ALMA MATER

“Blue and Gold”
Composed by Robert Rosen ’16

Where minds are filled with wonder, and hearts are full of pride,
   There stands our Alma Mater, so radiant a shine.
   Nurturing thy scholars, like parents raise their young.
Dear Hofstra, we are grateful, and thus we thank thee for ...

   Inspiring us, and guiding us through all the great unknown.
   Oh hail the blue and gold!

   Unrivaled motivation, invaluable and true.
   Selfless with thy knowledge, and vision to pursue.
Through all the lands we journey, thou shall remain our home,
   Dear Hofstra, we are grateful, and thus we thank thee for ...

   Inspiring us, and guiding us through all the great unknown.
   Oh hail the blue and gold!
May 2017 Commencement Exercises

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History of Hofstra

In 1912 William Hofstra had booked passage on the Titanic for his return voyage from Europe. However, a business proposition in Canada forced him to change his plans. Instead he took a ship to Halifax, and changed the course of his personal history forever.

The Hofstras enjoyed a lifestyle filled with social engagements, travel and business ventures. The society pages and gossip columns of papers such as the New York Times and the Hempstead Sentinel were filled with reports of these events. From 1894 through the 1930s, both Mr. and Mrs. Hofstra appeared in print for participation in charity events, departures for vacations, hosting wedding receptions at their estate, and attendance at various recreational activities.

By 1903 the Hofstras had purchased a 15-acre parcel of land in Hempstead. The land was in the vicinity of the estates of Edwin Morgan, August Belmont, Mrs. Jane Kernochan, O.W. Bird, and others. Mr. Howard Brower, William Hofstra’s business partner, called the homesite “a hayfield with a small house.” A year earlier, William had purchased the J.K. Van Wranken estate for $12,000 in order to run the Nassau Lumber Company. The Hofstras decided to build a home on their land and hired architects H. Craig Severance and Wellington Ward. Severance was both a noted architect and promoter of buildings. He was only 25 when he and Wellington Ward designed the Hofstra home, which later became known as “The Netherlands,” recognizing William’s Dutch ancestry.

During the early 1900s and the Progressive era, women who were socialites looked for “good works,” or projects that contributed to the social good. Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, who was an actress known as the “First Lady of the American Stage,” was also internationally recognized for her work to prevent cruelty to animals. Mrs. Fiske gave a special performance in New York to help establish the Bide-A-Wee Home for Animals. Kate Hofstra was present at the performance and became the first vice president of this organization. For more than 30 years, Mrs. Hofstra continued her association with Bide-A-Wee, as she raised countless funds for the organization. She also left Bide-A-Wee a sizable sum in her will.

Mr. Hofstra was noted for being a director of the Diamond Head Match Company, as well as a director of Price Brothers, a Canadian manufacturer of lumber, building supplies and pulp paper. According to a descendant of Sir William Price, the founder of the company, Mr. Hofstra was the largest shareholder of Price Brothers stock outside of family members. William Hofstra continued to serve as the New York director of the Price Brothers firm, and he had offices in midtown Manhattan. The Hofstras attended many events in New York City, staying at the Ritz or other upscale New York hotels.

When Mr. Hofstra died in 1932, he left his estate in his wife’s hands. When she died just over a year later, she made a variety of small gifts to charities and friends, but left the bulk of the property and estate to be used for charitable, scientific or humanitarian purposes, to be named in honor of William. It was up to two friends, Mr. Howard Brower and Mr. James Barnard, to decide what to do with the estate. Another Hempstead resident, Truesdel Peck Calkins, remarked to Mr. Brower that he had been looking for a site to start an institution of higher education, and the three men agreed it would be an appropriate use of the estate. Mr. Calkins approached the administration of New York University, and a partnership was launched. Initially called Nassau College – Hofstra Memorial of New York University, the college was founded as a coeducational, commuter institution with day and evening classes.

The first day of classes was September 23, 1935, and the first class of students was made up of 159 day and 621 evening students. Tuition for the year was $375. The college obtained a provisional charter, and its official name was changed to Hofstra College on January 16, 1937. Hofstra College separated from New York University in 1939 and was granted an absolute charter on February 16, 1940.

Hofstra’s seal was created by Professor of Art Constant van de Wall in 1937. The insignia was derived from the official seal of the House of Orange of the Netherlands, and is used with the permission of the Crown. At the bottom of the seal are the words “Je Maintiendra,” meaning “I stand steadfast” in Old French.

In 1939 Hofstra had its first four-year commencement, graduating a class of 83 students. The earliest graduates had strong feelings for the new institution, and although they were allowed to choose whether they would receive degrees from New York University or Hofstra, they overwhelmingly chose Hofstra. Academic recognition of Hofstra was affirmed when the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools accepted Hofstra for membership on November 22, 1940. Early in 1941 the college was elected to membership in the American Association of Colleges.
With the advent of World War II, major changes occurred on campus. The armed services and war industries on Long Island brought about a major decline in the size of the student body, and varsity sports were suspended for this period. When the war ended, record enrollments returned, thanks to the returning GIs and the GI Bill. In 1945 and 1946 intercollegiate sports resumed, and wrestling was introduced as a new sport in 1946, giving Hofstra its first undefeated team. In 1950 Calkins Gymnasium was the site of the first Shakespeare Festival. It was performed on a five-sixths-sized replica of the Globe Theatre.

With the approval of the New York State Board of Regents, Hofstra became Long Island’s first private university on March 1, 1963. That same year, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution that launched the effort to make Hofstra architecturally barrier-free for individuals with physical disabilities, stating that all students should have access to higher education. Although this later became federal law, Hofstra was recognized as a pioneer in this regard. Other forward-thinking programs and events followed, including the New Opportunities at Hofstra (NOAH) program, which was established the following year.

In 1963 Mitchel Air Force Base was closed by the military and declared surplus property. The University asked for acreage to be used for educational purposes and was eventually granted 110 acres. Construction soon began on the North Campus, which included Hofstra's first residence halls. Two towers were completed in 1966, two more in 1967, and by 1968 there were six towers, a Student Center, and a span across the Turnpike, which fed into an award-winning library building. The University reorganized its divisions into “schools” in the 1960s, forming the School of Education in 1964 and the Schools of Business and Continuing Education in 1965. Hofstra was authorized by the Board of Regents to offer its first doctoral degrees in 1966. In 1968 the Hofstra stadium added the first outdoor installation of Astroturf in the East, and the New York Jets became affiliated with the University. The North Campus became home to the New York Jets’ summer training center for the next 40 years, until the team moved to its new complex in New Jersey.

Although the late 1960s and early 1970s were a period of student unrest, Hofstra was spared much of the violence that occurred at other educational institutions. Matters were settled peacefully here, and as a result, changes were made in both academic programming and student life.

By 1970 Hofstra established the School of Law, and the first class was admitted in September. In 1973 a Phi Beta Kappa charter was granted to Hofstra. During the recession of the 1970s, and because of declining enrollments, Hofstra was forced to respond by cutting back its staff. As a result, administrative changes took place, and the first imperative was to reestablish a balanced budget. The turnaround in enrollment came in fall 1976 and included students from a great diversity of geographic, economic and ethnic backgrounds. Hofstra was well on its way to becoming a nationally and internationally recognized educational institution. In 1981 Hofstra was acclaimed as the first private university in the United States to achieve the goal of making the entire campus architecturally barrier-free for all programs and activities, and in 1984 the University hosted the International Games for the Disabled. What had begun as a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees in 1963, became part of campus life, as each new building was and is designed to accommodate those with physical disabilities.

Although the University was hosting more than 500 cultural events annually, including art shows, film festivals, seminars, concerts, drama and dance programs, and both national and international conferences. One of the most successful and prestigious events has been the Hofstra Cultural Center’s Presidential Conference series, which began with an examination of the administrations of U.S. presidents since Hofstra’s founding. Presidents who have visited the campus include Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, George H.W. Bush, William Jefferson Clinton, Barack Obama, and Donald Trump, either for these conferences, or for honors or campaign visits.

Hofstra University has consistently provided students with state-of-the-art facilities, whether it was for studying broadcast journalism or participating in intercollegiate sports. A multimillion-dollar facility for the study of television and communications was established in the spring of 1986; James M. Shuart Stadium was the first outdoor stadium in the country to receive Balsam Turf in 1988; and Breslin Hall, a building dedicated to classrooms, was completed in 1990. By 1993 a bird sanctuary was created on the North Campus, while outdoor sculptures were placed in select areas on both the North and South Campuses. In the 1990s Hofstra continued to update its curriculum and add courses for its students, including the establishment of the School of Communication in 1995.

In 2005 the School of Communication celebrated its 10th year, while Hofstra University Honors College celebrated the graduation of its first class. The highlight of 2005, which included the involvement of all areas of the University, was the 11th presidential conference, William Jefferson Clinton: The “New Democrat” From Hope. In a fascinating 80-minute speech, President Clinton offered a critique of his administration and record before an audience of nearly 5,000 students, scholars and Hofstra community members.
The 2006-2007 academic year included many landmark events and programs. The year began with a symposium that explored how the tragic events of September 11, 2001 have forever changed our world, as well as a series of lectures and concerts celebrating the 250th anniversary of the birth of Mozart. Hofstra’s Center for Civic Engagement launched a variety of inaugural events geared toward encouraging students to be aware and active citizens. There were faculty installation ceremonies for the newly created Kalikow Chair in Presidential Studies and the Monsignor Thomas J. Hartman Chair in Catholic Studies.

In November 2007 the Commission on Presidential Debates announced the selection of Hofstra as the site of the third and final presidential debate. Hofstra’s was the first presidential debate to take place at a New York college. That announcement precipitated 11 busy months of preparations as well as the launch of an innovative program titled Educate ’08, which brought to campus a variety of high-profile speakers to discuss various political issues. The subsequent debate between then-Senator Barack Obama and Senator John McCain on October 15, 2008 put Hofstra on the global stage. The advent of the debate brought thousands of guests to campus, including more than 3,000 members of the media.

In October 2007 Hofstra President Stuart Rabinowitz announced plans to open a medical school on the Hofstra campus in partnership with North Shore-LIJ Health System (now Northwell Health). The proposed School of Medicine took a major step forward in March 2008 when the joint agreement was finalized between Hofstra and the health system and the appointment of a dean, Lawrence G. Smith, MD, was announced.

In March 2008 President Rabinowitz announced that his Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, was the first recipient of Hofstra’s international Guru Nanak Interfaith Prize. The prize was established through an endowment from the family of Sardar Ishar Singh Bindra, and has since been awarded to numerous individuals and organizations for their efforts to facilitate interfaith dialogue.

Other newsworthy events included the expansion of Hofstra’s Center for Suburban Studies into The National Center for Suburban Studies at Hofstra University; the launch of the Wilbur F. Breslin Center for Real Estate Studies; the opening of NewsHub, a state-of-the-art converged newsroom and multimedia classroom; the 60th anniversary of the Hofstra Shakespeare Festival; and the faculty installation of the Sardarni Kuljit Kaur Bindra Chair in Sikh Studies.

On June 25, 2009, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted to reaffirm Hofstra’s accreditation and to expressly “commend the institution for progress to date and for the quality of the self-study process.” This very complimentary report acknowledged the hard work that the entire community invested in the self-study, as well as the commitment and dedication of the community to ensuring that Hofstra continues to enhance the excellent educational experience it provides to students.

In addition to the Middle States reaccreditation, the University successfully obtained eight reaccreditations in 2009: AACSB International — The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business accreditation for the Frank G. Zarb School of Business as well as the Department of Accounting, Taxation and Legal Studies in Business; ABA accreditation for the School of Law; ARC-PA accreditation for the Physician Assistant Studies Program; accreditations for the Hofstra University Museum and Diane Lindner-Goldberg Child Care Institute; and TEAC (Teacher Education Accreditation Council) accreditation for the School of Education’s Educational Leadership and Teacher Education Programs. The University also successfully received NCAA recertification.

On September 23, 2010, Hofstra began a yearlong celebration of its 75th anniversary — 75 years of academic excellence, growth, community, scholarship, service, success and, most especially, Hofstra Pride and Purpose. Hofstra University kicked off its diamond celebration with exciting events, including the 75th Anniversary Convocation, Hofstra’s birthday party, a comedy show featuring Jimmy Fallon, a fireworks spectacular, and the Live at 75 Festival.

In recent years Hofstra University has enjoyed continued success. In 2011 the Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine (now the Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine), the first allopathic medical school in Nassau County and the first new medical school in the New York metropolitan area in more than 35 years, welcomed its inaugural class of students. Four years later, the School of Medicine unveiled an ultramodern 63,000-square-foot addition, and announced it had earned full accreditation. Its charter class graduated in spring 2015, after earning a 100 percent placement rate for residencies where they continue their medical training.

In October 2011 the Commission on Presidential Debates chose Hofstra University as the site for its October 16, 2012, presidential debate. This historic experience allowed students and faculty to once again witness the democratic process firsthand, and showcased the University to a national and international audience.
With the establishment of a School of Engineering and Applied Science in 2011, Hofstra became one of only three schools in the New York metropolitan area with colleges of law, medicine and engineering. A new School of Health Professions and Human Services also brought fresh focus and energy to the University’s health professions curriculum with the launch of innovative programs such as the Master of Public Health. In addition, the law school was named the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University, after alumnus Maurice A. Deane’s transformative gift valued at $20 million – marking the largest commitment in Hofstra history.

In 2013 the School of Communication was named The Lawrence Herbert School of Communication after distinguished alumnus Lawrence Herbert, inventor of the Pantone Matching System, to honor his generous support of the University and his revolutionary impact on print and design.

In 2015 Hofstra and Northwell Health announced the launch of the Hofstra Northwell School of Graduate Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies, expanding their successful medical school partnership to meet the increasing need for nurse practitioners and physician assistants to deliver community-based health care.

In October 2015 Peter S. Kalikow, a Hofstra trustee and alumnus who had previously endowed a premier center for presidential studies at the University in 2006, expanded his commitment with a multimillion-dollar gift that created a new school devoted to training the next generation of public policy leaders. The Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs incorporates eight academic departments, several interdisciplinary programs and two academic centers, including the Peter S. Kalikow Center for the Study of the American Presidency.

The Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs, along with the School of Education and the newly formed School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts and School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, are housed in the Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

In March 2016 Hofstra University celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Frank G. Zarb School of Business, named in 1994 for alumnus Frank G. Zarb, who earned a bachelor’s degree and an MBA from Hofstra. The Zarb School is ranked among the top business schools in the nation and its programs have been recognized by numerous national organizations and publications.

The Commission on Presidential Debates again tapped Hofstra University to host the first presidential debate between candidates Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump on September 26, 2016, making Hofstra the first and only university in the nation to host three consecutive presidential debates. The televised event was the most-watched presidential debate in history.

In October 2016 the School of Engineering and Applied Science was named the Fred DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science after visionary builder Fred DeMatteis, the longtime chairman and chief executive officer of The DeMatteis Organizations, to honor his leadership, his contributions to construction and real estate development in the New York metropolitan area, and his strong commitment to charitable causes through philanthropy and volunteerism.

Earlier this year, the New Academic Building, which houses the departments of History, Rhetoric, and Music as well as faculty offices for the Kalikow School and the Herbert School of Communication, was renamed Joseph G. Shapiro Family Hall in honor of the contributions of Joseph G. Shapiro and his wife, Libby, both Class of 1954 and devoted friends and benefactors of the University. This spring, nine years after Hofstra University’s historic first Globe Stage was retired, a new one – the most authentic replica in America – made its debut with the premiere of Hamlet as part of the 2017 Shakespeare Festival.

When Hofstra’s doors opened on September 23, 1935, 19 faculty in three programs of study taught a few hundred students in one building, Hofstra Hall. Few would have predicted Hofstra’s tremendous growth. Today, about 11,000 students – with 325 undergraduate and graduate program options from which to choose – learn from nearly 500 full-time faculty on our 244-acre campus. Our faculty are leading scholars in their disciplines, and our more than 134,000 alumni are experiencing great success in their chosen careers. Hofstra has achieved prominence on the world stage, and has been recognized on the Best College lists of U.S. News & World Report, Fiske, Washington Monthly, Forbes, The Princeton Review, and LinkedIn.

Just as commencement is the celebration of continued academic and professional growth for our students, Hofstra University continues to grow and evolve to meet the needs of a new generation of students.
Commencement Notes

THE FLAG

The Hofstra flag, bearing the seal of the University, was presented to Hofstra on April 19, 1940, by Dr. Alexander Loudon, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary, in the name of Her Majesty, Wilhelmina, queen of the Netherlands. The seal is derived from the coat of arms of the House of Orange-Nassau. The motto, “Je maintiendray,” means “I stand steadfast.”

THE CEREMONIAL MACE

The ceremonial mace, carried by the grand marshals in the academic procession, was given to Hofstra by Halsted Billings Vander Poel, son of former Trustee W. Halsted Vander Poel.

The mace is made of silver with a shaft of ebony. Its design is based upon one of the oldest maces of Yale University, dating from the time of Queen Anne. Engraved upon the head is the Hofstra seal. Around the upper portion of the haft appears the quotation from the Book of Proverbs: “The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the Lord hath made even both of them.”

The history of the mace in ceremonies begins in the 13th century when ceremonial maces were borne by the sergeant at arms, a royal bodyguard established in France by Phillip II and in England by Richard I. When used in our Commencement Exercises, its presence symbolizes the authority by which commencement is held and under which degrees are granted.

THE MARSHALS’ SCAPULARS

The marshals in today’s academic procession are wearing specially designed scapulars of their offices. The scapulars draw their basic characteristics from the official seal of the University. Each is designed against a background of silver thread, laid with gold lace and embroidered threads of red, blue and green, the colors of the Hofstra seal.

The scapular of the grand marshal carries the University seal in full color as the breastplate. The breastplates of the other marshals are linked with other significant sections of the seal. The badges of the trustee and guest marshal, faculty marshal, and graduate marshal carry four, three, or two tassels of gold, in order of rank, while the scapulars of the highest rank, grand marshal, and the baccalaureate marshal are without tassels. Assistant marshals carry batons.
THE GONFALONS

Of the 14 gonfalons, three of the fishtail ensigns plus the Hofstra seal were first presented in University ceremonies during the dedication of the Hofstra Library in 1967. The gonfalon for the Maurice A. Deane School of Law was added in 1970, followed by the Hofstra University Libraries gonfalon in 1993, The Lawrence Herbert School of Communication gonfalon in 1996, the Honors College gonfalon in 2001, the Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine gonfalon in 2009, and the Fred DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science and the School of Health Professions and Human Services gonfalons, both dedicated in 2013. The gonfalons of the Hofstra Northwell School of Graduate Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies; Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs; School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics; and School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts were dedicated in 2015.

The history of the ceremonial use of gonfalons seems lost in antiquity. Probably best remembered is their appearance at the head of the parades of the Crusades where they presented the coats of arms of legion commanders. The gonfalons of Hofstra carry the seals of the colleges and schools of the University.

The seal of Hofstra is worked in threads of gold, silver, red, blue and green against a background of white silk, derived from the great seal of the House of Orange-Nassau, and is at the center of the stage. (See note under “The Flag,” on page 9.)

The gonfalons are displayed from left to right.

The gonfalon of Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences carries the seal of the province of Friesland, the original home of the Hofstra family. The fishtail below the seal has the colors of Hofstra, blue and gold, at the left and right, and the colors of the college, white for arts and gold for sciences, through the center.

The gonfalon of the School of Education carries the seal of the province of Groningen. The colors of Hofstra, blue and gold, trim the gonfalon, while the light blue of education is the center color.

The gonfalon of the Frank G. Zarb School of Business carries the seal of the province of Gelderland. The University colors of blue and gold trim the gonfalon, with the traditional “drab” filling the center stripe of the fishtail.

The gonfalon of the Maurice A. Deane School of Law carries the seal of Noord Brabant province, is trimmed in the University colors of blue and gold, and carries a band of purple through the center to indicate law.

The gonfalon of the Hofstra University Libraries carries the seal of the province of Rotterdam. University colors of blue and gold trim the gonfalon. The center area carries the colors of all the colleges and schools and is overlaid with a band of lemon yellow, representing the discipline of library science.
The gonfalon of The Lawrence Herbert School of Communication carries the seal of the province of Arnhem. The University colors of blue and gold trim a center panel of crimson representing communication.

The gonfalon of Hofstra University Honors College adapts the seal of the Frisian town of Tytsjerksteradiel. The gonfalon design uses the University colors in a traditional woven heraldic pattern representing the interrelationship of disciplines in Honors College.

The gonfalon of Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine carries an emblem representing the “staff of Asclepius,” the traditional symbol of medicine. It is trimmed in green to represent the discipline of medicine, and carries bands of the University’s and Northwell Health’s colors.

The gonfalon of the Fred DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science carries the seal of the House of Orange-Nassau coat of arms. University colors of blue and gold trim the gonfalon. The orange center represents the degrees conferred by the school.

The gonfalon of the School of Health Professions and Human Services carries the seal of the province of Overijssel. The University colors of blue and gold trim the center panel of sage green representing health professions and human services.

The gonfalon of the Hofstra Northwell School of Graduate Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies carries an emblem of a shield and flame to represent the professions of nursing and physician assistant studies. It is trimmed in purple to represent leadership, and carries the colors of blue, orange, red, and yellow to represent collaboration, humanism, courage, and innovation. The flame breaking through the shield embodies the break from the traditional model of education.

The gonfalon of the Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs is derived from the Dutch city of The Hague, the seat of government of the Netherlands and the seat of the United Nations International Court of Justice. The words “vrede” and “recht” translate into “peace” and “justice,” the cornerstones of the Kalikow School. The center of the gonfalon includes the three branches of the U.S. government, with the crown being replaced by people, symbolizing a government “by the people.” The gonfalon was created by Peter S. Kalikow, a proud alumnus of Hofstra University.

The gonfalon of the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics displays symbols within a shield that represent the atom, symbolizing the natural sciences; Pi (π), symbolizing mathematics; and two lions, symbolizing Hofstra pride. The colors represented in the gonfalon symbolize pure reason (white), growth (green), clarity (black), and order (purple) along with the University’s traditional blue and gold.

The gonfalon of the School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts displays symbols within a shield that represent the key to learning, symbolizing humanities; eye and primary colors, symbolizing the visual arts; masks of comedy and tragedy placed on a musical scale, symbolizing performing arts; and lions, representing Hofstra pride. The colors represented in the fishtail symbolize the array of disciplines incorporated in the school along with the University’s traditional blue and gold.
ACADEMIC HERALDRY

The wearing of caps, gowns, and hoods at college and university functions dates to the Middle Ages, when they were first worn by monks and students for warmth in the damp and drafty 12th-century castles and halls of learning. Through the years, their styles and colors have come to represent certain specific meanings.

Gowns for the bachelor’s degree have a semistiff yoke, long pleated front, and intricate shirring across the shoulders and back. The bachelor’s gown is worn closed and is distinguished primarily by its long pointed sleeves.

The gown for the master’s degree has the same yoke effect as that of the bachelor’s, but is designed so that it may be worn open or closed. The back of the sleeve is oblong and cut square, with the front part carrying a cutaway arc.

Gowns for the doctoral degree may also be worn open or closed. They have long velvet panels down the front and three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves. This velvet trimming may be either black or the color distinctive of the field of learning to which the degree pertains.

Members of the Hofstra University Board of Trustees wear academic robes and caps in the distinctive colors of the University. A small, embroidered replica of the seal of the University is worn on each lapel.

It is the hood that gives color and definitive meaning to the academic costume. The hood is of varying sizes for master’s and doctoral degrees and of material to match the gown. It is lined with the color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The hood is bordered with velvet of the proper width and color to indicate the field of learning.*

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May 2017 graduates are wearing blue academic attire bearing the Hofstra University crest. Graduates may keep their custom-made attire.

*The colors above represent Hofstra University degree-granting schools and colleges. It is also acceptable for PhD graduates to receive dark blue academic regalia regardless of school or college.
Honorary Degree Recipients
listed in alphabetical order

STANLEY M. BERGMAN

Since 1989, Stanley M. Bergman has been chairman of the board and CEO of Henry Schein, Inc., a Fortune 500 company and the world’s largest provider of health care products and services to office-based dental, animal health and medical practitioners, with more than 21,000 Team Schein Members and operations or affiliates in 33 countries. Henry Schein is a member of the S&P 500 and Nasdaq 100 indexes. In 2016 the company’s sales reached a record $11.6 billion. Henry Schein has been a Fortune World’s Most Admired Company for 16 consecutive years.

Mr. Bergman serves as a board member or advisor for numerous institutions, including New York University College of Dentistry; University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine; Columbia University Medical Center; Hebrew University; Tel Aviv University; The University of the Witwatersrand Fund; The World Economic Forum’s Health Care Governors; Business Council for International Understanding; Japan Society; and The Metropolitan Opera. Mr. Bergman is an honorary member of the American Dental Association and the Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity. His awards include being the recipient of the Ellis Island Medal of Honor; the CR Magazine Corporate Responsibility Lifetime Achievement Award; an Honorary Doctorate of Commerce from The University of the Witwatersrand; a Doctor of Humane Letters from A.T. Still University’s Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health and from Case Western Reserve University; and an Honorary Fellowship from King’s College London - Dental Institute and the International College of Dentists.

Stan and Marion Bergman and their family are active supporters of organizations fostering the arts, higher education, cultural diversity, grassroots health care and sustainable entrepreneurial economic development initiatives in the United States, Africa, and other developing regions of the world.

Mr. Bergman is a graduate of The University of the Witwatersrand in South Africa, and is a South African Chartered Accountant and a NYS Certified Public Accountant (CPA).
JILL BIDEN

Jill Biden, wife of former Vice President Joe Biden, is a mother and grandmother, a lifelong educator, a proud military mom, and an active member of her community. With the February 2017 launch of the Biden Foundation, Jill Biden and her husband will continue their commitment to strengthening the middle class, protecting women and children against violence, and supporting community colleges and military families.

During her time as second lady, Dr. Biden worked to bring attention to the sacrifices made by military families, to highlight the importance of community colleges to America’s future, and to raise awareness around areas of particular importance to women, including breast cancer prevention, all while continuing to teach as a full-time English professor at a community college in Northern Virginia.

As a military mom, Jill Biden understands firsthand how difficult it can be to have a loved one deployed overseas. Dr. Biden’s children’s book – Don’t Forget, God Bless Our Troops – was released in June 2012. Inspired by real-life events, the book tells the story of a military family’s experience with deployment through the eyes of Dr. Biden’s granddaughter, Natalie, during the year her father is deployed to Iraq. The book also includes resources about what readers can do to support military service members and their families.

In 1993, after four of her friends were diagnosed with breast cancer, Dr. Biden started the Biden Breast Health Initiative in Delaware, which has educated more than 10,000 high school girls about the importance of early detection of breast cancer. Dr. Biden and Joe Biden have also served as the honorary co-chairs for the Global Race for the Cure in Washington, D.C. As second lady, Dr. Biden continued to stress the importance of breast cancer research and early detection.

Jill Biden has been an educator for more than three decades. Prior to moving to Washington, D.C., she taught English at a community college in Delaware, at a public high school, and at a psychiatric hospital for adolescents. Dr. Biden earned a doctorate in education from the University of Delaware in January of 2007. Her dissertation focused on maximizing student retention in community colleges. She also has two master’s degrees — both of which she earned while working and raising a family.

Jill and Joe Biden raised three children, daughter Ashley and sons Beau and Hunter. The oldest of five sisters, Jill Jacobs was raised just outside of Philadelphia in Willow Grove, Pennsylvania.
MARIKO SILVER

Mariko Silver, president of Bennington College, previously served in the Obama administration as acting assistant secretary for international affairs and deputy assistant secretary for international policy for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, where she spearheaded the creation of the first department-wide international strategy, managed the department’s international engagements, and co-developed a global initiative to enhance aviation security. Prior to that, she served as policy advisor to Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano, with responsibility for the state’s public and private universities, community colleges and vocational institutions; the Arizona Department of Commerce; and Science Foundation Arizona. In these capacities she worked with multiple communities and constituencies around the world and very close to home.

As senior advisor to Arizona State University (ASU) President Michael Crow, Mariko Silver was a key strategist in what Newsweek called “one of the most radical redesigns in higher learning since the origins of the modern university.” Ms. Silver designed and led international and community initiatives focused on economic development, interdisciplinary science initiatives, and student success. She also served as professor of practice in ASU’s School of Politics and Global Studies and established international research and teaching partnerships, including the international University Design Consortium.

In the Office of the Executive Vice-Provost of Columbia University, Mariko Silver co-developed a multi-institution research response to the events of 9/11 and helped establish the International Innovation Initiative (I-3). She has also worked in London, United Kingdom; Bangkok, Thailand; and at the United Nations headquarters in New York City.

Mariko Silver sits on the board of MASS MoCA, is serving a three-year term on the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), and also serves on the Climate Leadership Steering Committee of Second Nature, an organization that works with colleges and universities to help make the principles of sustainability fundamental to every aspect of higher education. She has served on the boards of the Humanity in Action Foundation, Planned Parenthood of Arizona, and the Arizona Commission on the Arts, and is a member of the American Association of Geographers and a former term member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Ms. Silver holds a BA in history from Yale University, an MSc in science and technology policy from the University of Sussex (UK), and a PhD in economic geography from the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA).

Mariko Silver is married to musician Thom Loubet and is the mother of two children.
THE HONORABLE MADELINE SINGAS

A deep commitment to fairness, integrity and justice guide Madeline Singas as Nassau County district attorney, just as they have throughout her 26-year career as a prosecutor.

Elected in 2015, District Attorney Singas serves as the chief law enforcement official serving Nassau County’s 1.3 million residents. She manages a staff of more than 350 attorneys, investigators and support staff, prosecuting and investigating approximately 30,000 criminal cases annually to ensure that Nassau remains one of the nation’s safest suburban counties.

As district attorney, Madeline Singas has focused efforts on combating drug and gun trafficking, violent gangs and sexual assaults. Using enhanced investigative techniques, collaborative partnerships and intelligence-based prosecution models, she has effectively dismantled narcotics and gang enterprises within Nassau County and beyond its borders. She has dedicated unprecedented resources to battle the epidemic of heroin and opiate abuse plaguing Nassau County, prioritizing education to prevent addiction and treatment for those abusing drugs. In addition, she is committed to aggressively investigating and combating government corruption to protect taxpayers from those who abuse the public trust.

DA Singas’ priorities are driven and informed by more than two decades of experience as a courtroom prosecutor, trying and overseeing thousands of criminal cases. She began her career as an assistant district attorney in Queens at the height of the crack wars, working her way through the ranks prosecuting murderers, batterers, and other violent criminals. In 2006 she joined the Nassau County District Attorney’s Office as chief of Nassau’s newly created Special Victims Bureau, bringing her expertise to serve the most vulnerable victims – children, the elderly, and victims of domestic and sexual abuse.

In 2011 Madeline Singas was appointed chief assistant district attorney, and worked to design and implement specialized programs for adolescent offenders, veterans, and those who suffer from mental illness or drug addiction. She was elevated to the role of acting district attorney in January 2015, and elected to a four-year term in November 2015.

The daughter of Greek immigrants, Madeline Singas grew up in Astoria. She is a graduate of the Bronx High School of Science, Barnard College at Columbia University, and Fordham University Law School. She lives in Manhasset with her husband and teenage twins.
Presidential Medal Recipient

BERNARD J. FIRESTONE

Dr. Bernard J. Firestone is dean of Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and professor of political science. A specialist in international relations and the American presidency, Dr. Firestone is the author of *The Quest for Nuclear Stability: John F. Kennedy and the Soviet Union* and *The United Nations Under U Thant, 1961-1971*. He is the co-editor of two volumes: *Lyndon Baines Johnson and The Uses of Power* and *Gerald R. Ford and the Politics of Post-Watergate America*. His article, “Failed Mediation: U Thant, the Johnson Administration and the Vietnam War,” was published in *Diplomatic History* in November 2013. His chapter on U Thant will appear in *The UN Secretaries General and Their Interactions with the UN Security Council*, to be published by Oxford University Press. A recipient of the University’s Distinguished Teaching Award, Dr. Firestone regularly teaches a course in international relations in the Department of Political Science.
HOFSTRA NORTHWELL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
COMMENCEMENT

Monday, May 8, 2017, 2 p.m.
Toni and Martin Sosnoff Theater
John Cranford Adams Playhouse

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Dean, Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine

INVOCATION, the audience standing

RABBI DAVID SIEGEL, MA; MPA
Executive Director, Hofstra Hillel
Member, University Board of Chaplains, Hofstra University Interfaith Center

NATIONAL ANTHEM, the audience standing

Led by ANDREW LELIN, MD, CLASS OF 2016

GREETINGS

STUART RABINOWITZ, JD
President of the University

MICHAEL J. DOWLING
President and CEO, Northwell Health System

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

HOWARD B. DEAN III, MD
Former Chairman, Democratic National Committee
79th Governor of Vermont
Senior Presidential Fellow, Peter S. Kalikow Center for the Study of the American Presidency, Hofstra University

STUDENT SPEAKER

VINODH MECHERY, MD, CLASS OF 2017

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ANNE DAVIDSON, MBBS
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LAWRENCE G. SMITH, MD; MACP
Dean

CLOSING REMARKS
LAWRENCE G. SMITH, MD; MACP
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Immediately following commencement there will be a reception for graduates, guests, faculty, and members of the platform party at the Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine, North Campus.
Class of 2017

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

JOSEPH CARRION, PhD
*Imaging Gender-Specific Metabolic Differences Using the Formalin Pain Assay*
Advisor: STEPHEN L. DEWEY, PhD

MEGAN WOODS, PhD
*Intrinsic and Extrinsic Regulation of Germinal Center Autoantibodies in Lupus Prone Mice*
Advisor: ANNE DAVIDSON, MBBS

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

SAMUEL ALPERIN, MD
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VINOTHI BIRABAHARAN, MD
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RAVI BUDHAN, MD
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HAYATO Le UNNO, MD
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PERRY J. ZELINGER, MD
RANDI ZUKAS, MD
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

ANESTHESIA
John Di Capua, MD
Chair, Department of Anesthesiology

EMERGENCY MEDICINE
Lance Becker, MD
Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine

FAMILY MEDICINE
Eric Shoenfeld, MD
Department of Family Medicine

MEDICINE
Thomas McGinn, MD, MPH
Chair, Department of Medicine

NEUROLOGY
Souhel Najjar, MD
Chair, Department of Neurology

OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY
Jill Rabin, MD
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

OTOLARYNGOLOGY
Peter Costantino, MD
Chair, Department of Otolaryngology

PEDIATRICS
Roya Samuels, MD
Department of Pediatrics

PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION
Adam Stein, MD
Chair, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

PSYCHIATRY
John M. Kane, MD
Chair, Department of Psychiatry

 RADIOLOGY
Jason Naidich, MD
Chair, Department of Radiology

Surgery
Jeffrey Nicastro, MD
Department of Surgery

UROLOGY
Robert Waldbaum, MD
Department of Urology

Faculty Council Award for Leadership and Service
John Pellerito, MD
President, Faculty Council

Branson Sparks Humanism Award
David Battinelli, MD
Dean for Medical Education

Dean's Recognition Award
Lawrence G. Smith, MD; MACP
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DEGREES CONFERRED WITH DISTINCTION IN RESEARCH

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Marshals for the Academic Procession

Grand Marshal  DAVID ELKOWITZ, DO  
Associate Dean and Director of the Academy of Medical Educators

Faculty Marshal  JOHN PELLERITO, MD  
Faculty Council President

Graduate Marshals  JOSEPH WEINER, MD  
Teacher of the Year, First 100 Weeks

JILL RABIN, MD  
Teacher of the Year, Second 100 Weeks

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CELEBRATION OF SCHOLARLY EXCELLENCE
Friday, May 19, 2017, 4 p.m.
Toni and Martin Sosnoff Theater, John Cranford Adams Playhouse

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MASTER OF CEREMONIES
GAIL M. SIMMONS, PHD
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs
Professor of Biology

WELCOME AND COMMENTARY
PRESIDENT RABINOWITZ

CLASS OF 2017 STUDENT SPEAKER
PAUL J. FRANCO
Biology

PRESENTATION OF OUTSTANDING SENIOR SCHOLAR AWARDS
PRESIDENT RABINOWITZ

Presented to
GWENDOLYN B. ASBURY, CLASS OF 2016
Film Studies and Production
LACIA A. JAPP, CLASS OF 2016
Criminology and Psychology
DANIELA M. LOCURTO, CLASS OF 2016
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Economics
MATTHEW M. SIANO, CLASS OF 2017
Psychology
DANIEL ZHU, CLASS OF 2017
Pre-Medical Studies and Medicine
PRESENTATION OF THE JOAN AND DONALD E. AXINN LIBRARY UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AWARDS

BERNARD J. FIRESTONE, PhD
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Dean, Library and Information Services
Professor of Political Science
Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs
Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

PRESENTATION OF THE LAWRENCE A. STESSIN PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING SCHOLARLY PUBLICATION

PROVOST SIMMONS

Presented to

KARA S. ALAIMO, PhD
Assistant Professor of Journalism, Media Studies, and Public Relations
The Lawrence Herbert School of Communication
“Pitch, Tweet or Engagement on the Street: How to Practice Global Public Relations and Strategic Communication,” Routledge (2016)

DANYANG LI, PhD
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PRESENTATION OF THE MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented by

NEIL H. DONAHUE, PhD
Vice Provost for Undergraduate Academic Affairs
Professor of German and Comparative Literature
School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts
Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Awarded to

CHRISTOPHER H. ELIOT, PhD
Associate Professor of Philosophy
Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs
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PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENTAL HONORS, LATIN HONORS AND SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Presented by

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VICE PROVOST DONAHUE

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Professor of Geology, Environment and Sustainability
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SINE NOMINE, RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
The Hofstra University Brass Ensemble

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Pre-Medical Studies and Medicine

Academic Honors

Some undergraduate students in today’s ceremony are wearing special scapulars that identify them as Latin Honors recipients and candidates. They have earned this distinction by maintaining a high grade point average and by completing the requirements for University honors. Latin Honors are conferred upon students who have achieved the following grade point averages:

- summa cum laude 3.85
- magna cum laude 3.75
- cum laude 3.60

Dean’s List honors are awarded each semester to first-year students who earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average, and to sophomores, juniors and seniors who earn a grade point average of 3.4 or higher.

Provost’s Scholars are full-time students who achieve a 4.0 grade point average in a given semester.

At its own award ceremony, Hofstra University Honors College confers designations of: HUHC Graduate with Distinction (30 honors credits with departmental honors, 3.6+ GPA); Graduate (30 honors credits, 3.4+ GPA); Associate (18 honors credits, 3.4+ GPA); Recognition (24 hours credit to include transfer honors credit, 3.4+ GPA).

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Latin Honors Recipients and Candidates

The following students graduated August 31, 2016, December 31, 2016, or January 31, 2017, or will graduate May 31, 2017, or August 31, 2017. Degree candidates with a cumulative grade point average of 3.55 or higher are considered Latin Honors candidates. Degree recipients with a final grade point average of 3.6 or higher will officially qualify for graduation with distinction.

**August 31, 2016, Degree Recipients**

- SCOTT AHIRONI: Video/Television and Film, SUMMA CUM LAUDE
- ALYSSA MARIE BARBIERI: Exercise Science, CUM LAUDE
- MICHAEL JAMES CASALI: Video/Television, CUM LAUDE
- JOHN COLLINS: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and Early Childhood and Childhood Education, CUM LAUDE
- EMILY MARGARET DAVIDSON: Accounting, CUM LAUDE
- VICTORIA DEMARCO: Exercise Science, CUM LAUDE
- JON THOMAS ELSASSER: Social Sciences, CUM LAUDE
- WILLIAM ROCCO FEMIA: Finance, CUM LAUDE
- ANTHONY PHILLIP MACCHIARULO: Biology, CUM LAUDE
- ERIC MASTANDUONO: Political Science, CUM LAUDE
- DOMENICK JOHN FESCE: Sociology, CUM LAUDE
- BRITTANY NICHOLE RYAN: Biology, CUM LAUDE
- EYTAN ELIOTT ZARABI: Music, CUM LAUDE

**December 31, 2016, Degree Recipients**

- PAUL NICHOLAS ABRUDESCU: Health Science, CUM LAUDE
- DIANNA NICOLE ALBANESE: Public Relations, CUM LAUDE
- GWENDOLYN BLAIR ASBURY: Nursing, CUM LAUDE
- SAMIHA AZGAR: Psychology, CUM LAUDE
- ABDULLAH SACHAR BRAUER: Mechanical Engineering, CUM LAUDE
- ZUZANA ISABELLE CALBO: Mathematics and Physics, CUM LAUDE
- VALERIA ALEJANDRA CAMARGO: Information Systems and Marketing, CUM LAUDE
- MICHAEL ANTONIO CAMPAGNA: Accounting, CUM LAUDE
- ANTHONY M. CASELLE: Marketing, MAGNA CUM LAUDE
- VICTORIA MARIA CERRO: Mechanical Engineering, CUM LAUDE
- AMANDA NICOLE CHAMBERS: Film Studies and Production, CUM LAUDE
- JERRIC FLORES CLEMENTE: Electrical Engineering, CUM LAUDE
May 31, 2017, Degree Candidates

LINA M. ABU-SAAB
JOHN ALEXANDER ADAMS
EMILEY AGUDELO
WASIQ MATEEN AHMAD
MEHRAB N. AHSAN
LEAH FRANCES ANDRIEN
KYRA FELISE ANGIONE
JESSICA ANTRETTER
LISA MARIA ARANGO
IGOR ARANGO
SYLVIA NAA KOWAH ARCHAMPONG
ALEKSEY BABADZHANOV
ASIA MONET BAEZ
JOSEPH SALVATORE BARONE
JONATHAN RICHARD BASS

SEAN M. BATES
KERRI NICOLE BAUM
SARAH GIBSON BAZZOLI
ALISSA C. BEATON
RACHEL RENEE BOWES BEATON
MARTIN L. BEER
COLLEEN PATRICIA BEIRNE
MATT O'BRIEN BEISNER
LAURA BENNETT
JESSICA MARIE BICKMANN
BROOKE BIFULCO
SARAH ROSE BONAMINO

Psychology
Computer Science
Biology
Community Health
Engineering Science
Finance
Psychology
Criminology
Dance and Psychology
Information Systems
Accounting
International Business
Community Health
Public Relations
Accounting
Criminology and Psychology
Biology
Video/TV and Film
Finance
Accounting
Public Relations
Psychology
Accounting
Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences
Exercice science
Criminology
Industrial Engineering
Management
Global Studies
Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences
Accounting
Biology
Journalism
Accounting
Criminology and Psychology
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ALPHA MU ALPHA, national honor society in marketing
ALPHA PSI OMEGA, national drama honor society
ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA, national honor society for nontraditional adult students
ALPHA UPSILON ALPHA, Alpha Delta Alpha Chapter, honor society of the International Literacy Association
BETA ALPHA PSI, national honor society for financial information professionals
BETA BETA BETA, national biological honor society
BETA GAMMA SIGMA, honor society serving collegiate schools of business accredited by AASCB International
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DELTA OMEGA, Delta Kappa Chapter, national public health honor society
ETA SIGMA GAMMA, national professional health education honor society
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Grand Marshal  E. CHIRISTA FARMER, PhD  
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## Baccalaureate Degrees

### Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

**Bachelor of Arts**
- **January 31, 2017, Degree Recipient**: Chantel Rose Maher

**May 31, 2017, Degree Candidates**
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- Alexander T. Gelin
- Vanessa Victoria Jasmin
- Kristina Marie Leone
- Rachel Moskowitz
- Jamail C. Robinson
- Jordan Theodore Siem
- Briana Nicole Stine

**August 31, 2017, Degree Participants**
- Riley James Leder

### Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs

**Bachelor of Science**
- **January 31, 2017, Degree Candidates**
  - Juliana Balabusta
  - Andrew Nicholas Calderon
  - Francine R. Chirico
  - Buket Dorak
  - Andrew Lee Garrett
  - Rachael Goldblum
  - Sara Elizabeth Hicks
  - Sarah Julia Lippman
  - Kyle Mark Miller
  - Stella Kristin Schoen
  - Eric Mckinley Singer

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- David W. Won

### Bachelor of Arts
- **January 31, 2017, Degree Recipients**
  - Michele Masi
  - Harshitha Teppala

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- Igor Arango
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### School of Education

**Bachelor of Science in Education**
- **May 31, 2017, Degree Candidates**
  - Dawn Michael Barrett
  - Brianna N. Brickman
  - Nicole Calautti
  - Christina Mary Cinnamon
  - Sydney Nicole Cools
  - Kaitlyn Teves
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  - Zachary Stanley Grey Wolpoff
  - Ruochen Zhang

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- Kristina Shafranski
- Sabrina Singh
- Gregory L. Smertenko
- Shannon Michelle Spada
- Breanna Renee Stancio
- Ilan Stern
- Alexandra Surdo
- Melissa Marie Thiringer
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- Miranda Frances Wilson
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- Colleen Mckee
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- Ryan D. Smith
- Sydney Paige Hanks
- Chael Britney Holmes
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- Colleen McKeown
- Leawndra Kelsey Osegahal
- Joanna KeiLani Pibrat
- Maria Rueda
- Megan Kathleen Sadlon
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Program

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