



Academic Affairs Report

July 17, 2026

Agenda Item #1: Conferral of Spring 2026 Candidates for Degrees

☐ Information

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Purpose:

The purpose of this action is to confer the appropriate degrees upon the list of candidates for Spring 2026 as certified by the Registrar as having completed their graduation requirements.

Background:

The enclosed list of candidates is submitted to the Board of Trustees for the granting of the appropriate degrees. The respective chairs certify these candidates have completed all major departmental requirements and the Registrar certifies these candidates have completed all University requirements. The Registrar's memo and List of Candidates is in Appendix A.

Suggested Action/Motion:

Move to confer the appropriate degrees upon the list of candidates for Spring 2026.

President's Recommendation:

Approval of the motion, as presented.



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Agenda Item #2: Program Enrollment

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Purpose:

The purpose of this informational item is to provide academic program enrollment numbers for the past 10 years.

Background:

The following tables present end-of-term program enrollment for the past ten fall semesters, organized by School. Programs shown in red have been suspended or deleted, with the corresponding date of suspension or deletion noted in the table.

Because some students are enrolled in more than one academic program, each student is assigned a designated primary program. To provide a complete picture of enrollment, the tables include both the number of students for whom each program is the primary program (which can be summed without double-counting) and the total number of students enrolled in each program, regardless of whether it is designated as their primary program.

Suggested Action/Motion:

None

President's Recommendation:

N/A

Fall Program Enrollment 2016-2025

Lukenda School of Business

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Accounting-BS		73	74	64	64	56	56	48	48	51	52	42	42	29	30	28	29	27	28	29	31
Bus Adm-Entrepreneurship-BS		13	13	15	15	15	15	13	13	17	18	15	16	9	9	13	13	15	17	16	17
Business Administration-BS		19	19	27	28	30	30	32	32	39	41	41	44	43	43	33	35	37	38	38	43
Business Administration-M																		16	16	31	31
Business Adm-Intl Business-BS		14	14	8	8	10	10	10	11	14	14	11	12	8	9	7	7	4	5	3	4
Business Adm-Management-BS		61	65	45	49	48	51	41	43	38	42	44	49	43	46	41	43	44	48	31	35
Business Adm-Marketing-BS		43	44	28	29	25	26	27	28	26	26	29	32	31	34	25	27	29	34	15	20
Business Entrepreneurship-C																					2
Business Fundamentals-C																			1		1
Cannabis Business-BS								9	9	19	20	33	36	23	27	19	23	12	15	12	14
Culinary Arts Chef-C	2021-2022							8	8	8	8	6	6								
E-Marketing-C								1	1	3	3	2	8	1	9		8		18		9
Finance and Economics-BS		28	32	21	24	22	26	21	23	16	17	17	19	19	25	19	23	27	32	20	21
International Business-C																			1		1
Small Business Admin-A		5	16	3	16	5	14	4	13	5	13	4	9	1	11	2	14	23	43	41	54
Technical Accounting-A		3	9	4	4	2	5	1	2	1	3	1	4	1	3	1	2	1	3	1	6
		259		211		213		214		235		245		208		188		235		237	

School of Arts, Letters, and Social Sciences

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Acting-C																					1
Communication-BA	2017-2018	10	10	7	8	8	10	4	5	3	4	2	3								
Creative Writing-BA		20	20	14	15	9	10	8	9	15	16	9	10	11	11	10	11	10	11	9	9
English Lang Lit Sec Teach-BA	2023-2024	5	5	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	9	9	10	9	10	10	11	6	6	3	3
English Language Arts Teach-BA																2	2	8	8	9	9
Fine Arts Studies-BA	2016-2017	11	11	4	4	1	1														
General Studies-A		1	5	12	49	27	86	23	132	13	149	27	173	16	178	14	177	13	187	12	186
General Studies-BA		4	4	8	8	12	12	9	9	7	7	3	4	4	5	6	6	7	7	3	3
General Studies-BS		29	30	38	40	29	31	27	29	16	16	21	22	16	16	15	15	15	15	9	9
History-BA	2017-2018	2	2	3	3	5	5	2	2												
History-BS	2017-2018	13	16	12	14	13	14	9	10	3	3										
Individualized Studies-BS		1	1			1	1			1	2							1	1		
Liberal Arts-AA		17	58	9	52	9	39	2	25	1	18	3	15	1	14	1	8	1	7	2	10
Liberal Arts-Undecided-AA		17	19	8	10	7	8	6	6	3	3	6	6	4	4	9	9	1	1	4	4
Literature-BA	2017-2018	7	7	5	5	3	3	1	1												
Political Science-BA		2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1
Political Science-BS		19	20	17	18	19	22	13	15	13	14	9	10	10	10	7	7	6	7	6	8
Social Science-BA								1	1	2	2			1							
Social Science-BS		5	6	4	5	3	3	10	11	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	2	3	1	2
Social Science-Sec Teach BA												1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4	1	1
Social Science - Sec Teach BS										9	9	11	11	12	12	9	9	11	12	5	6
Social Studies Sec Teach-BS	2011-2012	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1												
Social Work-A		2	10	3	10	2	6	1	6	3	9	7	19	7	19	5	16	9	16	7	15
Sociology-BA	2017-2018					2	2	1	1												
Sociology-BS	2017-2018	13	14	9	9	3	3	4	4	2	2										
Substance Abuse Prev/Trtmt-A			2		1		1	2	3	5	1	5	1	6	2	3		1			3
		179		163		163		131		107		114		98		96		95		72	

School of Biological Sciences

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Animal Health-AS																					3
Aquaponics Entrepreneurship-AS										1						2	2	1	2		
Biology Pre-Medical-BS		35	35	35	35	44	44	33	33	30	31	30	30	23	23	25	26	25	26	20	21
Biology Pre-Veterinary-BS		12	12	24	24	20	20	16	16	14	14	18	18	16	16	19	20	14	15	13	13
Biology-Animal Biology-BS										6	6	18	19	23	24	17	17	17	18	11	12
Biology-BS		36	37	36	37	30	32	26	28	23	23	19	19	12	12	13	14	13	14	12	14
Biology-Food and Ecology-BS												2	2	1	3	2	3	1	4		2
Fish Health-BS	2017-2018	1	1	5	5	1	1														
Marine Technology-A	2017-2018	2	4		2		1		1												
Medical Lab Sci Academic-BS	2019-2020	6	6	5	5	8	8	8	8	7	7	1	1								
Medical Lab Sci Clinical-BS	2019-2020	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	6	4	4	1	1				
Pre-Professional Sciences-A								1	1	7		7		1	6		6		4	2	9
		96		108		106		86		84		93		80		79		71		58	

School of Chemistry, Environmental, and Geosciences

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Biochemistry-Pre Prof-BS		19	19	24	28	26	30	25	29	23	23	15	15	12	12	10	10	7	7	7	7
Cannabis Chemistry-BS								13	14	28	30	39	43	46	47	39	41	31	33	17	20
Cannabis Production-C										6	7	11	12	3	6	1	2	1	5		4
Cannabis Science-A								5	6	9	20	3	16	6	15	7	13	3	9	1	6
Chemical Technology-AS	2019-2020		1		2		2				1										
Chemistry-A			7		8		6		8		11		7		4	1	5		4		5
Chemistry-BS		21	23	21	21	13	13	12	13	8	9	8	9	4	6	6	8	7	8	8	9
Environmental Health-BS	2018-2019	3	3	1	1	1	1														
Environmental Management-BS	2013-2014	1	1	1	1																
Environmental Science-BS		31	31	26	26	23	23	19	19	24	25	31	32	29	29	34	36	32	36	29	33
Forensic Chemistry-BS		23	23	30	30	31	31	20	22	20	22	19	28	25	29	30	33	23	26	21	28
Geology-BS		43	43	42	42	37	37	23	23	26	26	23	23	19	19	16	16	15	16	17	18
Integrated Sci Secondary-BS						2	2	3	3	3	4	3	3	2	2	1	2	1	3		1
Microscopy and Microanalysis-C																			3		5
		141		145		133		120		147		152		146		145		120		100	

School of Computer Science and Mathematics

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Computer Networking-A			3		4		3		2	2	4		1		1						1
Computer Networking-BS		26	26	24	24	19	20	11	11	13	13	10	10	13	13	4	4	4	6	3	5
Computer Science-A		3	5	1	10	2	12	4	8	4	8	2	2	2	4	2	3	1	2	5	8
Computer Science-BS		34	34	37	38	38	38	35	36	22	22	17	18	21	21	23	23	19	19	15	15
Data Science-BS														2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
Mathematics-BS		9	9	8	8	4	4	2	2	2	3	2	2	5	6	1	2	1	2	2	2
Mathematics-Elem Teach-BS	2023-2024	2	2	2	2	2	2					1	1								
Mathematics-Sec Teach-BS		8	8	6	6	5	5	6	6	7	7	6	6	5	5	7	7	5	5	1	1
		82		78		70		58		50		38		48		40		33		29	

School of Criminal Justice, Fire Science, and Emergency Services

	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
Program		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Crim Jus Homeland Security-A		2	28	3	36	2	29	1	29	2	18	1	18	1	13	4	11		21	1	23
Crim Jus Homeland Security-BS	2016-2017	38	42	24	27	10	11	5	6												
Criminal Jus Criminalistics-BS	2016-2017	7	8	2	3	1	1														
Criminal Jus Law Enf Cert-BS	2016-2017	61	61	43	43	18	18	4	4												
Criminal Jus Public Safety-BS	2016-2017	10	10	9	9																
Criminal Jus Law Enforce-BS	2016-2017	69	69	23	23	20	20	6	6	1	1										
Criminal Justice Correction-BS	2016-2017	12	14	4	4																
Criminal Justice Corrections-A			6		5		4		1	1	4	2	6	1	5		5		1		3
Criminal Justice Generalist-BS	2016-2017	40	42	19	21	8	8	3	3	1	1										
Criminal Justice Law Enforce-A		4	66	6	60	11	39	8	41	9	29	10	37	6	29	5	30	10	34	11	31
Criminal Justice-BS				110	110	135	135	149	149	142	144	126	129	97	98	101	103	77	79	68	68
Cybersecurity-BS																		6	8	3	5
Emergency Management-A																	1				1
Emergency Management-BS												1		1		1	2	3	4	3	3
Emergency Management-C																1	1	1	1	1	1
Fire Sci Generalist Cert-BS		82	82	73	73	71	71	65	65	57	58	47	48	45	45	34	35	29	31	30	31
Fire Sci Generalist Nn Cert-BS		4	4	5	5	5	5	10	10	3	4	4	4	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2
Fire Science Engineer Tech-BS	2016-2017	8	8	3	3	2	2		1												
Fire Science-A		4	31	5	21	6	15	1	7	1	6	5	15	2	12	3	14	9	19	7	18
MCOLES-C											1		1							1	2
Paramedic Technology-A	2016-2017	5	22	1	11		7		1				1								
Paramedic Technology-AS				4	7	1	9	9	29	8	21	6	17	2	16	2	14	1	16	1	21
Paramedic Training-C			4		2	1	2	1	1	2	2		1	3	7	1	4	2	4	2	3
		346		334		291		262		227		201		158		154		139		130	

School of Education

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Early Childhood Education-A		1	17	2	17		16		10	6	9	6	12	1	11	4	14	2	28	2	23
Early Childhood Education-BS	2023-2024	40	40	46	46	41	41	27	27	26	26	13	13	21	21	14	14	2	2		
Elementary Ed-Special Ed-BS	2023-2024	17	17	11	11	16	16	16	16	21	21	20	21	17	18	6	7	3	4		
Elementary Education-BS	2023-2024	35	35	27	27	37	37	44	44	40	42	41	42	27	27	12	13				
Language Arts-Elem Teaching-BA	2023-2024	8	8	9	9	12	12	13	13	12	12	10	10	4	4	1	1	2	2	1	1
Social Emotional Learning-C																		1			
Teacher Certification-GR	2012-2013						1														
Teacher Education-BS												6	6	26	26	72	72	115	116	124	125
		101		95		106		100		105		96		96		109		124		127	

School of Engineering and Technology

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Computer Engineering-BS		26	26	20	20	19	19	26	27	18	20	18	21	19	21	16	17	9	12	6	10
Electrical Eng Technology-A			2	1	4	1	3	3	6	1	3	1	1	3	4	1	2	2	3	2	4
Electrical Eng Technology-BS		11	11	5	5	11	11	6	6	6	6	6	6	3	3	4	4	7	7	8	8
Electrical Engineering-BS		26	26	34	34	25	25	22	22	23	23	19	21	19	20	18	19	13	14	11	13
Engineering Management-BS	2013-2014	1	1																		
General Eng Technology-A		1	1	2	3	2	3	1	2	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	5
General Engineering-A		8	21	7	16	2	13	1	9	1	5	2	6	3	9	3	7	2	9	2	9
Manufacturing Eng Tech-A			5		6		5		8		7		3		4		1		1		2
Manufacturing Eng Tech-BS		35	35	27	27	21	21	21	21	16	16	14	14	12	13	8	9	4	5	6	6
Mechanical Engineering-BS		98	98	91	92	95	95	88	88	76	79	82	85	62	66	52	54	43	44	31	32
Mechatronics-A																	1			2	6
Mechatronics-BS														8	8	7	8	7	9	10	14
Robotics Engineering-BS						2	2	14	16	21	27	23	32	25	33	29	37	27	36	22	28
		206		187		178		182		164		166		155		139		115		103	

School of Kinesiology and Psychology

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Athletic Training-BS	2016-2017	25	25	13	13	3	3														
Exercise Science-BS	2016-2017	64	65	33	33																
Health Fitness Specialist-A		2	25	1	12		13		9		22	2	36	1	24	2	17	1	21	1	16
Kinesiology-BS				29	29	80	80	84	84	79	79	69	69	55	55	58	58	64	64	63	64
Psychology-BA	2025-2026	5	5	3	3	3	3	5	5	9	11	10	12	10	10	5	6	2	3	4	4
Psychology-BS		63	72	54	62	51	53	51	53	45	48	45	47	47	53	40	43	39	41	33	35
Sport and Recreation Mgmt-BS	2016-2017	18	18	14	14	4	4	2	2	1	1	1	1								
		177		147		141		142		134		127		113		105		106		101	

School of Natural Resources

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Conservation Biology-BS		21	21	31	31	37	37	39	39	37	38	29	29	26	27	24	24	28	28	21	22
Fisheries Wildlife Mgmt-BS		160	160	147	147	173	174	147	147	131	133	124	128	139	141	126	129	124	127	101	103
Geographic Information Sys-C									2		4		2		4		5		4		6
Geospatial Technology								1		1		1		2	1	3		2	1	2	
Natural Resources Technology							1														
Natural Resources Technology-A		4	38	5	35	3	40	2	34	3	24	3	20	2	26	2	32	2	27	3	42
Outdoor Rec and Leadership-BS																		1	1	6	6
Parks and Recreation-BS	2023-2024	23	23	25	25	24	25	23	25	16	17	15	15	17	17	16	16	10	10	6	6
		208		208		237		211		187		171		184		169		165		138	

School of Nursing

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Cannabis Health-C																		1		1	
Health Care Provider-AS	2015-2016	9	14	1	4		1														
Health Studies-AS	2018-2019		2		2	2	4		1												
Nursing-BS		140	140	135	135	130	130	128	128	122	122	122	122	118	118	109	109	95	95	92	92
Nursing-Post Licensure-BS				4	4	5	5	3	3			1	1	1	1						
Nursing-Pre		92	92	78	78	82	83	80	80	77	79	59	60	56	56	49	50	38	40	27	28
Practical Nursing-C	2016-2017	8	8																		
		249		218		219		211		199		182		175		158		133		119	

Non Degree Seeking

Program	Delete/Suspend	Fall 2016		Fall 2017		Fall 2018		Fall 2019		Fall 2020		Fall 2021		Fall 2022		Fall 2023		Fall 2024		Fall 2025	
		Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All	Primary	All
Dual/Concurrent Program												190	190	169	169	258	258	191	191	205	205
Early College Program						35	35	39	39	40	40	22	22	15	15	16	16	13	13	9	9
Non Degree Graduate		2	2			15	15													64	64
Non Degree Undergraduate		183	183	237	238	237	237	205	206	221	222	8	8	6	6	7	7	15	15	5	6
		185		237		287		244		261		220		190		281		219		283	

Total Primary

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Agenda Item #3: Academic Affairs Update

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Purpose:

The purpose of this information is to provide an update on activities in the area of Academic Affairs.

Background:

Highlights from the Academic Affairs Monthly Updates

After the May meeting of the LSSU Board of Trustees, monthly updates were sent to campus and the Board that contain the activities and accomplishments of our students, faculty, and staff in Academic Affairs. These reports also include upcoming events. For your reference, you can find archived copies of the monthly reports for [May](#) and [June](#) by clicking on the links. Additionally, a compilation of abstracts from [student capstone projects](#) as presented at the Spring 2026 Senior Research Symposium are included.

Higher Learning Commission Comprehensive Evaluation

The university will undergo its comprehensive evaluation by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) this fall as part of our regular accreditation cycle. The two primary components of the review, the Assurance Argument and the Federal Compliance Review, must be submitted to HLC by August 31, 2026. The peer review team will conduct its site visit on September 28-29, 2026. During the visit, the review team will meet with a variety of campus constituencies, including members of the Board of Trustees. Trustees are encouraged to reserve time on their calendars for those dates. Meeting schedules are still being finalized, but participation may be either in person or virtual.

The comprehensive evaluation is designed to determine whether LSSU continues to meet HLC's Criteria for Accreditation. These Criteria and the expectations of the governing board will be reviewed in Thursday's committee meeting on July 16, 2026. Prior to the September visit, peer reviewers will examine the Assurance Argument, supporting evidence, and Federal Compliance filing. During the site visit, the team will meet with trustees, faculty, staff, students, and administrators to verify the information provided, ask questions, and gain a deeper understanding of institutional operations. Following the visit, the review team will prepare a report with its findings and recommendations, which will be considered by HLC before a final accreditation action is taken.

Capital Outlay

The State of Michigan approved the \$30.0 million capital outlay project submitted by Lake Superior State University and approved by the Board of Trustees in October 2025 to renovate and expand the Center for Applied Science and Engineering Technology (CASET Hall). The proposal includes a \$10.0 million institutional match to be secured through philanthropic initiatives.

Inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2027 State of Michigan budget represents the first step in the capital outlay process and provides planning authorization for the project. The university will now move forward with securing matching funds and developing the preliminary design and planning documents required by the State. Once completed, these professional planning documents will be submitted for a second round of State review and approval before the project can advance to the next phase of the capital outlay process.

Built in the late 1970s, CASET Hall is in need of major repairs. This project, which has been a priority since 2019, was elevated to the top of LSSU's capital outlay list in spring 2023 due to significant structural issues, including a weakened foundation, outdated plumbing and electrical systems, insufficient ADA access, and the need for enhanced hands-on learning spaces for high-demand programs. CASET Hall currently houses the School of Engineering and Technology, the School of Computer Science and Mathematics, and the Paramedic and Fire Science programs, which are part of the School of Criminal Justice, Fire Science, and Emergency Services. The renovation will update hands-on learning spaces and address structural issues, while the expansion will allow LSSU to consolidate the entire School of Criminal Justice, Fire Science, and Emergency Services within the building. This will provide right-sized classrooms, advanced training technology, and increased capacity for all programs at the certificate, associate, and baccalaureate levels.

Office of Sponsored Programs

New Grants since May Board Meeting

1. U.S. Department of the Interior

External Grant Awards				
Sponsor	Amount	Award Period	Budget Highlights	PI
U.S. Department of the Interior—Fish and Wildlife Service	\$9,770	04/01/2026-09/30/2026	Salary/Fringe: \$7,790 Indirect Costs: \$1,480	Ashley Moerke

Led by Dr. Ashley Moerke, the annual Sea Lamprey Monitoring project will support two students over a 12-week period to assist the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with monitoring the migration of adult sea lampreys in the St. Marys River. The Center for Freshwater Research and Education's (CFRE) location directly on the St. Marys River, allows the students to monitor traps continuously. The information collected during the monitoring period is used to estimate the adult sea lamprey population in the St. Marys River and ultimately the Lake Huron estimate, which is used to make decisions on budget and treatment allocation across the Great Lakes.

2. U.S. Department of Agriculture

External Grant Awards				
Sponsor	Amount	Award Period	Budget Highlights	PI
The Ohio State University—subaward USDA Funded	\$11,985	01/01/2026- 12/31/2026	Salary/Fringe: \$7,935 Indirect Costs: \$0	Barbara Evans

Dr. Barbara Evans will lead efforts at LSSU to advance aquaculture and aquaponics education in the North Central Region, in collaboration with The Ohio State University and other partners under a project titled *Workforce development through integration of aquaponics and aquaculture in formal and non-formal education*. To build a stronger workforce development pipeline, this project will connect middle and high school teachers into a collaborative network across Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan while hosting professional development workshops and facility tours. Dr. Evans will also lead the expansion of 4-H aquaponics "SPIN clubs" in Michigan by training county educators at regional workshops in Saranac and LSSU. Educational materials to safely integrate non-invasive crayfish into classrooms as an engaging, low-maintenance STEM learning tool will be developed and disseminated to project participants.

3. Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians 2% Fund

External Grant Awards				
Sponsor	Amount	Award Period	Budget Highlights	PI
Sault Tribe 2% Fund	\$9,999.96	04/01/2026- 03/31/2027	Salary/Fringe: N/A Indirect Costs: N/A	Edoardo Sarda

The LSSU Mobile Robotics Project aims to create a comprehensive Mobile Robotics Laboratory at Lake Superior State University, bridging classroom learning with hands-on research and international competition readiness. The initiative will be executed over two and a half years through five funding cycles of approximately \$10,000 each, starting in Fall 2025, allowing for phased procurement of mobile robots, lab development, and integration of advanced sensors. This is installment 2 of 5. This staged approach ensures immediate educational impact while progressively expanding research capabilities and Team AMORE's participation in global RoboNation events. Project efforts will not only prepare graduates to meet the growing demand for skilled professionals in robotics and automation, but also generate valuable data and solutions that advance environmental stewardship.



Academic Affairs Report

July 17, 2026

Appendix A: Conferral of Spring 2025 Candidates for Degrees

Registrar's Office

TO: Kimberly Muller

FROM: Katie Kelsey

DATE: June 23, 2026

SUBJECT: Candidates for Degrees for the Spring Semester 2026

The attached list of candidates is submitted to the Board of Trustees for the granting of the appropriate degrees. The respective chairs certify these candidates have completed all major departmental requirements, and I, as the Registrar, certify these candidates have completed all University requirements.



Spring Semester 2026 Graduates

Leslie Rose Adams	Bachelor of Science	Biology
Abigail Aldea	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Caden Alexander	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Caden Alexander	Associate	Criminal Jus Homeland Security
Katlynn Anderson	Bachelor of Science	Forensic Chemistry
Stefan Andrei	Bachelor of Science	Computer Science
Maranda Mae Andrews	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Maranda Mae Andrews	Associate	General Studies
Elizabeth R Angell	Bachelor of Science	Chemistry
Alexis Armitage	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Maribel Adai Bautista-Pablo	Bachelor of Science	Fire Science Generalist
Maribel Adai Bautista-Pablo	Associate	Fire Science
Maribel Adai Bautista-Pablo	Associate of Applied Science	Paramedic Technology
Michael Bazinau	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Hana Belonga	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Hana Belonga	Associate	Early Childhood Education
Marcus Boase	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Thomas Boase	Bachelor of Science	Geology
Thomas Boase	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
Amelia Boggs	Bachelor of Science	Biology
Jacob Bole	Bachelor of Science	Social Science
Megan Jane Booms	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Megan Jane Booms	Associate	Early Childhood Education
Olivia Boutorwick	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Chloe Boyko	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Chloe Boyko	Associate	General Studies
Grace Bradford	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Grace Bradford	Associate	General Studies
Hope Brandt	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Tayla Maree Brasier	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Marketing
Tayla Maree Brasier	Certificate	E-Marketing
Brooke Allyson Brazeau	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Brooke Allyson Brazeau	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Francis Anthony Breen IV	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Cole Brehm	Bachelor of Science	Robotics Engineering

Isaac D Brindley	Associate	General Studies
Autumn Kristine Brown	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science
Autumn Kristine Brown	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Eliza L Brown	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Eliza L Brown	Associate	General Studies
Blaise Andrew Brzuchalski	Bachelor of Science	Social Science
Maisie Anne Buhro	Bachelor of Science	Conservation Biology
Trista L Bupp	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Evan Bushy	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Hannah Callaway	Bachelor of Science	Biology
Hannah Callaway	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science
Hannah Callaway	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Aiden Duane Cardwell	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Monica Chartier	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Nichole Cheney	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Brenden Conger	Bachelor of Science	Biology
Christopher Connors	Associate	General Studies
Kelsey Cooper	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Kelsey Cooper	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Grace Corbin	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science
Grace Corbin	Associate	General Studies
Grace Corbin	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
Grace Corbin	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Alex Cramer	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Business
Amber Marie Curtis	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Amber Marie Curtis	Associate	General Studies
Nevaeh Cyr	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Joshua Damsteegt	Bachelor of Science	Mechatronics
Angela Felisa Davis	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Angela Felisa Davis	Associate	General Studies
Benjamin Michael Davis	Certificate	Space Mission and Operations
Victoria Patricia Davis	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Business
Victoria Patricia Davis	Certificate	Cannabis Production
Tessa Deal	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Tessa Deal	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Marlee Jane DePeel	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Gaven Dibble	Bachelor of Science	Biology
Gaven Dibble	Associate of Applied Science	Animal Health
Janelle Docter	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Tyson Sean Edmondson	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Marketing
Colleen Ekrot	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Paul Jackson Quinn Ellinger	Bachelor of Science	Computer Science

Jason F Elliott	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Jason F Elliott	Certificate	MCOLES
Trever Ken Englund	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Reagan Elaine Erickson	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Matthew Espinosa	Bachelor of Arts	Creative Writing
Hunter Eurich	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Olivia L Evans	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Olivia L Evans	Associate	General Studies
Tamiya Fields	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Kevin Fischer	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Emily Fleming	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Emily Fleming	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Hailey Lynn Florence	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Hailey Lynn Florence	Associate	General Studies
David Fort	Associate	General Studies
Marlee Fox	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Chemistry
Marlee Fox	Associate	Cannabis Science
Morgan Fox	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Jordi Fraile Raton	Bachelor of Science	Mechatronics & Robotics Engineering
Jordi Fraile Raton	Associate	Mechatronics
Valerie L Franklin	Associate	Social Work
Vanessa Ann Friisvall	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Vann Gardner	Bachelor of Science	Fire Science Generalist
Vann Gardner	Associate	Fire Science
Grace Garrison	Bachelor of Science	Conservation Biology
Grace Garrison	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Trinity Gay	Bachelor of Science	Accounting
Sophia Gibbs	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Sophia Gibbs	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Alysandra Gonzales Flora	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Mauro Greco	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Mauro Greco	Certificate	E-Marketing
Angelo John Greenburg	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Angelo John Greenburg	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
Morgan Groover	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Morgan Groover	Associate	General Studies
Hannah Haataja	Bachelor of Science	Forensic Chemistry
Hannah Haataja	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Brandon Hagyard	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Rhiannon Haraway	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Samuel R Harman	Bachelor of Science	Robotics Engineering
Marcus Harris	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology

Brayden Heemer	Associate	Criminal Jus Homeland Security
Brayden Heemer	Associate	General Studies
Elijah M Herriman	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Drew William Hess	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Abigail C Hetrick	Associate	Early Childhood Education
Stephen Edward Hines	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Bryan David Huggins	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Bryan David Huggins	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Aidan Hughes	Bachelor of Science	Fire Science Generalist
Carli Huhn	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Molly Rae Jackman	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Tyler Brian Jamison	Bachelor of Science	Finance and Economics
Brynn Bailee Jannetta	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Carlee Johnson	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Carlee Johnson	Associate	Small Business Administration
Charles Johnson	Bachelor of Science	Finance and Economics
Paige Johnson	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Eamonn Joyce	Bachelor of Science	Fire Science Generalist
Eamonn Joyce	Associate	Criminal Jus Homeland Security
Asia Kachuk	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science
Asia Kachuk	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Jacob E Kasprzak	Associate	General Studies
Kelsie Kemerling	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Kaitlyn Rose Kennedy	Bachelor of Science	Parks and Recreation
Kaitlyn Rose Kennedy	Associate	Natural Resources Technology
Noah James Kilmark	Bachelor of Science	Accounting
Noah James Kilmark	Bachelor of Science	Finance and Economics
Casey Kiteley	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
David Nicholas Klym	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Jacob M Kochanski	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Jacobie Briann Koning	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Kennedy Konkle	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Kennedy Konkle	Associate	Natural Resources Technology
Betty Kovas	Bachelor of Science	Biochemistry Pre-Professional
Alyssa N Kozlowski	Bachelor of Science	Biology
Alyssa N Kozlowski	Associate	Pre-Professional Sciences
Grace Kreps	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Madison LaBonte	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Madison LaBonte	Associate	General Studies
Sarah Lamb	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Iyana Langdon	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Iyana Langdon	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce

Iyana Langdon	Associate	General Studies
Andrew Langford	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Cullum P LeBaron	Bachelor of Science	Finance and Economics
Emma Elizabeth LeBlanc	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Haylie Loiselle	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Katelyn C Lovins	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Leo Mandoka	Bachelor of Science	Manufacturing Eng Technology & Mechatronics
Paige Marchand	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Paige Marchand	Associate	General Studies
Madison Matthews	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Madison Matthews	Associate	General Studies
Natalie Anne Maus	Bachelor of Science	Forensic Chemistry
Natalie Anne Maus	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Alexandra Mazzella	Bachelor of Science	Biochemistry Pre-Professional
Breanna L McFarlane	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Margaret Jamie McKinney	Bachelor of Science	General Studies
Logan McNabb	Associate	Fire Science
Logan McNabb	Associate of Applied Science	Paramedic Technology
Willow Lois Mae McNabb	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Ethan Meehle	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science
Ethan Meehle	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
James Mertz	Associate	General Studies
Jackson Lee Mesner	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Melissa C Meyer	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Skylar Ann Miklusicak-Whitney	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Skylar Ann Miklusicak-Whitney	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Skylar Ann Miklusicak-Whitney	Associate	Pre-Professional Sciences
Connor Milburn	Bachelor of Science	Accounting
Alana Jewel Miller-Schofield	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Alana Jewel Miller-Schofield	Associate	Natural Resources Technology
Tiffany Marie Miller-Schroden	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Chemistry
Jessica Montemayor	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science
Jessica Montemayor	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
Madison Moran	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Ella Moses	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Janine Napoletano	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Daichi Nishisu	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Isabella Norden	Bachelor of Arts	English Language Arts Teaching
Emily Oakes	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Emily Oakes	Associate	General Studies
Catherine O'Brien	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Marketing
Catherine O'Brien	Associate	Small Business Administration

Catherine O'Brien	Certificate	E-Marketing
Madison Olson	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Andrew Ordiway	Bachelor of Science	Business Adm-Entrepreneurship
Andrew Ordiway	Associate	Small Business Administration
Jacob Orr	Bachelor of Science	Fire Science Generalist
Uwaoma Osumili	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Martina Oviedo	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Martina Oviedo	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Laci Paidl	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Valentina Parodi	Bachelor of Science	Mechanical Engineering & Robotics Engineering
Nathan R Parrish	Bachelor of Science	Robotics Engineering
Anna Parsons	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Anna Parsons	Bachelor of Science	Forensic Chemistry
Anna Parsons	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Laney Pasemko	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Laney Pasemko	Associate	General Studies
Blake Patterson	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Blake Patterson	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
William Peltier	Bachelor of Science	Electrical Eng Technology
William Peltier	Bachelor of Science	Mechatronics
Avery Petersen	Bachelor of Science	Electrical Eng Technology & Mechatronics
Brianna G Petersen	Associate	Early Childhood Education
Marina Lyn Pine	Associate	Pre-Professional Sciences
Sean Piotrowicz	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Sean Piotrowicz	Associate	Criminal Jus Homeland Security
Sean Piotrowicz	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Taylor Pratt	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Leanesse Marie Rasaiah	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Jordyn Reed	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Alex Reynolds	Bachelor of Science	Accounting
Alex Reynolds	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Grant Riley	Bachelor of Science	Business Administration
Grant Riley	Bachelor of Science	Finance and Economics
Grant Riley	Certificate	Business Entrepreneurship
David Rivard	Bachelor of Science	Computer Science
David Rivard	Certificate	Space Mission and Operations
Joseph Rivera	Bachelor of Science	Environmental Science
Joseph Rivera	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
Brooke Rivers	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Brooke Rivers	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Domenic Rizzo	Bachelor of Science	Finance and Economics
Rayce Rizzo	Associate	General Studies

Candace Robbins	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Alyssa M Ross	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Mason Fern Roznowski	Bachelor of Science	Mathematics
Jackson Christensen Rund	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Business
Jackson Christensen Rund	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Chemistry
Ricardo Jose Russell Jr	Certificate	Social Emotional Learning
Arik Christian Sanders	Bachelor of Science	Forensic Chemistry
Arik Christian Sanders	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Anthony Lee Savoie	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Robin Jo Schafer	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Lauren Schagel	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Lauren Schagel	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
Rex Scheele	Bachelor of Science	Conservation Biology
Riley James Scott	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Chemistry
Riley James Scott	Associate	Cannabis Science
Riley James Scott	Associate	General Studies
Elizabeth Shaffer	Bachelor of Science	Fisheries Wildlife Management
Kyra Shepherd	Associate	Criminal Jus Homeland Security
Rayna Silverstein	Bachelor of Science	Accounting
Rayna Silverstein	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Caitlin Jane Skrodenis	Bachelor of Science	Conservation Biology
Mackenzie Sloan	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Mackenzie Sloan	Associate	General Studies
Jason Wade-Pavel Slusher	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Jason Wade-Pavel Slusher	Associate	Criminal Jus Homeland Security
Jason Wade-Pavel Slusher	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Aaron Smith	Bachelor of Science	Forensic Chemistry
Kendall Richard Smith	Bachelor of Science	Chemistry
Aimee Spring	Bachelor of Arts	Creative Writing
Delaney Stec	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Charles Stephen	Bachelor of Science	Finance and Economics
David Stone	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Chemistry
David Stone	Certificate	Cannabis Production
Micaela Stubinsky	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Joshua Sullivan	Associate	Computer Science
Kyle Sweeney	Bachelor of Science	Business Admin-Management
Kyle Sweeney	Associate	Small Business Administration
Vanessa Swerdon	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Vanessa Swerdon	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Samantha Marie Taylor	Bachelor of Science	Fire Science Generalist
Samantha Marie Taylor	Associate	Fire Science
Samantha Marie Taylor	Associate of Applied Science	Paramedic Technology

Colin Michael Thompson	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Colin Michael Thompson	Associate of Applied Science	Paramedic Technology
Avery James Timm	Bachelor of Science	Business Adm-Entrepreneurship
Lindsey Tonello	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Hannah M Toutant	Bachelor of Science	Computer Science
Lillian Rose Tracey	Associate of Applied Science	Paramedic Technology
Matthew C Treiber	Bachelor of Science	Cannabis Chemistry
Matthew C Treiber	Associate	Cannabis Science
Matthew C Treiber	Certificate	Cannabis Production
Rusty Trim	Associate	Computer Science
Jordan Troxel	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Daniel Louis Twining	Bachelor of Science	Mathematics
Daniel Louis Twining	Associate	General Engineering
Daniel Louis Twining	Certificate	Space Mission and Operations
Emily K Van Daele	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Emily K Van Daele	Associate	General Studies
Reece Matthew VanderWulp	Bachelor of Science	Kinesiology
Reece Matthew VanderWulp	Associate	Health/Fitness Specialist
Valeriya Varnakova	Bachelor of Science	Data Science
Valeriya Varnakova	Associate	Computer Science
Mandy Lynn Vassar	Bachelor of Science	Nursing
Mandy Lynn Vassar	Associate	General Studies
Brittany Kae Velting	Bachelor of Science	Conservation Biology
Howard Wagner	Bachelor of Science	Criminal Justice
Howard Wagner	Associate	Criminal Jus Homeland Security
Howard Wagner	Associate	Criminal Justice Law Enforce
Skyler Walker	Associate	Social Work
Katelyn I Watson	Bachelor of Science	Psychology
Katelyn I Watson	Associate	Social Work
Katelyn I Watson	Associate	Substance Abuse Prev/Treatment
Julia Vincenza Westerby	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education
Oliver Anthony Wisniewski	Associate	Fire Science
Addison Grace Zabik	Bachelor of Science	Geology
Addison Grace Zabik	Certificate	Geographic Information Systems
Emma Leigh Zabik	Certificate	Microscopy and Microanalysis
Haley Marie Zerlaut	Bachelor of Science	Teacher Education