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Because Ohio Wesleyan University has only one Commencement exercise each academic year, the listing of degree candidates in some categories includes names of some students who will receive their diplomas after completing summer or fall courses.

### PROGRAM NOTES

Recipient of the Adam Poe Medal

KAREN H. FRYER Professor of Geology 1986-2017

Karen H. Fryer, James Banks Foundation Professor of Geology, is retiring at the close of the 2016-17 academic year after serving on the Ohio Wesleyan faculty for 31 years. Born in Wilmington, Delaware, she grew up in Wilmington and then moved to Erie, Pennsylvania. She took up skiing at a young age becoming a member of the Peek'n Peak Ski Racing Team as a teenager and a professional ski instructor at Peek'n Peak while in college. Karen also was interested in music, studying piano, flute, and viola before finding her true passion, the baritone saxophone. She played baritone sax in two jazz bands in high school. While a student at Wellesley College, she switched to viola da gamba and played in a college consort. She also was a member of the Wellesley College fencing team for four years.

Dr. Fryer received her B.A. with Honors in Geology from Wellesley College and her M.S. and Ph.D. in Geology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Asked why she chose to major in geology, Dr. Fryer stated that she wanted to major in a science at Wellesley, discovered geology, and immediately recognized that to succeed in geology, one needed to master material from all of the sciences. She participated in the Williams College-Mystic Seaport Program in American Maritime Studies during her junior year at Wellesley. This was immediately followed by geology field camp, which is a rite of passage for many geologists. Dr. Fryer went to a field camp in the British Isles and fell in love with the Scottish Highlands. Subsequently, she served as a teaching assistant for the same field camp for five years and completed her Ph.D. dissertation on metamorphism and deformation in >2 billion year old mafic dikes in northwestern Scotland. She received an internship at the Lunar and Planetary Institute and NASA following graduation from Wellesley.

Over the course of her 31-year tenure at Ohio Wesleyan, Dr. Fryer freely shared her fascination with the workings of the Earth with both her students and her colleagues. She taught our introductory course, Physical and Environmental Geology, sharing her knowledge of geology with thousands of OWU students and helping to inspire well over a hundred to major or minor in geology. During the 1990s, she helped to evolve the focus of our introductory course from a traditional emphasis on geological processes toward an integrated Earth Systems approach examining how all life, all water, our atmosphere, and the Earth interact with one another. Today, it is hard to find an introductory geology course in the United States that does not take an Earth Systems approach. Dr. Fryer also taught Structural Geology and introduced courses in Tectonics (with a focus on earthquakes and mountain belts), Geological Techniques, and Petrography. In Structural Geology, Geological Techniques, and Petrography, she incorporated multiday field trips during which students applied their geological knowledge and collected data to use to solve geological problems when they returned to OWU. She helped introduce our Travel-Learning Course, Field Seminar in Geology, with Dr. Bart Martin in which students learn and teach each other about the geology, culture, and history of an area during the semester, followed by a multiple-week immersive field trip. This course focused on Iceland in 2012 and the Death Valley/Owens Valley/San Andreas Fault region of southern Nevada and southern California in 2017. Finally, Dr. Fryer mentored many geology majors and minors in independent research projects, internships, and student assistantships over the years.

Dr. Fryer served the Department of Geology and Geography, Ohio Wesleyan University, the State of Ohio, and the geological community writ large over her 31 years at OWU. She served as chair of the department between 1997 and 2009, helping to hire new faculty in both geology and geography, served on the steering committee for the Planetary Science major, was the Earth Science Liaison to the Education Department, and represented the department on the Science Initiative Committee that culminated in the new Science Center. She served on the Academic Policy Committee, Executive Committee of the Faculty, Trustee-Faculty Liaison Committee, Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid, Assessment Committee, Committee on Teaching & Learning, President's Commission on Racial & Cultural Diversity, Harassment Advisory Panel,

and the committee that evaluates grant applications for the Thomas E. Wenzlau Presidential Discretionary Fund. It was in this latter capacity that she took particular pleasure. More than once, Dr. Fryer commented about how fascinating it was to see what the OWU faculty were doing in both pedagogy and research. She was a co-Principal Investigator on the National Science Foundation grants that secured two scanning electron microscopes for Ohio Wesleyan. She also secured an NSF grant to fund the purchase of a research and several student petrographic microscopes in the department. She served as a Geosciences Councilor for the Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) for 13 years, was secretary of the Geosciences Division for seven years, and associate editor of the CUR Quarterly for four years. In 2009, Governor Ted Strickland appointed Dr. Fryer to the Oil and Gas Commission of the State of Ohio. This commission hears appeals from decisions of the Chief of the Division of Oil & Gas Resources Management, resolving disputes between oil and gas producers, the state, and landowners. She served on the commission for four years, including one year as commission chair.

Dr. Fryer has co-authored with Ohio Wesleyan students on presentations at Geological Society of America meetings on topics ranging from metamorphism and deformation in western Arizona, to iron-sulfide concretions in Ohio, to the tectonics of the Prince William Sound region in Alaska. She published several articles on integrating geological research into the classroom in the Journal of Geoscience Education and the CUR Quarterly. Finally, Dr. Fryer, with a former OWU colleague, published a journal article, numerous reports to the North Carolina State Geological Survey, and a geological map of the Asheville 7½-minute quadrangle in North Carolina. This was a multi-year project in a geologically complex area and included the first detailed map ever created of the geology of the Biltmore Estate.

Asked what she will be doing in retirement, Dr. Fryer commented about looking forward to traveling and walking up mountains with her husband, Cameron; skiing down mountains; getting into mischief with their Scottish grandkids; watching their son make his way in life; and deciding how to put her geological knowledge to use in new ways. Karen, thank you for your service to Ohio Wesleyan and our students over the past 31 years; enjoy all of your new adventures in the years ahead.

### Ohio Wesleyan University Commencement Speaker

### Andres Duarte, OWU Class of 1965

When Andres Duarte sought to join the Beta Theta Pi fraternity as an Ohio Wesleyan University freshman, his soon-to-be brothers jokingly dubbed him the "most outstanding goof-off." Nearly six decades later, Duarte has proved them wrong over and over again – most recently in December 2016 when Queen Elizabeth the Second proclaimed him an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

During his time at Ohio Wesleyan, Duarte majored in Geology and Economics. He went on to earn his Master of Science Degree in Geology from the University of Oklahoma utilizing a Shell Oil Co. Fellowship. After two years in Oklahoma, Duarte enrolled in 1968 at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in a one-year, non-degree program. In 2009, he earned his Master of Arts Degree in International Affairs from The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University.

Duarte created Duarte Vivas & Associates, C.A., in 1977, with the company's initial offerings in the areas of commodity brokerage and trading, representation of foreign companies, and consulting. More than 30 years later, Duarte Vivas & Associates has become a focal point for entrepreneurial activity in the region.

In 2009, together with Ohio Wesleyan graduate Gustavo Vollmer, Class of 1996, Duarte created Luzar Trading Co. with offices in Bogota, Santa Cruz, Bolivia, Panama, and Miami. Duarte currently is working to develop a chemical products company, Quimainca, C.A., in Venezuela and Colombia with Ohio Wesleyan graduate and chemistry major Juan Sykora, Class of 1966.

In Venezuela, Duarte is a member of the Board of Directors for Banco Venezolano de Credito subsidiaries (Vencred, S.A.) and The Venezuelan Petroleum Chamber. He also is a Past President of the British Chamber of Commerce, Venezuela; Director of the British School in Caracas; a founding member and Director of NGO Transparency International, Caracas Chapter; and a Board member of the Thomas Greg & Sons, Ltd., group of companies in Colombia, Brazil, Mexico, and China.

Duarte was named Consul General in Venezuela of the Philippine Republic in 1991, a position he still holds with two assistants in his office. He was a member of the Editorial Board for "El Universal" Newspaper in Caracas, until the newspaper was taken over by government sympathizers.

At Ohio Wesleyan, Duarte served as an At-Large Member of the OWU Board of Trustees from 1996 to 2005 and became a Life Trustee in 2006. As a Trustee, he currently serves on the Board's Marketing Committee and Facilities Subcommittee.

Duarte also is a member of the Ohio Wesleyan Alumni Advisory Board for the University's Woltemade Center for Economics, Business and Entrepreneurship, and he has supported students with philanthropy that includes creating an endowed fund to support travel-learning experiences through The OWU Connection and providing scholarships for students from Latin America.

In 2015, Duarte was awarded an OWU Distinguished Achievement Citation. The document very appropriately recognizes Duarte's professional achievements and dedication to the field of business including his enduring role as "an adventurous, skillful, and adaptable business developer."

An adventurous and adept athlete, Duarte also completed the New York City Marathon six times in the 1980s.

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### NOTES ON ACADEMIC DRESS

The history of academic dress reaches back to the early days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required all "Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors" of the University of Coimbra to wear gowns. In England during the second half of the 14th century, the statutes of certain colleges forbade "excess in apparel" and prescribed the wearing of a long gown. It is still a question whether academic dress finds its sources chiefly in ecclesiastical or civilian dress. Gowns may have been considered necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings used by medieval scholars. Hoods may have served to cover the tonsured head until superseded for that purpose by the skull cap. The cap was displaced by a headdress similar to ones now recognized as "academic."

European institutions continue to show great diversity in their specifications of academic dress. However, when American colleges and universities desired to adopt a system of academic apparel a half-century ago, they worked out a system that all might follow. The code for academic costumes now in effect was approved by the Committee on Academic Costumes and Ceremonies appointed by the American Council on Education in 1959. The following information is taken from that code.\*

**GOWNS**. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, with the sleeve base hanging down in the traditional manner. The rear part of the sleeve's oblong shape is square cut and the front part has an arc cut away. It may be worn open or closed. Bachelor's and master's gowns have no trimming, but the doctor's may be faced on the front with black or colored velvet and with three bars of the same across the sleeves. If color is used, it is the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains, and it matches the edging or binding of the hood. For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors' gowns, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with different subjects are as follows:

Agriculture—Maize Medicine—Green
Arts, Letters, Humanities—White Music—Pink
Commerce, Accountancy, Business—Drab Nursing—Apricot

Dentistry—Lilac Oratory (Speech)—Silver Gray
Economics—Copper Pharmacy—Olive Green
Education—Light Blue Philosophy—Dark Blue
Engineering Over 18 Physical Education Scare Gray

Engineering—Orange Physical Education—Sage Green
Fine Arts—Brown Public Administration—Peacock Blue
Forestry—Russet Public Health—Salmon Pink

Journalism—Crimson Science—Golden Yellow
Law—Purple Social Work—Citron
Library Science—Lemon Theology—Scarlet

Veterinary Science—Gray

**HOODS**. Hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree. The binding or edging of the hood is a color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains.

**CAPS**. Mortarboards are generally worn as part of the academic costume. The long tassel fastened to the middle point of the cap's top is either black or the color appropriate to the subject. It is customary for degree candidates to wear the tassel on the right side before degrees are conferred and to shift them to the left when the degrees are awarded. This custom is in some respects a substitute for the individual hooding.

\*An Academic Costume Code and Ceremony Guide, American Universities and Colleges, American Council on Education, Washington, D.C. ceremony.

# THE UNIVERSITY SEAL OF OFFICE AND THE ORIGINAL UNIVERSITY HANDBELL

The Seal of Office worn by Dr. Jones was designed by Mr. Reveley G. Beattie, a former trustee, and a member of the jewelry firm that made it. The seal symbolizes administrative responsibility and is suspended from a chain, the links of which are copied from a chain-mail surplice. A laurel wreath, ancient symbol of a chief executive, surrounds a replica of the official seal of the University and is quartered by keystones, representing the broad divisions of a liberal arts education. Two medallions are set in the chain above the presidential seal, one of which carries a replica of the tower of University Hall, surrounded by the motto: "Christ the Chief Cornerstone." The other seal is a reproduction of the globe with the inscription: "Serving All Mankind Worldwide."

The Commencement ceremonies will conclude with the ringing of the handbell first used in 1842 to call classes to order. It was presented to the University in 1941 by Nicholas Jones, grandson of the original owner, on the 100th anniversary of Founders' Day. It will also be used as a part of the opening Convocation in August.

### PHOTOGRAPHY AT COMMENCEMENT

A professional photographer will take a color photograph as Dr. Jones presents each graduating senior with his or her diploma. The photographic studio, Graduation Foto<sup>®</sup>, will email a proof of the photo to each senior within approximately a week after Commencement, and at that time orders for prints may be sent directly to the studio. Graduates and family members may also order prints at GraduationFoto.com. There is no obligation to purchase prints, and they pay no charge unless prints are ordered. The photographer will be present if Commencement is held outdoors or in the Gordon Field House of the Branch Rickey Physical Education Center.

Diplomas will be presented in alphabetical order as the names are listed in the Commencement program. Photographs should be taken before and after the ceremony.

### FACULTY MARSHALS

Bradley R. Trees, B.A., M.S., Ph.D., Head Marshal Patricia A. DeMarco, B.A., M.A., Ph.D. Lynda K. Hall, B.A., M.A., Ph.D. David M. Johnson, B.A., M.S., Ph.D.

### STUDENT MARSHALS

Kristen E. Nooney Meaghan J. Teitelman

### OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY BRASS ENSEMBLE

Dr. Larry Griffin, OWU Professor of Music, Trumpet and Director Hayden Biedenham, Tuba Allen Klenect, Trombone Alex McPherson, Trumpet Kamryn Staton, Trumpet Mary Wadell, Horn Joshua Zoppa, Trumpet

STUDENT ASSISTANTS TO ANDRES DUARTE '65 Colette Siddle Melody Smith Ashley Tims

Family and friends are invited to share photos, videos, and other Commencement-related well wishes by tagging social media posts with **#owu2017** and **@ohiowesleyan**.

## Helpful Information for Our Commencement Guests

Public safety officers are on the grounds to answer your questions and assist you with directions.

If you need medical assistance, the first-aid station is located on the second floor of the Schimmel/Conrades Science Center.

A lost-and-found for personal property and for children is located near the first-aid station in the science center.

This Commencement ceremony is being simulcast live in the atrium of the Hamilton-Williams Campus Center.

Video of the ceremony also is being streamed to the Web and will be archived there to allow our graduates to share this special day with family and friends who are not able to attend.

In observance of the formality of this occasion, please turn off all cell phones or silence the ringers prior to the beginning of the ceremony.

Congratulations to the Ohio Wesleyan Class of 2017.



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