



**COLLEGE OF ATMOSPHERIC
AND GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCES**
The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA



**College of Atmospheric & Geographic Sciences
FALL 2023 CONVOCATION**



**Saturday, December 16, 2023
Cattlet Music Center
1:30 p.m.**



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Letter from the Deans

On behalf of the College's faculty and staff, congratulations to our Fall 2023 graduates! We are proud to serve as your mentors, teachers, and guides during your education journey.

As we celebrate the completion of your degree, we welcome you to the community of professionals, scholars, and scientists. The award of your degree is the culmination of years of hard work. During those years, it has been our pleasure to watch you grow, both as individuals and as aspiring professionals, in our disciplines.

In the years to come, remember us. We need your support as loyal alumni to maintain the quality of our programs and to assist those students who follow in your footsteps. Just as others have helped you reach this day, you too will have the opportunity to help future students receiving an education from your college.

Your degrees have prepared you to be active stewards to the Earth and its citizens. You know how to best use natural resources in ways that benefit humankind while minimizing negative impacts on the environment. You know how to provide severe weather warnings that assist in saving lives, protecting property, and maintaining a strong economy. You are prepared not only to transport people through the skies, but to maintain the safety of those people in the journey to their destination. You are now a professional in your chosen discipline, and as such, have a special responsibility to use your knowledge of the Earth wisely and carefully as you embark on your career.

You are a brilliant group of graduates and we expect great things from you. Each and every one of you has made a contribution to our College and to our lives. We look forward to seeing where you go from here.

Once again, on behalf of the faculty and staff of the College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences, our heartiest congratulations!



Dr. Petra Klein



Dr. Berrien Moore III



Aisha Owusu



OKLAHOMA

*O——-klahoma,
Where the wind comes sweep-in' down the plain
And the wav-in' wheat can sure smell sweet
When the wind comes right behind the rain.*

*O——-klahoma,
Ev-'ry night my honey lamb and I
Sit alone and talk and watch a hawk
Mak-in' lazy circles in the sky.
We know we belong to the land
And the land we belong to is grand!
And when we say Yeeow!
A yip-I-o-ee-ay!
We're only sayin'
You're doing fine, Oklahoma!
Oklahoma, O.K.!*

Rogers & Hammerstein II © 1943

OU CHANT, Live on University

*O-K-L-A-H-O-M-A
Our chant rolls on and on.
Thousands strong join heart and song
In Alma Mater's praise
Of campus beautiful by day and night
Of colors proudly gleaming red and white
'Neath the western sky
OU's chant will never die.
Live on, Un-i-ver-si-ty.*

Jessie Lane Clarkson



Program

Introduction

Jessica Cavin
Outreach Coordinator

Processional

Welcome
Jessica Cavin

Words to the Fall Class

Dr. Berrien Moore III
Dean & Director of NWC

Presentation of Degree Candidates

Aisha Owusu
Assitant Dean of Student Services

Alumni Charge

Aisha Owusu

OU Chant

Reception



Department of Geography and Environmental Sustainability

Dr. Scott Greene, Chair

Dr. Laurel Smith, Associate Chair

Dr. Thomas Neeson, Director of Graduate Studies

*Dr. Dawn Drake, Director of the Online
MS/Certificate in Geospatial Technologies*

Graduate Students

Master of Science in Geography and Environmental
Sustainability: Environmental Systems

Kritika Pathak

+Dr. Rebecca Loraamm

Master of Science in Geography and Environmental
Sustainability: Geospatial Technology

David Breneman

+Dr. Thomas Neeson

Elisabeth Burke

+Dr. Thomas Neeson

Angela Rosellini-Labombarde

+Dr. Jennifer Koch

Krystal Saverse

+Dr. Thomas Neeson

Christine Silva

+Dr. Thomas Neeson

Emily Waterman

+Dr. Thomas Neeson

Brandon Watts

+Dr. Thomas Neeson



Advisor +



Undergraduate Students

Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Sustainability

William Mayhall

Kelsey Norton

Zane Schwarz

Paxton Wright

Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sustainability

Lane Baldrige

Brandon Crockett

Annie Hawkins*

Andrew Hurst*

Darion Minnella-Warner

Abigail Phillips

Morgan Sommer

Bachelor of Science in Geography

Joel England

Bachelor of Science in Geographic Information Science

Justin Castleberry

Matthew Clark

Steven Holland

Jonathan Hudson

Ryan Penic

Courtney Whiddon



*Distinction – OU GPA 3.60 – 3.89	† Cum Laude – 3.40-3.59 Retention GPA
**Special Distinction – OU GPA 3.90 or above	†† Magna cum Laude – 3.60-3.79 Retention GPA
	††† Summa cum Laude – 3.80-4.00 Retention GPA



School of Aviation

Eric Wydra, Director

Mary Aldridge, Assistant Director

Undergraduate Students

Bachelor of Science in Aviation - Air Traffic Management

Akrim Al Haji**

Rashid Al Kalbani*

Dayson Dereta

Bachelor of Science in Aviation - Flying

Patrick Arends

Stephen George

Thomas Co*

Carson Funck*

Grant Tumey

Bachelor of Science in Aviation - Non-Flying

Bryce Carter*

Kyle Schroeder

Vi Le



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	††† Summa cum Laude – 3.80-4.00 Retention GPA



Undergraduate Students

Bachelor of Science in Aviation - Professional Pilot

Benjamin Arnold

Adam Blevins^{*}

Kaleb Chan^{*}

Donnie Henderson

Brooklyn Johnston

Brandon Kincade

Christopher Kinney^{*}

Matthew Laird^{*}

Benjamin Mills^{**}

Hayden Riggins

Anya Schnetzka

Erik Till^{*}



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	<p>††† Summa cum Laude – 3.80-4.00 Retention GPA</p>



School of Meteorology

Dr. Cameron Homeyer, Interim Director

Dr. Elinor Martin, Associate Director for Undergraduate Studies

Dr. Scott Salesky, Associate Director for Graduate Programs

Doctoral Candidates

Doctor of Philosophy in Meteorology

Amanda Murphy

Emily Tinney

+Dr. Cameron Homeyer

+Dr. Cameron Homeyer

Graduate Students

Master of Science in Meteorology

Benting Chen

Maci Gibson

Yu-Shin Kim

Jeffrey Lee

Emily Luschen

Andrew Shearer

Naicheng Xu

+Dr. Scott Salesky

+Dr. Jacob Carlin

+Dr. Xuguang Wang

+Dr. Marcella Loría-Salazar

+Dr. James Ruppert

+Dr. Xuguang Wang

+Dr. Xuguang Wang



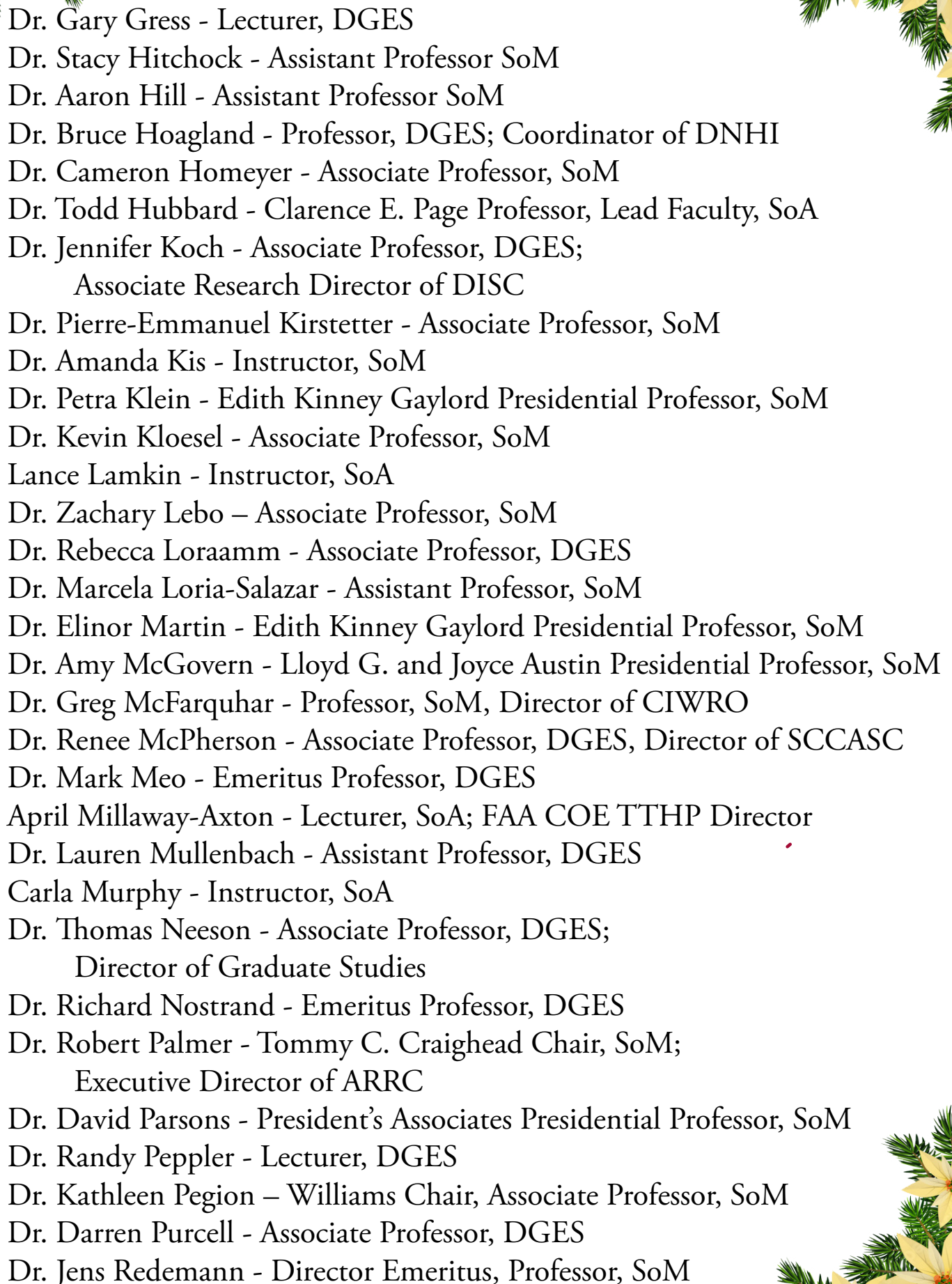
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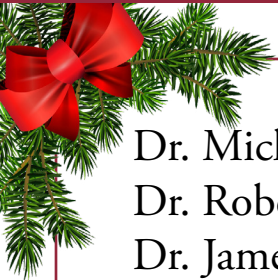
College of A&GS

All Faculty

Dr. Otavio Acevedo – Associate Professor, SoM
Dr. Nishan Bhattarai – Assistant Professor, DGES
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Dr. David Bodine – Associate Professor, SoM
Dr. Frederick Carr - Professor Emeritus, SoM
Kenneth Carson - Instructor, SoA
Dr. Steven Cavallo - Associate Professor, SoM
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John Chubbuck (J.D.) - Instructor, SoA
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Dr. Jason Furtado - Carlisle and Lurline Mabrey Presidential
 Professor, SoM
Dr. Travis Gliedt - Associate Professor, DGES
Dr. J. Scott Greene - Professor & Chair, DGES;
 Coordinator of OKAGE



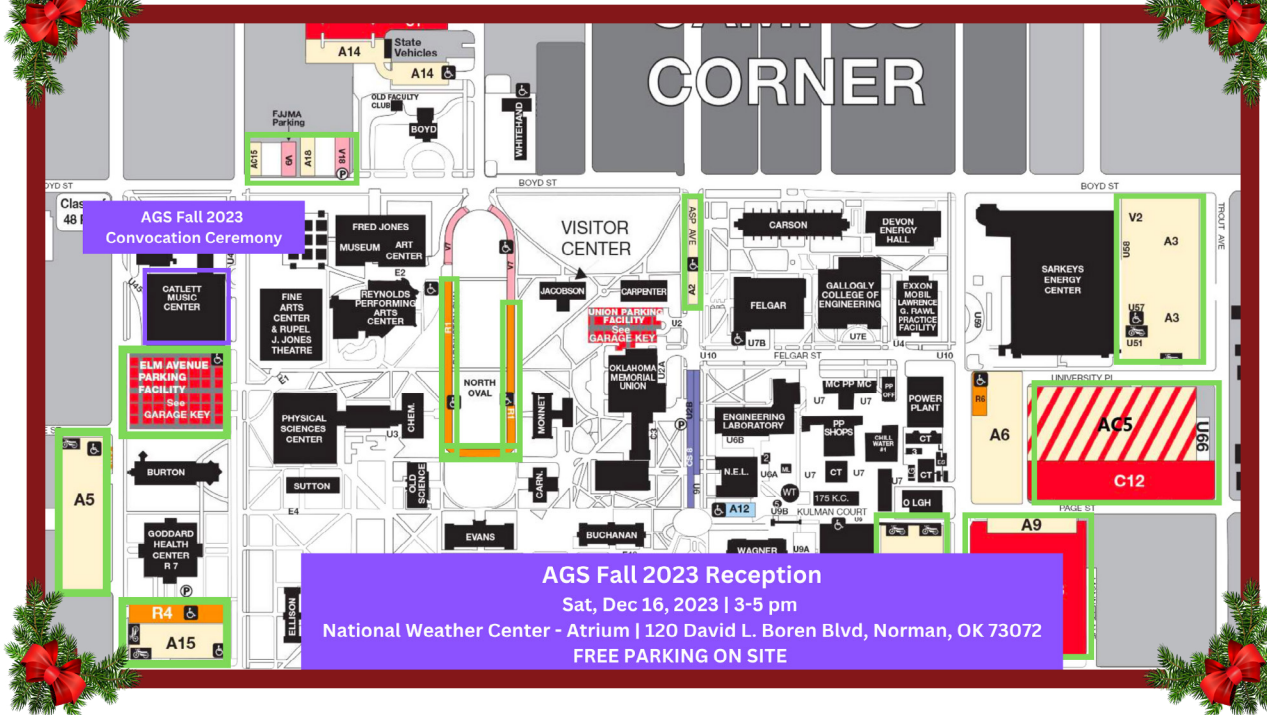
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Associate Research Director of DISC
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Dr. Mark Meo - Emeritus Professor, DGES
April Millaway-Axton - Lecturer, SoA; FAA COE TTHP Director
Dr. Lauren Mullenbach - Assistant Professor, DGES
Carla Murphy - Instructor, SoA
Dr. Thomas Neeson - Associate Professor, DGES;
Director of Graduate Studies
Dr. Richard Nostrand - Emeritus Professor, DGES
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Executive Director of ARRC
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Dr. Randy Pepler - Lecturer, DGES
Dr. Kathleen Pegion – Williams Chair, Associate Professor, SoM
Dr. Darren Purcell - Associate Professor, DGES
Dr. Jens Redemann - Director Emeritus, Professor, SoM



Dr. Michael B. Richman - Professor Emeritus, SoM
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Associate State Climatologist for OCS
Dr. Alan Shapiro - Professor Emeritus, SoM
Dr. Laurel Smith - Associate Professor, Associate Chair, DGES
Dr. John Snow - Professor Emeritus, SoM; AGS Dean Emeritus
Dr. Jaqueline Vadjunec - Professor, DGES
Dr. Bret Wallach - Emeritus Professor, DGES
Anne Walther - Instructor, SoA
Dr. Chenghao Wang - Assistant Professor, SoM & DGES
Dr. Xuguang Wang - Presidential Research Professor,
Robert Lowry Chair Professor, SoM
Dr. Michael Wimberly - Professor, DGES;
Principle Investigator for EcoGRAPH Research Group
Stephen West - Lecturer, SoA; AT-CTI Program Director
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Dr. Feng Xu - Associate Professor, SoM
Dr. Ming Xue - George Lynn Cross Research Professor, SoM
Dr. Anni Yang - Assistant Professor, DGES
Dr. Guifu Zhang - Sam K. Viersen Presidential Professor, SoM

Resources

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The A&GS Family and the NWC Community would like to congratulate the Fall 2023 A&GS Graduates for their tremendous work! Please join us to celebrate at the A&GS Convocation Reception in the National Weather Center Atrium from 3pm to 5pm.