



# XAVIER

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## **Xavier University of Louisiana to Award 500 Degrees at 2018 Commencement**

New Orleans LA - 500 graduates will be awarded their degrees during Xavier University of Louisiana's (XULA) 91<sup>st</sup> annual commencement May 12 at the University Convocation Center.

Award-winning *New York Times* investigative journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones will deliver the keynote address and receive an honorary degree. Also to be recognized during the ceremony is Dr. Norman C. Francis, President Emeritus of Xavier and a 1952 graduate, who will be awarded an honorary degree from his alma mater.

Five students with perfect 4.0 grade points averages head this year's group of 44 summa cum laude graduates, including: Hannah Mbonu, a biology/premed major from Brookeville, Md.; and four pharmacy students – Sarah Bilbe of Kenner, La.; Rania El-Desoky of Muscat, Oman; Thao Pham of New Orleans, La.; and Amanda Stevens of Kenner, La.

### **HONOR GRADUATES**

#### **Summa Cum Laude**

Bachelor of Arts: Jazmyne Darby, Taqiyyah Elliott, Gabrielle Gaston, Ashley Gragg, and Cassandra Johnson.

Bachelor of Science: Joshua Adkins, Ezinne Agwaramgbo, Ebony Browne, Dominique Cameron, Jessica Carmon, Steven Do, Noor Fatima, Summer Flowers, Indigo Gill, Selena Gray, Sydney Labat, Hannah Mbonu, Imani Miles, Marilyn Ndukwe, An Nguyen, Anthony Nguyen, Jonathan Nguyen, Son Nguyen, Hassan Owens, Bryan Redmond, Imani Reid, Savannah Samuel, Faith Simiyu, Jordan Smith, Jazmin Stenson, Asha Tate, and Deja Washington.

Doctor of Pharmacy: Sarah Bilbe, Morgan Cottingham, Rania El-Desoky, Lauren Hamilton, Veronica Mayer, Janice Nguyen, Phi Nguyen, Thao Pham, Jennifer Phan, Andrea Phang, Ronald Salmen, and Amanda Stevens.

#### **Magna Cum Laude**

Bachelor of Arts: Morgan Yates.

Bachelor of Science: Ryane Adams, Jordan Anderson, Khila Anderson, Andrew Andre, Kyla Baron, Marialaina Carter, Drew Chatters, Victoria Dawkins, Alexandria Dixon, Robert Freter, Victoria George, Margaret Hazelton, Chelsea Kelland, Tuong Vy Nguyen, Derian Pugh, Myka Taylor, Shalani Taylor,

Pauline Tu, Tajhshea Walden, Janiece Walker, and Austin Welch.

Doctor of Pharmacy: Hanadi Afaneh, Brittany Bordelon, Joshua Delcambre, Yinka Falana, Nhi Hoang, Jasmine Kinnard, Anthony Nguyen, Christina Nguyen, Ngoc Nguyen, Corey Todd, Anton Tran, Tuong-Vi Tran, Rowena Vo.

### **Cum Laude**

Bachelor of Arts: Nicholas Davison, Anaam Ismail, Erica Jackson, Leland Johnson, Kendall Lawson, Jada Mack, Morgan Moore, Eyona Nelson, Camille White, and Ammiel Williams

Bachelor of Science: Quinesia Ayers, Victoria Barnett, Imani Bell, Ariel Bonnee, Chelsea Brown, Destine' Cammon-Thompson, Elizabeth Celestine, Bianca Clark, Tatiana Collins, Cheyenne DeShields, Ariana Dirige, D'Lauren Falkner, Taylor Ford, Brianne Fruge', Javion Gutter, Sarah Hale, Myeshia Jackson, Nia Jolivette, Maya Leslie, Luis Marquez, Kristen McKendall, Shakayla Morgan, Mariette Pena, Jessica Ray, Tyjah Saulsberry, Yasmine Secrist, Mariah Tate, Kaelan Temple, Colbren Thomas, Quyen Tran, Williamson Turner, Brianna Warren, and Kylar Wiltz.

Doctor of Pharmacy: Sidoline Achemenkong, Eman Al-Bassisi, April Brown, Megan Callaghan, Dominique Edwards, Jasmin Eugene, Stephanie Gates, Jessica Hano, Kaitlin Loupe, Jacenta Matthews, Evonne Murphy, Mindy Ngo, Thuy Ngo, Joseph Nguyen, Karim Sbaa, Angelita Sirianni, Lauren Steele, D'Undria Taylor, and Joshua Vu.

### **Graduate Degrees with honors**

Master of Arts: Tiffany Frederick, Tatiana Obioha, and Temple Price.

Master of Arts in Teaching: Brittaney Wright.

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## **ALL GRADUATES**

### **Bachelor of Arts**

Adam Albrecht, Tatyana Aubert, Damiola Babatunde, Christopher Banks, Jendaya Bell, Ami Benavidez, Chaunceia Boyd, Christopher Brown, Olivia Browne, Amber Bryant, Trenton Butler, Sarah Cannon, Vincenzo Ciccone, Jordon Coward, Wendy Dang, Jazmyne Darby, Meagan Davis, Wynton Davis, Nicholas Davison, Kyla Dees-Sullivan Mcknight, Taqiyah Elliott, Brittany Everett, Jazmin Fielder, X'Zavierr Garland, Gabrielle Gaston, Ashley Gragg, Elin Hawkins, Brielle Hill, Anaam Ismail, Dinesha Jackson, Erica Jackson, Jadzia James, Cassandra Johnson, Leland Johnson, Peyton King, Kendall Lawson, Dat Le, Jada Mack, Kaelin Maloid, Maya Mann, Morgan Marcial, Aja McCoy, Lindsey Mccoy-Speights, Brandon Mercadel, Alicia Miller, Allison Miller, Morgan Moore, Andre Morgan Jr., Eyona Nelson, Kandace Oden, Nigel Palmer, Asharee Peters, Alexia Pierre, Jacquelyne Pouncy, Enas Ramzi, Khadijah Roberts, Ayanna Robertson, Monica Rocco, Patrick-Gregori Sarmiento, Amari Teal, Lexcie Thomas, John Tortorich, Javonte Vaden, Camille White, Kyle Wilkins, Ammiel Williams, Chante Williams, Corinne Williams, Kai Williams, Nyambi Williams, Morgan Yates, and Laquiana Young.

### **Bachelor of Science**

Christopher Adams, Ryane Adams, Joshua Adkins, Ezinne Agwaramgbo, Nyasia Aiken, Reginald Alex II, Clarke Allen, Brianna Anderson, Jordan Anderson, Khila Anderson, Andrew Andre, Ahmed Arasah, Sierra Armstrong, Michelle Augustine, Quinesia Ayers, Victoria Barnett, Kyla Baron, Imani Bell, Sabrina Bellow, Tayla Bennett, Rondell Best, Monte Bingley, Quinteshea Bolden, Kyelajuan Bolding, Kiera Bonaparte, Ariel Bonnee, Sydney Booker, Adia Brantley, Algeria Brisbon, Edward Brooks, Chelsea Brown, Laquel Brown, Neasjia Brown, Ebony Browne, Rashad Butler-Wilkerson, Dominique Cameron, Destine' Cammon-Thompson, Alysha Cannon, Jessica Carmon, Amber Carter, Marialaina Carter, Elizabeth Celestine, Drew Chatters, Bianca Clark, Kenneth Clark III, Tatiana Collins, Amandine Coupet, Delores Cousin, Brooke Creighton, Arielle Crook, Daizja Dailey, Collin Davis, Victoria Dawkins, Xiara Day, Cheyenne DeShields, Ariana Dirige, Bianca Dirige, Alexandria Dixon, Reginald Dixon, Steven Do, Christy Doan, Nateese Dockery, Naomi Dubose, Thien-An Duong, Darien Dyson, D'Lauren Falkner, Noor Fatima, Kyazia Felder, Summer Flowers, Taylor Ford, Robert Freter, Brianne Fruge', Kelsey Gardiner, Amira Gee, Victoria George, Cory Gettridge, Indigo Gill, Khari Gilmore, Chelsea Giroir, Kaici Gordon, Selena Gray, Javion Gutter, Linh Ha, Sarah Hale, Millard Hampton, Dasia Harris, Raja Harrison, Shermona Harvey, Margaret Hazelton, Ravyn Hickerson, Tarius Hill, Kayla Holmes, Corlis Hopkins, Blake Horton, Austin Hudson, Alanna Humphrey, Afshanti Hunter, Tyra Ivory, Christopher Jackson, Myeshia Jackson, Taylor Jackson, Danielle James, Lawrencina Johnson, Taylor Johnson, Ahmeena Johnson Anderson, Kaylin Jolivette, Nia Jolivette, Jaquil Jones, Jasmine Jones, Ronnie Jones Jr., Shelby Jones, Tiffany Joseph, Shantell Junious, Ireyon Keith, Chelsea Kelland, Brionna King, Jonathan Kirk, Sydney Kirven, Emma Kranendonk, Sydney Labat, Troy Ladmiraault Jr., Bria Landry, Krysten Lane, Carolyn Le, Tammy Le, Mary Leonard, Maya Leslie, Tushar Mandlekar, Luis Marquez, Lucas Martin, Bongani Mathanjana, Hannah Mbony, Dante Mbunwe, Ariel McCoy, Kristen McKendall, JaiVictoria McKinney, Macy McNeil, Jasmine Merlette, Lee Metoyer, Imani Miles, Ryan Millon, Chandler Mitchell, Shakayla Morgan, Tailar Moses, Amira Muhsen, Braxton Murray, Eleecia Myers, Marilyn Ndukwe, Rachel Neal, An Nguyen, Andrea Nguyen, Anthony Nguyen, Jonathan Nguyen, Linda Nguyen, Son Nguyen, Tuong Vy Nguyen, Jedera Nwoke, Destiny O'Conner, Olivia Oliver, Emmanuella Onwubuya, D'Andrea Opara, Hassan Owens, Christopher Palacios, Mariette Pena, Amara Person-Hampton, Daniel Petterway, Justin Platt, Nathifa Polonio, Derian Pugh, Jessica Ray, Bryan Redmond, Corinne Reed, Imani Reid, Kayla Reiss, Evan Reynolds, Kristen Richardson, Alexis Roberson, Whitney Roth, Tylor Row, Savannah Samuel, Tyjah Saulsberry, Dominique Savoy, Asia Scott, Yasmine Secrist, Tramaine Shannon, Faith Simiyu, Kiara Simmons, Robert Singleton III, Jordan Smith, Marcus Smith, Halliburton Sparks, Timothy Spearman II, Darriel Springfield Jr., Brionne St. Cyr, Steven St. Martin II, Jazmin Stenson, Kia Stern, Chelsea Stevens, Asha Tate, Mariah Tate, Myka Taylor, Shalani Taylor, Kaelan Temple, Colbren Thomas, Demorris Thompson III, Imani Thompson, Hien Tran, Linh Tran, Quyen Tran, Pauline Tu, Williamson Turner, Larrianna Varnado, Jael Vincent, Paul Waddell II, Tajhshea Walden, Alexandria Walker, Gabrielle Walker, Janiece Walker, Wesley Walker, Briana Warren, Angela Washington, Deja Washington, Amber Weatherspoon, Austin Welch, Alaya Wells, Simone White, Colesha Williams, Lauren Williams, Morgan Willis, Aliyah Wilson, Emily Wilson, Taylor Wilson, Kylar Wiltz, and Morris Wright

### **Doctor of Pharmacy**

Sidoline Achemenkong, Tiara Adejare, Olisaeloka Adigwe, Hanadi Afaneh, Huda Afaneh, Eman Al-Bassisi, Jordan Alonzo, Yasheika Ania, Ganiat Animashawun, Derick Atabong, Jessica Baham, Ashley Barabin, Chrystalynne Bechtel, Sarah Bilbe, Brooke Boe, Brittany Bordelon, Jaune Boudreaux, April Brown, Edcharra Cage, Megan Callaghan, Brandi Calvin, Corliss Carter, Chuong Chau, Wanda Clay-Jones, LaTara Cloudet, Laticia Coleman, Iesha Colla, Devin Conley, Morgan Cottingham, Raymond Curry, Joshua Delcambre, Monique Desvignes, Heather Dikes, Peter Duong, Dominique Edwards, Ebere Ekesi, Mezzan El Sayed, Rania El-Desoky, Susan Elqess Mossa, Jasmin Eugene, Kayla Evans, Angela Exnicios, Yinka Falana, Hannah Finnegan, Megan Fontenot, LaShone Francis, Ariyan Frazier, Lonnie

Gaines, Stephanie Gates, Telicia Gayden, Philippe Gilchrist, Tomi Gilliam, Cornelia Greene, Justine Gunnell, Lauren Hamilton, Jessica Hano, Reginald Harrison Jr., Nhi Hoang, Casey Holloway, Peter Huynh, Faith Hyacinthe, Mayme Hymel, Dana Jackson Jr., Chelsea James, Alexis Jones, Kayla Jones, Chloe Keller, Christopher Kennie-Richardson, Jasmine Kinnard, Jonathan La, Andrew Lai, Thu Le, Tien-Trang Le, Kaitlin Loupe, Celeste Mart, Jacenta Matthews, Veronica Mayer, Taylor McBride, Taylor McFarland, Megan McKay, Aniya Mercadel, Mason Miley, Clarence Mitchell III, Mona Moghareh, Chloe' Montgomery, Evonne Murphy, Mindy Ngo, Nam Ngo, Thuy Ngo, Annie Nguyen, Anthony Nguyen, Billy Nguyen, Christina Nguyen, Han Nguyen, Hieu Nguyen, Janice Nguyen, Joseph Nguyen, Joseph Nguyen, Karen Nguyen, Kenny Nguyen, Mai-Tram Nguyen, Michelle Nguyen, My Hien Nguyen, Nam Phuong Nguyen, Ngoc Lan Nguyen, Patrick Nam Nguyen, Pauline Nguyen, Peter Nguyen, Phi Nguyen, Phung Nguyen, Tam Nguyen, Thanh Nguyen, Vi Nguyen, Nicholas Ninh, Erica Olivier, Demetrius Onuaguluchi, Paul Pham, Thanh-Thao Pham, Thao Pham, Tram Pham, Jennifer Phan, Kelly Phan, Andrea Phang, Joseph Pugh III, Ashley Ricouard, Gabriel Rochon, Rae Ryan, Ronald Salmen, Karim Sbaa, Angelita Sirianni, Dominick Spadoni, Daniel Spell, Scarlett Splane, Lauren Steele, Amanda Stevens, Frederick Sykes, D'Undria Taylor, Katelynn Templet, Ivy Thai, Que Tieu, Corey Todd, Anton Tran, Jonathan Tran, Lisa Tran, Michael Tran, Nhi Tran, Tuong-Vi Tran, Viet Tran, Riddhi Vekariya, Nha Vo, Rowena Vo, Joshua Vu, Teresa Vu, Jana Webb, Candice Wiley, Nandi Wilkerson, Whitney Wong, Letitia Yearby, and Cody Young.

### **Master in Theology**

Orrin Burroughs and John Milton.

### **Master of Arts**

Caprice Caldwell, Nichelle Cook, Shannel Cunningham, Rachelle Cyprian, Tiffany Frederick, Allyson Graham, Corey Harrell, Latasha Harris, Tiffany Henderson, Ashley Larche, Kristiaan Lewis, Justin Mack, Isis Muhammad, Tatiana Obioha, Ciara Pemberton, Christopher Perrone, Temple Price, Zerlander Ragas, Teikeshia Randolph, Carolyn Robinson, Stanley Sholtz, Celeste Spencer, Charles Thirsty, and Ciarra Waters-Mullen.

### **Master of Arts in Teaching**

Troy Avery, Devan Credeur, Minesha Estell, Kayla Henry, Calvinsha Weaver, and Brittaney Wright.

### **Doctor of Education**

Tania Coleman, Roslyn Hartman, and Candice Williams.

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