Graduation Ceremony
Department of History

May 9, 2015
Introductory Remarks
David A. Zonderman, Interim Department Head

Special Guest Speaker
Dean Jeff Braden, Dean’s Office

Faculty Speaker
Dr. Charles Ludington, Professor

Presentation of Awards
Highest Academic Achievement in History
Hobbs Prize for Historical Curiosity
Dr. William Kimler, Interim Associate Dept. Head

Graduation with Honors in History
Dr. David Gilmartin, Professor

Public History Award
Dr. Craig Thompson Friend, Director of Public History

Outstanding Thesis Award
Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award
Dr. Susanna Lee, Director of Graduate Programs

Speakers
Alexandra Rose Carlson and Micah Grace Khater
Class of 2015

Presentation of Degrees
David Zonderman and Norene Miller

A reception for graduates, families, and friends will follow the ceremony.
May 2015 Graduates
Bachelor of Arts in History

Jordan Robert Alleman ........................................... Fayetteville
Alexander Bartholomew Barr .......................... Fayetteville, GA
Teachers Education Concentration

Danielle Olivia Brinton ...............................................Shelby
Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa,
Minor in Political Science

Megan Ashley Brown .................................................Raleigh
Summa cum laude, University Scholar,
Minor in Italian Studies

Kenneth Paul Buchanan ...........................................Cary
Alex Eugene Bunting ............................................. Oak City
Summa cum laude, Minor in Italian Studies

Ethan Dunham Burchett .......................................... Summerfield
Minor in Russian Studies

Jessica Ann Byrd .......................................................Lillington
Summa cum laude

Raphael Emmanuel Chanis, Jr ............................... Fayetteville
Second Major Political Science

Meredith Anne Check ........................................... Lexington
Second Major in International Studies,
Minor in Russian Studies

Samantha Lauren Copeland .................................. Apex
Teacher Education Concentration

William John D’Amato ...........................................Ellicott City, MD
Christine Anne Dara ............................................. Wake Forest
Danny Christopher Deaton ................................. Morganton
Ryan David Eubanks .............................................. Beaufort
Dylan Alexander Ferry ........................................ Emerald Isle
Cum laude, Minor in Military Studies: Aerospace Studies

Tabitha Alexandria Fleming .................................. Randleman
Minors in Nonprofits and Political Science

Adam Wetherill Fullerton ......................................... Durham
Minor in Horticultural Sciences
Emily Rebecca Greene ............................. Hickory
Magna cum laude, National Society of Collegiate Scholars,
Second Major in Anthropology
Minors in Spanish and English

Sarah Katherine Guemple ............................. Cary
Minors in Spanish and English

Anna Taylor Hawksworth ............................. Raleigh
Cum laude, Minors in Political Science and
Woman and Gender Studies

Charles Hughie Haynes III ......................... Holly Springs
Magna cum laude

Bethany Lee Heavner .............................. Cherryville

Kenneth Michael Hill .............................. Murphy
Minor in International Studies

Samuel Lee Holder III ............................. Raleigh

Jordan Elizabeth Karlis ............................ Laurinburg
Honors in History, Second Major in Anthropology,
Minors in Native American Studies and
Classical Studies: Latin

Micah Grace Khater .............................. Raleigh
Valedictorian, Summa cum laude, Honors in History,
University Honors, Caldwell Fellow, Phi Alpha Theta,
Phi Beta Kappa, Second Major in French,
Minor in English

Katie Van Duyn King ............................. Calabash
Magna cum laude

Eric Randall Leder ............................... Wilmington

Brandon Joseph Libro ............................ Morristown, NJ
Magna cum laude, Honors in History, Teacher Education
Concentration, Minors in Political Science and Spanish

Adam Patrick Lipay .............................. New Egypt, NJ
Cum laude, Teacher Education Concentration,
Minor in Spanish

Alexander Michael Madison ...................... Chapel Hill

Christian Hunter Mashburn ........................ Andrews
Minor in Political Science

Mark Hunter McSwain ............................ Lincolnton
Austin Michael Mitchell ........................................ Goldsboro
  *Cum laude*, Minor in Political Science
Jason Trevor Norris ................................................. Durham
  Valedictorian, *Summa cum laude*, Phi Kappa Phi,
  Minors in Anthropology and
  Classical Studies: Latin Concentration
Joyska Nayte Nuñez Medina ................................. Seffner, FL
  *Cum laude*, Minor in Theatre, Phi Alpha Theta
Samantha Morgan Pence ................................. Morehead City
  Minor in Classical Studies
Richard Charles Pfeiffer, III ................................. Washington
  Second Major in Political Science
Robert Linehan Sosower ........................................ Durham
  *Cum laude*
Rebekah Anne Sparrow ................................. Kinston
  *Cum laude*, Minors in Business Administration
  and Economics
Claire Briggs Stroup ........................................ Saxapahaw
  *Cum laude*
Carol Ann Trammell ........................................ Concord
  Minor in Middle Eastern Studies
Shanlyn Noel Wagoner ........................................... Elkin

**Bachelor of Science in History**
Alexandra Rose Carlson ........................................ Durham
  Valedictorian, *Summa cum laude*, University Honors,
  Jefferson Scholar, Phi Beta Kappa,
  Second Major in Animal Science
Sean Michael Chastain ........................................ Raleigh
  Minor in Environmental Science
Thomas Alton Norris ........................................ Midland
  Second Major in Biological Sciences,
  Minor in Food Science
Master of Arts in History

Madison Ward Cates .................................. Hillsborough
B.A. Degree, Gardner-Webb University, 2013
Jaime Elizabeth Eagerton .........................Batesburg, SC
B.A. Degree, University of South Carolina-Aiken, 2011
Ashley Gordon Jones ............................... Edmonton, Canada
B.A. Degree, University of British Columbia, 2012
Thesis Distinction
Stefanie Alyson King ............................. Silk Hope
B.S. Degree, North Carolina State University, 2013
Pamela Katerina Koulianos ......................... Durham
B.A. Degree, North Carolina State University, 2011
Jesica Jayd Lewis .................................. Morrisville
B.A. Degree, North Carolina State University, 2011
Thesis Distinction
Sarah Elise Wenner ............................ Rochester, MI
B.A. Degree, Albion College, 2010
Thesis Distinction
Kelsey Lynn Zavelo .............................. Lorena, TX
B.A. Degree, North Carolina State University, 2010
Outstanding Teaching Award
Thesis Distinction
Master of Arts in Public History

Amanda Michelle Benter ................................. Milwaukee, WI
  B.A. Degree, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2012
Rose Alexander Buchanan ............................... Burlington
  B.S. Degree, Appalachian State University, 2013
Amanda Michelle Jeude ................................. Huntsville, AL
  B.A. Degree, University of Alabama at Birmingham, 2011
Nathan Ryan Johnson ................................. Cary
  B.A. Degree, North Carolina State University, 2012
Rebecca Ann Lowe ............................... Greensboro
  B.A. Degree, UNC at Greensboro, 2012
Hayley Rianne Moll ................................. Wilmington
  B.A. Degree, Elon University, 2012
Lauren Elizabeth Roland ............................. Lenoir
  B.A. degree, Appalachian State University, 2012
Samantha Lynn Smith ............................... Carrboro
  B.A. Degree, University of Georgia at Athens, 2011
Josie Lyn Titus ..................................... Mount Horeb, WI
  B.A. Degree, University of Hawaii at Manoa, 2012
Samantha Leigh Vandermeade .......................... Clyde
  B.A. Degree, Appalachian State University, 2009
  Outstanding Teaching Award
Honors

*Cum laude* - 3.25 overall Grade Point Average
*Magna cum laude* - 3.5 overall Grade Point Average
*Summa cum laude* - 3.75 overall Grade Point Average
Valedictorian – 4.0 overall Grade Point Average
University Scholar – completed Scholars Program
University Honors – completed Honors Program
Franklin Scholar – Dual Degree with Engineering
Jefferson Scholar – Dual Degree with CALS
Phi Alpha Theta – History National Honors Society
Phi Beta Kappa – National Honor Society
David Ambaras, Modern Japan  
Ph.D., Princeton University
Ross Bassett, American Technology  
Ph.D., Princeton University
Matthew M. Booker, U.S. Environmental History  
Ph.D., Stanford University
Kat Charron, U.S. Southern/ U.S. Woman/ Civil Rights  
Ph.D., Yale University
Haydon Cherry, Southeast Asia  
Ph.D., Yale University
Megan Cherry, Early U.S.  
Ph.D., Yale University
James Crisp, U.S. Frontier /Antebellum South  
Ph.D., Yale University
Craig Friend, Public History/ Early U.S. History  
Ph.D., University of Kentucky
David Gilmartin, South Asia  
Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley
Walter Jackson, Twentieth Century / Intellectual  
Ph.D., Harvard University
Owen Kalinga, Africa  
Ph.D., University of London
Blair Kelley, African-American/Public History  
Ph.D., Duke University
Judy Kertész, Native American/ Public History  
Ph.D., Harvard University
Akram Khater, Modern Middle East  
Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley
Mi Gyung Kim, Chemistry/ Modern Science  
Ph.D., UCLA
William Kimler, Biology/Modern Science  
Ph.D., Cornell University
Susanna Lee, Civil War/Reconstruction/ U.S. South  
    Ph.D., University of Virginia
Keith Luria, Early Modern Europe/ France  
    Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley
Alicia McGill, Heritage Studies/ Public History  
    Ph.D., Indiana University
Julie Mell, European Jewish/ Medieval  
    Ph.D., University of North Carolina
Nancy Mitchell, Twentieth Century/ Foreign Relations  
    Ph.D., Johns Hopkins University
Jonathan K. Ocko, Modern China/Japan  
    Ph.D., Yale University
S. Thomas Parker, Greek/Roman  
    Ph.D., UCLA
Julia Rudolph, Legal/ Modern Europe  
    Ph.D., Columbia University
Brent Sirota, British/ Tudor & Stuart England  
    Ph.D., University of Chicago
Richard Slatta, Latin America/ Comparative Frontiers  
    Ph.D., University of Texas
Stephanie Spencer, History of Art  
    Ph.D., University of Michigan
Noah Strote, Modern Europe/ Germany  
    Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley
Gerald Surh, Russia  
    Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley
K. Steven Vincent, France/Intellectual  
    Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley
David Zonderman, U.S. Labor/ Public History  
    Ph.D., Yale University
Although North Carolina State University did not offer a degree in History until the 1964-1965 academic year, professors have taught history courses on campus since the school opened in 1889. History served as a requirement for much of that time, based on the idea that history courses produced well-informed and well-prepared citizens.

In 1965, History became an independent department, splitting from Political Science. Since then, History has come into its own as a prominent department both on campus and in the broader community. Throughout the 1970s and 1980s the faculty was enlarged to reflect the discipline’s methodological and geographical growth. In 1967, the department granted its first Master’s degree and began offering the Master’s in Archival Management (now broadened to Public History) in 1981. The Department’s location has also improved substantially, as it has moved in recent years from the infamously round Harrelson Hall to a newly-refurbished Wither Hall.

Today, History at NCSU encompasses five degree programs (M.A. in History, M.A. in Public History, B.A., B.A. with a Teachers Education concentration, B.S.). The student historians of NCSU conduct top-level research in the field under the tutelage of faculty with expertise in all facets of the discipline. Additionally, the History Graduate Student Association initiated a regional conference in 2005 that continues to draw participants nationally and even internationally. In many ways the History Department continues the university’s original reason for offering history courses-to prepare citizens of North Carolina, of the United States, and of the world.
This Day in History,
May 9th

1671 Col. Thomas Blood attempts to steal Crown Jewels.
1899 Lawn mower patented.
1913 17th Amendment provides for election of Senators by popular vote.
1914 US President Wilson proclaims Mother’s Day public holiday.
1918 Mike Wallace, Brookline Mass, newscaster born.
1926 Explores Richard E. Byrd & Floyd Bennett flew over North Pole.
1929 WJW-AM in Cleveland Ohio begins radio transmissions.
1945 Czechoslovakia liberated from Nazi occupation (Natl Day).
1960 USFDA approved the Birth Control Pill.
1970 100,000s demonstrate against Vietnam War.
1984 White Sox & Brewers play longest timed baseball game (8:06 hours).
2005 Arianna Huffington launched the Liberal commentary website The Huffington Post.

2015 Your Graduation