

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH COMMENCEMENT

SATURDAY, THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY ONE

Order of Exercises

Presiding

Francesco C. Cesareo, Ph.D., President

Master of Ceremonies

Gregory S. Weiner, Ph.D., Provost and Academic Vice President

Invocation

The Very Reverend Dennis M. Gallagher, A.A. '69, Provincial Superior of North America, Augustinians of the Assumption, Vice-Chair Board of Trustees

National Anthem

William Goliger, Assumption College Class of 2020

Welcome

Francesco C. Cesareo, Ph.D., President

Valedictory Address

Lauren E. Robichaud, Valedictorian

Introduction of Speaker

Gregory S. Weiner, Ph.D., Provost and Academic Vice President

Commencement Address

Robert S. Royal, President, Faith & Reason Institute

Honorary Degree Recipients

Robert S. Royal, presented by Francis J. Bedard, Esq. '81, Chair, Board of Trustees James T. Brett, presented by Dennis M. Gallagher, A.A. '69, Vice-Chair Board of Trustees

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees in Course

Gregory S. Weiner, Ph.D., Provost and Academic Vice President

Presentation of Graduates

Eloise R. Knowlton, Ph.D., Associate Vice President Academic Affairs Jennifer K. Morrison, Ph.D., Assistant Vice President Academic Affairs

Alma Mater

William Goliger, Assumption College Class of 2020

Benediction

The Most Reverend Robert J. McManus, S.T.D., HD'12, Bishop of the Diocese of Worcester

Assumption College Class of 2020 Honorary Degree Citations

Robert Royal Doctor of Humane Letters Catholic Scholar and Author

As founder and president of the Faith & Reason Institute and through your work with *The Catholic Thing*, an online space where influential Catholic thinkers may virtually gather to engage in thoughtful discussion of Catholic teachings and their impact on society, you have demonstrated a commitment to exploring timeless questions of Catholic teaching, As a resource that explores the timeless contemplation of religion and its intersection with modern political issues, *The Catholic Thing*, under your leadership provides a venue for engaging discussion, a cornerstone of a Catholic liberal education.

In a society that freely offers biased and opinions about religion, your vocation encourages individuals to tackle the tsunami of misinterpreted information by rethinking and reconnecting to the Catholic tradition, beginning at its roots, to all facets of life, from politics and economics to culture and family life. Your life's work, including your studies as a Fulbright scholar and in Italy with the Renaissance Society of America, has been dedicated to exploring and sharing the essential fundamentals of faith and reason, a primary purpose of the education imparted upon Assumption students in the Catholic intellectual tradition.

For your commitment to exploring the richness of Catholic history and sharing it with a broad audience, Assumption College is honored to bestow upon you the degree of Litterarum Humanarum Doctor—Doctor of Humane Letters—on this fifteenth day of May 2021.

James T. Brett Doctor of Law An Advocate for Change

For more than 40 years, you have directed a passion to for caring for others in the service of your community. As a legislator in the Massachusetts House of Representatives for 15 years and now as the president and CEO of The New England Council, you have been a leading voice in advocating for public policy issues such as health care, education, financial services and energy, improving the lives of individuals in countless communities throughout New England.

Recognized as a Legislator of the Year several times by a number of different organizations for your outstanding public service, you have also been lauded for your many philanthropic contributions to the community, most notably for being a tireless advocate for the physically and mentally challenged. You were an influential force behind the federal Able Act, creating a savings plan for people with disabilities for future education, training, living expenses, and other supports, and serve on the National Council on Disability, the Governor's Commission on Intellectual Disability, and the Massachusetts Disabled Persons Protection Commission. Your work has been honored with the James T. Brett Chair in Disability and Workforce Development at UMass Boston, the nation's only endowed chair in disability and workforce development, and Bret's House, a community home for disabled adults through Bay Cove Human Services of Boston.

In recognition of your meaningful contributions that have benefited millions throughout New England, Assumption College is honored to bestow upon you the degree of Legum Doctor—Doctor of Law—on this fifteenth day of May 2021.

Class of 2020 Academic Honors Recipients

William Patrick Armstrong IV Neuroscience
Justin Jean Auguste Management
Samantha Hope Bengiovanni Computer Science

Olivia Ann Burke History

Marisa Butler Organizational Communication

Travis Herman Butler Theology
Jeffrey David Chicca Chemistry

Kylie Marie Chrisholm English, Writing & Mass Communications

Renee Marie Cordio Political Science
Cassidy Shea Dicken Health Sciences

Adam Thomas Duval Music

Callie Ann Dwyer Elementary Education

Emily Rose Fernandes Economics

Hannah Shuet Fung Psychology with a Concentration in Neuroscience of Human Behavior

Cameron Oliver Furtado International Business Jordan Elizabeth Gablaski English Literature

Colleen Frances Hall Philosophy

Catherine Ann Harvey Secondary Education
Rose Daly Horell Women's Studies

Madeleine Brennin Boivin Iassogna Classics with concentration in Latin
Aleeza Susan Isaac Biotechnology & Molecular Biology

Sarah Ellen Keohane Mathematics
Katheryn Elizabeth Kruzick Graphic Design
Colleen Marie Kurtz Criminology
Sydney Lee LaQue Studio Art

Emma Therese Maguire Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies with a

Concentration in Communication Sciences & Disorders

Emma Therese Maguire Italian

Kialeigh Orion Marston Classics with concentration in Greek

Alexis Nason Biology with a Concentration in Neuroscience and Behavior

Emily Kate Norman Neuroscience

Kelly Nicole O'Laughlin Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies with a Concentration in

Working with Children and Adolescents in Community Settings

Sean Robert O'Rourke Accounting
Elizabeth Marie Paquette Marketing
Brendan Alan Philippon Biology
Lauren Elizabeth Robichaud French
Brianna Suzann Rondeau Psychology
Brianna Suzann Rondeau Sociology
Gianna Rousseau Actuarial Science

Emily Rachel Singer Health Sciences with a Concentration in Occupational Therapy

Michaela Finnegan Smith Data Analytics

Olivia Anneliese Thompson Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

Jessica Lynne Wornham Biology with a Concentration in Physical Therapy

Nicholas Jeffrey Zottoli Environmental Science

Maryrose Hannah Abusamra, Biology Colleen Moynihan Birkmeyer, Graphic Design Derek Scott Adamson, Management Gabriella Martin Bitar, Criminology; Psychology Blaise Adjei-Nyame, Psychology William Jackson Blair Jr., Management: cum laude Eliana Catalina Agudelo, Psychology Amy Marie Blanchard, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Arshia Akhtar, Biology Thomas Matthew Bohane, Accounting Amanda Concetta Albanesi, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Sarah Elizabeth Boisvere, Global Studies; Theology Krystin Akemi Albano, Chemistry Isabella Sophia Mei Lu Bolognese, Global Studies; Italian: magna cum laude Ahmed Alhassany, *Chemistry* Portia Mensah Bonsu, Marketing: cum laude Kaitlyn Jessica Anderson, Education; English HP Amelia Sui Botelho, Psychology: cum laude Nicholas Robert Andrade, Marketing Lexie-Paige E. Boucher, Mathematics Lauren Michele Andre, Biotechnology & Molecular Biology HP Margaret Feeley Brennan, English: magna cum laude Thomas Cushman Angell, Education; History: cum laude Jared James Brescia, Management: cum laude Christina Rose Antonetti, Health Sciences Juan Alberto Brito, International Business Douglas Santos, Criminology; Sociology Sydney Marie Brosseau, Marketing Sarah Maria Ardolino, English: Writing & Mass Malik Emmauel Brown, Graphic Design Communications: cum laude William Patrick Armstrong IV, Neuroscience: summa Noah Chester Brown, Criminology; Sociology cum laude Leilah France Bruno, English: Writing & Mass Communications Jeffrey Gordon Arnold, Marketing: summa cum laude Nicole Marie Bruno, Human Services and Rehabilitation Alexander Arnold Arsenault, Accounting: cum laude Studies: cum laude Justin William Assad, Management Mark P. Bryant, Data Analytics; Mathematics Justin Jean Auguste, Management: cum laude Colin Christopher Buck, Marketing Kyle Rogers Autilio, Organizational Communication HP Olivia Ann Burke, History: magna cum laude Egan Kieffer Bachtell, Management Amanda Elizabeth Burns, Accounting Sean Patrick Bannon, Education; History HP Alicia Ray Burrows, Health Sciences: magna cum laude Katherine Megan Barber, Psychology Tesia Elizabeth Burzynski, Global Studies; Management Jamie Alexis Barth, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Jennifer Dyer Bush, Accounting Benjamin Thomas Barton, Management Hayden Matthew Butler, Marketing with concentration in Digital Marketing Liam Burke Bashista, Accounting ${\it Marisa\ Butler, Organizational\ Communication: summa}$ Eniang Bassey, Management $cum\ laude$ Trenton Andrew Bassingthwaite, Management HP Travis Herman Butler, Biology: magna cum laude Heather Laurel Bates, Biology with concentration in Alexandra Jean Cabral, Biotechnology & Molecular Biology: Neuroscience & Behavior: magna cum laude cum laude ${\it Maria \ Batsolakis}, {\it Marketing \ with \ concentration \ in \ Digital}$ Lilly Alexandrina Cabral, Human Services and Marketing Rehabilitation Studies Tighe Daniel Beck, Marketing Nairovi Cabrera Marte, Health Sciences John Cameron Behn IV, Health Sciences Jessica Lynne Caless, *Psychology: cum laude* Jillian Lauren Belanger, Accounting Sean Michael Callanan, Accounting Samantha Hope Bengiovanni, Computer Science; Mathematics: Robert Joseph Campbell, Management magna cum laude Brianna Capacchione, Psychology with concentration in William Gabriel Bennett, Political Science Brain, Behavior & Cognition Kayli Marie Berardinelli, English: Writing & Mass Luis Harley Capellan Gonzalez, Economics Communications: cum laude Kristen Ashley Carbone, Education; Mathematics Kyle Lucas Bermani, Psychology: cum laude Rebecca Ann Carr. Human Services and Rehabilitation Alexa Simone Berry, Psychology: magna cum laude

Studies: cum laude

Rachel Margaret Berthiaume, Marketing with concentration in

Digital Marketing

HP

HP

Brendan Michael Carter, Management

Emily Katherine Casella, *Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies*

Jeffrey David Chicca, Biology; Chemistry

Kylie Marie Chisholm, English: Writing & Mass

Communications: summa cum laude

Brenna Karen Chrisom, Organizational Communication

Alyssa Marie Cicconi, Education; English

Christopher James Clark, Actuarial Science

Bridget Theresa Coakley, Sociology

Timothy Kevin Cody, Philosophy; Psychology

Domenico R. Colace, Graphic Design

 ${\bf Madeline\ Louise\ Collins}, {\it Human\ Services\ and\ Rehabilitation}$

Studies

Anna Elizabeth Conley, Health Sciences

Sarah Adele Cook, Global Studies

Renee Marie Cordio, Human Services and Rehabilitation

Studies; Political Science: summa cum laude

Sarah Rae Cordio, Psychology; Sociology: cum laude

 ${\bf Meghan\ Catherine\ Costa}, {\it Human\ Services\ and\ Rehabilitation}$

Studies

Mary Elizabeth Cote, Health Sciences

Dermot M. Coughlin, Biology

Julie Ann Craven, English: Writing & Mass Communications

Andrew John Crawford III, History

Sarah Mary Crete, Accounting

Abigail Marie Cunningham, Marketing

Christine Marie Cutting, Accounting

Chanell Sabrina DaSilva, Human Services and Rehabilitation

Studies

Hunter Christian Davidson, Criminology; Sociology

 $Amy\ Aracely\ De Filippo, \textit{Human Services and Rehabilitation}$

Studies

Shannon Elisabeth Delaney, Health Sciences

Kyle William Delorey, Graphic Design

Daniel Owen DeLuca, Biology: cum laude

Ashley Marie DeLucia, Human Services and Rehabilitation

Studies: magna cum laude

Olivia Rae DeMonico, Biology: magna cum laude

Francesca Elizabeth Depergola, Psychology

Joseph Anthony Del Rossi Jr., Management

James Edward Devine IV, Economics

Cecilia Diaz Acosta, Accounting

Cassidy Shea Dicken, Health Sciences: cum laude

Nicholas James DiDato, Graphic Design

Cameron Christopher Dillon, Accounting

Samantha Lynne Dindo, Marketing

Denivelisse Dominguez, Health Sciences: cum laude

Madison Patricia Doyle, Human Services and Rehabilitation

Studies

Matthew James Drake, Accounting

 $Trentin\ D.\ DuBois, \textit{Marketing with concentration in Digital}$

Marketing

Nicole Marie Duquette, Health Sciences: cum laude

Zachary Walter Durand, Economics; Mathematics: cum laude

Kyle Richard Durant, English: Writing & Mass

Communications

Adam Thomas Duval, Accounting; Music

Callie Ann Dwyer, Education; Mathematics: summa cum laude

Stephanie Dana Edick, Education; English: cum laude

Ashley Marie Ehlen, Health Sciences

Tania M. Elhoussan, Human Services and Rehabilitation

Studies

Ashley Lynn Elliott, Management

Rachel Ann Elliott, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

Khaleed Hasanni-Dejohn Exum-Strong, Accounting

Delaney Ann Fenton, Management

HP Emily Rose Fernandes, Economics: magna cum laude

Samantha Michelle Ferrera, Marketing

Emily Rita Field, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

 ${\tt John\,Anthony\,Fine-Lease}, \textit{Criminology}; \textit{Sociology: magna}$

cum laude

Christopher James Finn Jr., Economics with Business

Concentration; Marketing

Meghan Elizabeth Fitzgibbons, Human Services and

Rehabilitation Studies

Jason Albert Flanagan, Management

Patrick Charles Fleming, Management

Kashmir Amira Flood, Sociology

Meghan Anne Forde, Marketing

Elijah Joseph Fossas, *Economics*

Cole Joseph Foster, Marketing

HP Meghan Theresa Foster, Psychology: cum laude

Tiffany Brianna Franceschi, Psychology: cum laude

Feldano Franky Francois, Criminology; Sociology

Emily Margaret Fraser, Human Services and Rehabilitation

Studies: cum laude

Catherine Nash French, Biology with concentration in

Neuroscience & Behavior: cum laude

Mackenzie M. Frenette, Sociology

Benjamin Gregory Fry, Sociology

Joseph Michael Fullen, Environmental Science

HP Hannah Shuet Fung, Psychology with concentration in

Neuroscience of Human Behavior: magna cum laude

Cameron Oliver Furtado, International Business: cum laude Laura Rose Holland, Economics HP Jordan Elizabeth Gablaski, English: summa cum laude Abbey Ann Holmes, Graphic Design Olivia Rose Gaglioti, Human Services and Rehabilitation Rose Daly Horell, English: magna cum laude Studies Valerie Jeanne Howard, Management Hayley Nicole Galib, Education; English Sydney Renay Huckabee, Marketing Abigail Kathleen Gatanti, Biology Mitchell Leuis Hudon, Psychology with Concentration in Noe Allen Gaudette, Criminology; Sociology Brain, Behavior & Cognition Jillian Marie Geyster, Education; History Richard Joseph Hudson, Organizational Communication Sara Adil Ghumman, Biology Jason Richard Hughes, Marketing Ryan Patrick Gill, Management Sanna Mumtaz, Computer Science; Mathematics HP Ashley Grace Gioioso, Theology Madeleine Brennin Boivin Iassogna, Classics; Foreign Language: magna cum laude Katherine Rose Golden, Health Sciences: cum laude HP Kiera Bridget Irwin, Political Science: cum laude William Robert Goliger, Music; Political Science Aleeza Susan Isaac, Biotechnology & Molecular Biology: HP Ashley Mikala Goodacre, Accounting: cum laude magna cum laude Gina Marie Goodrich, Marketing: cum laude Caroline Rachel James, Data Analytics; Mathematics: Madison Amelia Goodrow, Psychology; cum laude magna cum laude Kyra Paige Goucher, Health Sciences James Christopher Jenkins, Management Ryan T. Graham, Organizational Communication Sara Kinsey Jenkins, Marketing; Organizational Christopher K. Grant, Criminology; Psychology CommunicationBlake Tommas Greenslade, Marketing Brett Ryan Jennings, Accounting Emily Marie Grillo, English: Writing & Mass Communications; Lynsey Ann Jensen, Human Services and Rehabilitation Italian Studies Hannah Therese Grivers, Biotechnology & Molecular Biology: Michael Patrick Jensen, Psychology $cum\ laude$ Ryan Christopher Joe, Management Matthew David Guarino, Management Keithlaire Sam Jonassaint, Accounting Amanda Lee Guerette, Human Services and Rehabilitation Iva Juka, English Studies HP Natalia Anna Kaczor, Chemistry Kevin Jarvis Hack, Management Jessica Elizabeth Kane, Accounting Matthew Thomas Haley, Economics HP Alison Patricia Keenan, Accounting; Economics: cum laude Trevor Patrick Haley, Accounting Timothy Ayres Kelly, Biology with concentration in Colleen Frances Hall, Philosophy; Psychology: cum laude Neuroscience & Behavior HP Teresa Lyn Haller, Political Science: cum laude Trevor Patrick Kennedy, Management Keryn Taylor Hanifan, Health Sciences; Spanish Jerry Patrick Kenney, Chemistry Justin Richard Hansen, Criminology Sarah Ann Kenton, Human Services and Rehabilitation Abigail Paige Harkins, Human Services and Rehabiliation Studies: cum laude Sarah Ellen Keohane, Mathematics: summa cum laude HP Catherine Ann Harvey, Education; Mathematics: cum laude Kai Dmitrievich Khristich, Criminology; Sociology Theofilos Hatzopoulos, Accounting Mitchell Liam Kinney, Criminology Marisa Grace Haverty, Accounting; Economics Steve Senami Kinsey, Political Science Lauren Elizabeth Healey, Philosophy; Political Science: Carli Anne Klimas, Management cum laude Katheryn Elizabeth Kruzick, Graphic Design; Studio Art Reina Mary Hernandez, Human Services and Rehabilitation Margaret Ann Kryspin, Graphic Design Studies Colleen Marie Kurtz, Criminology; Sociology: cum laude Skyler Katelyn Hesch, English: Writing & Mass Communications: magna cum laude Abbe Elizabeth LaCroix, History Ally Hinojosa, Marketing Jason Oliveira Lages, Criminology

Naheer Chkro Lahdo, Biology with concentration in

Neuroscience & Behavior; Philosophy: cum laude

Lillie Claire Hodgkins, Human Services and Rehabilitation

Studies

HP

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HP

Erin Elizabeth Lane, Accounting Emma Olivia Lang, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies: magna cum laude Deven John Langenfeld, Education; English Alexandra Rose Lapierre, Management Sydney Lee LaQue, Graphic Design; Studio Art Camille Sofia Latoni Guillermety, Psychology Conor Joseph Lavallee, Health Sciences Madeline Elizabeth Lawlor, *Biology* HP Renee Danielle Leavitt, Political Science; Theology Brittani Grace Lee LeBlanc, Accounting Jayson Charles LeBranti, Marketing with concentration in Digital Marketing John Francis LeDoux Jr., Health Sciences Caroline Jae Leonard, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies: cum laude Shelby Nichole Lindsay, Biology Nathaniel John Livernois, *Theology* Theresa Anne Lizotte, Education; English Sean Patrick Lockhart, Economics Matthew A. Lonardo, Criminology Abigail Kate Lopes, *Biology* Ericson Pierre Lopez, Health Sciences Ryan Patrick Loranger, Management Emily Morgan MacDonald, Psychology Shamus Paul MacNeil, Marketing with concentration in Digital Marketing Zachary Andrew Magarian, Marketing Giancarlo Maglitta, Organizational Communication HP Emma Nicole Magna, Biology: cum laude Emma Therese Maguire, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies: Italian: cum laude Emma Rachel Mailman, Management Evan Arthur Maravelis, Marketing William P. Mardo, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Spencer Andrew Marocchini, Economics: cum laude Kialeigh Orion Marston, Classics; Political Science HP Kelly Ann Martin, Education; English: summa cum laude Tariq Aquil Massenburg, Accounting Jennifer Beatrice Mata, Mathematics Matthew Robert Mayotte, Accounting Julia Nicole Mazzola, Psychology: cum laude Hannah Marie McCarthy, Marketing: cum laude John Joseph McDonagh, Accounting; Economics with Business ConcentrationMatthew Martin McDonough, Accounting Hannah Marie McGrath, English

Curran Cleary McKenzie, Computer Science Nicole Janai McMorrow, Biology; Psychology with concentration in Brain, Behavior & Cognition Cullen Gerald McMurray, Education; History Colin Patrick McQuillan, Marketing Conor Patrick Meehan, Global Studies Jordan Findlay Mello, Biology Dana Alexis Mendes, Education; Studio Art: cum laude Abigail Ruth Metcalf, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies: cum laude Emily Myra Rose Meyers, Accounting: summa cum laude Joseph Carmine Michael, Management Max Alexander Michaud, Management: cum laude Cole Joseph Mileski, Management Cassandra Ellen Miller, Psychology: cum laude Calvin Ernest Milliner, English: Writing & Mass CommunicationsJulia Lynne Misto, Management Haidar Mohammed, Biology: cum laude Maria Jesus Monje Morales, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Faith Anne Monroe, Human Services and Rehabilitation Kathryn MacKenzie Morgan, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Ryan Michael Morgera, English: Writing & Mass Communications Gabrielle Marie Morris, Human Services and Rehabilitation Alex Peter Moschella, Health Sciences Brooke Jenelle Mullen, *Biotechnology & Molecular Biology:* cum laude Michael David Murley, Economics: cum laude Abdul Aziz Nashef, Management; Marketing Alexis Nason, Biology with concentration in Neuroscience & Behavior: cum laude Sean Robert Naughton, Organizational Communication Nancy L. Nguyen, Psychology: Studio Art Hannah Louise Nitso, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies Mac-Brian Nkongchu, Organizational Communication Emily Kate Norman, Neuroscience: summa cum laude Matthew Francis O'Connor, Accounting Kelly Nicole O'Laughlin, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

Emma B. O'Malley, Health Sciences

Gabriela Cristina O'Neil, Health Sciences

Orsolina E. O'Neill, Education; English: cum laude

Hayley Elizabeth Orkins, Marketing Therese Frances Rembetsy-Brown, Education; History: Luke Natale Orlando, Marketing magna cum laude Mary Joan Rezendes, Human Services and Rehabilitation Sheila Rose Orlando, Education; Mathematics: cum laude Studies: magna cum laude Sean Robert O'Rourke, Accounting; Economics: Pamela S. Rios, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies; summa cum laude *Psychology* David A. Ortiz, Criminology; Sociology Elyse Marie Robichaud, Health Sciences Mary Katherine O'Shaughnessy, Chemistry Lauren Elizabeth Robichaud, Accounting: summa cum laude Andrew Albert Palacios, Health Sciences Robert Anthony Roche, Computer Science Ashley B. Palomeque, Marketing: cum laude Anya Kate Rochussen, Criminology; Sociology: cum laude Elizabeth Marie Paquette, Marketing: summa cum laude Christopher Jacob Romero, Management Alexandra Mozelle Parsons, Education; Mathematics Brianna Suzann Rondeau, Psychology; Sociology: Nathan Pavao, Biotechnology & Molecular Biology summa cum laude Kayla Rose Peabody, Management Amy Elizabeth Rosebrooks, Organizational Communication Manuel Alexander Peguero-Melo, Management Talia I. Rossi, *Psychology* David Zepherin Pepin, English; English: Writing & Mass Gianna Rousseau, Actuarial Science; magna cum laude Communications; Marketing Joshua Charles Ryan, Biology Arianna Nicole Pereschino, Psychology Madison Alyssa Ryan, Organizational Communication; Marissa Nicole Pesce, Management: cum laude Psychology: magna cum laude Bryanna Bota Peters, Biology Lauren Mary Salerno, Organizational Communication: Owen Joseph Peterson III, Accounting $cum\ laude$ Jill Elise Petkewich, Psychology with Concentration in Brain, Djordje Samardzic, *Psychology* Behavior & Cognition: Biology Hermes G. Sanchez, Computer Science Yen Hai Thi Pham II, Psychology; Theology Taylor Nora Santry, Education; English William Joseph Phaneuf, Accounting HP Madeleine Lee Sarner, Health Sciences Brendan Alan Philippon, Biology: magna cum laude HP Adriana E. Savage, Psychology; cum laude Madison Elizabeth Piel, Political Science: cum laude Meghan Ann Scarborough, Marketing with concentration Tess Elliott Pimental, Graphic Design: magna cum laude $in\ Digital\ Marketing$ Alicia Kerry Polak, Biology; Psychology: magna cum laude Thomas Donald Schaper, Health Sciences Hanna M. Polyak, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies: Matthew James Schneider, Management cum laude Alie Margaret-Liu Schreck, Management Nathan Jae Porter, Organizational Communication HP Anna Marie Schroeder, English: Writing & Mass Timothy James Power, Marketing Communications: magna cum laude Zachary Louis Pransky, English Christopher James Schultz, Health Sciences Jayme Caroline Pruitt, Biology Parker Harrison Sears, History; Political Science Brianna Marie Puccia, Marketing: cum laude Katlyn Patricia Sehring, Health Sciences Matthew William Pugliese, Actuarial Science: magna Riya Sanjay Shah, Actuarial Science cum laude William Richard Shaw, Accounting: cum laude Steven James Quigley, Accounting; Management Lily Marie Sheahan, Human Services and Rehabilitation Sydney Halle Rangulong, International Business Mia Elizabeth Rapoza, Biology Jillian Mary Shenian, Criminology; Sociology Lily Raso, *Marketing* Courtney Paige Sickel, Human Services and Rehabilitation Colleen Laura Rauser, Criminology; Sociology Studies Jessica Lynn Raymond, Management Daniel Frederick Sikand, Economics with Business Julia Elizabeth Recine, Human Services and Rehabilitation Concentration Studies

Emily Rachel Singer, Health Sciences

Studies

Jaclyn Nicole Smith, Human Services and Rehabilitation

HP

Lauren Mary Reddington, Marketing

 ${\tt Jenna\; Lee\; Smith}, {\tt \it English}: {\tt \it Writing\; \& Mass\; \it Communications};$

History; Political Science: summa cum laude

 $\label{thm:condition} \textbf{Kaitlyn Rose Smith}, \textit{Human Services and Rehabilitation} \\ \textit{Studies}$

 $\label{eq:michaela} \mbox{Michaela Finnegan Smith}, \mbox{\it Data Analytics; Mathematics:} \\ \mbox{\it cum laude}$

Olivia Anne Solitro, Human Services and Rehabilitation $\mathit{Studies}$

Corey David Soper, Theology: magna cum laude

 $Taylor\ E.\ Soukas, \textit{Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies: } \textit{cum laude}$

Madison Nicole Soullier, Biotechnology & Molecular Biology

 ${\bf Nicole\ Autumn\ Sousa}, {\it Human\ Services\ and\ Rehabilitation}$

Studies: magna cum laude

Emily Mary Spath, Marketing

Daniel Jude Special, Political Science

Mason Mitchell Spence, Organizational Communication

HP Evan James Sperlinga, Education; Mathematics

Hayden Thomas Stagnone, Biology

Alexis Kay Stowell, Education; English

Victoria Diane Stowell, Accounting: summa cum laude

Adam James Suda, Criminology; Psychology

Ian Scott Sullivan, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

Michael James Tascione Jr., Marketing

HP Samantha Josselyn Tepper, Biology

Bryce Elizabeth Thomas, Education; English

Keelan Anthony Thomas, *Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies*

Olivia Anneliese Thompson, Human Services and

Rehabilitation Studies: magna cum laude

Timothy James Tierney, Criminology; Sociology

Andrew Lawrence Tomasino, Biology

 ${\it Victoria\ Clare\ Cecilia\ Torres}, {\it Philosophy;\ Political\ Science:}$

cum laude

Timothy Van Tran, Graphic Design

Bridget Rose Tully, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

Michael Stephen Turaj, History

 ${\it Jackson Joseph Vail}, {\it Marketing with concentration in Digital}$

Marketing

Christopher Timothy Van Camp, Organizational

Communication

Darren Michael Van Dzura, Psychology: cum laude

Jared William Vargus, Marketing

Katherine Anne Ventola, English

Melinda Lyn Villanueva, Political Science

Robert Charles Vozella, Criminology; Sociology

Thanh Phan Dat Vu, Chemistry

Branislav Vujadinovic, Graphic Design; Marketing

HP Catherine Anne Waclawik, Accounting: summa cum laude

 ${\it Katherine L. Waligura}, {\it Human Services \ and \ Rehabilitation}$

Studies

Seamus William Wallace, Criminology; Sociology

Jaxon P. Wells, Political Science

Trevor Brian Wilcox, Accounting: magna cum laude

HP Victoria Lee Williamson, Biology

Paul James Windheuser, Marketing

Roxann Nadine Wint, History

Kathryn Casey Witherwax, Criminology

HP Jessica Lynne Wornham, Biology: summa cum laude

Trenton Beres Wright, Accounting

Robert Joseph Yirigian, Organizational Communication

Megan Young, Human Services and Rehabilitation Studies

Crystal Zaimi, Education; Mathematics

Marc Ibrahim Zaknoun, Biology

Katherine Marie Zeliff, Organizational Communication

Nicholas Jeffrey Zottoli, Environmental Science

David Dmitri Zulauf, Psychology

summa cum laude - gold cord magna cum laude - blue cord cum laude - white cord

нр - Honors Program certificate recipient

* - degree in progress

The Valedictorian and Salutatorian are chosen by a selection committee representing the faculty, administration, the Senior Class and the Dean of Undergraduate Studies from among the students fulfilling the criteria for a *summa cum laude* Bachelor of Arts degree in the undergraduate day college. In evaluating candidates for these awards, the selection committee reviews academic records and contributions to the community, and interviews candidates in order to select the recipients of the College's highest graduation honors.

This listing of candidates for degrees is accurate as of 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 11, 2018. This is not an official document of Assumption College.



The Assumption College Mace

The Assumption College mace, and its role at the front of the academic procession, symbolizes the shared goals of the academic institution. In medieval times, the mace was recognized as a symbol of authority, and in the context of an academic community, it has often signified teaching authority.

At Assumption College, education promotes self-discovery, but the true discovery of self must first take into account one's own nature and purpose. The symbolism of the mace reflects the simple but essential elements that make for a full and responsible consideration of self, within the broader context in which there can be a full blossoming of the individual.

An education at Assumption nurtures the growth of several key virtues. These include: the Intellectual Virtues, which guide students to the truth; the Moral Virtues (prudence, justice, fortitude and moderation) which enable a person to lead a good life; and, most important of all, the Theological Virtues (faith, hope and charity), which lead the Christian to ultimate happiness. The Latin lettering on the three bands of the sterling node states the thrust of these essential virtues: Intelligentia Adducitur Veritatem; Voluntas Adducitur Bonum; Cor Adducitur Amorem. The staff of the mace could be considered a lignum vitae (tree of life), from which the virtues spring. The three upper branches of ebony and gold represent the virtues and their impact upon everyone at the College, symbolized by the multifaceted fluorite stone.

At Assumption, it is the community's shared vision that fosters a full flowering of the individual. The three blossoms of gold from the blue fluorite represent the individual coming to full maturity in Christ, in accord with the College's motto: "Until Christ be formed in you."

The Assumption College Mace was conceived, designed, created and given as a gift to the College by Paul A. Cavanagh of Greenville, Rhode Island. Due to its historical significance the Mace remains unchanged despite the transition to Assumption College in 2020.

Assumption College Alma Mater

Lyrics: Beverly Shaw Johnson (1985) Melody: Christe sanctorum (Antiphone, Paris, 1681)



- 1. Pledge we our loy-al-ty to As-sump-tion Col-lege-
- 2. Our hearts will al-ways be with As-sump-tion Col-lege-



Whose de - di - ca · tion in pur · suit of know-ledge— Her ban-ners wa-ving with out · stand-ing cou-rage—



With-stands the test of time, aids us in our on-wardclimb Call for fi-de-li-ty and protect a spi-rit free-



In search of truth and light.
Long live the blue and white!

Written upon the occasion of the 80th Anniversary of the founding of Assumption College.

Academic Regalia

The academic garb worn at today's ceremony takes its inspiration from the 12th and 13th centuries when most students and teachers were clerics and had taken at least minor holy orders. The assignment of colors to certain faculties, a much later development, was standardized in the United States in the late 19th century. White was assigned to arts and letters; red, a traditional color of the Church, was assigned to theology; green, for herbs, went to medicine; purple, the color of emperors, went to law; and golden yellow, standing for wealth and alchemy, went to the sciences. Because philosophy means the love and pursuit of wisdom, in the case of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), dark blue represents the mastery of the discipline of learning and scholarship in any field for which the degree is conferred rather than in the discipline of philosophy alone.

Gowns vary by degree. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and the master's gown has oblong sleeves, the rear of which are cut square and the front of which are cut in arcs. Both the bachelor's and master's gowns are untrimmed. The doctor's gown has bell-shaped sleeves and is faced down the front with black velvet. Three bars of velvet cross each sleeve. Often the bars are black, but they may also be in the color distinctive to the discipline in which the degree has been conferred.

In all cases, the exterior of the academic hood is black, and the interior is lined with the official color or colors of the institution that conferred the degree, in Assumption's case, blue. The bachelor's hood is three feet in length; the master's is three and one-half feet; and the doctor's is four feet. The doctor's hood alone has panels at the sides. The edges of the hoods are velvet, and are two inches, three inches and five inches for the bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees, respectively. The color of this trim is indicative of the subject to which the degree pertains.

The mortar board cap may be made of soft or hard material and, as its name suggests, symbolizes the role of learning in building individual and shared futures. The tassel is either black or the color appropriate to the subject, with the exception of the doctor's tassel, which may be gold.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors' gowns, edging of hoods and tassels of caps, the colors associated with different disciplines are as follows:

Agriculture	maize
Arts, Letters and Humanities	white
Commerce, Accountancy and Business	drab
Economics	copper
Education	light blue
Fine Arts	brown
Law	purple
Library Science	lemon
Medicine	
Music	
Oratory	silver gray
Philosophy	0 0
Physical Education	
Science	
Theology	O

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