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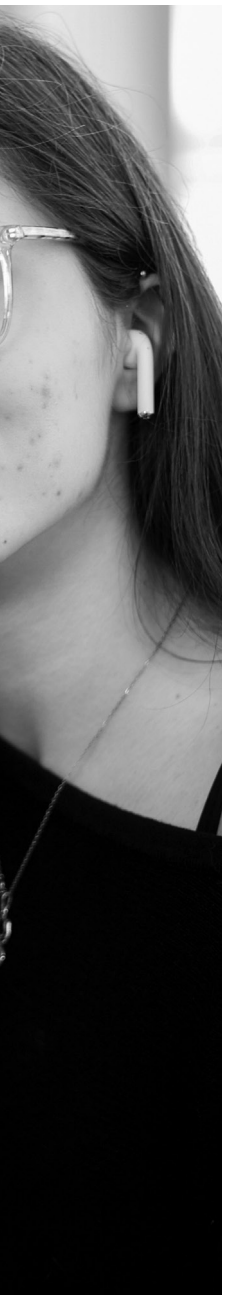


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123rd  
Commencement  
Exercise  
May 15, 2025





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Office of the President

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Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, faculty, and staff of Saint Elizabeth University, it is my honor to extend heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2025 on reaching this significant milestone in your lives. The entire University community shares in your joy and takes great pride in all you have accomplished. We are confident that you are well-prepared to boldly step into your future.

Throughout your time at Saint Elizabeth, you have navigated a college experience marked by change and uncertainty. Yet, you consistently demonstrated the resilience, determination, and spirit that define a Saint Elizabeth University student and alum. In the face of adversity, you did it! You, your family, and your friends should be incredibly proud of your accomplishments.

As you embark on this next chapter, think fondly of your alma mater. Stay connected, and carry the Saint E's banner with pride as you join the ranks of our distinguished alumni.

Once again, congratulations and best wishes for the future. Now, utilize your gifts, experience, work ethic, and SEU degree to SOAR— and make a lasting impact on the world.

Sincerely,

Gary B. Crosby, Ph.D.  
President

# ACADEMIC ATTIRE

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The formal academic attire which distinguishes faculty and graduates at the Commencement ceremony is a symbol that stretches back into history, to the University's roots as an academic institution, while at the same time forming a bond of union among contemporary academic scholars.

The tradition of recognizing academic accomplishment with ceremony, bright color, and distinctive dress is an exercise which has existed for nearly eight centuries. The academic costumes (cap, gown, and hood), which bring so much character to today's ceremonies, have origins in the Middle Ages, when they were worn primarily for warmth. The material of the gown and the lining and the shape of the hood all have come to have academic significance.

In 1895, a group of leading American educators met at Columbia University and established the Intercollegiate Code of Academic Attire. For the most part, this code still exists in its original state.

Under this code, the bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. The master's gown has an oblong sleeve, which gives the impression of a shorter sleeve. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut, and the front part has an arc cut away. The doctor's gown has bell-shaped sleeves. Like the master's gown, it may be worn open or closed. Undergraduate and graduate gowns are black, except for special colors used by some universities.

Bachelor's and master's gowns are untrimmed, while the doctor's gown is usually faced down the front with velvet and has three bars across the sleeves. The facing and the bars may be black or they may be the color representing the field of study. The doctor's hood is four feet in length and the master's is three and a half. Hoods are lined with the official colors of the college or university from which the degree has been issued.

The border of the hood—three inches wide for the master's and five inches wide for the doctor's—identifies the faculty or department of study to which the degree pertains. Cap tassels for the doctor's degree are gold, while the tassels for the master's and bachelor's degrees are black.

Whatever the degree or the university, those who don the attire symbolically take their places in the long procession of scholars who have pursued truth and passed it on to others. The consciousness of that fellowship is at once a reward for the past and an inspiration for the future.

# COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

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## Processional

## National Anthem

## Invocation

Father Joseph Farias  
*University Chaplain and Advisor  
to the President for Mission Integration*

## Welcome and Opening Remarks

Gary B. Crosby, Ph.D.  
*President*

## Greetings

Michael J. McGovern, Ed.D.  
*Chair, Board of Trustees*

## Commencement Address

Hope Dmuchowski  
*Chief Financial Officer & SEVP First Horizon*

## Conferral of Degrees

Anthony Santamaria, Ph.D.  
*Associate Vice President and Dean of Academic Operations*

## Student Address

Kortney Reavis '25

## Recognition of University Honors

## Alumnae/i Association Induction

Ellieen (Ellie) Ancrum Ingbritsen, Ed.D.  
*President-Elect, College of St. Elizabeth  
and University Alumnae/i Association*

## Concluding Remarks

Gary B. Crosby, Ph.D.  
*President*

## Alma Mater

## Benediction

The Most Reverend Kevin J. Sweeney  
*Bishop of Paterson*

## Recessional

# PAST PRESIDENTS

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**Sister Mary Pauline Kelligar**

*Served 1899–1922*

**Sister Marie José Byrne**

*Served 1922–1952*

**Sister Hildegarde Marie Mahoney**

*Served 1952–1971*

**Sister Elizabeth Ann Maloney**

*Served 1971–1981*

**Sister Jacqueline Burns**

*Served 1981–1997*

**Sister Francis Raftery**

*Served 1997–2013*

**Dr. Helen J. Streubert**

*Served 2013–2021*



# COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

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## Hope Dmuchowski

*Chief Financial Officer & SEVP First Horizon*

Hope Dmuchowski is a proud double alumna of Saint Elizabeth University with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology (2001) and a Master of Science in Business Management (2006). She serves as Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for First Horizon Corporation, where her leadership responsibilities include accounting, treasury, financial planning and analysis, corporate development, investor relations, corporate properties, sourcing, and procurement.

Hope's journey an inspiring testament to the grit, determination, and resilience that define a Saint Elizabeth education. She forged her professional path with courage and conviction—qualities that helped her rise through the ranks of the financial industry.

Committed also to empowering others, Hope has made it her mission to mentor the next generation of leaders, especially women, helping them reach their full potential. She also gives generously of her time in service to the community and serves on the boards of several nonprofit organizations, including as Treasurer of the National Salvation Army Board.

At the heart of her success is a deep and abiding faith that continues to guide her aspirations. She exemplifies the kind of servant leadership that Saint Elizabeth University cherishes—where success is measured not only by achievement, but by the impact one has on others.

Hope Dmuchowski lives the mission of Saint Elizabeth University each day—with integrity, compassion, and a commitment to building a more just and loving world. She is a shining example for all graduates to follow.

# **GRADUATION HONORS FOR UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATE STUDENTS**

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Graduation honors are based on the cumulative grade point average, 3.5 – 4.0, at the completion of all degree requirements. Students who graduate within this grade point average range are honored with the following:

**Summa Cum Laude**

3.85 – 4.0

**Magna Cum Laude**

3.7 – 3.84

**Cum Laude**

3.5 – 3.69



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# CLASS OF 2025

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## DOCTOR OF EDUCATION IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

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**Daniel A. Clarke**, East Orange, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *Using Restorative Justice to Combat Discipline Issues in an Urban School*

**David Cozart**, West Orange, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *Perceptions of Secondary Teachers of Co-Teaching to Enhance Instruction for Students with Disabilities*

**Carlos Manuel Gramata**, Scotch Plains, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *Examining Teacher Perceptions Regarding the Effectiveness of and Barriers to Service Learning in an Elementary School*

**Marilyn Pereira Pinto Quinones**, Succasunna, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *Promoting Substantial Gains of Multilingual Learners through Language Acquisition in Daily Instruction*

## DOCTOR OF PSYCHOLOGY

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**Nicole Alexis Arias**, Morristown, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *Exploring the Relationship between Acculturation Stress, Self-Esteem, and Academic Achievement in Latina College Students: A Quantitative Study of the Moderating Effects of Family Obligations and School Connectedness*

**Leslie Perez**, Paterson, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *Who is Allowed to Have Hope? The Untold Stories of First-Generation Latinx College Students*

**Mini Sharma**, Morris Plains, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *The Experience of Psychotherapy for Asian Indians: A Phenomenological Investigation*

**Elizabeth Smith**, Hawthorne, NJ  
**Dissertation:** *Characteristics of Behavioral Healthcare Providers Serving the Intellectual and Developmental Disability Community*

## MASTER OF ARTS

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### Applied Behavior Analysis

**Angie Giselle DeLaRoca**, West New York, NJ  
**Justin Alonzo Smith**, West Orange, NJ  
**Joshua Yoshikazu Watabe**, Verona, NJ

### Counseling Psychology

**Alana Marie Albanese**, Gladstone, NJ  
**Imani Leona Blakely**, Newark, NJ  
**Emily Anne Elizabeth Bober**, Union, NJ  
**Safia Bokhari**, Stewartsville, NJ  
**Jabir Lamont Brinkley**, Newark, NJ  
**Karen Chucaralao**, Garfield, NJ  
**Lauren Fernandes**, Linden, NJ  
**Christopher William Ferrante**, Hopatcong, NJ  
**Briana Higgins**, Bridgewater, NJ  
**Christopher Joseph Koskulitz**, Raritan, NJ  
**Chloe Jane Medder**, Flanders, NJ  
**Elena Elizabeth Minardi**, Butler, NJ  
**Bianca Marie Negron**, Hopatcong, NJ  
**Lindsey Ryan**, Mountain Lakes, NJ  
**Brianna Lynn Thor**, Rahway, NJ  
**Diana Umana**, Piscataway, NJ  
**Jack Yannucci**, Oakdale, NY  
**Damaris Ynoa-Ayala**, Willingboro, NJ  
**Alexis Stephanie Zois**, Morris Plains, NJ

### Education

**Julianne Caccavale**, Morris Plains, NJ  
**Patrick Joseph Ganley**, Dover, NJ  
**Ryan Christopher Karpack**, Dover, NJ  
**Katherine O'Melia**, Basking Ridge, NJ  
**Kathryn Rachel Reilly**, Raritan, NJ

### Educational Leadership

**Julia Buccini**, Glen Gardner, NJ

**Brianna Costello**, Randolph, NJ  
**Kimberly Marie Volz**, Morristown, NJ

### **Justice Administration and Public Service**

**Eric D. Berkins**, Scotch Plains, NJ  
**Scott William Chertoff**, Flemington, NJ  
**Frank David DeRogatis III**, West Milford, NJ  
**Theodore Robert Goodman**, Budd Lake, NJ  
**Gianna Rosa Miraglia**, West Milford, NJ  
**Nikodemus Petrone**, Suffern, NY  
**Tamahine Icza Rivera**, Bayonne, NJ  
**Alexander Vincent Tredy**, Ringwood, NJ

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE**

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### **Health Administration**

**Shamia Mickens**, Bedminster, NJ  
**Christopher Neumann**, Mahwah, NJ

### **Management**

**Inarid Brito**, Montvale, NJ  
**DaNiyah Goodwin**, East Orange, NJ  
**Irene Felipe Estrella**, Teaneck, NJ  
**Kodi L. Peters**, Bergenfield, NJ

### **Nutrition**

**Emily Rose Avella**, Waldwick, NJ  
**Abigail Lyn Cospers**, Shamong, NJ  
**Shannon Elizabeth Frascella**, Fort Collins, CO  
**Emily Fuller**, Madison, NJ  
**Kate Lindsey Garnache**, Virginia Beach, VA  
**Kiersten Amanda Higgins**, Bridgewater, NJ  
**Angela Patricia Jonas**, Parlin, NJ  
**Hannah Maloney**, Medford, NJ  
**Abigail Onyi Nelken**, Clifton, NJ  
**Brianne Lynn Nissel**, Hillsborough, NJ  
**Julianna Marie Ombaldo**, Whippany, NJ  
**Mariah Pollet**, Collingswood, NJ  
**Isabella Hope Ranieri**, Glen Rock, NJ  
**Poonya Renjen**, Wayne, NJ  
**Lauren Rudolph**, East Hanover, NJ  
**Kallina Theresa Russo**, Brick, NJ  
**Danielle Elizabeth Zych**, Colonia, NJ

### **Physician Assistant**

**Rama Abbireddy**, Easton, PA  
**Meghana Bhaiya**, Morristown, NJ  
**Anila Cafuli**, Hawthorne, NJ  
**Emma S. Carmody**, Bridgewater, NJ  
**Melitssa Castellar**, Springfield, NJ  
**Katlyn Cusack**, Point Pleasant Boro, NJ  
**Peter Thomas Davis**, Neptune, NJ  
**Ramathia Michele DeFreese**, Jersey City, NJ  
**Doris Fapohunda**, Linden, NJ  
**Emily Louise Flint**, Mount Arlington, NJ  
**Sherie Gonter**, Passaic, NJ  
**Avery C. Hall**, Rigby, ID  
**Chrystel Hyman**, Green Brook Township, NJ  
**Leona Sara Jagiello**, Morris Plains, NJ  
**Jenan M. Kanan**, North Bergen, NJ  
**Katrine Luddy**, Ridgewood, NJ  
**Angelina Mekhail**, Franklin Lakes, NJ  
**Jessica Moss**, Towaco, NJ  
**Jennifer Ngoc Nguyen**, Oreland, PA  
**Sarah Una Palumbo**, Hackensack, NJ  
**Megha Patel**, Parsippany, NJ  
**Nand Patel**, Jersey City, NJ  
**Katherine Porterfield**, Ridgewood, NJ  
**Ceida Quispe**, Linden, NJ  
**Shiza Qureshi**, Englewood Cliffs, NJ  
**Robert Raggi**, Wantage, NJ  
**Chad Glen Sibbett**, Iona, ID  
**Macarena Silvestri**, Landing, NJ  
**Ryan Tiernan**, Dumont, NJ  
**Amun Usman Uppal**, Marlboro, NJ  
**Gina Watkins**, Plainfield, NJ  
**John Zakko**, Fair Lawn, NJ

## **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING**

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### **Nursing**

**Lenore Fleischer**, Chester, NJ  
**Wagenia Jones**, West Orange, NJ  
**Christina Ann Kaufmann**, Belvidere, NJ  
**Catherine Marrash**, Newton, NJ  
**Patience Adeola Opaola**, Linden, NJ

**Yesenia A. Pena**, Elmwood Park, NJ  
**Stacey A. Schreiber**, Wantage, NJ

## **BACHELORS OF ARTS**

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### **Art**

**Ezekiel Malachi Sabb**, Sicklerville, NJ  
**Viviana Michelle Vargas**, Lebanon, NJ

### **Biology**

**Jessica M. Garcia**, Byram Township, NJ  
**Shania B. Liverpool**, East Orange, NJ  
**Michelle Posada**, Elizabeth, NJ  
**Adele Shepin**, Lake Hopatcong, NJ

### **Communication**

**Jasanny De Leon**, Dover, NJ  
**Kyra Ashley Pitts**, White Plains, NY

### **Criminal Justice**

**Sumika Arakawa**, Morristown, NJ  
**Bryan E. Borja**, Elizabeth, NJ  
**Eddy Castro**, New Brunswick, NJ  
**Demaris M. Eckerson**, Warwick, NY  
**Lakayla Renee Evans Attaway**,  
Fort Washington, MD  
**Christopher Navarro**, Morristown, NJ  
**Gianna Marie Rizzolo**, Elizabethport, NJ  
**Edwin Lee Santana**, Dover, NJ

### **English**

**Emily Isabel Cruz-Gil**, Budd Lake, NJ  
**Madison Lou Dodds**, Madison, NJ  
**Timothy Philip Geary**, Whippany, NJ  
**Luke David Hughen**, Lake Hopatcong, NJ  
**Aquilnasha Terria Jordan**, Iselin, NJ  
**Katherine Yuliana Morales Castillo**,  
Morristown, NJ

### **History**

**Charles Rupprecht**, Ridgewood, NJ

### **Mathematics**

**Ryan Michael Deal**, Flourtown, PA  
**Amanda Pillati**, Lodi, NJ

### **Psychology**

**Darlin Alcala Sena**, Paterson, NJ  
**Kristina Marie Ashton**, Colonia, NJ  
**Jenna Lee Caruso**, Toms River, NJ  
**Melissa Michael Evers**, Springfield, NJ  
**Ayonna Marie Jones**, Newark, NJ  
**Khadijah Lora Jones**, East Orange, NJ  
**Malamin Kaba**, East Orange, NJ  
**Aniya K. King-Wiggins**, Newark, NJ  
**Mas'zhane Te'nya Muse**, Camden, NJ  
**Kaniyah Sejour**, Irvington, NJ  
**Nicholas A. Short**, Randolph, NJ  
**Thomas Turner**, Orange, NJ  
**Yasminah White**, Roselle Park, NJ

## **BACHELORS OF SCIENCE**

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### **Biology**

**Onye K. Bosco**, Teaneck, NJ  
**Randy Polanco**, Bronx, NY  
**Kortney Deanne Reavis**, Piscataway, NJ  
**Thalia Diamond Sanchez**, Totowa, NJ

### **BioChemistry**

**Samantha Reyes**, Hackensack, NJ

### **Business Administration**

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Upper Saddle River, NJ  
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**Samad Ahkee Hamilton**, Irvington, NJ  
**Cody Ikner**, Katy, TX  
**Alex Ivan Maldonado**, Elizabethport, NJ  
**Nicholas John Marcketta**, Toms River, NJ  
**Taj Sadiq Muhammad**, Somerset, NJ  
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**Alexandra Peraza**, Succasunna, NJ  
**Marr Perez Aguirre**, New Brunswick, NJ  
**Jonathan Ramos**, Clifton, NJ

**Diego Armondo Rodriguez**, South Amboy, NJ  
**Mohamed Lamine Sampil**, Morristown, NJ  
**Ta'Nasha Ewalla Samuels-Wilkerson**,  
Camden, NJ

**Quazmere Sauls**, Paterson, NJ  
**Ja-Quan Abdula Sewell**, Irvington, NJ  
**Alexandra Nichole Stojackovic**, Hamburg, NJ  
**Kevin Vasquez**, Katy, TX  
**William James Wentz**, Swedesboro, NJ  
**Brayan Yauri Alvarenga**, Orange, NJ

### **Computer Software Engineering**

**Jonathan William Paul**, London Somerset, NJ  
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### **Foods and Nutrition**

**Gowri Balamurugen**, Kendall Park, NJ

### **Health Sciences**

**Anderson Joshua Edwards**, East Brunswick, NJ  
**Karina Bellido**, Dover, NJ  
**Ayana Lee Dawkins**, Morristown, NJ  
**Isabell Irene Edwards**, Tolleson, AZ  
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**Angel Melville**, Matawan, NJ  
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### **Individualized Major in General Science**

**Princess Chito Ibeabuchi**, Franklin Lakes, NJ  
**Abigaelle Morency**, Irvington, NJ

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**Felix John Ayon**, Teaneck, NJ  
**Jaime Bimboza**, Jersey City, NJ  
**Alexia Marie Theresa Jorge**, Lyndhurst, NJ  
**Laila John Kendle**, Neptune, NJ  
**Diego Rondon**, Kearny, NJ  
**Derrick Theresa Solomon**, Closter, NJ  
**Bryan Marquise Williams**, Plainfield, NJ

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**Maria Alejandra Angulo**, Kearny, NJ  
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**Gabriel Elias Tunnermann**, Nutley, NJ  
**Alejandra Urday**, Morristown, NJ  
**Nancy Jane Wasiuk**, Pompton Plains, NJ  
**Ruth Elizabeth Zapata**, Little Falls, NJ  
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**Brianna Vega Santamaria**, Raritan, NJ

# **AWARDS OF DISTINCTION**

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## **The Sister Hildegard Mahoney Award for General Excellence**

**Kristina Ashton  
Luke Hughen**

*This award is granted to a student earning High or Highest Honors in academics, earning a minimum of 3.7, possessing demonstrated campus civic leadership and high moral character.*

## **The Sister Elizabeth Ann Maloney Award**

**Melissa Evers**

*This award is granted to a student earning a minimum of a 3.5 cumulative GPA in December prior to graduation, who demonstrates a commitment to advancing the lives of those who have been marginalized, and to work in the service of others beyond graduation.*

## **The Sister Elizabeth Houlihan Memorial Award**

**Kennedy Ferguson**

*This award is granted to a graduating student with a minimum GPA of 3.6 who best exemplifies the spirit of the award's namesake in such characteristics as academic excellence, spirituality, humility, friendliness and helping people to fulfill their potential.*

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# HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS SINCE 1967

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2023	Brian Bridges, Ph.D.	1997	Sister Jane Frances Brady, S.C.
2019	David C. Clowney IV Alice Lazzarini, M.D.		Alfred C. Koeppel
2018	Ernesto A. Tolentino, M.D.	1996	Irma Nevares de Rosselló
2017	Camelia M. Valdes, J.D.	1995	Dr. William F. Baker Mary Alice Williams
2016	Colonel Ingrid A. Parker	1994	The Honorable Corinne (Lindy) Boggs
2015	Rochelle Hendricks	1993	Rear Adm. Louise Currie Wilmot Sister Mary Rose McGeady, D.C.
2014	Heidi J. Sorvino Sister Regina Martin Keane, S.C.*	1992	Dr. Patricia A. McGuire, Esq. Sister M. Carita Pendergast, S.C.
2012	Maud Dahme Sister Margaret Ann O'Neill, S.C.	1991	Dr. Elsa Gomez
2011	Sister Maureen Shaughnessy, S.C. Stephen J. Sweeny, Ph.D.	1990	Anita Brown Bay Joseph D. Williams
2010	Sister Mary Canavan Kathleen DiChiara Reverend Dennis Holtschneider	1989	John P. Blessington
2009	Mary Elizabeth Lebreck Kelley Edward J. Yaw Francine Cheeseman Shaw	1988	Ann McLaughlin
2008	Sister Jacqueline Burns, S.C. Joseph F. Duffy Brother Rick Curry, S.J.	1987	Barbara Boggs Sigmund John T. O'Neill
2007	J. Martin Comey Bonnie Monte Nina Mitchell Wells	1986	Mary Ann Restivo
2006	David Bixel Peter V. Mancuso Marilyn A. Fingerhut	1985	Rosemary T. McFadden
2005	Cecilia G. Laureys Patricia A. Peterson Jack Ford, J.D.	1984	The Honorable Marie Louise Garibaldi
2004	Sister Ellen Joyce, S.C. Maura Devlin Rossi Elissa Jeanne Santoro	1983	Geraldine Doyle Riordan
2003	Sister Barbara Conroy Mary Higgins Clark	1981	Suzanne Massie Sister Blanche Marie McEniry, S.C. Sister Josephine Marie O'Brien, S.C.
2002	Reverend Mychal F. Judge, O.F.M.* Dr. Francis J. Mertz	1980	The Honorable Shirley A. Tolentino Florence E. Wall Anne Fox Wolfe
2001	The Honorable Norman Bloch Anna Grimaldi Colomer William P. Ford	1979	Sister Hildegard Marie Mahoney, S.C.
2000	Reverend Dr. Everett C. Parker Lorena E. Tyson Leonard DeFior	1978	John J. Degnan
1999	John T. Cunningham Sister Patricia Mary McMullen, S.C. Mary C. Murphy	1977	Mother Joanna Marie Duffy, S.C. Julia E. Read Mary McDermott Mulholland
1998	Dr. Monika K. Hellwig	1976	The Most Reverend Lawrence B. Casey
		1975	Dr. Eleanor Hess McMahan
		1974	Patricia Queenan Sheehan Sister Mary Catharine O'Connor, S.C.
		1973	Millicent Fenwick
		1972	Abbot Leonard G. Cassell, O.S.B.
		1971	Dr. Frank J. Ayd Jr.
		1969	Sister Mary Beatrice Bour, S.C. Germaine Krettek Helen C. Phillips Alice Hyland Warner Elizabeth Somers Ford Sister Constance Marie Wallace, S.C.
		1967	Captain Rita Lenihan, U.S.N.

*\*Honorary degree awarded posthumously*

# THE LEGEND OF THE STOLE OF GRATITUDE

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Every graduate has had a special person who, through personal or financial support, made a big difference in their life. The Stole of Gratitude offers an opportunity to say: “Thank you for helping me make it through; thank you for making it possible for me to succeed!”

After the ceremony, the new graduate presents the Stole of Gratitude to someone who provided extraordinary support or who has helped with wisdom, words of encouragement, or financial assistance. Immediately after graduation, the graduate may take the stole from around his/her neck and place it around the neck of the recipient.

Presenters often write a few words of love and appreciation, on the back of the stole using a permanent, fine-tipped marker. Friends and family of the graduate may autograph the front or back. The Stole of Gratitude is a lasting symbol of love, appreciation, and academic accomplishment.

Congratulations, Graduates!

## PLEASE NOTE

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- Island Photography will take photographs of the graduates as they receive their diplomas from the President and after they exit the stage. There is no obligation to purchase pictures. Each graduate will receive an email with information on how to purchase photos after the ceremony. For more information, visit [www.islandphoto.com](http://www.islandphoto.com).
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