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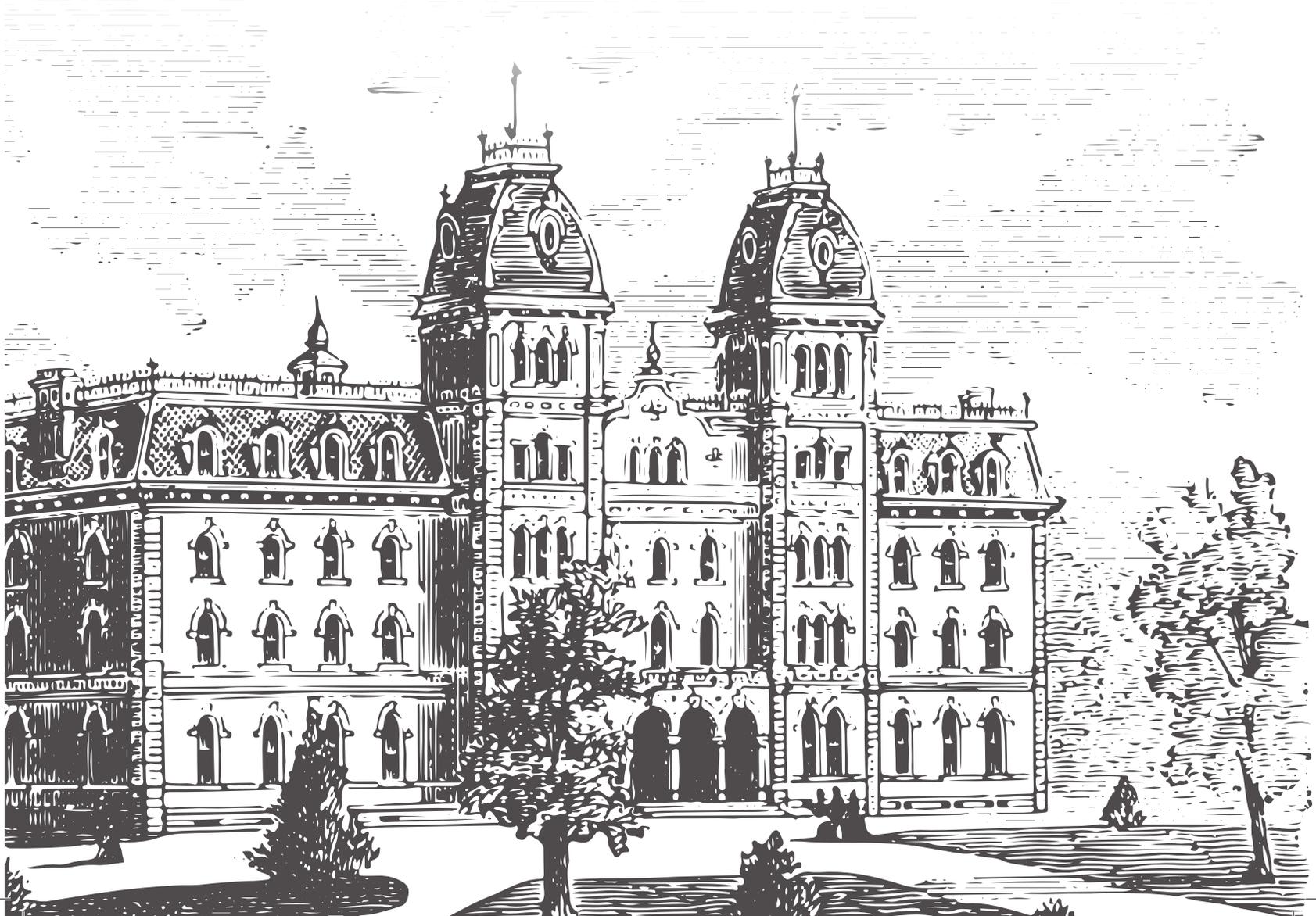
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# 221ST COMMENCEMENT

AUGUST 1, 2020







221ST  
COMMENCEMENT

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# ORDER OF COMMENCEMENT

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PRELUDE & PROCESSIONAL

Heather Orstein, Bagpiper

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY OPENING

Linda Troost, Ph.D.  
*Head Marshal, Faculty Secretary, Professor of English*

**Please rise and remain standing through *America, The Beautiful*.**

INVOCATION

Rev. Dr. L. Stephen Smith, Jr.  
*Senior Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Washington, PA*

*America, The Beautiful*

The audience will be led in singing by:

Katharine Lee Bates and Samuel A. Ward  
Frederick Clark '20, accompanied by  
Professor of Music Susan A. Medley, DMA

Lyrics:

*O beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain.*

*America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea.*

GREETING TO THE CLASS OF 2020

John C. Knapp, Ph.D.  
*President and Professor, Washington & Jefferson College*

SENIOR ADDRESS

Michael Andrew Conroy '20

PRESENTATION OF SENIOR AWARDS TO FACULTY AND STAFF

Eva Chatterjee-Sutton  
*Vice President of Student Life,  
Dean of Students*

Timothy Klitz, Ph.D.  
*Associate Professor of Psychology*

Presented by Julia Bernesser '20

Justin Swank  
*Director of Residence Life*

Presented by Jude Samer Taha '20

ADDRESS TO THE GRADUATING CLASS  
*Keynote Speaker*

Mark L. Tykocinski, M.D.  
*Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs,  
Thomas Jefferson University  
The Anthony F. & Gertrude M. DePalma Dean  
Sidney Kimmel Medical College*

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE

Mark L. Tykocinski, M.D., Doctor of Science

Presented by Keith Ghezzi, M.D. '77

CONFERRING OF DEGREES IN COURSE

Jeffrey A. Frick, Ph.D.  
*Vice President for Academic Affairs,  
Dean of the College*

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## ORDER OF COMMENCEMENT

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CONCLUDING REMARKS

John C. Knapp, Ph.D.

**Please rise and remain standing through the Benediction.**

THE ALMA MATER

H.S. Thompson

The audience will be led in singing by:

Frederick Clark '20, accompanied by  
Professor of Music Susan A. Medley, DMA

Lyrics:

*Where the hills of Pennsylvania  
Greet the western lea  
Stands our dear old Alma Mater,  
Throned in majesty*

*(Chorus) Ring her praises, never ceasing,  
We shall ever say,  
"Thee we honor, Alma Mater,  
Honor W&J."*

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. L. Stephen Smith, Jr.

CHAMPAGNE TOAST TO THE CLASS OF 2020

John C. Knapp, Ph.D.

POSTLUDE

Washington Ceremonial Brass

*Hymn to Washington & Jefferson  
Early American Folk Songs*

Kyle Simpson  
Arr. Edward Solomon

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### WASHINGTON CEREMONIAL BRASS

Tim Brutscher, trumpet  
Kyle Simpson, trumpet

Carrie McCormack, horn

Bradley Schmidt, trombone  
Pierce Cook, tuba

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The 221st Commencement ceremony was broadcast live due to gathering limitations in the wake of the international coronavirus pandemic.

# MARK L. TYKOCINSKI, M.D.

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## Doctor of Science



Mark L. Tykocinski, M.D., joined Thomas Jefferson University in December 2008, and over the ensuing decade, has served there in several leadership capacities. As the Anthony F. and Gertrude M. DePalma Dean of its Sidney Kimmel Medical College, Tykocinski oversees the nation's 5th oldest medical college with a storied, almost two-century legacy and the largest medical alumni base in the nation. In his first five years at Jefferson, Tykocinski also served as President of Jefferson University Physicians, and in 2013, stepped down from this role to become the first ever Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs of the university. With the groundbreaking 2017 merger with Philadelphia University (formerly Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science), he now leads a combined university academic enterprise that comprises ten colleges spanning a range of professional training pathways, from health to design, fashion and architecture.

Before joining Jefferson in 2008, Tykocinski was professor and chair of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania for a decade. Under his leadership, it emerged as the #1 NIH-funded department of its kind in the country. This department also featured prominent postgraduate training programs in clinical laboratory diagnostics and transfusion medicine, as well as high-profile commercialization of biomedical discovery. Notably, lab-on-a-chip microfluidic and CAR-T cancer immunotherapy technologies were developed in the department and launched towards commercialization under his purview there.

Tykocinski's research contributions have been in the fields of molecular and cellular immunology, cell surface engineering, and biologics innovation. He has pioneered new categories of fusion protein pharmaceuticals, with applications to cancer and autoimmune diseases. Tykocinski serves as scientific advisory board chair for KAHR-Medical, the Israeli biotech company he founded in 2007 for fusion protein pharmaceuticals. Tykocinski's scientific contributions also extend to the development of novel cell therapy strategies and the engineering of a novel class of mammalian gene expression vectors now distributed worldwide. He holds a series of research patents in the fields of molecular and cellular immunology, and is a Fellow of the National Academy of Inventors.

Tykocinski is past president of the American Society for Investigative Pathology (ASIP/FASEB) and the Association of Pathology Chairs. He has been on the editorial boards of the American Journal of Pathology, Molecular Oncology and Genetics Research, and was honored with the Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Award for Outstanding Research from ASIP/FASEB. Recently, Tykocinski has received prestigious lifetime achievement awards from the Philadelphia County Medical Society (2017 Strittmatter Award) and the Philadelphia-Israel Chamber of Commerce (2019), and was recognized with a Distinguished Alumnus Award from NYU School of Medicine.

Tykocinski graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in biology from Yale University and earned his medical degree from New York University. After his residency training at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center and NYU, Tykocinski was a Medical Staff Fellow in the Laboratory of Immunogenetics at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases/NIH in Bethesda. Between 1983 and 1998, as a faculty member in the Department of Pathology at Case Western Reserve University, Tykocinski served as the Founding Director of its Gene Therapy Program and Facility, in the early days of that technology.

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# RECIPIENTS OF THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

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## SUMMA CUM LAUDE Gold Cord

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Abigail L. Adams

*Communication Arts Winter Tales Prize for Top Script,  
Jennifer Lynn Oliver Prize in Theatre, Phi Beta Kappa*

Kyle Joseph Beard

*The Maurice Cleveland Waltersdorf Prize in Economics*

Maxwell Box

*The James Gillespie Blaine Prize in Political Science,  
The Richard R. Martin Prize in Psychology, The Trelka  
Prize for Original Research in the Life Sciences, Phi  
Beta Kappa*

Mia Natasha Brownfield

*Barbara Betler Greb and Edward Martin Greb Student  
International Travel Award, The Clyde Shepherd  
Atchison Prize, The Dr. Mariano Garcia '39 Award in  
Mathematics*

Ryan Shea Cerbus

*The William G. and Belle M. Marshall Prize in  
Economics, The Pennsylvania Institute of Certified  
Public Accountants Award*

Andrew James Cipriano

*The Adlai E. Michaels Prize, Merck Scholar, Nicholas  
C. and Josephine C. Tucci Memorial Prize in Chemistry,  
Samuel Jones Prize in Chemistry and Physics, The Jesse  
W. Lazear Prize in Chemistry, Phi Beta Kappa*

Michael Andrew Conroy

*The Rule, Hughes, Murphy Award, The Maurice  
Cleveland Waltersdorf Award for Leadership*

Emily Anne DeLuliis

Andrew C. Donatelli

*Magellan Project: Geary Award, Matthew Brown  
Fellowship, Magellan Project: Walker Award, Phi Beta  
Kappa, Fulbright Award*

Molly J. Doran

*Scholar in Psychology, Scholar in International Studies,  
Phi Beta Kappa*

Domenic Eannace

*The Dr. Frederick H. Wilson Memorial Academic Prize  
in Economics*

Lucy C. Elkin

*Magellan Project: Geary Award, Mazingira Award, The  
Trelka Prize for Original Research in the Life Sciences,  
Phi Beta Kappa*

Kristin Erika Ewing

Jacob M. Fabian

*Walter Hudson Baker Prize in Economics, The James  
Clyde McGregor Prize in Political Science, Matthew  
Brown Ringland Prize in Social Sciences, Phi Beta  
Kappa*

Nicole Fitch

*The William G. and Belle M. Marshall Prize in  
Economics, Matthew Brown Fellowship*

Benjamin Lawrence Freedman

*Merck Scholar, Scholar in Biochemistry, Phi Beta Kappa*

Maximillian Ocheaje George

*Phi Beta Kappa*

Jessica Nicole Gibson

*The Dr. Mariano Garcia '39 Award in Mathematics,  
The Clyde Shepherd Atchison Prize, Phi Beta Kappa*

Sarah Mohsen Isaac

*Phi Beta Kappa*

Gillian Noel Kasper

*The Edwin Scott Linton Prize in Biology, Phi Beta Kappa*

Aaron David Kendrick

*The William G. and Belle M. Marshall Prize in  
Economics, Betty and Bill Saalbach Adam Smith Silver  
Pin Award*

Abigail L. Locke

*Merck Scholar, J. Robert Maxwell '43 Student Internship*

Dia Rose Lusk

*Barbara Betler Greb and Edward Martin Greb Student  
International Travel Award, J. Robert Maxwell '43  
Student Internship, Magellan Project: Kelso Award,  
Scholar in Communication Arts, Phi Beta Kappa*

Mark Angelo Mandak

*The Jesse W. Lazear Prize in Chemistry, The Daniel  
Latchney Prize in Chemistry and Biochemistry, Phi  
Beta Kappa*

Conor Manning

Salutatorian, *The Michael P. Rettger Memorial Academic Award*, *The Maurice Cleveland Waltersdorf Prize in Economics*, *The Maurice Cleveland Waltersdorf Award for Leadership*, *Steve Zanolli '43 Football Student Athlete Award*

Maura Lee McLay

*Phi Beta Kappa*

Victoria Barbara Metz

*Magellan Project: Walker Award*, *The William M. and Saundra Stout Endowed Prize Fund in Education*, *Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*, *Fulbright Award*

Nathaniel Edward Moore

*David and Kristin Steinberg Scholarship in Computing and Information Studies*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Marisa Jade Rosario

*The Richard S. Pett Academic Travel Award*, *Magellan Project: Geary Award*, *Matthew Brown Fellowship*, *Magellan Project: Kelso Award*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Caitlin Marie Shellhamer

*Dr. Delia Lagar and George Jaques Böhm Endowed Prize*, *Magellan Project: Geary Award*, *Merck Scholar*, *The Edwin Scott Linton Prize in Biology*, *Dr. Emory A. Rittenhouse II Prize in Biology*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Laurel H. Sipe

*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*, *The Donald W. Ebbert Award*, *The J. Adolph Schmitz Prize in Languages*, *Friedrich R. Crupe Prize in International Relations*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Jessica Sydney Skobel

*The Rule*, *Hughes*, *Murphy Award*, *Magellan Project: Geary Award*, *The David K. Scarborough Leadership Award*, *Gordon E. Swartz History Fellowship*, *Henry Willson Temple Prize in History*, *Legacy of Leadership Award*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Mikayla Renee Slota

Darian Fay Stapleton

*Scholar in Art*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Katherine L. Starr

*Matthew Brown Fellowship*, *Barbara Betler Greb and Edward Martin Greb Student International Travel Award*, *Magellan Project: Kelso Award*, *The Maurice Cleveland Waltersdorf Prize in Economics*, *The Maria Leonard Senior Book Award*, *Betty and Bill Saalbach Adam Smith Silver Pin Award*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Nathaniel Joseph Tang

*2LT*, *The David K. Scarborough Leadership Award*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Jordan Edward Thomas

*The Richard S. Pett Academic Travel Award*, *The Alfred Henry Sweet Prize in History*, *The A. Richard Oliver Prize in French*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Sydney M. Travers

*The Emily Auld Memorial Prize in English*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

Aaron Michael Viggiano

Samantha Jane Wessel

*The Walter S. Sanderlin Prize in History*

Li'an H. Williams

*The Rule*, *Hughes*, *Murphy Award*, *Magellan Project: Geary Award*

Alex S. York

*Valedictorian*, *Scholar in Communication Arts*, *Scholar in Conflict and Resolution Studies*, *The Maria Leonard Senior Book Award*, *Phi Beta Kappa*

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MAGNA CUM LAUDE  
Silver Cord

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Julia Margaret Angotti  
*Frederick J. and Frances Jeanne Frank Prize for  
Leadership in the Communication Arts*

Steven Douglas Barker

Lindsey N. Barnhart  
*Prize in Environmental Studies*

Sarah Emily Behr

Marc Anthony DeVito

Rachel M. Doty  
*Jennifer Lynn Oliver Prize in Theatre*

Dylan W. Downs  
*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*

Trevor E. Echols  
*Scholar in Psychology*

Caroline N. Fedor  
*The Rule, Hughes, Murphy Award, Merck Scholar*

Cheryl Lynn Ferguson  
*The Dr. Mariano Garcia '39 Award in Mathematics,  
Barbara Betler Greb and Edward Martin Greb Student  
International Travel Award*

Jonathan Royston Howland  
*Edward Moffat Weyer Prize in Philosophy*

Danielle Nicole Humphreys  
*The William M. and Saundra Stout Endowed Prize  
Fund in Education, The James W. Hanna Prize in  
Education*

Morgan Elizabeth Jacques  
*Mazingira Award*

Jared Anthony Kelly  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award, Magellan Project:  
Kelso Award, The J. Adolph Schmitz Prize in  
Languages, Fulbright Award*

Seth D. McCutcheon

Ryan Christopher Mele

Long Thanh Nguyen

Aaron Macy Patt

Zoe Pienkoski  
*Dudley R. Johnson Prize in Theatre Arts*

Jenelle Annette Senske

Brooke Jacqueline Shuck  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award, Magellan Project:  
Kelso Award, The Benjamin Franklin Prize*

Kate Gillam Sullivan  
*Magellan Project: Walker Award*

Keaton Mitchell Turney  
*The Paul L. Reardon Award, J. Robert Maxwell '43  
Student Internship*

Anna Michelle Williams  
*The John Livingston Lowes Prize in English*

Megan Christina Williams  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award, Friedrich R. Crupe  
Prize in International Relations*

Rhiannon Lynn Wineland  
*The William Holmes McGuffey Prize in English*

Maho Yoshino  
*Magellan Project: Walker Award, Magellan Project:  
Kelso Award*

Sarra Margaret Zimmerman

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CUM LAUDE  
Red Cord

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Jenna Elisabeth Allen  
*Merck Scholar*

Breanna Marie Arbes  
*The William M. and Saundra Stout Endowed Prize Fund  
in Education, Theodore M. Slabey Prize in Mathematics*

Claire Atherton  
*Mazingira Award*

Zachary James Baker

Megan M. Barrett  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Megan Alexandra Bollman  
*Barbara Betler Greb and Edward Martin Greb Student  
International Travel Award, The Irene Kennedy  
Williams Endowed Prize*

Elizabeth Grace Boyles

Christian Andrew Buckley  
*Edward Moffat Weyer Prize in Philosophy*

Nathaniel Eric Ciepley

Noah Spencer Cohen

Juan Felipe Couso

Alexis J. Creyer

Courtney R. Crouch

Jonathan Paul DeVito

Alec Christopher Drabish

Joshua Richard Emde

Joseph Anthony Franjione

Adam J. Hrycko  
*Dr. Delia Lagar and George Jaques Böhm Endowed  
Prize, Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*

Sarah Jesse Imbarlina

Yiping Jiang  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award, Scholar in Psychology*

Eric Andrew Kmett

Kayley Marie Long

Christopher Stephen Madia

Nico Anthony Marchitello

Kaylee Rae Marshe  
*Scholar in Psychology*

Benjamin Alan Marsico

Jamie Lynn Mastropietro

Sara Alison Maute  
*2LT*

Payton Marie McAninch

Mark Edward Mizikar

Ema Lizet Oroxom  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Joshua B. Palma  
*Merck Scholar*

Troy Landon Palmer

Zachary David Platto  
*The Nicholas C. and Josephine C. Tucci Memorial  
Scholarship Prize in Music*

Nicholas Michael Podlogar

Katelyn Prevenslik

John K. Shook

Taylor E. Smydo

Ashtyn Kylee Sparrow  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Samantha Diane Stangl  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award*

Marisa X. Sykes

Jude Samer Subhi Taha  
*The James W. Gargano Memorial Award*

Abigail Dawn Vuick

Shawn Michael Wallbillich  
*Mazingira Award, Magellan Project: Kelso Award, Prize  
in Environmental Studies*

Samara Wendel  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award*

Callie Elizabeth Yowler

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Abigail Rose Abraham  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Grace N. Abror  
*Matthew Brown Fellowship*

Jacob Michael Adams

Paige Kathleen Adams  
*The William M. and Sandra Stout Endowed Prize Fund  
in Education, The James W. Hanna Prize in Education*

Mazat Alafandi  
*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*

Alexander R. Albright

Adam Charles Alexander

Joshua Taylor Altman

Spenser Thomas Anderson  
*The James W. Hanna Prize in Education*

Benjamin Douglas Andresky

Zia Noelle Angell

Halie Shaye Ankeny  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award*

Jade Annaldo

Amanda Jean Ansell

Thomas H. Anton  
*The Charles P. Eaton Prize for Entrepreneurial Studies*

Joshua R. Armstrong

Justin A. Baierl

Alec James Ballard  
*W. Edward Sell Distinguished Service Award*

Brandon Barnes

Jamie Mae Barton

Patrick G. Bebie

Matthew Thomas Benicky

Megan Elizabeth Berard

Ryan James Berback

Hayden P. Bergad

Kevin Jack Bergen  
*J. Robert Maxwell '43 Student Internship*

Frankie Bernard

Richard Ezekiel Berner

Julia Paige Bernesser  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Patrick Shane Blackwell

Kayla Marie Boulas

Mark Stephen Bowers

Madison Anne Bowser

Evan M. Brown

Ashlee Elizabeth Bruecken

Shane Tyler Burkhart

Michael Christopher Bury

Julie Ann Bush  
*Magellan Project: Walker Award, Magellan Project:  
Kelso Award*

Emilee R. Byers  
*The Robert L. '40 and Connie Ceisler Pre-Law English  
Award, Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Jasmine Victoria Campuzano  
*Barbara Betler Greb and Edward Martin Greb  
Student International Travel Award, Magellan Project:  
Walker Award*

Nicholas Anthony Carr

Sofia N. Carrasco  
*The Richard S. Pett Academic Travel Award, Scholar in  
International Studies*

Leslie Carson

Charles Joseph Ciafre

Frederick Charles Clark  
*Scholar in Music*

Samuel Michael Clark

Patrick Lewis Corwin  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award*

Makenzie A. Coughlin  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Ashleigh S. Cowan

Morgan Marie Coyle

Robert C. Craig

Anthony Raymond D'Amico

Joseph James Dancsecs

Dung Tien Dang  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award*

Jacob Howard Darr

Richard Giovanni Delprato

Ryan Beeman DeMayo  
*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*

Marygrace Depp  
*Magellan Project: Walker Award*

Sarah Elise Edwards  
*Magellan Project: Walker Award, Magellan Project:  
Kelso Award*

Jansen Robert Eichenlaub

Abigail Rae Elias

Gabriella Faddool

Ashlynn Elizabeth Faulkner

Bartolomeo Ferrara

Courtney Nicole Finney

Marissa Lynn Fircak

Cecilia C. Fitzgerald

Mechin A. Flowers

Taylor Margaret Forsythe

Sara Nicole Franco

Cameron Sienna Frawley

Rachel A. Fromm

Gracy J. Frost  
*Samuel Jones Prize in Chemistry and Physics*

Kristen Nicole Fuertes

Julia A. Galbraith

Mahek Jagvut Gandhi

Brandon Geddes

Ian M. Geister  
*Mazingira Award*

George Emery Gilman

Lauren M. Griswold

Nicholas Joseph Guercio

Chad Michael Gurdish

Dylan Gwinn

Taylor Raeanne Hair

Caitlyn Ashley Hall

Diamond Dejoun Hamilton  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Zhuo Han

Evan Robert Hannan

Maxwell R. Hartman  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Kailee Janice Havrda

Ciara Noelle Hegadorn

Patrick Brennen Heidecker

Michael John Heinl  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Joshua M. Helbley

Weston Thomas Henley  
*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*

Brachman Joseph Herzig  
*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*

Austin Homerosky  
*The Charles P. Eaton Prize for Entrepreneurial Studies*

Carli Gioia Hopkin

Alexandra H. House  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award, Magellan Project:  
Franklin Internship Award*

River S. Icenhour  
*Matthew Brown Fellowship*

Aaron David Iwinski

Emily Lynne Jacko

Tanner P. Jackson

Alexandra Elaine Jakubow

Adam Jaworski

Karsyn M. Jimenez  
*Frederick J. and Frances Jeanne Frank Prize for  
Leadership in the Communication Arts*

Eun Ju Jong  
*The CIS Award for Interdisciplinary Computing*

Matthew Alphonzo Charle Kanan

Rohit Kartan  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award*

Katelyn Marie Kearney

Isaiah Douglas James Keller

Malik Lawrence Kelson

Nevin Khalil  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Hyun Jae Kim  
*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*

Halea Alexis Kohl

Nolan Robert Kosh

Madison McLain Krol

Hannah R. Lacey  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*

Brooke Elizabeth Lapia  
Rae Alexa LaRochelle  
Alexandra Grace Leasure  
Jozef Edmund Leech  
Nicolas Legare  
Jesse M.L. Lesko  
Samuel H. Lex  
Xiaoyang Li  
Binyou Li  
Haley Nicole Maglin  
*The Mr. Thomas V. Fritz Memorial Prize, The Robert  
Harbison Bible Prize*  
Chloe Scoyez Magyari  
Gianni Francis Mangino  
Chandler R. Marteeny  
Alessandro Francesco Martin  
Terence Minor Martin  
Andrea Martinez  
Gia Martucci  
Hamzah Victor Massaquoi  
Anosh Martin Matti  
Seaghan Houston-Miller McBride  
Collin Michael McClaine  
*The CIS Award for Interdisciplinary Computing*  
Jillian Joan McElhaney  
*Scholar in Education*  
Margaret Anne McQuaid  
Stephen Joseph Mehlbaum  
Brianna Elizabeth Meyer  
Richard Anthony Mezza  
Jacob Mikesell  
Lauren Paige Miller  
Alexis Olivia Miller  
*The Paul L. Reardon Award*  
Bailey Samuel Miller  
Kara Nichole Miller  
Alexander Robert Miller  
Wandile Sizathsihle Mncube  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*  
Daniel Mochan  
Cyril Evan Moerschbacher  
Noah R. Morales  
Tymothy Ezra Moyer  
Tasha Changu Mwanakalando  
Katrín Nalbantova  
*Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award*  
Adam Thomas Napotnik  
Brandan James Newman  
Kurt Brennen Niklaus  
Mallory Marie O'Brien  
Emmanuel A. Ofori-Mensah  
Gary James Olson  
Vincent Orrico  
Ryan F. Pallone  
Vincent A. Palm  
Monica Heewon Park  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award, Fulbright Award*  
Dana Parker  
Zachary Paul Parr  
Madison Leigh Partington  
Christian L. Payne  
*Magellan Project: Kelso Award*  
Julia Ann Plasynski  
*Magellan Project: Geary Award, Magellan Project:  
Kelso Award*  
Anthony Popeck  
Jordan Marie Porzio  
Benjamin Nicholas Priolo  
Gavin Pritchard  
Tyler Rainear  
Alexander James Richards  
Genea A. Richardson  
*Matthew Brown Fellowship*  
Matthew T. Rowe  
Zachary Joseph Russell  
Laura Catherine Ryder  
Colin Randall Sappenfield  
Lawrence Zachary Schrott  
Mason M. Secreti  
Rianna Maree Seighman  
Albert Isaiah Shackelford  
Nathaniel L. Shaffer  
*Mazingira Award*  
Dylan Leslie Shepherd

Frances Isabel Sinclair	Elar Daniel Velasco
Kelsea Michelle Siter <i>Magellan Project: Kelso Award</i>	Carolina Velazco <i>Magellan Project: Kelso Award</i>
Alyssa Joy Skrinjorich	Logan Marie Vuchinich
Troy Daniel Smith <i>Magellan Project: Walker Award</i>	Jared James Walker
Jade Kylie Smith	Sara Anna Marie Walls
Theodore Arthur Somes <i>The Robert Harbison Bible Prize, The Coblentz-Silliman Leadership Prize</i>	Dominic Louis Walter
Nicholas James Spehar	Benjamin Michael Ward
Sowmya Srinivasan	Sydney J. Wargin <i>Barbara Betler Greb and Edward Martin Greb Student International Travel Award</i>
Brittney Ann-Elizabeth Staley	Savannah L. Warner
Sean M. Stinelli	Kara E. Waters
Brieanna C. Sutherland <i>Magellan Project: Geary Award, Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award</i>	Virginia Leigh Weber <i>Magellan Project: Kelso Award</i>
Kelsey Morgan Teeter	John Thomas Weldon
Kyle Teeter <i>Mazingira Award</i>	Donald P. West
Jordon Templeton Harris <i>Magellan Project: Geary Award, The Coblentz-Silliman Leadership Prize</i>	Jordan Michael West
John Charles Teslovich <i>Magellan Project: Geary Award</i>	Taylor Nicole West
Nicholas O. Thomas	Katelyn Sophia White
Thomas Richard Thompson	Chynna L. Wilcox <i>Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award</i>
Abigail Dorothy Tolbert	Quint Wiles
Chad Michael Tonks	Michael Ny'jir Williams
Olivia E. Trauner	Michelle K. Yamamori
Hailey E. Treloar	Yinghong Yan
Erica Lynn Tronetti <i>The Trelka Prize for Original Research in the Life Sciences</i>	Cody Allen Yoder
William Dayshawn Tucker <i>Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award</i>	Sami K. Zimmo <i>Magellan Project: Franklin Internship Award</i>

*The Commencement Program is a roster of candidates, not an official list of degree recipients. Appropriate degrees and honors will be awarded only to candidates who successfully complete all requirements by established deadlines.*

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## SENIOR HONORS PROJECTS 2020

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Maxwell Box, Psychology

Title of Project: "Predicting Counterproductive Work Behavior: Exploration of an Alternative Personality Inventory"

Honors Project Director: Elizabeth Bennett, Ph.D.

Alec C. Drabish, Psychology

Title of Project: "Victim and Observer Perceptions and Misperceptions of Organizational Justice"

Honors Project Director: Elizabeth Bennett, Ph.D.

Benjamin Freedman, Biochemistry

Title of Project: "Examination of Fibroblast-Derived Components Within the Stromal Environment in Human Prostate Cancer"

Honors Project Director: Candy DeBerry, Ph.D.

Sara Alison Maute, Chemistry

Title of Project: "Solid-State Synthesis of Coordination Compounds"

Honors Project Director: Deborah A. Polvani, Ph.D.

Collin McClaine, Economics and Computing and Information Studies

Title of Project: "The Economic Impact of Publicly Announced Security Breaches"

Honors Project Directors: Leslie Dunn, Ph.D. and Amanda Holland-Minkley, Ph.D.

Rianna Maree Seighman, Psychology

Title of Project: "Stress and Trauma in the Correctional Environment: Identifying the Impact on Inmates and Staff"

Honors Project Director: Elizabeth Bennett, Ph.D.

Laurel Sipe, Economics

Title of Project: "Entrepreneurial Metropolitans & the Socioeconomic Factors that Drive Them"

Honors Project Director: Robert Dunn, Ph.D.

Jordan Thomas, History

Title of Project: "Le Métissage Past and Present: France's Construction of Racial Hierarchy and the Marginalization of the Franco-Algerian Métis Community"

Honors Project Director: Leah Goldman, Ph.D.

Erica Tronetti, Psychology

Title of Project: "Opioid Addiction Treatment: The Effectiveness of Medically Assisted Treatment Compared to Other Types of Therapy"

Honors Project Director: Michael Crabtree, Ph.D.

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## ABOUT THE HONORS PROJECT

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The Academic Status Committee, with the assistance of the Office of Academic Affairs, oversees the College's program for graduation with honors in an area of study. To achieve honors, a student must display academic excellence beyond the classroom by successfully completing a substantial research or creative project, beyond regular classwork, in any area of study offered by the College. A project worthy of honors is well researched, well crafted and makes an identifiable contribution to its field of study. In addition, the student should be able to communicate, by written and oral means, the details, rationale and value of the project to specialists and nonspecialists alike. To qualify for honors, students should have an overall grade point average of 3.20 or above. When the honors project is complete, usually by the middle of the spring term, the student's work will be judged by faculty in the area of study; the student's effectiveness of communication to a college-wide audience will be judged by faculty both inside and outside the area of study. Successful completion of these requirements will earn the student honors, to be awarded by the College in the student's area of study.

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## A NOTE ON ACADEMIC COSTUME

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The academic costume worn at American college exercises dates back to the Middle Ages. The oldest universities of northern Europe, such as Paris and Oxford, grew out of church schools in the Middle Ages, when both faculty and students were regarded as part of the clergy. Hence, they wore clerical garb, largely borrowed from the monastic dress of the time, worn not only for special occasions but also for daily dress.

The head covering of the academic costume developed out of the skullcap worn by the clergy to protect their tonsured heads in cold weather. In the universities, this skullcap acquired a point on top, which gradually evolved into a tassel. The bonnet and tassel are still worn by graduates of European universities, but at American universities, the bonnet has been replaced with a mortarboard.

The hood (the medieval *caputium*) was originally a covering worn over the head in bad weather, and otherwise dropped onto the shoulders, like the monk's cowl. At first, the hood was worn by faculty and students alike, but in the early sixteenth century it was restricted to graduates, and thus came to be the mark of a degree holder. Today, each college uses distinctive colors in the hood linings to distinguish their graduates in academic processions.

The gown worn today is the medieval *roba* and seems to have been borrowed from the habit of the Benedictine monks. In the Middle Ages, undergraduate and graduate students could be distinguished by the elaborate nature of their gowns, and this practice continues today. The doctoral gown has three furred strips (called chevrons) on each sleeve, the master's gown generally has open sleeves and the bachelor's gown is plain.

The velvet lining of most hoods is colored according to academic degree, with the Ph.D. (regardless of field of study) traditionally represented by dark blue. The wide velvet borders extending down the front of the doctoral gown and the velvet bars on the sleeves are traditionally either black or the color appropriate to the academic degree (with Ph.D. signified by dark blue). The colors for other academic degrees are as follows:

Arts, Letters and Humanities – White	Medicine – Green
Accounting – Drab	Music – Pink
Business Administration – Olive	Nursing – Apricot
Economics – Copper	Philosophy – Dark blue
Education – Light blue	Physical Education – Sage green
Fine Arts and Architecture – Brown	Public Health – Salmon pink
Law – Purple	Science – Gold yellow
Library Science – Lemon	Theology – Scarlet

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The cords worn by students reflect a variety of academic and community achievements.

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