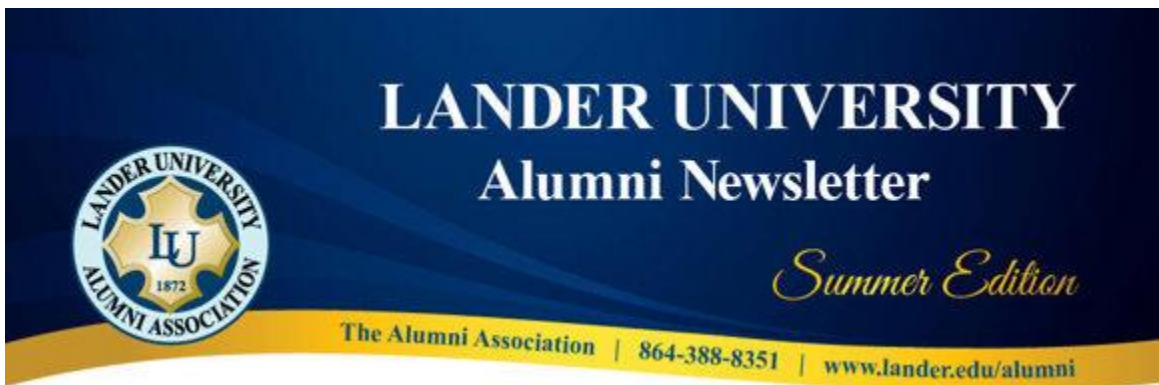




**Welcome, Class of 2029, to the Next Four Years -
and Beyond!**



Ready, Set, Move In!

On August 13, Lander welcomed back our students. 1,800+ students moved in over the course of a few short days. On August 15, the Class of 2029 "launched" into Lander!

[Read More About The Celebration Here>>>](#)

[Read More About Move-In Here>>>](#)

Know a high school junior or senior who would benefit from attending a Fall Open House?

[**Register Now!**](#)

WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED:



We encourage all alumni to nominate those deserving of recognition based on significant achievements in their respective fields and communities in which they live and serve.

The deadline to submit a nomination for the 2025 Alumni Awards is **August 31, 2025**.

[**Nominate Today!**](#)



Inspire the Next Generation: Lander University Career Compass Mentorship Program

Our Career Compass Mentoring Program connects experienced graduates with current students eager to learn, grow and navigate their academic and career journeys. As a mentor, you'll provide valuable guidance, share real-world insights and make a lasting impact.

Whether you're giving back or looking ahead, this is your chance to be part of something meaningful.

[Sign Up to Be a Mentor Today!](#)



**LANDER HOMECOMING
& ALUMNI WEEKEND**

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Interested in hosting a reunion? [Click here to register!](#)

ALUMNI SUCCESS:



Lander Alumnus and Journalism Professor Named to Duke Energy Regional Advisory Board

Dr. Robert Stevenson '88, a highly respected journalism professor at Lander University, has been named to the Duke Energy Regional Advisory Board for Upstate South Carolina. Dr. Stevenson has been teaching at Lander for 35 years and is the director of Lander's Experience Your Education (EYE) Program and the annual Film Festival. He is also the faculty advisor for *The Forum* campus newspaper and runs the *Greenwood Calendar*, a community page focusing on local Greenwood events. [Read More Here.](#)



Lander Alumna on Front Lines of Helping Communities Prepare for Disasters

After earning both her bachelor's and master's degrees from Lander, emergency management graduate **Macy Sinner '21, '23** is now at the center of helping create resilient communities in the face of disasters. Sinner recently was hired as the infrastructure coordinator for Pinellas County, Florida, a coastal community which is no stranger to natural disasters, including hurricanes, tropical storms and flooding. [Read More Here.](#)

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT UPDATE:



Cook Named Vice President for University Advancement at Lander

Taylor Cook, an experienced veteran in higher education with roots in South Carolina's Upstate, has been selected as the University's next Vice President for University Advancement. Cook began at Lander on July 14. He oversees all fundraising, alumni relations and advancement activities. Cook also serves at the Executive Director of The Lander Foundation. [Read More Here.](#)

[Meet the Advancement Team](#)

CAMPUS NEWS:



Lander Introduces the New College of Business and Technology

In efforts to address the evolving demands of today's workforce, Lander University recently made significant enhancements to the structure of a number of academic units.

Among these changes is the newly formed College of Business and Technology, taking place of the former College of Business. This evolution will enable Lander to foster deeper collaboration among faculty of different academic backgrounds to ensure students are best prepared for careers in a wide variety of fields. [Read More Here.](#)



Chipley Hall's Stylish Update Nods to an Era of Optimism, Lander Graduates

Bold colors. Comfortable spaces. Timeless history. Chipley Hall's fresh new look, designed by Melissa Herriott, blends modern style with 100 years of tradition. Photos of Lander Alumnae are

proudly displayed in Chipley's lobby. The hope and dreams of the Roaring Twenties now have a vibrant 21st-century twist at Lander, with careful consideration given to the future goals and optimism of today's Chipley Hall residents. [Read More Here.](#)



SCIP Report to CHE Details Efforts to Prevent Sexual Violence on College Campuses

Dr. Matthew Hammett '05, executive director of SCIP, recently discussed the institute's inaugural report, "Empower Change through Education," at a meeting of the state's Commission on Higher Education. [Read More Here](#)



A Few Things to Know About the Bearcats

Did you know that Mr. and Mrs. Bearcat are Lander Alumni too? [Read More Here!](#)

[Find Out What's Happening on Campus!](#)



LANDER *Alumni* CLASS NOTES

80's

Barbara Jo Powell Paetow '82 retired from Advent Health Parker Hospital in Parker, Colorado in March 2025 after an almost 43 year career in Nursing, including 39 years in the operating room. She is also a veteran of the United States Air Force Reserve.

00's

Karen Bosarge Emerine '00 was named the Panter Elementary's 2024-2025 Teacher of the Year, located in Paulding County School District, Georgia. This is her third time winning this award! She also has written music curriculum for the State of Georgia's Department of Education.

Anthony "Andy" Ethridge '04's podcast, Murder Etc., brings to light cases of injustice and wrongful convictions in the state of South Carolina. He is happily married and proud father of three children.

10's

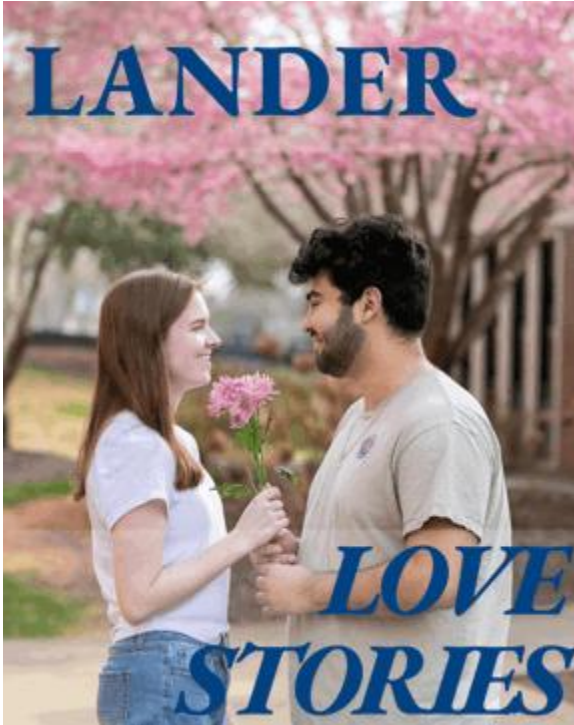
Dr. Brittany Aga '10, '22 was named one of the South Carolina Technical Education Association's 2025 Educators of the Year.

Tyler Morgan '12 joined the Aiken Physicians Alliance Urology team in August 2025. After completing his Nursing degree, he received his Master of Science in Nursing from Walden University. He provides care for conditions related to the diagnosis and treatment of urologic conditions.

20's

Alexandria Reynolds Brandon '21 will be graduating with a master's degree in Early Childhood Education in the fall of 2025. She and her husband, **Liam Brandon '18**, welcomed their first child in March of 2024.

Kim Rosa '21 currently teaches Computer and Robotics at Ware Shoals Middle School.



Calling All Lovebirds: Share Your Alumni Love Story!

Did you meet your soulmate on campus? Did a shared lecture hall, club or late-night study session spark something special? We want to hear all about it!

As part of our upcoming alumni spotlight, we're celebrating love stories that began at Lander. Whether you're newlyweds or have been together for decades, your journey can inspire and delight our community.

Tell us your story!

Share how you met, your favorite memories and where life has taken you since. Photos are welcome and encouraged!

Submit your story by December 1, 2025 by emailing alumni@lander.edu. Stories will be shared during the week of February 9, 2026.

Because every great love story deserves to be told, especially the ones that started at Lander University.

UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES:



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EVENTS FALL 2025

Sept. 17

Jackson Lecture Series & Constitution Day

"A Visit with Adams and Jefferson," with actors from American Historical Theatre

6 PM, Abney Cultral Center Auditorium

Sept. 23

Community Lecture: Dr. Franklin Rausch

"The Siege of Savage's Old Fields,"

Remembering the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution

5:30 PM, Arts Center of Greenwood

Oct. 7

Wind Ensemble Concert

7 PM, Abney Cultural Center Auditorium

Oct. 9

Senior Music Recital: Mary Ashlynnne Lawson

7 PM, Abney Cultural Center Auditorium

Oct. 23

"Better Questions" Art Exhibit

Molly Ott & Christian Branscombe

5 PM Reception (Exhibit runs Oct. 6 - Nov. 4)

New Lander Art Gallery, Jackson Library

Oct. 28

Community Lecture: Dr. Andrew Jameson

"A Drunken History"

5:30 PM, Arts Center of Greenwood



All events are free and open to the public.

Please visit www.lander.edu/events
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