

Commencement

FALL 2024



ASSOCIATE, BACCALAUREATE, MASTER'S,
AND DOCTORAL DEGREES

PENN STATE HARRISBURG

Saturday, December 21, 2024
The Giant Center, Hershey, PA
9:30 a.m.



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Penn State Harrisburg Commencement Fall 2024

It gives me great pleasure to extend my warmest congratulations to you on this special day.

The completion of your studies is significant, and today we recognize the culmination of your efforts and accomplishments. Your hard work, self-determination, and perseverance in achieving this milestone are to be commended.

It is also important that we take a moment to recognize the family, friends, colleagues, partners, and employers who have supported you along the way. They have contributed greatly to your success.

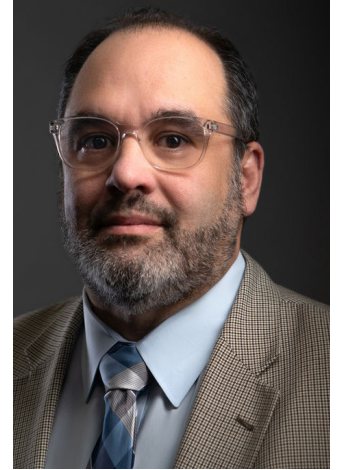
Penn State Harrisburg is committed to providing a rich educational experience through its excellent academic programs, outstanding faculty, and widespread opportunities inside and outside of the classroom. You, as a graduate, are a measure of our success as an institution.

As you move beyond the campus, it is my hope that you remain connected to Penn State Harrisburg, and the entire Penn State community. You are now a member of a distinguished global alumni network, one dedicated to making an impact on the world. I urge you to become active with your alumni network and be proud of your connection to Penn State, just as we are proud of you.

On behalf of the Penn State Harrisburg community, let me extend congratulations to all graduates and offer our sincere best wishes for your continued success.



Dr. David M. Callejo Pérez
Chancellor and Dean
Penn State Harrisburg



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Program Notes

ACADEMIC DRESS: Academic festivals such as today's commencement exercises have their roots in medieval Europe. Medieval institutions of higher learning were customarily operated by monastic orders, and students, as well as their instructors, wore the habits of monks. In 1321, the University of Coimbra (Portugal) required all bachelors, licentiates (masters), and doctors of theology to wear monastic gowns—the first such injunction recorded. It is still the custom of students and instructors in the ancient universities of the British Isles to wear their gowns, not only to lectures, but also in their daily affairs in such cities as Oxford, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, and St. Andrews (Scotland).

Originally, the hood worn by both those holding master's degrees and those with doctoral degrees was a head covering, the monk's tippet. When caps came into fashion in the fifteenth century, the hoods were draped down and back and ornamented with rich silk or velvet linings and edgings. The cap was first conferred as a symbol of the master's degree and varies greatly in style from institution to institution. Some were stiff, some soft, some square, others round. All were decorated with a tuft at the center. The tassel used today on American "mortarboards" is an elaboration of the tuft. The mortarboard style generally followed throughout the United States was borrowed from Oxford University, where the flat-topped cap is customarily worn by those holding the master of arts degree.

The practice of wearing academic dress dates in the United States from 1754, when King George I chartered King's College (now Columbia University) and translated to the colonies academic regulations from the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. Colonial colleges, however, rejected the scarlet robes of the English institutions in favor of black, the somber shade preferred by Puritan clergy.

During most of the nineteenth century, American colleges and universities had no standard style of academic dress. Undergraduates wore gowns only rarely during commencement exercises. Many faculty wore the garb of the European institutions where they received their degrees, and many wore robes of their own, often-eccentric design. Only a few faculty wore hoods and mortarboards. These were assumed to be articles of ecclesiastical dress, more appropriate for bishops than professors.

In 1895, a commission of leading American educators, mostly from the Ivy League colleges, was established to devise a standard code of academic dress. It decided, for instance, to adopt black as the standard color for academic robes. Undergraduates were required to wear a simple, unadorned, black robe with a mortarboard and black tassel. Candidates for the degree of master of arts were required to wear a simple robe, except that the sleeves were cut through so that the hands and lower arms could be seen. Holders of the doctorate were to wear full robes with full sleeves. Panels of velvet down the front and chevrons of the same material on the sleeves gave them a more richly ornamented appearance.

The code of 1895 is still in effect, although it was modified slightly in 1935 and again in 1960. Many universities have, under the new rules, adopted colored robes in place of the traditional black. Penn State, for example, now permits its degree holders to wear blue gowns.

The hoods of those receiving graduate degrees vary in shape and size. The larger and more heavily decorated

hood is worn by the holder of the doctoral degree. The trimming around the edge of the hood varies in color and designates the particular discipline of the degree holder. The satin linings in the hoods are customarily drawn from the official colors of the institution from which the degree was received. Penn State degrees are designated by the official blue and white satin linings.

THE MACE: An academic custom which originated in the sixteenth century is a part of today's commencement ceremonies. The academic procession is led by the Mace Bearer, carrying the official mace of Penn State Harrisburg, followed by the Commencement Marshal.

Although not as ornate as the first mace presented by Queen Elizabeth I to Oxford University in 1589, this mace probably has greater meaning to the students and faculty at the college than that felt by a similar body at Oxford more than 400 years ago.

Two faculty members and a student of the college designed and made the mace after it was realized that the University mace could not be made available for all occasions. Its design is similar to that of maces used throughout history. It was made by retired faculty members David Kravitz and William K. Aungst.

First used in the June 1973 Harrisburg commencement, it is shaped from solid walnut and was fabricated in Harrisburg's engineering laboratories. One end holds a solid cast aluminum flame which was designed by Rege Wynn Leach. Leach's design was chosen from among others submitted in competition by students enrolled in a humanities course in art technology. The other end is shaped like a crown and is decorated with highly polished Nittany Lions, replicas of the famed shrine located on the University Park campus.

Originally an instrument for battle, the mace also has a fascinating history in academic ceremonies.

Shortly after the British victory over the Spanish Armada in 1588, Queen Elizabeth visited Oxford University. At a special convocation held in her honor, the students pretended to love the queen and, thinking she was unfamiliar with Latin, lavished flattery on her and praised her profusely in Latin. As a gesture of her thanks, she stood and gave an eloquent speech in flawless Latin, at the conclusion of which she presented Oxford with her personal royal mace.

The second record of a mace being presented to a university was in 1629 when King Charles I presented his royal mace to Cambridge. It was customary thereafter in the British Isles and throughout Europe that the mace be used at all academic ceremonial occasions.

The mace came into use in the United States in the nineteenth century when academic ceremonies were becoming more elaborate and were being modeled on European customs.

It is carried in the procession with the device head up, which is symbolic of the University. Once the ceremony is completed and credentials are bestowed upon graduates, the mace is carried with the flame up, symbolizing the recognition of the knowledge they have acquired.

*Prepared by the late James G. McAree, B.A., M.A., Ph.D.,
Professor of Social Science and History*

Academic Colors

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

ProgramHood Color

SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

Adult Education..... Light Blue
Applied Behavior Analysis..... Gold
Applied Clinical Psychology..... Gold
Community Psychology
and Social Change..... Gold
Teaching and Curriculum..... Light Blue
Health Education Light Blue
Lifelong Learning and
Education..... Light Blue
Literacy Education..... White

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting..... Drab
Business Administration..... Drab
Information Systems Gold
Juris Doctor Information
Systems..... Purple
Juris Doctor Business
Administration..... Purple

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

Communications..... White
American Studies..... White
Humanities White

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Homeland Security..... Gold
Criminal Justice..... Purple
Public Administration..... Peacock
Health Administration..... Sage

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNOLOGY

Electrical Engineering..... Orange
Environmental Pollution Control..... Gold
Civil Engineering..... Orange
Computer Science Gold
Engineering Management..... Orange
Engineering Science..... Orange
Environmental Engineering..... Gold

2024 Fall Commencement

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David M. Callejo Pérez, Ed.D.
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PROCESSIONAL

Brassworks	
Jason Clarke, Trumpet	Ron Louder*, Trombone
Lisa Cronin, French Horn	Andrew Charland, Tuba
Nathan Froehlich, Trumpet	Andrew Snyder, Percussion

WELCOME

Chancellor and Dean Callejo Pérez

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Christyan Seay*

SALUTATION *(D. Douglas Miller)*

Adam Gustafson, Ph.D., *Associate Teaching Professor of Music*

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

The Honorable Jennifer Homendy
Chair, National Transportation Safety Board

GREETINGS

Jennifer Chambers*, M.D., FACP, *Chair, Penn State Harrisburg Board of Advisers*
Sheetal Patangay, *Student Speaker*

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ALMA MATER *(Fred Lewis Pattee)*

Christyan Seay

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Keynote Speaker

THE HONORABLE
JENNIFER HOMENDY

Jennifer L. Homendy has served as the 15th Chair of the U.S. National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) since August 2021 and as the agency's 44th Board Member since August 2018. In May 2024, the U.S. Senate



unanimously confirmed the President's renomination of Homendy to continue serving as Chair through 2027 and as Board Member until 2029. She is the fourth woman to serve as NTSB Chair since the agency was created in 1967. A tireless advocate for safety, Chair Homendy has spent over two decades supporting the critical safety mission of the NTSB, the independent federal agency that investigates crashes in all modes of transportation, determines the probable causes, and issues recommendations to improve the safety of transportation systems in the United States and around the world. From 2004 to 2018, Chair Homendy served as the Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives. She previously held positions with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the Transportation Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, and the American Iron and Steel Institute. Chair Homendy completed her undergraduate studies at Penn State Harrisburg. She recently obtained her Master of Transportation Safety Administration degree from the Institute for Global Road Safety and Security at Clemson University.

The Pennsylvania State University

From agricultural college to world-class learning community, Penn State's story is rooted in a mission of teaching, research, and public service. The mission seemed simple in 1855, when the Commonwealth chartered the school at the request of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society. The goal was to apply scientific principles to farming, a radical departure from traditional higher education, which emphasized mathematics, rhetoric, and classical languages.

Centre County was chosen as the site for the new college after Bellefonte agriculturalist and ironmaster James Irvin gave 200 acres for a campus. Founding President Evan Pugh drew on the scientific education he received in Europe to plan a curriculum combining hands-on training with theoretical studies. Penn State assumed a broader mission in 1863, when it became the Commonwealth's only land-grant institution. Congress created a system of land-grant colleges and universities to foster education not only in agriculture, but in engineering and other academic disciplines that had practical value to a nation that was rapidly industrializing. Later, land-grant institutions were also required to disseminate knowledge for the public good – the foundation of Penn State's research and public service or outreach missions.

Penn State admitted its first female undergraduates in 1871, and graduated its first international student in 1890 and first African American student in 1905. By the 1930s, it was the Commonwealth's largest conferrer of baccalaureate degrees. During that same decade the University confronted the Great Depression by establishing the first of a statewide system of campuses, offering a college education to students who were location-bound for economic reasons. Penn State now has 24 campuses, including undergraduate locations and special-mission campuses such as Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and Penn State Dickinson Law.

Today, Penn State awards more associate, baccalaureate, and graduate degrees than any other institution in the Commonwealth. Its outreach and research programs rank among the nation's top ten. Graduates of the University join a family of some 673,000 alumni. The Penn State Alumni Association – the largest dues-paying organization of its kind – helps Penn Staters stay connected with each other and the University through a powerful network of more than 300 chapters and other affiliated groups in all 50 states and more than 40 foreign countries.

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Penn State Harrisburg

Penn State Harrisburg is an undergraduate college and graduate school serving the south central Pennsylvania region, which includes the Commonwealth's capital city, Harrisburg.

The diversity of the student body creates a unique campus experience. A broader set of social and professional interests is apparent on campus, with various age groups, career professionals, and traditional-aged students sharing thoughts, ideas, and experiences in classes, at seminars, and socially.

Students are encouraged to explore various academic offerings and to develop a capacity for independent judgment, cross-cultural understanding, and lifelong learning that will prepare them for responsible and productive citizenship in a global society.

Penn State Harrisburg offers more than 75 associate, baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral programs, and the first two years of study leading to more than 200 Penn State undergraduate majors.

Research and scholarly activity at Penn State Harrisburg is pursued by faculty and students in all five academic schools and numerous research centers and institutes. This work spans several broad areas of strength and is deeply connected to the needs of our region. Examples include public policy research in partnership with state and local governments, business administration and engineering research with area industry, and biomedical and behavioral health research with area healthcare providers, among many others.

Since its creation, the college has grown considerably in the size and diversity of its student body and its breadth of academic offerings. To support this growth and to ensure the quality of students' educational experience, the college has undertaken numerous campus building initiatives. The newest is the Student Enrichment Center, which houses comprehensive services for students in a central location. In recent years, the college also has added state-of-the-art engineering and other laboratories, expanded athletic facilities, and student housing.

While contributing to the region through educational programs, research, and public service, the college looks to the community for support of its mission. Key among the groups to whom the college turns for counsel and support are the Board of Advisers, the advisory councils for the academic schools, and the Alumni Society Board of Directors.

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In American higher education, cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude honors are unique to undergraduate education. This unofficial list of students graduating with distinction in Summer and Fall 2024 was produced on October 9, 2024 and may change as final grades are submitted for the semester.

Distinction at graduation is awarded to baccalaureate degree candidates with at least 60 credits (30 credits for associate degree candidates) earned at Penn State, a minimum 3.5 cumulative grade point average, and who are in the top 12 percent of the graduating class of the college that awards the candidate's degree. The 12 percent is divided into two percent SUMMA CUM LAUDE (blue and white cord), four percent MAGNA CUM LAUDE (blue cord), and six percent CUM LAUDE (white cord).

Summa Cum Laude

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Health Policy and Administration

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Marketing

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Civil Engineering

Magna Cum Laude

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American Studies

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Accounting

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Political Science

Military Honor Cords

All graduating students who are military veterans, currently serving on active duty, in the reserve, or National Guard, or who will be granted a commission obtained through Penn State Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) receive a red, white and blue cord to wear with approved academic dress at commencement ceremonies.

National Honor Societies

Members of nationally-recognized honor societies, who achieved their membership as a Penn State Harrisburg student, are permitted to wear ornamentation during the ceremony in the form of cords and/or pins.

Penn State Harrisburg currently has eleven honor societies that award honor cords for service or leadership:

Alpha Lambda Omicron (political science, government, international and public affairs), which awards a double cord of red and white;

Alpha Phi Sigma (Criminal Justice), which awards a blue and gold braided cord;

Beta Gamma Sigma (Business), which awards a royal blue and gold braided cord with the Beta Gamma Sigma key on one tassel;

Chi Alpha Sigma (excellence in academics and athletics), which awards a double cord of gold and black;

Kappa Delta Pi (Education), which awards a purple cord;

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