

Commencement

CLASS of 2019



COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



TEN O'CLOCK

The Mabel K. Whiteside Greek Theatre

Dennis Goff, *College Marshal & Charles A. Dana Professor of Psychology*

Emily Nicole Vaughn '20, *Class Marshal & President of the Junior Class*

PROCESSIONAL*

Blue Ridge Brass

Rigaudon..... Andre Campra

Grand March from "Aida"..... G. Verdi

Prayer and March from "Renzi"..... Richard Wagner

INVOCATION*

Reverend Jennifer Vestal Moore, *Chaplain of the College*

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Bradley W. Bateman, *President of the College*

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, *Mayor, City of Richmond*

CONFERRING OF GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Bradley W. Bateman, *President of the College*

Hylan Thomas "Hank" Hubbard, III, *Chair Elect of the Board of Trustees*

Carl A. Girelli, *Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College*

Wesley R. Fugate, *Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students*

Bunny Goodjohn, *Associate Dean of the College*

PRESENTATION OF THE MAUDE HUFF FIFE AWARD

Carl A. Girelli, *Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College*

MESSAGE FROM THE CLASS OF 2019

Elizabeth Ann Exline '19, *President of the Senior Class*

*Please stand if you are able.

MESSAGE TO THE GRADUATES

Bradley W. Bateman, *President of the College*

THE COLLEGE SONG*

Text: Carol Johnson Hallstrom '43

Music: Henry Hallstrom, *Professor Emeritus*

Led by Songshine and Voices

*Where the river winds through
blue mountains,
Where purple vines entwine
stately halls,
And roses tumble along
sunny walls,
Where voices serenading in
the night sing of loyalty
and love.
There let wisdom rise!
O, there let wisdom rise!*

*Randolph College in fair Virginia,
Home of true learning, beauty,
and art,
We sing thy praises, O Alma
Mater,
Our voices serenading
in the night
Pledge thee loyalty and love.
Here let wisdom rise!
O, here let wisdom rise!*

BENEDICTION *

Reverend Jennifer Vestal Moore, *Chaplain of the College*

RECESSIONAL*

Blue Ridge Brass

Triumphal March.....Hector Berlioz

*Please stand if you are able.

CLASS of 2019

Senior Class Officers

Elizabeth Ann Exline
President

Rikki Renee Carretta
Vice President

Elizabeth Ann Exline
Senior Dinner Dance Chair

Senior Student Government Officers

Tori Ann Green
President

Luis Enrique Chaparro Rodriguez
Vice President

Adama Beye
Parliamentarian

Rebekah DuBose Griffith
Secretary

Kayla Elisabeth Henniger
Publicity Officer

COMMENCEMENT

MAY 12, 2019

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Meghan Grace Moran, *Curriculum & Instruction*, M.A.T. Fairfax, VA
William Thomas Owsley II,** *Curriculum & Instruction*, M.A.T. Lynchburg, VA
Katherine Michaela Phillips, *Curriculum & Instruction*, M.A.T. Locust Grove, VA
Stephanie Fay Quirk, *Curriculum & Instruction*, M.A.T. Carlisle, PA
Meagan Valentine Swithers, *Curriculum & Instruction*, M.A.T. Manalapan, NJ

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Marie Michele Abowd, *Environmental Studies*, B.A. Forest, VA
Philemon Afrifa-Boakye, *Global Studies & Sociology*, B.A. Accra, Ghana
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Elisabeth Jane Ayars, *Art History & Studio Art*, B.A. Easton, PA
Shelby Louise Bergum,* *Sport and Exercise Studies*, B.A. Terrebonne, OR
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Amber Noelle Bowman, *Biology*, B.A. Boones Mill, VA
Hannah Elizabeth Bradley, *Sport and Exercise Studies*, B.A. Wye Mills, MD
Ngoc Viet Bui, *Business & Economics*, B.A. Hai Duong, Vietnam
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Kaya Jasmine Clarke, *Theatre*, B.A. Lynchburg, VA
Eynnar Gabriel Claros Chacon, *Biology*, B.S. Falls Church, VA
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Tyrah Alexis Cobb-Davis, *Environmental Science*, B.S. Laurel, MD
Austin Thomas Collier, *Mathematics*, B.S. Chesapeake, VA
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Rachel Faith Cosner, *History*, B.A. Midlothian, VA
Emma Kathleen Cullen, *Biology & Studio Art*, B.A. Midlothian, VA
Nhut Minh Dang, *Engineering Physics*, B.S. Atlanta, GA
Emad Davis, *Mathematics*, B.S. Bedford, VA
Golden Victoria Dennison, *Environmental Studies & History*, B.A. Creston, NC
Samantha Faye Dickerson, *Liberal Studies*, B.A. Brookneal, VA
Leah Georgann Dorman, *Liberal Studies*, B.A. Lynchburg, VA
Nicole Marie Dorton, *Environmental Science*, B.S. Alexandria, VA
Geoffrey Bauer Edwards, *Communication Studies*, B.A. Roanoke, VA
Lydia Anne Edwards, *Biology*, B.A. Concord, VA

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Katie Lynn Godwin, <i>Global Studies & Sociology</i> , B.A.	Richmond Hill, GA
Tori Ann Green, <i>Psychology</i> , B.A.	Hampton, VA
Rebekah DuBose Griffith, <i>Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Williamsburg, VA
Skye Susan Gurbarg-Green, <i>Psychology</i> , B.A.	Forest, VA
Marissa Rose Guske, <i>Biology</i> , B.A.	Lynchburg, VA
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Andrew Phillip Hayden, <i>Mathematics & Physics</i> , B.S.	Vinton, VA
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Katherine Pauline Horne, <i>Dance & Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Bedford, VA
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Bryan Kayuen Hue, <i>Physics</i> , B.A.	Fredericksburg, VA
Courtney Marie Hughes, <i>Sociology</i> , B.A.	Lexington, NC
Alexandra Nicole Hutcherson, * <i>Biology</i> , B.A.	Madison Heights, VA
Siri Kjeseth Johnson, <i>English & Studio Art</i> , B.A.	Lynchburg, VA
Katie Morgan Jones, *** <i>Engineering Physics</i> , B.S.	Stafford, VA
Jordon Cheryl Kirkpatrick, <i>Art History & English</i> , B.A.	Lutz, FL
Hannah Marie Krantz, <i>Business</i> , B.A.	Bedford, VA
Kristiana Kuqi, <i>History & Political Science</i> , B.A.	Beaverdam, VA
Emalie Caroline Lawson, <i>Dance & Sport and Exercise Studies</i> , B.F.A.	Hartly, DE
Rachel Anne Lee, <i>Environmental Studies</i> , B.A.	Clifton, VA
Rebecca Elizabeth Lesnak, <i>Global Studies & History</i> , B.A.	Blountville, TN
Courtney Rose Lucado, <i>Sport and Exercise Studies</i> , B.A.	Buchanan, VA
Brittany Michelle Lundy, <i>Psychology</i> , B.A.	Chesapeake, VA
Shelby Marie Lutz, * <i>Sport and Exercise Studies</i> , B.A.	Lynchburg, VA
Tyana Marie Martinez, <i>Psychology</i> , B.A.	Stafford, VA
Celina Grace Matthews, * <i>English</i> , B.A.	Forest, VA
Nicole Jean Monroe, <i>Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Stafford, VA
Thanh Tung Nguyen, <i>Physics</i> , B.S.	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
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Erika Esther Opie, <i>English</i> , B.A.	Williamsburg, VA
Valarie Nana Yaa Gyanbah Osei-Akyeampong, <i>Chemistry</i> , B.S.	Columbus, GA
Brett Andrew Pausic, <i>Communication Studies</i> , B.A.	Saluda, VA
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Presley Grace Pippin, <i>Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Roseland, VA
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Jordann J. Pruitt, <i>Business</i> , B.A.	Newport News, VA
Sarah Elizabeth Reed, <i>Environmental Studies</i> , B.A.	Luray, VA
Kaitlyn Michelle Reep, <i>Dance</i> , B.F.A.	Roanoke, VA

Christian Michael Ridenour, * <i>Political Science</i> , B.A.	Laurel, DE
Sharelis Santiago Martinez, <i>Biology</i> , B.S.	Lynchburg, VA
Michaela Marie Saunders, <i>Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Lynchburg, VA
Mckenzie Lynn Schmitt, <i>Dance & Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Arlington, VA
Marvin Caleb Shockley, <i>History</i> , B.A.	Callaway, VA
Michelle Lynn Smith, <i>Biology</i> , B.A.	Fredericksburg, VA
Yuriy Snyder, <i>Chemistry & Physics</i> , B.S.	Big Island, VA
Taylyn Marie Soult, * <i>Communication Studies</i> , B.A.	Madison Heights, VA
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Teagan Renee Stanley, <i>English</i> , B.A.	Lusby, MD
Teliya Janay Stevenson, <i>Political Science</i> , B.A.	Hedgesville, WV
Stephen Francis Stimac, <i>Communication Studies</i> , B.A.	Tryon, NC
Blayne Kayleigh Stine, <i>Dance & Sport and Exercise Studies</i> , B.F.A.	Fredericksburg, VA
James Michael Stumpo, * <i>Business</i> , B.A.	Warrenton, VA
Mengjin Sun, <i>Mathematics</i> , B.S.	Zhuozhou, P.R. China
Jayde Joseph Swope, <i>Business</i> , B.A.	Lynchburg, VA
Kristen Paige Thomson, <i>Biology</i> , B.S.	Scottsville, VA
Autumn Michelle Troxell, <i>Business & Economics</i> , B.A.	Linden, VA
Arnav Upadhyay, <i>Economics & Mathematics</i> , B.A.	Kathmandu, Nepal
Alexandra Crawford Uzdavinis, <i>Business</i> , B.A.	Carrollton, VA
Margaret June Van Beek, <i>Environmental Science</i> , B.S.	San Jose, Costa Rica
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Shar'ron Daishawn Walker, <i>Business</i> , B.A.	Newport News, VA
Kaila P. Washington, <i>Communication Studies & Psychology</i> , B.A.	Norfolk, VA
Alexandria Schaeé Webb, <i>English</i> , B.A.	Rogersville, MO
Cameron James Weeks, <i>English</i> , B.A.	Bedford, VA
Maya Bao Zhen Wheeler, <i>Environmental Studies</i> , B.A.	Arlington, VA
Alexandra Tass Wiczorek, <i>Communication Studies & Political Science</i> , B.A.	Lynchburg, VA
Kayla LeBreanna Wilhelm, <i>Sport and Exercise Studies</i> , B.A.	Lexington, VA
Brianna Yvonne Williams, <i>Communication Studies</i> , B.A.	Woodbridge, VA
Jhanae Aulana Williams, <i>Psychology</i> , B.A.	Virginia Beach, VA
Sarah Paige Williams, <i>Psychology</i> , B.A.	Lynchburg, VA
Reilly Madelyn Wren, * <i>Biology</i> , B.S.	Dallas, TX
Joshua Jeremiah Yeast, <i>Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Chesapeake, VA
Jane Kun Zhou, * <i>Liberal Studies</i> , B.A.	Houston, TX

*August 2018 or January 2019 Graduate

**Degree to be awarded upon completion of master's program

***Dual degree in progress

Due to printing deadlines, the graduate names, degrees, and majors listed are tentative. This document is not an official record of degrees awarded. The student's transcript is the official record of the College.

The digital Commencement Program, which is part of the College's sustainability efforts, contains final information, including honors awarded. It is available for download at www.randolphcollege.edu/commencement

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Arnav Upadhyay

Dual Degree Program Participants

Nhut Minh Dang, *Engineering Physics, Washington University*
Graham Martin Southwick, *Engineering Physics, Washington University*
Anh Ha Vo, *Engineering Physics, Washington University*

Undergraduate Teacher Licensure Candidates

Presley Grace Pippin
Skylar Noelle Pippin

ACADEMIC AWARDS

This year's awards were presented during a special ceremony on April 24, 2019.

Rachel Trexler Ellis '44 Art Prize for Excellence in Art
Cai Czuhai

Best Senior Paper
Elisabeth Jane Ayars

Marilyn S. Murray Asian Studies Award
Erika Esther Opie

Grace Taylor Wiltshire HA Award
Alyssa Watson

James Lewis Howe Award
Yuriy Snyder

Carla Heath/James Hoban Award
Veronica Lee

James Carey/Marie Nichols Award
Sherri Marie Arthur

Sally Spencer Award
Emalie Caroline Lawson
Katherine Pauline Horne

Helen McGehee Award
Kaitlyn Michelle Reep

Eleanor Struppa Departmental Award
Mekenzie Lynn Schmitt

Carl Stern Award for Excellence in Economics
Arnav Upadhyay

Teacher of Promise Award
Skylar Noelle Pippin

Kathleen Bowman Education Research Award
Mekenzie Lynn Schmitt

The Halley Brooke Smith Excellence in Student Teaching Award
Presley Grace Pippin

Senior Award in Environmental Studies
Marie Michele Abowd

Lura Lee Cannon Stephens '11 Prize in History
Rebecca Elizabeth Lesnak

Catherine I. Hastings Prize
Mengjin Sun

Outstanding Student Leader in Global Studies

Rebecca Elizabeth Lesnak

Outstanding Senior in Political Science

Madeleine Bridget Peters

Frank Murray Award

Tori Ann Green

J. Kenneth Morland Award for Best Senior Paper in Sociology

Alyssa Grace Horton

Outstanding Senior

Katie Lynn Godwin

Outstanding Sport and Exercise Achievement

Kathryn Brooks Tunstill Gillerlain

Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship Nominee - She Kills Monsters

Marissa Rose Guske

Outstanding Contributor in Theatre

Kaya Jasmine Clarke

Summer Research Program Best Poster Presentation

Margaret June Van Beek

Outstanding Poster at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars (1st place)

Marie Michelle Abowd

Tyrah Alexis Cobb-Davis

Arthur John Elliott

Outstanding Poster at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars (2nd place)

Michaela Marie Saunders

Outstanding Poster at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars (3rd place)

Rachel Anne Lee

Sarah Elizabeth Reed

Outstanding Oral Presentation at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars - 1st place

Katherine Pauline Horne

Outstanding Oral Presentation at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars - 2nd place

Mekenzie Lynn Schmitt

Outstanding Oral Presentation at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars - 3rd place

Stephanie Fay Quirk

Honors in the Major

Celina Grace Matthews,* *English*

Mengjin Sun, *Mathematics*

Arnav Upadhyay, *Economics & Mathematics*

Reilly Madelyn Wren,* *Biology*

Academic Honors

Marie Michele Abowd.....*Magna cum laude*

Elisabeth Jane Ayars.....*Magna cum laude*

Ngoc Viet Bui.....*Cum laude*

Austin Thomas Collier.....*Summa cum laude*

Christina Lee Cordell**Magna cum laude*

Emma Kathleen Cullen.....*Cum laude*

Katie Lynn Godwin.....*Cum laude*

Megan Elizabeth Guzik.....*Cum laude*

Andrew Phillip Hayden.....*Cum laude*

Michaela Abriel Hockenberry.....*Magna cum laude*

Alyssa Grace Horton.....*Cum laude*

Siri Kjeseth Johnson.....*Cum laude*

Emalie Caroline Lawson.....*Magna cum laude*

Rebecca Elizabeth Lesnak.....*Magna cum laude*

Brittany Michelle Lundy.....*Cum laude*

Celina Grace Matthews**Cum laude*

Judith Anastacia Nunley**Cum laude*

Madeleine Bridget Peters.....*Cum laude*

Kaitlyn Michelle Reep.....*Summa cum laude*

Mekenzie Lynn Schmitt.....*Summa cum laude*

Blayne Kayleigh Stine.....*Magna cum laude*

Mengjin Sun.....*Magna cum laude*

Arnav Upadhyay.....*Cum laude*

Cameron James Weeks.....*Cum laude*

Brianna Yvonne Williams.....*Cum laude*

Reilly Madelyn Wren**Magna cum laude*

*August 2018 or January 2019 Graduate

DESCRIPTION *of* THE COLLEGE MACE

Symbolic of authority, the College mace is carried by a senior faculty member serving as the College marshal on ceremonial occasions during the academic procession. The mace bears the College seal on top of a flame. The flame sits upon a three-sided pedestal upon which the Three Keys of Knowledge, representing the humanities, the arts, and the sciences, are carved. Its design is derived from a well-known speech, "My Grandmother's Basket of Keys," given by Theodore H. Jack, the fourth president of then Randolph-Macon Woman's College. The design is based upon the Randolph-Macon Woman's College mace, only modified to reflect the College's new seal after its name change in 2007. When not in use, the mace resides in the Lipscomb Library, along with the mace developed for Randolph-Macon Woman's College in 1955.

THE WEARING *of* ACADEMIC APPAREL

The wearing of academic apparel has been the traditional way of symbolizing the value of learning. Probably the monasteries and cathedral schools in the seventh century were the precursors of our modern institutions of higher education. The robed and cowed monks were the first students. The wearing of gowns can be traced back to the great universities of Oxford and Cambridge where the wearing of the gown and cowl of the earlier cathedral school clerics was preserved as academic dress.

Though caps and gowns have been worn for commencement ceremonies in this country since colonial times, in 1895, a commission of American educators met to formulate a uniform intercollegiate code for American institutions of higher learning. The code, as finally established, follows in general the English system and provides for three types of gowns: those worn by bachelors or undergraduates are made of black material and have long pointed sleeves; masters wear either black silk or black wool made with a long, closed sleeve with an arc of a circle cut out near the bottom and slit for the arm; and the doctor's gown is black silk with a full, round open sleeve. The gown is faced with velvet and has three bars of velvet on each sleeve. The black oxford or mortarboard cap is worn for all degrees.

The hood, which signifies the degree conferred, has also been made uniform. The bachelor's hood is three feet long; the master's is three and one-half feet long; and the doctor's is four feet long with a wider panel. The code prescribes a lining of different color silk in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The binding or trim of the hoods is velvet, two inches wide for bachelors, three inches wide for masters, and five inches wide for doctors. The color here indicates the department or faculty in which the degree is granted.

Following is a list of the colors established by the intercollegiate code to represent the different departments of learning:

Arts and Letters.....	White	Music.....	Pink
Business Administration.....	Gold	Philosophy.....	Blue
Economics.....	Copper	Physical Education.....	Sage Green
Education.....	Light Blue	Science.....	Yellow
Fine Arts.....	Brown	Social Science.....	Citron
Law.....	Purple	Theology/Divinity.....	Scarlet
Library Science.....	Lemon		

While some students choose not to do so, our seniors have the privilege of asking someone, for whom it would be an honor, to hood them.