One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Commencement Ceremony

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1997
Program

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

Flag Bearers
Bryant College Army ROTC Color Guard

Class Flag
Bryant College extends its gratitude to the late Emeritus Honorary Trustee George J. Kelley ’39, ’69H for his generosity in providing on-going support for the purchase and display of a graduating class flag. The 1997 Class Flag was designed and is carried by seniors Christina Agoritsas, Darrell Cook, Lawrence Silver, and Elizabeth Ullram.

Marshalls
Chief Marshall
Graduate Marshall
Graduate Marshall
Faculty Marshall
Faculty Marshall
Platform Marshall
Platform Marshall

Professor Kathleen Simons
Professor Ron DiBattista
Professor Harsh Luthar
Professor Phyllis Schumacher
Professor Larry Warner
Professor Joseph Ilacqua
Professor John Quinn

College Mace Bearer
Professor Judy Barrett Litoff
The National Anthem
The Bryant Singers

Invocation
The Reverend Pierre Plante
Bryant College Catholic Chaplain

Presiding
Ronald K. Machtley
President of Bryant College

Convening the 134th Commencement
John E. Wolfe
Chair of the Board of Trustees, Bryant College

Conferring of Honorary Degrees
President Machtley

Citations
Patrick J. Keeley
Professor of English

Honorary Degree Recipients
Robert K. Kraft
Henrique de Campos Meirelles
Barbara A. Papitto
Christian Schwarz-Schilling

Trustee Presenters
Bruce Sundlun '80H
Frederick C. Lohrum '9611
Bernard A. Jackvony '67
John D. Callahan '56
Hooding of Honorary Degree Recipients
Dr. Diana Brigham Beaudoin
Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs

Commencement Address
Henrique de Campos Meirelles

Presentation of Commencement and Student Senate Service Awards
Dr. Beaudoin
Dr. Frederico J. Talley
Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students

Alumni Greetings and Student Charge
Introduction: Ernest A. Almonte '78, '85MST
Trustee and President, National Alumni Council
Speaker: Ellen Mary Boland '97

Presentation of Candidates for Undergraduate Degrees
Dr. Beaudoin

Conferral of Degrees
President Machtley

Presentation of Degrees
Candidates are introduced and presented diploma cases by members of the faculty of their respective departments.
The Bryant College Alma Mater
(audience invited to join in)

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.

What's to come is still unsure;
But memories will long endure.
Strong in our hearts, Strong in our minds,
Strong and undying throughout our lives

Though we be near; Though we be far;
All that we learn, All that we know,
Always will be with us through our lives.

Alma Mater, hear our song;
From sons and daughters thousands strong.
Day after day, Year after year,
You will be with us throughout our lives.

Composer: Richard Cumming, Adjunct Professor of Music

Adjournment of the 134th Commencement Ceremony
John E. Wolfe

Benediction
The Reverend Philip Devens
Bryant College Protestant Chaplain

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

The Anna M. & Jere St. Angelo '61 Accounting Awards
Diane Jean Lomas
Brian Moran
These awards are presented to graduating seniors in Accounting who are in the top 10 percent of their class, are residents of an urban area, and have proven need.

The Bryant College Good Citizenship Award
Robert Douglas Graybill
This award is presented to a graduate who has demonstrated the qualities of sincerity and vigorous industry in the interest of good citizenship and who has, by example, furthered better government both on and off the campus.

The CIS Award
Aimee Lee Francis
This award is presented annually to a graduate with a concentration in Computer Information Systems who has excelled academically, has enriched his/her CIS education through meaningful work experience, and has demonstrated an unselfish attitude toward others through his/her active involvement in organizations, clubs, or events.

The English/Humanities Department Awards
Scott Jay Rattigan
Jae Thomas Guttadauro
Bari Lynn Bendell
These awards are presented annually to graduates for outstanding achievement in the study of either Communication, Language, or Literary Studies.
Commencement Awards

The George J. Kelley Award
Robert Stewart Clark
This award is presented to a graduating senior scheduled to complete all degree requirements in May, who at the end of the fall semester had attempted and completed at least 102 credits at Bryant College and is recognized and honored for having the highest cumulative grade point average as of the end of the fall semester.

The George M. Parks Award
Heather Ann Hartwick
This award is presented to a bachelor’s degree candidate who has done the most to enhance the reputation of the College through recognized leadership qualities.

The History/Social Science Department Awards
Valerie Joyce Bowden  Gretchen Ann Meyer  Stacey Leigh Hughes
These awards are presented annually to graduates for outstanding achievement in the study of either Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology.

The Jack Rubens Leadership in Finance Award
Michael Hugh Hall
This award is presented to a graduate who has demonstrated outstanding performance in academics, service to the finance department, and enthusiasm and leadership in extracurricular activities related to finance.
Commencement Awards

The Jeremiah Clark Barber Award
Stephen Jeremy Wiacek
This award is presented to bachelor's degree candidates who have shown consistent records of improvement in mastering the subject matter of a specific academic program.

The John Hancock Insurance Company Award
Keri Lynn Booth                 Melissa Anne McMains
This award is presented to the two bachelor's degree students who have demonstrated superior achievement in the study of Applied Actuarial Mathematics.

The Kappa Tau Brotherhood Award
James Kalil Dow
This award is presented to a graduate who has exhibited outstanding brotherhood and leadership in promoting policies beneficial to Bryant College and the entire student body. This award is given by Kappa Tau Fraternity.

The Leander Francis Emin Endowed Homestead Award
Christopher Lester Quinn
This award is presented to a graduate who has achieved scholastic excellence in accounting. This award was inaugurated by the family of Leander Francis Emin, Bryant alumnus of the class of 1907, to honor his memory and his birthplace and home — the 1708 house and the entire Emin homestead farm and airport — which has now become the campus of his alma mater.
Commencement Awards

The Pell Medal for United States History
Bethany Hope Guay
This medal is presented to a graduate who has displayed excellence in the study of United States history. The Honorable Claiborne de Borda Pell, created this medal to honor the memory of his father, the late Herbert C. Pell, statesman and diplomat, who served the United States as Ambassador to Hungary and Minister to Portugal.

The Reserve Officer Training Corps Achievement Award
Matthew Neil Porter
This award is presented to a bachelor's degree candidate who has excelled in his or her military science studies and other courses and who has shown superior leadership potential in the military science program and in extracurricular activities.

The Rhode Island Society of Certified Public Accountants Award
Marc L. Volpe
This award is presented to a graduate who, in the opinion of the Faculty of the Department of Accounting, has demonstrated excellence in accounting studies and intends to pursue a career in public accounting.

The Roger W. Babson Award
Christopher Lester Quinn
This award is presented to a Bachelor's degree candidate who has become distinguished within the College community because of character, orderly mind, sound judgment, and systematic business habits.
Commencement Awards

The Scholar Athlete of the Year Award
Scott Powers           Bethany Hope Guay
This award is presented respectively to the graduating male and female senior athletes with the highest grade point averages.

The Wall Street Journal Award
Robert Stewart Clark
This award is presented to a graduate who has shown distinction in the fields of economics, finance, and investments.

Student Senate Service Awards
Alison M. Gerard       Heather Ann Hartwick       Jeffrey Douglas Hill
Jennifer Marie McCarron   Scott Jay Rattigan     Peter John Whitbeck
This award is presented to six deserving students of the graduating class to recognize their outstanding service to the student body of Bryant College. The recipients are selected from nominations sent to the Student Senate Service Awards Committee.
Honorary Degree Recipients*

Robert K. Kraft

**Doctor of Business Administration**

Owner and CEO of the New England Patriots; owner of Foxboro Stadium. In success story followed by millions of sports fans, Patriots won the American Football Conference championship in 1997, participating in the Super Bowl for only the second time in the franchise's history. President of Rand-Whitney Group and the International Forest Products Group of Companies that together comprise one of the largest privately owned paper and packaging companies in the nation. Chairs Chestnut Hill Management, money management firm specializing in equity management. From 1986 to 1991, major stockholder and president of WHDH-AM and WHDH-TV, CBS (Now NBC) television network affiliate in Boston. Attended Columbia University on academic scholarship and received fellowship to the Harvard School of Business where he earned M.B.A.

Henrique de Campos Meirelles

**Doctor of Business Administration**

International financier, president and chief operating officer of BankBoston, super-regional bank holding company with assets of $62.3 billion and 23,000 employees. Native of Brazil, joined BankBoston in 1974 as managing director of Boston Leasing; became vice president of bank in Sao Paulo in 1978; appointed head of the Commercial Bank in Brazil two years later; promoted to deputy country manager in 1981; president and regional manager of BankBoston in Brazil in 1984. Degree in civil engineering from University of Sao Paulo, M.B.A. from Federal University of Rio de Janeiro; completed Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School. Board chairman of Brazilian Association of International Banks; former executive director of Brazilian Federation of Banks. Named "Most Influential Banker of the Year" in 1996 by Latin Trade magazine.
Barbara A. Papitto '83, '85 MBA  
**Doctor of Business Administration**  
Member of the Bryant Board of Trustees from 1987 through 1996 when named honorary trustee. Earned both B.S. and M.B.A. degrees at Bryant; chaired the Bryant Annual Fund drive from 1985-87; provided leadership on both Executive Alumni Board and the Graduate School Advisory Council. Also very active as a community leader: past president of the Nickerson House Community Center in Providence, R.I., where she chaired a successful one million-dollar capital campaign; member of the corporation of St. Mary's Home for Children in North Providence; guild member of the Hibiscus Children's Center in Jensen Beach, Fla.; served as an allocation panel member of the Emergency and Disaster Services Panel of the United Way.

Christian Schwarz-Schilling  
**Doctor of Business Administration**  
Native of Innsbruck, Austria, educated in Germany; joined Christian Democratic Party and member of Parliament for 37 years, focusing on economic political developments. In 1982, became minister of Post and Telecommunications, heading the largest single government-owned company, the German Bundespost, with more than half million employees. When minister of Posts and Telecommunications in 1990, liberalized telecommunications services in Germany; actions led to privatization of government-owned telecommunications entity and opened door to private competition. Is international arbitrator in the Bosnian peace negotiations and, from onset of crisis in former Yugoslavia, has worked to end the strife. Received degree in Sinology (Chinese language, literature and civilization) and doctorate of philosophy from Ludwig-Maximilian University in Munich.

*Joanna T. Lau received an Honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree yesterday at the Graduate School Commencement Ceremony.*
Graduation Honors and Honor Societies

Academic Honors

*Cum Laude* (with honors)

*Magna Cum Laude* (with high honors)

*Summa Cum Laude* (with highest honors)

Special recognition is accorded those who show distinction in academic achievement. Honors may be awarded on the basis of cumulative averages, as follows: *Cum Laude* (3.30), *Magna Cum Laude* (3.55), *Summa Cum Laude* (3.80). Students must have completed sixty (60) semester hours of work at Bryant College to be eligible for honors.

Honor Societies

β Beta Gamma Sigma

Beta Gamma Sigma is the highest national recognition a student can receive in an undergraduate program in business or management accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). To be eligible for membership a student must have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 and rank in the upper seven percent of the junior class or upper ten percent of the senior class.

ϕ Omicron Delta Epsilon

Founded in 1915, Omicron Delta Epsilon is one of the world’s largest academic honor societies and there has been a chapter at Bryant College since 1969. ϕ is dedicated to the encouragement of excellence in economics. To be eligible for membership a student must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of economics courses, have earned at least a “B” average in the economics courses and have an overall scholastic average of “B” or better.
### Degree Information

The 1997 Bryant College Commencement honors certified graduates and degree candidates who have been scheduled to complete course work by July 31, 1997. Honors are tentatively calculated as of the fall semester, 1996.

**Code Key**

- **Academic honors listed in italic type**
- **PBeta Gamma Sigma Honor Society**
- **Omicron Delta Epsilon International Honor Society**

**Double majors listed in ALL CAPS**

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* Commissioned Second Lt., US Army, ROTC Program.

**Honor Cords**

- **PBeta Gamma Sigma Honor Society**
  - Students at Bryant College who have been elected to membership in the prestigious Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society wear blue and gold cords with their academic robes.

- **Omicron Delta Epsilon International Honor Society**
  - Students at Bryant College who have distinguished themselves through academic performance wear gold honor cords with their academic robes.

- **Students at Bryant College who have been elected to membership in the international**
  - Omicron Delta Epsilon Honor Society wear green and white cords with their academic robes.
Degree Candidates - 134th Commencement Ceremony

Bachelor of Arts in
Liberal Studies
Communication
Wendy Lynanne Cannon, (eng)
Christine Elaine Kjellberg
Kara Leigh Nemet, (psy)

Economics
Alfred Philip Bronner,
Magna Cum Laude, φ
Robert Stewart Clark,
Summa Cum Laude, φ
Eric R. Handa, φ
Peter Gregory Somers

English
Michelle Ann Javery
Sharon Melisa Pacheco, (com)
Sheronda Rochelle

History
Jennifer Ann Wilson, (psy),
Magna Cum Laude

International Studies
Lisa Ferreira
Christine Jennifer Grenier
Jae Thomas Guttadauro

Bachelor of Science in
Business Administration
Accounting
Susan M. Allaire, Cum Laude
Stephanie Rose Allard, CIS
Michael Anthony Alviano
Andreana Lynn Becker
Bernadette Marie Beeney,
Summa Cum Laude, β
Julian Rene Betancur
Michelle Lucy Bettencourt,
Magna Cum Laude
David W. Botelho
Richard Louis Botham Jr.
Dena Rose Brown, CIS, (eng)
Louise T. Bucko
Maria Susan Bussone, Cum Laude
Amy Elizabeth Cadorette
Ronald F. Campbell
John Loring Carpenter Jr.
Joan Sch Yan Chan, (psy)
Jennifer Elizabeth Cittadini,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Alison Lynn Confreda
Debbie Ann Contri,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Amy Sue Corbet,
Magna Cum Laude, β

Christopher Lee Costa
Stacey Dawn Cote
Lisa Ann Cournoyer
Narda Elenz Cuccaro
Lauren Rose Dabkowski
Christine Frances Daly
Jeremy Kristofor Davis
Stacy Olga Defaranos
Michael Carl DeSimone *
Joseph Henry Devolve
Maryann Dougherty
Sean Patrick Doyle
Susan L. Flaherty
Carol Ann Fox, Cum Laude
Kristin Ann Fuller
Loren Christine Gazdik
Marianne S. Gentile, Cum Laude
Jennifer Lynn Giulino
Lydia Lee Gouppee
Nicole Susan Greene, Cum Laude
Jason Scott Greenlaw, FIN,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Alexande: Jonathan Gross,
Magna Cum Laude, β
James Edward Harrington, Jr.
Linda Herron
Camille Pamela Ilickey
Leah A. Higer, (psy)
Richard Hodge Jr.
Jason Christopher Hollis, ECO, φ
Tracey Lee Hotopp
Kristy Michelle Hurtt
Eric R. Jolly, (eng), Magna Cum Laude
Andrea J. Jordan, Cum Laude
Tracy Lynn Jordan, (soc)
Dawn Marie Kalathas
Karen Elizabeth Kaminski
David Craig Kaplan
Terry Wayne Karras
Thomas Patrick Kiley, (pols)
Lisa Ann Knight, (eng)
Valery Korenny
Philip Leonard LaMariana,
FIN, (biotec), Cum Laude
Karen Lee L'Ecuyer
Phuong Minh Le, Cum Laude
Richard Sebastien Lebrun, Cum Laude
Elaine Cynthia Liapakis
Peter J. Linardo
Diane Jean Lomas, (psy),
Summa Cum Laude, β
Rachel Lynne Lowd
Deborah Jane Lowery,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Sonja L. Maciel
Amy Beth Mailhot
Douglas William Marandola
Paul H. Martin, Cum Laude
Stephen McCarthy
James Kenyon McCarty III, Cum Laude
Kara L. Medeiros
Alicia Lynn Mignanelli
Andrew Francis Miller, (chs)
Dia L. Montville
Brian Moran, Magna Cum Laude, β
Edmund Allen Morrison IV
Elvis M. Mota, (eng), Cum Laude
Philip Peter Moussally
Robert John Nowosad,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Jeremy Shawn O'Connor, Cum Laude
Brenda Joy O'Leary
Gregory James Oylinget, (pols)
Marsha Gail Orr
Lianne Katheryn Packard
Denise M. Paquet, Summa Cum Laude
Michael Joseph Pasquarello *
Alison Joy Pepler, (eng)
Brenda L. Pickering, (psy)
Michael C. Pilon
Kimberly Ellen Prasinos, Cum Laude
Andrew W. Pratt,
Summa Cum Laude, β
Christopher Lester Quinn, (eco),
Magna Cum Laude, β, φ
Joseph Carl Radatiewicz,
Summa Cum Laude, β
Kristina Reisner
Suzanne Jean Ronan,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Christina Rosabianca
Jennie Lee Rudin, CIS, Cum Laude
Megan Kelley Ryan.

Billie Jean Sanders
Albert Rinaldi Scerbo
Mark David Schwartz
Norman Earl Seguin,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Angela Domenica Senerchia
Louis Jason Simon
Gregory Michael Sinnott
Scott Anthony Slater
Grant Michael Smith
Marcie Diagne Smith, Cum Laude
Matthew Adrian Snyder
Christopher David Spagnole
Linda P. Sypek
Maria Elizabeth Tardio, (psy)
Susan Jane Topp
Eric D. Toussaint, (psy)
Rebecca Lynn Tracy, * Cum Laude
Joshua Douglas Tudryn, Cum Laude
Anita Edmonds Turner
David Francis Turner Jr.
Steve J. Tweedie
Elizabeth Ann Ultram, (psych)
Brittany Michelle Van Patten
Jon Kevin Van Wormer
Marc James VanderBaan
Paula J. Veilleux
Jennifer Ann Verheek
Marc L. Volpe, (psy),
Summa Cum Laude, β
Kimberly Anne Walsh
Kathleen Elizabeth Walsh
Matthew Paul Ward
Melanie L. Waterman
Noel Bertram Watson, Cum Laude
Chad E. West, Cum Laude
Marie Teresa Willis, Cum Laude
James Lee Wood

Applied Actuarial Math
Louise M. Anthony, Cum Laude
Keri Lynn Booth, Summa Cum Laude, β
Christina L. Ferrari, (eng), Cum Laude
Amanda Elaine Friedrich, Summa Cum Laude, β
Laura Susan Kazalski, FIN
Lynn Carol Malloney, Cum Laude
Allison Dinnae Maloney, Cum Laude
Michael Steven McKiernan
Melissa Anne McMains, FIN, Magna Cum Laude, β
Peter Nicholas Pelamidis Jr.
Michael Edward Patterson
Jason Thomas Schmid
Allison Marie Weeks, Magna Cum Laude
Donald Eugene Widger, Magna Cum Laude, β

Business Communications
Robert Matthew Croteau
Jeffrey Michael Misenti
Scott Jay Rattigan, (psy)

Computer Information Systems
Alese Noelle Andreucci
Eric Keith Ayala
Adina Tamba Barnes, ACG
Brendon Anthony Boragine
Lucky Bouthavong, (soc)
Kristie Susanne Breen, MGT
Christian Joseph Brocato
Kevin Alan Brook, Magna Cum Laude, β
Mary Anne Burke, (psy)
Krisin Marie Burr
Michelle M. Butler, Cum Laude
Tara C. Carden, Magna Cum Laude
Glenn Scott Carlson
Ellen Jane Choy
Michael W. Coburn
Darrell R. Cook
Michael Joseph Crisafi
Alicia Ann Dooley, Cum Laude
Donald E. Doweiko
Melody Lynn Ellis
Angela Ann Forkey
Aimee Lee Francis, Magna Cum Laude
James Howard Genest Jr.
Alison M. Gerard, MKT
Timothy Maxwell Gormley
Michael Hugh Hall, FIN, Magna Cum Laude, β
Eric Christopher Harrop, MKT
Adam Corey Hyde, Cum Laude

George Marino Laberis
Amy Kathleen Lacourciere
Michael Steven Lancia
Tricia Kimberly LeBlanc
Aaron E. Leiberman, (psy)
Kenneth Longtin
Laura Susan Lucido, (com)
Marjorie Matteis
Thomas Joseph McAfee, (soc)
Brian Thomas Melanson
Jason A. Mills, (eng), Cum Laude
Brian Keith Parks
Charlotte M. Pease, Magna Cum Laude
Lisa Cabral Pereira, Cum Laude
Drew Daniel Plastridge
Tod Michael Pomerleau
Marc Joe Henry Riblet
Laura Jean Ripepi, Cum Laude
Danny Michael SanSouci, Magna Cum Laude, β
Jill Georgette Santerre, FIN
Caren Jeanne Santos
Alan Brent Siler
Erik Brandon Silva, (eco)
Sherri Anne Silva, (com)
Gordon Glenn Stroupe, Magna Cum Laude, β
Carrie Ann Stygar
Mark Steven Sullivan, MGT
Thomas James Taylor II, (com)
Keri Ann Vasapollo
Steven Nhan Vuong
William W. Watkins
Daniel Howard Weiss, (eng)
Christopher Michael Wills,
Magna Cum Laude

Finance

Alemantis, (psy)
Pedro F. Alves
Kimberly Jean Amaral, (cis)
Gustavo Alberto Anez, ECO
Adam Kurt Antonik
Aeria Choi Antuono,
Magna Cum Laude
Brian C. Apple, (cis)
Christopher William Baldwin, (psy)
Deborah Joan Bauer
Jose Carlos Benitez, MKT
Karen E. Bigelow, CIS
George Bokas
Jennifer Alison Borawski
Megan Kathleen Brett
Brian Graeber Buckland, (psy)
Richard Patrick Burke
Jennifer Marie Casas-Traynor
Francesco Paolo Castagliuolo, (eco)
Summa Cum Laude, β
Nelson G. Castro, (eco), Cum Laude
Candice L. Charron
David Russell Chase
Feng Qing Chen
Nicole Renee Chervenak, (cis)

Robert Stewart Clark,
Summa Cum Laude, β, φ
Matthew Michael Clarkin, Jr.,
Cum Laude
David Paul Cloutier, (eng)
Alyssa Ann Comiso
Kristen Ann Conforti
Sean Patrick Conroy
Joseph Frank Consiglio, (cis)
Timothy Patrick Coogan,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Stefano Teodoros Coppola
Jason Peter Coras, (cis)
Kristen Marie Cowing
Paul A. D’Anello
Kalpesh Kirit Dadbhawala, (eco)
Adam Danowski, (soc)
Vladimir Victorov Davchev
Peter Joseph Deibel
Joanne L. Desilets
Kelley Ann Dowling, (eng), Cum Laude
Stephanie Lee Drusnic, (psy),
Cum Laude
Paul Edmund Dube
Dianne Giselle Ducharme, (psy)
David Bennett Eisenman
Robert James Emens, (eng)
P. Matthew Fioretti
Timothy Carl Fitzbag
Michael Paul Fitzgerald
Danny Joseph Gabriell, ACG,
Summa Cum Laude, β

Bryan Keith Gamache
Tonya Leigh Gillen
Jamie Aaron Glaser, Cum Laude
Matthew Steven Goodfinger
Eric Gough, (soc)
Geoffrey Michael Gray
Joshua Warren Gray
Luigi Guerriera, (cis)
Marten R. Hart
Timothy John Harvey
Karen Marie Hodges, (cis),
Magna Cum Laude
Kathleen Patricia Houcigan
Satoshi Ishihara
Anastassia A. Ivanenko, Cum Laude
Brandy Lee Johnson,
Magna Cum Laude
Richard Ansley Johnston
Steven Joseph Joyce, (cis), (biotc)
Zahid Firoz Karmali
Farida Karundeng
Steven Michael Kay, (cis)
Robert John Kerr Jr., (pols)
Jeffery Julius Kosarks, (psy)
Michael Dennis Kraft
Grace Elizabeth Kraus
Nirbhay Vineet Kumax
Magna Cum Laude
Ann-Marie Lefebvre
Andrew John Lehti
Jason J. LeVasseur,
Magna Cum Laude
Scott Paul Levius, (cis), Cum Laude
Raymond C. Loughlin,
Magna Cum Laude
Brian Joseph Maccini, (cis), Cum Laude
Bryan David Magnus, AAM, (biotc),
Magna Cum Laude, β
Christopher John Maiorana, (eco)
Marc Edward Markovitz
Diane M. Martin
Stefanie Anne Mastrone
Jennifer Lynn McKernan, (psy)
Tracie Lee Melchione
Kristen R. Merrill
Dennis Andrew Miller
Kerri Lynn Monihan
Kimberly A. Moniz, Cum Laude
Marc Jonathan Morrow, (cis)
Maureen Elizabeth Murphy
Michael Phillip Nakano
Hoang Dinh Nguyen, INS,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Emily Ann Nickerson
Stacey Lynn Nielsen
John Joseph O’Connor IV
Michelle Nadia Char, MGT,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Mark Russell Ormskott, (biotc)
Mark P. Orsley, Summa Cum Laude, β
Eric Christopher Parex
Diane Elizabeth Partington
Vincent L. Petrangolo, (psy)
David Lee Pickel Jr., ECO,
Cum Laude, φ
Scott E. Powers, (his),
Magna Cum Laude, β
Jill Marie Quatrare
Timothy Joseph Quin
Joseph Michael Raffaeletti, (cis)
Mark Norman Ras,
Summa Cum Laude, β
Odetta M. Rivera Benitez
Derek Philip Ryan
William Todd Schimikowski, MKT
Steven Michael Serafini, (eco),
Cum Laude
Dipesh Chandrakant Shah
Matthew Blake Sharris
Vincent Joseph Sheehan Jr.
Michael James Sheehan
Lawrence David Silver
Raymond Kenneth St. Martin, (com)
Brian Paul Stanick,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Kimberly Renee Stillwell
Yoichiro Takeshita, INS, Cum Laude
Artvin Torossian, INS
Cuong Vi Truong, (com)
Peter Gregory Vermette, (cis),
Cum Laude
Keith Michael Viveiros, (psy)
Damon T. Walker, (eco),
Magna Cum Laude
Robert J. Wall Jr, Cum Laude
Douglas Walsh
Suzanne Brown Ward, (soc)

Ian Wolcott Welles, Magna Cum Laude
Craig Matthew Wesenski, (psy)
Peter John Whitbeck
Christopher Wibisano, (eco),
Summa Cum Laude, β
Kenneth Peter Wisniewski III, MKT,
Magna Cum Laude
Elliott S. Yepez, Cum Laude
David William Zielinski,
Magna Cum Laude
Mehtaret Imge Zuhal
Julie Anne Zucowski

Hotel and Institutional Management
Edward Dennis Nedeau

Management
Kehkashan Ali Adil, ECO,
Cum Laude, β
Christina Agorititas
Kathleen M. Albanese, (psy),
Cum Laude
Jason Michael Allard,
Magna Cum Laude
Mijail Alexei Amiroff
Jason Russell Avery
Jason Michael Bean
Raymond Alfred Belanger III
Bari Lynn Bendell, ENG,
Magna Cum Laude, β
Michelle T. Bibeault, Cum Laude
Charles Preston Biron
Michael Blasi, (com)
Joseph J. Bonaceto, (psy)
Michael T. Bourgault
Jean Susan Bowen
Clifford Brett Bowyer, MKT
Jessica Ann Burns, (psy)
Kelli-Ann Burwell
Gabriella Luisa Carlino
Jennifer Ann Cavicchi, (psy)
Michèle Renee Chambers, (psy)
Brian Joseph Chase, CIS
Heidi Kathleen Comes, (psy)
Christopher W. Conrad, (soc)
Donald L. Corne
Justin Jon Cusano
Jennifer Ann D’Ardeca, COM
Shannon Christine Davis
Rhonda Marie DelSignore, ENG
Jarod Delmer de Vos
Patricia L. DiGiorgio
Gail Ann DiMartino
Christopher Nicholas Dono
Jason Desmond Doyle
Shawn Michael Dyer
Manouel Emdjian
Dustin John Everson
Meghan Michelle Fraleigh, (bsiotc), Summa Cum Laude, β
Wendy G. Gamba, ACG
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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 the two dominant emblems of the institution: 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 presidents is marked by the presentation of the medallion by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees to the president.

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 Mercaturam” – Education for Business Leadership.
Alumni Charge

Commencement is not an ending, but a beginning. Your relationship with your Alma Mater will not end today, but rather evolve into a new form. In Latin, Alma Mater means "fostering mother" and alumnus meant originally "foster child."

Your relationship with your parents doesn't end the day you leave home; rather, as you gain your independence, your ties with your family become centered around mutual respect, affection and moral support. So it is with your relationship to Bryant College. As you move out with hope and courage into your careers or further education, you will want to maintain close ties with your Alma Mater.

The vehicle for maintaining these ties is the Bryant College Alumni Association. Through this organization you will be able to stay in touch with the friends you have made here, at class reunions and at local alumni chapter events. You will also be able to utilize the resources of Bryant College as you develop your career path. You, in turn, will become a resource for the College. Our alumni serve on various College committees, curriculum advisory councils, and on the Board of Trustees. We also help to maintain and advance the excellent reputation of this school through volunteer efforts on behalf of admission, career development, educational programs, and fund raising. Through the Alumni Association, you play a significant part in enhancing Bryant College's ability to attract quality faculty, administration, and students.

So today the Alumni Association extends to you an invitation to begin a life-long relationship with your Alma Mater. Stay in touch. Let the Alumni Office know where you are, and what your latest accomplishments are. Get involved with local alumni chapters. And through your individual support and work with other alumni, help keep Bryant College an outstanding institution for future generations. Your efforts will help assure that years from now you will still be able to point with pride to your graduation from Bryant College.

We extend to you and your family and friends our congratulations and our warmest welcome to a proud Bryant family.

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 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 Inter-collegiate 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 doctor’s 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. At Bryant College, the president and the honorary degree recipients wear gowns especially designed and trimmed in the College color of gold.

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 (or sapphire blue) for commerce, accountancy, business; copper for economics; light blue for education; peacock blue for public administration; purple for law; and white for arts, letters, humanities.

The length of the hood varies slightly for bachelor’s and master’s, and doctor’s degree. Today, the hood for those receiving bachelor’s and master’s degrees 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 tassel 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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