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Founded in 1933, Monmouth is a private, mid-sized, comprehensive university with a broad commitment to the liberal arts. Monmouth University offers 33 bachelor's, 24 master's, and four doctoral degree programs.

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May 14, 2025

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PROCESSIONAL.....*Pomp and Circumstance*, Sir Edward Elgar

NATIONAL ANTHEM

PROVOST'S WELCOME..... Richard Veit, Ph.D.

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Doctor of Social Work

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RECESSIONAL.....*Trumpet Voluntary*, Henry Purcell

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until all of the ceremony participants process out.

DISTINGUISHED TEACHER AWARD 2025 RECIPIENT

Joanne Jodry, Ed.D., DMH, LPC, LCADC

Associate Professor and Program Director, Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Joanne Jodry, Ed.D., DMH, LPC, LCADC, associate professor and director of the Clinical Mental Health Counseling graduate program, has been a faculty member at Monmouth University for 22 years. Professor Jodry received her master's degree in psychological counseling and post-master's certificate from Monmouth in 1998 and has been a Hawk ever since. She continued her education, receiving doctoral degrees in medical humanities and counselor education and supervision.

This is a second career for Professor Jodry. She earned her bachelor's degree in business management and began her first career in senior retail management. Seeking something more personally fulfilling, she turned to professional counseling and discovered her passion for teaching. Professor Jodry teaches from a feminist pedagogy and co-creates the classroom experience so that each student can grow at their own pace. She says it has been a joy watching students grow and find their voices over the last 22 years.

Her recently published theoretical book, "Feminist Intersectional Therapy," displays her passion for helping people understand social, cultural, and political internalized messages, and empowers them to decide if and how they may want to navigate the often-oppressive macro systems. Another research area of interest includes integrating other humanities disciplines into mental health counseling, such as philosophy, storytelling, and spirituality—specifically Buddhist psychology and drama therapy.

In addition to her academic work, Professor Jodry maintains a private clinical practice grounded in feminist intersectional theory. She specializes in adults struggling with finding meaning in their lives.



Message to the Graduating Class of 2025 from Joanne Jodry

Dear Graduating Class of 2025,

Congratulations on your monumental accomplishment! As you reflect on your hopes and dreams from your first steps at Monmouth University, I hope your experience has exceeded your expectations of growth and change in these crucial years of your life. Your personal development and professional growth at Monmouth should now be a launch pad for your future.

This may be the last time many of you will hold a student identity. What will your new identities entail? What do you want your life and career to mean? When will you be satisfied and happy? The next steps toward new roles and identities in your life should be chosen with intention. As you fly from the Hawks' nest, consider this: Are you going to judge yourself based on salary and material gains, or will you judge yourself on the ability to think, love, and serve despite the pressures of competition in society? Will you stop educating yourself in new thoughts and ways of being, or will you continue to grow in consciousness toward love and compassion in service to others? Are you going to judge yourself on how much you gain or how much you give? Will your happiness depend on your comfort and fulfilled desires, or your contribution to improving your community?

When will you be happy and content? Why not choose to be joyful from this day forward? You can choose gratitude and happiness every day of your life. That is my sincere wish for you, Class of 2025. Today is indeed a joyous day, as will be tomorrow if you choose it.

Congratulations!



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

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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 - gri - 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, Licentiate, 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.



Dear Members of the Class of 2025:

On behalf of the Monmouth University Alumni Association, welcome to the alumni family—a vibrant network that boasts over 59,000 Hawks in 50 states.

Today marks a new and exciting chapter in your connection to Monmouth University—one that will continue to grow with your professional and personal development. We want you to remain engaged with your alma mater, and share in your accomplishments, no matter where your achievements take you.

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Congratulations once again and we look forward to welcoming you to the alumni association.

Bayaan Oluyadi Sr.

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President, Alumni Association Board of Directors

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