

# Adventist University of Health Sciences

## Spring 2018 Commencement Ceremony

Calvary Orlando Church

*Monday, April 23, 2018*

2:00 p.m.

### **Mission Statement**

Adventist University of Health Sciences, a Seventh-day Adventist institution, specializes in the education of professionals in healthcare. Service-oriented and guided by the values of nurture, excellence, spirituality, and stewardship, the University seeks to develop leaders who will practice healthcare as a ministry.

### **Motto**

Developing skilled professionals who *live* the healing values of Christ



*“Healthcare is about restoration: That the sick may be made well; that the healthy will be kept in optimal health; and that the dying may find comfort. At the very core of healthcare is the opportunity to reveal the character of God by the attitude and actions displayed and performed by the caregiver.”*

**David E. Greenlaw**  
Founding President, Emeritus

# President's Address to Graduates

Today is a day of endings and beginnings, all cause for celebration. As you mark your graduation from Adventist University of Health Sciences, you deserve to celebrate three important milestones.

1. The successful completion of your studies. You are here today, in cap and gown, because you made the decision to advance your education, to acquire valuable skills, to work hard, to persevere. You are graduates. You are skilled health care professionals who live the healing values of Christ.

2. The transition from student to member of the ADU alumni community. With more than 7,000 ADU graduates working in health care, you are now part of an elite team of professionals working to extend the healing ministry of Christ. As you move forward, you carry the spirit and values of ADU with you. Stay connected to us, and to each other. The ADU community does not end at graduation; it transitions... and your alumni relationships will be valuable for the remainder of your career.

3. The beginning of your career as a healer, one of the highest callings on earth. You carry with you a legacy of excellence and leadership from ADU, a high bar for both competence and compassion. From this day forward, you will be in a position to contribute to the care and healing of your fellow humans...the greatest cause for celebration I can imagine.

I pray that God will bless each and every one of you with His healing grace: your hands, your heads, and your hearts. May you do both great and good things in His name.

Edwin I. Hernández, Ph.D.

President

# Commencement

## Prelude

**Fanfare on Deo Gracias** *Charles Callaban*

## Processional

**Trumpet Tune in G** *Jeremy Bankson*  
Faculty

**Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1** *Sir Edward Elgar*  
Graduates

**Triumphant March** *Thomas Bliss*  
President's Party

## Scripture

**Ecclesiastes 1:9 NLT**  
*Jessica Derringer, Department of Imaging Sciences*

## Invocation

*Temwa Mzumara, Department of Nurse Anesthesia*

## *Musical Interlude*

## Welcome

*Dr. Edwin Hernández, President*

## Musical Selection

**Destined for Greatness** *Faith First*  
*Mahalia Washburn, Matthew Master, Heidy Castaneda, and Sam Castaneda, Vocalists*

## Distinguished Service Award

*Dr. Don Williams, Assistant to the President for Mission*

## Introduction of Speaker

*Dr. Edwin Hernández, President*

Commencement Address

**If Only Someone Had Told Me, Orlando Jay Perez**  
*M.Div. ACPE Certified Educator – Vice President of Mission and Ministry, Florida Hospital*

Class Response

*Anisha Sukumaran, Department of Health and Biomedical Sciences*

Conferring of Degrees

*Dr. Edwin Hernández, President*

Presentation of Degree Candidates

*Dr. Len Archer, Vice-President for Academic Administration*

*(Please hold applause until the diplomas for each department have been presented.)*

President's Charge

*Dr. Edwin Hernández, President*

Welcome to the Alumni Association

*Dawn Creft, Director, Alumni Relations*

*“The Song of ADU”*

Benediction

*Tricia Daniels, Department of Healthcare Administration*

Recessional

**Trumpet Tune in D** *David Johnson*

Postlude

**Trumpet Voluntary** *Jeremiah Clarke*

**Linda van Niekerk, Organ**

*Please refrain from applause until the degrees for each department are conferred. We thank you for not using flash or lighted video equipment during the commencement program. Please remain seated during the Recessional.*

# The Song of ADU

Dedicated to the Faculty, Staff, Students, and Alumni of Adventist University of Health Sciences

Words and Music by Len M. Archer, 2012

**Allegretto** ♩ = c. 108)

Melody

We are hands that touch in - hea - ling We are the feet that lead the way;

4 way; We are ser - vants of all who need us; We are called to light the way;

9 Nur - ture, Ex - cel - lence, Spi - ri - tu - a - li - ty and Ste - ward - ship!

13 Four words with - in our hearts as we share in love and ser - vice. We

17 stand to - ge - ther giv - ing our all to serve hu - ma - ni - ty; U - ni - ted to - wards our

22 ut - most goal at A - D - U! U - ni - ted we are in heart and soul

27 to our be - lov - ed A - D - U!

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# Graduation Day Event Guide for Guests

To ensure an enjoyable and safe event, please follow the guidelines listed below:

- Guests may not enter any areas designated for students only. After graduates enter the student areas, you will not be able to be with your graduate until after the ceremony.
- Please contact an ADU staff member with any questions regarding wheelchair or handicap accessibility.
- The processional begins at 2:00 p.m. Beginning at 1:45 p.m., guests will not be allowed to enter or leave the sanctuary until the processional and invocation are completed.
- The sanctuary doors will reopen after the invocation is finished. Guests will be allowed to enter the designated area in the back of the sanctuary so as not to disrupt the program.
- Please silence all electronic devices (i.e.: cellular phones, iPods, tablets, etc).
- Please do not move into the aisle during the ceremony.
- A professional photo will be taken of each student. Please remain seated.

After the ceremony :

- Remain seated until all students have left the sanctuary and await dismissal by the ushers.
- Follow the directions given by the Ushers and Security Staff.
- Do not block the passageways or doorways; completely exit the building to meet your graduate. Please arrange to meet your graduate outside of the building and away from the doors.
- Students and their guests will be given the opportunity to visit with faculty members from their programs following the Commencement Ceremony. Flags will indicate which area each department will be meeting.

# Distinguished Service Award Recipient

## Dr. Ernie Bursey

Dr. Ernie Bursey has had a long and distinguished career as a pastor, teacher, scholar, mentor, and friend of a generation of students and fellow faculty. He graduated from Pacific Union College in 1964 with majors in Chemistry and Religion. He completed a Masters of Divinity degree from Andrews University and earned a PhD in New Testament Studies from Yale University with a dissertation on exorcism in the Gospel of Matthew. His addiction to teaching started early in 1959 while still a senior at Thunderbird Academy in Scottsdale, Arizona where he taught one section of a freshman religion class. After serving as a pastor for several years in southern California and a stint of teaching on the secondary level, he was invited to join the faculty at Walla Walla University in 1973. Dr. Bursey's last assignment there was as the Dean of the School of Theology before joining the family of Adventist University of Health Sciences (then, Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences) in 2001 to teach religion courses from the department of Health and Biomedical Sciences.

At ADU, Dr. Bursey developed online religion courses for the BS degree completion programs, including Ethics for Nursing and Allied Health, Lessons on Living: Biblical Perspective, and World Religions for Healthcare Professions. His other teaching responsibilities include developing two religion courses for the graduate professional programs at ADU – Identity and Mission in Faith-Based Health Care and Role Fidelity and Power. His scholarship has been demonstrated in current writing assignments including a short commentary on the book of Romans for Andrews University Commentary and co-editing the second edition of a world religions textbook for health-care professionals for Routledge Press. He is a past president of the Adventist Society for Religious Studies, he has served as the president of the Central Florida chapter of Adventist Forum since 2004. He remains an actively sought scholar and teacher on religious issues sharing his expertise as a New Testament scholar and biblical commentator in the Seventh-day Adventist community.

In addition, Dr. Bursey has provided his wealth of experience and insightful leadership while serving on several university committees. Notably, the maturation and professional growth of ADU has been guided by his service as the chair of the Rank and Promotion Committee for the last 15 years. His wife, Beth Branum Bursey is retired after enjoying a successful teaching and administrative career as a K-12 educator traveling throughout the state of Florida coaching elementary teachers in their classrooms. They have four adult children and five grandchildren spread across the continent from Oregon to Connecticut. We celebrate Dr. Ernie Bursey as the first recipient of the Adventist University of Health Sciences' Distinguished Service Award.







## Commencement Speaker Biography

### Orlando Jay Perez

Orlando Jay Perez is vice president of Mission and Ministry for Adventist Health System. In this role, he is responsible for the integration of mission across the AHS system, chaplaincy services and mission onboarding for AHS employees.

He previously served as vice president of mission and ministry for the Florida Hospital division. His experience also includes serving as assistant vice president for mission and service excellence at Florida Hospital. An ordained minister, Perez also has experience in both pastoral ministry and clinical ministry at hospitals in Texas and Florida.

Perez earned a master's degree in divinity from Andrews University Theological Seminary, and an undergraduate degree in theology from Southwestern Adventist University. He is a Clinical Pastoral Education Certified Educator, and a member of the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education.

# Adventist University of Health Sciences Graduates

Department of Healthcare Administration  
**Executive Master of Healthcare Administration**

Spring 2018

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Ana Ester Alexander

Jennifer Lauren Dials

Tricia Louise Daniels

Simeon Wayne Joseph

Department of Healthcare Administration  
**Master of Healthcare Administration**

Spring 2018

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Catherine Grace Buno Bautista

Department of Healthcare Administration  
**Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration**

Spring 2018

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Lonia Patricia Jordonne  
*Cum Laude*

Milicen Holfania Pacheco-LaVerde

Department of Healthcare Administration  
**Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration**

Summer 2018

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Patricia Aviles

Mahalia Christy Polinar-Washburn

Department of Nurse Anesthesia  
Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia

Spring 2018

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Cindy Lee Baggelaar-Reyes

Jessica Joy Milnor

Amy Jean Best

Ettinas Temwa Mzumara

*Chi Upsilon – STTI Member\**

Brittani Lyn Neely

Jeffrey Daniel Burrington

Sarah Jean Price

Cierra Elizabeth Byrne

Jason Shawn Robinson

Elma Aseron Clark

Brittini Lauren Saladino

*Chi Upsilon – STTI Member\**

Amy Yvonne Engelhardt

Lauren Danielle Sarmiento

*Chi Upsilon – STTI Member\**

Diana Margaret Scholl

Isaac Gonzalez

Vladimir Souverain

Tosha Raquel Grady

Joseph Raymond Stanga

Lauren Bailey Heil

Valerie Claire Tulenko

Jose David Hurtado

Yadira Venegas

Adam Martin Lowe

Sheneka Larand Ware

Rebecca Amy Maupin

Sebastian Steele Mayer

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Department of Physician Assistant  
Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

Summer 2018

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Lillie Marie Albadin

Vina Nguyen

Luis Orlando Aponte Mendoza

Alexandria Lisa Nychay

*Pi Alpha Honor Society*

Joshua Joel Cordero

Amanda Lois Quinn

Michael Daley

Rose Leilani Reilly

*Pi Alpha Honor Society*

Crystal Nicole Hudson

*Pi Alpha Honor Society*

Schenell Yvonne Thompson

Dorothy Isidor

Christine Marie Torres

Julia Ann Jones

Cara Nicole Trudell

Michelle Nicole Lukasik

Olivia Laurel Weiss

Patricia Christine McFadden

Matthew Ryan Whaley

Yaoska Brasilia Miranda Rosales

Stephanie Nicole Mirsky

Department of Health and Biomedical Sciences  
**Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences**

Spring 2018

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Ashley Elizabeth Bray

Leah Anne Poe

Lorena Canepa

Kiana Symone Samuel

Belicia Danya Gayle  
*Cum Laude*

Anisha Sukumaran  
*Newman Civic Fellowship*

Summer 2018

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Sean Anthony Chin Chan

Department of Health and Biomedical Sciences  
**Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences**

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Kayana Stephanie Bromfield

Diem Kieu Nguyen

*Cum Laude*

Heidy Castaneda

*Cum Laude*

Randy Rafael Ortiz

*Summa Cum Laude*

Brianna Tourmalet Cooper

Raynel-Jan Alamo Peteros

Tatyanna Deliza Correia

*Cum Laude*

*Magna Cum Laude*

Charlotte Annabel Cottam

Sarah Ashley Rhodes

Doreen Nascimento Daluz

Pebbles Santana

*Cum Laude*

Marissa Lauren Emmermanis

Sreyleak Sok

*Cum Laude*

Jason Colin Talaro Eusebio

Janna Marie Grindley

*Cum Laude*

Summer 2018

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Natalie Anicette

Angel Charis Joseph

Olivier Montana Barnard

Brianna Lynn McConnell

Christina Lynne Edgerton

Taylor Morgan Rister

Luis Andres Johnston

Kayla Weston

Department of Imaging Sciences  
**Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography**

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Michelle Justine Barnhart

Trisha Ann Gayler

*Summa Cum Laude*

Mary Lindsey Franklin

*Cum Laude*

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Rochelle Ann Hummel

Candice Sharda Ramnarace

Jenna Leigh LaPlante

Marie Annette Smith

Michelle Jessica Pagañ



Department of Imaging Sciences  
Associate of Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography

Spring 2018

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Diana Carolina Aleman  
*Summa Cum Laude*  
*Lambda Nu Honor Society\**

Allie Biondo  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Katherine Sutherland Carll  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Jessica Renee Derringer  
*Summa Cum Laude*  
*Lambda Nu Honor Society\**

Nitzy Nery Diaz  
*Cum Laude*

Caroline Favaro-Polidoro  
*Summa Cum Laude*  
*Lambda Nu Honor Society\**

Kimberly Ann Fowler

Erin Marie Geis  
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*Lambda Nu Honor Society\**

Brittany Lynn Hagen  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Travis Heredy  
*Cum Laude*

 Joshua Christopher Hill  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Halle Hiracheta-Burgos  
*Cum Laude*

Yolanda Jones

Maylu Leyva Benitez  
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Marissa Jeanne Lombardi

Kassi Rae Napora

Francesca Orguidea Ortega

Kelly Marie Pollack  
*Cum Laude*


Tanesha Tramaine Powell  
*Cum Laude*

Stacia Lynae Swan  
*Cum Laude*

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Department of Imaging Sciences  
**Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology**

Spring 2018

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Jonashly Cepeda

*Cum Laude*

*Lambda Nu Honor Society\**

Aurelis Rodriguez Ramos

*Magna Cum Laude*

*Lambda Nu Honor Society\**

Carolyn Janice Ernst

Callie Danielle Sharkey

*Magna Cum Laude*

Arvind Amar Goberdhan

*Lambda Nu Honor Society\**

*Nuclear Medicine Award of Excellence*

Mary Paige Hastings

Douglas Kordell Smith

Kang Young Jeong

*Cum Laude*

Daniel Jesse Ketchersid

Kaili Ann Soares

Litdeily Luna

*Cum Laude*

*Cum Laude*

Department of Imaging Sciences  
**Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Sciences**

Fall 2017

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Larry Donal Ashton Jr.  
*Cum Laude*

Kimberly Dawn Gibson

Kaley Marie Smith  
*Cum Laude*

Lindsey Waters Bennett

Lisa Marie Humphrey

Paul Eric Swido

Heather Smith Day

Vanessa Marie Munoz

Marc Christian Van Den Broek  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Kelly Rene DeFelice

Elaine Mildred Pienschke

Jeremiah Andrew Wildoner  
*Cum Laude*

Marsha Ann Diaz  
*Magna Cum Laude*

 Vonneta Dyshunette Powell

Ryan Joseph Roberts  
*Cum Laude*

Kirk Dohane Williams

Cliff Ron Farrell

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Rachel Taylor Day

Katherine Ann Kinman

Alexander Robert Buhrow

 Michael Reuben Faulkner

Marissa Anne Klein

Jonathan Che Choi

Catherine Ann Ferrante

Carissa Marie Mason

Roberto J. Cofresi

Angela Garcia

Brandon Matthew Mullings

Joshua Allen Cole

Christopher Martin Hernandez

Ndionyenma Lawrence Nkwocha

Kristy Nicole Cox

Richard Tyler Hill

Maria Alicia Rascón

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Nathan David Richardson

Diana Ventura

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Coralys Oyola Baez

Jenna Marie Rodriguez

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Marvid S. Rodriguez

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Shakera Samantha Smith

Department of Imaging Sciences  
Certificate of Computed Tomography

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Cale Justin Burkett

Angela Rebecca Lopez

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Department of Imaging Sciences  
**Certificate of Magnetic Resonance Imaging**

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*Magna Cum Laude*

Mandy Sutton

John Villalobos

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Matthew Hickman

Department of Nursing  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing – RN to BSN

Fall 2017

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Vivek Ohri  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
*Nursing Honors*

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LynnAnn Margaret Bayliff

Margaret Denise Brady  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
*Nursing Honors*

Christina Marie Brooks  
*Cum Laude*

Carmen Elena Del Corral  
*Magna Cum Laude*  
*Nursing Honors*

Betsy Jo Dickerhoff  
*Summa Cum Laude*  
*Nursing Honors*

Cindy Irene Gearheart

Adriene Danielle Glover

Claudia Haycraft  
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Jodi Lynn Huften  
*Summa Cum Laude*  
*Nursing Honors*

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Gladys Peguero  
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 James Michael Brown

Kristen Nicole Moore  
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Conrad James Visser

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Associate of Science in Occupational Therapy Assistant

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*Cum Laude*

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*Magna Cum Laude*

Gisell Rodriguez  
*Cum Laude*

Hannah Louise Bitterman  
*Magna Cum Laude*

MaKayla Jo Marr

Edee Marie Rosado

Alexis Kiana Carr

Alisha Priya Mathews

Elivia Sharone Spinella  
*Cum Laude*

Joy Susanna Colmery  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Lauren Margaret Muller  
*Cum Laude*

Marshalee Tatenia Vann

Shannon Marie Davison  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Rachel Leah Myhre  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Yamilette Velez  
*Cum Laude*

Yessenia Noemi Guerrero  
*Cum Laude*

 Yvonne Alicia Penn  
*Summa Cum Laude*

Bailey McKenzie West  
*Magna Cum Laude*

Maricela Isabel Henlon  
*Cum Laude*

Erika Loraine Ramos  
*Cum Laude*

Chalae Khachar Whittaker

Sarah Ashely Rhodes

# Department Representatives

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Student Representative from the Department of Imaging Sciences

**Temwa Mzumara, *Invocation***

Student Representative from the Department of Nurse Anesthesia

**Anisha Sukumaran, *Class Response***

Student Representative from the Department of Health and Biomedical Sciences

**Tricia Daniels, *Benediction***

Student Representative from the Department of Healthcare Administration

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Associate Vice President for Faculty Development

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Chair, Department of Healthcare Administration

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Chair, Department of Imaging Sciences

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Chair, Department of Nurse Anesthesia

**Dr. Alicia Franco, *Marshal***

Chair, Department of Nursing

**Dr. Tia Hughes, *Marshal***

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**Dr. Jennifer Collins, *Marshal***

Chair, Department of Physical Therapy

**Dr. Mark Payne, *Marshal***

Chair, Department of Physician Assistant

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# Academic Regalia & Mace

The Adventist University Mace and the wide variety of academic regalia seen in the current academic procession date back to the formation of the earliest educational institutions of higher education. The mace was originally a powerful weapon of war, used in battle by medieval knights and heavy enough to break the enemy's armor. Later, in virtually the same form, the mace was widely used to protect royalty; and eventually maces, bejeweled and highly decorated, were used in ceremonial functions as symbols of authority. The Mace, carried today by the Grand Marshal, is a symbol of the authority of Adventist University of Health Sciences and is displayed only at official University convocations. Echoing both its early use as a weapon and its later use symbolizing authority, the University's Mace represents education's authority to break through ignorance and prejudice.

The main staff of the University Mace is of walnut, among the hardest and most attractive of woods, showing both the rigor and the beauty of the education offered at Adventist University. The four sided bronze platform at the top of the staff represents the four key concepts of the University's programs: Nurture, Excellence, Spirituality, and Stewardship. On this bronze platform is mounted a representation of the University's seal with the institution's full name encircling four flames of fire representing truth triumphing over ignorance and prejudice while igniting the fires of life-long learning.

It is also instructive to note the symbolic meaning expressed in the various parts of the academic regalia. European universities still show a wide diversity of official academic apparel. However, approximately a century ago, American colleges and universities adopted a consistent academic costume code widely used today in the United States.

The various types of academic gowns represent the different degrees that have been conferred. The gowns for the Associate and Bachelor degrees have pointed sleeves. The gown for the Master's degree has oblong sleeves which open at the wrist. The gown for Doctoral degrees has bell-shaped sleeves which close at the wrist. On the back of the gowns are hoods that are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree. Since members of the faculty hold degrees from numerous universities and colleges, space does not permit an identification of each hood in the academic procession. The colors of the velvet trim on the hoods of each gown represent the discipline in which the degree was conferred, and those disciplines can be identified as follows:

<i>Arts, Letters, Humanities</i> .....	<i>White</i>
<i>Business</i> .....	<i>Drab</i>
<i>Education</i> .....	<i>Light Blue</i>
<i>Fine Arts</i> .....	<i>Brown</i>
<i>Health Arts</i> .....	<i>Sage Green</i>
<i>Library Science</i> .....	<i>Lemon</i>
<i>Nursing</i> .....	<i>Apricot</i>
<i>Philosophy</i> .....	<i>Dark Blue</i>
<i>Public Health</i> .....	<i>Salmon Pink</i>
<i>Science</i> .....	<i>Golden Yellow</i>
<i>Theology, Ministry</i> .....	<i>Scarlet</i>

# The Presidential Medallion

The historic traditions of the commencement ceremony are also reflected in the medallions worn by some of its participants. Chief among these is the Presidential Medallion worn by the University President as a symbol of that high office. The medallion features a replica of the University seal, the name of the University encircling four flames of fire representing truth triumphing over ignorance and prejudice while igniting the fires of life-long learning.

The medallion is suspended from a collar featuring the core values of the University (Nurture, Excellence, Spirituality, and Stewardship) interspersed with discs featuring the lamp of learning and the University seal. The Presidential Medallion has a plate immediately above it engraved with the word, President. Medallions and collars are worn over the academic gown and only at official convocations such as this commencement.

# Honors

Listing a student's name in this program does not guarantee degree completion. Graduation honors are based upon the current, cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) at the time of printing. All honors listed in this program are subject to completion of all degree requirements and are awarded only to undergraduate students. Honors are indicated by the cords worn by the graduates, coded as follows:

Blue and Gray Cords	Summa Cum Laude	GPA of 3.90 or above
Blue Cords	Magna Cum Laude	GPA of 3.75 to 3.89
Gray Cords	Cum Laude	GPA of 3.50 to 3.74

The Newman Civic Fellowship recognizes and supports community-committed students who have demonstrated an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing communities throughout the country. The fellowship, named for Campus Compact founder Frank Newman, provides training and resources that nurture students' assets and passions to help them develop strategies to achieve social change. Through the fellowship, Campus Compact provides learning opportunities focused on the skills fellows need in order to serve as effective agents of change in addressing public problems and building equitable communities.

The Department of Nursing grants nursing honors upon completion of the Baccalaureate degrees. Nursing Honors are awarded to nursing students whose cumulative ADU GPA in nursing courses is 3.50 and above. Students with a failing grade (below a grade of "C") in any of the baccalaureate-level nursing courses or who are pending completion of degree requirements are not eligible for Nursing Honors.

Chi Upsilon - Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing has a mission of advancing world health and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service. STTI membership is by invitation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship and to nurse leaders exhibiting exceptional achievements in nursing. Members include the top 35% of Baccalaureate graduates with a minimum GPA of 3.00 and Master graduates with a minimum GPA of 3.50. Members wear purple and white cords.

The national Pi Theta Epsilon Chapter of Delta Pi is the honor society for Masters of Occupational Therapy students at ADU. The purpose of Delta Pi is to recognize and encourage scholastic excellence of occupational therapy students; contribute to the advancement of the field of occupational therapy through scholarly activities; and provide a vehicle for students enrolled in accredited programs in occupational therapy to exchange information and to collaborate regarding scholarly activities. Membership is offered to the top 35% of the MOT class. Members wear navy blue and gold cords.

Pi Alpha is the national Physician Assistant honor society organized for the promotion and recognition of both PA students and graduates. Membership signifies the inductees' significant academic achievement and honors them for their leadership, research, community/professional service and other related activities. The society also encourages a high standard of character and conduct among students and graduates. Members wear blue and green cords.

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The Nuclear Medicine Award of Excellence is given to the Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Medicine Technology student who has achieved an academic grade point average of 3.50 or above, and has shown outstanding clinical performance.

The Florida Alpha Chi Omega Chapter of Lambda Nu is the national honor society for the radiologic and imaging science students at Adventist University of Health Sciences. The purpose of Lambda Nu is to foster academic scholarship at the highest academic levels, promote research and investigation in the radiologic and imaging sciences, recognize exemplary scholarship, mentor students in the imaging sciences, and promote community service. Membership is offered to the top 25% of diagnostic medical sonography, nuclear medicine, and radiography students with a professional course GPA of 3.50 or higher. Lambda Nu's colors are maroon for the radiologic sciences, forest green for the health professions, and gold, the ancient color of honor

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) honors a student with the Certificate of Excellence Award who has graduated from a JRCERT accredited program and has achieved excellence in radiologic sciences.

# Notes