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UNIVERSITY of ALASKA ANCHORAGE

**2020**

*50th Annual  
Commencement*



# 2020

## Commencement

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### KPC Director Remarks

Gary J. Turner

#### UAA Chancellor's Remarks

Cathy Sandeen

#### Keynote Speakers

Bill Popp  
*President & CEO Anchorage Economic Development Corp.*

Rich Chiappone  
*Author & KBC Adjunct Instructor*

#### Valedictorians

Amber Grady  
*KBC*

Raleigh Van Natta  
*KRC Arts & Sciences*

Trevor Earll  
*KRC Business & Industry*

#### Presentation of Honorary Ph.D.

Gary J. Turner  
*Kenai Peninsula College Director*

#### Conferring of Degrees

Sheri Buretta, *Regent*

#### Awards & Accomplishments

##### Emeritus Professor Awards

Dr. Paul Landen  
Dr. Alan Boraas

##### Kachemak Bay Campus

Director's Choice Award  
Faculty Choice Awards  
Staff Choice Awards

##### KRC Student Union Awards

Most Outstanding Adjunct Faculty  
Most Outstanding Full-Time Faculty  
Life-Long Learner  
Most Outstanding Staff  
Most Outstanding Student

##### Kenai River Campus

Faculty Choice Award,  
Business & Industry  
Faculty Choice Award,  
Arts & Science

#### KBC Director Remarks

Dr. Reid Brewer  
*Kachemak Bay Campus Director*

#### Associate of Arts

##### General Program

Daniel S. Baldwin  
Jon S. Battiest  
Lisa A. Burkhardt  
Lillian R. Connor  
Bridget D. Cruickshank\*  
Quincy D. Fuller\*  
Amber R. Grady\*\*‡  
Nathan R. Grilley\*

Erin A. Herrick\*  
Peter I. Hilbish  
Veronica L. Jones  
Tristin R. Kruse  
Attison L. Machen-Gray  
Caitlyn A. Marang  
Jaclyn G. Martin  
Virgina (Ginni) E. Orth\*\*

Izabeau R. Pearston\*  
Chloe E. Pleznac\*\*  
Shane G. Poindexter  
Leanida N. Polushkin\*  
Heather K. Rasch  
Nicole E. Reid  
Nash A.B. Ringquist  
Anastasia K. Sepeta  
Diana M. Shepherd

Michelle A. Spalding\*\*  
Lynndsi E. Strong\*  
Kristine L. Summers

Dakota K. Tuttle  
Genevieve R. Tymrak  
Raleigh A. Van Natta\*\*  
Chantel M. Warfield  
Brittany M. Weston  
Madison J. Worth

#### Associate of Applied Science

##### General Business

Isaac M. Averill\*  
Jaiden D. Bosick†  
Kyle A. Cullum  
Sabrina N. Gibbs†  
Brittany M. Ivy  
Ivy B. Kent  
Nicole J. Wetzel\*

##### Industrial Process Instrumentation

Curtis A. Honig  
Timothy S. Lehman  
Brenner A. Musgrave\*\*‡  
Josep C. Pons-Vives\*\*‡  
Marshall T. Pratt\*  
Daniel J. Schwarzenberger

##### Paramedic Technology

Jessica L. Hanna  
Scott D. Summers\*  
Keagan G. Whitcomb

##### Process Technology

Alex T. Adams  
Nikita K. Antonov\*  
Jonathan M. Ayers  
Dustin L. Carlson  
Kory R. Dubendorf\*\*  
Trevor L. Earll\*\*\*  
Allen J. Frazier  
Aron T. Grabowski  
Mckenzie C. Gregg

John (Rick) R. Houlton  
Alan J. Hull\*  
Brett J. Knighten\*\*  
Timothy S. Lehman  
Jeremiah D. Lewis\*

Charles J. Macy  
Benjamin J. Matlock  
Grayson L. McCaughey\*  
Andrea M. Mcknight\*  
John (Jack) F. Miller  
Brenner A. Musgrave\*\*‡

Jordan Phothiboupha  
Josep C. Pons-Vives\*\*  
Marshall T. Pratt\*  
Cody W. Robustellini  
Cary J. Rohler\*  
Brad Schuetz  
Libbia M. Thurman\*\*‡  
Alex J. Turk\*

#### HONORS KEY

\* Cum Laude – 3.5-3.79  
\*\* Magna Cum Laude – 3.8-3.99  
\*\*\* Summa Cum Laude – 4.0

#### HONOR SOCIETY MEMBER

† Alpha Delta Nu  
‡ Phi Theta Kappa

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*Degrees conferred*

KENAI PENINSULA COLLEGE

*Certificates conferred*

##### Petroleum Technology

Jacob D. Ansel  
Alan J. Hull\*  
Timothy S. Lehman

Brenner A. Musgrave\*\*‡  
Josep C. Pons-Vives\*\*  
Libbia M. Thurman\*\*  
Kevin J. Wold

##### Welding

Blake D. Elde

##### Structural Welding

Zachariah J. Fleury  
Riley Gray  
Annika Merriner  
Bryan J. Roten  
Florian Sell

##### Structural Aluminum Welding

Zachariah J. Fleury  
Riley Gray  
Annika Merriner

##### Pipe Welding

Blake Elde  
Whitney M. Esteban  
Riley Gray  
Erick A. Mayoral Murillo  
Florian Sell

#### GED GRADUATES

Among the graduates are:

|                |                |                 |                    |
|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Melissa Bobby  | Taylor Gardner | Lynsie Mastre   | Kayla Stacey-Smith |
| Scott Brase    | Emily Jackson  | Dee Morrell     | Tristan Walker     |
| Sheldyn Cooper | Leala Keller   | Helena Posiadlo | Katie White        |
| Brian Doughty  | Mikel Madsen   | Autumn Quinn    |                    |

#### CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS

Among the certificantes are:

|                      |                  |                   |                   |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Dakota Bailey        | Kateland Farrell | Ksenia Kuzmin     | Kayla O'Donnoghue |
| Kolby Bayless        | Evette Foglia    | Adrienne Leffler  | Alysia Partridge  |
| Tovia Bremond-Hilton | Tehya Foust      | Evan Martin       | Christine Plate   |
| Nicole Casey         | Robbie Fuller    | Deborah McFarland | Maureena Plate    |
| Bernadina DeVita     | Audrey Hopper    | Austen Middick    | Riley Reese       |
| Cynthia Faris        | Audra Johnson    | Sahar Millage     | Tiffany Reinford  |
|                      |                  |                   | Laura Reinford    |

OTHER UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA

*Degrees conferred*

#### Associate of Applied Science (UAA)

##### Nursing

Stephanie K. Bias†‡  
Carrie L. Bosick†  
Annette Burlison\*  
Ashely C. Carver†  
Nubia Cipres-Hargrove  
Stephen Dinehart\*†  
Alea B. Hanley\*†  
Janyce Larrick\*  
Robin Mayer  
Sonja "Jaye" Peterson\*\*†‡

#### Education Certification (UAS)

##### Education Technology

Melissa A. Towarak

#### Bachelor of Science (UAA)

##### Natural Sciences

Sara C. Faris\*

##### Nursing

Therese Price

#### Masters of Public Administration (UAS)

Jordan Chilson

#### Master of Arts in Teaching (UAS)

Elizabeth Earl



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