

Southeast Community College

Commencement



Fall 2021 Commencement



Thursday, December 16, 2021

*Pinnacle Bank Arena
Lincoln, Nebraska*

The mission of Southeast Community College is to empower and transform the diverse learners and communities of southeast Nebraska through accessible lifelong educational opportunities. The College provides dynamic and responsive pathways to career and technical, academic transfer and continuing education programs that contribute to personal, community and workforce development.

Program

Processional

Presiding

Mr. Ed Koster, Vice President for Research, Planning & Technology/
Campus Director-Milford

National Anthem

Performed by Ms. Angela Cyza, Radiologic Technology Faculty Member

Welcome

Dr. Paul Illich, President, Southeast Community College

Commencement Address

Mr. Pat Bourne, Market Leader, Medica Insurance & SCC Alumnus

Certification of Candidates and Conferring of Degrees

Dr. Joel Michaelis, Vice President for Instruction
Ms. Kathy Boellstorff, Chairman, SCC Board of Governors

Presentation of Diplomas

Academic Program Faculty

Recessional

Commencement will be available on the College's website at
<https://www.southeast.edu/graduation/>

*The poinsettias in the arena tonight were grown by students enrolled in the
Agriculture and Bioscience Pathway in The Career Academy at SCC.*

Commencement Speaker

Pat Bourne

Pat Bourne has many notches on his resume, including a two-term stint as a state senator from Omaha, attorney at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska, graduate of the Creighton University School of Law, and graduate of SCC's Auto Body Technology program at Milford, among other things. His degree from SCC is just as important to him as the others.



Bourne graduated from SCC's Milford Campus in June 1984. He said he was always interested in the auto body field and remembers painting his first car when he was 13 years old. He was able to get through the SCC program in 18 months and had a job secured before he even graduated.

Bourne worked in the auto body field for six years. He decided to go back to school and earn his bachelor's degree. He went to school at night at the University of Nebraska Omaha and got his degree in finance in 1994. He then continued his education at Creighton University School of Law. In 1998 he was elected to represent the Eighth Nebraska legislative district. He was re-elected in 2002 and was among the first group of senators to be term-limited, preventing him from seeking another term in 2006.

Bourne continued his career as an attorney and vice president at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska and senior vice president at Aon Risk Solutions. He's now a market leader at Medica, a health insurance company based in Minnesota with an office in Omaha. He still likes to restore old cars when he can find the time. He and his wife Renee live in Omaha with two children, Jack and Samantha.

National Anthem

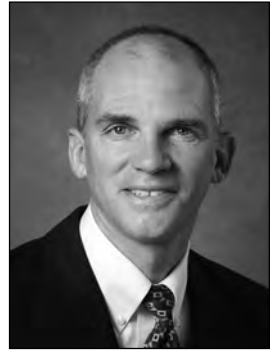
Angela Cyza

Angela Cyza is an alumni of the Southeast Community College Radiologic Technology program. She worked as a technologist in a local hospital until 2015 when she became a full-time faculty member in the SCC Radiology program. She enjoys life-long learning and has been enrolled in music classes at SCC for the past several years, though her music journey began when she was very young. In 2014 she was encouraged to take formal voice lessons for the first time, and that is when her classical training began. She has been working with her current instructor for the past three years. Angela enjoys being with her husband Aaron and son Oliver and taking walks with them. She also enjoys watercolor painting and watching the British Baking Show.



A Letter from the President

Dr. Paul Illich



Dear Graduate,

Southeast Community College is committed to its mission of providing dynamic and responsive pathways to career and technical, academic transfer, and continuing education programs. SCC seeks to empower and transform the diverse learners and communities of southeast Nebraska. I congratulate you on successfully completing all requirements for graduation. One of our goals at SCC is to promote resiliency among our students by encouraging them to embrace the complexities and challenges associated with learning new and difficult concepts and skills. You have accomplished this goal of resiliency through diligent effort, commitment, and personal integrity.

You began your journey at SCC as students and will leave as accomplished graduates prepared for employment in the workforce and/or transfer to a 4-year college or university. This transformation could not have occurred without the tireless support of friends and family. The dedication and commitment of SCC's faculty and staff also played a key role in the accomplishments we celebrate this evening. Your graduation from SCC is the perfect thank you for their ongoing support.

Your time at SCC has transformed you in several ways. You are more confident by knowing new words, concepts, skills, and ideas about your particular field. According to neuroscience research, we know that studying and learning new information leads to changes in the brain. You now have additional neural connections as a result of your decision to enroll at SCC. Depending on your particular field, different parts of your brain have likely changed over the past several months. The decision to enroll at SCC was not just a life-changing decision but, a brain-changing decision.

I congratulate you on the transformational decision to enroll in an SCC program. You have created the foundation for a new future for yourself. I encourage you to continue to make positive transformational decisions and to embrace adversity as an opportunity for personal growth and passionate resolve.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Illich". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "P" and "I".

Graduates

Summer & Fall 2021

Associate of Arts

Presented by Dr. Jeanine Jewell

Sasha Lauren Akeson, Crete
Christina M. Akinshev, Lincoln
Adong Akot, Lincoln
Breann Maxine Baker, Lincoln
Hannah Elizabeth Bales, Staplehurst
Alyssa Raquel Collins, Lincoln
Alexis Ann Effle-Thomas, Lincoln
Dominik Exstrom, Lincoln
Andrew James Garcia, San Antonio, TX
John F. Glaser, Lincoln
Simon Paul Gradoville, Omaha
Alexandra K. Haakenstad, Lincoln
Phillip Lynn Hagan, Lincoln
Jade Joelle Hansen, Lincoln
Parker Brian Tobin Hays, Lincoln
Caitlin Rachel Hoppe, Lincoln
MaKenna Jae Jueneman, Hanover, KS
Cortney Cay Kenney, Friend
Megan Grace Knebel, Lincoln
Brittany Lynn Korgie-Thomas, Lincoln
Javier Luna, Roanoke, TX
Tyler J. Mattingley, Thornton, CO
Natalie E. Mohney-Dinger, Lincoln
Megan Ann Mosier, Spalding
Madalyn Darcy Myers, Lincoln
Ian Matthew Osborne, Pawnee City
Bryse Edward Patz-Masters, Lincoln
Audrey Nicole Paulson, Lincoln
Samantha Christine Payant, Lincoln
Russell J. Pesek, Swanton

Kiwi Rea Pinger-Easton, Lincoln
Aylin Viridiana Sanjuampa Cerezo, Lincoln
Hannah J. Stone, Bellevue
Richard E. Stripling, Lincoln
Colby R. Thies, Sterling
Daytan Joy Vallinch, Papillion
Nadia Lynn VanSlyke, Loup City
Jaxon Drake Walls, Bellevue
Cal Richard Werner, Waverly
Morgan Mae Winters, Lincoln
Jennifer Christine Wood, Seward
Nathan S. Worm, Nebraska City
Donle John Yardley, Lincoln

Associate of Science

Presented by Dr. Jeanine Jewell

Hazim Aldakhi, Lincoln
Khitam Jabbar Alfatlawi, Baghdad, Iraq
Makens Esterne Altidor, Lincoln
Joshua Craig Anderson, Lincoln
Yousif Beeso, Shingal, Iraq
Samantha M. Berghuis, Lincoln
Emma Nicole Bruna, Hanover, KS
Kaylyn D. Christensen, Lincoln
Chase Chavon Corcoran, Wilber
Taylyn C. Davey, Lincoln
Josimar Del Rello, Mexico City, Mexico
Cheyenne Dunn, Long Beach, CA
Micheal Duong, Lincoln
Christian Riley Edwards, Lincoln
Owen Alexander Eickhoff, Milford
McKenzie Renee Frank, Lincoln

Danielle L. Freeman, Superior
Cooper A. Gee, Silver Creek
Kalisha Renee Gergen, Geneva
Michael Charles Griffin, Tampa, FL
Ethan G. Hochstein, Wichita, KS
Morgan Elizabeth Huenink, Lincoln
Estephana Martina Jimenez, Lincoln
Haider Kamil Kalandar, Baghdad, Iraq
Nicole Marie Klosterman, Lincoln
Lejla Kulovac, Sarajevo, Bosnia
Kadi Ann Larson, Lincoln
Gavin Richard Lemon, Lincoln
Eryka M. Magnuson, Lincoln
Taylor Renae Milner, Marysville, KS
Allie M. Moon, Lincoln
Victoire LeTissia Nana Noundou, Lincoln
Phuoc Hanh Trinh Nguyen, Lincoln
Kawry Ismael Omar, Lincoln
Kali Colette Paulson, Lincoln
Zachary Lee Richmond, Lincoln
Taef Sayah, Lincoln
Shawn Michael Shoner, Lincoln
Joshua Alan Smith, Lincoln
Denise Elaine Starlin, Humboldt
Mackenzie Ann Steckelberg, Eagle
Brittany Renee Thompson, Humphrey
Cambria Ruth Weinert, Lincoln
Hein Htet Win, Lincoln

Associate of Arts Accounting

Presented by Todd Chipman

Jose Antonio Cardoso, South Sioux City
Valerie J. Holloway, Lincoln
Karlea Patrice Nouzovsky, Lewiston
Dallas Ray Ringland, Palmyra
Kirk Leon Slack II, Sheridan, WY
Charles Monroe Young, Lincoln

Associate of Applied Science Adult & Juvenile Services and Corrections

Arianna Kristine Baack, Beatrice

Associate of Applied Science Agriculture Management & Production

Presented by Amanda Fairley

Brandon James Anderson, Frankfort, KS
Connor Christopher Bartels, Tecumseh
Elizabeth Ann Benes, Dwight
Peytan Michael William Brandt, Exeter
Carter Andrew Burenheide, Firth
Chayton Scott Burkhart, Daykin
Caleb Aldon Cast, Beaver Crossing
Mikayla Renee Chop, Ravenna
Jared Michael Cline, Axtell
Bradie Grace Czapanskiy, Plymouth
Miles Anthony Eggleston, David City
Jose Carlos Estrada, Bertrand
Kyle Larry Grimm, Sabetha KS
Joshua David Haden, Clay Center, KS
Caleb Micheal Hauder, Milford
Tanner Riley Kauk, Alma
Spencer James Keefe, Sargent

Chelsea Nicole Kucera, Deweese
Pablo Munoz, York
Robert John Nietfeld, Wymore
Noah Thomas Ondracek, Fremont
Connor Allen Owen, Hamburg, IA
William James Peters, Washington, KS
Kylee Mae Rasmussen, Albion
Wyatt James Remmers, Murray
D'Quinton T. Robertson, Demopolis, AL
Taylor Lane Russell, Stamford
Christopher Donald Schmidt, Diller
Courtney Danielle Spatz, Brainard
Jacob Anthony Thiltges, Rulo
Dawson John Tietmeyer, York
Karter David Watson, Giltner
Alyssa Anne Wilshusen, Hordville

**Associate of Applied Science
Associate Degree Nursing**

Presented by Tonya Maloy

Trisha Jane Dobesh, Fremont
Genevieve Gray Erdman, Tecumseh
Makenna Jade Grosenbach, Lincoln
Elizabeth Fay Hedglin, Edgar
Shannon Grace Keith, Lincoln
Stacia M. Kelle, Beatrice
Sydney Donzell Loadholt, Lincoln
Shayla Irene Moss, Avoca, IA
Emina Mrkaljevic, Lincoln
Anna Marie Olderbak, Freedom, WI
Hailey Louise Schafer, Tobias
Amanda Lynn Wood, Cairo
Jadrian Marie Yates, Beatrice

**Associate of Applied Science
Auto Collision Repair Technology**

Presented by Cayden Riley

Kade Aaron Noble, Albion

**Associate of Applied Science
Automotive Technology**

Presented by Mark Jacobsen

Keagan John Anderson, Lincoln
Chase Eric Bonine, Wahoo
Tyson James Cepel, Kearney
Thomas D. Etherton, Lincoln
David Alan Folkers, Lincoln
Jacob P. Haas, Omaha
Kage Dean Johnson, Grand Island
Logan Stephan Nelson, Columbus
Mason David Schimonitz, Paxton
Alexander Thomas Shoemaker, Lincoln
Doh Soe, Lincoln
Thomas Hoang Tran, Lincoln
Jacob Noah Traupe, Lincoln

**Associate of Applied Science
Building Construction Technology**

Karen Collette Pavlik, Lincoln

**Certificate
Event Venue &
Operations Management**

Kevin Scott Rahe, Beatrice
Duyen H. Tu, Lincoln

**Certificate
Business**

Brittany Nicole Johnson, Hiawatha, KS

Associate of Arts Business

Presented by Todd Chipman

Cameron M. Adams, North Bend
Duong T. Au, Lincoln
Kira Marie Behrends, Lincoln
Hannah Jo Bruna, Hanover, KS
Nu Diem My Cai, Lincoln
Seth Christian Connell, Holdrege
Ryan M. Cooney, Lincoln
Tessa Yvonne Domingus, Table Rock
Maha Husein Elias, Lincoln
Claire R. Euse, Lincoln
Dennis Alexander Garcia, Lincoln
Tania Ivette Hernandez, Lincoln
Logan Dean Mankhey, Lincoln
Devon McLain, Lincoln
Colsum Mohammad, Lincoln
Bennet Gregory Munger, Lincoln
Han Kiem Nguyen,
 Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
Vy H. Nguyen, Lincoln
Shadia Na'dene Othman, Lincoln
Drew M.D. Pospisil, Norfolk
Juan Javier Raymundo-Garcia, Crete
Karlle Jo Schunk, Eagle
Kayla Marie Sturges, Lincoln
Anthony-Hoang Thai Tran-Le, Lincoln
Caleb M. Villwok, Fremont
Gabrielle E.M. Weatherl, Fairbury
Marwan Atef Abdulrahman Yehya,
 Giza, Egypt

Associate of Applied Science Business

Presented by Todd Chipman

Newel Ahmed, Lincoln
Yousra HiKmat Al Bawee, Lincoln
Mohammed Alhaidar, Lincoln
Swsan Khalil Baapir, Lincoln
Matthew John Beckmann, North Platte
Grant Daniel Bettenhausen, Columbus
Erica Ann Carnahan, Ceresco
Blake Anthony Church, Cortland
Zen L. Cing, Tedim, Myanmar
William C. Damico, Lincoln
Thi Da Thao Doi, Lincoln
Kelsey Lynn Drake, Lincoln
Tahra Renee Eckert, Farmington, MN
Christopher Ellis, Monroe, LA
Joy Marie Fischer, Lincoln
Evan Glissman, Pender
Sara Jo Grabowski, Beatrice
Amanda Jean Greenburg, Lincoln
Ayman Elias Khudhur, Lincoln
MaKenna Renee Kirk, Lincoln
Dawn R. Kohler, Lincoln
Devin A. Kovach, Lincoln
Madison Elizabeth Kozisek, David City
Anastasiia Kuiun, Ukraine
Brittany Rose Kyncl, Lincoln
Abigail D. Leigh, Grand Island
Cassie Jo Martin, Pawnee City
Mason Samuel McClung, Lincoln
Nathan D. Miller, Fremont
Cristina Ivonne Moreno Ruiz,
 Anahuac, Chihuahua, Mexico
Chase Ethan Morris, Superior

Navin Sharaf Naif, Lincoln
Thu Dao Thanh Nguyen, Lincoln
Klaire Renee Nuttelman, Lincoln
Shelby Nicole Obst, Battle Creek
Jonatan Issac Ortiz Mendez,
 Cerano Guanajuato, Mexico
Ashley Beth Pilant, Bennington
Annelise Ramirez, Chicago, IL
Tanner Shae Ready, Lincoln
Jaimyn Deanna Riggs, Lincoln
Ezra John Schlecht, Scribner
Steffany Jonelle Schook, Blair
Hannah Nicole Schwieger, Crete
Mollie Suzanna Sharp, Lincoln
Joy Anna Shultz, Wahoo
Karen A. Silva, Philadelphia, PA
Miranda Dee Smith, Gibbon
Kylie Janay Stutheit, Auburn
Angela Trang, Lincoln
Duyen H. Tu, Lincoln
Kindra Lea Tvrdy, Ceresco
Laura Elizabeth Wilson, Marquette

Associate of Arts Business Communications

Kartney C. Green, Lincoln
Henry Dyer Nelson, Denver, CO

Associate of Applied Science Computer Information Technology

Presented by Kory Turner

Haroon Al Sammarae, Lincoln
Dawlat Elyas Alsatam, Sinjar, Ninawa, Iraq
Kelli Lee Arnett, Waverly
Jason Robert Arney, Lincoln
Quinn Patricia Baillie, Lincoln
Anthony C. Barnas, Lincoln
Jhoan Sebastian Calderon,
 Bucaramanga, Santander, Colombia
Braden Avery Convey, Lincoln
Matthew Scott Cullinane, Lincoln
Terran Douglas Goering, Martell
Austen James Green, Lincoln
Samuel Grant Greenlee, Raymond
Tanner L. Habel, Lincoln
Ronnie Wayne Hale II, Milford
Lane Robert Hargens, Scottsbluff
Kelsey Dawn Johnson, Lincoln
William Walter Johnson, Lincoln
Johnathon Foster Knobbe, Lincoln
Tonia Kprazeon, Lincoln
Colton James Maschmann, Firth
Jordan Thomas Mason, Weeping Water
Stephen M. McEvers, Virginia
Tellysha Laisang Metes, Lincoln
Mustafa Mustafa, Lincoln
Dani Linh Nguyen, Lincoln
Dat Tien Nguyen, Lincoln
Micah Dylan Nielsen, Brainard
Andrew M. O'Brien, Omaha
Andrew James O'Connor, Lincoln
Jackson Dallas Owens, Lincoln
Kyle Adam Poulsen, Lincoln

Holden Tim Pulver, Lincoln
Azad E. Rasho, Sinjar, Iraq
Christopher Wade Robles, Superior
Austin Dean Schmale, Lincoln
Christopher Paul Skelton, Fulton, MO
Alyx Nicole Stone, Greeley, CO
Spencer Christopher Westerhold, Stanton
Lydia Rachael Williams, Lincoln
Benjamin Drew Woodburn, York
Joseph Michael Wyrick, Lincoln

Associate of Arts Criminal Justice

Presented by Rita Dondlinger

Shannon Leiloni Dohmen, Beatrice
Layla S. Elias, Lincoln
Braden Lee Heidbrink, Lincoln
Anna Marie Elizabeth TerMaat, Lincoln

Associate of Applied Science Criminal Justice

Presented by Rita Dondlinger

Larissa Kae Bakker, South Portland, ME
Thomas Milton Brown, Lincoln
Logan Scott Froistad, Lincoln
Kayla Sue Hashberger, Dodge
Jobi Marie Hastings, Grant
Chelsea M. Munger, Newman Grove
Sheri Dawn Owens, North Platte
Alexis Joanne Page, Lincoln
Shalene Michelle Quintero, Lincoln
Lucas Dean Schneck, Hooper
Caleb Brennan Tackett, Table Rock

Certificate Culinary/Hospitality

Presented by Rob Epps

Elijah M. Armstrong, Lincoln
Tristan Jay Peterson, Stromsburg

Associate of Applied Science Culinary/Hospitality

Presented by Rob Epps

Ian Anthony Hemmett, Lincoln
Matthew Joseph Leggiadro, Lincoln
Victoria Marie Main, Phillipsburg, KS
Kwajuan Ajani Mensah, Lincoln
Kordell Allan Miller, Ceresco
Jennifer Lynn Robb, Lincoln
Chelsea Violet Wells, McCook

Associate of Applied Science Deere Construction & Forestry Equipment Tech

Cody D. Heise, Bruno

Diploma Dental Assisting

Presented by Crystal Stuhr

Gabrielle Elizabeth Costilla, Lincoln
Anastasia Marie Driscoll, Hastings
Megan Lynn Furstenau, Grand Island
Emma Lynn Goering, Auburn
Jessica Kay Jensen, Lincoln
Laura Lynn Lee, Lincoln
Johnny Ngoc Nguyen, Lincoln
Maryah Elaine Norton, Lincoln
Samantha L. Ochsner, Alvo
Megan Faith Pavlik, Lincoln

Lar S. Paw, Lincoln
Annet Betsabe Pelayo, Lincoln
Visakha D.T. Phasavath, South Sioux City
Bailee Kaye Porter, McCook
Tatum Olivia Rasmussen, York
Brenda Cecilia Rios Barron, Lincoln
Kirra Nicole Romero, Lincoln
Madelyn Ann Swenson, Lincoln
Hannah Jo Thies, Sterling
Savannah Nicole Vincent, Ord

Associate of Applied Science Dental Assisting

Sydney Marie Tan, Lincoln

Diploma Design & Drafting Technology

Tanner Levi Chambers, Bennet

Associate of Applied Science Design & Drafting Technology

Presented by Dave Zachek

Hayder Kadhim Abed, Lincoln
Samuel DeWayne Bristol, Lincoln
Sara M. Dirks, Lincoln
Preston Michael Houfek, Panama
Andrew David Lant, Lincoln
Bryce Mitchell Paulsen, Omaha
Cole James Peterson, Lincoln
Jacob Alan Pietzyk, Lincoln
Jack Dennis Ray, Lincoln
Wyatt Christopher Whitmore, Shelby
Mostafa Zahrooni, Lincoln

Associate of Applied Science Diesel Technology – Truck

Presented by Karl Eickhoff

Brody David Beason,
Burlington Junction, MO
Nathan Daniel Kellen, Omaha
Eli Jeffers Meier, Roca
Logan Thomas Reiss, Blue Hill

Certificate Dietary Manager

Presented by Rob Epps

Candie Lee Bledsoe, Rich Hill, MO
Jeffery A. Coad, Holiday, FL
Lisa M. Evers, Beatrice
Jana Rae Fiesterman, Scottsbluff
Jenise Faye Green, Cushing, OK
Marissa Kay Jacobsen, Eagle
Michael Alan Mosel, Randolph
Krystl A. Williams, Omaha

Diploma Early Childhood Education

Presented by Crystal Kozak

Lillie C. Akumeh, Jarpuben Mission
Paw Thaung Kya, Thailand
Jessica Rose Littlejohn, Broken Bow
Htoo Moo, Thailand
Say Kay Paw, Myanmar
Bernard Joseph Wilson III, Lincoln

**Associate of Arts
Early Childhood Education**

Presented by Crystal Kozak

Naw Eh Bue, Thailand
Catina Noelle Carnicle, Lincoln
Anah Cecile Fuller, Lincoln
Junie Rose, Lincoln

**Associate of Applied Science
Early Childhood Education**

Presented by Crystal Kozak

Makenzi Rae Isaac, Ceresco
Whitney Irene Kelley, Lincoln
Sheridan Kay Langdale, Beatrice
Briley Anna Luff, Unadilla
Rebecca Ann Martin, Seward
Alexis Nicole Obert, Lincoln
Payton Dawn Partida, Panama
Tara Catherine Peirce, Lincoln
Alyssabeth Yvette Rodriguez, Lincoln
Shannon Suzanne Rondeau,
Southern California
Emma Marie Schoepf, Seward
Tara Nicole Schroeder, Fairbury
Victoria Leigh Sotelo, Midlothian, TX

**Associate of Applied Science
Electrical & Electromechanical
Technology**

Presented by Bob Redler

Jeffrey Richard Borer, Valentine
Phuoc Nghi Bui, Lincoln
Trevor Eli Dostal, Charleston, SC
Grant Michael Gouldin, Firth
Zachary Grabo, Columbus

Nathan Thomas Neddenriep, Falls City
Thinh Tan Nguyen, Lincoln
Abiel Sair Sabio, Lincoln
Luc Thomas Schaber, Lincoln
George Thorburn Shiba, Lincoln
Quentin Lee Vrbka, Lincoln

**Associate of Applied Science
Electronic Systems Technology**

Presented by Patty Zachek

Karar Faisal Al Jaberi, Lincoln
Alexander John Breazile, Nebraska City
Colince Djoum, Lincoln
Nathaniel Don Esau, Lincoln
Axel Sinda Ngoma, Lincoln
Patrick Royce Williams, Lincoln

**Associate of Applied Science
Energy Generation Operations**

Presented by Doug Burks

Coby Dillion Andresen-Ricketts, Wahoo
Jennifer Ann Berg, LaVista
Colton Joseph Lee, Rock Port, MO
John James Phillips, Elwood IL
Kody Leonard Sullivan, Nebraska City

**Associate of Applied Science
Fire Protection Technology**

Will P. Booton, Firth

**Certificate
Geographic Information
Systems Technician**

Presented by Dave Zachek

Gavin Michael Fusco, Lincoln
Andrew Kenneth Hartwig, Lincoln
Lindsey A.P. LaBrie, Hastings
Victor M. Robertson, Lincoln
James Mark Sanks, Kearney
Taylor James Stephens, Gering
Dakheel Sulaiman, Lincoln
Nathan Andrew Welty, Lincoln
Cacey L. Wilken, Lincoln

**Associate of Applied Science
Health Sciences**

Presented by Jill Sand

Crystal Ann B. Ayson, Beatrice
Michele Evonne Barron, Lincoln
Sarah Elizabeth Benedict, Lincoln
Kayla C. Berlowitz, Lincoln
Aimee Dye Dick, Lincoln
Thea Lynn Fotinos, Lincoln
Madison Kay Frank, Lincoln
Jaden Paul Gettys, Waverly
Nikki J. Nagorski, Waverly
Kendy Kiadum Npimnee, Lincoln
Rylie Jo Olson, Columbus
Toran Ashe Sheldon Penner,
Winnipeg, MB, Canada
Lisa Jo Pope, Lincoln
Mercedez Shae Schmidt, Lincoln
Raelyn Rose Sonnenfeld, Hickman
Brittany Denise Struble, Lincoln
Stevie Nicole Tobin, Parker, CO

**Certificate
Healthcare Services**

Robert Douglas Burks, Lincoln

**Associate of Applied Science
Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning
& Refrigeration Technology**

Alexander John Wallace, Lincoln
Tyler Jordan Blair, Hickman

**Associate of Applied Science
Horticulture & Turfgrass Management**

Presented by Amanda Fairley

Jakob William Bennett, Nebraska City
Sydney Rae Callaway, Clay Center, KS
Angela Nichole Prebyl, Oketo, KS
Elle N. Schmaderer, Stuart

**Certificate
Alcohol and Drug Counseling**

Presented by Michelle Hawco

Alann Travis Austin II, Lincoln
Donna Marie Gardner, Omaha
Alixandria Nichole Jacob, Lincoln
Anna Marie Robinson, Hamburg, IA

**Associate of Applied Science
Human Services**

Presented by Michelle Hawco

Gloria Itzamary Acosta, York
Omkalthoum Abdalla Ahmed, Lincoln
Melissa Marie Aldrich, Lincoln
Emily Nicole Auman, Lincoln
Demetrius DeShawn Gatson, Omaha
Olyvia Schae Hillman, Lincoln

Makenzie Rae Hoer, Lincoln
Alixandria Nichole Jacob, Lincoln
Kirsten Nicole McKeeman, Auburn
Kylie Ranee Mitchell, Lincoln
Brittany Ariana Moga, Lincoln
Sigala Melanie Nahbila, Lincoln
Mary K. Simmering, Lincoln
Alicia Kay Soncksen, Lincoln

**Associate of Applied Science
John Deere Tech**

Presented by Spencer Frazier

Carlos Israel Cordero, Hanston, KS
Dylon Dean Johansen, Hiawatha, KS
Eli Robert Lewis, Garland, TX
Kody W. Lofstrom, Sharon Springs, KS
Zachary Ludwig Renz, Superior
Brenden Clay Rivers, Arnold
Dylan M. Rowe, Johnson
Max Dennis Winkelmann, Seward
Jeffrey S. Worms, Fremont
Blake Warren Zielonka, Tilden, TX

**Associate of Applied Science
Livestock Management & Production**

Presented by Amanda Fairley

Maggie Elizabeth Bose, Stamford
Rachel Lynn Buehler, Sterling
Kiley L. Codner, Wood River
Myndee Michelle Ebbers, Fairbury
Avis Marie Koca, Fairmont
Kendi Lynn Miigerl, Ravenna

William James Peters, Washington, KS
Derek Andrew Roever, Home, KS
Kaitlin Alexis Roy, Scotia
Abbigayle Ilene Smith, Geneva
Courtney Danielle Spatz, Brainard

**Certificate
Long Term Care Administration**

Presented by Linnea Detrick

Nicole Marie Donnellon, Plattsmouth
Cynthia Jean Koenig-Warnke, Lincoln
HeatherMorgan Loveus, Marthasville, MO
Nancy Jo Mosel, Randolph
Alicia Ann Potter, Kearney
Jennifer May Wood, Albert Lea, MN

**Associate of Applied Science
Long Term Care Administration**

Mikel M. Ardley, South Sioux City
Robert Jacob Benak, Omaha
LaTerra T. Holmes, Sioux City, IA
Sara Rose Morris, Hallam
Michele Marie Sanchez, Norfolk
Rochelle Seeman, Hastings
Dawn Renee' Thumser, Wichita, KS

**Diploma
Medical Assisting**

Presented by Fran Oran

Amina R. Brown, Lincoln
Kiersten Renee Dickey, Lincoln
Maria Elizabeth Elizalde Trejo, Crete
Shelby Anne Gaver, Fremont
Michelle Lee Gonzalez, Omaha
Makayla Ann Grumbles, Hemingford

Kailey Anne Marie Gustafson, Fremont
Nawaf R. Haydaw, Lincoln
Molly Elisabeth Heermann, Lincoln
Kristina Ilic, Lincoln
Katlyn Ann Knecht, Lincoln
Breanna Ellen Knickerbocker, Waverly
Si Blut Moo, Lincoln
Shawnteesa Marie Phillippi, Lincoln
Yuliya Y. Smal, Lincoln
Alexandra Elizabeth Wesslund, Lincoln
Sara Nyaruot Wiew, Lincoln
Diondria Shinae Wilkinson, Lincoln

Associate of Applied Science Medical Laboratory Technology

Presented by Lynnett Paneitz

Fatima Musa Ahmed, Lincoln
Taylor Nicole Blok-Soflin, Lincoln
Samantha Marie Bordovsky, Ceresco
Elizabeth N. Karas, Beatrice
Chelsea Morgan Lobb, Lincoln
Alyssa A. Meduna, Colon
Zachariah Griffin Muckenhaupt, Omaha
Duyen Hanh Nguyen, Lincoln
Nadine K. Peitzmeier, West Milford, NJ
Christian Karel Salinas Luna, Lincoln
Caitlyn Shelby Syslo, Lincoln
Haley Rayanna Ulrich, Lincoln

Associate of Applied Science Nondestructive Testing Technology

Presented by Randy Wallbridge

Quinn T. Olmer, Humphrey
Zoe Lydia Nicole Urtel, Crete
Alex Jordon White, Belltown, PA

Associate of Applied Science Office Professional

Presented by Dr. Erin Hussey

Laila Naser Adnan, Diyala, Iraq
Echo Shin Dowdy, Pusan, South Korea
Suaad T. Ibrahim, Lincoln
Takako Miyata Liska, Lincoln
Katherine Rose Martin, Syracuse
Sarah Anne Mullins, Lincoln
Jamie Sue Richardson, Ceresco

Associate of Applied Science Paramedic

Presented by Jill Sand

Mallori Rae Brennan, Rapid City, SD
Jacob R. Green, Lincoln
Hunter Scott Harmon, Charlottesville, VA
Malik Christopher Knox, Laurel
Courtney Melissa Marcelino, Lincoln
Brayden James Miller, Lincoln
Brianna Carlene Noonan-Mays, Lincoln
Joseph Russell Pieper, Beatrice
Brenden C. Rabeth, Lincoln
Kyra Sand, Lincoln
Caleb Daniel Van Essen, Greenwood
Daniel James Witmer, Waverly

Associate of Applied Science Physical Therapist Assistant

Presented by Ian Thompson

Denisse Adame, Schuyler
Kevin Comfort Anderson, Omaha
Emily Laura Castillo, Lincoln
Nathan Earl Dowhower, North Platte
Alexander Christopher Farmer, Lincoln

Evelyn Belle Gascon, Beatrice
Kayla Michele Hallauer, Plattsmouth
MacKenzie Leigh Helman, Lincoln
Destinee Rae Henke, Dalton
Ethan Jarold Hopp, George, IA
Magen Grace Jorgensen, Nebraska City
Andrew Joseph Kuhr, Mead
Nguyen Minh Thu Le, Lincoln
Adriana Lisak, Lincoln
Julie Ann Norris, Lincoln
Courtney Rose Petereit, Raymond
Ashley Peters, Crete
Sydney Janae Reed, Holdrege
Jason Edward Rowley, Lincoln
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Guadalupe Borgognone, Hickman
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Kurtis Jonathan Hinrichs, Geneva
Gina Lynn Honigschmidt, Lincoln
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Holli Nichole Masek, Hickman
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Yesenia Santiago Sanchez, Lincoln
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Gina Marie Scollin, Beatrice
Stephanie Marie Snook, Friend
Jalanea Renea Tabke, Beatrice
Jolie Lashae Thompson, Nebraska City
Megan Nicole Vega, Hiawatha, KS
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Kyle Larry Grimm, Sabetha, KS
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Robert John Nietfeld, Wymore
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Connor Allen Owen, Hamburg, IA
Wyatt James Remmers, Murray
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Traeton C. Davis, Lincoln
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Kanelo Leigh, Washington, DC
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The Academic Processional and Regalia

The academic processional that officially preludes the Commencement ceremonies on college and university campuses is one of the oldest and most colorful customs that link 21st century education with its early origins.

To signal the achievements of their students, American institutions of higher learning conduct a formal ceremony to award the appropriate degrees earned at the conclusion of prescribed study. The action of taking the degree — associate's, baccalaureate, master's or doctorate, as well as the designation of the day itself — is Commencement.

As cited in *Academic Heraldry in America* (Sheard, 1962), the academic regalia worn at Commencement is of medieval origin. Since the 11th century, when the rise of universities began, "learned clerks" robed themselves in gowns, caps and hoods, thus marking a difference between "town and gown." By this apparel they were recognized as belonging to the teaching guild, which was the Guild of the Master of Arts. In this organization, the bachelor was the apprentice of the master. This relationship was the forerunner of today's academic structure.

In the United States, professors continue to wear the gown and hood of the university from which they received their highest degree. The gown, in origin, may have been simply a type of overcoat to protect the teacher from the cold in unheated buildings; the cut or style seems to be derived from ecclesiastical attire. It has usually been black; however, in recent years some institutions have adopted a school color for their gowns. The gowns of bachelors and masters are usually without trimmings of any sort, whereas those of doctors are faced down the front with velvet and adorned with three velvet bars on the sleeves. The cap or "mortarboard" may have come from the squarish cap worn by the masons of the Middle Ages, or perhaps was suggested by the shape of the books that occupied so much of the scholar's time. Attached to a button atop the "mortarboard" is a tassel; bachelor's and master's tassels are black or color appropriate to the subject; doctors' tassels are black or golden. The tassel is worn on the left side by individuals receiving or have received a degree.

The hood, a triangular fold of cloth worn over the back of the gown, is faced with colors which denote the field of study represented by the wearer's degree; the colors of the lining are those of the college or university that granted the degree. The length of the hood is correspondingly longer with each higher degree. The wide velvet borders extending down the front of the doctoral gown, the velvet bars on the sleeves and the borders of most hoods, are colored according to the scholarly field of the wearer.



Southeast Community College is a two-year institution of higher education governed by an 11-member Board of Governors elected from the College's 15-county service area in southeast Nebraska.

The College has campuses in Beatrice, Lincoln and Milford, as well as Learning Centers in Falls City, Hebron, Nebraska City, Plattsmouth, Wahoo, and York. SCC serves nearly 10,000 credit students through 60 Programs of Study, including transfer and career/technical. Most can be completed in two years or less. The College also serves nearly 20,000 non-credit students enrolled in Continuing Education classes on the campuses and in communities throughout southeast Nebraska. Ninety-two percent of the students who graduated in 2020 found employment or continued their education.

SCC began operating in Lincoln in 1973 in various locations throughout the city. In 1979, the first building on the current Lincoln Campus at 8800 O St. was built. SCC obtained the Beatrice Campus, where the college's 10 intercollegiate athletic programs reside, in the early 1970s. The Milford Campus, which originated in 1941 as Nebraska Technical College, also became part of SCC in the early 1970s.

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