collection*

Major Professor: Dr. Michael C. Sukop

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Doctor of Philosophy in Public Management

Dissertation: *Measuring Effectiveness in International Financial Crime Prevention: Can We Agree on a Performance Metric?*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology

Dissertation: *Eyewitness Memory: Balancing Accuracy, Precision, and Quantity of Information through Metacognitive Monitoring and Control*

Major Professor: Dr. Ronald Fisher

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Dissertation: *Municipal Accountability: Should Regulations Similar to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act apply to the Local Sector?*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Comparative Sociology

Dissertation: *In God We Trust: Faith-based Development, Spiritual Transformation, and Economic Change in Southern Andean Indigenous Communities*

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Dissertation: *Improved Estimation of Postmortem Interval with Cardiac Troponin T and Improved Analytical Methods*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry

Dissertation: *Genetic Individualization of Cannabis sativa by a Short Tandem Repeats (STR) Multiplex*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Biology

Dissertation: *Dioon Lindl. (Zamiaceae): Perspectives from Phylogeny and a Population Genetic Study of D. edule*

Major Professor: Dr. Javier Francisco-Ortega

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Dissertation: *An Ethnopharmacological Approach to Multidrug-Resistant*

Staphylococcus aureus: Evaluation of Italian Plants used in the

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Dissertation: *Essays on Durable Goods Consumption and Firm*

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Doctor of Philosophy in Geosciences

Dissertation: *Hydrological Dynamics between a Coastal Aquifer and the*

Adjacent Estuarine System, Biscayne Bay, South Florida

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Doctor of Philosophy in International Relations

Dissertation: *Domestic and International Isolationism in an*

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Major Professor: Dr. Ralph Clem

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Dissertation: *Demographic Effects of Thatch Harvest and Implications for*

Sustainable Use of Irapai Palm (Lepidocaryum tenue Mart.) by Riverine

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Doctor of Education in Higher Education

Dissertation: *Extending the Theory of Planned Behavior in the Exercise*

Domain: A Study of Community College Students in an Urban

Multicultural Setting

Major Professor: Dr. Ann Nevin

Roberto Jaime Hernández

Doctor of Education in Higher Education Administration

Dissertation: *Development and Validation of an Instrument to Predict*

Online Student Success using Faculty Perceptions

Major Professor: Dr. Janice R. Sandiford

Joan Maria Osborne

Doctor of Education in Adult Education and Human Resource

Development

Dissertation: *The Career Development of Black Female*

Chief Nurse Executives

Major Professor: Dr. Ann Nevin

Helen Jean Robbins

Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Dissertation: *The Effect of a Clinical Practicum on Elementary Education*

Preservice Teachers' Development of Reading Expertise

Major Professor: Dr. Joyce C. Fine

Doctoral Candidates *(continued)*

College of Engineering and Computing

Heriberto Garcia

Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial and Systems Engineering

Dissertation: *A Supply Chain Capability Maturity Model to Assess the*

Processes and Performance of Enterprises in the Supply Chain

Major Professor: Dr. Ronald E. Giachetti

Jiajia Ge

Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Engineering

Dissertation: *Fluorescence-enhanced Optical Imaging on 3-D Phantoms*

using a Hand-held Probe Based Frequency-domain ICCD Optical Imager

Major Professor: Dr. Anuradha Godavarty

Juan Antonio Gonzalez Lopez de Gamarra

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

Dissertation: *Customization of the Design of Antenna using the Genetic*

Algorithm and Finite-Difference Time-Domain Technique

Major Professor: Dr. Tadeusz M. Babij

Magno Roboam Guillen Benavides

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

Dissertation: *Design and Implementation of a Multisite Data Repository*

for Pediatric Epilepsy

Major Professor: Dr. Malek Adjouadi

Lixiang Jiang

Doctor of Philosophy in Industrial and Systems Engineering

Dissertation: *Business Process Quantitative Analysis and Optimization*

for Service Industries

Major Professor: Dr. Ronald E. Giachetti

Bin Li

Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering

Dissertation: *Seismic Performance of Hybrid Fiber Reinforced Polymers*

(FRP) - Concrete Pier Frame Systems

Major Professor: Dr. Amir Mirmiran

Tao Liu

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

Dissertation: *Polymer Periodic Photonic Structures and Applications*

Major Professor: Dr. Roberto R. Panepucci

Christin Legh Perkinson

Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering

Dissertation: *The Use of Computing Technology in Highway Construction*

Contractor Companies as a Total Jobsite

Management Tool (TJMT)

Major Professor: Dr. Irtishad U. Ahmad

Tarla TaMia Toomer

Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering

Dissertation: *Development of Risk Based Treatability and Engineering*

Measures for Reducing Exposure to Lead Contaminated Media in the

Miami Inner City, Florida

Co-Major Professors: Dr. Berrin Tansel and Dr. Janvier Gasana

Zhiwen Wan

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

Dissertation: *Cooperative and Adaptive Medium Access Control in Multi-*

Hop Wireless Networks

Co-Major Professors: Dr. Hao Zhu and Dr. Kia Makki

Qiang Wang

Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Engineering

Dissertation: *In Vivo Biocompatibility Evaluation of Composite Polymeric*

Materials for use in a Novel Artificial Heart Valve

Major Professor: Dr. Richard T. Schoephoerster

Yong Wang

Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical Engineering

Dissertation: *Optimization for Wireless Networks with*

Heterogeneous Antennas

Major Professor: Dr. Kang K. Yen

College of Public Health and Social Work

Yi-Ling Pan

Doctor of Philosophy in Dietetics and Nutrition

Dissertation: *Dietary Adequacy in Community-Dwelling Older Chinese*

Adults Living in South Florida

Co-Major Professors: Dr. Fatma G. Huffman

and Dr. Frederick L. Newman



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Bachelor of Arts in Architecture

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Monica Loredó
Alex Lozano
Jesus Mateo
Amir Y. Melloul, **Cum Laude**
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Bachelor of Interior Design

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Lourdes Patricia Perez
Erika Marie Rivera

Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

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Master of Architecture

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Valeria Marisol Yamamoto, **Cum Laude**

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Bachelor of Music

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Jisun Kalil
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Bachelor of Science in Music Education

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Master in Music

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Bachelor of Arts in Asian Studies

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Bachelor of Arts in French

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Bachelor of Arts in Women’s Studies

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Mathematics***
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Hassen Moussawel

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