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Upcoming Dates

06/08 - SU 2020 classes begin

06/19 - SU 2020 graduation application deadline

07/30 - SU 2020 classes end

08/17 - FA 2020 classes begin

08/28 - FA 2020 graduation application deadline

Student Success

AUM has a number of resources to assist you in your efforts as a student. Please visit the following links:

Warhawk Academic Success Center

<http://www.aum.edu/academics/academic-support/warhawk-academic-success-center>

Learning Center/Instructional Support Lab

<http://www.aum.edu/academics/academic-support/learning-center-ISL>

Counseling Services

<http://www.aum.edu/current-students/health-and-wellness/counseling-center/counseling-services>



Congratulations Graduates!

Please join me in congratulating the following students for their achievement in graduating with their Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies degree:

Matthew Bateman; Brandon Bennfield; Rapunizal Boykin; Robert Briggs; Reggie Brown; Airiana Carlos-Lee; Brenda Cloud; Dafphne Collins; Bridgette Davis; Melissa Flavell; Angela Green; Courtney Green; Amber Horn; Hayden Hryniw; Arnedra Jackson; Kayla James; Amy LaPointe; Jemaiya Lee; Judsen Owens; Cole Pinkston; Angelica Powell; Lameika Reed; Adrian Smith; Sydney Southerland; Mollie Strickland; Melanie Turner; and Tyronice McDonald.

This is the largest graduating class in the history of BIS program. We will celebrate their efforts at the August 15 commencement ceremony.



The Coordinator's Desk

Welcome to the first issue of the BIS newsletter highlighting student achievements and opportunities at AUM.

Students in this program can create an individually-tailored program of study that aligns their interests with their future pursuits. Or, they can choose from *six* formal multidisciplinary concentrations.

In Fall 2020, I will launch several new initiatives for BIS students. Be looking for emails and announcements concerning upcoming Zoom sessions with the director of AUM's Career Development Center, Mr. Brad Robbins.

I look forward to seeing you in person and to celebrating all of you diligent efforts!

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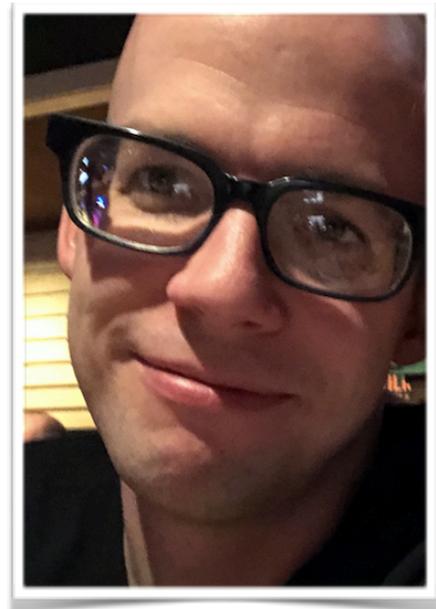
Outstanding Student Profile

Congratulations to Matthew Bateman, the 2019-2020 Outstanding Student in the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies program.

Matthew completed a BIS degree, with a concentration in Religious Studies and minors in History and Philosophy. He graduated *Summa Cum Laude*, made the Dean's List for ten consecutive semesters, and was one of the nominees for Chancellor's Scholar from the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.

Ultimately, Matthew hopes to teach World Religions/Religious Studies in a public high school. Toward that end, he intends to pursue a Master of Science in Education in the near future.

Matthew's wife, Salena, is also a graduate of AUM, where she completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree in Fall 2019. They have four daughters. Both Matthew and Salena began at AUM in Fall 2016. In addition to going to school full-time, they both worked full-time and shared the responsibility of homeschooling their children.



Matthew writes, "I am most thankful to Christ and my wife for helping see me through it all; to a litany of other family and friends, for favors great and small, including my girls for being so patient and understanding, as well as thankful for the saints' prayers. It has been quite a ride!"