

BRYANT UNIVERSITY



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*Commencement*

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN ARTS AND SCIENCES

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THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2014

*Welcome*



A most cordial welcome is extended to relatives, friends, faculty members, alumni, administrators, and staff who gather here to celebrate Commencement for the Graduate School of Business and Graduate Programs in Arts and Sciences.

## PROGRAM

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### ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The audience is requested to remain standing through the Invocation.

### MARSHALS

Chief Marshal, Professor Michael Roberto, D.B.A.

Faculty Marshal, Professor Gaytha Langlois, Ph.D.

Student Marshal, Professor Lori Coakley, Ph.D.

Platform Marshal, Professor Elizabeth Yobaccio, D.B.A.

### UNIVERSITY MACE BEARER

Professor Charles Cullinan, Ph.D.

### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Raquel Kopeck '17

### INVOCATION

Steven Jablow

Bryant University Jewish Chaplain

### PRESIDING

Ronald K. Machtley

President of Bryant University

### CONVENING OF THE 2014 COMMENCEMENT FOR THE GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN ARTS AND SCIENCES AND GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Michael E. Fisher '67

Chair of the Board of Trustees, Bryant University

### CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

Ronald K. Machtley

### CITATION

Keith Murray, Ph.D.

Professor of Marketing

### HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Robert A. DiMuccio

### TRUSTEE PRESENTER

Deborah May '07P

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**HOODING OF HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT**

**Richard Joseph, M. Litt., J.D.**  
Interim Provost and Chief Academic Officer

**COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

**Robert A. DiMuccio**

**PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES**

**Richard Joseph**

**CONFERRAL OF DEGREES**

**Ronald K. Machtley**

**INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES**

**Richard S. Cheney**  
Director of Operations, Graduate Programs, College of Business

**PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS**

**Richard Joseph**

**HOODING OF CANDIDATES**

*All candidates:*

**José-Marie Griffiths, Ph.D.**  
Vice President for Academic Affairs, University Professor

*Master of Arts in Communication*

**Wendy Samter, Ph.D.**  
Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences; Professor of Communication

*Master of Arts in Teaching*

**Donald Holder, Ed.D.**  
Director, Master of Arts in Teaching

**Master of Science in Global Environmental Studies**

**Gaytha Langlois, Ph.D.**  
Professor of Environmental Policy; Chair, Department of Science and Technology

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*Master of Business Administration*  
*Master of Science in Information Systems*  
*Master of Professional Accountancy*  
*Master of Science in Taxation*  
**V.K. Unni, D.B.A.**  
Interim Dean, College of Business

**ALUMNI GREETINGS**

**Glen P. Martin '81, '87 MBA**  
Vice President, National Alumni Council  
Bryant University Alumni Association

**BENEDICTION**

**Reverend Philip Devens**  
Bryant University Protestant Chaplain

**ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2014 COMMENCEMENT FOR THE  
GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN ARTS AND SCIENCES AND GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**

**Michael E. Fisher**

**RECESSION**

Please remain in place until the platform party and faculty members leave the Commencement area.

**RECEPTION**

You are cordially invited to attend a reception immediately following the ceremony in the Heidi and Walter Stepan Grand Hall of the George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology.

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**INTERNATIONAL FLAGS**

*To welcome new alumni from other cultures, graduates from foreign countries are invited to exchange their native flags with President Machtley.*

## DEGREE CANDIDATES

### *College of Arts and Sciences*

#### MASTER OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION

Jeanette Ferraro, *Honors*  
Jamie Rose Maniscalco, *Honors*  
Todd Lewis Stewart

#### MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

Ryan J. Lapre \*

#### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GLOBAL

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES  
Caitlyn R. Witkowski, *Honors*

### *College of Business*

#### MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Jeffrey A. Agonia \*  
Adedayo O. Ajayi \*  
Michael Arons, *Honors* \*  
Michael Ascenio, *Honors, BGS* \*  
Kristi Lee Autote \*  
Samuel M. Ayer \*  
Christiana Doris Bardsley \*  
Andrew Lawler Barrett \*  
Philip Joseph Breault \*  
Garrett M. Clark \*  
Courtney Taylor Colvin \*  
Katelyn Alyssa Daignault \*  
David M. Dilucchio \*  
Joseph DiOrio III \*  
Jennifer Marie Dudula \*  
James Patrick Fogarty II \*  
Basirat Folami, *Honors* \*  
Diandra Bliss Garabedian \*  
Matthew P. Haggerty \*  
Sara L. Hana  
Vaughn Paul Hayward,  
*Honors, BGS* \*  
Christina Ho \*  
Tracy Ann Howell \*  
Andrew M. Johnson \*  
Anne Kaduboski \*  
Michael Z. Kaplan \*  
Shaira Kochubaeva \*  
Jeremy Roland Lavallee,  
*Honors, BGS* \*  
Chelsea Marie Lawhead \*  
Ching Man Liang \*  
B. Scott Lundin \*

Christopher Martino \*  
Charles Andrew Matley III \*  
Justin J. Mavromatis  
Jason Matthew Megaro \*  
John P. Messier Jr., *Honors* \*  
Anna Miniutti, *Honors* \*  
Matthew King Morse \*  
Justin M. Paulsen \*  
John Kenneth Poirier \*  
Sean E. Richmond,  
*Honors, BGS* \*  
Christopher Michael Sanders \*  
Danitra M. Shorts, *Honors* \*  
Jeffrey V. Siatti \*  
Meredith L. Soper \*  
Rahul R. Wadhvani \*

#### MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/ MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Thomas Christopher Riley,  
*Honors, BGS*

#### MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANCY

Patrick J. Armenti  
April M. Arruda  
Courtney Marie Bernard  
Jourdan J. Bua  
Simone Arlene Chuda  
Corinne Cordeiro  
Evan F. Dedrick  
Christopher R. Dionne

Nicole Gagliastre  
Chelsea Aileen Gavilanez  
Jessalyn Anne Gingras  
Ryan Z. Hansen, *Honors*  
David Russell Hoag III  
Warren Patrick Hofrichter  
James Huber  
Tyler Joseph Irving  
Matthew Ryan Jones  
Morgan Elizabeth Kauffman  
Jared Levine  
Dayna Elisabeth Lynds  
Eva Claire Mahan  
Anthony W. Mahn  
Danielle Victoria Moniz \*  
Timothy Morneau  
Courtney Anne Nason-Farrell  
Katelyn O'Hara  
Benjamin N. Orrall  
Katherine Peters  
Aaron L. Pica  
Michael Allan Prew  
Allison J. Ravenelle \*  
Joshua Adam Reynolds  
Megan Joy Robertson  
Shana-Kay Smith, *Honors, BGS*  
Chelsea Spillane  
Anthony Tempesta  
Chelsea Amber Theokas  
Julie Thomas  
Allison Margaret Tormey  
Zachary Patrick Trenteseaux  
Lauren Stephenie Wallace  
Xinyue Yan \*

#### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN TAXATION

Cristina Marie Agonia  
Louis Frank Amitrano Jr.  
Kevin John Bickerstaff  
Jason M. Butts  
Erica Hope Guatieri  
Hai Huynh  
Gerald Iadeluca Jr., *Honors*  
Alexander William Jansen  
Shaun P. McEnery  
Shawna L. Mocogni  
John Michael Ryan  
Jennifer L. Whitten, *Honors*

*Beta Gamma Sigma Honor  
Society (BGS)*

A member inducted into Beta  
Gamma Sigma must have  
earned a cumulative grade point  
average of 3.75 or above and be  
ranked in the top 20 percent of  
the graduating master's class.

\* Tentative August graduate

## HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

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*Robert A. DiMuccio*

HONORARY DOCTOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Robert DiMuccio is chairman, president, and chief executive officer of Amica Mutual Insurance Company, the oldest mutual insurer of automobiles in the United States. Today, it also offers homeowners, personal excess liability, and marine coverage, with Amica's 2013 assets listed at \$4.9 billion.

DiMuccio joined Amica in 1991 as a vice president in the accounting department, was promoted to senior vice president in 1994, named treasurer in 1996, and elected chief financial officer in 2001. During those years, he remained a member of Amica's accounting department. He was named executive vice president in 2003, and president and chief executive officer in 2005. In 2008, he was elected the company's chairman.

He began his career with the accounting firm KPMG Peat Marwick, where he worked for 12 years, attaining the position of partner.

He serves on the Board of Governors of the Property Casualty Insurers (PCI) Association of America. He is president of the board of directors of the Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council. In addition, he serves on the boards of the Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety, Property & Liability Resource Bureau, the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, The Washington Trust Company, and Crossroads Rhode Island.

DiMuccio, who has earned the Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) and the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) designations, is a member the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Rhode Island Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Born and raised in Providence, he graduated from Providence College in 1979.

DiMuccio and his wife, Rena, live in Cumberland, R.I. They have two sons, Robert and Joseph.

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## THE HARRIET E. JACOBS MEMORIAL MACE

The University Mace is carried at Commencement exercises and at other University celebrations. Crowned in gold, the mace has two dominant emblems: the seal of the State of Rhode Island and the seal of Bryant University.

## THE PRESIDENT'S CHAIR

The President's Chair, a gift to the University from Priscilla Angelo and her husband, John Eng-Wong, is used on ceremonial occasions. It is a Victorian-style gent's chair rendered in walnut and copied from an original French design from the period of the University's founding in 1863. The carved crest top includes the Bryant University bronze seal.

## BRYANT MEDALLION

The Bryant Medallion is worn by the president during academic ceremonies such as Commencement, Convocation, and the bestowing of honorary degrees. One side of the medallion bears a likeness of the University seal, the other, the names of all Bryant University presidents. The formal installation of a president is marked by the presentation of the medallion to the president by the chair of the Board of Trustees.

## THE BRYANT SEAL

The Bryant Seal represents the educational mission of the University and its worldwide implications. The central symbol is an ellipsoid globe with quills on each side to signify the traditional emblem of communication in business. In the center, behind the globe, is a torch symbolizing liberty, the spirit of free inquiry, academic freedom, and learning. The Archway, forming the background for the globe, torch, and quills, is a University landmark affectionately remembered by thousands of alumni. The Latin motto expresses the purpose of the University: "Cognitio. Virtus. Successus." – Knowledge. Character. Success.

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## ACADEMIC HERALDRY

The history of academic dress worn today dates back to the universities of the Middle Ages. A statute in 1321 required the wearing of gowns by all scholars and clerics. Probably, the warm gown and hood were practical in the unheated buildings.

Students at most American universities wore caps and gowns daily while in residence until after the Civil War. These varied in design until they were standardized by the American Intercollegiate Commission in 1895. While the academic costume code has been modified over the years, the general characteristics of the initial requirements still prevail. The uniform system of academic heraldry serves to indicate the level of degree, the field of study in which it was earned, and the institution by which it was granted.

The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve and can be worn open or closed. The gown for the doctoral degree has bell-shaped sleeves with black velvet facing down the front and three bars of the same across the sleeves. However, these facings and crossbars may be in the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains.

The academic hoods are lined with the color of the university granting the degree. The length of the hood varies slightly for bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. It is often traditional for the candidates for degrees to wear the mortarboard tassel on the right front side before the degree is conferred and to shift it to the left when the degree is awarded.

At Bryant University, the president, trustees, and honorary degree recipients wear specially-designed gold robes trimmed with black, representative of the University's colors.

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## GUEST SERVICES

- Restrooms are located in Residence Hall 16 and in the Fisher Student Center.
- The Department of Health Services is located in Residence Hall 16 and will be open during the Commencement ceremony.
- Bryant memorabilia can be purchased at the Bookstore.
- A limited number of listener-assisted headsets are available at the sound control booth at the back of the tent.

*Please ask an usher if you need assistance in locating any of these services.*