Graduate School
Commencement Ceremony

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2002
Welcome
A most cordial welcome is extended to relatives, friends, faculty members, alumni, administrators, and staff members who gather here to celebrate the 2002 Commencement Exercises of the Bryant College Graduate School.

*Program*

**Academic Procession**
The audience is requested to remain standing through the Invocation.

**Marshalls**
- Chief Marshall: Professor Marcel Hebert
- Graduate Marshall: Professor Elizabeth Yoruccio
- Faculty Marshall: Professor Alphonso Ogbuehi
- Platform Marshall: Professor Arthur Gudikunst

**College Mace Bearer**
Professor Kathleen Simons

**The National Anthem**
Soloist: Kerry Beach ‘03

**Invocation**
Rabbi Sol Goodman
Bryant College Jewish Chaplain

**Presiding**
Ronald K. Machlrey
President of Bryant College

**Convening of the 2002 Graduate School Commencement**
John D. Callahan ’56
Chair of the Board of Trustees, Bryant College
International Flags

The display of international flags was originally created as a gift from Priscilla Angelo and her husband, John Eng-Wong, friends of Bryant.
The flags represent the countries of our students, faculty, and alumni.
To welcome new alumni from other cultures, graduates from foreign countries are invited to exchange their native flags with the president.

Conferring of Honorary Degrees
President Machtley

Citations
Keith Murray
Professor of Marketing

Honorary Degree Recipient
David M. Walker

Hooding of Honorary Degree Recipient
Dr. V. K. Unni
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Commencement Address
David M. Walker

Presentation of Candidates for Graduate Degrees
Dr. Unni
Dr. W. Dayle Nattress
Dean of Graduate Studies and Professional Programs

Conferral of Degrees
President Machtley
Introduction of Candidates Kristopher T. Sullivan
Director of Graduate Studies

AlumniGreetings
Richard G. Carriere '82, '87MST
President of the Bryant College Alumni Association
Throughout Our Lives: An Anthem for Bryant College

Bryant College, Black and Gold; Your arms embrace us, young and old.
Though we be near; Though we be far; We will remember throughout our lives.
Dear companions, classmates, friends; Who knows where you and I will end?
Dear for a term, Dear for a year, Dearest of all lasting through our lives.

Composer: Richard Cumming

Benediction
Reverend Joseph Pescatello
Bryant College Catholic Chaplain

Adjournment of the 2002 Graduate School Commencement Ceremony
Mr. Callahan

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

Reception
The entire assembly is cordially invited to attend a reception on the lawn of the Bryant Center immediately following the ceremony.

Rededication of the Bryant Campus in Honor of Earl Tupper's Generosity
In 1967, Earl Tupper, president of Tupperware Corporation, donated his 220-acre Smithfield estate to Bryant College. Bryant's move from the East Side of Providence to Smithfield allowed the college to grow and thrive. A commemorative plaque has been placed on the walkway near the George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology and the Wellness Center.
Degree Candidates

Master of Business Administration

Darren W. Abrams, honors, β
Kent F. Ackley, honors
Milan S. Andrei
Matthew J. Andre
Alexandr Arapoglou
Daniel Barros
Christine Barnholth
Julie Kate Barren,
Todd Joseph Barry, honors
Jesse R. Beem
Michael P. Betelho,
Scott Patrick Brady
Carrie A. Brech
Robert K. Brech II*
Marc Dennis Breneiser
Michael Joseph Brodeur, honors
Lisa D. Burton
Arthur Robert Buss*,
Arelio Sequeira Caetano
Julie Cauzge
Donald R. Chretien
Cathy C. Cima
Christine M. Collins
Christopher J. Collins
Lawrence Corrente Jr.,* honors
Brett A. Crosby
Michael James Crowley, honors, β
Jaime Burke Daniels, honors
Ernest M. DeMeneses
Antonio Carlos DePina,* honors
H. Pogda Demircan
Eyla Carolina Diaz
Timothy A. Ducharme, honors, β
Bradford E. Dupuis
Paul S. Farta
Judy Alice Fischbach
Stephen D. Fong
James P. Frick
Paul A. Galipeau,* honors
Yigong Gao
Eric Odin Goyer
Lea Ann Griffor
Sherry Maddison Hall, honors
Robert Hennessy Jr.
Alexander M. Hirstetter III*
Peter A. Huber
Nicole D. Kramer
W. Aldo Kosmik, honors
Betsy J. Lachapelle
Eric Michael Langone
Peter Alan Lemm
Nancy Lopes*
Bradford Joseph Maguire, honors, β
Julie Maguire
Michelle M. Maroh
Chantry Marchand
Lisa Anne Martin
Donald David McNaughton
Gregory James Meintertz
John Achilles Missirlis
Timothy M. Moura, honors, β
David Sean Murphy, honors, β
Gregory Scott Nolan*
Colleen A. O'Connell
Lloyd A. Ogilvie
Matthew David Pappas,* honors
Lisa Beth Paulhus
Daniel Robert Pepin,* honors
Charles E. Petrarca Jr.
Kelley M. Piggott*
Emily Pinto
Michelle D. Prendergast
Joseph W. Prete Jr.,* Francis T. Puda
Andrew K. Rao*
Susan M. Raposta, honors, β
Scott Jay Rattigan
Ernest C. Ricci Jr.
John M. Richardson
Joan T. Roth,* honors
Michelle Jeanne Schreiber
Amy T. Schwartz,* honors
Todd M. Sherman
Mahesh Singareni
Nicholas A. Smith*
Pamela Jean Sorgi, honors
Gordon Glenn Stroupe,* honors
Jennifer Lynn Tirrell
Susan Ulisse
James Allen Valis
Michael Louis Volpe*
Jeffrey J. Walker*
Gregory Wolyniec,* honors
Lijuan Yan

**Master of Business Administration**

Naval Undersea Warfare Center Distance Learning Program

Kim Barton, honors, β
Lance Peter Batson
Nicholas Bitsakis, honors, β
Paul Robert Boivin, honors
Nancy Louise Dickinson
Constance W. Groat
David Kip Grantham
Nicholas Henri Guertin
Christopher Favre Hillenbrand, honors, β
Stanley J. Hollis
Roger Howlett Jr.
John Francis Ingalls IV
Wanda Jorgensen, honors, β
Michael F. Maguire, honors, β
Tracy W. Mallinson, honors, β
Joseph M. Muhitch
Kenneth Egan Nelligan, honors, β
Marc A. Philiaire
James S. Pollock Jr., honors, β
Kelly Jeanne Ross, honors, β
Peter Alfred Roy
Denise Marie Szlag, honors, β
Ann Victoria Kieron Turley, honors
John Francis Walsh
Julie C. White, honors, β
Michael Robert Williams

**Master of Science in Accounting**

Min Guan
Ryan Joseph Holzinger, honors

**Master of Science in Taxation**

Richard Burlingame Jr.,* honors
Natalie Lynne Castellone
Frank W. DeAngelis, honors
Lisa Marie Del Santo
Jennifer Faye Erickson, honors
Iris L. Flannery
Matthew W. Harrison
Michael Lanfredi
Theodore G. Loranger
John A. Martellini, honors
Nancy Medeiros
John R. Reis

* Tentative August graduate

**Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies**

Khalid Amin
Michael S. Imbruglia*
Jason Michael Jolin
John Franklin Malone Jr.
Federico E. Read

* Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society
A member inducted into Beta Gamma Sigma from among the master’s students must have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 or above, and be ranked in the upper 20 percent of those receiving the master’s degree during the year.

* Tentative August graduate
Honorary Degree Recipient

David M. Walker

Doctor of Business Administration

David M. Walker, the Comptroller General of the United States, is the nation's chief accountability officer and head of the U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO). Mr. Walker has served in his current office since 1988. He also serves as chief of the U.S. Intergovernmental Audit Forum, the U.S. Joint Financial Management Improvement Program, and the Center for Continuous Auditing. He is on the board of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions and on the boards of several educational and not-for-profit entities. He is a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration and an active member of various professional, civic, and service organizations. Mr. Walker is also listed in Who's Who in the World and Who's Who in America. A certified public accountant, he holds a B.S. degree in accounting from Jacksonville University and a Senior Management in Government Certificate in public policy from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.
The Harriet C. Jacobs Memorial Mace

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

The President's Chair

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

Bryant Medallion

The Bryant Medallion is worn by the president during academic ceremonies such as Commencement, Convocation, and the bestowal of honorary degrees. One side of the medallion bears a likeness of the college seal, the other, the names of all Bryant College 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 college 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 college landmark affectionately remembered by thousands of alumni. The Latin motto expresses the purpose of the college: "Educando Dirigere Mercatum" – Education for Business Leadership.
Alumni Charge

Today, as you celebrate your graduation from Bryant College, you find yourself saying good-bye – to the classmates, faculty, and administrators 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 College alumnus/na, you are never far from the community you’ve come to know as home away from home.

In fact, one of the reasons you chose Bryant was for its close-knit community. Through the Bryant College Alumni Association, you will always be a member of this community. You can stay in touch with friends by attending class reunions and local alumni chapter events. 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, which not only provided you with many skills, but gave you a sense of satisfaction as well. As a Bryant alumnus/na, you can stay involved by being a member of college committees, advisory councils, and even the Board of Trustees. You can advance Bryant’s reputation by serving on behalf of admission, career development, educational, and fund-raising initiatives. And throughout the year, Bryant alumni gather together to reach out to their communities in a number of volunteer programs.

And just as the Bryant community shared in 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 friends.

Congratulations on your graduation and welcome to the Bryant College Alumni Association.
**Academic Heraldry**

The history of academic dress worn today dates back to the universities of the Middle Ages. A statute of 1321 required the wearing of gowns by all scholars and clerics. Probably the worn gown and hood were practiced in the uninsured 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 crosses may be in the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains. At Bryant College, the president and the honorary degree recipients wear gowns especially designed and trimmed in the college color of gold.

The academic hoods are lined with the color of the university granting the degree. The border of the hood is in the color of the discipline in which the degree was earned. For example, colors associated with different subjects include: light brown for commerce, accounting, business; orange for economics; light blue for education; green for public administration; purple for law; and white for arts, letters, and humanities.

The length of the hood varies slightly for bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degree. Today, the hood for those receiving a bachelor’s degree has been replaced by the mortarboard or cap, with long tassels in black or in the color appropriate to the subject. It is often the tradition of the candidates for degrees to wear the tassels on the right front side before the degree is conferred and to shift it to the left when the degree is awarded.
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Health Services is located in Residence Hall 16 and will be open during the Commencement ceremony.
Lost and Found is located in the Public Safety Office in the Unistructure.
Film and Bryant memorabilia can be purchased at the Bookstore located in the Bryant Center.
A limited number of listener-assisted head sets 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.