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Students benefit from a rigorous academic experience, small classes, and professors who meet the highest standards for scholarship and teaching. Our students participate in more than 120 active clubs and organizations, including 14 fraternities and sororities, six media organizations, and an NCAA Division I athletics program fielding 24 teams.

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MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT

January 13, 2023

**Pamela Scott-Johnson, Ph.D., Provost and
Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs, Presiding**

PROCESSIONAL

Pomp and Circumstance, Sir Edward Elgar

PROVOST'S WELCOME

GREETINGS

CONFERRAL OF DOCTORAL DEGREES

School of Education

Marjorie K. Unterberg School of
Nursing and Health Studies

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES IN COURSE

Wayne D. McMurray School of
Humanities & Social Sciences

School of Education

Leon Hess Business School

Marjorie K. Unterberg School of
Nursing and Health Studies

School of Science

School of Social Work

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

ALMA MATER

RECESSIONAL

Trumpet Voluntary, Henry Purcell

All commencement participants and guests are requested to remain in their seats
until all of the ceremony participants process out.

DISTINGUISHED TEACHER AWARD 2022 RECIPIENT

Tina R. Paone, Ph.D.

Professor, Educational Counseling

Tina R. Paone, Ph.D., joined the faculty of Monmouth University as an assistant professor in the Department of Educational Counseling and Leadership in 2006. She was promoted to associate professor in 2012 and to professor in 2017. She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Tampa, and her master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Nevada, Reno. She regularly teaches Racial Bias in the Media, Introduction to Professional Counseling, and Advanced Topics in Race and Racism. Her primary research interests are race, racism, whiteness, multicultural counseling, and social justice. Paone has numerous publications in peer-reviewed academic journals and, in collaboration with her students, developed the Anti-Racism Advocacy Project and the Learn to be Anti-Racist website. She has presented consistently at the local, state, regional, national, and international levels on topics related to multicultural counseling, race, racial identity development, and racism. She is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) and a certified school counselor (K-12) in Pennsylvania, as well as a Nationally Certified Counselor (NCC), a Nationally Certified School Counselor (NCSC), a Registered Play Therapist Supervisor (RPT-S), and an Approved Clinical Supervisor (ACS).

Among her many areas of past and present service at Monmouth, Paone is most connected to her work as the coordinator for the Central Jersey Consortium for Excellence and Equity (CJCEE), a collaborative effort with numerous area school districts on the promotion of social justice and anti-racism work in the K-12 setting for both adult educators and middle and high school students. Additionally, Paone was selected to develop the anti-racism curriculum for the Social Justice Academy, and served as a lead instructor for the inaugural Social Justice Academy cohort. She is the past chair and current member of the School of Education Social Justice Advocacy Committee, and a member of the American Counseling Association (ACA), the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES), and Counselors for Social Justice (CSJ). She resides in Lansdale, Pennsylvania, with her husband David and three sons, Nicholas (Monmouth University junior), Christopher (Capitol Technology University first-year student), and Joe (8th grade).



A Message to the Graduates from Tina R. Paone

Dear Members of the Graduating Class of 2023,

Congratulations! Today is a day for celebration! Receiving a degree is an enormous accomplishment. Breathe in deep, exhale, and bask in the pride you feel for yourself today. You did it! And although you undoubtedly faced challenges throughout your journey, you put in the work that brought you here today. No matter what path you choose from here, when it comes to your career, remember to follow your dreams. If you end up doing what you love, and love what you do, you will find peace and happiness in your work. That is not to say that things will be easy, but it will make your commitment towards your work meaningful and valuable for you.

As you leave Monmouth University, I offer you this advice: Recognize who you are, where you come from, where you have been, and where you want to go. Acknowledge your privileges that have provided you opportunities on the road of life. Be grateful and thankful to those individuals in your life that have helped you along the way. In turn, pay it forward by offering to support others through their own journeys throughout your life. And when you see injustice in this world, advocate for change. Do not be afraid to speak up and change the world!

I wish you all peace, love, and happiness in the years to come! Congratulations!



UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE CANDIDATES

Honors for undergraduate candidates and highest-ranking degree recipients by department are included in the program insert and published online at monmouth.edu/commencement.

DOCTORAL DEGREES

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Meredith Hudson Brow, *EdD, Education*
Stephanie E. D'Alessio, *EdD, Education*

Angela Palumbo, *EdD, Education*
Laura Elizabeth Petillo, *EdD, Education*

Silvana Zircher, *EdD, Education*

MARJORIE K. UNTERBERG SCHOOL OF NURSING AND HEALTH STUDIES

Mae Bell Fuchs, *DNP, Nursing*

Shirley Desirae Messina, *DNP, Nursing*



WAYNE D. McMURRAY SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Devon S. Anello, *BA, Communication*
Heather Grace Askin, *BA, Music*
Andrew Michael Balczak, *BFA, Fine Arts*
Ryan D. Belle, *BA, History*
Brooke Anne Biebel, *BA, Psychology*
Sean D. Brennan, *BS, Homeland Security*
Devin Lorraine Burke, *BA, History, Education - Secondary*
Francesca Giovanna Cafasso, *BA, Art, Education - Secondary*
Trevor Province Carr, *BA, Music*
Natalie Tess Cattuna, *BA, Political Science*
Vincent C. Cirlincione, *BA, Communication*
Charles Toto Cochran, *BA, History, Education - Elementary K-6*
Joseph Edward Colonna, *BS, Homeland Security*
John Thomas Crowell, *BA, Communication*
Dianne Dellolio, *BA, Anthropology*
Nina Marie Delmonaco, *BA, Psychology*
Maridania Diaz, *BA, Psychology*
Hannah Dolores DiMiele, *BA, History*
Stefanie Donayre, *BA, Communication*

Zachary Scott Dougherty, *BA, History, Political Science*
Sean Thomas Edson, *BA, Political Science*
Shelby Paige Eiden, *BA, Criminal Justice*
Angelina Sabrina Esposito, *BA, Criminal Justice*
Juwon Barr Farri, *BA, Communication*
Reya Callie Foster, *BA, Foreign Language Spanish, Education - Secondary*
Samantha Kay Gagnon, *BA, Psychology*
Oliver Ryan Gaines, *BA, History*
Leon Harper Galloway, *BA, Communication*
Abigail Nelis Garcia, *BA, Criminal Justice*
Ben Joseph, *BA, Communication*
Angelica Rose Juliani, *BA, History*
Justin James Kramarz, *BA, Criminal Justice*
Jessica Lynn Krippa, *BA, History, Education - Elementary K-6*
Madison K. Kutschman, *BA, History, Education - Elementary K-6*
Joseph Anthony LaBarbera, *BA, Psychology*
Christopher M. Landry, *BA, History, Education - Secondary*

Evangeline Nichole Lappas, *BA, Criminal Justice*
Tiaunna Lynne Macon, *BA, Communication*
Rosaria Maria Magliulo, *BA, English, Education - Elementary K-6*
Jayme Theresa Martini, *BA, Communication*
Gabriella Mavrookas, *BA, English*
Thomas James McDonald, *BA, Communication*
Catherine A. Melman-Kenny, *BA, Anthropology, Political Science*
Brandon G. Merola, *BA, Political Science*
Holly Elizabeth Morgan, *BA, Criminal Justice, Psychology*
Megan Nicole Nielsen, *BA, English, Education - Elementary K-6*
Artemis Lynn Pagan, *BA, English*
Brianna D. Paliotta, *BA, English, Education - Elementary K-6*
Daniel R. Palmadessa, *BA, Sociology*
Kayla Marie Panaro, *BA, Art*
Julia Anna Pantaleo, *BA, Criminal Justice*

BA: Bachelor of Arts
BFA: Bachelor of Fine Art

BS: Bachelor of Science
DNP: Doctor of Nursing Practice

EdD: Doctor of Education

Mindy R. Penelli, *BA, Art*
Jonathan Anthony Peralta Jr., *BA, English,
Education - Secondary*
Colette Wynne Quattrocchi, *BA,
Criminal Justice*
Jackson Rogers, *BA, Communication*
Mason Edward Rudolph, *BA,
Criminal Justice*
Kathleen Rose Ruocco, *BA, English*
Luciana Silva, *BA, Communication*

Christina Marie Solla, *BA, Communication*
Bianca Julia Soricello, *BA, Psychology*
Tatiana Sykowski, *BA, History,
Education - Elementary K-6*
Francesca Marie Torraca, *BA, Sociology*
Samantha Grace Torres, *BA,
Communication*
Amanda Jo Tote, *BA, Psychology*
Mikayla J. Tranberg, *BA, English,
Education - Elementary K-6*

Angelica M. Urbino, *BA, Criminal Justice*
Douglas Schuyler Veit, *BA, History*
Dana L. Weisman, *BA, English,
Special Education*
Ryan James Woods, *BS, Homeland Security*
Emily Kathryn Wright, *BA, Communication*
Zachary Nicholas Zamora, *BA, English*
Natalia Zepeda, *BA, Foreign Language
Spanish, Education - Secondary*

MASTER'S DEGREES

Julie Attalla, *MS, Clinical Mental
Health Counseling*
Alan R. Benfante, *MA, Communication*
Lauren Nicole Bennett, *MS, Clinical
Mental Health Counseling*
Corinne Elizabeth Cavallo, *MFA,
Creative Writing*
Joshua Aaron Chanley, *MA, History*
Kristopher A. Chrysanthopoulos, *MA,
Criminal Justice*
Tristan Commander, *MS, Clinical Mental
Health Counseling*
Alessandra Michelle Conte, *MA,
Anthropology*
Brenda G. Cunha, *MS, Clinical Mental
Health Counseling*

Travis John Dowdell, *MA, Criminal Justice*
Sydney Emershaw, *MA, Criminal Justice*
Daniel David Gerdon, *MA, History*
Nicole Alexa Gillette, *MA, Criminal Justice*
Da'Quan Eugene Grimes, *MA,
Communication*
John Timothy Heilmann, *MA, History*
Asyon D. Ingram, *MA, Criminal Justice*
Taylor MacKenzie Keehn, *MS, Clinical
Mental Health Counseling*
Michele Lippman, *MA, History*
Allison Marie Long, *MFA, Creative
Writing*
Hanna McKie, *MA, Communication*
Ronnie Meador, *MA, Anthropology*
Christine Elizabeth Natoli, *MA,
Addiction Studies*

Giovanni Antonio Palumbo, *MA, History*
Carley Ann Parrott, *MA, Criminal Justice*
Michel Rodriguez, *MS, Clinical Mental
Health Counseling*
Kilber Daniel Ruiz, *MA, Criminal Justice*
Gregory C. Schmalzel, *MA, Anthropology*
Fabiola Alejandra Sepulveda, *MA,
Anthropology*
Jennifer Steinke, *MA, Communication*
Jessica Sophia Stos, *MS, Clinical Mental
Health Counseling*
Joshua M. Swayze, *MA, Anthropology*
Alexandra Genevieve VanWagner, *MS,
Clinical Mental Health Counseling*
Bria Noel White, *MA, Criminal Justice*



LEON HESS BUSINESS SCHOOL

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Nathan A. Ades, *BS,
Business Administration*
Jillian Frances Ahearn, *BS,
Business Administration*
Eva Kataline Babson, *BS,
Business Administration*
Jordan M. Bloom, *BS,
Business Administration*
David A. Broad, *BS,
Business Administration*
Thomas Brooks, *BS,
Business Administration*

Bridget J. Byrnes, *BS,
Business Administration*
Jaclyn Ann Calabrese, *BS,
Business Administration*
William J. Campbell, *BS,
Business Administration*
Lauren Alexis Canelo, *BS,
Business Administration*
Jessica Nicole Carbone, *BS,
Business Administration*
Natalie Marie Castillo, *BS,
Business Administration*

Brian G. Chamberlain, *BS,
Business Administration*
Mercedes M. Concepcion Moronta, *BS,
Business Administration*
Jonathan Patrick Connor, *BS,
Business Administration*
Justin Thomas Cormey, *BS,
Business Administration*
Christopher Jacob Crevani, *BS,
Business Administration*
Daniel Walker Dickson, *BS,
Business Administration*

Jacqueline Marie DiGregorio, *BS*,
Business Administration
Sean Terrence Fleming, *BS*,
Business Administration
Zachary Tyler Francese, *BS*,
Business Administration
Jennifer Franco Ortega, *BS*,
Business Administration
Samuel T. Gayetsky, *BS*,
Business Administration
Alexandra Paige Goldstein, *BS*,
Business Administration
Christopher T. Grant Jr., *BS*,
Business Administration
Austin R. Habib, *BS*,
Business Administration
Daniel John Harris, *BS*,
Business Administration
Robert Thomas Hart, *BS*,
Business Administration
Justin Headden, *BS*,
Business Administration
Garrett M. Henn, *BS*,
Business Administration
Gianni Paul Henrique, *BS*,
Business Administration
Robert Thomas Hensey, *BS*,
Business Administration
Joseph C. Iacobello, *BS*,
Business Administration

Sigal F. Khodara, *BS*,
Business Administration
Lindsay Erin Koller, *BS*,
Business Administration
Gregory E. Labarre, *BS*,
Business Administration
Sean Patrick Lambert Jr., *BS*,
Business Administration
Rachel Elizabeth Lavitz, *BS*,
Business Administration
Emilee Estelle Madsen, *BS*,
Business Administration
Matthew McGotty, *BS*,
Business Administration
Dylan Montana McTonic, *BS*,
Business Administration
Brian Joseph Meola, *BS*,
Business Administration
Liana Faith Monticello, *BS*,
Business Administration
Frank P. Motta Jr., *BS*,
Business Administration
Morgan Ryan Myles, *BS*,
Business Administration
Malik Taylon Nelson, *BS*,
Business Administration
Kevin M. Paleski, *BS*,
Business Administration
Zamon J. Robinson, *BS*,
Business Administration

Adriana Rojas-Guzman, *BS*,
Business Administration
Samuel David Santos, *BS*,
Business Administration
John Michael Seyda, *BS*,
Business Administration
Christopher Joseph Simon, *BS*,
Business Administration
Crystal M. Solano, *BS*,
Business Administration
Dominick Christopher Spano, *BS*,
Business Administration
Ryan Michael Stankan, *BS*,
Business Administration
Hannah Nicole Stone, *BS*,
Business Administration
Nicole Elizabeth Surgent, *BS*,
Business Administration
Dylan Michael Tocco, *BS*,
Business Administration
Nicole Troyer, *BS*,
Business Administration
Jordan Lynn Vitale, *BS*,
Business Administration
Briana L. Weiss, *BS*,
Business Administration
Nicholas Peter Yalch, *BS*,
Business Administration

MASTER'S DEGREES

Grace Marie Allison, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Emily A. Alvarez, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Patrick John Anderson, *MBA*,
Business Administration
William Joseph Barillari, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Jacqueline Elizabeth Barton, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Tyler Grant Basile, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Jessica Lauren Clyne, *MBA*,
Business Administration

John J. DiLiegro, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Christian P. Durham, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Satish Gopalaswamy, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Tyler Matthew Gordon, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Ryan Thomas Hann, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Annalaan Berkeley LeMay, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Noah Parker Lode, *MBA*,
Business Administration

Mikaela Reilly McDonough, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Usama Qaisar, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Thomas J. Riccardi, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Glenn Francis Rogers, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Gina Urbanik, *MBA*,
Business Administration
Brooke J. Vaccaro, *MBA*,
Business Administration



SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Mariel Victoria Buscar, *BS, Biology*
Jaime Castrillon III, *BS, Biology*
Lilia Ann Crew, *BS, Biology*
Veronica Pia DiMeo, *BS, Biology*
Alexis Marie Ferreira, *BS, Chemistry*
Francis J. Gleeson III, *BA, Computer Science*

Daniel John Hewitt, *BA, Computer Science*
Nicholas Charles Ilvento, *BS, Mathematics*
Cali A. Johnson, *BS, Biology*
Matthew Aubyn Jones, *BS, Computer Science*
Kassandra Rose Ketcho, *BS, Mathematics, Education - Elementary K-6*

Shawn Richard Lewis, *BS, Computer Science*
Arlene Lopez, *BS, Biology*
Sherine Morsi, *BS, Biology*
Marysa Leigh Slovenz, *BS, Chemistry*
Guram Tchelidze, *BS, Computer Science*

MASTER'S DEGREES

Alfredo Victor Cintron, *MS, Software Engineering*
Jennifer L. DeVries, *MS, Software Engineering*

Jinlei Gu, *MS, Computer Science*
Yuansi Hu, *MS, Computer Science*
Arnold Louis Juliano, *MS, Information Systems*

Walter Richard Sampson, *MS, Software Engineering*
Wei Shen, *MS, Computer Science*



SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Devin Lorraine Burke, *BA, History, Education - Secondary*
Francesca Giovanna Cafasso, *BA, Art, Education - Secondary*
Charles Toto Cochran, *BA, History, Education - Elementary K-6*
Jennifer Marie Delquaglio, *BS, Health and Physical Education, Education - Secondary*
Reya Callie Foster, *BA, Foreign Language Spanish, Education - Secondary*
Kassandra Rose Ketcho, *BS, Mathematics, Education - Elementary K-6*

Jessica Lynn Krippa, *BA, History, Education - Elementary K-6*
Madison K. Kutschman, *BA, History, Education - Elementary K-6*
Christopher M. Landry, *BA, History, Education - Secondary*
Rosaria Maria Magliulo, *BA, English, Education - Elementary K-6*
Megan Nicole Nielsen, *BA, English, Education - Elementary K-6*
Brianna D. Paliotta, *BA, English, Education - Elementary K-6*

Jonathan Anthony Peralta Jr., *BA, English, Education - Secondary*
Hope Ann Steuerwald, *BS, Health and Physical Education, Education - Secondary*
Tatiana Sykowski, *BA, History, Education - Elementary K-6*
Mikayla J. Tranberg, *BA, English, Education - Elementary K-6*
Dana L. Weisman, *BA, English, Special Education*
Natalia Zepeda, *BA, Foreign Language Spanish, Education - Secondary*

MASTER'S DEGREES

Kaitlyn Baccarini, *MSEd, Special Education*
Brenna Claire Bonner, *MAT, Education - Elementary K-6*
Jeremy Barrett Brown, *MEd, Education*
Nicole Alicia Carroll, *MSEd, Education - Principal*
Adrian Castro, *MSEd, Education - Principal*
McKenna M. Caswell, *MSEd, Educational Counseling*
Gianna Marie Catena, *MSEd, Education - Special Education*

Kelley L. Cheverino, *MSEd, Educational Counseling*
Julia Kelly Chrzanowski, *MSEd, Education - Special Education*
AnnaMarie Rose Ciavattoni, *MSEd, Education - Principal*
Sarah Elaine Dill, *MSEd, Education - Special Education*
Kayla Ecke, *MEd, Education*
Macayla Marie Ferry, *MAT, Education - Elementary K-6*
Cynthia Fuentes, *MSEd, Educational Counseling*

Marissa T. Gammer, *MAT, Education - Elementary K-6*
Andrea Nieto Hernandez, *MEd, Education*
Mary Rose Kennedy, *MAT, Education - Elementary K-6*
Morgan Kotropoulos, *MSEd, Educational Counseling*
Andrew A. Marronaro, *MAT, Education - Elementary K-6*
Jazmyne Miller, *MEd, Education*
Jennifer M. Morzano, *MSEd, Educational Counseling*

BA: Bachelor of Arts
BS: Bachelor of Science

MAT: Master of Arts in Teaching
MEd: Master of Education

MS: Master of Science
MSEd: Master of Science in Education

Kristen N. O'Connor, *MSEd, Educational Counseling*
Meghan Rose O'Hara, *MEd, Education*
Margaux M. Potter, *MSEd, Education - Special Education*
Kimberly Marie Raively, *MEd, Education*

Jacqueline Rice, *MAT, Education - Elementary K-6*
Theresa Ann Sansone, *MSEd, Educational Counseling*
Kristina Rose Segreti, *MSEd, Education - Principal*

Inez Simmons, *MEd, Education*
Melanie Marie Sytnik, *MEd, Education*
Molly F. Warner, *MAT, Education - Elementary K-6*



MARJORIE K. UNTERBERG SCHOOL OF NURSING AND HEALTH STUDIES

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Kaitlyn N. Alavarces, *BS, Health Promotion*
Jason K. Antwi, *BS, Health and Physical Education*
Samantha Michelle Batiato, *BS, Health Studies*
Nicklaus James Braendel-Dicicco, *BS, Health Promotion*
Sophia Grace Cona, *BS, Health Studies*
Jennifer Marie Delquaglio, *BS, Health and Physical Education, Education - Secondary*
Miranda Rose Franco, *BS, Health Studies*
Alexis Lorelei Hamm, *BS, Health Studies*

Cassandra Eden Laricy, *BS, Health Promotion*
Korey Jonathan McLeod, *BS, Health and Physical Education*
Brianna L. McNair, *BS, Health Studies*
Nimra Nadeem, *BS, Health Studies*
Marina Syed Naqvi, *BS, Health Studies*
Samantha N. Nasta, *BS, Health Studies*
Tahreem Nisa, *BS, Health Studies*
Sean Nicholas Nolan, *BS, Health Promotion*
Lauren Ann Piscioti, *BS, Health Promotion*

Alexa Rae Renna, *BS, Health Studies*
Melanie D. Sandoval, *BS, Health Studies*
Hope Ann Steuerwald, *BS, Health and Physical Education, Education - Secondary*
Francesca Dominique Storino, *BS, Health Studies*
Gabrielle Carol Storino, *BS, Health Studies*
Patrick John Trezza, *BS, Health Promotion*
Kenneth David Vines Jr., *BS, Health Promotion*
Serena L. Visco, *BS, Health Studies*
Rylee McKenna Weiss, *BS, Health Studies*

MASTER'S DEGREES

Jeanette P. Croken, *MSN, Nursing*

Karishma Jaggernaut, *MS, Physician Assistant*

Megan Amelia Johnson, *MSN, Nursing*



SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

MASTER'S DEGREES

Daisha Lasha Abrams, *MSW, Social Work*
April Lee Bute, *MSW, Social Work*
Kerline Fils-Aime, *MSW, Social Work*

Shonnell Salters Flournoy, *MSW, Social Work*
Iretha Nalls, *MSW, Social Work*

Lenore Gibson Pettiford, *MSW, Social Work*
Monika Skora, *MSW, Social Work*
Richard Henry Speiser, *MSW, Social Work*



HONORS SCHOOL

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Lilia Ann Crew, *BS, Biology*

Nicholas Peter Yalch, *BS, Business Administration*

BS: Bachelor of Science
MAT: Master of Arts in Teaching
MEd: Master of Education

MS: Master of Science
MSEd: Master of Science in Education

MSN: Master of Science in Nursing
MSW: Master of Science in Social Work

Monmouth University Alma Mater

Music by: Beethoven

Lyrics by:

Louis P. Nappen '90, '92

Moderato



1. Sym - bol of our skills and vir - tues her - ald of our
2. Gro - wing with each ge - ne - ra - tion, for - ming ties that



di - gni - ty; with these prai - ses we sa - lute you
will re - main. For - ging true our lives foun - da - tions



Mon - mouth U - ni - ver - si - ty Soar - ing from the
with each goal that we at - tain.



Jer - sey shore u - pon the wind, our wings un - furl'd.



High a - bove the o - cean's roar, the Blue Hawks rise to meet the world.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The history of academic dress reaches far back into the earliest days of the oldest universities. A statute of 1321 required that all “Doctors, Licentiates, and Bachelors” of the University of Coimbra wear gowns. In England, in the second half of the 14th century, the statutes of certain colleges prescribed the wearing of a long gown. In the 16th and 17th centuries in Europe, the wearing of a robe often signified a degree candidate’s political or religious affiliation; in the northern universities and those of the British Isles, the robes signified that tuition and boarding fees of the wearer had been paid and also entitled them to special immunities in civil law, as well as providing them warmth at lectures and chapel.

When American colleges and universities desired to adopt some suitable system of academic apparel, a conference held at Columbia University in 1895, made up of representatives from various institutions, drew up a “By-Law, Regulation, or Statute” for the establishment of a suitable code of academic dress for colleges and universities in the United States. This code, with modifications made in 1959 by the Committee on Academic Costumes and Ceremonies of the American Council on Education, is still in force; the costumes and colors, trimmings, and patterns you will see are traditional, and interpret both the degree and field of learning. The bachelor’s gown, designed to be worn closed, has pointed sleeves; the master’s gown, which may be worn open or closed, has an oblong sleeve open at the wrist that hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut, and the front part has the arc cut away. The doctoral gown has bell-shaped sleeves. It may be worn open or closed.

Black is the recommended color for all academic gowns. Bachelor’s and master’s gowns are untrimmed. Doctoral gowns are faced with black velvet, with three bars across the sleeves; the color of the velvet may also be that which is distinctive to the degree, agreeing with that of the edging of the hood. In the 1960s, many American land-grant universities adopted the British and the Scottish tradition of using the official school color(s) for the robes of their doctoral recipients—for instance, Yale: sky blue; Harvard: crimson; University of Pennsylvania: scarlet and blue; Columbia: slate gray; Rutgers: scarlet and black.

The colors you will see in the hoods of our faculty represent the various fields in which the degrees were taken:

Apricot: <i>Nursing</i>	Orange: <i>Engineering</i>
Brown: <i>Fine Arts</i>	Pink: <i>Music</i>
Citron: <i>Social Work</i>	Purple: <i>Law</i>
Crimson: <i>Journalism</i>	Sage Green: <i>Physical Education</i>
Dark Blue: <i>Philosophy</i>	Salmon Pink: <i>Public Health</i>
Golden Yellow: <i>Science</i>	Scarlet: <i>Theology</i>
Green: <i>Medicine</i>	Yellow-Brown: <i>Commerce, Business, Accountancy</i>
Lemon-Yellow: <i>Library Science</i>	White: <i>Arts, Letters, Humanities</i>
Light Blue: <i>Education</i>	

The hoods, differing in length for the three degrees—bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral—are lined with the official colors of the university or college conferring the degree, usually with one color forming a chevron pattern over the other. Hoods are edged and bound with velvet or the color appropriate for the degree. You will see in our procession many hoods edged with dark blue, representing doctor of philosophy.

Mortarboards are the approved headgear. The tassel, worn on the left side of the cap, may be gold if the holder has a doctoral degree.



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