

# 2025



## COMMENCEMENT

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FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2025 · 7.00 PM · GREAT BEND, KANSAS



## MEET BARTON PRESIDENT DR. MARCUS GARSTECKI



With over 25 years of experience in higher education, Dr. Marcus Garstecki joined the Barton Community College family as the sixth president in July 2024. As an inclusive and collaborative leader, he believes deeply in the value of rural community and technical education.

Joining the College's already rich history of student success, Garstecki plans to guide and expand the student experience across Barton's many campuses. His passion for connection marks a commitment to the communities the College serves, and will be at the forefront of his leadership. With an eagerness to build strong ties with the local communities and regional and state leadership, he looks forward to working with local

leaders and existing partners and fostering new relationships to build new partnerships to help guide the College into the future.

Prior to Barton, he served as the chief enrollment management officer at Northern State University in Aberdeen, S.D., as vice president for student affairs and dean of students at Dakota State University-Madison, and vice president for the Mid-Plains Community College-North Platte campus. Garstecki returns to Kansas, where his higher education experience started in 2001, with his wife, Kacie, and son, Jackson.

### Educational Background:

- Doctor of Philosophy in Education and Human Resource Studies from Colorado State University
- Master of Science in Physical Education from University of Nebraska-Omaha
- Bachelor of Science in Physical Education from University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

## WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

*Dear Graduates, family, and friends:*

*Welcome to Barton Community College's 55th annual graduation. On behalf of the entire Barton family, congratulations graduates on your outstanding achievement. We are excited to share this moment with you.*

*I want to thank the Barton faculty and staff in helping our graduates reach this milestone. I am extremely proud of our faculty and staff who dedicate themselves to student success and making Barton an amazing institution every day.*

*This special day does not happen without an immense amount of work behind the scenes. I would like to extend my sincerest gratitude for the planning and implementation of this celebration by the Barton employees responsible for setup and tear down, safety, and facilitation of the ceremony. This day would not be possible without each of you.*

*Please enjoy this day as we recognize the efforts and accomplishments of the 2025 Barton graduating class.*

*Dr. Marcus Garstecki, President*

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mike Johnson, *Chair*  
Gary Burke, *Vice Chair*  
John Moshier, *Secretary*

Cole Schwarz, *Trustee*  
Dale Maneth, *Trustee*  
Carl Helm, *Trustee*

## ADMINISTRATION

**PRESIDENT**  
Dr. Marcus Garstecki

**VICE PRESIDENT OF  
ADMINISTRATION**  
Mark Dean

**VICE PRESIDENT OF  
INSTRUCTION**  
Elaine Simmons

**VICE PRESIDENT OF  
STUDENT SERVICES**  
Angie Maddy

**ACADEMICS**  
Brian Howe - Dean

**MILITARY ACADEMICS, TECHNICAL EDUCATION & MILITARY OUTREACH**  
Kurt Teal - Dean

**WORKFORCE TRAINING & COMMUNITY EDUCATION**  
Dr. Kathy Kottas - Dean

**CENTER FOR LEARNING EXCELLENCE**  
Claudia Mather - Associate Dean

**PRESIDENT'S STAFF**  
(includes above administration)

Krystall Barnes  
Lindsey Bogner  
Dr. Narren Brown

Renee Demel  
Maggie Harris  
Jenna Hoffman

Myrna Perkins  
Trevor Rolfs  
Amye Schneider

# 2025 COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

## \*PLEASE STAND

**THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION** ..... Processional Ushers - Barton Student Ambassadors, President, Board of Trustees, Guests, Candidates for Degrees, Members of Faculty, President's Staff

**PRESENTATION OF COLORS** ..... Kansas Army National Guard

**NATIONAL ANTHEM** ..... Dr. Eric Foley

**INVOCATION** ..... Samuel Ryan  
*Pastor, Ellinwood Community Church – Ellinwood, Ks*

**GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT** ..... Dr. Marcus Garstecki  
*President*

**OUTSTANDING GRADUATE AWARD** ..... Angie Maddy  
*Vice President of Student Services*

**DISTINGUISHED INSTRUCTOR AWARD** ..... Elaine Simmons  
*Vice President of Instruction*

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD** ..... Lindsey Bogner  
*Executive Director of Institutional Advancement*

**DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD** ..... Dr. Marcus Garstecki  
*President*

**CONFERRING OF DEGREES** ..... Elaine Simmons and Mike Johnson  
*Vice-President of Instruction and Chair, Barton Community College Board of Trustees*

**PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES** ..... Abby Howe  
*Instructor, Foundational Education*

**AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS** ..... Dr. Marcus Garstecki  
*President*

**RETIREMENT OF COLORS** ..... Kansas Army National Guard

**CELEBRATION OF GRADUATES** ..... Angie Maddy  
*Vice President of Student Services*

**RECESSIONAL** ..... Stage Members

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- So that all graduates, honorees, and guests are able to enjoy all parts of the ceremony, please silence your mobile devices and refrain from using any artificial noisemakers during the ceremony.
  - Please be advised that weapons carried by the honor guard are not operational.
  - Picture taking is restricted to the seating area only during the ceremony.
  - Graduates will be announced by degree.
  - Participation in the ceremony does not necessarily constitute graduation. Degree conferral is contingent upon final grading and successful completion of all required courses.



# KANSAS STATE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Aaron Renshaw  
Bradley Tucker  
Brodie Bainbridge  
Camden Myers  
Cartez Barry  
Charlie Cruz  
Christopher Dyas  
Christopher Troughton  
Colby Trickle  
Daquan Dean  
Darci Lowe  
Dat Huynh  
Derrick Taylor  
Eduardo Gallardo  
Eldier Molina  
Gavin Griffith  
Gregorio Lorenzo-Perez  
Haley Torres  
Hunter Hayes-Bebee

Jeremy Lardner  
Jesus Berriozabal-Elizalde  
John Talbert-Peterson  
Jose Franco  
Jose Gamez  
Keandre Summers  
Kyle Montgomery  
Lilly Burton  
Melchor Dominguez  
Michael Thompson  
Monica Salcido  
Patrick Root  
Rance Wright  
Ricardo Adkins  
Richard Tidwell  
Seth Obermiller  
Shane Kupka  
Trenton Peterson  
Vanessa Duhon

## CERTIFICATES

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

### AGRICULTURE MECHANICS (CNH)

Braxton Case  
William Elam  
Gavin Griffith  
Tyler Holmes  
Connor Jesse  
Lexus Petersilie

### BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & LEADERSHIP

Joyce Amoako  
Ruth Gonzalez-Duran  
Shelby Higgins  
Andrea Lopez  
Kendly Nicolas  
Boris Peranovic  
Joseph Seiler  
Jenny Shaw

### CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Kara Furrow  
Viola Schmidt

Jordanne Wagner

### CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

Kaden Deines  
Edgar Duarte Quiroz  
Kaden Foster  
Ethan Hammeke  
Hunter Herrman  
Jarret Mader  
Esten Moore  
Dominick Price  
Derek Truman

### CROP PROTECTION

Mason Stalcup

### DIETARY MANAGER

Sandra Alexander  
Jonathan Cote  
Freddie De Leon  
Christine Frey

# CERTIFICATES

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Joseph Gernandizo  
Tawnya Hall  
Bridgette Hendrick  
Joseph Jackson  
Monica Jeffery  
Alexander Lavelle  
Tyler Milner  
Hayley Mulkey  
Guadalupe Peregrino Ocana  
Cecillia Poore  
Gary Roberts  
Dreamia Simmons  
Winona Stone  
Alexis Trail  
Kristyn Trevino

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY**

Zachary Mason  
Antonio Riles  
Timothy Sifuentes  
Robin Westmoreland

## **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS SPECIALIST**

Zachary Mason  
Antonio Riles  
Timothy Sifuentes  
Robin Westmoreland

## **EMERGENCY PLANNING & MITIGATION**

David Becker  
Zachary Mason  
Antonio Riles  
Robin Westmoreland

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

Helen Lewis  
Evy Mendez  
Megan Miller  
Dynah Modrow  
Leah Modrow

## **MEDICAL CODING**

Nicole Baez  
Jennifer Cardwell

Sheila Curtis  
Crystal Ellis  
Tonna Hampton  
Alexandra Heyl  
Adisyn Jacobs  
Brandi Jecha  
Autumn McDonnell  
Heather Ramirez  
Ciara Rhodes  
Viviana Rivera  
KayLynn Spriggs  
Laura Squier  
Abby Towery  
Amanda Welcher

## **MILITARY LEADERSHIP**

Christopher Boothe

## **NATURAL GAS TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION TECHNOLOGY**

Damian Calzada  
Elijah Clarke  
Kayston Cox  
Wyatt Huslig  
Bryan Jaske  
Eston Juno  
Joseph Miller

## **NETWORK SECURITY SPECIALIST**

Amber Clemons  
Shae Clemons  
Jonathan Miller  
Christopher Morgan

## **NURSING - PN - IV CERTIFICATION**

Taylor Alloway  
Cecelia Barnard  
Mirlene Castillo  
Hannah Dapogny  
Vanessa Flores  
Yuleidi Gonzalez Perez  
Makyla Griffin  
Emilee Hall  
Kinsey Krom  
Tiffany Lewing

## CERTIFICATES

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Megan Looney  
Emilie Magner  
Sierra Marley  
Tessa Miller  
Jessy Moeder  
Teresa Reason  
Cody Ruble  
Joyce Rucker  
Laney Shireman  
Sage Simon  
Joley Stauffer  
Luz Maria Villegas Muniz  
Madison Ward

### OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH

Larry Everfield  
Bryan Maloney  
Kristopher Perkins  
Edgar Reyes

### PARAMEDIC

Matthew Rushton

### PLUMBING

Kaden Deines  
Tuff Elliott-Wittman  
Jaden Hartshorn  
Hunter Klima  
Ayden Thompson  
Derek Truman  
Alex Wheat

### SCALES TECHNICIAN

Carson North

### WELDING TECHNOLOGY

Alejandro Alcala  
Walon Belk  
Robert Carter  
Cristian Cervantes  
Brady Christiansen  
Ty Cook  
Jason Crabbs  
Tuff Elliott-Wittman  
Aiden Ellis  
Blaine Ensley  
Kyle Fredericks  
Dixie Gallant  
Briceida Garcia  
Jesse Gutierrez  
Kyle Johnstone  
Neesa Komarek  
Ambrose Kramer  
Brenden Luna  
Michael Lutter  
Logan Maier  
Alexander Mater  
Daegan Miller  
Joseph Miller  
Taheed Montano  
Michael Moore  
Dyson Purdy  
Landon Roberts  
Ryan Rossouw  
Jarrod Roy  
Oneth Savery  
Tavish Tracy  
Bradley Tucker  
Danial VanBebber  
Alex Wheat  
Matthew Williams  
Rance Wright

## ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

### AGRICULTURE BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

Carson North\*\*  
Clayton Schneider

### APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES

Christopher Boothe



# ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

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## ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING

Mary Bernard  
Shelby Calvillo-Ramirez  
Anna Campbell\*\*  
Sydney Cannon  
Shae Cox  
Ciera Depenbusch\*\*  
Courtney Dillon  
Karlee Dougherty\*  
Kimbra Dowling  
Michelle East\*\*  
Jennifer Fagan  
Erica Fitzgerald\*\*  
Amanda Genta\*\*  
Javier Gonzalez\*\*  
Madelynn Gregg\*\*  
Hannah Hall  
Bailey Harner\*  
Guadalupe Herrera  
Katlyn Homewood  
Billie Jo Jenkins  
Sean Kenyon  
Brandy Krehbiel\*  
Aubrey Labs  
Angelina Leeper  
Cagney Lemuz\*\*  
Savannah Lohr  
Terri Mannel  
Enrique Martinez Renteria  
Stephanie McCarthy  
Megan Nelson\*  
Luis Pando  
Brooke Pate  
Florence Rose  
Kennedy Sandy  
Chloe Schenk\*\*  
Baylee Sizemore  
Sadi Strain-Shepherd  
Elena Taboada  
Sarah Tarn  
Barbara Wilder  
LaNiece Willis  
Julieta Wilson  
Bailee Wright

## BUSINESS ADMIN TECHNOLOGY

Cynthia Romero

## BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & LEADERSHIP

Helen Adams  
Joyce Amoako  
April Belk\*\*  
Joseph Hasson  
Shelby Higgins  
Delanie Janes  
Tyler Lawlis  
Andrea Lopez\*\*  
Boris Peranovic\*  
Jesse Sanchez  
Jacob Smith

## EARLY CHILDHOOD

Carolyn Revel

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY

Antonio Riles  
Timothy Sifuentes\*  
Tisha Voigts\*\*  
Robin Westmoreland

## HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

Robin Westmoreland

## MEDICAL ADMIN TECHNOLOGY

Justin Esner  
Rachell Hampton  
Larekia Johnson  
Ciara Rhodes  
Ramona Rubio  
Lacey Steffan

## MEDICAL ASSISTANT

Taylor Mueller  
Robin Reinhard\*\*  
Stephanie Scifres  
Karah Standridge\*\*

## MEDICAL LAB TECHNOLOGY

David Antonson\*\*+  
Ricardo Caudillo  
Ashley Cornell

## ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Sandra Delgadillo  
Samantha Fisher  
Brook Holland Kaczor  
Jillian Moore  
Alexis Pfeifer  
Rebecca Stinson  
Emily Wolfe

### **NATURAL GAS TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION TECHNOLOGY**

Aspyn King

### **NETWORKING SPECIALIST**

Amber Clemons  
Shae Clemons  
Christopher Morgan  
Aiden Noblitt  
Derick Pellicotte  
Antonio Smith  
Tristan Story\*\*  
Andrew Toole\*\*  
Asher White

### **OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH**

Jeffrey Berrigan\*\*  
Clinton Burke  
Larry Everfield  
Chelsea Rustenburg

Bryan Schroeder  
Stephanie Tinajero  
Lia Wainwright

### **PARAMEDIC**

Taelur Barnes\*\*+  
Samuel Bond  
Baily Dauer-Cable  
Shannon Donaldson  
Daniel Hernandez\*  
Douglas Mahin\*  
Brian McGrew  
Tiffany Peters  
Nicholas Pfeifer\*\*  
David Porter  
Dallas Rhoads  
Dillon Schmidt\*  
Cody Wells\*\*

### **TECHNICAL ACCOUNTING SPECIALIST**

Candy Dominguez Parga\*\*  
Arika Farrar\*  
Mohamed Sayedahm Mohamed\*

### **WELDING TECHNOLOGY**

Kaden Foster  
Ayden Thompson

## ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Hunter Alvord  
Tarell Anderson Lesane  
Destinee Armstead\*\*  
Ariana Arriaga  
Ameera Ashraf\*\*  
Jada Askew\*  
Justice Batt  
Brittany Becker\*  
Madelyn Burchett  
Aaron Camille  
Alexie Chairez  
Shelia Cleek

Stasha Conway  
Charles Cottle\*\*+  
Mason Cox  
Hadleigh Davis\*\*  
Kyra De Boer\*\*+  
Leticia De Quadros Silva  
Emmanuel Duran Saenz  
Jessica Everitt  
Kylee Ezzio  
James Gardner  
Jillian George\*\*  
Madison Grandclair\*\*

## ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Elizabeth Haskins\*\*  
 Emma Hickel\*  
 Payton Hoisington  
 Jadelyn Hooper\*\*  
 Cassondra Jones  
 Loic Valentin Mabika Kanku Badibanga\*  
 Leyla Karim  
 Shawn Keene  
 Megan Khalidi  
 Layda Elena Lara Sandoval\*\*  
 Danielle Latigo  
 Axel Leyva  
 Grace Lichtensteiger\*\*+  
 Hannah London-Janicki  
 Jackson MacWilliams  
 Seth McGinnes\*\*  
 Ella McNett\*  
 Frida Medellín Mondragon  
 Alyssa Mikkola  
 Erik Mitchell  
 Chandler Moody  
 Madison New  
 Evan Newman  
 Bryce Oliphant

Jonathan Orellana  
 Alexa Overman\*\*+  
 Ashley Penaloza  
 Giovanni Perez  
 Nicole Philen-Braun  
 Valeria Piedra\*\*  
 Dominique Purdy  
 Alexandra Rodriguez  
 Hugo Rosa Pacheco\*\*  
 Modibo Sanogo  
 Paul Santillo  
 Juwayne Silmon  
 Hannah Smith  
 Xanna Smith  
 Xaver Starkey  
 Madyson Sutherlin  
 Mio Tanaka\*\*  
 Diego Trombelli Sano\*\*  
 Genesis Trowbridge  
 Lily Waters\*  
 Veronika Wojtas  
 Nicholas Wondra  
 Alexandra Zook-Cochran\*\*

## ASSOCIATE IN GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Selena Armstrong\*\*+  
 Sierra Arpon\*\*  
 Resurreccionelmo Arteche  
 Guy Auman\*\*  
 Jonpaul Baptiste  
 Sharan Biswa  
 Mya Brown  
 Caleb Cardoza\*\*  
 Margaret Cargile  
 Dennise Chavez  
 Kari Corbet  
 Lafayette Cosby  
 Kassandra Deleon  
 Christian Diaz Centeno  
 David Dunham  
 Ciana Evans  
 Kaytlyn Evans  
 Rodney Ewing  
 George Ferenz

Johnnie Fields  
 Nathaniel Francis  
 Aleisha Gaines  
 Samantha Guerrero  
 Junior Guillomette  
 Joseph Gutierrez  
 Justin Habel  
 Nathanael Hathaway  
 Stephon Haynes  
 Brandi Herring\*\*  
 Tyler Holmes  
 Dorothy Jebehn\*\*  
 Richard Johnson\*  
 Madison Kirk  
 Spencer Lewis  
 Tanner Mahlum  
 Roy Maney\*\*  
 Michael Manlove  
 Shane Mays



## ASSOCIATE IN GENERAL STUDIES DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Whitney Mortimer  
Paul Nelson\*\*  
Deanna Reyes  
Kevin Reyes  
Shane Rich  
Paxston Sailors  
Benjamin Sawaya  
Alix Schneider  
Henry Scott\*  
Raeann Selvera  
John Smalling

Corbin Spragg\*\*  
Hailey Starkey  
Aaron Stevens  
Julia Stickney\*\*  
Jamaal Summers\*\*  
Anna Teaney\*\*+  
Molly Thomas  
Tyler Trantham\*\*  
Christina Wells\*  
Michael Williams\*\*  
Kleber Zambrano

## ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Ciara Adamo\*\*+  
Nathan Agudzi-Addo  
Brier Alexander  
Niahmyah Alexander  
Nicholas Amerson\*  
Narza Amezcua  
Emiliano Araiza-Bejarano\*  
Miriam Arciniega Velazquez  
Vaketta Arguello  
Princess Miriam Armstead  
Angelica Bailey  
Breyanna Baize\*+  
Zoe Baker  
Justin Barker  
Kendrick Barnes  
Elina Bartlett\*\*  
Jared Bashor  
Anthony Baskerville  
Carl Baskerville\*\*  
Christopher Beck  
Zachary Becker  
Wanyae Belle\*  
Presious Benson  
Charlee Bitler\*\*+  
Kayden Blake  
Isaac Bluemel  
Ethan Boles\*\*  
Bailey Bontrager  
Jessica Borjon  
Christi Brannon\*\*  
Quartenay Braven  
Anasia Bravo\*\*

Jaelynn Bridges  
James Brooks\*\*  
Cole Brown  
Kathrine Brown  
Adrienne Bryan  
Thomas Burns  
Cole Burtin\*  
Melinda Campbell  
Brissa Caro\*\*  
Leiny Carrillo-Ponce  
Gabriel Carty  
Lindsey Castellano  
Aaralynn Chavana  
Martin Chevallier  
Megan Christian  
Aleksandra Cicha\*\*+  
Kialia Claiborne  
Breanna Clark  
Chelsey Cobb  
Victoria Contreras\*+  
Sidney Cooper  
Elliott Copp\*\*  
Juan Costa  
Ava Cox  
Cortney Craft  
Aaron Crain  
Benny Crisostomo  
Alayna Crosby\*+  
Jacob Damas  
Naya Danenberg\*  
Jalen Daniels  
Braya Darnall\*

# ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

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Rebecca Davis	Trevon Hamer*
Keniya Dexter	Jana Hands*
Kennia Dexter	EuGina Harding
Katelin Dohe	Abigail Hardison
Sharon Dolan	Cody Haygood
Lucas Thiago Dos Santos**	Ricardo Hayles
Trent Dowler	Sierra Hearn
Zianna Dredden	Shilo Henderson**
Elizabeth Ducote**+	Kendyl Henning
Lillian Duke*	Bethany Henninger
Julianna Dunn	Zidania Henry*
Jayson Effertz	Jana Herdman
Katy Elliott	Isaias Hernandez*
Leila Enamorado	Paige Hiracheta*
Chloe Enslinger**+	Carol Hires
Benjamin Espinosa*	Cameron Howell
Ciara Espinoza	Peter Hughes*
Kayla Esquivel**	Brooke Humphreys**
Franco Estabillo**	Blake Huston*
Jose Estrada	Angel Ibarra**
CeAra Evans**+	Iris Ibarra**
Ethan Evans**	Alissandra Jackson*+
Matthew Evans	Samia Jackson
Maria Falgiani*	Gabriele Jacobs*
Erin Fasano	Natascha Jaime**
Easton Fitzpatrick	Gisela Jaquez
Kristi Franks	Kadynce Jean
Madison Franks+	Rachel Jeffers*
Trevor Freel*	Randy Jeter
Crystal Fuentes	Kennadie Jinkins
Riley Gaer	Kamryn Johns
Alexis Gallegos	Jennifer Jones
Adison Galusha*	Hatice Nur Kahraman**+
Ivan Garcia	Vada Kaiser**
Michael Garcia	Gina Karam**
Megan Glazebrook	Taryn Keller
Bradley Godsey**	Katie Kelly**
Justin Gomes	Liam Keyser*
Cesar Gomez*	Masa Kheir**
Elena Gonzalez	KeAndre Kindell
Yadhira Gonzalez	Dakota Kiser
Alicia Goseland*	Nils Knecht**
Kiana Grandclair**+	Olivia Kubista
Amber Gresham	Lineza LaFace
Clara Griffiths	Jasmine Larry
Leighton Grover	Alyson Lawrence
Nathaniel Grund*	Heather Lemon
Jose Guajardo*	Sienna Lenon
Junior Guillomette	Lawsyn Leuenberger

# ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

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David Leyva	Brittani Nelson**
Angie Lin	Gracey Nemec
Torrey Lindsay	Ethan Newman
Logan Lindsley	Daniel Nieto
Courtney Lines*	Brooklyn Nowak**+
Tracy Lombardo**	Jadon Nowlin*
Sarah Luedders	Gabriel Nshuti**
Jonathan Lyon**	Agatha Nukui Reynolds**
Pedro Henrique Lyra Vieira**+	Kya O'Banion*+
Jarret Mader**	Jori O'Guin
Avery Magee	Cassidy Ochoa
Ines Mahiaoui**	Vivian Onugha**+
Chayla Maichel*	Carley Page
Kolton Maneth**	James Parlow
Heather Manfredi*	Blaike Parsons
Joshua Mascal	Annely Partida
Mia Mascarenas	Laura Patzner
Erika Mazzella	Gianna Pelham**
Tyler McBee	Jorge Pena*
Allyson McDougal	Dru Penka
Samantha McGuire	Johana Perales*
Josie McLean	Nineth Pereyra Zuany
Skyler McMullen	Chloe Perryman
April McNabb	Ellie Peters
Michelle McVey	Julian Petrik
Johnathon Mccoy	Logan Philbern*
Penelope Mccraw**	Lawrence Pickett
Frank Mcintosh**	Dominic Quogana
Emily Medley**	Carolina Ramirez Hernandez
Charlene Melson	Haley Rau
Kiernan Meredith	Joshua Reeves**
Kylie Miller	Jade Reilly**
Sabrina Miller**	Maurin Reyes*
Ethan Minaker**	Phoebe Reyes**
Calina Mingo**	Kimberly Reyes Pilo**
Paige Mink**+	Aide Reyes Sepulveda**
Eric Monnier*	Caden Rhan-Nokleby*
Stacy Moore	Mikaylee Ribble
Marlena Morel Marte	Kamea Rice
Brooklin Morgan*	Jaylon Richard**
Halee Morrison	Mekaila Richert
Angel Morrow*	Josiah Riojas**
Brent Moss	Kathryn Rios
Kalil Murphy	Tiffany Rismiller
Creighton Murray**	Anthony Rivera
Zohra Murtaza**	Mozae Rivers
Aidan Musser	Yaneika Robinson
Holly Nail	Isabella Rosenthal
Amy Nehls	Maxine Ross



# ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

List of graduates includes Summer 2024, Fall 2024, and Spring 2025.

Reed Russum	Logan Turner**
Madison Ryker	Nicholas Turner
Shelby Saffron	Chridel Turtillien
Charley Sander	Heidi Tuttle
Logan Sanders**+	Tony Ty
Paul Santillo	Maria Umoibang
Madison Sauer**	Daria Valdez
Jazlynn Schultz*	Joseph Vaughn
Lakota Schultz	Widlife Vermilus
Chailyn Scott+	Brenda Visoso**+
Kimberly Seden	McKenna Vogl
Ivanilda Semedo**	Maxence Voinier**
Melissa Shell	Parker Volski
Jarrett Shives	Kristen Waldschmidt
Jaime SigauQue	David Walker**
David Silva	Shone Walters
Brittany Simpson*	Sophia Walters
Christopher Smalls	Madelyn Ward
Elizabeth Smith**	Landon Wareman
Macie Smith*	Emma Warren
Patricia Smith	Timothy Washington
Madison Sohm**	Ashley Watts
Christopher Sommer	Kaylee Weaver
Danaly Sosa	Cassandra Wendt
Juan Soto-Lara	Yolanda White
Diana Souza	Cedricka Williams
Kyle Stach**	Elijah Williams
Elena Stankovic**	Fontaine Williams
Kiley Stevenson	Kayla Williams
Isabella Stracuzzi	Quentin Williams
Makeila Straub*+	Zoe Wimmer
Bailey Streit	Avery Wolf
Alexis Stude	Karter Wolf*
Tyler Stuhlsatz	Korbin Woods
Kaustubh Sutar	Dytasia Yates
Ryan Swift*	Tierra Yohon**
Cooper Tabor**	Deryk Yott*
Aracely Talamantes Flores	Austin Young**
Ashley Tarin Arroyo	Kloe Young**
Rhuan Tech*	Jessica Youngson**
Mya Thompson**+	Brooklynne Zielke
Nathan Thompson*	Shannon Zink**
Marisol Torres	Sara Zuluaga Nohava

# RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

\* Graduates with a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 to 3.69 will have a *gold cord* and be announced as **"graduating with honors."**

\*\* Graduates with a cumulative grade point average of 3.7 to 4.0 will have a *blue/gold cord* and be announced as **"graduating with highest honors."**

+ **Phi Theta Kappa Member** (*gold stoles*)

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) is a national honor society for community college students, recognized by the American Association of Community Colleges. PTK focuses on recognizing and encouraging the academic achievement of college students while supplying opportunities for individual growth and development through participation in honors, leadership, service, and fellowship programming. Members are selected based on scholastic rank and moral character. Students wearing the gold stole for PTK have met community service requirements.

△ **Awarded Posthumously**

**Barton Foundation Scholarship Recipient** (*black/silver cord*)

Students are awarded scholarships from 164 scholarship funds based on numerous criteria, as designated by generous donors to the Barton Community College Foundation. Each student wearing the black and silver twisted cord was awarded a scholarship during their time at Barton and maintained the standards required for that scholarship.

**Student Ambassadors** (*blue/yellow/white cord*)

Ambassadors play a pivotal role in recruiting prospective students to Barton Community College. Student Ambassadors serve as representatives of the college by conducting campus tours, participating in numerous recruitment activities and by assisting other departments on campus with their needs.

**Military** (*red/white/blue cord*)

**Paramedic** (*green cord*)

**HOSA** (*navy/maroon cord*)

Future Health Professionals

## ACADEMIC REGALIA

Since the regalia used in colleges and universities for academic occasions may not always be understood by visitors to a campus, the following information will explain the items of apparel. Everyone possessing a college degree is entitled to wear a black robe on appropriate occasions. Faculty members wear hoods in addition to the gown. Hoods are generally black, trimmed in velvet in the color of the subject field, and are lined with the colors of the college or university conferring the degree. The correct colors to denote various branches of learning have been established by the Intercollegiate Code.

**Maize:** Agriculture

**White:** Arts, Letters, and Humanities

**Drab:** Business Administration

**Copper:** Economics

**Light Blue:** Education

**Orange:** Engineering

**Brown:** Fine Arts, including Architecture

**Maroon:** Home Economics

**Lemon:** Library Science

**Green:** Medicine

**Pink:** Music

**Apricot:** Nursing

**Sage Green:** Physical Education

**Gold Yellow:** Science

**Citron:** Social Science

**Silver Gray:** Speech

**Scarlet:** Theology or Divinity

## FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE GRADUATE

A first generation college student is a student from a family in which no parent or primary caregiver has earned a four year college or university degree.





## FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Barton Community College Foundation is pleased to present the Scholarship Recipients of this year's Graduating Class. The students you see listed here have received Barton Foundation scholarships based on merit and donor intentions. The Foundation is proud to be able to connect generous donors to students that can take their investment and magnify it tenfold in their careers, communities, and families. Best of luck, Class of 2025!

Ciara Adamo  
Taylor Alloway  
Selena Armstrong  
Nicole Baez  
Breyanna Baize  
Clara Barbosa Hernandez  
Jaelynn Bridges  
Anna Campbell  
Dennise Chavez  
Stasha Conway  
Mason Cox  
Shae Cox  
Joyce Cunningham  
Hannah Dapogny  
Braya Darnall  
Kaden Deines  
Ciera Depenbusch  
Courtney Dillon  
Karlee Dougherty  
Kimbra Dowling  
Edgar Duarte Quiroz  
Elizabeth Ducote  
Michelle East  
Jayson Effertz  
William Elam  
Ciara Espinoza  
Samantha Fisher  
Easton Fitzpatrick  
Vanessa Flores  
Kaden Foster  
Madison Franks  
Amanda Genta  
Yuleidi Gonzalez  
Madelynn Gregg  
Jose Guajardo  
Emilee Hall  
Ethan Hammeke  
Rachell Hampton  
Bailey Harner  
Guadalupe Herrera  
Emma Hickel  
Cameron Howell  
Alissandra Jackson  
Gisela Jaquez

Connor Jesse  
Richard Johnson  
Hunter Klima  
Kinsey Krom  
Aubrey Labs  
Angelina Leeper  
Cagney Lemuz  
Torrey Lindsay  
Courtney Lines  
Andrea Lopez  
Michael Lutter  
Jarret Mader  
Kolton Maneth  
Enrique Martinez Renteria  
Shane Mays  
Penelope Mccraw  
Alyssa Mikkola  
Joseph Miller  
Tessa Miller  
Paige Mink  
Taheed Montano  
Michael Moore  
Brooklin Morgan  
Christopher Morgan  
Halee Morrison  
Carson North  
Bryce Oliphant  
Luis Pando  
Blaike Parsons  
Brooke Pate  
Jorge Pena  
Johana Perales  
Boris Peranovic  
Ellie Peters  
Carolina Ramirez Hernandez  
Teresa Reason  
Maurin Reyes  
Kimberly Reyes Pilo  
Aide Reyes Sepulveda  
Florence Rose  
Jarrod Roy  
Charley Sander  
Logan Sanders  
Oneth Savery

Chloe Schenk  
Henry Scott  
Joseph Seiler  
Jarrett Shives  
Brittany Simpson  
John Smalling  
Xanna Smith  
Corbin Spragg  
Elena Stankovic  
Joley Stauffer  
Sadi Strain-Shepherd  
Makeila Straub  
Jamaal Summers  
Elena Taboada  
Cooper Tabor  
Aracely Talamantes Flores  
Marisol Torres  
Bradley Tucker  
Luzmaria Villegas  
Amanda Welcher  
Alex Wheat  
Bailee Wright

## 2025 OUTSTANDING GRADUATE AWARDS

Faculty and staff submit nominations for the Outstanding Graduate Award based on leadership skills, active participation on campus, community involvement and excellence in academics. A committee of faculty, staff, and students selected the 2025 Barton County Campus Outstanding Graduates from the nominees.



### **Paige Mink**

Paige Mink of Dodge City, Kansas has earned her associate in science degree with an emphasis in Park Management and Conservation. She is the daughter of Tamara and Scott Mink of Dodge City. During her Barton career, Paige was a member of the Barton Tabletop Gaming Club, the STEM Club, Barton Christian Challenge, Collegiate Farm Bureau, and Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) National Honor Society. Earlier this spring, Paige was named one of Barton's delegates to the All-Kansas State PTK All-Academic Team and was also selected as a Coca-Cola Silver Scholar. Additionally, Paige competed as part of Barton's Swim Team.

Paige plans to continue her education at Kansas State University, seeking her bachelor's degree in Fisheries, Wildlife, Conservation and Environmental Biology. She hopes to build her career in the conservation and environmental arenas, whether in a lab or field position.

As part of the Outstanding Graduate selection process, Paige noted that her favorite memories and experiences at Barton were the many long conversations she had with staff members relating to any number of topics from philosophy and personal values to conspiracy theories. Paige stated that she has embraced the knowledge that "one of the most valuable things is human connection."



### **Tierra Yohon**

Tierra Yohon of Stockton, Kansas, is completing her associate in science degree, with an emphasis in Business. Tierra is the daughter of Tera and Jarrett Yohon, of Stockton. During her Barton career, Tierra was a member of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society, serving this year as the chapter president, and a member of Future Business Leaders of America. Additionally, Tierra served as a Barton Student Ambassador.

Tierra will continue her education at Fort Hays State University, seeking her bachelor's degree and later her master's degree in Business Marketing.

As part of the Outstanding Graduate selection process, Tierra noted that one of the "lessons learned" during her Barton experience is that "everyone has a story and it's good to learn something from everyone."

## 2025 DISTINGUISHED INSTRUCTOR AWARDS

The Distinguished Instructor Award was created in 1984 to recognize teaching excellence. Nominees are recommended by students and colleagues with final decisions made by a selection committee. The committee considers the instructor's contributions to teaching and learning, the College mission, and the community. This year the following faculty members have earned the 2025 Distinguished Instructor Award:



**Amber Bebout**  
Fort Riley/Fort Leavenworth



**Justin Brown**  
Barton County Campus



**Stephenie Bradford-Clark**  
Fort Riley/Fort Leavenworth



**Ann Ingala**  
Fort Riley/Fort Leavenworth



**Heidi McKennon**  
Barton County Campus/  
Pratt Community College Campus

## 2025 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Barton Community College Foundation proudly presents the 2025 Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Perry and Krista Smith, outstanding members of our community whose unwavering dedication has significantly enriched the missions of Barton Community College and the Foundation. The Distinguished Service Award was created in 1981 to recognize individuals who have shown genuine regard for and performed outstanding service to Barton Community College.



### **Dr. Perry and Krista Smith**

The Smiths' connection to Barton began in 1980, when they moved to Great Bend and became season ticket holders for basketball. By the following year, Perry had stepped into the role of team physician and Sports Medicine supervisor, marking the beginning of four decades of dedicated involvement. They quickly recognized Barton's powerful role in shaping not just students' futures, but the entire community.

Over the years, Perry and Krista have been a constant presence at athletic events, theatre and fine arts performances, and Shafer Art Gallery receptions. Perry administered thousands of physicals to Barton athletes, supported Barton's nursing staff during his tenure as College physician, and served on the Nursing Advisory Board. Krista, a physical therapist, taught Rehab Aide classes and served on the Foundation's Board of Directors from 1992–1998 and served as the board chair. She also co-chaired the Big Benefit Auction and played a key role on the presidential search committee that hired Dr. Veldon Law, while Perry most recently served on the committee that selected Dr. Marcus Garstecki.

Their deep-rooted belief in Barton's impact has been the driving force behind their continued support.

"Watching students achieve success - especially student-athletes gaining confidence in their college journey - is incredibly rewarding," he said. "We've welcomed many students into our home, and they've taught our family so much about the world beyond Great Bend, Kansas. That's been one of the most meaningful aspects of our connection to Barton."

Krista echoed this sentiment, adding that their daughter's experience as a Barton basketball player and graduate opened their eyes to the wide range of opportunities Barton offers.

"We came to appreciate not only the student services, but also how much the College contributes to the community," she said. "The economic impact is significant and deeply important to us."

Their service, leadership, and generosity have earned them the distinct honor of receiving the Distinguished Service Award. Their enduring legacy resonates across our campuses, enriching the lives of countless individuals and shaping the future of Barton Community College. It is with great respect and heartfelt appreciation that we honor Perry and Krista Smith with the 2025 Distinguished Service Award.



## 2025 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

Barton Community College proudly presents the 2025 Distinguished Alumni Award to Dennis and Jann Sherman, whose dedication to the community and passion for the community college experience have guided their commitment to fostering education. The Distinguished Alumni Award will be presented annually to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions through their professional field, research, service to community, or service and support to Barton Community College. The recipients exemplify the remarkable impact and rich tradition of Barton alumni.



### **Dennis and Jann Sherman**

The Shermans are the award's inaugural recipients. They attended Barton from 1970 to 1972. After earning their associate degrees from Barton, the Shermans went to the University of Kansas, where Dennis completed his Bachelor of Science in pharmacy and Jann earned a degree in math education.

After returning to Great Bend, Dennis worked as a pharmacist in the area until he transitioned into a new career as a Financial Advisor. He eventually ventured out on his own, founding Sherman Financial. Jann returned to Barton soon after completing her degree, this time as a faculty member. She took some time off to raise their children but later returned to teaching, where she influenced countless students over her more than 15 years as a math instructor.

In 2012, Jann was recognized with a Distinguished Instructor Award during the 42nd annual commencement ceremony. Dennis was inducted into the Barton Sports Hall of Fame that same year. He was a member of the men's golf team and earned Barton its first-ever conference championship during the 1971-72 season.

As Barton graduates themselves, the Shermans have always been passionate about the value of community colleges.

"The transition from community college to university is easier than high school to university," Jann said. "You grow up a little, and you are better prepared for the academic challenges ahead."

The Shermans are proud advocates for the opportunities that Barton provides. "Barton is right here. It's an accessible and affordable option, and we always recommend it," Dennis said.

Over the years, the couple has supported numerous student groups and College initiatives, including the Music and Athletic Departments and Jack Kilby STEM Day. Dennis has been a member of the Barton Foundation Board of Directors and is currently the Immediate Past Chair. He is a member of the Foundation's Investment Committee and has served on the advisory boards for the pharmacy technician and nursing programs.

Their dedication to the community and belief in the transformative power of community college are just some of the reasons the Shermans were honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award. This recognition highlights their personal and professional accomplishments and unwavering commitment to fostering educational opportunities for future generations.

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DJ Anderson	Gerald Butler	Carrie Feist	Theresa Hier
Terry Anderson	Angela Campbell	Kelly Feist	Logan Higbee
Emily Archer	Donna Cape	Kelsey Feist	James Hill
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Laura Valerius  
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Michael Vick  
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Dustin Wheeler  
Latisha White  
Mariah White  
Tiffany Wilkinson  
Dan Williams  
Denise Williams  
Kurt Williams  
Marcia Williams  
Jake Wilson  
Savana Wilson  
Sigismond Wilson  
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Brian Yager  
Tana Yellowwolf  
Qiong Yu  
Lora Zink

## 2025 BARTON DIFFERENCE

Barton graduating students were asked to name employees who made a difference in their lives.



### **Emily Archer**

Professor Emily Archer was my sociology teacher. I have been in college for quite some time, and she has one of the kindest hearts I have ever encountered. She took time to connect with each student and didn't judge us during discussions when we shared our beliefs. She interacted with everyone. She is the type of professor who encourages you and helps you believe that you're able to succeed. I will always remember her.

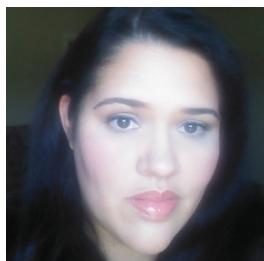
– Nominated by Kayla Esquivel



### **Kara Brauer**

When I was struggling with the loss of a loved one, Mrs. Brauer encouraged me and helped me get back on track with my classes. Her support made a big difference and helped me push through.

– Nominated by Angelina Leeper



### **Angela Campbell**

Mrs. Campbell motivates me to think more deeply about life and how we all think. Her approach to teaching has made a meaningful impact on how I view learning.

– Nominated by Giovanni Perez

As an older student, I felt out of place, but Mrs. Campbell made me feel welcomed and supported. Her encouragement gave me the confidence to keep going. I'm so thankful for her belief in me.

– Nominated by Nicole Philen-Braun



### **Tana Cooper**

As my boss as a Barton Ambassador, Tana pushed me out of my shell and helped me find my confidence. She believed in me, kept me going when I wanted to quit, and made Barton a place where I felt like I belonged.

– Nominated by Chailyn Scott

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Barton graduating students were asked to name employees who made a difference in their lives.



## **Emily Cowles**

Emily helped guide me through a tough time and put me on the right path. I'll always be grateful for her support and encouragement.

– Nominated by Gina Karam

Emily has been both my academic advisor and teacher. She's gone above and beyond to keep me on track as I work toward my associate in science degree and prepare for a bachelor's in dietetics. Her guidance has made all the difference.

– Nominated by Tracy Lombardo

Emily was an awesome advisor. She played a key role in my success as a Dietary Manager, and I'd love to see her recognized for all she's done. Thank you, Emily!

– Nominated by Gary Roberts



## **Hannah Demel**

Mrs. Demel has been a much needed and incredible addition to the instructor team. I was filled with anxiety and fear when I came back to the program this fall. She supported me every step of the way and helped me gain confidence in my abilities. Her encouragement and grace have helped me believe in myself again. Her presence has been a huge reason I've made it through this semester.

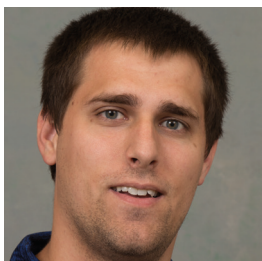
– Nominated by Jessy Moeder



## **Carson Dubose**

Coach Dubose changed my life tremendously. She was more than a coach—she was a mentor in all aspects of life, both on and off the field. She made a genuine effort to get to know me, and it was clear that we meant more to her than just players. Her support and guidance over my two years at Barton left a lasting impression, and the lessons she taught me will stick with me for life.

– Nominated by Alicia Goseland



## **Nolan Esfeld**

Mr. Esfeld showed incredible patience and flexibility while helping me re-enter academia after a long break. As a non-traditional student, I was overwhelmed at first, but his support gave me the confidence I needed to tackle my assignments. Thanks to his open-door approach and guidance, I found the momentum to move forward and succeed.

– Nominated by Selena Armstrong

## 2025 BARTON DIFFERENCE

Barton graduating students were asked to name employees who made a difference in their lives.



### **Sayde Fitzgerald**

Sayde was patient, helpful, and always willing to explain concepts. Her passion for nursing and teaching was clear, and I believe she truly wants to see her students succeed. She made a big impact on my journey.

– Nominated by Guadalupe Herrera

Sayde was up front and honest. She was very good at explaining things from the textbook, as well as teaching us real-life situations. She pushed for her students to succeed and advocated for them through the entire year. She lectured well, and I felt I learned a lot from her.

– Nominated by Brooke Pate



### **Mark Freeman**

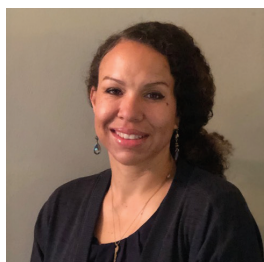
I was enrolled in his ceramics class for two semesters, and along with having a great atmosphere in his class, he was extremely helpful with matters outside of ceramics. I would send in project ideas, and instead of saying yes or no, he would tell me how I could make it better, and he'd actually help me during the process. His advice and support are why I'm choosing to nominate him for this award.

– Nominated by Logan Sanders



## 2025 BARTON DIFFERENCE

Barton graduating students were asked to name employees who made a difference in their lives.



### **Jessica Fullen**

Mrs. Fullen taught several of my classes, and I enjoyed each one. Her engaging classroom presence made me want to keep taking her courses, even if they weren't required. I miss having her as a teacher and hope many more students get to learn from her.

– Nominated by Charlie Cottle

Mrs. Fullen's business classes were my favorite. She connected with students and inspired me to pursue a career in business. I'm so thankful for everything she taught me.

– Nominated by Nathanael Hathaway

Professor Fullen helped me succeed during one of the most difficult times in my life. Even after I was no longer in her class, she checked in on me and showed that she truly cared. Her encouragement helped me achieve the highest GPA I've ever had. I'm so grateful she was part of my journey.

– Nominated by Patricia Smith

Mrs. Fullen made my college transition incredibly smooth. She created a classroom environment that was both motivating and supportive. Her passion for teaching, care for her students, and encouraging nature made public speaking one of my favorite classes. I'm grateful for the confidence and skills she helped me develop.

– Nominated by Anna Teaney



### **Barbara Hanson**

Ms. Hanson was a fun and supportive teacher who made a lasting impression on me during my time at Barton. Her encouragement and positive attitude made her class enjoyable and memorable.

– Nominated by Anasia Bravo



### **Jo Harrington**

Mr. Harrington's classes were some of the most impactful of my time at Barton. He was always available to help—recording personal videos, explaining homework step-by-step, and encouraging students to reach out. He's set me up for success in my studies and future career.

– Nominated by Brooklin Morgan

## 2025 BARTON DIFFERENCE

Barton graduating students were asked to name employees who made a difference in their lives.



### **Baudilio Hernandez**

He has helped me a lot, gave me the best life advice, and always helped me look for good opportunities.

– Nominated by Jorge Pena



### **Colvin Hooser**

Mr. H is a music professor who went above and beyond in his Fundamentals of Music class. As a pre-music education student, I wanted to ensure I had a strong foundation, and Mr. H. made that possible. He regularly stayed after class to help me understand the material, never made me feel uncomfortable for asking questions, and always encouraged me to come to him if I needed help. His support and patience made a huge impact on my learning. He is the best educator I've had, and I'm truly grateful for the opportunity to learn from him.

– Nominated by Chandler Moody



### **Judy Jacobs**

Judy helped me make important academic decisions and gave me great advice along the way. I'm thankful for her support.

– Nominated by Jaime Sigauque



### **Dr. Andrea Jones**

Dr. Jones' accounting classes were structured to prepare students for the real world. I appreciated the pace and relevance of her courses. They helped me better understand financial models and gave me the tools I needed for my career.

– Nominated by Amber Gresham



### **Sam Kline-Martin**

When I started at Barton, I was nervous and unsure. Meeting Sam changed everything. He made the tutoring lab feel like home and helped me through so many challenges. He believed in me and gave me the confidence to succeed. I'm so thankful for his support and guidance throughout my time here.

– Nominated by Alayna Crosby

## 2025 BARTON DIFFERENCE

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### **Victor Martin**

Mr. Martin helped me select the degree path that fits me best and provided useful knowledge I now apply on the job and the family farm. His guidance and advice have been incredibly helpful.

– Nominated by Kolton Maneth



### **Jakki Maser**

Mrs. Maser's Coping with Stress class was life-changing. During the semester, I experienced a miscarriage and was overwhelmed with grief. Her class gave me an outlet through stress logs that truly saved my mental health. Her compassion and encouragement helped me open up and heal. I will always remember her kindness during that dark time.

– Nominated by Megan Khalidi



### **Matt Mazouch**

Mr. Mazouch is a great instructor and a funny guy. His teaching style made class enjoyable and memorable.

– Nominated by Kaden Foster



### **Paige Morgan**

Paige always goes out of her way to acknowledge whether I'm walking into the tutoring lab for a shift, giving a tour, or just passing by. She makes me feel seen, heard, and valued. I can always go to her for advice or just to share something exciting. She notices the little things and brings brightness to Barton every day.

– Nominated by Madison Franks



### **Mandy Schnoebelen**

Mandy always believed in me. Her encouragement pushed me to keep trying, even when I doubted myself. Without her support, I wouldn't have believed I was capable of achieving what I did. She's been a true motivator and made a big difference in my life.

– Nominated by Johana Perales

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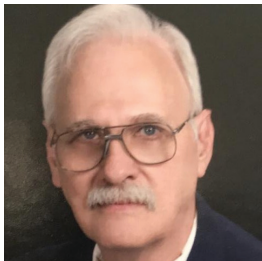
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### **Cathy Smith**

Cathy Smith is my academic advisor but was also the instructor for several of my medical classes as well. Going back to school at 42 years old is hard enough, but Cathy Smith was there anytime I needed her to guide me through each process. She helped me each time I needed to register for classes, and the classes I took with her were so well organized and easy to navigate that I wish she could've been my teacher for every class. I will forever be grateful to her for making this journey as easy as possible for me.

– Nominated by Crystal Ellis



### **Leon Sobba**

Even though I don't have a class with Mr. Sobba, he still teaches me. He's my boss in the theater department, but I don't even think of him as a boss—he's that good of a teacher. His natural ability to teach and connect with students is inspiring.

– Nominated by Elliott Copp



### **Jennifer Steinert**

Ms. Steinert made her class feel less formal and more comfortable, which helped ease my transition into college. Her style of teaching made my college experience at Barton much less stressful and more enjoyable.

– Nominated by David Leyva



### **Jake Streit**

Jake has been a huge help in welding class. Whenever I didn't understand something, he was right there to walk me through it. He's a great instructor and makes sure we all feel supported.

– Nominated by Dixie Gallant

He did not let me give up on college when class was getting hard for me with personal stuff in my life. He worked with me to come up with a plan to finish everything, so I actually finished all my credits in December. He did not give up on me when I gave up on myself and got me to believe in myself again.

– Nominated by Aspyn King

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### **Tana Yellowwolf**

Mrs. Yellowwolf has been a nursing instructor of mine for the past two years, and she has always encouraged me and pushed me to be my best! She is absolutely amazing and shows compassion to everyone she crosses paths with! She has encouraged me to be confident in my skills! She is one of a kind!

– Nominated by Taylor Alloway



### **Penny Zimmerman**

Penny was more than an advisor—she was someone I could always talk to. Even though she's retired now, her positive impact on me and so many students deserves to be recognized. She is truly the best.

– Nominated by Adisyn Jacobs

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