

## Spring Semester 2013 Graduate Hooding Ceremony

### Master of Arts in Liberal Studies

Chastity Maria Abrom

James Larry Baxley

**Mary Kate C. Chapman:** The Master of Arts in Liberal Studies program at CSU forever changed my life. I know that I am now equipped to handle any adversity thrown my way due to the challenges I overcame while in graduate school.

**Latrina Monique Dickerson:** Committed to learning, service, and success, the professors of the MALS program went beyond my expectations to ensure I reached my goal. The School of Graduate Study created an atmosphere in which I felt like I was a part of the CSU family. And for that, I thank you.

**Sabrina Frang:** I would like to thank my family, my extended family, the Youngbloods, my mentors and friends, the wonderful faculty at Clayton State, and especially my boss, Elizabeth Taylor, for believing in me. I am lucky!

**Laura Eunice Hurd:** Clayton State's Masters of Liberal Arts degree provides a unique cross-discipline education that broadens students' learning horizons. I am very thankful for the opportunity to learn under the excellent professors in achieving my MALS degree.

Tamika M. Moore

**Kamille Angelica Rigby:** Completing my Master's degree at CSU is a great milestone that I was able to embark upon and will cherish forever. To my family and friends, wonderful faculty, and my classmates who walked with me along the way— thank you.

**Toye Louise Wheeler:** Earning my Master's Degree in Liberal Studies at Clayton State University has proven to be one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. I thank all of my family and friends for their support.

### Master of Arts in Teaching English

LaQuanda M. Boney

**Tanya Reané Conyers:** Being a part of CSU's Graduate Program reinforced the notion that with a couple of sleepless nights, shedding a few tears, and endless amounts of hard work and dedication, I can accomplish anything!

Fern Matheson

**Lindsey Paulson McDaniel:** The lessons I've learned from awesome professors, colleagues, mentors, and students go beyond the classroom and I know that I will be a better teacher because of my experience in the MAT program at Clayton State.

Daniel Lawrence Smoak

**Ryan Koreen Strader:** My time in the MAT program was a wonderful period in my life filled with discovery, transformation, and intellectual challenge. I would like to say thank you to each of my professors, whom I admire and respect. I would also like to say thank you to my family, Joel, Quinn, and Elijah, who have been supportive and patient.

Deidra Wright

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

Margaret Gilchrist Armour

M. Gail Conn

## **Master of Business Administration**

Duné Lamar Artis

**Daphne C. Brown:** Getting my M.B.A. here at CSU has given me so much more than I could have imagined - knowledge, opportunity, and friendships. I want to thank my husband, Wesley Brown, for his unconditional support of my dream. Crissy Brown M.B.A., R.R.T. - N.P.S.

Antwon D. Butler

**Frederick John Carter:** My experience at Clayton state University was wonderful. As a Certified Public Accountant, I was looking for a place to help me to expand toward the management side of business. The training I've received has given me the confidence and ability to boldly enter into the arena of management.

Shelton L. Cook

Patrice Chanel Copeland

**David-Taiwan C. Crompton:** The MBA program at Clayton State University has been a challenging, yet rewarding experience. It has prepared me to re-enter the business world with a higher level of expertise and has paved the way for me to pursue a Ph.D.

**Roger Bernabé Custin:** The program advanced my career and strengthened my skills, but most importantly, introduced me to a network of intelligent, caring, and extraordinarily dedicated management professionals. I am humbled to have worked with each of you.

**Gwendolyn Sue Dean:** My CSU MBA experience afforded me opportunities to work with students from different cultures, age groups, and industries. Every staff member shared personal experiences anchoring my quest for knowledge, and zeal to succeed.

**Bethlehem Edwards:** The MBA program at Clayton State improved my business communication skills tremendously. I have gained considerable confidence especially in public speaking because of the program. I thank God for all the blessings in my life.

**Kevin Antwain Edwards:** Being a part of Clayton State University's MBA Program has been very rewarding. It has giving me the necessary knowledge and training to be competitive in any business environment. Being a part of Cohort 11 is an experience I will never forget. Thank You!!!

Latoya Marie Evans

Timothy Wayne Ezell II

Kenneth Michael Ferguson

**Dierdre Gonnigan:** This program has equipped me with the knowledge and skills to run my own business-at minimum to become a better manager. I have taken away from the program a stronger awareness of my strengths, weaknesses.

**Esther Lela-Stegall Goss:** Involvement in CSU's MBA program has opened my eyes to the potential that awaits me and opened doors to opportunities ahead of me. I stand with a solid network of new friends and supportive mentors.

**Jawayne R. Graham:** Life's gains do not come without sacrifice. I have overcome many a loss on my way to obtaining my post graduate degree. I am appreciative and grateful to all that have supported me.

Kortnee Cecelia Griffin

Lawrence Marcel Hamilton

Travis Montaé Hardy

James Holmes

Courtney R. King

**Taha Kir:** Clayton State University MBA program helped me to understand the meaning of real business life. Ever since I started to this program, I saw professors who devoted their lives to teach.

**Will Knudson:** The MBA program has proved a wonderful opportunity to make new friends, challenge my resolve, and appreciate the sacrifices of my loved ones. My heartfelt thanks go out to my professors, cohort, and family.

Nicole Leonard

LaTonya Renée Luke

Yolanda Malone-Gilbert

**Benjamin J. Moten, Jr.:** As the only college graduate in my family, this MBA program has enabled me to serve as a role model, work with others, and improve social skills. Furthermore, I have moved closer to fulfilling my dreams of becoming an entrepreneur.

Starr L. Pettis

**Jaymz Ryms:** I have many treasures (besides my MBA) to take with me upon graduation. I am honored to have worked with and learn from some of the finest people within my cohort and graduating class

**Cassandra Smith:** Possibility. The MBA program at Clayton State University has provided me with the resources to enhance my personal and professional development. I have been introduced to new thinking processes and advanced business practices.

**Frederick J. Snow:** I enjoy a challenge, wanted to broaden myself, and prepare for the next stage in my career. Getting a MBA achieved all of these goals. However, the biggest impact on my MBA experience have been the people.

**Adil Soyuer:** What a wonderful experience! What I like most about CSU is that the staff was very helpful and friendly when I visited to look at the school. I had the opportunity to meet extraordinary people and professors.

Kamaal Muhammad Sultan

Traore Awa Kayatou

William Erik Varnadoe

Demetria Desiree Wideman

Belinda Yeboah

## **Master of Health Administration**

**Larodus J. Carter:** I could not have asked for a better experience from the M.H.A. faculty. The level of growth that I experienced socially, mentally, and spiritually will be aspects of my character for the rest of my life as I pursue my personal goals in hospital administration.

**Jessica Ashley Champion:** Being a student in the MHA program has afforded me the opportunity to learn from a very competent and caring team of professors. I've had an amazing time; I'm eager to start my Healthcare career.

**Tabbitha Gipson Cook:** Obtaining my MHA has expounded the values of commitment, sacrifice, and determination. Now a confident champion for health care; eternally grateful to have achieved this accomplishment. I am exceedingly appreciative to God for his unfailing help, and to my husband for his limitless sacrifice and support!

**Lesia Roberta White Crews:** All praises belong to God for this wonderful opportunity to complete such a profound accomplishment. I'm overwhelmed with appreciation for everyone's love, guidance, kindness, patience and support. Much love, many thanks, and blessings to everyone that shared in my journey, especially to my husband Le'Nard and our children Jordan and Denver. I could not have done this without you!!

Brittany Irene Longino

**Abdoulaye Niang:** The MHA program has given depth to my lifelong learning while equipping me to address the charge imbued on my generation. It made me recognize the challenge within the complexity of our main customer, people.

Ann D. Phillips

Jody Sean Roberts

## **Master of Science in Psychology**

**Jessalyn D. Coddington:** To become a Graduate student is an outstanding accomplishment, in my opinion, however to become the first graduating class of the Masters of Science in Applied Developmental Psychology here at Clayton State, my alma mater, has been nothing short of phenomenal. This has truly been an extraordinary experience which I will not soon forget, and has created bonds of friendship, both with colleagues and mentors, that will endure a lifetime. For this I am truly grateful and humbled to have been a part of this momentous occasion for CSU.

**Teresa Renee' Oliver:** Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world (Nelson Mandela); one neighborhood at a time. This degree means so much to me! Thank you all!

**Christie D. Wooten:** Professional development is what I craved and the ADP program fit perfectly into my career goals and aspirations. Without the support of my loved ones and CSU staff this would not be possible. Thank you.

## **Master of Science in Nursing**

Mandy Marie Cranney