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### ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Banner Bearer	Dean of the Graduate School
Candidates for Bachelor of Arts Degree	Dean of University College
Candidates for Master of Arts Degree	Dean of McGeorge School of Law
Candidates for Educational Specialist Degree	Dean of University Library
Candidates for Doctor of Education Degree	Interim Dean of Gladys L. Benerd School of Education
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs	Faculty and Faculty Emeriti of Gladys L. Benerd School of Education

### PROGRAM

*Interim Dean Linda L. Webster, Presiding*

Music Prelude . . . . .	<i>Various Jazz Selections</i>	Outstanding Service and Leadership in Educational Psychology
Banner Bearer . . . . .	<i>Sierra Humiston</i>	Outstanding School Psychologist
Proclamation	“Pomp and Circumstance,” March No. 1 in D, Op. 39 Sir Edward Elgar (1857–1934)	Julie A. Sina Award for Inspirational Leadership
Invocation . . . . .	<i>Dr. Justin A. Low</i> <i>Associate Professor</i>	Karen DeRosa Outstanding Graduate Student Leader Award
Introductions . . . . .	<i>Interim Dean Linda L. Webster</i>	Women of Distinction — Graduate Student
Presentation of Honor Societies . . . . .	<i>Interim Dean Webster</i>	Presentation of Graduates . . . . . <i>Interim Dean Webster</i>
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society		Bachelor’s Degree Candidates
Alpha Sigma Lambda Society		Master’s Degree Candidates
Awards and Recognition . . . . .	<i>Interim Dean Webster</i>	Educational Specialist Degree Candidates
Outstanding Graduating Senior		Doctoral Degree Candidates
Outstanding Multiple Subject Award		Concluding Remarks . . . . . <i>Interim Dean Webster</i>
Outstanding Single Subject Award		Pacific’s Alma Mater
Outstanding Special Education Award		“Pacific Hail!” Lois Warner Winston ’23 (1901–1989)
Doctoral Innovation in Research and Practice Award		Benediction . . . . . <i>Dr. Low</i>
Outstanding Organizational Innovator Award		Recessional
		Selections from Elgar’s Marches
		Sir Edward Elgar (1857–1934)



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

<b>Banner Bearer</b> Sierra Humiston	<b>Doctoral Degree Graduates</b> Dr. Tom Nelson Dr. Rachelle Hackett	Dr. Nate Monley Dr. Christina Rusk Dr. Brett Taylor	<b>Commencement Administration</b> Ana Argueta Jessica Estrada Linda Hughes Melinda Leal Annette Mariani Laurie Rhea Dr. Linda Webster
<b>Faculty Marshals</b> <b>Bachelor’s Degree Graduates</b> Dr. Elaine Mo Dr. Charlane Starks	<b>Name Reader</b> Dr. Robert Oprandy	<b>Educational Specialist Degree Graduates</b> Dr. Justin Low	
<b>Master’s Degree Graduates</b> Dr. Kellie Cain Dr. Laura Hallberg Dr. Greg Potter Dr. Heidi Stevenson	<b>Diplomas</b> Wendy Shirer	<b>Doctoral Degree Graduates</b> Doctoral Dissertation Chairs	
<b>Educational Specialist Degree Graduates</b> Dr. Amy Scott Brown	<b>Faculty Participants in Hooding</b> <b>Bachelor’s Degree Graduates</b> Dr. Christina Rusk	<b>Diploma and Hooding Committee</b> Dr. Laura Hallberg Dr. Justin Low Dr. Delores McNair Dr. Christina Rusk	The Gladys L. Benerd School of Education would like to congratulate Dr. Marilyn Draheim on receiving the highest honor given by the university — the Order of the Pacific. Thank you for your many years of excellent service to the students and outstanding contributions to University of the Pacific community.

DEGREES CONFERRED

<b><i>Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies</i></b> Angelina Arnaiz* Jainith Leilani Baez Espinoza Reine Marie Ortaleza Dacpano Tina Esparza Duggan*** Stephanie Michelle Dutra** Maria Santos Garcia*** Enedina Nellie Ayala Guerrero*** Estrella Heredia Quintero Sierra Humiston** Fyzza Khan* Monica Jo Kott** Carina Anguiano Landa Kaitlyn Montgomery* Lupita Quijas Collazo Melany Esmeralda Sanchez*	Alicia Marie Setting Victoria J. Shafer Iyana Rose Sherman Shyla C. Solis Tricia J. Taylor** Eduardo A. Trejo Kayla E. Valdez  <b><i>Master of Arts</i></b> Cameron Scott Abrams Daisy Dayana Acosta Ramirez Angelica Maria Aguilera Laura Elizabeth Ainsworth Shayna Rae Nicole Molina Ajolo Morgan Nichole Miller Allen Mallory René Alorro Kelsey Marin Anderson Zitel Chidirim Anyeneh	Ashley Nicole Atad Ana Ayala John Tanur Badgley Theodisa Bartiest Emily Victoria Beauregard Natalie Ann Bell Victoria Bellas Richard Eugene Black Amanda Mae Brady Chanavie Sonia Bun Ryan Burke Jevon Montague Calisette Jocelyn Camargo Isabella Helen Camfield Heriberto Cardenas Ryan Michael Carleton Ivan Jakob Carrier Mayra Carrillo Cortes	Nina Katherine Carruesco Cindy Castillo Dean Hidetoshi Caudill Robert Earl Ceaser Jr. Guadalupe Chavez Leonardo Jesus Chelin Uribe Borrom Chim Jimmy Chiu Anthony Demetrio Cifra Hannah Noelle Cleveland Timothy Cooper Haleigh Jane Cordeiro Natasha B Coulter Noel Julian Colón Adelaine Dolan Curtis Shayla Vernisha Dallas Janine Samar Dandan Karina Davalos
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\*Cum laude    \*\*Magna cum laude    \*\*\*Summa cum laude

*The list of names as it appears in this program includes actual and potential graduates for the 2018–19 academic year. The above “graduation with honors” distinctions are contingent upon final grade point average calculations at the completion of all relevant degree requirements. The official list of graduates and honors awarded for each graduation date of the 2018–19 year is maintained by the university registrar.*

Rebecca J. Delgado Sean Michael Delizo Dilpreet Kaur Dhillon Amber Elizabeth Dill Timothy Ryan Dixon Gina Danielle Dominguez Nicole Charlotte Doumeng Courtney Danielle Dumas Shirley Duong Kai Eckenrode Sophia Moriah Eckert Donald Ray Edwards Kaylinda Ann Ellenwood Naomi Elliott Joshua Matthew Esqueda Xochitl Esqueda Hannah Exler Siena Marie Faughnan Alix Leslee Feinsod Tania Jocelyn Fernandez Pedroza Madison Signe Fernstrom Kahlia Leshae Flores Ashlee Irene Frades Jackelyn Franco Moorea Hali Gaines Megan Ashley Gallagher Rachel Gianforte Olga Danielle Gibson Kasandra Gomez Kristina Rebecca Gonzalez Mariana Gonzalez Ponce Astrid Johanny Gradiz Moncada Joseph Graham Salma Granados Loushaunda Ialeen Griffith Eric Alexander Gross Miranda Heaney Ariel Henley Roni Herndon Sarah Elizabeth Higgins Alexandra N. Holt Leslie Manzano Hoshida	Philip Hsiao Eva Rosa Sophia Imbsweiler Lisa Katherina Jako Leslie Jimenez Juarez John Joshua Johnson Mikayla Danielle Johnson Lesli Jones Hanna Kasik Amanpreet Kaur Pandher Patrick Anthony Keane Rosa Kelly Myles Jordan Kiefer Erin Kendra Kiekhaefer Jaline Hoan King Elizabeth Kittle Jessica Kitzan Vienna H. Klingele Michelle Mai Koeut Maycie LaBass Chloe Alexandra Langon Erika Lara Sanchez Jessica Michealle LeBoeuf Guadalupe Leon Muriel León Dayanit Dueñas Lima Benjamin William Lopez Erica Lopez Lisa Marie Lopez Kyle Jacob Loskutoff Nicole D. Lowery Andrea Nadine Lynch Brad Mahaney Janet Ruth Mahrle Baheya Malaty Andrew Joseph Marson Karla Martin Kelly Christina Masterson Monika Mayer Amanda McCoy Jessica Mae McCoy Cameron McKee Nicole Rachel McMath Edwin Alfonso Méndez	Genesis Mendez Martinez Matthew Terry Monges Nathan Moniz Candice T. Morgan Katherine Anne Morrow Angela C. Moss-Burns Ariane Maria Mousalimas McKenna Moyers Musfizan Mustapa Priscilla Naranjo Shane-Justin K. Nuuhiwa Christina Nambia Teizue Nwabuzoh John Thomas O’Connor Loren O’Hanrahan Jonathan Edgardo Orellana Frances Parra Jessica Parra Danessa Jane Partin Samuel Isaac Pashall Alicia C. Perry Molly Anne Peters Trevor Michael Probert Elizabeth Christine Purnell Jasmin Iselle Quiñones Christine Nicole Ram Cesar Ramirez Frania Lizbet Ramos-Arce Courtney Parkin Rasmussen Maxwell W. Raynard Tyler James Reardon Giovanna Montserrat Rebolgar Mejia Claudia Patricia Rentería Luévano Angelica Santos Resurreccion Dawn Roberts Emerson Roberts-Donnelly Paloma Rodriguez Barajas Gabriella Ruiz Gabriel L. Sanchez Jacqueline Sánchez Wallaa Sbeta Amanda Marie Sharpe	Sara Silber Michael Gerbec Sinclair Ellen Josepha Evers Skewes-Cox Samantha Jade Snook Nicole Soriano Christine Michele Stannard Vanessa Karin Staton Carli Allison Stehle Rodrick Stovall Jacob Moultrie Strawn Margaret Yu-li Su Erik Preston Supnet Sara Ann Takvorian Dorothy Tao Alexander William Taylor Noel Tenorio Lauren Ashley Toney Jim Torres Cynthia Angelica Trejo Sophia Carolina Trigonis Sarah Tygert Victoria Ulrich Tanya Valle Anny Vang Cheng Vang Sunshine Vang Hilary Nguyen Vo Tanesha Walker Kaila Unn Wanberg Amy Marie Wasetis Alyssa Ashley Wray Kimberly Yuan Yao Manushi Anuradha Yapabandara Anyaluz Zamost Francesca Zaragoza Shania Lynn Zylstra  <b><i>Educational Specialist</i></b> Vanessa Archuleta Ariel Ann Berlin Taeko Michelle Colbert Brittany Annie Costa
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Meghan Kathleen Gibson Dasso

Samantha Alexandra Hyles

Tatiana Lombana

Monika Mabe

Cecilia Meza

Alexander Miller

Kurtis Obispo “Conejo”

Ana M. Roman

Kayla Marie Russell

Talisha Marie Thomas

Claudia Trenchuck

Anna Austin Whitesides

Margaret Catherine Williams

***Doctor of Education***

Del Camara  
*Dr. Thomas Nelson*  
*Dissertation:* Visual Arts: Teaching Creativity From Within

Karin Denise Compise  
*Dr. Ronald Hallett*  
*Dissertation:* Student Perceptions of the Clip Chart Management System

Michael D. Cowan  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* It is better: An Autoethnographic Study; “Why” it is and the Perceived Protective Factors Along the Way

Nancy Shaw-Elium  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Closing Opportunity and Achievement Gaps at the Speed of Trust: Designing and Sustaining a Collective Impact Initiative

Bryce Alan Geigle  
*Dr. Justin Low*  
*Dissertation:* The Chief Executive of Charter Management Organizations and Their Perspective on Instructional Leadership to Improve Student Achievement

Indria Gillespie  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Increasing Blacks’ Representation and Utilization on the Bone Marrow Registry: An Action-Oriented Needs Assessment

Richard Haley III  
*Dr. Ronald Hallett*  
*Dissertation:* A Case Study of the Perceived Impact of Elementary School Departmentalization On Teacher Math Self-Efficacy

Maureen McWeeney Harrington  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Oral Health Care: An Autoethnography Reflecting On Dentistry’s Collective Neglect and The Possibility Of Change

Carmen Z. Hercules  
*Dr. Thomas Nelson*  
*Dissertation:* Family Child Care Providers’ Perceptions of Quality of Training in the Early Head Start Program

Dr. Amanda Renea Johnson  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Issues of Equity Among Team Members In Special Education: Voices Of Parents New To Special Education

David Looney  
*Dr. Linda Webster*  
*Dissertation:* The Relationship Between the CEFI, as a Measure for Executive Function, and the BASC-3, as a Measure of Externalizing Behavior, on School Problems for Children Receiving Special Education Services

Monika Mabe  
*Dr. Linda Webster*  
*Dissertation:* The Effects of Attachment and Alliances within the Family on Student/ Teacher Relationships and Disruptive Behavior

Simone Shonté Simmons Martinez  
*Dr. Justin Low*  
*Dissertation:* An Autoethnographic Study: An Identity Lost and a Passage Discovered

Julia Rosalind McGee  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Near Miss Reporting: Perspectives on Worker Conversance of Incident Events Across Two Industries

Jinrui “Crystal” Zhang Mone  
*Dr. Delores E McNair*  
*Dissertation:* West Meets East: An Exploration of the Ways American University Development Officers Can Build Guanxi with Chinese Parents

Lori A. Morgan  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Developing Collective Teacher Efficacy in One High-Poverty School: A Case Study

Marilyn Murrillo  
*Dr. Delores E. McNair*  
*Dissertation:* Faculty Adaptation to Emerging Instructional Technologies in Higher Education

Kelley Odipo  
*Dr. Thomas Nelson*  
*Dissertation:* Balanced Literacy and its Impact of the Reading Development of African American Students

Jacquelyn Yvette-Hodge Ollison  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Improving Teacher Retention by Addressing Teachers’ Compassion Fatigue

Nicole Denise Porter  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Early Childhood Teacher Educators Perception of Their Own Critical Reflection on Race, Ethnicity and Culture

Yiwei Qiu  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Institutional Diffusion and Implementation of Internationalization in Higher Education: A Case Study of G University

Nancy Grosz Sager  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* Exploring the Attitudes and Beliefs of Audiology Students Towards People Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Mariya Anne Sullivan  
*Dr. Justin Low*  
*Dissertation:* Factors Underlying High School Mathematics Teachers’ Perceptions of Challenging Math Tasks

Zhongmiao Sun  
*Dr. Justin Low*  
*Dissertation:* The Effects of Design Thinking on Students’ Career Self-Efficacy in Career Guidance Courses

Hervey A. Taylor III  
*Dr. Rod Githens*  
*Dissertation:* African American Faculty: A Study of Their Experiences Related to Intercultural Competence at Predominantly White Institutions

Jennifer A. Torres  
*Dr. Ronald Hallett*  
*Dissertation:* Early Care and Education Testimonios at the Borderlands

Fan Yang  
*Dr. Robert Oprandy*  
*Dissertation:* Applying Cooperative Development in Exploring College English Teaching in a Large Class Format in China

Cordelia Azumi Yates  
*Dr. Linda Webster*  
*Dissertation:* Co-Teaching: Loss of Professional Space from the Perspectives of Special Education and General Education Teachers Research Study

TEACHING CREDENTIALS

***Multiple Subject (Preliminary)***

Sobia Khan

Cheryl Mc Glothlin

Cierra Williams

Edith Santibanez

Stephanie Tanimoto

Maya Lopez

Larry Butac

Victoria Lockwood

Amina Ibrahim

Mamie Pepper

Emily Rubin

Megan Stimpson

Cleo Stewart

Celene Alva

Leah Cofer

Katelyn Dascomb

Andy Chinchilla

Katherine Hill

Katelyn McGinnis

Hannah Michahelles

Megan Schlieser

Amy Shin

Beverly Ann Sotelo

Samuya Kodippily

Charly McKenzie

Zachary Bell

Simpalipreet Kaur

Ana Popescu

Mary Pajaro

Cydney Goodin

Jessica Gerson

Darlene Kong

Koel Acedo

Lucas Bailey

Ashley Ledgerwood

Sandra Guzman

Jessica Leary

Monique Hernandez

Candice Love

Araceli Ramirez

Fiona Macdonald

Kewanda Williams

Mercadies Gray

Nora Roach

Megan Powell

Alexandra Brandenburg

Caroline Staton

Susy Arco-Rebolledo

Shania Zylstra

Natalie Babcock

Marikah Burnett

Angela Brandt

Mark Ongsiaco

Jamisyn Yuen-Shore

Lily Qiami

Olivia Pogorelskin

Emily Lenhart

Morgan Torres-Unger

Kristy Tribuzio

Taylor Dorsey

Payton O’Neill

Spencer Donaldson

Monica Erviti

Christina Garbarino

Aleena Sohail

Audra Jones

Daisy Zamora

Marquita Carter

Priti Patel

Denisha White

Demeshia Coleman

Sara Silber

Kelly Masterson

Lyla Weinstein

Alexis Hollinrake

Antona Stanley

Miranda Herrera

Xochitl Esqueda

***Multiple Subject (Intern)***

Jessica Denning

Sanjit Sohota

Morgan Torres-Unger

Salma Granadoa

Ryan Wagner

Lesli Jones

Katherine Morrow

Shayna Ajolo

Elyse Muscha

Ashley Atad

***Single Subject (Preliminary)***

Juan Rangel

Lauren Nakaso

Dana Pitts

Meganne Mcinerney

Vivian Tran

Carmen Fernandez

Aliyah Brumfield

Katherine Kolden

Paul Goossens

Makenna Tretinik

Shannon Butler

Rita Lopez

Marielle Petricevich

Erik Dean

Rudy Cisneros

Stephanie Kuborssy

Sandra Caballero

Michele Gonzalez

Yulissa Lopez

Kiana Nelson

Jon Goetz

Carmen Fernandez

Abbas Akhtar

Diego Maciel

Ashely Pham

Natalya Caraballo

Molly Quay-De La Vallee

Olivia Pincince

Augustine Provencio

Timothy Allen

Jeremy Parlin

Nicola Peruzzi

Cheng Chen

Michelle Piceno

Albert Perez

Danielle Kelly

Mao Vang

Jessica Denning

Neil Stanley

Michelle Koeut

Bryan Platz

Amalia Medina

Adriana Joma

Maikou Vang

***Single Subject (Intern)***

Bailey Nelson

Michelle Koeut

Theron Garst

Nathan Moniz

Erik Supnet

Mallory Alorro

Ryan Carleton

Kyle Loskutoff

Roni Herndon



SPECIALIST CREDENTIALS

<i>Education Specialist Instruction Mild/Moderate and Moderate/Severe (Preliminary)</i>	Anna Bottcher Alexandria Maur Heather Pitcock Peggy Pugh Taylor Dorsey Carmen Martinez Rosalba Perez	Calistra Robinson Sara Harpainter	Chim Borrom Loushaunda Griffith Stephanie Patterson Robert Steves Jennifer Kaun Katie Boucher
<i>Education Specialist Instruction Mild/Moderate (Preliminary)</i>	<i>Education Specialist Instruction Moderate/Severe (Preliminary)</i>	Jessica Mccoy Christian Avila Sheena Mooroteea Vanessa Viramontes Brandy Dunlap	<i>Education Specialist Instruction Moderate/Severe (Intern)</i> Brandy Dunlap
Cierra Williams Jessica Vega			

SERVICE CREDENTIALS

<i>Speech-Language Pathology Services (Preliminary)</i>	Katrina Vu Jullian Dougherty Emma Schyberg Vanessa Vincent Paola Flores Andrea Parks	<i>Pupil Personnel Services School Psychology (Intern)</i>	<i>Administrative Services (Certificate of Eligibility)</i>
Jasmine Gill David Dillion Christine Perine Jennie Lei Timothy Carroll Hannah Elston Heather Zamani Gabrielle Blanco Sarah Petry Stepanie Herold Jamesha Gross Coral Connor Ashley Choi Kaylee Carmona Sarah Leung Connie Mach Tierney O’Mara Mikayla Schramm Sydney Lincoln Brianna Andrade Erika Tom	<i>Pupil Personnel Services School Psychology (Clear)</i> Amy Burns Diana Gilbert Joanna Ebenezer Thavy Garst Thavy Lee Claudia Trenchuck Andrea Valencia Kate Clark Angelica Barajas Jessica Luna Alyssa Ramirez Souna Haddad	Meghan Dasso Anna Whitesides Tatiana Lombana Cecilia Meza Monika Mabe Brittany Costa Samantha Hyles Kurtis Obispo Vanessa Archuleta Margaret Williams Talisha Thomas Ariel Berlin Alexander Miller Kayla Russell Ana Roman	Colleen McQuade Adrianne Go-Miller Lori Morgan Diane Bradt Myra Gardea-Hernandez Shane Cole Christina Rusk Matthew Poynter Tara Twedt Madeleine Rogin Shari Lujan Allison Martini Regina Gearheard Bradley Butcher
		<i>Administrative Services (Preliminary)</i> Elisavet Barajas Bryce Geigle Ashlee Freeman Laura Manion	

The list of names as it appears in this program includes students who completed all credential program requirements by April 1, 2019 for recommendation to the California Commission of Teacher Credentialing.

STUDENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

<b>Banner Bearer</b> Sierra Humiston	<b>Outstanding Service and Leadership in Educational Psychology</b> Kaitlend Smith
<b>Outstanding Graduating Senior Award</b> Nellie Guerrero	<b>Outstanding School Psychologist</b> Anna Whitesides
<b>Outstanding Multiple Subject Teacher</b> Katherine Morrow	<b>Julie A. Sina Award for Inspirational Leadership</b> Miranda Heaney
<b>Outstanding Single Subject Teacher</b> Richard Black	<b>Karen DeRosa Award Outstanding for Graduate Student Leader</b> Gabriella Ruiz
<b>Outstanding Special Education Teacher</b> Amanda Brady	<b>Women of Distinction Graduate Student</b> Ariel Henley
<b>Doctoral Innovation in Research and Practice Award</b> Dr. Indria Gillespie	<b>Honorable Mention</b> Three-Minute Thesis Competition Dr. Jacquelyn Ollison, People’s Choice Award 1st Place Dr. Indria Giliespie, People’s Choice Award 2nd Place
<b>Outstanding Organizational Innovator Award</b> Nicole Lowery	

HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES

<b>Phi Kappa Phi</b> <i>Among honor societies that induct members from all academic disciplines, Phi Kappa Phi, founded in 1897, is the nation’s oldest, largest and most selective. Invitation is extended to graduating seniors and graduate students in the top 10% of their class, and to juniors in the top 7.5% of their class. The mission of the society is to recognize and promote academic excellence and to engage the community of scholars in service to others.</i>	Priscilla Naranjo Kayla Page Danessa Partin Elizabeth C. Purnell Ronnie Sanchez Amanda Sharpe Nicole Soriano Amanda Spickenreuther Hailey Huong Tran Natalie Tran Josselin Villegas-Gomez Amy M Wasetis Manushi A. Yapabandara
Isabella Helen Camfield Heriberto Cardenas Leonardo J Chelin Uribe Eric Gross Enedina Nellie Ayala Guerrero Miranda Heaney Roni Herndon Jaline King Amy D. Lagorio Guadalupe Leon Victoria Sarah Leung Jenifer Maghinay Brad Mahaney Janet Ruth Mahrle	<b>Alpha Sigma Lambda</b> <i>Alpha Sigma Lambda is the national honor society recognizing excellence among nontraditional students, meaning those who have returned to college later in life and who achieve academic excellence while also fulfilling adult duties of work and family life.</i>  Stephanie Michelle Dutra Maria Santos Garcia Enedina Nellie Ayala Guerrero

HISTORY OF THE GLADYS L. BENERD SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Celebrating 95 years of leadership in education, the School of Education was officially established shortly after Pacific moved to Stockton in 1924, though University of the Pacific has emphasized the preparation of “preachers and teachers” from its beginning. Those who planned to teach made up large proportion of the

student body during the university’s first 50 years, and the first elementary and high school teaching credentials were issued in 1915. Created in 1920 as a separate academic unit, the Department of Education became the foundation for the new School of

Education formally organized in 1923 and recognized by the California State Department of Education in January 1924.

In the mid-1950s, the school began a Doctorate of Education program, and it was among the first institutions in California to prepare educational administrators, school psychologists and special education teachers. Today, the focus of the school’s programs is on teacher education, leadership preparation, distinctive programs in school psychology and the preparation of instructional and curricular leaders for K–12 and higher education.

In 1992, the school was formally renamed the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education following an endowment gift of \$6.5 million from Ms. Benerd, a friend of the School of Education and a longtime teacher in local schools.

For years, the school has maintained its accreditation with state and national agencies. Its programs for P–12 educators are fully accredited by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, and its school psychology program is approved by the National Association for School Psychologists (NASP). Pacific

was the first institution of higher education in California to be accredited by NCATE through the doctoral level.

Through its academic departments, the school offers Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, Educational Specialist, and Doctor of Education degrees, as well as California credential programs in Multiple Subject, Single Subject, Special Education, Administrative Services and Pupil Personnel Services in School Psychology. For more than 75 years, the School of Education has been the primary academic unit at University of the Pacific responsible for the preparation of teachers and other professionals to work with diverse populations in P–16 schools.

Hundreds of graduates have become teachers, counselors, school psychologists, principals, subject-matter specialists and superintendents in both public and private education. Others are taking a leading role in higher education and in nonprofit and other organizations. Multiplied student-by-student, year-by-year, these hundreds of graduates of Gladys L. Benerd School of Education have positively touched the lives of thousands of individuals.

## MISSION OF THE GLADYS L. BENERD SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

The Gladys L. Benerd School of Education prepares thoughtful, reflective, creative, caring and collaborative professionals for service to diverse populations through personalized and transformational learning experiences.

### Framework

The cornerstone of the Gladys L. Benerd School of Education’s conceptual framework is the metaphor of the reflective practitioner. Reflective practice involves reflecting on and taking responsibility

for one’s actions through continuous planning and re-planning of professional practice. Embedded throughout the school’s programs and courses are the concept, practice and metaphor of a reflective practitioner.

### The Vision

To cultivate hubs of innovation and learning by empowering passionate leaders in Northern California and beyond.

## VALUES OF THE GLADYS L. BENERD SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

### Personalized and Transformational Learning

We provide personalized, transformational experiences for students from all backgrounds and experiences who are passionate about making a difference in the lives of individuals and communities.

### Strength-based Community Focus

We build upon the strengths of our region by working within our diverse communities to be a true partner in helping Northern California realize its full potential.

### Innovation and Learning

In everything we do, we explicitly focus on fostering hubs of innovation and learning throughout Northern California, which will serve as living models for how educators can partner with their communities to influence real change.



UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC





# PACIFIC HAIL!

*Words and Music by Lois Warner Winston '23  
(October 8, 1901 - April 1, 1989)*

From o'er the rugged mountains standing high;

From out the broad low valleys, 'neath the sky;

Our alma mater calls, We cannot fail,

Our voices blend in praise, Pacific Hail! Pacific Hail!



Long may her flaming torch give out its light;

Long may her spirit guide us in the right;

To her we pledge our hearts, We dare not fail;

To her we raise our song,

Pacific Hail! Pacific Hail!