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The ULM Alma Mater

By the bayou's tranquil water,
Where friendships thrive and grow,
Proudly stands our Alma Mater
Ever home for us to go.

Here cypress stand in splendor
And gracefully they touch the breeze.

Though friends may leave and lives may change
Faithful we shall always be.
Shining bright the bayou's gem
Ever loyal to ULM.

EXPLANATION OF DEGREES AND DIPLOMAS AWARDED AND ACADEMIC COLORS

The University of Louisiana at Monroe awards the associate, bachelor's, master's, specialist, and doctoral degrees. Diplomas indicate only the degree designations as listed in this program except in the case

An asterisk (*), unless otherwise noted, indicates the student is receiving multiple degrees.

The colors represented in the academic regalia worn by the faculty and candidates are of special interest to those attending the commencement exercises. The standard followed is that of the Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume, as revised by the American Council on Education in 1986. The interior colors of the hood, as seen from the back, symbolize the colors of the wearer's alma mater. The colors shown in the trim of the academic apparel, including the trimmings of doctors' gowns, edgings of hoods, and tassels of the caps, signify the subject area of the wearer, as shown below:

Agriculture ..... Maize
Arts, Letters and Humanities ..... White
Commerce, Accountancy ..... Drab
Dentistry ..... Lilac
Economics ..... Copper
Education .....
Engineering ..... Orange
Fine Arts, including Architecture .....
Forestry .....
Journalism ..... Crimson
Law ..... Purple
Library Science ..... Lemon
Medicine ..... Green
Music ..... Pink
Nursing ..... Apricot
Speech ..... Silver Gray
Pharmacy ..... Olive Green
Philosophy .....
Physical Education ... Sage Green
Public Administration, including Foreign Service .....
Public Health ..... Salmon Pink
Science ..... Golden Yellow
Social Work ..... Citron
Theology ..... Scarlet
Veterinary Science ..... Gray

HONORS REGALIA

Maroon and gold honor cords are worn by cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude ULM graduates whose names appear on the Distinguished Graduates insert in the program. White honor cords are worn by associate degree graduates who have been awarded Honors and High Honors by ULM. Medallions on blue ribbons are worn by members of The National Honor Society Phi Kappa Phi which includes membership in all academic disciplines and is limited to the top 7.5 percent of the junior class and top 10 percent of the senior class and graduate students. Medallions are worn by members of Mortar Board and indicate academic achievement as well as outstanding community and University service. Red and blue honor cords are worn by members of the Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society. Pins and tri-colored black, sky blue, and white cords are worn by members of Omicron Delta Kappa national honor society for academic achievement. Lilac cords are worn by members of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society for Nursing. Medallions are worn by members of Phi Alpha Social Work Honor Society. Maroon and white honor cords are worn by members of the Kappa Omicron Nu National Family and Consumer Sciences Honor Society. Purple and white honor cords are worn by members of the Rho Chi National Pharmacy Honor Society. Green and gold cords are worn by members of Sigma Lambda Chi International Honor Society for Construction. Red and purple knotted cords are worn by members of Alpha Epsilon Delta National Premedical Honor Society. Silver and rose-pink cords are worn by members of Kappa Mu Epsilon National Honor Society in Mathematics. Green and blue cords are worn by members of Tau Omicron Chi Toxicology Honor Society. Single-strand gold cords are worn by members of Lambda Pi Eta National Honor Society in Communication. Gold, royal, blue, and silver cords are worn by members of Sigma Gamma Epsilon National Earth Science Honor Society. Royal blue and gold ribbons are worn by members of the international business honor society Beta Gamma Sigma. Purple and green honor cords are worn by members of the international education honor society Kappa Delta Pi. Red and yellow honor cords are worn by members of the national Spanish honor society Sigma Delta Pi. Red, gold, and white honor cords are worn by members of Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society. Red and black cords are worn by members of Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society.

PRESIDENTIAL CHAIN OF OFFICE

interpretation of the University seal which is surrounded by a decorative bezel. The seal is attached to an elegant chain with engraved banners which bear the names of former chief

ULM are found above the banners on each side of the chain. This chain represents the history and tradition of the University and establishes an enduring legacy for the institution.

UNIVERSITY MACE

The University Mace is a time-honored symbol that represents the light that knowledge brings to humankind. Across the centuries, it has been recognized by scholars throughout the world as an emblem of education and enlightenment. The mace stands to the left of the podium and is present at all ceremonial occasions which celebrate academic excellence at the University. It not only represents the academic mission but also serves as a repository

designated during its evolution.

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