Commencement
Class of 2018
Commencement Exercises

Ten o’clock
The Mabel K. Whiteside Greek Theatre

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

Bryan Silva ’19, Class Marshal & President of the Junior Class

Processional*

Blue Ridge Brass
- Rigaudon
- Grand March from “Aida”
- Prayer and March from “Renzi”

Invocation*

Reverend Jennifer Vestal Moore, Chaplain of the College

Hymn*

Great God, High Over All
Text: William Waugh Smith, Founder and First President
Tune: “America”

Great God, High over all,  Once more Thy guiding hand
On Thee we humbly call,  Brings us with joy to stand
Guide of our youth;  In this glad place;
Wisdom of seer and sage,  Now we the harvest bring;
Source of each helpful page,  To Thee our praises sing;
Light of each clime and age,  Loud let the welkin ring,
God of all Truth.  God of all Grace.

Welcome and Introduction of the Commencement Speaker

Bradley W. Bateman, President of the College

Commencement Address

Paula J. Wallace, Associate Dean of the College

*Please stand if you are able.
Conferring of Graduate and Undergraduate Degrees

Bradley W. Bateman, President of the College
Karen Patterson ’73, Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees
Wesley R. Fugate, Vice President and Chief of Staff
David E. Buckingham, Interim Dean of Students
Kristin M. Bliss, Associate Professor of Biology and Chair of the Faculty Representative Committee

Presentation of the Maude Huff Fife Award

Kristin M. Bliss, Associate Professor of Biology and Chair of the Faculty Representative Committee

Message from the Class of 2018

Aubrey Carl Fane, III ’18, President of the Senior Class

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 2018

Senior Class Officers

Aubrey Carl Fane, III
President

Katherine Mary Biggs
Vice President

Megan Rose Henning
Senior Dinner Dance Chair

Senior Student Government Officers

Tetiana Poliakova
President

Georgia Sterling LeGrand-Carney
Judiciary Chair
Baccalaureate Degree Candidates

Tiffany Lee Allen, Business, B.A. ............................................................... Chesapeake, VA
Gracyn Chelsea Allen-Ingle, Psychology, B.A. ........................................... Mebane, NC
George Williams Atmore, Psychology, B.A. ............................................. Saint Paul, MN
Maggie Rose Bargelski, Political Science, B.A. ........................................ Scottsville, VA
Machaela Donna Barkman, Psychology, B.A. ........................................... Grantsville, MD
James Andrew Barnett, History, B.A. ...................................................... Lipan, TX
Stephanie Marie Bartholomew, Biology, B.A. .......................................... Madison Heights, VA
Shannon Claire Baskin, Theatre & Music, B.F.A. ...................................... Milner, GA
Shearry Quinn-Lynn Bates, Business, B.A. ............................................. Culpeper, VA
Rachel Allyson Beaver, Economics & Religious Studies, B.A. .................. Austin, TX
Di Bei, Biology, B.S. ............................................................................. Beijing, P.R. China
Nailah K. Bentsi-Enchill, Political Science, B.A. ...................................... Matthews, NC
Katherine Mary Biggs, Biology, B.S. ..................................................... Newtown, PA
Jonathan David Black, Communication Studies, B.A. ......................... Lynchburg, VA
Abigail Faith Bodnar, Communication Studies, B.A. ............................... Woodlawn, VA
Aimee Michael Bonnain, Biology, B.A. ................................................... Boulder, CO
Haley Nicole Brickles, Sociology, B.A. .................................................... Virginia Beach, VA
Allison Kay Brooks,* Environmental Science, B.S. .................................. Rochester, MN
Jessica Lauren Burroughs, Business & Economics, B.A. ......................... Hughesville, MD
Travis David Byram, English, B.F.A. .................................................... Fredericksburg, VA
Alexis Mariah Calloway, Business, B.A. ................................................ Williamsburg, VA
Brittany Renee Campbell, Sociology, B.A. ............................................. Manassas, VA
Katherine Lee Cantrall, English, B.A. ..................................................... Herndon, VA
Gavin Mathew Cook, Physics, B.S. ........................................................ Gautier, MS
Maalik John-Henry Copeland-Morgan, III, Biology, B.S. ....................... Raleigh, NC

Candidates for the Baccalaureate Degree

Candidates for the Master’s Degree

Korrey Lee Davis, Special Education, M.A.T. ........................................ Lynchburg, VA
Evie Rigby Goodson, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. ......................... Amherst, VA
Stuart L. Gossler,** Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. ............................ Altavista, VA
Sarah Elizabeth Grissom, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. .................... Columbia City, IN
Shannon Leigh Hase, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. ......................... Virginia Beach, VA
Tia Chanel Jones, Special Education, M.A.T. ......................................... South Chesterfield, VA
Britnee Cameron Kratochvil,** Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. .......... Bluffton, SC
Ryan Daniel McDonald, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. .................... Potsdam, NY
Holly Anne McWane, Special Education, M.A.T. .................................. Lynchburg, VA
Adair Singleton Moore, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. .................... Lexington, VA
Thomas Wilhelmus Overgaag, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. ......... Acton, MA
Jared Christopher Palmer, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. ............... Bluefield, VA
Jennifer Lynn Sanborn, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. .................... Leonardtown, MD
Timothy J. Songer, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. ............................ Lynchburg, VA
Ayanna K. Stamps-Glover,* Special Education, M.A.T. ......................... Gladys, VA
Molly Suzanne Williams, Curriculum & Instruction, M.A.T. .................. Galax, VA
Anne Janette Cornell, History, B.A..................................................Charlottesville, VA
Jazmyn Renee Cullom, Biology, B.S.................................................Midlothian, VA
Amber Turner Darby, English, B.F.A..............................................District Heights, MD
Taylor Nicole Davidson, Biology, B.A............................................Bealeton, VA
Catleen Sierra Davis, Global Studies, B.A........................................Warrenton, VA
Dianne Veronica Davis, Psychology, B.A........................................Zuni, VA
Jeffery Tyler Davis, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A.......................Fairmont, NC
Alex Thomas Demanche, Business, B.A.........................................Virginia Beach, VA
Sophia Stuart Dill, Chemistry & Physics, B.S..................................Glencoe, NC
Samantha Leanne Dolan, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A..............Huddleston, VA
Delaney Maria Doyle, Biology, B.A.................................................Gloucester, VA
Nour Da’as Elkhamra, Curricular Studies, B.A...............................Lynchburg, VA
Emily Paige Eubank, Business, B.A................................................Amherst, VA
Cristina Irene Evans, Music, B.F.A..................................................Fairfax, VA
Kaitlin Mari Evans,* Sociology, B.A..............................................Lynchburg, VA
Erin Elizabeth Fain, Global Studies, B.A.........................................Goode, VA
Aubrey Carl Fane, III, Sociology, B.A..............................................Keysville, VA
Isabella Claire Farias, Communication Studies, B.A.........................Henrico, VA
Kelsey Elizabeth Fastabend, Environmental Studies, B.A..............Lynchburg, VA
Ryan Joshua Fields, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A......................Edgewood, MD
Camille Eileen Gallagher, Psychology & Sociology, B.A..............Chapel Hill, NC
Patricia Lou Garrett,* Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A....................Lynchburg, VA
Margaret Grace Goldberg,* History, B.A........................................Richmond, VA
Fabrina Marie Goodell,* Sociology, B.A........................................Ithaca, NY
Kelly Ann Goodwin, History, B.A..................................................South Hamilton, MA
Ayla Marjorie Hagen, History & Sociology, B.A............................Byers, CO
Lydia Hamd, French & Philosophy, B.A..........................................Washington, DC
Rachel Caroline Harrison, Biology, B.S.........................................Mechanicsville, VA
Paul Mariano Hartman, Philosophy, B.A.......................................Woodbridge, VA
Anna Josina Hatley, Biology, B.S....................................................Asheville, NC
Kadri Alexander Hearns, Mathematics, B.S.................................Cumming, GA
Jennifer Renea Hedges, English, B.A.............................................Lynchburg, VA
Megan Rose Henning, Dance, B.A................................................Hampton, VA
Brianna Christine Holdren, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A...........Bedford, VA
Bobbie Elise Houser, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A....................Memphis, TN
Eric Richard Huber, Physics & Philosophy, B.S..............................Strongsville, OH
Miranda Li Hudson, English, B.F.A................................................Centreville, VA
Melissa Leonali Husmore, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A............Oceanside, CA
Alison Lynn Hyler, English, B.A....................................................Monroe, VA
Cortez Marcus Jackson, Business, B.A.........................................Rustburg, VA
Reid Alexander Jacoby, Business, B.A...........................................Henrico, VA
Daijah Nicole Johnson, Global Studies, B.A.....................................Beltsville, MD
Sarah Anne Jones, History, B.A.....................................................Concord, VA
Alivia Mykell-Ruth Kilroy, Biology, B.S..........................................Pepperell, MA
Jordyn Lynn Kalani Knapp, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A.........Woodbridge, VA
Jeffrey Alexander Laub, Chemistry, B.S........................................Amherst, VA
Taylor Auleta Elizabeth Lawrimore, History & Psychology, B.A.....Sterling, VA
Georgia Sterling LeGrand-Carney, English, B.A............................Greenville, SC
Matthew Blake Lindenbaum, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A........Reistertown, MD
Jessica Noel Lunsford, Communication Studies, B.A....................Madison Heights, VA
Helen Marie Macnamara, History, B.A...........................................Arlington, VA
Ryan Kennedy Mahoney, Global Studies, B.A...............................Gloucester, VA
Bailey Rose Marshall, Art History & Studio Art, B.A. ........................................ Madison Heights, VA
Laraine Elizabeth Marth, English, B.A. ............................................................ Appomattox, VA
Lane Thomas May, English, B.A. ................................................................. Partlow, VA
Maura Elizabeth McMahon, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A. ................. Blacksburg, VA
Megan Olivia McMahon, Psychology, B.A. ................................................... Lynchburg, VA
Michael Joseph Merdich, Environmental Science, B.S. .................................. Forest, VA
Matthieu Meyer, Engineering Physics, B.S. ...................................................... Boulogne-Billancourt, France
Jacob Landon Miller, Psychology, B.A. ............................................................ Forest, VA
Lindsay Anne Mohler, Theatre, B.A. ............................................................... Catonsville, MD
Rebecca Lynn Montgomery, Psychology, B.A. ............................................. Lancaster, SC
Briana L. Moore, Biology, B.S. ...................................................................... Crossville, TN
Lauren Marie Moore, Political Science, B.A. ................................................ Silver Spring, MD
Lauren Elizabeth Morris, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A. ....................... Troy, NC
Elizabeth Rose Nevoraski, Biology, B.S. ......................................................... Virginia Beach, VA
Igor Bruce Ngabo Rwaka, Biology, B.S. ...................................................... Kicukiro, Kigali, Rwanda
Corey William Nehlig,* Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A. ......................... Lancaster, PA
Dung Thai Nguyen, Psychology, B.A. ............................................................ Hanoi, Vietnam
Shania Marie Nowlin, Sociology, B.A. ......................................................... Lynchburg, VA
Morgan Anne Osburn, Studio Art & Art History, B.F.A. ......................... Charlotte, NC
Desireé Elizabeth Page, Art History, B.A. ...................................................... Appomattox, VA
Jacquelyn Eva Parman, Biology, B.S. ........................................................... Lorton, VA
Zachary Di’Ante Pennix, Philosophy, B.A. .................................................... Lynchburg, VA
Lowell Roland Perez, Biology, B.S. .............................................................. Lynchburg, VA
Harrison Reed Pippin, Environmental Studies & Sociology, B.A. .......... North Chesterfield, VA
Kennedi Nicole Poland, Sociology, B.A. ................................................................ Arlington, VA
Tetiana Poliakova, Biology, B.S. ................................................................. Ivanivka, Zhytomyrska oblast, Ukraine
Nicholas Jason Pollard, Chemistry, B.S. ......................................................... Phenix, VA
Faith Elizabeth Powell, Philosophy & Sociology, B.A. ................................ Ashburn, VA
Jonathon Lyle Powell, Biology, B.S. .............................................................. Fort Defiance, VA
Stuart Thomas Pratuch, Mathematics, B.S. .................................................. Springfield, VA
Joshua Steven Propst, French, B.A. .............................................................. Lynchburg, VA
Michael Joseph Pulliam, Biology, B.S. ......................................................... Roxboro, NC
Marisa Rosa Quarti, Biology, B.S. ................................................................. North Reading, MA
Stephanie Fay Quirk,** Curricular Studies, B.A. ........................................ Duncannon, PA
Keion Jamal Robinson, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A. ......................... Fredericksburg, VA
Danish Nathaniel-Ali Roshan, Mathematics, B.S. ....................................... Braselton, GA
Kieran Evan Sainieni, Psychology, B.A. ....................................................... Columbia, MD
Stacey Jacqueline Samuels, Studio Art, B.A. ................................................ Springfield, VA
Taylor Alexis Samuels, Mathematics & Economics, B.S. ......................... Springfield, VA
Louis Wayne Scicli, Theatre, B.A. ................................................................. Woodbridge, VA
Avisha Snehal Shah, Biology, B.S. ............................................................... North East, PA
Brooks Vincent Sharrett,* Political Science, B.A. ...................................... Forest, VA
Madeline Ruth Shelby, Art History, B.A. ...................................................... Henrico, VA
John Theodore Shepard, Jr., Political Science, B.A. ................................... Forest, VA
Evon Christian Sizemore, English, B.A. ......................................................... Lynchburg, VA
Anna Kyle Smith, Communication Studies, B.A. ......................................... Mint Hill, NC
Jessy Eileen Susan Spencer, Environmental Science, B.S. ...................... Poquoson, VA
Alexis Marie Steljes, Psychology, B.A. ......................................................... Charlottesville, VA
Seaver Collin Jake Sterling, History, B.A. ..................................................... Lemon Grove, CA
Rebecca Danielle Stone, Engineering Physics, B.S. ..................................... White Plain, MD
Tabitha Ferguson Stone, Biology, B.S. ........................................................ South Riding, VA
Bradley William Strober, Business, B.A. ...................................................... Stockton, NJ
Young-Jun Suh,* Environmental Science, B.S. ......................................................... Lynchburg, VA
Meagan Valentine Swithers, Curricular Studies & Dance, B.A. ................... Manalapan, NJ
Katherine Marie Thomas, Classics, B.A. .......................................................... Springfield, VA
Andy Jordan Toe, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A. ........................................ Manassas, VA
Molleigh Breane Tomlin, Business, B.A. ....................................................... Madison Heights, VA
Zoe Sarina Upshaw, Environmental Science, B.S. ........................................ Centreville, VA
Melissa Leslie Vandiver, Art History, B.A. ...................................................... Lynchburg, VA
Morgan Elizabeth Waite, Sociology, B.A. ......................................................... Boxborough, MA
Sydnee Carlene Waller, Psychology, B.A. ........................................................ Rustburg, VA
Benjamin Zhiyue Wang, Engineering Physics, B.S. ..................................... Oakland, CA
Lisa Sue White, Sociology, B.A. ........................................................................ Roanoke, VA
Drucilla Andiene Williams, Chemistry, B.S. ..................................................... Trelawny, Jamaica
Stephanie Ann Wills, Psychology, B.A. ............................................................ Lynchburg, VA
Noelle Taylor Wojciechowski, Engineering Physics, B.S. ............................. Seminole, FL
Yueyin Xiong, Theatre, B.A. ............................................................................... Chongqing, P.R. China
Daniel Alex Young, Sport and Exercise Studies, B.A. ................................... Midlothian, VA
Zachary Edwin Zylstra, Economics & Religious Studies, B.A. ..................... Ocala, FL

*August 2017 or January 2018 Graduate
**Degree to be awarded upon completion of master’s program.

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
ACADEMIC HONORS

Machaela Donna Barkman ................................................................. Summa cum laude
Shearry Quinn-Lynn Bates ............................................................. Cum laude
Rachel Allyson Beaver* ................................................................. Cum laude
Di Bei ............................................................................................... Cum laude
Jonathan David Black ................................................................. Magna cum laude
Abigail Faith Bodnar ........................................................................ Magna cum laude
Allison Kay Brooks* ........................................................................ Magna cum laude
Jessica Lauren Burroughs ............................................................... Magna cum laude
Travis David Byram ......................................................................... Magna cum laude
Sophia Stuart Dill ............................................................................. Magna cum laude
Ayla Marjorie Hagen ......................................................................... Cum laude
Lydia Hamd ........................................................................................ Magna cum laude
Anna Josina Hatley ........................................................................... Cum laude
Bobbie Elise Houser .......................................................................... Magna cum laude
Eric Richard Huber ........................................................................... Summa cum laude
Miranda Li Hudson ............................................................................ Magna cum laude
Alison Lynn Hyler ............................................................................. Summa cum laude
Jeffrey Alexander Laub ................................................................... Cum laude
Matthieu Meyer ................................................................................. Summa cum laude
Briana L. Moore ................................................................................. Cum laude
Lauren Elizabeth Morris ................................................................. Cum laude
Elizabeth Rose Nevoraski ............................................................... Cum laude
Desireé Elizabeth Page ...................................................................... Summa cum laude
Tetiana Poliakova ............................................................................. Summa cum laude
Stuart Thomas Pratuch ..................................................................... Cum laude
Stacey Jacqueline Samuels ............................................................... Cum laude
Taylor Alexis Samuels ....................................................................... Magna cum laude
Jennifer Lynn Sanborn ..................................................................... Magna cum laude
Jessy Eileen Susan Spencer ............................................................ Cum laude
Seaver Collin Jake Sterling ............................................................. Cum laude
Rebecca Danielle Stone ..................................................................... Cum laude
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Noelle Taylor Wojciechowski ......................................................... Magna cum laude

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Honors In The Major

Machaela Donna Barkman ......................................................................................................Psychology
Allison Kay Brooks* ..........................................................................................................Environmental Science
Travis David Byram ............................................................................................................English
Tetiana Poliakova ................................................................................................................Biology
Drucilla Andiene Williams ..................................................................................................Chemistry

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Dual Degree Program Participants

Matthieu Meyer, Engineering Physics, Washington University
Rebecca Danielle Stone, Engineering Physics, Washington University
Benjamin Zhiyue Wang, Engineering Physics, Washington University
Noelle Taylor Wojciechowski, Engineering Physics, Washington University

Undergraduate Teacher Licensure Candidate

Nour Da’as Elkhamra
This year’s awards were presented during a special ceremony on April 25, 2018.

Rachel Trexler Ellis ‘44 Art Prize for Excellence in Art
Morgan Anne Osburn

Rachel Trexler Ellis ‘44 Art Prize for Excellence in Art
Stacey Jacqueline Samuels

Best Senior Paper in Art History
Desireé Elizabeth Page

Grace Taylor Wiltshire Honorary Alumnae Award in Biology
Tetiana Poliakova

Undergraduate Award in Chemistry
Jeffrey Alexander Laub

Chemistry Department Senior Award
Sophia Stuart Dill

James Lewis Howe Award
Drucilla Andiene Williams

James Carey/Marie Nichols Award
Abigail Faith Bodnar

Eleanor Struppa Departmental Award
Meagan Valentine Swithers

Carl Stern Award for Excellence in Economics
Taylor Alexis Samuels

Stan Marshall Award for Excellence in Business
Jessica Lauren Burroughs

Halley Brook Smith Excellence in Elementary Intern Teaching
Nour Da’as Elkhamra

Kathleen Bowman Education Research Award
Stephanie Fay Quirk

The Sarah I. Davis Prize for “Rockin’ the Boat: How Fitzgerald Connects Gatsby and the Sea”
Travis David Byram

Senior Award in Environmental Studies
Jessy Eileen Susan Spencer

Senior Award in Environmental Studies
Allison Kay Brooks

Prix de Langue et Civilisation Francaise
Joshua Steven Propst
Prix de l’Alliance Française
Lydia Hamd

Laura Lee Cannon Stephens ’11 Prize in History
Seaver Collin Jake Sterling

Hastings Award
Taylor Alexis Samuels

Outstanding Student Leader in Global Studies
Erin Elizabeth Fain

Outstanding Senior in Political Science
Lauren Marie Moore

Frank Murray Award in Psychology
George Williams Atmore

Frank Murray Award in Psychology
Dung Thai Nguyen

Edwin A. Penick Award in Religious Studies
Rachel Allyson Beaver

Outstanding Senior in Sociology
Ayla Marjorie Hagen

Outstanding Sport and Exercise Achievement
Lauren Elizabeth Morris

Irene Ryan Acting Competition Nomination for Macbeth
Travis David Byram

Irene Ryan Acting Competition Nomination for Little Shop of Horrors
Shannon Claire Baskin

Irene Ryan Acting Competition Nomination for Little Shop of Horrors
Eric Richard Huber

Academic Achievement Award in Theatre
Shannon Claire Baskin

Summer Research Program Best Oral Presentation
Taylor Alexis Samuels

Best Writing in Social and Behavioral Sciences Paper
Bobbie Elise Houser

Best Arts and Letters Paper
Desiree Elizabeth Page

Outstanding Poster at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars
Kelsey Elizabeth Fastabend

Outstanding Oral Presentation at the Symposium of Artists & Scholars
Drucilla Andiene Williams
**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 cowled 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
- Business Administration ........Gold
- Economics .......................Copper
- Education ......................Light Blue
- Fine Arts .......................Brown
- Law ..........................Purple
- Library Science ...............Lemon
- Music ..........................Pink
- Philosophy .....................Blue
- Physical Education ..........Sage Green
- Science .......................Yellow
- Social Science ................Citron
- Theology/Divinity ............Scarlet

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.