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LIBERTY UNIVERSITY
COMMENCEMENT

*School of
Behavioral Sciences*

UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE
PROGRAMS FOR PSYCHOLOGY
AND SOCIAL WORK

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May 16, 2026 | 2 p.m.

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workman that has nothing to be ashamed of,
rightly dividing the word of truth.”*

2 TIMOTHY 2:15 (JUB)



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MESSAGE *from the* DEAN

Dear Graduates,

2 Timothy 2:15 (JUB) tells us, “Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that has nothing to be ashamed of, rightly dividing the word of truth.” That was and is our aspiration for you: to be true scholars of the knowledge God has given us access to and to honor the Lord with our work.

You are hereby charged to go out as social workers, counselors, or psychologists to practice professionally and ethically — and, above all, to honor your Savior by the way you interact with people. I pray the Lord would give you wisdom and courage as you take your next steps. God bless you!

Dr. Kenyon C. Knapp

Dean



LIST *of* AWARDS

PSYCHOLOGY

Residential Psychology Student of the Year
(Undergraduate)

Residential Psychology Young Investigator
(Undergraduate)

**Residential Master of Science in Psychology
Student of the Year**
(Graduate)

**Liberty University Online Programs
Psychology Student of the Year**
(Undergraduate)

**Liberty University Online Programs Master of
Arts in Psychology Student of the Year**
(Graduate)

SOCIAL WORK

Outstanding Field Performance Award

Social Work Student of the Year



ORDER *of* CEREMONY

Welcome **Dr. Kenyon C. Knapp**
Dean

Invocation **Dr. Cheryl Nitz**
Co-Chair of Social Work

Student Awards Presentation

Presentation of Posthumous Degree

Presentation of Degrees **Dr. Kenyon C. Knapp**
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Benediction **Professor Karen Reid**
Co-Chair of Social Work

