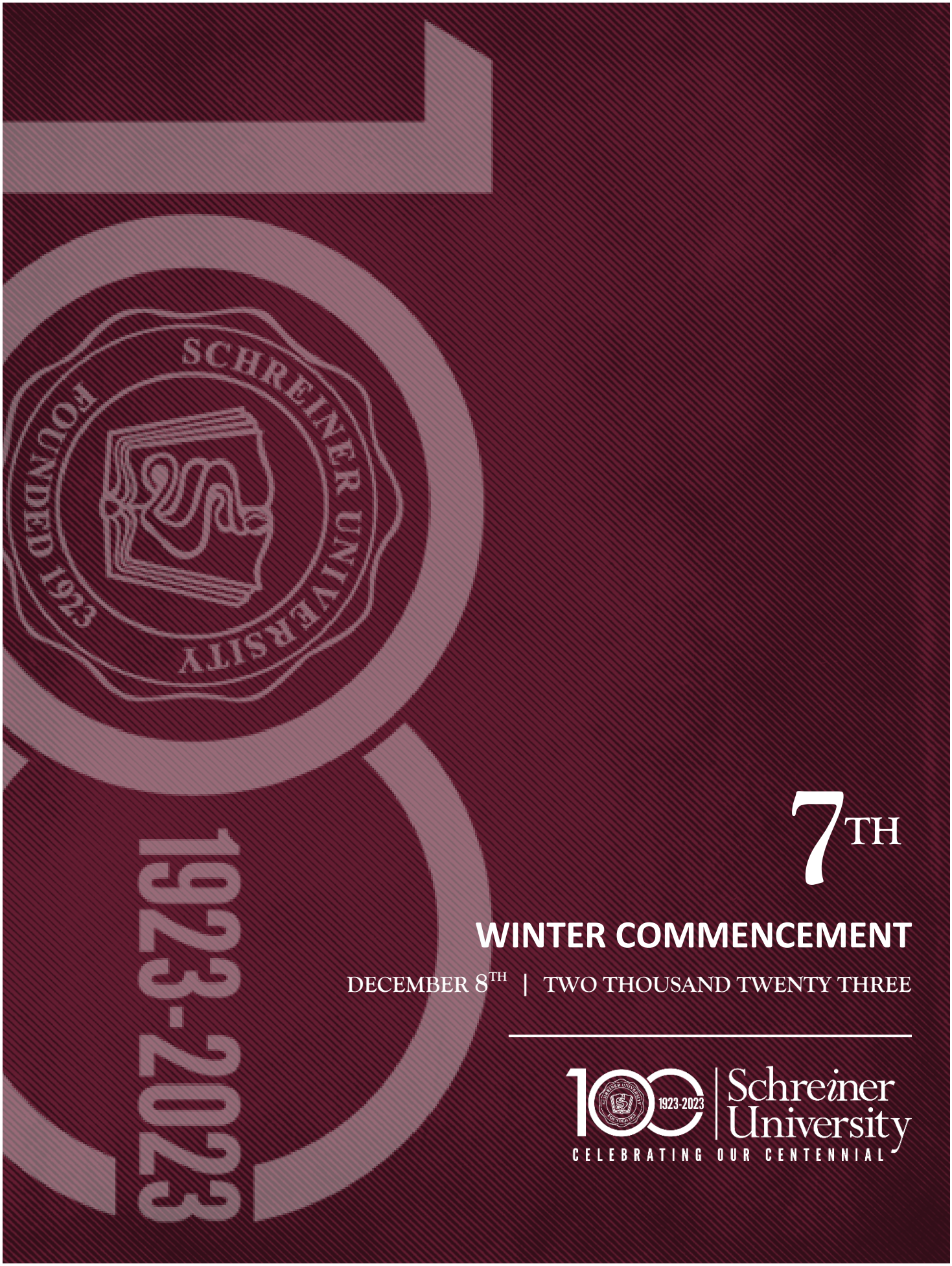


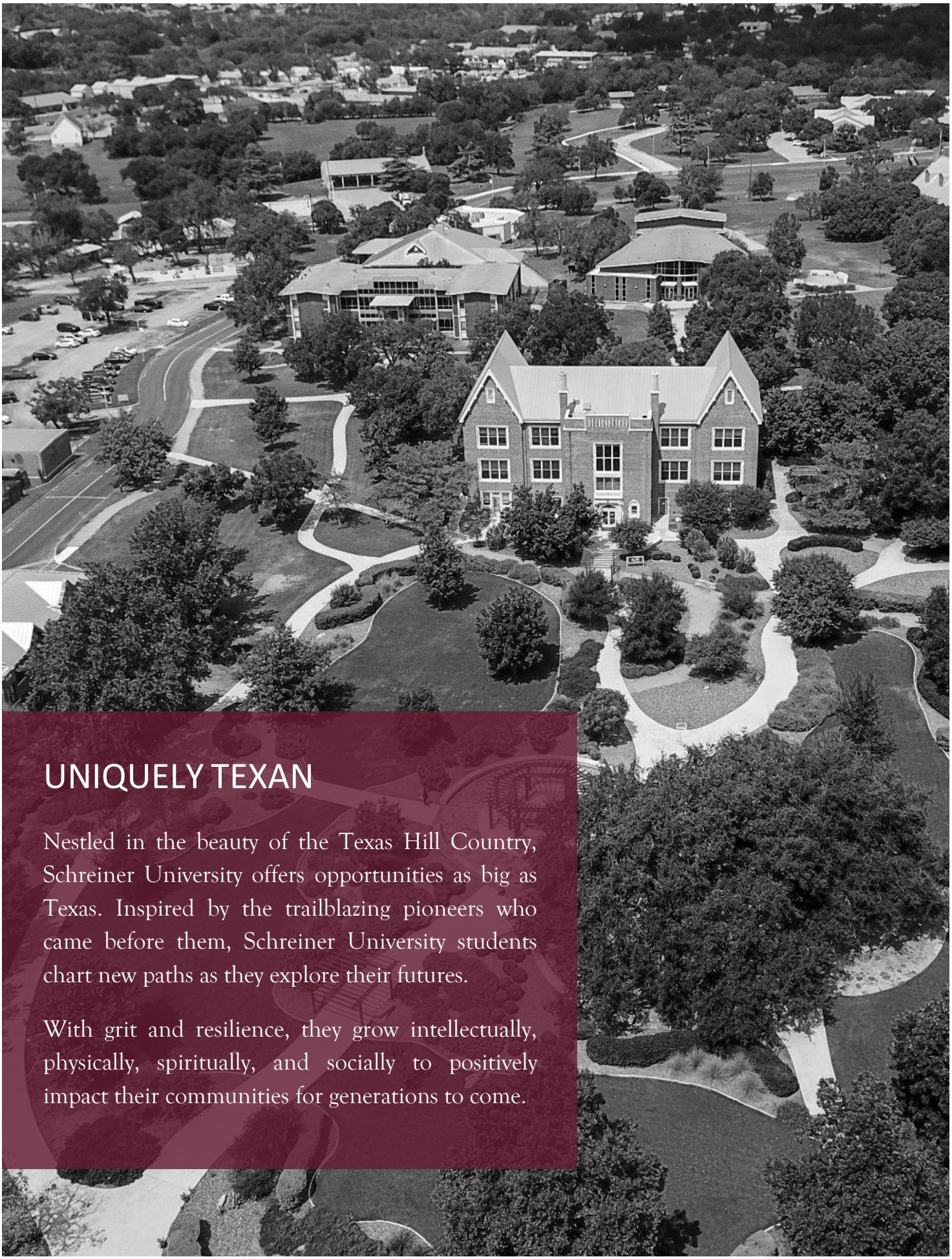
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WINTER COMMENCEMENT

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CELEBRATING OUR CENTENNIAL



UNIQUELY TEXAN

Nestled in the beauty of the Texas Hill Country, Schreiner University offers opportunities as big as Texas. Inspired by the trailblazing pioneers who came before them, Schreiner University students chart new paths as they explore their futures.

With grit and resilience, they grow intellectually, physically, spiritually, and socially to positively impact their communities for generations to come.

WHO WE ARE

At *Schreiner University*, students enter with hope and leave with achievement. We are a diverse, fiercely independent university located in the Texas Hill Country, and we are affiliated by choice and covenant with the Presbyterian Church (USA).

WHAT WE DO

Schreiner University is a place of opportunity. We offer undergraduate and graduate students a personalized, integrated, and holistic educational experience that prepares them for meaningful work and purposeful lives in a changing global society. Students study in-depth in a specific area of interest while acquiring broad skills and habits of mind to navigate a complex, diverse, and unscripted future.

WHY WE DO IT

- All students are valuable and unique;
- Every student should grow intellectually, physically, spiritually, and socially;
- We value diversity of people and thought in a setting of open, civil discourse;
- Life-long learning and service to society are critical in a global world; and
- Higher education must develop thoughtful, productive, and ethical citizens.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

- The only Private, Faith-based Institution of Higher Learning located in the Texas Hill Country
- First University in Texas to offer an all-inclusive fixed price tuition
- A Best College (Southwest Region) – *Princeton Review* (2023-2024)
- College of Distinction (2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
- #1 Best College Dorms in Texas – *Niche* (2024)
- #10 Best College Campus in Texas – *Niche* (2024)
- #12 Safest College Campus in Texas – *Niche* (2024)
- #18 Best College Dorms in America – *Niche* (2024)
- Top 10% Best College Campus in America – *Niche* (2024)
- Top 20% Safest College Campus in America – *Niche* (2024)









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For the Faculty & Bearer of the Mace
Dr. Kathleen Hudson, *Professor of English*
The 2023 Recipient of the Margaret Hosler Award for Excellence in Teaching
The Highest Distinguished Faculty Award at Schreiner University

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The custom of wearing distinctive dress for academic ceremonies dates back to the Middle Ages, when people dressed in keeping with their class. The clergy were the literate class, so early academic costume was clerical. A heavy dark gown seems to have been worn at all times. Hoods and capes were also necessary during European winters because the buildings where scholars lived, studied, and taught were cold.

Beginning at Harvard in 1636, the faculties of American universities have worn distinguishing costumes. Those holding a bachelor's degree wear a gown distinguished by long pointed sleeves hanging nearly to the knees. The master's gown has long closed sleeves with a slit for the arm near the middle of the sleeves. The doctor's gown is faced with a broad strip of velvet and has three horizontal velvet bars on each sleeve.

The level of degree is shown by the size of the hood, the width of the velvet trimming, and, in case of the doctoral hoods, by the shape. The bachelor's, master's, and doctor's hoods are 3 feet, 3½ feet, and 4 feet long, respectively. In the same order, velvet trimming is 2, 3, and 5 inches wide. This velvet trimming extends all around the hood on the exposed edge, but to make a more comfortable fit, it is allowed to narrow at the neck band.

The color of the trim denotes the field of learning in which it was given, and the hood provides the best clues for identifying the level of the degree and the institution which awarded it. Among the subjects represented by the colors in hoods worn by Schreiner University faculty and administrative staff are the following:

Apricot – *Nursing*
Brown – *Fine Arts*
Citron – *Social Science*
Copper – *Economics*
Crimson – *Communications*
Dark Blue – *Philosophy*
Drab – *Business Administration*

Golden Yellow – *Sciences*
Green – *Medicine*
Lemon Yellow – *Library Science*
Light Blue – *Education*
Orange – *Engineering*
Peacock Blue – *Public Administration*
Pink – *Music*

Purple – *Law*
Sage Green – *Physical Education*
Salmon – *Public Health*
Scarlet – *Theology*
Silver Grey – *Speech, Drama*
White – *Arts, Letters, and Humanities*

The appropriate cap for all degrees is the familiar mortar board. A black tassel, or one of the colors signifying the field of specialization, hanging to the left of the face, is appropriate for all degrees. Those holding a doctor's degree may wear a soft velvet cap or the mortar board with the tassel in whole or in part of gold thread. Other elements such as a sword, hat, plume, etc. can also be components of distinctive dress, depending on the awarding institution's traditions. Some gowns expose a necktie or cravat while others are designed to be worn open. The Schreiner's Board of Trustees are wearing robes of black with Schreiner tartan on the sleeve caps as well as the tartan adorned as a border on the black velvet. In 2020, the academic regalia for Schreiner's bachelor and master students was redesigned incorporating the official Schreiner tartan in the gown and hood, connecting to the University's Presbyterian heritage.

OUR TARTAN

The Origin of the Schreiner University Legacy Tartan

In 2018, the official university tartan was registered with the Scottish Register of Tartans in an effort to reconnect the university to its Presbyterian heritage. The official thread count is W1 W9 K23 DR95 W1 W9 K23. The first three thread counts represent "1923" marking in white - one of our school colors - the founding of the university and black as an official accent color.

The 95 Maroon count represents the 95th year of the founding of the university in which the tartan was passed. Finally, we follow back with the 1923 thread again in white and black to represent the future reflection of our past 95 years of educational excellence.



VOCATIONAL NURSING
PINNING CEREMONY



Vocational Nursing Graduates

Kourtney Anders
Mason, TX

Noemi Andrade
Kerrville, TX

Blanca Arollo
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Karla Ballesteros-Tienda
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Kerrville, TX

Junkin Campus Ministry Center

Friday, December 8, 2023
11:00am

PROCESSIONAL	VN Class of 2023
INTRODUCTION	**Dr. Shanna Chapman, FNP-C FAANP, APRN** *Director of Nursing Programs*
KEYNOTE	**Mrs. Audrey Ducker** *Director of Experience, Peterson Health*
WELCOME TO THE PROFESSION	**Mrs. Barbara Stehling, RN, BSN** *Vocational Nursing Faculty*
SIGNIFICANCE FOR THE PIN	**Mrs. Brigitte Moseley, RN, MSN** *Vocational Nursing Faculty*
PINNING OF THE GRADUATES	Vocational Nursing Candidates
FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE PLEDGE	Vocational Nursing Candidates
BENEDICTION	**The Reverend Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, '15** *Senior Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Kerrville*
CLOSING REMARKS	**Dr. Shanna Chapman, FNP-C FAANP, APRN** *Director of Nursing Programs*

COMMENCEMENT



We are delighted to have you join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates. Commencement is a special occasion, both solemn and joyous. It is a time when we respect the traditions of higher education and recognize the hard work and sacrifices that brought each graduate to this point of personal growth.

Thank you for sharing in this important celebration at Schreiner University.

SCHREINER UNIVERSITY EVENT CENTER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023

2:00PM

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

Please silence all electronic devices.
**Audience Please Stand.*

***Processional** — **San Antonio Pipes & Drums** and **Schreiner University Brass Ensemble**

***Academic Procession**

The order of procession has been fixed by custom.

Bearer of the Mace and University Marshal
President
Program Participants
Board of Trustees
President's Administrative Cabinet
Full Professors
Associate Professors
Assistant Professors
Instructors
Professional Staff

Degree Candidates
Led by
Dr. Kristen McAlexander, *Associate Professor of Exercise Science*
The 2020, 2021, 2022, & 2023 Recipient of the Harriet Garrett Award for Teaching Excellence

Greeting — **Dr. Travis L. Frampton**
Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

Invocation — **The Reverend Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, '15**
Senior Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Kerrville

***Presentation of Colors** — **Schreiner Institute Cadets**

***National Anthem** — **Ms. Alexis Korbe**
Adjunct Instructor of Music

Welcome & Introduction of Commencement Speaker — **Dr. Charlie T. McCormick**
President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS — **Ms. Jen Hardy, '03**
Professional Speaker, Empowerment Coaching

BLESSINGS FOR THE CLASS OF 2023 — *Administration, Faculty, & Students*

On Behalf of the Student Body - Blessing for Health - **Ms. Meredith Hurst**
On Behalf of the Faculty - Blessing of Families and Friends - **Dr. Kristen McAlexander**
On Behalf of the Administration - Blessing for Career, Wisdom, and Knowledge – **Ms. Patricia Snow**
Blessing for Continued Spiritual Inquiry - **The Reverend Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, '15**
Blessing of the Connection to the Schreiner University Family - **Dr. Charlie McCormick**

PRESENTATION OF THE GRADUATING CLASS — **Dr. Travis L. Frampton**
Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

CONFERRING OF DEGREES — **Dr. Charlie T. McCormick**
President

Presenting the Master Degrees — **Mr. John Brantley**
Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees

Presenting the Bachelor Degrees, Associate Degrees, & Certificates — **Ms. Janet McKinney**
Chair of the Board of Trustees

Certificates and degrees are placed on the working table owned by Dr. Andrew Edington, Schreiner's second president. The table then served the third, fourth, and fifth presidents until it was commissioned to serve as a symbol of achievement during commencement ceremonies, beginning the year 2018.

RESPONSE FOR THE GRADUATES — **Mr. Paulo Julian Rubiano Sarmiento**
Bachelor of Arts in History
Winter Class of 2023 Valedictorian

WELCOMING OF NEW ALUMNI — **Mr. Aaron John Yates, 07**
Schreiner Former Students Association President

***ALMA MATER** — **Reference on back of program**

***RECESSIONAL** — **Schreiner University Brass Ensemble**

Audience, please remain at seats during the Recessional.

Immediately following today's commencement, please join us for a President's Reception as we honor our Centennial Class of 2023 Graduates.

BLESSINGS

Blessing for Health
On Behalf of the Student Body
Ms. Meredith Nicole Hurst, *BBA in Marketing, Class of 2024*
President of the Ancient and Honorable Order of Campus

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11
Our prayer for our graduates, and for all attending this graduation, is for health and wellness. We ask Father, for you to bless our graduates with the health needed to go forward and proclaim your word while living up to our full potential and making a difference in a world that needs us doing good now more than ever. In your Holy name, Amen.

Blessing for Families and Friends
On Behalf of the Faculty
Dr. Kristen McAlexander, *Assistant Professor of Exercise Science and Sport Management*
The 2020, 2021, 2022, & 2023 Recipient of the Harriet Garrett Award for Teaching Excellence

"When all the dust is settled and all the crowds are gone,
the things that matter are faith, family, and friends" – Barbara Bush
Graduates, your journey here at Schreiner began with hope and a bunch of strangers at Mountaineer Days and now you are leaving with achievement, inspiration, and friendships that will last a lifetime. Before you embark on your new journeys, think of the friends, family, and friends that have become family who helped you get here. Take a moment to remember those people who were your biggest cheerleaders, who comforted you during difficult days, and believed in you when you doubted yourself. My wish for you is that you hold on to the memories that you created here and that you continue to surround yourself with people who love and encourage you through the different seasons of your lives. May your family, friends, and you be blessed as you continue your life's journey beyond this place.

Blessing for Career, Wisdom, and Knowledge
On Behalf of the Administration
Ms. Patricia Snow, *Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Residence Life*
The 2023 Recipient of the Rising Star Award

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others,
as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10
You have been given gifts, strengths, and most importantly a mission: Do good; Be Better. Do not strive for perfection, but rather to complete good deeds for the betterment of our world. As you walk your path, embrace the curves, take a moment to appreciate the view - before you start climbing and when you reach the top. May you be blessed as you walk your path of hills, mountains, twists, and turns. God will be with you, even if you feel alone, look for him on your journey. He will guide you.

Blessing for Continued Spiritual Inquiry
The Reverend Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, '15, *Senior Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of Kerrville*

Gracious and loving God - in your will our lives are lived, and by your wisdom truth is found. We pray for our graduates this day who have finished their courses of study, showing perseverance, determination, grit, and resilience. This task has not been easy. At times, it may have seemed impossible, yet you have led them through to this joyous day. We praise you.
We are thankful for all that we have and all that we are. We are now turning our sights to the horizon of new journeys, new beginnings, and new creation. We ask for your continued guidance, nudging us to align our path with the path you would have us walk.
Take away anxiety or confusion of purpose, and give them confidence in the future you plan, where energies may be gathered up and given to neighbors in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Blessing of the Connection to the Schreiner University Family
Dr. Charlie McCormick, *President*

We call the college from which we graduate our alma mater. This phrase is often translated as the foster or fostering mother. It suggests the ways in which we have become like family—spending years under the same roofs; sharing meals; reading, thinking, and aspiring together; laughing, shouting, and weeping together. Like family members everywhere, we acknowledge that time takes us in new directions. But, as we follow those new paths, may our hearts always remember that we have a home and a fostering mother to which we can return in these hills.

OUR FAITH

A covenant is a traditional agreement made and honored by people of faith, affirming a shared purpose. It affirms mutual trust and concern, in the expectation that each party will remain steadfast in support of these common beliefs, values, and goals. This covenant is between the Synod of the Sun, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Schreiner University.

It is a reaffirmation of Schreiner University's historical commitment to quality education that addresses the spiritual as well as intellectual needs of persons as they prepare to become caring citizens in a complex world. Schreiner University embodies the conviction that God is glorified in a humanity that is fully alive. The University has remained affiliated by choice and by covenant with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and continues to carry out its educational purpose in the conviction that the pursuit of knowledge is integral to the Christian mission of worship and service. The pursuit is undertaken in the context of thoughtful interactions among a diverse community of faculty, staff, and students, a process that empowers students to discover and assimilate knowledge in personalized learning experiences.

CARDS OF HOPE

When this Class of 2023 entered Schreiner University as freshmen, they were asked by the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, "What hope did you bring to Schreiner?" It is an honor to share with you, their families and friends, some of their responses from that first day on campus.

I hope to leave with more knowledge than I came with. I hope to make a difference while I attend Schreiner.

Hope to Save lives and Leave an impact.

Graduate

↓

Make family proud

I bring the hope of pursuing your dreams, even when they seem impossible.

To excel & bring on a future I want.

I hope to bring happiness and success for the future.

A hope to gain knowledge, wisdom, & diligency & a hope to do well & make it to graduation

I want to prove to myself that I can excel in academics

I hope to make new friendships with good people and to excel in what I'am here to do.

I hope For new beginnings
I hope for great relationships
I hope for a great college
~~Experies~~ experience

Hope for a successful baseball career + a great career after graduation:

The hope and desire to first pass my classes and end freshman year w/a 3.7 gpa. Also to make it to graduation in 4 years.

I hope to leave my chaotic childhood behind and stop living for others, and start being myself.

I hope to inspire more kids to play More Sports and Strive for college.

I hope to bring happiness and kindness to the Student body of Schreiner University

encouragement

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friendship

I hope to become successful in volleyball and to complete my major and be successful in it.

ABOUT THE COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Jen Hardy, '03
Professional Speaker, Empowerment Coaching

Jen Hardy graduated from Schreiner University in 2003 with a Bachelor of Arts in Exercise Science. Now, a former educator and championship varsity soccer coach, Jen proudly carries the legacy of an SU alumni as her journey has evolved into one of transformation. As a certified NLP Trainer, Transformational Speaker, and Coach with the Academy of MotivAction, she's on a mission to have people feel heard, seen, and known, often in ways they've never experienced before. Her primary focus lies in teaching the art of mindful communication and presence to foster deep connections.

In the last five years, Jen has immersed herself in an array of subjects, from neuro-linguistic programming to timeline therapy and hypnosis. Her commitment to continuous learning is fueled by a belief that true mastery comes from acknowledging that learning is a lifelong journey. Each "ah-ha" moment, whether from audiobooks or new programming, adds to her arsenal of knowledge.

Jen's personal commitment to growth is unwavering. She continues her own education journey, always seeking to expand her knowledge and horizons. And, of course, she still takes to the soccer field whenever her schedule allows.

Off the field, where she passionately engages in soccer and supports her family's Krav Maga business, Jen also devotes herself to empowering women through self-defense. Her leisure moments are filled with joy and connection, be it through painting, walks with enriching audiobooks, or quality time with loved ones. Jen's deep passion for travel and food provides her with opportunities to explore different cultures and further enrich her life.

Jen Hardy is more than a professional speaker; she's a passionate educator, coach, and lifelong learner who has discovered her true purpose lies in empowering others through education and personal growth. Her story is a testament to the strength found in vulnerability and the limitless possibilities that unfold when we dare to explore the unknown.



WINTER CLASS OF 2023
DEGREE CANDIDATES

Assisting Master Degree Candidates with Hooding
Dr. William M. Davis, *Dean of Faculty*

Assisting Degree Candidates with Diplomas
Ms. Darlene Bannister, *Associate Provost & Registrar*

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Biology
Cord of red, green and medallions

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FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE
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THE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH,
SCHOLARSHIP, AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY
Dr. G. Matthew Robinson,
Assistant Professor of Exercise Science & Sport Management

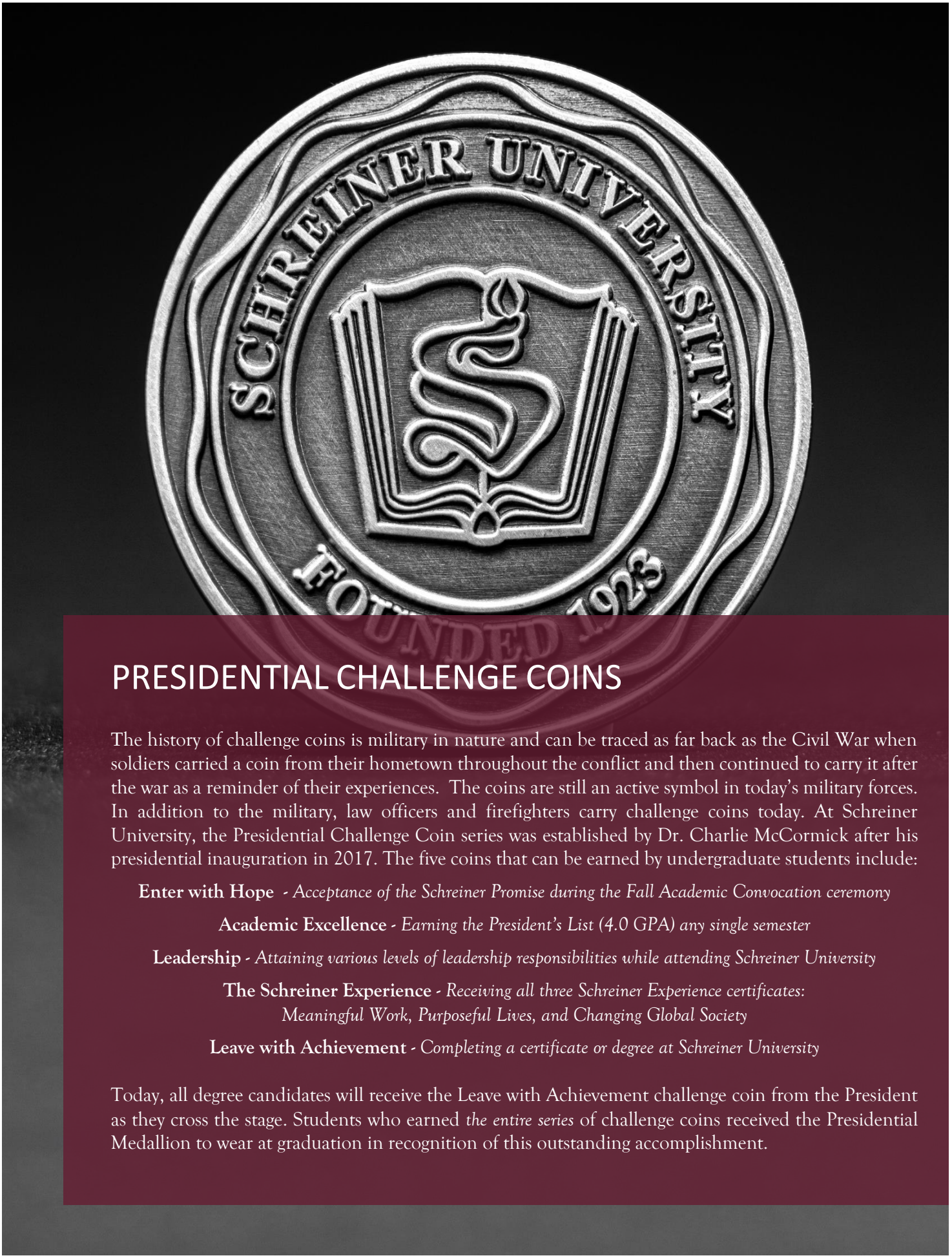
THE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE
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THE CAPTAIN SCHREINER LEADERSHIP AWARD
Mr. David Ponce,
Groundskeeper Supervisor

THE RISING STAR AWARD
Ms. Patricia Snow,
Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Residence Life

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR SERVICE
Ms. Sandra Spears,
Senior IT System Analyst

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
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PRESIDENTIAL CHALLENGE COINS

The history of challenge coins is military in nature and can be traced as far back as the Civil War when soldiers carried a coin from their hometown throughout the conflict and then continued to carry it after the war as a reminder of their experiences. The coins are still an active symbol in today's military forces. In addition to the military, law officers and firefighters carry challenge coins today. At Schreiner University, the Presidential Challenge Coin series was established by Dr. Charlie McCormick after his presidential inauguration in 2017. The five coins that can be earned by undergraduate students include:

Enter with Hope - *Acceptance of the Schreiner Promise during the Fall Academic Convocation ceremony*

Academic Excellence - *Earning the President's List (4.0 GPA) any single semester*

Leadership - *Attaining various levels of leadership responsibilities while attending Schreiner University*

The Schreiner Experience - *Receiving all three Schreiner Experience certificates: Meaningful Work, Purposeful Lives, and Changing Global Society*

Leave with Achievement - *Completing a certificate or degree at Schreiner University*

Today, all degree candidates will receive the Leave with Achievement challenge coin from the President as they cross the stage. Students who earned *the entire series* of challenge coins received the Presidential Medallion to wear at graduation in recognition of this outstanding accomplishment.

UNIVERSITY RING

Schreiner University's official class rings reflect the school's history and traditions. Designed by students in 2014, the official university ring unifies the campus community with a single symbol that represents pride for the university. Elements on the official ring include:

Top — The university's official seal with an inner oval that represents the bullring, where military students once worked off demerits by marching around the oval.

Side — Twelve leaves represent the 12 original graduates of Schreiner in 1924. Two soldiers holding aloft crossed swords honor the school's early history as a military institute. The figure of Captain Charles Schreiner honors the school's founder and namesake, a Hill Country rancher, merchant, and former Texas Ranger.

Side — The Weir academic building, one of the original structures on campus, on the steps of which class photos of the incoming freshmen and graduates are taken. Deer represent the always-present whitetail herd, an integral part of the campus. The name *Mountaineers* refers to the name locals gave to the militia group Charles Schreiner led in the early days of Kerr County, and the nickname adopted by the university as the mascot. The date 1923 honors the year the school was founded.

The rings are also engraved on the inside with the words *Leave With Achievement*, the second of two statements inscribed on the main gate of the campus. The other, for those arriving, is *Enter With Hope*.



OUR RICH HISTORY

Schreiner University was founded in Kerrville, Texas, by Captain Charles Schreiner; a pioneer, rancher, banker, merchant, and philanthropist. On December 31, 1917, he placed in trust for the establishment of Schreiner Institute 140.25 acres of land and $250,000 to supply facilities for high grade instruction to boys and young men as a preparation for college and university course work. The school was to be "owned, maintained, and controlled by the Synod of Texas of the Presbyterian Church of the United States."

On December 27, 1921, trustees, appointed by the Synod of Texas, formally received the trust and took steps to erect the first buildings — a classroom building, one dormitory, and the president's home. Under the leadership of James J. Delaney, a faculty was organized and, in September of 1923, the school opened its doors. For a decade, Schreiner offered to boys and young men a preparatory department and the first two years of college. In 1932, coed residents of the immediate Kerrville vicinity were enrolled as day students. In 1971, women were enrolled as boarding students. Other changes redefined Schreiner's educational mission. From the beginning, instruction in military training was required for both high school and college students. In 1957, military training was made optional for college students; in 1969, it was discontinued; and two years later, it was also discontinued for high school students.

In 1973, phase-out began for the preparatory department, the name of the school was changed to Schreiner College, and the curriculum was broadened to include career education and life-long learning opportunities. The transition took Schreiner in one decade from a military preparatory school for men to a fully coeducational, four-year, liberal arts college, which received accreditation as a baccalaureate degree-granting institution in 1984. In 2001, the Board of Trustees changed the name to Schreiner University.





OUR UNIVERSITY SEAL

A seal has been part of a university since the Middle Ages and is considered one of the more important symbols of the presidential office as it represents the legal mark of the university's governing body. The Schreiner University seal is trademarked, licensed, and is used to authenticate official documents such as diplomas and other legal records.

Found at the front entrance of the university and in the center of the Administrative Quadrangle, the official university seal is admired with honor, respect, and reverence as a mark of distinction of Schreiner University's academic excellence. Because of its symbolic significance, the seal is present at all official university celebrations. The 5 ft. wide seal on display today was created in 2016. It is coated with a gold metallic finish, and is accentuated with laser-cut acrylic for the decorative trimming and lettering.



OUR CENTENNIAL

Standing tall and proud within the Texas Hill Country, Schreiner University has provided educational and personal growth to thousands of students throughout the past 100 years. Our 2023 centennial year brings celebration of both the grit and resilience that lies at the heart of our University's past, and also the boundless possibilities that lie ahead as we embark on the next 100 years of our Schreiner journey. Learn more about the centennial celebration and events that occurred here.

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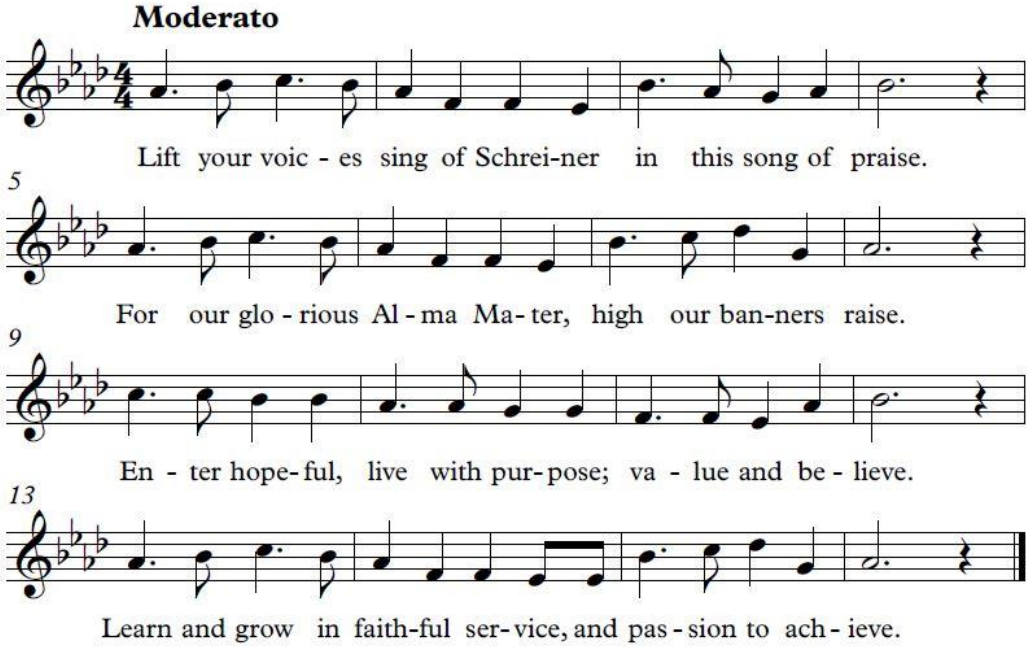
CELEBRATING OUR CENTENNIAL



A snapshot of the Weir Academic Building
taken during the 1940s on the grounds of Schreiner Institute.

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