

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY
2025 COMMENCEMENT



GRADUATE CEREMONIES
THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2025
SPORTS AND RECREATION CENTER
WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome to William Paterson University's 2025 Graduate Commencement Ceremony.

The audience is requested to stand for the National Anthem. Each candidate for a degree will be individually recognized during the ceremony. We ask that you hold your applause and other expressions of recognition during the degree presentations. The ceremony is expected to last one and one-half hours.

Out of respect for all the graduates, we ask that you remain in your seats until the conclusion of the ceremony. Commencement will officially conclude after conferral of the degrees, followed by the Recessional, during which the University Mace Bearer will lead the platform party from the stage, followed by the new graduates, who will exit from their seats on the floor.

Photographs: A professional photographer will photograph each graduate as they are greeted on stage. Proofs will be available online at gradimages.com within five to seven days following the ceremony.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Graduate,

Congratulations! Today is a very special day in your life, and one that you will remember forever. You and your loved ones should be extremely proud of your accomplishment!

Your newly earned advanced degree is a testament to your intellectual abilities and your desire to further expand your expertise in your chosen field. You have used your background and training to ascend to the next level of academic attainment, and we are delighted that you chose William Paterson University as your partner in this worthy endeavor.

I strongly encourage you to use your newly acquired knowledge and expertise to become a leader in your professional field. New Jersey and our nation need strong advocates who will help shape public policy to make this country a better, more just union for all. At William Paterson University, you have learned and grown in a very diverse community of educators and scholars, and now you are prepared to take your place in the world.

As you reflect back on the time and energy you invested to achieve this milestone, I hope you will remember not only the textbooks you read, the papers you wrote, and the tests you took, but the wisdom and guidance you received from your faculty mentors and the friendships you made with classmates and colleagues. You are forever a part of the William Paterson University family, and I hope you will serve as a mentor to others pursuing their advanced degrees—to *pay it forward* to those following in your footsteps.

Live fully, work hard, and also be sure to take time to enjoy all of the experiences ahead of you. Be bold, be brave, choose kindness, and most importantly, be happy. You deserve it.

The entire William Paterson University community wishes you well in all of your endeavors, and your *alma mater* stands behind you and will always welcome you back home to campus.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Richard J. Helldobler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Richard" being more prominent and the last name "Helldobler" written in a more compact, flowing style.

Richard J. Helldobler, PhD
President



ORDER OF CEREMONY, 9:00 A.M.

Welcome

Joshua B. Powers, PhD, Provost and
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance March, No. 1, by Sir Edward Elgar

National Anthem

Kristin James, vocalist

Introduction

Richard J. Helldobler, PhD, President of the University

Address by a Graduate Degree Candidate

Sabrina Marie Madsen, Master of Business Administration candidate

Comment to the Class

Richard J. Helldobler, PhD, President of the University

Alumni Association Welcome

Domenico DiMaio '97, MBA '21, President,
William Paterson Alumni Association

Presentation of Degree Candidates

Joshua B. Powers, PhD, Provost and
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

*Candidates will be recognized by the deans of their respective colleges,
members of the Board of Trustees, Provost Joshua Powers,
and President Richard J. Helldobler:*

Anthony Bowrin, PhD, Dean, Cotsakos College of Business

Conferral of Degrees

Richard J. Helldobler, PhD, President of the University

Recessional

Suite No. 2 in F, by Gustav Holst



ADDRESS BY A GRADUATE DEGREE CANDIDATE

It is a William Paterson University tradition to ask a graduating master's or doctoral degree candidate to address their peers.

SABRINA MARIE MADSEN

Master of Business Administration in Human Resource Management

Sabrina Marie Madsen is a January 2025 graduate of William Paterson University with a master of business administration degree in human resource management. She is the recipient of the 2025 Outstanding MBA Graduate Award, as well as the 2025 Award for the Outstanding MBA Graduate with a Concentration in Human Resource Management. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in industrial organizational psychology, with honors, from The College of New Jersey. Currently,

Ms. Madsen serves as a human resource advisor at Signify, the world leader in lighting, where she collaborates with human resources stakeholders to develop, implement, and support strategies that align with global and locally driven business objectives. Previously, she led Signify's U.S. campus program, overseeing intern recruitment and serving as a key U.S. representative for campus hiring and engagement. Ms. Madsen joined Signify in 2021 as a talent acquisition intern.

ORDER OF CEREMONY, 1:30 P.M.

Welcome

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Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Processional

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Introduction

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Address by a Graduate Degree Candidate

Gianna Paige Labiento, Master of Science in Materials Chemistry candidate

Comment to the Class

Richard J. Helldobler, PhD, President of the University

Alumni Association Welcome

Domenico DiMaio '97, MBA '21, President,
William Paterson Alumni Association

Presentation of Degree Candidates

Joshua B. Powers, PhD, Provost and
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Venkat Sharma, PhD, Dean, College of Science and Health

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GIANNA PAIGE LABIENTO

Master of Science in Materials Chemistry

Gianna Paige Labiento is a May 2025 graduate of William Paterson University with a master of science degree in materials chemistry. Her research has focused on the optimization, generation, and stabilization of noble metal quantum dots in organic solvents via aminosilanes, which has potential biomedical applications. She is the recipient of the College of Science and Health Dean's Graduate Award. A May 2023 graduate of William Paterson with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry, *summa cum laude*, Ms. Labiento received the 2023 Excellence in Chemistry Award. As an undergraduate, she was a co-author, with Bhanu Chauhan, professor of chemistry, of an article published in the journal *Molecules* 2021. She also completed the Global Public Health Track in the University's Honors College; for her honors

thesis, she mapped the concentration of PM 2.5—tiny particles that can be inhaled and penetrate deep into the lungs—in 20 New Jersey cities to determine whether those in low-income areas were subject to disproportionate exposure. Ms. Labiento has served as a supplemental instructor and tutor for students enrolled in chemistry courses and participated in the Garden State-Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (GS-LSAMP) and the Chemistry Club. A member of William Paterson's women's soccer team from 2021 to 2023, she was named a 2021-22 and 2022-23 Academic All-New Jersey Athletic Conference Honorable Mention and earned a spot on the 2022 College Sports Communicators Academic All-District Team. Ms. Labiento was inducted into *Chi Alpha Sigma*, the national student-athlete honor society.

ORDER OF CEREMONY, 6:00 P.M.

Welcome

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Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance March, No. 1, by Sir Edward Elgar

National Anthem

Cardrienne McDonald Sarin, vocalist, Master of Arts in Higher Education
Administration candidate

Introduction

Richard J. Helldobler, PhD, President of the University

Address by a Graduate Degree Candidate

Dave Coleman Saunders, Master of Fine Arts in Art candidate

Comment to the Class

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Wartyna Davis, PhD, Dean, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Amy Ginsberg, PhD, Dean, College of Education

Conferral of Degrees

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DAVE COLEMAN SAUNDERS

Master of Fine Arts in Art

Dave Saunders is a May 2025 graduate of William Paterson University with a master of fine arts degree in digital art. Dave is the recipient of the 2025 Graduate Award for Creative Excellence in Visual Art. Dave's portfolio of work, both inside and outside academia, explores themes of storytelling, self-exploration, LGBTQIA2S+, and queer culture. From character designs to virtual spaces, they interweave and combine multidisciplinary methods of artmaking as they continue to grow as both a creator and storyteller. Their thesis, *Like Stars in a Tide Pool*, explores these themes through the medium of

a narrative video game, complete with deliberately designed environments, characters, and scenes to represent these themes. Originally a graphic designer, Dave shifted focus in 2017 to their true passion: creating interactive storytelling using digital artwork, story-driven animation, and narrative-based video games. Dave is also working on a passion project outside of academic, KIMAERA—a narrative-driven, story-rich, creature-collecting video game. Dave is a 2017 graduate of Russell Sage College with a bachelor of fine arts degree in graphic and media design, *magna cum laude*.

Morning Master's Degree Recipients

Master of Business Administration

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Abdel-rahman Abbas
Jasica Abedin
Michael Abrams
Jocelyn Rose Acevedo
Batuhan Aciker
Esther Olamide Adesina
Yancy Adham
Sara Lynn Adkins
Faiz Eskandar Ahmed
Oluwatosin Rabiati Ahmodu
Luis Daniel Alania
Seth Alexander Alicea
Victoria Rose Allegro
Jessica Alvarez
Karen Nicole Alvarez
Akira Andrews
Colin James Amantillo Angelitudo
Maxwell Francis Antisell
Angelo Aponte
Hope Arce-Reed
Esomchukwu Audrey Asiegbu
Qusai Assaf
Khaleel Jamal Atiyyeh
Allison Marie Attardi
Jerry Bakman
Hailey Balestra
Roy Aris B. Ballacillo
Shakia J. Balmer
Philip Anthony Barca
Miguel E. Barraza
Elaynny Beco
Alexandria Beilman
Andrea Melita Bernard
Dhaara Bhatt
Shelanne Leonie Bovell
Alexander Sebastien Braun
Carolyn Breton
Noah Brower
Noelle Lindsay Brown
Haley Mariee Bryant
Agnieszka E. Brzozowska
Rosanna Burgos
Alyssa LaCinda Burrell

Kimberly A. Cafferata
Lina Gabriela Caicedo
Clara Daniela Canon
Alvina Caraus
Hannah Carcich
Ryan J. Cassidy
Daniel Robert Castaneda
Georgia Catanese
William Kristopher Cavaliere
Roodler Cazeau
Vincent Gerald Cervino
Isaac Pierre Charles
Roshni Chaudhari
Suraj Chaudhari
Johnason L. Cheah
Nieka Michelle Chen
Lana Chitaya
Tamanna Chopra
Angelina Cirovic
Jonathan Colon
Jaclyn Paige Conte
Andre Ricardo Costa-Ferretti
Kirsi Cruz
Ryan Matthew Cruz
Edward Cuesta
Michelle Da Cruz
Vander B. Dauder
Sophia David
Elisabeth Eden Davidson
Emily Rose Davies
Amanda Susan Day
Georleny De Leon
Brielle Debarros
Fabiana Agatha Decicco
Amanda Rae Del Otero
Elizabeth Nzerman Delayee
Michael J. DeMarco
Alyson Nicole Di Donato
Bianca Christine Dias
Brett Mason DiBlasio
Erica Aenne Dicarolo
Zametria D. Dickey-Hicks
James Robert Digabriele
Samantha DiPopolo
Melisa Dobrushy
Bryan Dominguez
Melanie Donado

Morning Master's Degree Recipients

Corey P. Dorville
Mary Beth Drake
William James Drozdowski
Sean Michael Dwyer
John Thomas Earls
Ashley Edson
Sarah Catherine Elia
Adam Elkordy
Connor David Elsaesser
Alexander James Espinosa
Michael Alexander Estwan
Christine Julia Eustice
Marianna Fahmy
Emily Rose Farhat
Danielle Tiana Feanny
Richard Leonard Fedak
Barnet Feldman
Erin M. Ferguson
Christopher D. Ferrara
Nicholas Anthony Figueroa
Zachary Fischberg
Samantha Lu Flinn
Blanca Angelica Flores
Gregory Foley
Kaitlin Frank
Alfred Anthony Freeman Jr.
Lu Ann Freeman
Yomaira Freytes
Pasquale Frisina
Lucia Gambuzza
Jessiel Antonio Garcia
Joshua Ramon Garcia
Melanie L. Garcia
Zakiyyah Yasmeen Garcia
Luis Garcia Bautista
Fallon Margaret Garretson
Mariz Gerges
Joanna Lucienne Gil
Estefany Nathaly Giron-Castillo
Gregory Goeller
Simone Sarah Goldmann
Nayroby Gondres
Carlos Manuel Gonzales
Amanda I. Gonzalez
Luis Gonzalez
Michelle Gonzalez
Kierra L. Gordon

Samantha Gorla
Galina Goz
Anthony S. Graziano
Steven Nicholas Griffoul
Angel Jose Grullon
Soraya Mercedes Guzman
Lauren Mariam Hajisafari
Jawad Nader Harfouche
Eric Alexander Harley
Ishrat Hassan-Huczko
Massarad Aquil Hayes
Joshua James Henriques
Nicholas Henry
Edgeryn Isaiah Herrera
Brian Herrick
Erin Marie Hicks
Jazmin Allysa Hill
Kim Hoang
Liam Daniel Hornbostel
Nicholas John Hough
Eltion Hoxha
Perla Huamani
Jacob Peter Hubbard
Whitney Hughes
Farjana Huq
Basel Husni Bach
Bara'ah A. Ibrahim
Colin Ibrahim
Anthony John Innella
Sumaya Islam
Nashwa Nader Ismail
Rawan N. Ismail
Emanuela Istrefi
Ariel Andrea Ivy
Veronica Maria Izquierdo
Julia Nicole Jablonski
Sylvia Bozena Jachimaska
Atia Jackson
Jakera C. Jacobs
Ashley Jiang
Jenson John
Kaye Candice Johnson
Sheree Dawn Jones
Shante M. Jordan
Lundia Emmanie Josue
Connor James Katz
Palvisha Khan

Morning Master's Degree Recipients

Michael Francis Kides
Benny Byonghan Kim
Gianna Kiste
Dmitry Kitagorsky
Konrad P. Klosowski
Alexis Nicole Knox
Sheena Kalia Kohli
Emily Rose Koller-Bottone
Michael Filip Kotapka
John Robert Kuehn
Avighna Priya Kurmana
Michele Maria La Rocca
Sandri Lamo
Makenna Camryn Langston
Kiashia Li-kiesha Lasane
Cary Jerome Lawson
Ian Michael Leary
Hunter Lecour
Kaylah Michelle Lee
Matthew Charles Lee
Jeury Leon
Erica Rose Levan
Daisia Delisa Lewin
Isabella Philomena Limone
Steven Linde
Tamir Dillon Linzey
Katarina Lipat
Alexandria Anne Lipyanek
Marsilda Llukovi
Giuseppe Francesco Lo Cascio
Rosamaria Lo Cascio
Jaylene Long-Ortiz
Jaquillha Loretta Longstreet
Ayla Rain Lopez
Kiani Christine Lopez
Monica Lopez
Zoe Lopez
Elizabeth Lorenzo
Rosena Louilus
Reggie Louis
Arianna Ezora Lynch
Eric Lynch
Rebecca MacAdams
Minerva Celeste Madera
Sabrina Marie Madsen
Jamie Claire Manzo
Alexis Margroff

John P. Martin
Kelvin Martinez
Matthew Agostino Mascolo
Gabrielle Mastej
Yegide Heidi-Ann Matthews
Bryan Maupai
Michael Anthony Maurice
Steven James McCreery
Ashontae D. McElveen
Ara McKay
Mark M. McNamara
Mauricio Medina
Fatma Yehia Medyan
Kristyn Meeks
Almira Mehmedoski
Melissa Mendez
Michelle Mendicino
Paulina Michnej
Victor Miranda
Magdalene Mitsigiorge
Yessika Dinora Morales Diaz
Christopher Hany Morcos
Jahree Tasha Morrison
Caitlin Mota
Jonida Muja
Ritah Nabadda
Lorena Napoleon Ventura
Sabrina Narainsammy
Nada H. Nasereddin
Bryan Charles Near
Stanley W. Ngai
Maria Victoria Nino
Amanda Nunes
Samir Nuriyev
Kyllah Nandi Nwabuoku
Nicholas Nyers
Theresa Njideka Ofoegbu
Francesca Anna Oliveri
Sandra Marie Orozco
Edrienne R. Padilla
Jaslyn Pagan
Melissa C. Pagetllosa
Christine Lisa Paldino
Christina Angelina Pallitto
Brian Alexander Palumbo
Jana Pancakova
Justin Michael Pasquale

Morning Master's Degree Recipients

Akshay Patel
Amir Ajay Patel
Amrish Patel
Diya Harshad Patel
Prachi Jayesh Patel
Preet Patel
Santiago Abel Paulino Ariza
William Allen Penn
Ysabel Luisa Perallon
Carlos L. Perez
Cynthia Perez
Emmelis Perez
Dominika Perkowska
Brittany Peterson
Diana Piarulli
Irene Pineda
Anastasia I. Pitts
Britney Alejandra Polanco
Maureen Portelli
Noureddin Qasem
Zaid Qasem
Ryan Louis Quinn
Ahlam Mohammad Ramadan
Pankti Punit Rana
Jazmin Reyes
Jennifer T. Reynolds
Margaret Elizabeth Ribardo
Brittney A. Richter
Meghan Kate Riley
Danette Robinson
Alison Caroline Rodriguez
Janice Rodriguez
Natasha Rodriguez
Nina Marie Rodriguez
Jason Z. Rogers
Catherine Vanessa Romero
Jillian Romito
Linette Paola Rosado
Jhoany Viridiana Rubio Arenas
Joann Elizabeth Rudy
Sophia Ruggiero
Angela Gissela Ruiz Lopez
Kyle Robert Ruppel
Christopher Ryan
Nicole Rychlak
Rene A. Saenz
Kami Armenak Sahakyan

Candice Antionette Salmon
Emeritus Salud
Rasmely Santana
Mildaury SantosGarcia
Danielle Laiosa Schillizzi
Nicholas Kim Schumacher
Ethan Thomas Schwartz
Richard G. Seclen
Ashley Nicole Seeger
Nicole Serhat
Abdullah M. Serri
Amanda Shaffer
Mokadas Sheikh
Lakpa Sherpa
Adam Shoman
Kyle A. Silbernagel
Aminata Sillah
Carlos Sime
Heidi Odette Skalka
Michele Ann Sloma
Safa Smadi
Megan Smaldone
Kaliah Smith
Morgan Grace Snell
Erica Lynne Sost
Fred Soule
Elena Sovetova
Kadiatou Sow
Denzel Dion Spencer
Kristin Spinelli
Jenna Renee Stallworth
Crystal Elizabeth Stecher
Trajanka Stefanova
Audrey Alexandra StGeorge
Angela Latawyna Stover
Noah Struss
Nicole Ann Suttora
Nicole Sweeney
Kedavion Darkel Taylor
Sandy Termora
Alexander Kevin Thomas
Teresa Thuruthuvelil
Ivan De Jesus Tineo
Aaron Drew Tomasini
Nancy Torres
Stephen D. Townsend
Nicole Samantha Trigoura

Morning Master's Degree Recipients

Nicole Tross
Suraiya Uddin
Stephen Chukwuma Ugwoke
Deanna Nicole Vaccaro
Anthony James Valvano
Rodney Vanden Heuvel
Ashley Lynne Vargas
Elizabeth Varughese
Gregoria Vasquez
Nicole Marie Vaughn
Joseph Anthony Vega
Adalgisa Vega-Garcia
Daniela Antonella Ventocilla
Mary Vignogna
Tionna Antoinette Wade
Margaret Monika Walker
Patrick J. Warburton
Tanaja Nigeria Marie Watson
Darlene Wdowiak
Raquel Wende
Daniel Clifton West
Julia Regina Whitman
Dana M. Williams
Marlise Shavon Williams
Stephanie Wolfersberger
Sharea Woodley
Shannon Symone Wright
Eugene Matthew Wronko
Unique Wynne
Marie Nathaly Young
Nora D. Zahraoui
Alexandra Angela Zarate
Colette Alessia Zarour
Lidia Zdunek
Nicholas Zipeto
Stephen Zondorak
Edith Marisol Zurita

Master of Science

APPLIED BUSINESS ANALYTICS

Broog Amer
Ishani Chowatia
Allyn Hughes
Gary S. Parajon

FINANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

Katherine Yafreysi Castro De Leon
Jaimely Ivette Centeno-Matos
Holly Ferrara
Jayson Fields
Nina Dominica Fredella
Rose A. Jean
Opeoluwa Olugbemiga Obembe
Nidhi Jaiprakash Tewari
Viet Anh Vu
Gary J. Yoonfield

Afternoon Doctoral Degree Recipients

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Ma. Arlene Escanilla Azores

Dissertation: *The Impact of the Breastfeeding Education and Training Program on Perinatal Nurses' Knowledge and Practices and the Hospital's Exclusive Breastfeeding Rate*

Malika Sade Gilliam

Dissertation: *Using a Nurse-led Educational Program to Reduce the Prevalence of Asthma Symptoms and Improve Asthma Management in Families of Children with Asthma in Urban Communities*

Karolina Maria Piwnica

Dissertation: *A Strategy for Improving Discharge Process Through the Implementation of the AHRQ IDEAL Discharge Tool to Enhance HCAHPS Patient Satisfaction Scores*

Manuel Padiernos Ramos

Dissertation: *Social Determinants of Diabetes Risk Among First- and Second-Generation Filipino Immigrants in Central Florida*

Raymond J. Reynoso-Polanco

Dissertation: *The Influence of New Graduate Nurses' Confidence on Practice Breakdown*

Milagros Lizbeth Rojas

Dissertation: *Motivational Interviewing: An Effective and Underutilized Tool for Weight Management by Primary Care Providers*

Susan Mingi Song

Dissertation: *Initiating Prerecorded Video Messages for BI-RADS 0 Screening Mammogram Results in the Digital Age: A Pilot Study*

Dirksen Taguam

Dissertation: *Optimizing Fluid Intake Management in Adult Hemodialysis Patients: The Impact of the H2Overload Mobile Health App on Interdialytic Weight Gain*

Jacqueline Anne Tierney

Dissertation: *Evaluation of Palliative Care Screening Tool (PCST) to Identify and Increase Palliative Care Consults in the Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU)*

Afternoon Master's Degree Recipients

Master of Public Health

PUBLIC HEALTH

Tara Theresa Barr
Michael Scott Brown
Nicole Kathryn Bukacz
Lorena Candelario
Stefany M. Castillo
Pamela Cruz Victoria
Andressa Duro
Amanda Marie Hackett
Dana Jaloudi
Nancy Rosa Jimenez
Alexander Christopher Lasaracina
Deljinder K. Mavi
Yassette Morales
Royal Patterson
Carolina Reales Alegria
Miguelina Mercedes Reyes De Cocco
Deonna Ross
Nidiyojana Rubiano-Diaz
Ruth-Chammas Winie Saintvry
Shamim Akhtar Sarwar
Stephanie Elizabeth Schorr
Islam Sery
Tina Siciliano
Ekram Smith
Debora Tande
Patricia Timko-Parker
Tanasia Nicole Weaver
Dorsey Lawrence Woods III

Master of Science

APPLIED MATHEMATICS

Carla Cagandahan
Ronnie Andrew Carroll
Stephen Joe Essien
David Hakkenberg
Florenca Kolldani
Michaela Marie Raguseo
Suzanne Elaine Tribuzio

ATHLETIC TRAINING

Samantha Faith Corallo
Maggie Helen McCormick
Israel Quiroz
Brooke Nicole Redner

BIOTECHNOLOGY

Langston Michael Adams
Cody Robert Boatman
Coway Anthony Fong-Fortuna
Laura Fruhauf De Macedo
Arlene Grullon
Marcelina Kesicka
Yana Tiffine Langellier
Christopher Louis Mango
Megan Hava Schmidt
Jeniffer Willians Jimenez

EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY

Imani Charles
Christopher Hernandez Espiritu
Lacie C. Flinsky
Tyler Kearney
Marcus Antonio Malloy
Chloe B. Martins
Joyce Palacios Espinosa
Giuliana Rose Pocino
Anthony Paul Segreto
Benedetta Marie Weinman

MATERIALS CHEMISTRY

Dwayne Washington Brown
Gianna Paige Labiento
Asmaa Lakhali
Briana Marie Mohan
Juan Nicolas Rodriguez
Clairissa Yom
Gimelyn L. Yray

Afternoon Master's Degree Recipients

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Sarah Bailey
Noel Sabrina Cabibbo
Chantal Rhina Cadestin
Jean Arianne Cruz Calalang
Mary Leanne Castillo
Alexa Loretta Conklin
Alasandra Nicole D'Addezio
Sydney Edmonds
Jennifer Garcia
Victoria Nicole Giordano
Daniela Gomez
Jailene Jessica Jironza
Raquel Olivia Kulesa
Leslie Susanah Lawrence
Julie Leisha Louis
Elizabeth Mary Macioci
Caroline Margaret Malone
Victoria Marano
Georgia Rose Marcouiller
Arlene Matias
Hannah Nicole Mele
Devi K. Patel
Renee Rita Perdomo
Gabriella Candida Rose
Caroline D. Sanchez Diaz
Taylor Eve Shargorodsky
Gianna Faith Trapanese
Nathaly Valdivia
Nicole M. Vega

SPORT ADMINISTRATION

Khalid Benalla
Roger Bermejo
Peter Anthony Conde
Daniel Crowell
Tyler P. Gavin
Enrique Gonzalez Alarcon
Sara Haller
Milos Milikic
Patrick William Monahan
Korin Nicole Robinson
Abigail Bryan Viola

Master of Science in Nursing

NURSING

Shackera Abbott-Barcoo
Alissa Marie Abrahamson
Ynes D. Accilien
Ecaterina Ademaj
Ololade Tawakalitu Aderogba
Annalise Elizabeth Alboum
Craig Alexander
Jennifer Anacile Alexandre
Disha Samir Amin
Jennifer Anderson
Ivania Isabel Angermeyer
Rachelle Armand
Abigail M. Arroyo
Kevin Avila Barrios
Shrijana Banjara
Gloria N. Barnor
Jacqueline Annette Battice
Michelle Bencivengo
Kimberly Benitez
Joselyne Berreta
Pedra Novee Blackwood
Isabella Bono
Mikki Mañaco Bookholt
Samantha Boonstra
Samantha Borello
Christina Amanda Bridgenauth
Jazmyne Nicole Brierre
Jasmin Brown
Tashanda Michelle Brown
Susannah Bryne
Trudi A. Buck
Samantha Cabeceiras
Johanna Calderon
Jason Lee Camara
Max-alee Campbell
Jessica Fernandes Canuto
Cassandra Carr
Caileigh Elizabeth Cashman
Angelica Rose Celona
Kaitlyn Cestaro
Jacqueline Chapkowski
Darleen Charles
Deborah Anne Charles

Afternoon Master's Degree Recipients

Angelique Chavez
Dorca Karina Chavez-Novas
Noura Chedid
Yuqing Raine Chen
Eunyoung Cho
Erin Moore Christiansen
Tracey-ann Christie
Nwakego Chukwuneke
Imani Malkiiah Clark
Daniel Coleman
Cynthia Colmenares
Shana Antoinette Conner
Rebecca Coons
Melissa Crecco
Arlene Denise Cruz
Gustavo Cruz Giniebra
Jessica Cullity
Gina Margaret D'Alessio
Sarah Elizabeth Dapiran
Faith Davidson
Kathryn Davis
Abigail Baldrice Del Fierro
Patricia Dignam
Darrelle Almirol Dilangalen
Anabel Rafaela Disla Wallace
Annette Dolores-Hernandez
Rachelle Famela Paras Domingo
Maidelys Dominguez
Nerissa Gabrielle Donazal
Lisa Eileen Dorner
Tiffany Unique Dove
Cathia Dumay
Charles Dume
Liliana M. Duque-Dejesus
Beatrice Serwah Dwamena
Francesca Marie Ecker
Chelsea Elizabeth Eckert
Rosemary Effah
Wesam Y. Elhayek
Jessica Cordle Ellis
Katherine Susan Ellis
Alexander Padua Enriquez
Veronica Chimunya Enworom
Ozlem Erdinc
Marie Ilza Esterlin
Victoria H. Evans
Freddy Josue Ferdinand

Amanda Fetter
Erin Renee Flora
Viviane Camille Fotso
Nicole Franco
Kathryn Frattarola
Cali Elizabeth Freeman
Libby Leah Frenkel
Gabriela Angeleine Frias
Juliya Fulman
Ram Krishna Gaddam
Annette Gaetan Lee
Michelle Garcia
Roxanna Marisol Garcia
Sarah Rose Garcia
Misty Ann Garrett
Thea Gately
Sandra Gauthier
Melissa Gomez
Melissa Gomez
Marcela Gomez-Sanchez
Latasha Gordon
Alicia Kepatria Graham
Donna-lee Mikayla Graham
Elissa M. Granata
Roselyn Grullon
Laura Brielle Guerra
Fiorela Guevara
Taina Ketsy Guillaume
Taylor Alexandria Hall
Lianne Hanna
Kaitlyn Hariton
Patricia Y. Hernandez
Rachel Hirsch
Natalie F. Hishmeh
Evan Scott Holtz
Md N. Huda
Laila Hussaini
Nicole Isaac
Joudlie Jean
Angeline Alexandre Jean Louis
Mardell Thamar Jean-Pierre
Gandimathi Jeyabalan
Cassandra Nadia Jimenez
Patricia Maria Jimenez
Vladimir Jimenez Pupo
Shanice Junor
Tamila Kadyr-Akhunova

Afternoon Master's Degree Recipients

Hayley Marie Kalata
Leyla Kamal
Mary Diana Kane
Renee Karain
Michelle Leigh Karayiannis
Sarah Keeley-Cotov
Helen Faith Kellman
Arayna M. Kemp
Nana Amma Adjeiwah Kersiwah Kersi
Christa Jean Keyzer
Djellza Z. Kica
Gloria Kim
Sophia Cho Hee Kim
Goeun Kim
Krystle Kush
Svetlana Kutuzov
Angela Gracia Lalo
Catherine Jean Lalor
Frances Lavilla
Heather Jade Leahy
Hyun Jeong Lee
Jae Kyung Lee
Wai Lee
Sungjin Lee
Amanda Leibowitz
Nicole Danielle Leocata
Michael Li
Marisa June Lightenberg
Jeanette L. Liguori
Michelle Mary Limani
Courtenay Lindsay
Elana Marie Linker
Marian Angela Perez Lladas
Tara Nicole Long
Melissa Lopez-Valdes
Caitlin Anne Lynch
William John Lynch
Agnieszka Lysakowski
Ahsen Mahmood
Michelle Nicole Maltino
Juan C. Manjarrez
Heather Joann Mannari
Sheri Mannino
Michelle Rose Witham Marchionda
Jaime Elaine Marcus
Julie Mariblanca
Cameron Nicole Marino

Merin Treesa Mathew
Jennifer Herrera McCann
Barbara Katherine McKenna
Tashauna Navisa McQueen
Samantha Emily Medeiros
Adjoa Precious Mensah
Adjoa Peni Princess Mensah
Sherlyne Mervilus
Herlande Mesidor-Olivier
Lori Lynn Metroka
Dana Marie Miller
Tamra Miller
Esjona Mimini
Sandra Moraa Misiani
Jane Monteiro
Matthew Moro
Alyssa Mary Morrissey
Susan Musa
Pal Hemant Naik
Mireyli Navas
Karla Nieves
Olivia N. Noleo
Erin Marie Noonan
Erica Nunez
Alexis Veronica OConnell
Patricia Ann O'Hora
Karen Monique Okechukwu
Bola Abide Onissemma Karimu
Kimberly Osei-Tutu
Margaret Ann Paluch
Lauren Gloria Park
Krishna Patel
Reena Sachin Patel
Susana Pereira
Emily Perez
Rocio Perez
Sheleana Maria Perez
Amy Lynn Peters
Phara Pierre
Cindy Pineros
Toya Piper
Michael Joseph Piroino
Albjonda Pocesta
Karla Portocarrero
Devin Cecile Prant
Heather Quick
Roxanne Cruz Quinto

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Ashwini Rao
Ceyli Reyes
Rebecca Hobbs Ritter
Kimberly S. Rivadeneira Arias
Francina Roa
Kemba Wanakee Roberts
Nicole Rodrigues
Barbara Rodriguez
Marisa Rodriguez
Max Rogovoy
Kaylan Victoria Rose
Leah Rosenblum
Jeannette Rubio
Lee Sandra Ruiz
Yehuda Sabzon
Milagros Saenz
Yasmeen Moneer Salman
Samantha Rose Saltarelli
Matthew Generoso Scala
Danielle A. Sclafani
Asime Sela
Shirley Mary Shaffery
Palak Shah
Andrea Carolina Sierra Borda
Meghan Siverson
Karolina Zofia Slaby
Elizabeth Trum Sobeck
Monica Jennifer Soliz
Anita Somwal-Rao
Brianna Leigh Sparano
Sam Ssegawa
Maria Camila Starace

Tonya Stedman
Ivander Susanto
Astrid Eugenia Tapia
Arys Massiel Tejada
Janella Mae Antonio Tenorio
Antonio E. Teruel
Nagrup Thandi
Angela R. Thomas
Chanel Thomas-Peniston
Luisa T. Tinoco Villamarin
Jeanine Tishman
Laina Marie Tollefsen
Diana A. Torres
Wraymando Townsend
Andrew Wright Trexler
Ji Hyoun Um
Vanessa Uyola
Tamara Valbrun
Josephine Valencia
Stephanie Geraldine Valet
Alyssa Veenstra
Adalgisa Vega-Garcia
Maxine Alexandria Veliz
Samantha Verna
Puneet Virmani
Lance-Eric Soriano Vivar
Anna Voloshin
Sachi Shelat Vyas
Casey Janine Waldron
Anna Walsh
Felicia Minnie Washington
Rebecca Wende
Alicia Williams
Briante Kaniyah Wilson
Krystal Selyn Yepez
Cortney Elizabeth Yoxheimer
Julia Zaitsev
Christine P. Zicarelli

Evening Doctoral Degree Recipients

Doctor of Education

Cara Berg

Dissertation: *They Don't Gotta Burn the Books, They Just Remove 'em: The Impact of Book Challenges on Northeastern Librarians*

Suha Hammoudeh

Dissertation: *Arab Women as Change Agents In K-12 Educational Leadership: Overcoming Barriers and Driving Equity*

Claudia M. Heisterman

Dissertation: *New Jersey Dual-Language Teachers' Perceptions of Culturally Responsive Teaching Capabilities*

Colin Geoffrey Hogan

Dissertation: *If You Check Yourself, You Won't Wreck Yourself! Developing and Testing a Culturally Responsive School Leadership Checklist for Principals*

Courtney Ann Krup

Dissertation: *Teachers' Perspectives of Inclusive Practices and Positionality in a Northeastern U.S. Region: Insights from Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Professional Development*

Raquel Lima

Dissertation: *An Examination of Pyramid Model Implementation in a New Jersey Preschool*

Veronica Lynn Ricigliano

Dissertation: *Building Administrators' Perceptions of Their Preparedness as Leaders of Special Education*

Michael Charles Riehl

Dissertation: *Equity Directors in New Jersey Schools: A Context-Responsive Analysis of the Evolution of the Position*

Evening Doctoral Degree Recipients

Doctor of Psychology

Lauren Ann Ogle Dalokay

Dissertation: *Exploring gratitude: Its associations with executive function and mental health in college undergraduates*

Jane M. Gorman

Dissertation: *The Impact of the Other-Race Effect and Psychopathic Traits on Facial Affect Recognition*

Nuu Grenier

Dissertation: *Gender Rolls: The Association of Tabletop Roleplaying Games and Gender Dysphoria in Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Adults*

Melissa Nancy Herrel

Dissertation: *The Mental Health Crisis in Nurses: Three Years after Covid-19*

Brittany Christine Juncosa

Dissertation: *Exploring Executive Functioning Processes as Potential Mediating Factors Between Childhood Trauma and Violence*

Frank Luo

Dissertation: *As Long as I Can Laugh About It: Examining the Relationship Between Humor Style and Coping Humor Efficacy*

Megan M. Sedita

Dissertation: *MBCT-S Program Completion: What Barriers Stand in the Way for High-Risk Suicidal Veterans?*

Avianne Olsia Smith

Dissertation: *Resilience in the Face of Adversity: Examining Coping Strategies and Cognitive Emotional Regulation in Mitigating the Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences*

Evening Master's Degree Recipients

Master of Arts

APPLIED SOCIOLOGY

Stephanie Ponces Simoes

CLINICAL AND COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

Nadlie Naikah Alexis
Nilufer Lily Alkurt
Meadow Lee Allen
Nicole Anash
Philip Michael Arias
Cara Elizabeth Becker
Agnes Rose Benny
Mishel Stefania Calle Urgiles
Sharon Chin
Nikolina Cvetkovska
Victoria Lee DiDonato
Enjanae Fields-Broughton
Amy Ileana German
Eduardo Alonso Hernández Leiva
Aerin Cassidy Holzli
Jarett Warner Lee
Mary C. Lugli
Daphne Paige Mayer
Victoria Filomena Nicoletta
Bayron Dexter Ovalle
Jaymie Rose Patacco
Hunter A. Paulison
Lisaac Perez-Gonzalez
Shane E. Perkins
Skylar Elizabeth Robinson
Samantha Rose Rogers
Koribel Rojas
Shara Alicia Rondon
Sarah Abbas Saad
Matthew D. Tandurella
Rose Patricia Vail
Mervy I. Zegarra

HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

Amber Mercedes Almonte
Melissa Anne Beretta
Giri Briteny Caicedo
Sheyla R. Calderon
Kaitlin Marie Clutter
Otamy Crossan
Aleidy Dominguez Jorge
Danielle Leigh Drago
Samuel Enrique Hernandez Franco
Shadae Geneva Lewis
Valerie Martinez
Krystalie Ivette Ortiz
Nicolette Ann Palazzo
Hamza Saleem
William E. Santiago
Cardrienne McDonald Sarin
Jaclyn Christi Shaffer
Hunter Allen Smith
Michael Thomas Stewart
Lauren Elizabeth Washburn

INTEGRATED MARKETING COMMUNICATION

Rochelle Estrada
Serina Alexia Gonzalez
Michael Linder
Matthew Raymond Wondoloski

PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATION

Kehinde-sierra Jacqueline Adetula
Amajanae Rakasia Crumbley
Susmita Majumder
Justin Alexander Reynoso-Dume
Michael Richard Scuderi

Evening Master's Degree Recipients

Master of Arts in Teaching

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Rena Marie Casalinho
Emil Flores
Kimberly Massiel Garcia
Kerry Ann Kraisorn
Nicole Lynn Mitchell
Aida Elizabeth Muller

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ALTERNATE ROUTE

Alma Elizabeth Chacon
Nicole Katherine Iappelli
Julianna Weinmann
Shannon Marie Wojciechowski

SECONDARY EDUCATION

Felix Asare-Bediako
Yvana L. Barahona
Christian Tyler Chant
Anthony Colabella
Ryan Cotter
Philip James Edcius
Beth M. Goobic
Terrell Gambill
David Hakkenberg
Peter Hunter
Jacob Anthony Lukowiak
Maria J. Matsakis
Nour Nahla
Michaela Marie Raguseo
Anthony Slekis
Elias Joseph Strombom
Matthew Peter Raymond Walsh
Stephanie Diana Wheat

Master of Education

CURRICULUM AND LEARNING

Lauren Abbatemarco
Ashley Nicole Alexander
Alexandra Arroyo-Dopazo
Melissa Vignapiano Baron
Kelly Ann Bosgra
Lori Bothe
Anela Bozic
Bridget Ellen Brewer
Dana Marie Cannici
Francesca Genesis Carrasco
Teresa Palma Carrieri
Paige Nicole Cassella
Natascha Castillo
Ritu Chowbey
Danielle Curry
Joy Dennis
Krysta Jule Douglas
Kelsey Dummeldinger
Itohan Rita Edobor-Osula
Erin Gittel Endaz
Melissa Lynn Fluet
David Gardiner
Judit Gasztany
Hayley Elyssa Gazzara
Christina Marie Gemelli
Laura Geraghty
Jennifer Marie Glackin
Maria Elena Gonzalez
Brenda Gonzalez
Ajnadeen Hameid
Karen Adriana Herrera
Linda C. Hornyak
Alexandra Kay Hunter
Massiel O. Jiminian
Cherifa Kitoune
Zoe Amara Kresker
Sonia F. Levan
Theola Elizabeth Malin
Andrea Catherine Mathews
Brooke Mary McGovern
Gabrielle Mercadante
Abida Farzana Miah
Mary Elizabeth Michelotti
Sarah Mueller

Evening Master's Degree Recipients

Michelle Munoz
Brielle Brittany Murray
Erin Anne Muttel
Elizabeth Alexandra Naumann
Sharifa Kifah Othman
Julia Lynn Palmeri
Emily Ann B. Pepe
Kara Lynn Peterson
Pooja Punjabi
Sabina Riebenfeld
Andrea Rock
Kaitlyn Rockwell
Iliana Leticia Rodriguez
Marisol Romano
Heather Santiago
Monika Sempruch
Melina Sierra
Victoria Marie Stengel
Arianna Noel Stravato
Guadalupe Berenice Swiderski
Eleanor Irene Szalc
Damaris Torres
Valerin Ubri
Anna K. Wrocenski
Sara Zavaleta
Allison Grace Zimecki

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Shareef W. Abdul-Haqq
Camren Allen
Skylar Andrascik
Jason Silva Antunes
Hannah R. Arp
Stephanie Cassandra Arroyo-Merino
Jenna Munem Asokan
Jessica Monique Barreiro
Chyenbe Beavers
Stephen John Bernath
Rebecca L. Blaskopf
Nicole R. Bozik
Quinn Richard Brandt
William Robert Campi
Amanda Cappitelli
Alicia Marianne Caravella
Brittany Castellanos
Susanna Chang
Amy Lynn Chiappa

Sheilee Chocolatl
Jordan Nicole Cinelli
Elyse Connolly
Samantha Costanzo
Nichole Marie Cuorato
Julianne Curro
Lynn Ann D'Amelio
Stephanie Delpome
Tara Lynn DePula
Jessica Marie DeVirgilio
Anyelis M. Diaz
Jaclyn Ann Dibrienza-Cikovic
Charlene Anne DiDonato
Peter Digennaro
Jennifer Dow
Jenelle M. Egbeto
Lizaida Flores-Randazzo
Melissa Astrid Francke
Karen Marie Frascella
Kristen Mary Frothingham
Silveria Galvan
Nicola Peitro Gangemi
Gilad Gaon
Ronald Paul Gardner Jr.
Joeline Garlo
Mikee Y. Garrido
Brianna Christine Giblock
Angelica Lynn Gigliotti
Anthony Gigliotti
Allison Dana Gimeli
Loren Ginty
Kaitlin Elizabeth Goss
Gisell Ashley Groff
John Hall
Megan Lynne Hartmann
Nicole Barbara Hayden
Ashley Victoria Houser
Jason Scott Hoyle
Lacey Jensen-Lida
Gabrielle Jimenez
Danielle Johnson
Kimberly Elizabeth Johnson
Susan Jacinta Karbowski
Stephanie Kaitlyn Karcz
Abigayle Lynn Kehoe
Alison Joy Kentos
Kaitlyn Michele Kleinkauf

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Benjamin Nathan Klug
Dana Jean Webb Krudys
Melanie Anne Krzeminski
Megan Stewart Langman
Andy Laurent
Michael P. Lee
Nicky A. Lee Castaneda
Megan Marie Lerro
Rachel Megan Lieberman
Connor Evan Lui
Regan Michelle Mackesy
Jessica Mary Madley
Jaclyn Olivia Marrese
Allison McCabe Matto
Kristen Marie McGrath
Kimberly Alexis McNelis
Melissa Ann McNulty-Dod
Jordan Christopher Medley
Elizabeth Ann Micheletti
Olivia Ann Miller
Brittany Nicole Montgomery
Maria Soledad Morales
Kaitlyn M. Mould
William Edward Nahan
Melissa Anne Natale
Mallory Anne Nemiroff
Lumturije Obol
Abigail O'Connell
Nadine Palagonia
Jaimie Marie Partridge
Andrew Michael Perez
Hector Perez
Jessica Noelle Phipps
Nicole Elizabeth Poccia
Claire Podest
Mary Elizabeth Pollard
Jordan James Powell
Sophia Christine Puleo
Ashley Marie Raywood
Catelin Altagracia Reyes
Dariaknna Reyes-Yencer
Corey James Reynolds
Jason Robinson
Christine Mary Romanos
Jenifer Lynn Ryer
Carolina Samaniego
Liliana Maria Sanchez
Robert Gordon Sardison

Amanda Schenkman
Amanda Schroder
Samantha Schwartz
Maritza M. Schweitzer
Kristin Shaw
Caitlin Nicole Shurminsky
Gina Marie Simon
Brianna J. Smith
Jamal William Smith
Anthony Michael Sosa
Kevin Spaeth
Shirley Jaclyn St. Luce
Kristy Lynn Sugrue
Lisa Ann Swanick
Zahieh Taha
Dylan Taylor Tester
Anthony Tozzi
Elyse Travers
Tanya Trianine
Sean Michael Troy
Ariana Lil Valencia
Bernice Vasquez
Michael Waxman
Julie Anne Williams
Stacey J. Williams
Zachary Zellers
Frank Zilinek
Sirajj Tajuddin Ziyad

LITERACY

Jennifer Lynn Corban
Nina Maria Dacosta
Leah Michelle Duford
Samantha Fox
Melissa M. Gentiluomo
Cassidy Rae Glucksman
Brandon Richard Gress
Stephanie Karla Guevara
Michael James Kozas
Kirsten Brianna Kral
Liana Marie Lichter
Kelly Mackie
Arooj Malik
Shakia T. Mckinney
Lauren Rogers
Stephanie M. Skok
Lee-Ann Christine Villegas
Cynthia Yparraguirre

Evening Master's Degree Recipients

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING

Sylvia Elizabeth Abuissa
Alexa Bernatowicz
Drew Brennan
Tara M. Byrnes
Natasha Olivia Carcich
Laura F. Carmichael
Jennifer Cerezo
Gibelly Cruceta
Maire Rea Gallagher
Diana Maria Guevara
Kayla Ann Kostecki
Nicole Aguiar Lavoura
Melissa Nicole Martinez
William Medel
Zilia Medina
Caitlin Marie Monahan
Noah Natale
Amanee Aki Pettway
Leah Alejandra Pimentel
Valerie Ponce-Cruz
Tracy Prusik
Karla Michelle Ramirez
Sarah Spagnola
Michael C. Spino III
Ciara Stewart
Jessica Ingrid Strom
Elizabeth Tactuk
Ciera Lu Thornton
Otari Tsikarishvili
Sean Vaughan
Jasmine Louise Vera
Savanna Renee Weber-Zazzu

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Khawla A. Abdo
Alexandra Abrams
Kenya Atkinson
Jessica Awar
Deborah Sue Ball
Kristen Bauer
Nicholas John Boccella
Connor David Brown
Danielle Capobianco
Jennifer Kathleen Case
Jessica Dos Santos Costa
Sarah Elyse Cuntrera
Cherie Anne Daddis
Eric Dederding

Patrick Jordan Deflora
Monica Anne DeVita
Ashley Duckworth
Brielle Lynn Fanning
Elisabet Feliciano
Tamara Racquel Frungillo
Keath Edward Gerald
Karen Stephanie Guaman-Salazar
Conor Philip Hollis
Linda Marie Jerman
Kelsey Lynn Katsios
Jessica Lynn Kellenbach
Alexandra Rose Kowalski
Gabriella G. Kuchavik
Lauren Mahoney
Bryanne Paulette Makus
Amanda Lindsey Marion
McKenna Logan Maroney
Narina Mazokh
Ronni M. Mendez
Stephanie Montoya
Katherine Alice Moore
Gayla Bethann Morgan
Luann Mugnone
Madeline Rose Neuman
Julia Dawn Nicholson
Allison Nicole Parrett
Nicole Danielle Pede-Pujols
Amanda S. Penna
Francesca Maria Picozzi
Alison Pigott
Marisa Josephine Raymond
Magaly Celia Reymundo
Rachel N. Rizzo
Victoria Roh
Cheryl A. Rossetti
Alec Pasquale Sabatino
Leeana Andrea Sauser
Mary Elizabeth Sigler
Nicole Christine Stein
Kyle D. Tanis
Christina Marie Thompson
Dori Marissa Toth
Kearsley Elizabeth Urgiles
Virginia Agatha Vanderbeck
Anna M. Vlacancich
Brittany Leigh Wilson
Kelsee Gentile Young
Samantha Elizabeth Zarro

Evening Master's Degree Recipients

Master of Fine Arts

ART

Melissa Katherine Carubia
Andrew Davenport
Joshua M. López
Marcos Salazar
Dave Coleman Saunders

CREATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING

Nicholas Agelis
Natessa Ann Aldridge
Alessio A. Guerini
Jennah Janouk
Isabella Jaramillo
Charles Sternberg
Alicia Sarah Faye Wikner

VISUAL ARTS

Julian Steve Alvarez
Lauren C. Cedeño
Jessica Lynn Dutschmann
Daija McNeil
Shaad Binte Jaman Shopnil

Master of Music

MUSIC

Gabriel Owen Case
Logan Maxwell Friedman
Daniel A. Liparini
Benno Stephen Marmur
Mykhailo Mendelenko
Avery Pambianchi
Ethan Randall Powers
Jamie Lee Ruggiero

Master of Public Policy

PUBLIC POLICY

Racha Ahmad
Tara Carter
Lesly Julianna Quesada
Jessica K. Rizzo

This program does not constitute the official list of graduates. The students included in the program have applied to graduate as of April 19, 2025, and include graduates from Fall 2024 and candidates for Spring 2025 and Summer 2025. Their degree will be officially posted by the Office of the Registrar after their grades have been received and verified.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Dean's Graduate Award
Alicia Sarah Faye Wikner

Department of Art

Graduate Award for Creative
Excellence in Visual Art
David Coleman Saunders

Department of Communication

Excellence in Integrated Marketing
Communication Award
Matthew Raymond Wondoloski

Department of Language, Literature, Culture, and Writing

Graduate Award for Excellence in
Bilingual/ESL Studies
Anna K. Wrocenski

Department of Music

Music Scholar Graduate Award
Daniel A. Liparini

Department of Political Science, Legal, and Urban Studies

Outstanding Graduate Student Award
Racha Ahmad

Department of Psychology

Excellence in Graduate Studies Award
Hunter A. Paulison

PsyD Excellence Award
Lauren Ann Ogle Dalokay

COTSAKOS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Dean's Graduate Award
Broog Amer

Department of Economics, Finance, and Global Business

Award for Outstanding Graduating
Master's Student in Finance and
Financial Services with Track in Finance
Gary Yoonfield

Master of Business Administration Program

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate
with a Concentration in Accounting
Ishrat Hassan-Huczko

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate
with a Concentration in Applied
Business Analytics
Yomaira Freytes

Award for Outstanding MBA
Graduate with a Concentration in
Entrepreneurship
Bryan Maupai

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate
with a Concentration in Finance
Giuseppe Francesco Lo Cascio

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate
with a Concentration in Human
Resource Management
Sabrina Marie Madsen

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate
with a Concentration in Healthcare
Economics and Management
Michael Alexander Estwan

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate
with a Concentration in Marketing
Francesca Anna Oliveri

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate
with a Concentration in Sales Strategy

Alexander Sebastien Braun

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate,
General MBA

Michelle Mendicino

Award for Outstanding MBA Graduate

Sabrina Marie Madsen

Department of Marketing,
Management, and Professional
Sales

Award for Outstanding Graduating
Master's Student in Applied Business
Analytics

Broog Amer

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Dean's Graduate Award

Suha Hammoudeh

Department of Educational
Leadership and Professional
Studies

MA in Higher Education Administration

Award for Excellence in Scholarship

Cardrienne McDonald Sarin

MEd in Curriculum and Learning Award
for Excellence in Scholarship: Early
Childhood Education

Michelle Munoz

MEd in Curriculum and Learning Award
for Excellence in Scholarship: Teaching of
Writing (P-12)

Heather Santiago

MEd in Curriculum and Learning Award
for Excellence in Scholarship: STEM/
STEAM

Zoe Amara Kresker

MEd in Curriculum and Learning Award
for Excellence in Scholarship: School
Library Media

Jennifer Marie Glackin

MEd in Educational Leadership
Excellence Award

Jordan Nicole Cinelli

MEd in Literacy Excellence in
Scholarship Award

Leah Michelle Duford

EdD in Leadership Award for Excellence in
Research and Scholarship

Veronica Lynn Ricigliano

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Department of Special Education,
Counseling, and Disability
Studies

Graduate Award for Clinical Mental
Health Counseling

Sylvia Elizabeth Abuissa

Graduate Award for School Counseling
Zilia Medina

Graduate Award for Learning
Disabilities Teacher-Consultant
Deborah Sue Ball

Graduate Award for Teacher of Students
with Disabilities
Allison Nicole Parrett

Graduate Award in Special Education
(ASD/DD)

Kelsee Gentile Young

Department of Teacher Education:
PreK-12

Excellence in Teaching Award (Master of
Arts in Teaching Secondary Education)
David Hakkenberg

Excellence in Teaching Award (Master of
Arts in Teaching Elementary Education)
Emil Flores

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH

Dean's Graduate Award

Gianna Paige Labiento

Department of Chemistry

Excellence in Materials Chemistry
Graduate Award

Asmaa Lakhali

Department of Kinesiology

Athletic Training Program Academic
Award

Israel Quiroz

Distinguished Exercise Physiology
Graduate Award

Benedetta Marie Weinman

Distinguished Sport Administration
Graduate Award

Tyler Philip Gavin

Department of Nursing

Nursing Excellence Doctor of Nursing
Practice Award

Jacqueline Anne Tierney

MSN—Adult Gerontology Nurse
Practitioner Award

Kathryn Frattarola

MSN—Family Nurse Practitioner Award
Kaylan Victoria Rose

MSN—Nurse Administrator Award
Ahsen Mahmood

MSN—Nurse Educator Award
Michelle Leigh Karayiannis

MSN—School Nurse Award
Erin Marie Noonan

Department of Speech-Language
Pathology

Graduate Excellence Award
Hannah Nicole Mele

ABOUT WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY



William Paterson University traces its roots to the city of Paterson, where it was founded in 1855. For more than a century, training teachers for New Jersey schools was its exclusive mission. In 1951, the University moved to the present campus in Wayne. Originally known as Ailsa Farms, this 300-acre site was purchased by the state of New Jersey in 1948 from the family of Garret A. Hobart, the 24th vice president of the United States. The original manor house, built in 1877, was the weekend retreat and summer residence of the Hobart family. Today the building is known as Hobart Manor and is the home of the Office of the President and the Office of Institutional Advancement. Hobart Manor was designated a national and state landmark in 1976.

The University changed its name to Paterson State Teachers College when it relocated from Paterson in 1951. In 1966, the curriculum was expanded to include degree offerings other than those leading to a teaching career. In 1971, the institution was renamed The William Paterson College of New Jersey. The change of name honored William

Paterson, the man who was the state's first senator, its second governor, and a United States Supreme Court Justice appointed by President George Washington; the name also reflected both the institution's proud beginnings in the city that also bears his name and the legislative mandate to move from a teachers college to a broad-based liberal arts institution. In another historic milestone, William Paterson was awarded university status by the Commission on Higher Education in June 1997.

The University has continued to evolve. Today, William Paterson University enrolls nearly 10,000 undergraduate and graduate students, including 1,800 residential students. The University's four colleges—Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, Cotsakos College of Business, Education, and Science and Health—support more





than 150 bachelor's degree, master's degree, and undergraduate and graduate certificate programs, and three doctoral degree programs—the doctor of nursing practice, added in 2011, the doctorate in clinical psychology, established in 2015, and the doctor of education in leadership, added in 2021. An Honors College provides academically motivated students with a rigorous curriculum. In 2020, the University launched WP Online, a new platform now offering 57 fully online degree programs. A School

of Nursing, established in 2023, reflects the growth and impact of its nursing program. Nursing enrollment is currently the largest in the northern half of New Jersey and no. 1 among the state's public regional universities. A College of Adult and Professional Studies was established in 2024 to meet the needs of adult learners.

The University's many accreditations include the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, Commission on the Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, National Association of Schools of Art and Design, National Association of Schools of Music, and the Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation, among others.

The institution's full-time faculty, who are widely respected for their teaching,



ABOUT WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

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research, and scholarship, include Fulbright Scholars, Guggenheim fellows, and recipients of numerous other awards, grants, and fellowships. The University generated more than \$12.2 million in funding from federal, state, and local government sponsors in support of academic research and educational initiatives during the 2023-24 academic year.

University President Richard J. Helldobler joined the institution in 2018 following the retirement of President Kathleen Waldron, who served as president since 2010.

William Paterson provides learning opportunities in its classrooms, laboratories, and studios, and throughout the campus, as well as at various off-campus locations, including the adjacent



Known for civic engagement opportunities

High Mountain Park Preserve. Its state-of-the-art facilities include an expanded and renovated Science Complex, dedicated in 2012, and an 80,000-square-foot, \$40 million academic building, University Hall, which opened in 2016 and was funded in part by \$30 million from New Jersey's "Building Our Future" Bond Act. An initiative to modernize the academic core of the campus has continued with the



Committed to sustainability



renovation of two academic buildings, Barbara M. Grant Hall, formerly Preakness Hall, which reopened in fall 2017, and Hunziker Hall, completed in 2018.

William Paterson is the third most diverse public university in New Jersey and approximately 40 percent of its students are the first in their families to attend college. The University is designated as a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) with 30 percent of its students claiming Hispanic heritage and a Minority-Serving Institution with 59 percent students of color. The University is ranked no. 54 of more than 1,200 institutions in the country in the 2024 Social Mobility Index. Created by CollegeNet, the index

measures the extent to which a college or university educates more economically disadvantaged students at lower tuition and graduates them into good-paying jobs.

In 2011, the University became the first public New Jersey college or university to require new undergraduates to take a course on civic engagement. William Paterson is an active leader in civic engagement through the American Democracy Project and Engage NJ. The University is committed to sustainability and is a charter signatory of the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment. Its solar panel installation, dedicated in 2010, ranks among the largest university installations in the United States.

UNIVERSITY TRADITIONS

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL AND RECESSIONAL

The academic procession begins with the entrance of the gonfalon, or University banner, carried by the Graduate Banner Carrier, who is followed by the faculty and professional staff and the degree candidates. After the graduates have taken their places, the platform party, which includes the president, the Board of Trustees, vice presidents, deans, other University officials, and the University Mace Bearer, will process. The mace is presented at the center of the stage while those processing enter and take their places. Once the mace is placed on the stand, it signals the beginning of the ceremony.

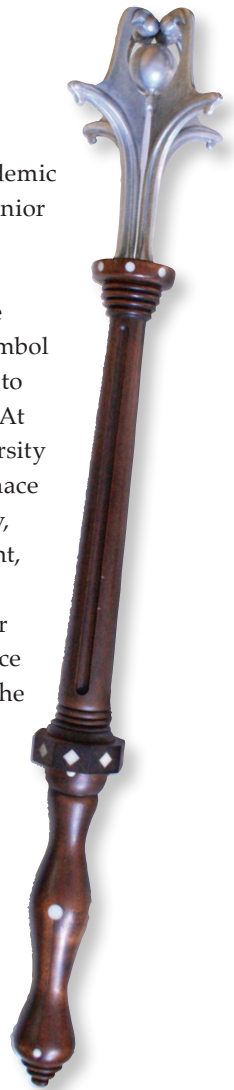
At the conclusion of the ceremony, the recessional order is reversed; the last to have entered are the first to recess. The University Mace Bearer leads the platform party, headed by the University president, followed by other dignitaries and University officials, the faculty, and, finally, the graduates. The audience is requested to remain seated until the recessional is concluded.

MACE

The mace—in the form of a staff topped by a ball with spikes—was a weapon of warfare in medieval times, but in the 14th century it evolved into a ceremonial object that is a symbol of authority. William Paterson University, like most colleges, has a

mace that is used at all academic ceremonies. Carried by a senior University faculty member who is designated as the University Mace Bearer, the mace is the emblem and symbol of the president's authority to administer the University. At Commencement, the University Mace Bearer carrying the mace is part of the platform party, which includes the president, the Board of Trustees, vice presidents, deans, and other University officials. The mace is displayed in its stand at the center of the stage during the ceremony, and is again carried by the University Mace Bearer during the recessional.

This mace was first used in the 153rd Commencement ceremony in 1987 and was designed and crafted by Ming Fay, a retired professor of art. The top piece, cast of brushed aluminum, features a center ball symbolizing universal knowledge, surrounded by four curved fins radiating outward, representing the University's community outreach. The bottom portion, made of teak and inlaid with faux ivory, was carved with the assistance of the late Joseph Van Putten, an award-winning graduate of the University's Art Department who served as an assistant professor of art.



CEREMONY HISTORY

In 2023, William Paterson University celebrated its 200th Commencement ceremony. Founded as Paterson Normal School in 1855, the institution held its original ceremonies in conjunction with the Paterson high school exercises. In 1890, the commencement exercises were, for the first time, held separately from those of the high school. Bachelor's degrees were first conferred in 1937 when Paterson State Normal School became the New Jersey State Teachers College at Paterson. Throughout the years, commencement ceremonies have been held at various times; today, the University holds separate ceremonies to recognize undergraduate students and graduate students.

CEREMONIAL BANNERS

William Paterson University's ceremonial banners include the University gonfalon in the institution's colors of orange and black and featuring the University seal in silver. Additional banners identify the University's four colleges, in colors representative of the degrees they confer.

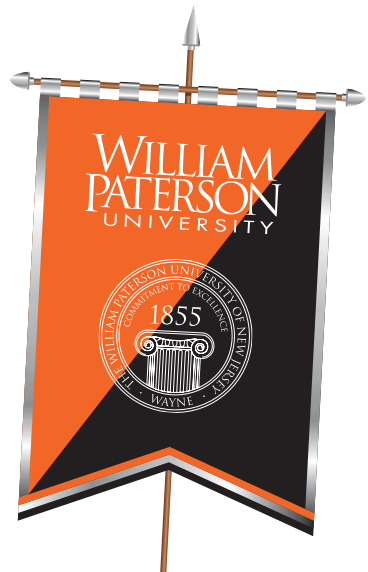
They are:

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social
Sciences: Black and purple

Cotsakos College of Business:
Black and gold

College of Education: Black and blue

College of Science and Health:
Black and green



ACADEMIC REGALIA

The origins of academic dress date to the founding of the oldest universities in Europe in the Middle Ages. With few exceptions, medieval scholars had taken religious vows, and were obliged to wear long gowns and caps at all times, which also may have been necessary for warmth in unheated buildings. In the days of King Henry VIII of England, Cambridge and Oxford universities began prescribing a definite academic dress.

The practice of wearing academic regalia in the United States dates to the establishment of the original colonial colleges and was heavily influenced by European practices and styles. Students of most colonial colleges were required to wear the gowns at most times, a practice that lasted until the eve of the Civil War in many institutions of higher learning. Today, academic regalia is worn primarily for Commencement and other academic ceremonies.

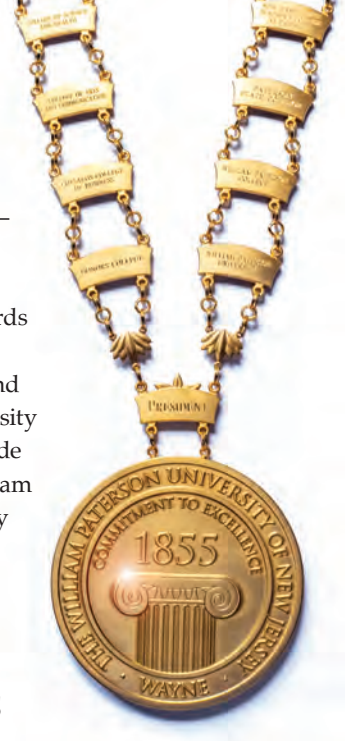
Though some universities in the United States and abroad have other colors, the usual color for gowns in America is black. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves. The gown for the master's degree has oblong sleeves that are open at the wrist. Doctoral degree gowns have sleeves that are bell-shaped and the front is faced with black velvet. Three bars of velvet are placed across the sleeves; these bars may be of velvet of the color distinctive of the faculty or subject to which the degree pertains.

Hoods are lined with the official color of the college or university that conferred the degree. The velvet edging color represents the appropriate degree as follows:
bachelor of arts—white; bachelor of fine

arts—light brown;
bachelor of music—
pink; bachelor of
science—golden
yellow. Mortarboards
(caps) are usually
black. The gown and
hood of the University
president were made
especially for William
Paterson University
ceremonies in the
official colors of
orange and black.

PRESIDENT'S MEDAL

The President's Medal worn by President Richard Helldobler features a medallion of the University seal. One side of the chain lists the previous names of the University, the other lists the University's colleges. The President's Medallion was first presented in 1978 by President Seymour Hyman and was redesigned in 1997 when William Paterson was awarded university status. The medallion is awarded periodically to individuals who have made outstanding contributions of service to the University community, to academe, or to society as a whole. It has been presented to those who have given time, talent, or funds to the University; who have enhanced cultural, scientific, or artistic awareness in New Jersey; who provide a positive role model in personal achievement and/or outstanding service to others; and who have strengthened higher education locally or nationally.



LETTER FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Dear Class of 2025,

Congratulations! After all your hard work and dedication, you have earned your degree from William Paterson University. On behalf of the entire William Paterson alumni community, I applaud you for achieving this important milestone.

As a graduate of William Paterson University, you join a network of nearly 89,000 proud Pioneers throughout New Jersey, the nation, and the world who are using their William Paterson degrees and experiences as a springboard to professional accomplishments and personal growth. They are leaders in every profession, and their achievements reflect the University's mission and commitment to preparing graduates for success in their careers, communities, and lives.

Alumni play an important role in the past, present, and future of William Paterson. As a graduate, you are now a member of the William Paterson University Alumni Association, our official alumni organization. We encourage you to take advantage of the many exciting opportunities available to you, both virtually and in person, such as networking events, social gatherings, lifelong learning opportunities, professional development programs, exclusive benefits, and volunteer opportunities.

We offer a wide variety of activities and services tailored especially for new and recent alumni, and as a member you will also receive frequent communications. We also invite you to become an active participant in the many events we host each year. I encourage you to scan the QR code to find out how to stay connected to William Paterson, learn about upcoming alumni events, and follow the alumni channels on social media.

Again, congratulations! Our very best wishes as you begin your journey as William Paterson alumni.

Sincerely,



Domenico DiMaio '97, MBA '21
President
William Paterson University Alumni Association



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OUR MISSION

William Paterson University as a proud diverse community, designated as a public Hispanic- and Minority-Serving Institution, creates transformative academic and extracurricular experiences leading to meaningful careers, and promotes economic and social mobility. We empower our students through intentional and holistic support systems within flexible, innovative, and inclusive environments. Our graduates will power the New Jersey economy and beyond, thriving professionally and personally through a commitment to community engagement and social justice.

*Approved by the William Paterson University
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CORE VALUES

At the core of everything the University does, the following five values define its ethos and fundamental beliefs:

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

As individuals and as an institution, we seek to model and to impart to our students the highest standards of knowledge, inquiry, preparation, academic freedom and integrity, as well as an expanded sense of what an individual can accomplish.

CREATING KNOWLEDGE

We strive to expand the boundaries of knowledge and creative expression in and outside of our classrooms. We help students think imaginatively and critically and encourage innovative solutions to social issues, the challenges of ecological sustainability and economic growth, and ethical dilemmas confronting our communities, regions, nation, and world.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Students are our reason for being. We judge our effectiveness, progress and success in terms of how well we provide a platform for their personal, intellectual, and professional development, enabling them to transform their lives and become civically engaged.

DIVERSITY

We value and promote the expression of all aspects of diversity. We maintain a campus culture that welcomes diversity of personal circumstances and experiences and prepares students to become effective citizens in an increasingly diverse, interdependent, and pluralistic society.

CITIZENSHIP

We challenge our students, faculty, staff, and alumni to recognize their responsibility to improve the world around them, starting locally and expanding globally. We offer critical expertise to New Jersey and our region, while our scholarship and public engagement address pressing community needs in the region and beyond in keeping with our public mission.

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