



# **ENGINEERING COMMENCEMENT**

12:00 pm

May 16, 2021



**THE UNIVERSITY  
OF IOWA**

## Charge to the Graduates



**Timothy J. Lafond** received his master's degree in civil engineering from the University of Iowa in 1982. After graduation, he briefly worked at PPG as an environmental engineer and then spent more than 30 years of his career at SC

Johnson and Johnson Controls where he was instrumental in the development of environmental programs that led to both companies receiving the World Environmental Center's Gold Medal for Excellence. In 2013, Timothy was awarded the W. Wesley Eckenfelder, Jr. Industrial Waste Treatment Medal from the American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists for a stormwater and wastewater treatment system at the Johnson Control Lead Acid Battery Recycling Center in South Carolina.

Timothy is a devoted member of our engineering community and mentors young adults in Milwaukee and in his hometown of Clinton, Iowa by showing them what is possible with an engineering degree. He also serves as a consulting member for the Responsible Battery Coalition to advance the responsible production, transport, sale, use, reuse, recycling, and resource recovery of batteries. Timothy is a registered professional engineer in the state of Wisconsin.

Timothy J. Lafond will be inducted into the College of Engineering's Distinguished Engineering Alumni Academy which was created to honor University of Iowa engineering alumni for their personal contribution toward engineering achievement, leadership, and service to the profession and to society.

## College of Engineering Commencement

### Program

#### Celebrating Iowa

#### President's Message

Bruce Harreld,  
*President, University of Iowa*

#### Provost's Message

Kevin Kregel,  
*Interim Executive Vice President & Provost*

#### Presiding & Welcome

Harriet Nembhard,  
*Dean, College of Engineering*

#### Address by Graduating Senior

Marissa Mueller  
*Biomedical Engineering*

#### DEAA Induction & Charge to the Graduates

Timothy J. Lafond,  
*Technical consultant, Responsible Battery Coalition*

#### The Conferring of the Degrees

Bruce Harreld,  
*President, University of Iowa*

#### Presentation of the B.S.E Graduates & Name Reader

Sarolta Petersen,  
*Event and Project Specialist, International Programs*

#### Closing Remarks

Harriet Nembhard,  
*Dean, College of Engineering*

#### Regent's Message

Sherry A. Bates  
*Board of Regents, State of Iowa*