FALL 2025 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

ATHLETICS CENTER | MORROW CAMPUS

Approximately 450 students will participate in Clayton State University's Fall 2025 commencements.

To make commencement a special day for graduates and loved ones, Clayton State University will conduct three ceremonies.

Each ceremony will be unique and will reflect the colleges represented.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2025 | 3:00 PM

COLLEGE OF HEALTH
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,
ENGINEERING & MATHEMATICS (STEM)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025 | 9:00 AM
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025 | 12:00 PM
COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES



FALL 2025 COMMENCEMENT

College of Health College of STEM

December 5, 2025 | 3:00 PM

Dr. Georj L. Lewis

President

PRESIDING

PROCESSIONAL† "Pomp & Circumstance–March No. 1" - Edward Elgar

NATIONAL ANTHEM† "The Star-Spangled Banner" - Francis Scott Key, poem

John Stafford Smith, music

VIDEO PRESENTATION

WELCOME Dr. Georj L. Lewis, President

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENTS Dr. Georj L. Lewis

INTRODUCTION OF Dr. Jill Drake, Provost and Executive Vice President

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS for Academic Affairs

STUDENT ADDRESS Juan Angarita, Bachelor of Arts

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Cade Joiner, Member, Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia

PRESENTATION OF GRADUATE Dr. J. Celeste Walley-Jean, Associate Provost/Associate Vice President for

HOODS Academic Affairs and Faculty Affairs

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR Dr. Dwayne Hooks, Interim Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

DEGREES and Dean, College of Health

Dr. Ebrahim Khosravi, Dean, College of Science, Technology, Engineering,

and Mathematics

CONFERRING & PRESENTATION OF Dr. Georj L. Lewis

DEGREES

INDUCTION OF GRADUATES INTO Christopher Toussant '14 '18 '21, Alumni Association, Board

THE NATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS Dr. Georj L. Lewis

ALMA MATER "Walking in Love and Strength" - Dr. Brigitte Byrd, poem

Dr. Richard Bell, music

RECESSIONAL[†] "Grand March From Aida" - Giuseppe Verdi

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CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY FALL 2025 COMMENCEMENT

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COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Milton J. Little, Jr., President & CEO, United Way of Greater Atlanta

PRESENTATION OF GRADUATE Dr. J. Celeste Walley-Jean, Associate Provost/Associate Vice President for

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PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR Dr. Jacob Chacko, Dean, College of Business

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ALMA MATER

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CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY FALL 2025 COMMENCEMENT

College of Arts & Sciences

December 6, 2025 | 12:00 PM Dr. Georj L. Lewis President

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STUDENT ADDRESS Ebony Swinton, Bachelor of Science

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Cristian Haubner Ngoc Kim Pham Juanita J. Reeves Alec Sterne FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2025 3:00 PM CEREMONY MARSHALS

Faculty Marshal

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Deputy Faculty Marshal Dr. Melva Robertson Student Marshal

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READER Penelope Cliff ANNOUNCER Deborah Davis

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CADE JOINER

MEMBER, BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

One year after earning a BBA in Marketing from the University of Georgia in 2001, Cade Joiner founded Shred-X Secure Document Destruction, which has grown into one of the largest independent shredding companies in the Southeast and was recognized as one of Georgia's 100 fastest-growing businesses.

Joiner is the former Chairman of the National Federation of Independent Business of Georgia, representing 7,000 member businesses. He currently serves as Chairman of the Board of the USG Foundation and sits on the boards of the UGA Entrepreneurship Program, the UGA Athletic Association, the Georgia Research Alliance, and the University System of Georgia Board of Regents. A serial entrepreneur, he also advises multiple healthcare and tech start-ups nationwide. In 2015, the University of Georgia named him one of its forty most distinguished graduates under forty.

In 2018, Joiner co-chaired the Finance Committee for Gov. Brian Kemp and served on the Executive Committee of the Kemp Inaugural. In 2019, he was named Chairman of the Georgians First Commission, which focused on making Georgia the top state for small business.



JUAN ANGARITA BACHELOR OF ARTS

Juan Angarita is an English major with a concentration in writing whose love for reading and storytelling has shaped both his academic path and his involvement on campus. He is deeply engaged in the CSU community, serving as Treasurer of the Creative Writing Club, President of the Banned Book Club, a Writing Consultant with the Writer's Studio, and a Peer Academic Mentor in the English Department. Through these roles, Juan has enjoyed supporting other students as they grow in confidence, refine their voices, and navigate their academic journey. After graduation, Juan plans to pursue an MFA, publish his work, and ultimately teach at the university level, continuing his commitment to uplifting others through writing. When he's not studying or mentoring, he enjoys listening to music, exploring the outdoors, and sharing good food with family and friends.

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MILTON J. LITTLE, JR.

PRESIDENT & CEO, UNITED WAY OF GREATER ATLANTA

Milton J. Little, Jr. became the first African American president of United Way of Greater Atlanta in 2007, following his leadership of United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley. A nationally respected nonprofit leader, he has helped raise more than a billion dollars to support local communities and has guided United Way's response to major economic and natural disasters.

In Atlanta, Little spearheaded the Child Well-Being Movement, which includes the nation's only Child Well-Being Index measuring outcomes down to the census tract level. This work proved vital in 2020 when United Way and the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta launched the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund, raising over \$25 million to support 320 nonprofits.

Before joining United Way, Little served as COO and interim president and CEO of the National Urban League, held corporate philanthropy roles at AT&T and Lucent Technologies, and was vice president for Field Operations at MDRC. He graduated magna cum laude from Morehouse College and earned a master's in urban sociology and social policy from Columbia University.

A native New Yorker, he is married to Shana Davis Little and has three children and three grandchildren.



NEONTA HAYES

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Neonta S. Hayes is a dedicated leader with a strong background in supply chain management, procurement, and operational efficiency. She earned her Bachelor's in Supply Chain Management from Clayton State University and will be pursuing a dual Master's in International Business and Data Analytics this spring. A proud mother of 21-year-old twins, a 9/11 veteran, and a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Neonta brings resilience and service to everything she does. Her professional experience spans roles with Sam's Club Fulfillment Center, RCNH Trucking & Logistics, PepsiCo, Cobb County School District, and the U.S. Postal Service. An accomplished scholar, she has been inducted into Golden Key, NSLS, and the National Technical Honor Society, consistently made the President's List, and earned both the 2025 Undergraduate Entrepreneur of the Year award and the 2025 Fortitude Scholarship. Neonta's journey reflects determination, excellence, and an unwavering commitment to growth.

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SHERRIE MILLER

SVP, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, ID LOGISTICS US

Sherrie Miller is the SVP, Business Development at ID Logistics US, where she leads strategic initiatives, long-term planning, brand development, and organizational growth. ID Logistics is a top global warehouse provider operating in 19 countries with more than 42,000 employees, and its US division has achieved sustained double-digit expansion, including 31.8% year-over-year revenue growth in the first half of 2025.

Since beginning her logistics career in 2008, Sherrie has held leadership roles at multiple multinational third-party logistics companies, leveraging expertise in sales, finance, marketing, and strategic planning to support both domestic and global brand growth.

Sherrie is also deeply committed to Clayton State University, her alma mater, where she earned a BS in Integrated Studies – Management Information Systems, a BBA in Management, and an MBA in Supply Chain & Logistics. She serves on the CSU Trustee Board and has been a member of the CSU College of Business Advisory Board since 2018, currently acting as its chair.



EBONY SWINTON

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Ebony Swinton is a proud first-generation college graduate, wife of 11 years, and mother of four children. She works in criminal and ethical investigations for one of the world's largest logistics companies and owns a travel agency that fuels her passion for travel, cruising, and event planning. Ebony takes pride in her integrity, strong work ethic, and drive to challenge herself. Since beginning her journey at Clayton State University in 2022 as a non-traditional student, she has excelled academically with a 3.8 GPA, earning a place on CSU President's List for the last three semesters. Ebony also joined the Honors Program, where she served as part of the programs chair. Encouraging her children to be better than her I took them to CSU hosted events and found a sense of community at CSU that became family. She is honored to continue her education in graduate school at CSU, carrying forward a legacy of Laker pride.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The tradition of academic regalia dates back to the Middle Ages, when scholars, often clergy, wore heavy gowns for warmth in unheated buildings. Today, American academic dress follows a similar tradition, first adopted by Harvard in 1636.

- Gowns: Associate degree candidates wear gray gowns; bachelor's, black; master's gowns feature
 long, closed sleeves with arm slits; doctoral gowns are trimmed with velvet and bear three velvet
 sleeve bars.
- Hoods: The hood's length and velvet trim indicate the degree level—master's (3.5 feet, 3-inch velvet), doctorate (4 feet, 5-inch velvet). The velvet color represents the field of study (e.g., Science—Yellow; Arts—White; Business—Drab). Hoods are lined with the colors of the granting institution.
- Caps: All graduates wear the mortarboard. Tassels are black or match the field of study; doctoral graduates may wear a velvet cap or a mortarboard with a gold tassel.



ACADEMIC PROCESSION AND SYMBOLS

The commencement procession has ecclesiastical roots, reflecting the church's historic role in education.

- University Mace: Symbolizing presidential authority, Clayton State's mace—crafted from a lightning-damaged campus tree by Lyceum artist Mark Barr—is carried by the Chair of Faculty Senate.
- Presidential Medallion: Worn by the President, it features the Georgia state seal and university name.
- Honors: Graduates with a GPA of 3.5 or higher wear gold cords. Final honors are recorded on diplomas and transcripts. Honors status is pending final grades and maintained by the Office of the Registrar.

Degrees are awarded upon verification of all academic requirements. Due to printing deadlines, not all listed candidates may have completed their degrees. An asterisk (*) denotes members of the Clayton State Honors Program.

Dr. Georj L. Lewis 2023 - Present

Kerry L. Heyward, Interim President 2022 - 2023

Dr. T. Ramon Stuart 2021 – 2022

Dr. Thomas J. Hynes, Jr. 2009 – 2021

Dr. Thomas K. Harden 2000 - 2009

Michael F. Vollmer, Interim President 1999 - 2000

Dr. Richard A. Skinner 1994 - 1999

Dr. Harry S. Downs, Founding President 1969 – 1994

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CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY ALMA MATER

Walking through your majestic pines,
We embrace your simple splendor,
Our hearts and spirits full of hope,
Our minds wide open and ready.
O our dear alma mater,
You give us love and strength.

Walking by your beautiful lake,
We find a new community
Of people from all nations
All joined as one in learning.
O our dear alma mater,
You give us love and strength.

Walking proudly among our peers,
We wear your colors true.
Now shaped and prepared by Clayton State,
We are ready for our future.
O our dear alma mater,
You give us love and strength.

Walking through our unfolding lives,
We take you on the path,
Knowing that the years will change us,
And your standard will remain.
O our dear alma mater,
You give us love and strength.



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Larry Menter

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Leanne Bradberry

Lindsay Chandler

Melva Robertson

Michael Lindsay

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Rebecca Gmeiner

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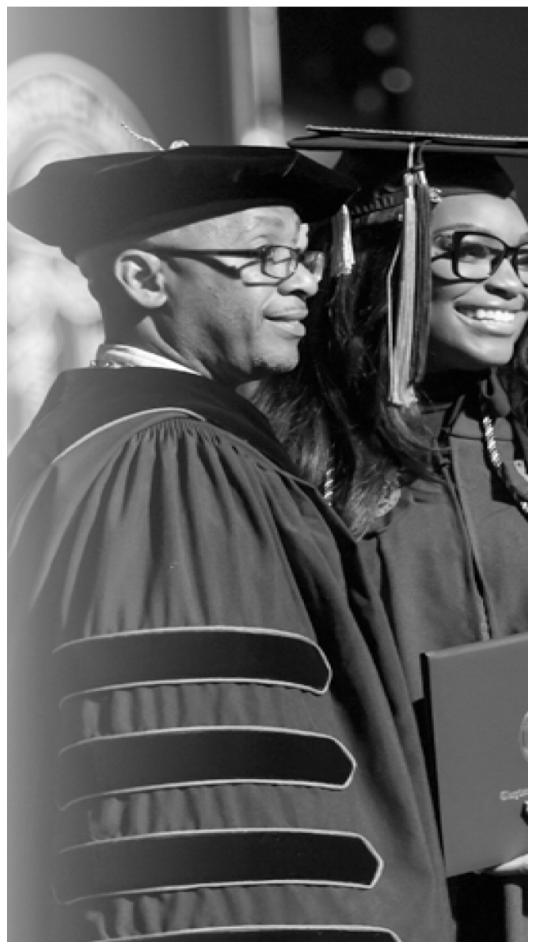
Tamika Chase

Tammy Wilson

Thanh Dong

Thomas Stein

Tony Berry



Ongratulations!!

Through your passion, tenacity, and initiative, you have officially joined the ranks of more than 39,000 members worldwide in the mighty Laker Alumni community!

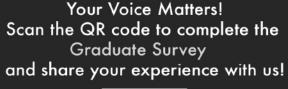
Now, it's time to show your Laker Spirit by taking the next step: becoming an official member of the Clayton State University Alumni Association.

As a new graduate, you'll enjoy exclusive benefits, including:

- A discounted membership rate
- Savings on Continuing Education courses
- Special rates at the Health and Fitness Facilities
- Periodic discounts at the Loch Shop
- And more exciting perks to come!

Membership also connects you to opportunities for networking, volunteering, mentoring, and celebrating your Laker pride at alumni-focused events.

Take the next step today—visit www.clayton.edu/alumni/membership or scan the QR code and join your alumni community!

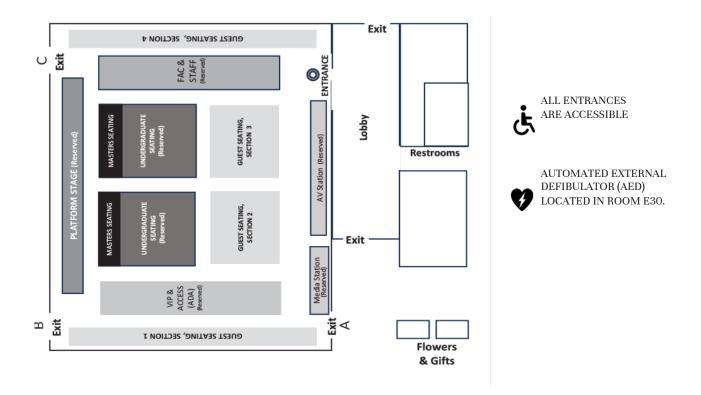






Go Lakers!

ATHLETIC CENTER MAP AND FACILITIES INFORMATION



AMBULANCE

An ambulance will be stationed in lot B, near the east end close to the Athletic Center.

EMERGENCY EXITS

In case of emergency, please proceed to the nearest exit in an orderly manner.

FLOWERS AND GIFTS

Flowers, CSU logo items, and diploma frames are available at the concession cart outside the Athletics Center before and after each ceremony. CSU logo items and diploma frames are 15% off at the concession cart.

GUEST ASSISTANCE

Ushers are available for assistance and information.

LOST AND FOUND

For lost and found items, please contact the Office of Public Safety, Edgewater Hall, Room 207, 678-466-4050.

NO ENTRY/NO EXIT (PROCESSIONAL)

No entry/no exit will be permitted into the Athletic Center 15 minutes prior to the start of commencement in preperation of processional exercises.

PHOTOGRAPHY

A professional photographer will take a photo of the graduates as they cross the stage. Please do not approach the stage area for personal photos as this can disrupt the flow of the ceremony and obstruct the view of others.

PROGRAM

A PDF of this commencement program is available at clayton.edu/commencement

PUBLIC SAFETY

Officers will be stationed inside the Athletics building and outside in the circle area.

RESTROOMS

Restroom locations are indicated on the map above. Restrooms are closed during procession and recession proceedings.

SMOKING

Smoking and tobacco use are not permitted on campus.