BRYANT UNIVERSITY



Commencement

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS





A most cordial welcome is extended to relatives, friends, faculty members, alumni, administrators, and staff who gather here to celebrate the Graduate School of Business Commencement — and the 150th anniversary of of Bryant's founding in 1863.



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- Restrooms are located in Residence Hall 16 and in the Bryant Center.
- The Department of Health Services is located in Residence Hall 16 and will be open during the Commencement ceremony.
- Concessions are available in the tent behind the Bryant Center. Food and drinks are also available for purchase in the Unistructure Rotunda.
- Lost and Found is located in the Public Safety Office in the Unistructure.
- Bryant memorabilia can be purchased at the Bookstore tent.
- 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.





IN 1863, Henry Bryant and his partner, Henry Stratton, established the bryant and stratton national business college in providence, part of a nationwide chain of private coeducational commercial colleges. Civil war veterans and women who had begun to take their place in the workforce eagerly learned business skills. Bryant paid special attention to helping graduates achieve success, as it does to this day.

While the chain dissolved in the late 1860s, the school experienced continued growth under a series of owners. Skillful leadership, continuity of staff, and dedication to teaching characterized the institution, which built its reputation for well-prepared graduates by keeping pace with the changing needs of society and business.

In 1916, Harry Loeb Jacobs bought the school, merging it with his Rhode Island Commercial School under the name of Bryant and Stratton Rhode Island Commercial School. Throughout the next 45 years, the institution flourished. The Rhode Island Legislature gave the school the authority to grant degrees, and, in 1920, Bryant began to award Bachelor of Commercial Science and Bachelor of Arts degrees. In the 1930s, the school promoted "A Liberal Business Education," extolling the importance of clear thinking, sound judgment, cultural sophistication, and good character.

Bryant became a nonprofit institution in 1949, celebrated its centennial in 1963, earned New England Association of Schools and Colleges accreditation in 1964, and established a graduate school in 1969. In 1970, ground was broken for our campus in Smithfield on a 220-acre estate donated by Earl Tupper, president of Tupperware Corporation. This ushered in a significant period of expansion.

In 1994, Bryant was accredited by the prestigious AACSB International – The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. In 2004, Bryant College became Bryant University with two colleges: the College of Business and the College of Arts and Sciences.

Of the nearly 4,500 accredited colleges and universities in the United States, only 178 – less than four percent – have reached the landmark sesquicentennial. This is a pivotal time in Bryant's history – with much to celebrate and even more to anticipate – as we advance the momentum of continuous growth and innovation that is our legacy.

To learn more about Bryant's history, visit Bryant.edu/150.







BRYANT'S SIGNATURE *Archway* IS AN ICON LINKING THE CAMPUS IN PROVIDENCE TO THE UNIVERSITY YOU SEE TODAY. IN 1935, THE FORMER BRYANT AND STRATTON BUSINESS COLLEGE, NEWLY NAMED BRYANT COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, MOVED TO SOUTH HALL ON PROVIDENCE'S ELEGANT EAST SIDE. THE BUILDING FEATURED ORNATE WROUGHT-IRON RAILINGS AND AN ARCHWAY GATE AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE.

Passing through the Archway became a Bryant tradition when graduates processed through it during Class Day exercises and Commencement ceremonies. The hallowed symbol was relocated to Smithfield in 1971, the senior class gift of the Class of 1968.

Tradition now dictates that to pass through the Archway before Commencement is bad luck. Legend is that students who walk through the Archway before Commencement will not graduate – though no data has proven the authenticity of this legend.

Years of detouring students wore deep ruts into the ground adjacent to the Archway. The Class of 1987 built upon the generous gift of the Class of 1968 by funding walkways for the Archway. These were greatly appreciated, serving the campus community for more than two decades.

When members of the Class of 2008 contemplated their senior class gift, they knew they wanted to fund a project that would have considerable impact on current and future students. They decided to restore the Archway to its original condition, raising more than \$30,000 for the project.

The Archway was refurbished by DeAngelis Iron Work in South Easton, Massachusetts. The gate was removed shortly after Commencement in 2008 and was disassembled, sandblasted, painted, and reassembled. Expanded brick walkways and new landscaping completed the project.

The Archway stands as Bryant's most enduring symbol – a frequently photographed backdrop for prospective students, visitors, and returning alumni.

For our graduating seniors, stepping through the Archway on the way to Commencement ceremonies signifies a symbolic first step into the next exciting chapter of their lives.



ISO YEARS OF

Inspiring Opeakers, Artists, and Performers



Inspiring students to learn, to think, to cultivate a global perspective, to be leaders of character — that has been a goal of *Bryant* for 150 years. One way the university has supported this effort is to bring world-class speakers, artists, and performers to campus to share their unique stories of success and the challenges they faced, reinforcing the connection between learning and doing.

Over the years, Bryant has hosted notable political figures from former Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton to the first female vice presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro. The University has also featured an impressive roster of acclaimed musicians who perform throughout the year at the President's Cultural Series, as well as renowned speakers who provide insight on economics, politics, and world events.

Inspiring leaders of industry, eminent scholars, and unforgettable activists, athletes, and artists include:

Daniel Akerson, CEO of General Motors (2011)

Stephen Ambrose, historian and biographer (1998)

Maya Angelou, author and poet (1996)

Arthur Ashe, Hall of Fame tennis player (1985)

Maximilian Berlitz, founder of The Berlitz Language Schools, taught language arts at Bryant (1878)

Ken Burns, award-winning documentary filmmaker (2007)

Richard Fisher, president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (2009)

Malcolm Forbes, president of Forbes Magazine (1976)

Jerry Greenfield, co-founder of Ben & Jerry's (2000)

Yo-Yo Ma's Silk Road Ensemble (2012)

David McCullough, historian and author (2008)

Colombe Nicholas, president, Christian Dior, New York (1984)

Rosa Parks, civil rights pioneer (1995)

Esther Peterson, assistant secretary, U.S. Department of Labor (1963)

Nicholas Roosevelt, associate editor of The New York Times (1927)

L.M. Shaw, Secretary of the United States Treasury under President Theodore Roosevelt (1910)

Lech Walesa, Poland's former president and Nobel Peace Prize recipient (1983)

Thomas Watson, president of IBM (1945)

Jack Welch, CEO of General Electric (2005)

Elie Wiesel, noted Holocaust survivor and Nobel Peace Prize recipient (2009)

For a complete list of Commencement speakers and honorary degree recipients, visit Bryant.edu/150.



PROGRAM

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The audience is requested to remain standing through the Invocation.

MARSHALS

Chief Marshal, Professor James Segovis, Ph.D. Graduate Marshal, Professor Lori Coakley, Ph.D. Faculty Marshal, Professor Lawrence Witner, J.D. Platform Marshal, Professor Michael Gravier, Ph.D.

UNIVERSITY MACE BEARER

Professor Michael Roberto, D.B.A.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Soloist: Blair Stone '15

INVOCATION

The Reverend Philip Devens
Bryant University Protestant Chaplain

PRESIDING

Ronald K. Machtley President of Bryant University

CONVENING OF THE 2013 COMMENCEMENT OF THE 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

TRUSTEE PRESENTER

Joseph J. MarcAurele

Cheryl W. Snead '06H

HOODING OF HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

José-Marie Griffiths, Ph.D.

Vice President for Academic Affairs, University Professor

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Joseph J. MarcAurele

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES

José-Marie Griffiths

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Ronald K. Machtley

INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES

Richard S. Cheney

Director of Graduate Administration and Student Services

HOODING OF CANDIDATES

V.K. Unni, D.B.A.

Interim Dean, College of Business

Sam Beldona, Ph.D.

Associate Dean, Graduate School of Business

ALUMNI GREETINGS

Jennifer Parkhurst '97, '06 MBA President, National Alumni Council Bryant University Alumni Association

BENEDICTION

The Reverend Roman Manchester Bryant University Catholic Chaplain

ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2013 COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY OF THE 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.

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

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Gwynne Almeida * Mohammed Alsuwayed Kelsey J. Andrade * George N. Baalbaki Laurie A. Backall * Danielle M. Baker * Daniel M. Basil * Brittany Bauer * Siamone Sylvia Bennett * Elise Marie Boissoneau * Ashley N. Botelho Ryan Jon Bouchard * Jessica Lauren Bradbury * Dawn M. Brindamour Joshua T. Britton * Tyler Matthew Buccetti * David M. Buehne * Douglas M. Burns * Michael Cahill * James A. Carter III Anthony John Castelli Matthew Edward Castino * Michael A. Cerrone, Jr. * Magdalena K. Czarnecka * Amir Danabayev * Brandon Paul De Pierro * Rahim Aziz Dhalla * Michael F. DiPasquale * Franklin Delano Dobbs III * Justin J. Dorval, Honors, BGS * Karl D'Souza, Honors, BGS * Brian Duker * David W. Eaton * Michael V. Fontana, Honors,

BGS*

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Sofia Matos-Desa

Jill Rebecca Maxim *

Ian Charles McLean *

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Michelle L. Medina *

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Brenden Michael Agrela
Alina Aksjonova
Jacqueline Marie Belknap *
Pablo Ariel Bilbao La Vieja
Ellen M. Boise
Matthew John Borges
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Daniel Marc Cournoyer
Paul Marcel Couture, Jr.

Melany Cruz Dalomba

Brandon William DeFreitas,

Honors
Jeffrey F. DeLuca
Gilchrist Di Prete
Marissa Leigh Donovan
Charles F. Dresser
Kate Dyson
Julie M. English
Alexander Sol Esterson
Brian D. Ferreira
Ross Matthew Fino *
Kumba S. Forkpa
Robert J. Fraser
Alexander S. Grant
Jeffrey Michael Grzesik

Francis R. Hand

Chelsea Dyrece Callie Heath Brian B. Hendrickson Jennifer N. Horowitz Eric S. Johnson Rebecca A. Jones * Kyle J. Kaufman Christopher Kolias Kathryn Marie Lacasse Regina B. LaRose * Amber Alyssa Legras Yuanjun Li Asemina Loukrezis Adrien C. Luther Tiffany Rose Marino, Honors Stephen Paul McAuley Martin Charles McGeehan Richard Anthony McLaughlin Jarrod Richard Mead Christopher Paul Miehlke Andres Orobitg, Honors Adekemi Olajumoke Oyalabu Kyle S. Paulson Timothy A. Peabody, Honors Jessica Lynn Ratcliffe David Geoffrey Ricci Sarah-Elizabeth Terry Rindo Lynn C. Roberts Maria Kathleen Scocca Dhara Amitkumar Shah Andrew Withington Snell Tania S. Sousa Katie Lee Spinosa Jennifer A. Stasiowski Matthew C. Sussman Daniel D. Tagliatela, Honors

Laura M. Timmerman

Molly Elizabeth Tower * Robert Alan Zysk, Jr. *

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN TAXATION

Elizabeth Lynn Budzinski,

Honors

Michelle Lynn De Mello

Danielle J. Farley

Brian David Heinselman,

Honors

Stanley F. Jarzombek

Stephanie N. Lyons

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

Joseph J. Marc Hurele

HONORARY DOCTOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Joseph MarcAurele is a well known and respected leader within the New England banking industry. In 2009, he joined The Washington Trust Company, the largest independent bank in the United States, as president and chief operating officer. He was appointed chairman, president, and chief executive officer in 2010. Founded in 1800, Washington Trust is the oldest community bank in the nation and one of the oldest public companies listed on the stock market.

From 2001 to 2009, MarcAurele was president of Citizens Bank. During his 16-year tenure at Citizens, he held various executive positions, including chairman, president, and CEO of Citizens Bank of Rhode Island and Connecticut. His early banking career included seven years at Fleet Financial Group.

A lifelong Rhode Island resident, MarcAurele has been recognized for his dedication to the local community. He received the "Hometown Hero Award" from the Pawtucket Red Sox and Cox Communications for his leadership in the Striking Out Hunger initiative to benefit the Rhode Island Community Food Bank. He is president of the board of directors of the Rhode Island Community Food Bank and a member of the President's Council of Providence College. He is on the executive committee of the Rhode Island Commodores, and on the board of trustees of the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce and the Rhode Island Hospital Foundation. He serves on the boards of Delta Dental of Rhode Island, the Urban Collaborative Accelerated Program, and the Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council. He is also a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Community Depository Institution Advisory Council.

MarcAurele is a graduate of the College of the Holy Cross.

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.

ALUMNI CHARGE

Today, as you celebrate your graduation from Bryant University, you find yourself saying goodbye to the classmates, faculty, and staff with whom you have formed close friendships over these last few years. Graduation, however, is not so much an ending as a transition. It's true that you're about to begin a new stage of life, but as a Bryant University alumnus or alumna, you are never far from the community you've come to know as a home away from home.

In fact, one of the reasons you chose Bryant was for its close-knit community. Through the Bryant University Alumni Association, you can always stay in touch with classmates by attending class reunions, regional alumni network events, joining the alumni online community, and by engaging with us through social media. And just as Bryant provided you with a solid foundation for a successful career, our alumni networks continue to support your professional goals.

As a Bryant student, you participated in academic, athletic, and civic events that not only helped you develop many skills but also gave you a sense of satisfaction. As a Bryant graduate, you can stay involved by serving on University committees, advisory councils, and even the Board of Trustees. You can advance Bryant's reputation by getting involved with admission, career services, educational, and fundraising initiatives. And, throughout the year, Bryant alumni gather together to reach out to their communities through a number of volunteer programs.

Just as the Bryant community shared in the celebration of your accomplishments as a student, we will always be interested to hear of your successes. Let us know when you've moved and what milestones you've reached so we can share your good news with your Bryant classmates and friends.

Congratulations on your graduation, and welcome to the Bryant University Alumni Association!

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 were 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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WEB EXTRAS



A Celebratory Kickoff

On February 1, 2013, the Bryant community launched its sesquicentennial celebration with guest speakers, the unveiling of a banner encircling the Koffler Rotunda, and a distinctive cake that would make any pastry chef proud.



150TH Events

Visit the 150TH Anniversary website for a timeline, special stories from *Bryant* magazine, new additions to "From the Archives," and event updates.



Using modern technology and voice-overs from current members of the Bryant community, we've given new life to some of the artifacts and anecdotes from Bryant's long history in this online video series called "From the Archives."



A New Home

An excerpt from *The Booster*, a campus publication: "In the spring of 1925, it reported on the college's move to a new building at Union and Fountain streets in Providence. The new site, with its 'modern equipment and increased facilities,' set the stage for the college to play an increasing role in the business life of Southern New England." *Read by Ashley Knowlton '13*





Women Take the Court

An excerpt from *The Booster*, a campus publication: "In 1924, the women of Bryant and Stratton College formed the school's first women's basketball team."

Read by Raquel Cordeiro '13, women's basketball team manager

