



Commencement

MAY 9, 2026

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UNIVERSITY OF RIO GRANDE RIO GRANDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2026
THE UNIVERSITY GREEN**

The Community College and the University appreciate the cooperation of the family and friends of the graduates in respecting the secured areas necessary for an outdoor Commencement Ceremony. A professional photographer will take pictures of the graduates as they receive their degrees. **To keep access to the stage open for graduates, please refrain from blocking entrances and exits to the stage. If you choose to sit in the Circle-on-the-Green, please know you must move from that area prior to the benediction, as the graduates will move to that area at the conclusion of the ceremony.**

• *University of Rio Grande and Rio Grande Community College is a tobacco free environment.* •

Commencement may be viewed via video at the following location via simulcast:

Christensen Theatre, Berry Fine & Performing Arts Center
or livestreamed on Rio's YouTube channel.



**Rain Program will be held in the Newt Oliver Arena of the Paul R. Lyne Physical Education Center:
Tickets are required for entry.**

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Matt Stutzman

Paralympic Gold Medalist



Inexplicably born without arms in December of 1982, Matt's birthparents were soon overwhelmed with the obvious challenges that lay ahead. He was put up for adoption, and in January of 1984, Matt was welcomed into the home of Leon and Jean Stutzman.

A remarkably patient, compassionate and strong willed couple, the Stutzman's guided Matt through a youth of seemingly insurmountable obstacles of everyday living largely taken for granted in an able-bodied world. Their philosophy was simple; Matt was permitted to try almost anything...if he could do it on his own. Years later, the result is a extraordinary young man, a family man, who can do virtually anything with his feet.

Though originally fitted for prosthetic arms as a child, Matt found them cumbersome and...unnatural. Today, perhaps the most remarkable thing about Matt is that he lives without prosthetics, in a completely un-adapted world. His home, car and life are void of modifications of any sort. He lives in the same world you do and has found a way to do virtually everything with his feet. This includes eating, grooming and writing...as well as playing the guitar, car maintenance and of course, extraordinary abilities with a bow and arrow.

Matt's original interest in marksmanship began when he learned to shoot a gun, and then taught himself to shoot a penny at 50 yards away. He took to a bow and arrow so as to join his father while hunting. Eventually it became his passion and evolved into his dream to become the world's best archer.

Though many may argue otherwise, Matt considers his physical challenges to be advantageous to archery. His necessary style of shooting with his leg provides great stability with the bow, and a lifetime of indescribable patience and tenacity are deeply ingrained characteristics that would serve any athlete, in any sport, well.

As a member of the 2012 U.S. Paralympic Archery Team, Matt competed 2012 London Games that culminated with a Silver Medal.

At the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, Matt battled the #1,#2,#3 ranked archers during single elimination and secured his Gold Medal by setting a Paralympic Games Record by shooting a 149 out of 150 in the final match.

Dubbed The Armless Archer, Matt's remarkable story has captured the attention of the media around the world. A natural public speaker, he regularly uses humor (at his own expense) and remarkable demonstrations of his foot skills, to engage audience of all kinds who are left inspired.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY COMMENCEMENT
UNIVERSITY OF RIO GRANDE AND RIO GRANDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

PRESIDING - RYAN SMITH, PRESIDENT

*Processional “Pomp and Circumstance”	Sir Edward Elgar
*“The Star Spangled Banner”	Francis Scott Key <i>Grande Chorale</i>
*Invocation	Rev. Christian Scott '00 <i>Rio Grande Community College Trustee</i>
Welcome and Introductions	Ryan Smith <i>President, University of Rio Grande and Rio Grande Community College</i>
Commencement Address	Matt Stutzman <i>Paralympic Gold Medalist</i>
Conferment of Degrees	
Presentation of Candidate for the Honorary Degree	President Smith
Hooding	Dr. David Lawrence <i>Provost</i>
Presentation of Candidates for the Master Degree	Dr. Lawrence
Conferment of Master Degrees	President Smith
Presentation of Candidates for the Baccalaureate Degree	Dr. Lawrence
Conferment of Baccalaureate Degrees	President Smith
Presentation of Candidates for the Associate Degree	Dr. Lawrence
Conferment of Associate Degrees	President Smith
Student Remarks	Amarissa Kerns '26 <i>Student Representative</i>
Closing Remarks	President Smith
Benediction	Rev. Scott
*Recessional “Second Suite In F For Military Band”	Gustav Holst
*Traditional Circle-on-the-Green	Graduates
*The Alma Mater	William K. Wilson <i>Grande Chorale</i>

** The audience will please stand*

THE ACADEMIC REGALIA

University and college regalia are inherited from the Medieval universities of the eleventh and twelfth centuries when a university was an ecclesiastical community. The academic procedures of a modern university or college, from a long tradition, include the ancient forms and ceremonies which are most noticeably marked by the dress of those who participate in academic convocations.

Academic life as we know it today began in the Middle Ages—at Oxford and Cambridge, Paris and Bologna, Edinburgh and Louvain—first in the church, then in the guilds. The teaching guild was the Guild of the Master of Arts, where the Bachelor was the apprentice of the Master and dress was the outward sign of privilege and responsibility. The dress made visible in color and pattern the association of individuals of like purpose. The three principal features of the academic costume are described below.

THE CAP. The freed Roman slave won the privilege of wearing the cap. The academic cap is a sign of the freedom of scholarship, and it endows the wearer with new scholastic responsibilities and dignities. Old poetry suggests that the cap of scholarship is square to symbolize a book, although some authorities claim that the mortar board is the symbol of the masons, a privileged guild. In some European universities, a pudding-shaped cap, the symbol of another guild, is worn. Occasionally, a cap similar to the one worn by the great Erasmus, Dutch scholar of the late fifteenth and early sixteenth centuries, is part of the costume. Black tassels are correct for all degrees. Colored tassels

are worn only by preference. Gold metallic tassels may be worn by persons holding doctorates or presidents of universities and colleges. The tassel should be worn draped over the left front quarter of the cap.

THE GOWN. The flowing gown comes from the twelfth century. Many believe it was worn as protection against the cold of unheated buildings. It has become symbolic of the democracy of scholarship, as it completely covers any dress of rank or social standing. While black is traditional for all degrees, some universities elect to wear a color with black trim to designate a doctorate degree. The degree gowns for the bachelor and master degrees are untrimmed. The doctoral gown is faced with velvet in front and has three bars of velvet across the sleeves in the color distinctive of the faculty or discipline to which the degree pertains.

THE HOOD. The hood is an inverted shield with one or more chevrons of a secondary color on the background of the primary color of the university or college. The color of the facing of the hood denotes the discipline represented by the degree. The color of the lining of the hood designates the university or college which granted the degree. Three velvet stripes on the sleeve of the gown and a gold metallic tassel on the cap indicate that the wearer has earned a doctorate.

THE CEREMONIAL ACADEMIC MACE. The ceremonial academic mace is a blend of the regal scepter of rulers with the weapon known as a mace dating to 1385. Rio Grande's mace was hand-carved in 1984 by Phillip Hampton, a student of Fine Arts.



Graduates for Degrees are presented by:

Lynley Carey, M.Ed. in Educational Administration
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

All degrees will be presented by President Ryan Smith.



HONOR GRADUATES: AN EXPLANATION

Students receiving the baccalaureate degree who have earned a quality point ratio of 3.5 or higher out of a possible 4.0 for all undergraduate work taken are honored by wearing gold honor cords.

- ◆ **Summa cum laude:** awarded to those students who are graduating with a grade point average of 3.9.
- **Magna cum laude:** awarded to those students who are graduating with a grade point average of 3.75.
- ▲ **Cum laude:** awarded to those students who are graduating with a grade point average of 3.5.

Bachelor and Master Degrees: black cap and gown with black tassel.

Hoods are worn by University faculty and staff, recipients of master degrees, and recipients of honorary degrees.

Students receiving the associate degree who have earned a quality point ratio of 3.5 or higher out of a possible 4.0 for all undergraduate work taken are honored by wearing purple honor cords.

Students who are members of Ohio Zeta Chapter of Lambda Nu National Honors Society for the Radiologic and Imaging Sciences who maintained a quality point ratio of 3.0 or higher and performed a community service project are recognized with a cord: green for Allied Health professions, maroon for Radiologic and Imaging Sciences.

† **With distinction:** designation of honor for students receiving the two-year associate degree, who have earned a quality point ratio of 3.5 or higher out of a possible 4.0 for all courses completed.

Associate Degrees: gray cap and gown with red and white tassel.

HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES

The Rio Grande Honors Program focuses on engaging, dynamic, and creative learning experiences that enhance a student's academic curriculum as well as develop leadership, critical thinking, and communication skills. The program attracts a wide range of students who positively impact their peers, the institution, and the global community.

The Honors Program is not a degree-granting program. It is, however, an academic program that can be taken in conjunction with a student's major curriculum.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

- **White stoles** are worn by students who have completed the Honors curriculum in addition to their program curriculum.
- **Red stoles** are worn by student athletes who have completed their eligibility in a sport at URG.
- **Blue and gold cords** are worn by members of Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society for two-year institutions.
- **Red and blue cords** are worn by members of Phi Alpha Theta, an honorary history fraternity.
- **Red, white and blue cords** are worn by students who are veterans or are currently serving in the armed forces.
- **Kente Cloths** are worn as a symbol of African cultural heritage.
- **Light blue and green cords** are worn by College Credit Plus (High School Dual Enrollment) students graduating with an Associate Degree.
- **Teal cords** are worn by first-generation college graduates.

CLASS OF 2026

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

• MASTERS OF EDUCATION •

Paula Valentina Castro Beltran	Coaching Leadership
★ Reece Collins	Coaching Leadership
Alyssa Dingus	Coaching Leadership
Beiker Williams Fuentes Reyes	Coaching Leadership
Samantha Hier	Coaching Leadership
★ Noah Johannes Hoeningar	Coaching Leadership
Japheth Ryan Johnson	Coaching Leadership
Carter Lipscomb	Coaching Leadership
Diego Martinez Rojas	Coaching Leadership
Mackenzie McCarthy	Coaching Leadership
@ Chase McClay	Coaching Leadership
★ Kylie Perez	Coaching Leadership
Eleanor Marie Rodriguez	Coaching Leadership
★ Matheus Souza de Campos	Coaching Leadership
Alyssa Sullivan	Coaching Leadership
★ Reagan Willingham	Coaching Leadership

COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL STUDIES

• MASTERS OF SCIENCE IN NURSING •

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@ Abdul-Jalil Abdulai	Nursing
@ Beatrice Acquah	Nursing
@ Abdul Baasit Adam	Nursing
@ Silas Aku Adamu	Nursing
@ Owusu Afran-Okese	Nursing
@ Thomas Afriyie	Nursing
@ Nelson Kofi Agbedu	Nursing
@ Evelyne Akiinyi	Nursing
@ Anosh Albert	Nursing
@ Abid Ali	Nursing
@ Philomina Anakwah	Nursing
@ Joy Mmitsi Anyula	Nursing
@ Scholastica Aranotu	Nursing
@ Bindu Bali	Nursing
@ Gloria Banful	Nursing
@ Prosper Paaga Behien	Nursing
@ Belinda Doku Bessey	Nursing
@ Chick Babette Bih	Nursing
@ Prince Doku Boateng	Nursing
@ Crystal Pauline Adjoa Clement	Nursing
@ Kimberly N. Cuthkelvin	Nursing
@ Eunice Fosu	Nursing
@ Stacia Fraser	Nursing

@ Sheeza Hammayun	Nursing
@ Rock Asumang Hanson	Nursing
@ Yetunde Redemption Ibitoye	Nursing
@ Marina Joseph	Nursing
@ Sumera Karim	Nursing
@ Judith Katushabe	Nursing
@ Bevallin Libaisi Kavai	Nursing
@ Juliana Tonbrabo Kayode	Nursing
@ Mary Kisembo	Nursing
@ Carlos Elorm Kumaza	Nursing
@ Betty Kurien	Nursing
@ Rollin Kusi-Sarpong	Nursing
@ Justice Peter Kwamiyibo	Nursing
@ Maria Goretee Kwiini	Nursing
@ Bernice Mensah-Forson	Nursing
@ Rida Misbawu	Nursing
@ Isaac Mulyowa	Nursing
@ Stella Muryasingura	Nursing
@ Ephraim Ackah Nda	Nursing
@ Manasseh Nda-Ackah	Nursing
@ Cosmas Musikoyo Oduor	Nursing
@ Goodnews Ogbuji	Nursing
@ Okwara Michael Onyeka	Nursing
@ Robert Rwabambari	Nursing
@ Viji Saji	Nursing
@ Mulusa Mercy Salano	Nursing
@ Obed Yengpuo Salia	Nursing
@ Nathania Nola Samuel	Nursing
@ Sakun Ingnam Subba	Nursing
@ Mahamudunnisa Begum Syed	Nursing
@ Lydia Thomas	Nursing
@ Niamat Ullah	Nursing
@ Bincy Varghese	Nursing
@ Maryann Nasimiyu Wanjala	Nursing
@ Carlos Yeboah	Nursing

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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■ Jessica Bowles	Psychology
◆ Paige Lillian Clagg	Psychology
▲ Jillian Elizabeth Gardner	Psychology
Cara Jeffers	Psychology
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 Kameron Rilee Martin Psychology
 @ Elle Patrice McLoughlin Psychology
 Zolen Sage Walker Psychology
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 ■ Emma Joanne Hinkle Visual Art
 ▲ Kierra Narie Scott Visual Art

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 ■ Gabrielle N. Jacobs Adolescent to Young Adult:
 Integrated Mathematics
 Taylor-Alexandra Richelle Gilliland Adolescent to Young
 Adult: Integrated Social Studies
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 Adult: Integrated Social Studies
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 ◆ John Tanner Lisle Middle Childhood: Language Arts/
 Mathematics
 ▲ Eli Tucker Adkins Middle Childhood: Language Arts/
 Social Studies
 ▲ Lauren Brooke Wells ... Middle Childhood: Mathematics/Science
 Shane Michael Zimmerman Middle Childhood: Mathematics/
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 ◆ Jerah S. Beasy Pre-K-Grade 5/Pre-K-Grade 5
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 Intervention Specialist
 ■ Chloe Justine Johnson Pre-K-Grade 5/Pre-K-Grade 5
 Intervention Specialist
 ■ Emilee Matney Pre-K-Grade 5/Pre-K-Grade 5
 Intervention Specialist
 ▲ Ashley Morris Pre-K-Grade 5/Pre-K-Grade 5
 Intervention Specialist
 ▲ Danielle Wilson Pre-K-Grade 5/Pre-K-Grade 5
 Intervention Specialist

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 ■ Marlee Ann Grinstead Pre-K-Grade 5/K-12
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 Intervention Specialist
 ■ Rikki Jayla Sargent Pre-K-Grade 5/K-12 Intervention Specialist
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 Aron Davis Educational Studies
 @ Elisabeth Dutcher Educational Studies
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 ■ Kelsey Lynn Ervin Educational Studies
 Amanda Lynn Fratus Educational Studies
 Kimberly Diana Gleichauf Educational Studies
 ★ Anthony Brock Gordon Educational Studies
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 ◆ Amber N. Lambert Educational Studies
 ★ James Luyster Educational Studies
 ★ Amber Malone Educational Studies
 ★ Jami Matz Educational Studies
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■ Marina García Pérez	Biochemistry/Biology BS
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Sara Estrada Fernandez	Biology
Hannah R. Halstead	Biology
Keniel N. Rosado Rivera	Biology
Allison Guhl	Environmental Science
★ Raeley Maxwell	Environmental Science
Madison Elaine Ackley	Wildlife Conservation/Environmental Science BS
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▲ David Alan Stein	Wildlife Conservation
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EMERSON E. EVANS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

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Brooklyn Paris DeBord	Business Management
@ Jitske L. de Muijnk	Business Management
Garrett Frazee	Business Management
@ Javan Alexis Gardner	Business Management
Camaren Griffith	Business Management
Jeremy Michael Heffernan	Business Management
Will E. Hill Jr.	Business Management
Josef Iten	Business Management
◆ Amarissa Kerns	Business Management
Nalah IndianSummer Kirkendall	Business Management
★ Jordan Lambert	Business Management
Yu-Hsiang Lin	Business Management
Mitchell G. Osmond	Business Management
Mugisha Pomossene	Business Management
■ Rachael Puckett	Business Management
@ Audrey Reeves	Business Management

Trey Robertson	Business Management
Matthew Levi Russell	Business Management
▲ Brooklyn Sizemore	Business Management
▲ Benjamin Spetnagel	Business Management
▲ Brenden J. Thomas	Business Management
Madyson Vivace	Business Management
@ Franco Adolfo Vizcarra Gallo	Business Management
■ Saskia Vos	Business Management
@ Jordan Terrell Williams	Business Management/ Business Management AAB
Amelia H. Willis	Business Management/Applied Healthcare Administration BTS
Zoe Marie Woods	Business Management
Aaron Allen Eddy	Computer Science
Elijah Lee Garnes	Computer Science/IT: Network Systems AAS
Levi Green	Computer Science/IT: Network Systems AAS
Trevon Houston	Computer Science
John Cross Korban Notter	Computer Science
★ Travis M. Wilson	Computer Science/IT: Network Systems AAS/General Studies AA

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• BACHELOR OF TECHNICAL STUDIES •

■ Angeleena Gardner-Wooldridge	Cybersecurity
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SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGIES

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Mackandle Evan Burtrum Freeman	Industrial Technology
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Michael Peneski	Industrial Technology
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Pate Eastin	Sports & Exercise Studies/Sports & Exercise Studies AS
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Jaylin Fox	Sports & Exercise Studies
▲ Nolan Haislop	Sports & Exercise Studies
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Chianti Marks	Sports & Exercise Studies
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Alexander Eric McCarty	Sports & Exercise Studies

▲ Westyn Moyer	Sports & Exercise Studies
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H■ Olivia Ann Perdue	Sports & Exercise Studies
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Schon Pespisa	Sports & Exercise Studies
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▲ Trevor Hamilton Wolfe	Sports & Exercise Studies
★@ Daunevyn Jesaan Woodson	Sports & Exercise Studies

SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH AND EXERCISE STUDIES

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★ Collin Ghearing	Applied Healthcare Administration
Jaylan Johnson	Applied Healthcare Administration
★ Tyler Neale Young	Applied Healthcare Administration

HOLZER SCHOOL OF NURSING

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★@ Chelsy Braham	Nursing
★@ Lena Gayle Harrah-Braleay	Nursing
★ Jessica Joybeth Cales	Nursing
@▲ Payton Layne Crabtree	Nursing
@■ Daniel Damron	Nursing
★@ Stephanie S. Dove	Nursing
★ Cole Franklin	Nursing
★@▲ Christopher Levi Hoffman	Nursing
★@▲ Emma Renee Ingalls	Nursing
@ Kaylee Ashlynn Lambert	Nursing
@ Sarah Mace	Nursing
★ Kimberly D. Mayes	Nursing
@■ Maddi Jo Meadows	Nursing
@ Deidra Joy Miller	Nursing
@ Trace Neal	Nursing
★@ Cherie L. Plese	Nursing
★@ Jade R. Prather	Nursing
@▲ Jordan Andrew Rawson	Nursing
▲ Kayla Virginia Richards	Nursing
★@ Cole Michael Young	Nursing

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

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Andrew Buchman	General Studies
★ Blake Caldwell	General Studies
★ Trinity Hope Carter	General Studies
@† Hannah Alexandria Coen	General Studies
† Lori Sue Coleman	General Studies
† Brady Andrew Conley	General Studies
★† Ellie Joyce Cremeans	General Studies
† Brady Dailey	General Studies
† Gwen Michelle Davidson	General Studies
Bret Davis	General Studies
† Braden Charles Downey	General Studies
† Ava Grace Eynon	General Studies
@ Evan Jay Farley	General Studies
† Natalie Lynn Goode	General Studies
Cole Hammond	General Studies
Mackenzie Hammond	General Studies
Linea Aubry Hancock	General Studies
† Alexis Helman	General Studies
† Wesley Honaker	General Studies
† Brynlee Hutt	General Studies
† Justin Allen Jackson	General Studies
@† Gunnar Jones	General Studies
† Bailey Grace Kight	General Studies
@ Reece Xavier Alan Lewis	General Studies
★ Sean Long	General Studies
† Grace Lundy	General Studies
Carson Kent McCorkle	General Studies
Tyler Wayne Miller	General Studies
Hannah Pennington	General Studies
Addison Paige Perkins	General Studies
Cooper D. Radune	General Studies
● Luke Thomas Reese	General Studies
Darcie Marie Robinson	General Studies
★ Addison Grace Scherer	General Studies
★@† Kylie Smith	General Studies
† Sophia Grace Folden Sola	General Studies
† Cannon Wyatt Stiffler	General Studies
Olivia Taylor	General Studies
† Brynlee Shea Tripp	General Studies
@† Layla Ann Tucker	General Studies
Bayleigh Waterhouse	General Studies



† Brenna Weaver	General Studies
★ Scout White	General Studies
† Cole Preston Williams	General Studies
★† Molly Williams	General Studies
Clayton Layne Wright	General Studies
Timothy Hunter Wright	General Studies
Nash Robert Yates	General Studies
† Madeline Salmons	History
† Josie Ware	History/General Studies AA
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† Aubree Lynn Casto	Psychology
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Britany King	Social Services
Tasha Kuhn	Social Services
† Zara J. La Favers	Social Services
★ Morgan Lyons	Social Services
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† Tiffany Parker	Social Services
Kasy Science	Social Services
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BUNCE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

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Jesica Hooton	Pre-Kindergarten Education

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★† Carissa Lee Cruz	Educational Studies
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SCHOOL OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

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Rachel Elizabeth Schenk	Biology/General Studies AA
Sarah Alexis Williams	Biology

COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL STUDIES

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Grant Crosier	Business Management

★† Breanna Cundiff	Business Management
† Elijah Davis	Business Management
† Ann Marie Durst	Business Management
★†† Connor Gullett	Business Management
★ Ambriona Miller	Business Management
Grant Rippeth	Business Management
★ Daewin S. Spence	Business Management
Filip Stojcic	Business Management
Rylie Swihart	Business Management
@ Waylon G. Waugh	Business Management
† Wyatt Steven Webb	Business Management
† Aiden Charles Werner	Business Management
†† Lamiyah Wilson	Business Management

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† Kaden Holley	IT: Network Systems
† Steven Hoover III	IT: Network Systems
† Tyler Large	IT: Network Systems
Vanessa Rechterman	IT: Network Systems
Namit Sharma	IT: Network Systems
★@ Jacob M. Wallace	IT: Network Systems
† Jarett Wallace	IT: Network Systems
Kerrigan Weber	IT: Network Systems

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Amarissa Kerns



Amarissa Kerns is graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Business Management with a concentration in Marketing. During her time at Rio, she competed on the cross country and track teams, served as a Student Ambassador, worked as a Marketing Intern,

and held the role of President of the American Marketing Association. Next year, Amarissa will begin her MBA at Otterbein University, where she will also serve as a Graduate Assistant for the Cardinals' cross country and track programs.



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◇ Deceased



THE RED AND WHITE

(THE ALMA MATER)

Words and Music by
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Chorus

Then here's to old Rio
The Red and the White;
Stand up and cheer, all
She stands for all that's right;
Long may she prosper
And guide us on our way;
Oh! let us cherish her forever and for aye,

Rio, Rio, Rio Grande,
To thee we pledge our heart, our hand,
And pray that we may understand,
And to our pledge be true.