

LSSU's Petoskey Regional Center Announces Spring 2026 Graduates

PETOSKEY, Mich. – Three area residents have earned bachelor's degrees from Lake Superior State University (LSSU). Graduates achieved their degrees through LSSU's Petoskey Regional Center, which offers baccalaureate degree programs for students on North Central Michigan's (NCMC) campus. Graduates attended commencement May 2, on LSSU's main campus in Sault Ste. Marie.

Graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration-Management is Casey Kitley of Petoskey.

Graduating with a Bachelor of Science in General Studies with a business concentration and a public relations minor is Margaret McKinney of Cheboygan.

Graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Teacher Education with a concentration in grades PreK-3 and 3-6 is Madison Matthews of Boyne City. Matthews also earned an associate degree in general studies with an education concentration.

Kitley and Matthews graduated with Magna Cum Laude honors, earning a 3.70-3.89 cumulative grade point average (GPA) on a 4.00 scale.

Matthews said, "I received my degree and stayed debt free!"

Students completed their coursework through LSSU's Petoskey Regional Center, in partnership with North Central Michigan College, allowing them to pursue LSSU bachelor's degrees on

NCMC's campus in Petoskey. The Petoskey Regional Center continues to expand access to LSSU bachelor's degrees in Northern Michigan.

About LSSU's Petoskey Regional Center

LSSU's Petoskey Regional Center, housed on the North Central Michigan College campus in Petoskey, offers a student-oriented approach to higher education. It features



Graduate Madison Matthews (left) accepts degree from LSSU President David Travis (right).

small class sizes, experienced faculty, and the ability to pursue your educational dreams close to home. LSSU's regional centers and locations are committed to providing Northern Michigan-area residents with educational opportunities for intellectual, personal, and professional growth. For more information, visit www.lssu.edu/regional-center/ or contact Heidi Rife at 906-217-4123 or hrife@lssu.edu.

About Lake Superior State University

Lake Superior State University is a close-knit university in Michigan's Upper Peninsula where faculty and staff know their students by name. Founded in 1946, LSSU offers a unique personal education shaped by its size, setting, and spirit of community. The University's one-rate tuition seeks to make education accessible to all students, while Laker athletics foster competitive spirit and school pride. Learn more at www.lssu.edu.



LSSU Regional Students Attend Commencement in Sault Ste. Marie.



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