



# HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY®



## *Commencement Exercises*

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2017

# ***ALMA MATER***

## **“Blue and Gold”**

*Composed by Robert Rosen, BS, '16*

Where minds are filled with wonder, and hearts are full of pride,  
There stands our Alma Mater, so radiant a shine.  
Nurturing thy scholars, like parents raise their young.  
Dear Hofstra, we are grateful, and thus we thank thee for ...

Inspiring us, and guiding us through all the great unknown.  
Oh hail the blue and gold!

Unrivaled motivation, invaluable and true.  
Selfless with thy knowledge, and vision to pursue.  
Through all the lands we journey, thou shall remain our home,  
Dear Hofstra, we are grateful, and thus we thank thee for ...

Inspiring us, and guiding us through all the great unknown.  
Oh hail the blue and gold!

## ***December 2017 Commencement Exercises***

*This is the unofficial program of the December 2017 commencement exercises. Degrees and honors will be awarded only upon successful completion of all requirements. This program is based on current information at the time of printing and changes may occur based on pending outcomes. The official program will be archived in August 2018.*

# History of Hofstra

In 1912 William Hofstra had booked passage on the Titanic for his return voyage from Europe. However, a business proposition in Canada forced him to change his plans. Instead he took a ship to Halifax, and changed the course of his personal history forever.

The Hofstras enjoyed a lifestyle filled with social engagements, travel and business ventures. The society pages and gossip columns of papers such as the *New York Times* and the *Hempstead Sentinel* were filled with reports of these events. From 1894 through the 1930s, both Mr. and Mrs. Hofstra appeared in print for participation in charity events, departures for vacations, hosting wedding receptions at their estate, and attendance at various recreational activities.

By 1903 the Hofstras had purchased a 15-acre parcel of land in Hempstead. The land was in the vicinity of the estates of Edwin Morgan, August Belmont, Mrs. Jane Kernochan, O.W. Bird, and others. Mr. Howard Brower, William Hofstra's business partner, called the homesite "a hayfield with a small house." A year earlier, William had purchased the J.K. Van Wracken estate for \$12,000 in order to run the Nassau Lumber Company. The Hofstras decided to build a home on their land and hired architects H. Craig Severance and Wellington Ward. Severance was both a noted architect and promoter of buildings. He was only 25 when he and Wellington Ward designed the Hofstra home, which later became known as "The Netherlands," recognizing William's Dutch ancestry.

During the early 1900s and the Progressive era, women who were socialites looked for "good works," or projects that contributed to the social good. Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske, who was an actress known as the "First Lady of the American Stage," was also internationally recognized for her work to prevent cruelty to animals. Mrs. Fiske gave a special performance in New York to help establish the Bide-A-Wee Home for Animals. Kate Hofstra was present at the performance and became the first vice president of this organization. For more than 30 years, Mrs. Hofstra continued her association with Bide-A-Wee, as she raised countless funds for the organization. She also left Bide-A-Wee a sizable sum in her will.

Mr. Hofstra was noted for being a director of the Diamond Head Match Company, as well as a director of Price Brothers, a Canadian manufacturer of lumber, building supplies and pulp paper. According to a descendant of Sir William Price, the founder of the company, Mr. Hofstra was the largest shareholder of Price Brothers stock outside of family members. William Hofstra continued to serve as the New York director of the Price Brothers firm, and he had offices in midtown Manhattan. The Hofstras attended many events in New York City, staying at the Ritz or other upscale New York hotels.

When Mr. Hofstra died in 1932, he left his estate in his wife's hands. When she died just over a year later, she made a variety of small gifts to charities and friends, but left the bulk of the property and estate to be used for charitable, scientific or humanitarian purposes, to be named in honor of William. It was up to two friends, Mr. Howard Brower and Mr. James Barnard, to decide what to do with the estate. Another Hempstead resident, Truesdel Peck Calkins, remarked to Mr. Brower that he had been looking for a site to start an institution of higher education, and the three men agreed it would be an appropriate use of the estate. Mr. Calkins approached the administration of New York University, and a partnership was launched. Initially called Nassau College – Hofstra Memorial of New York University, the college was founded as a coeducational, commuter institution with day and evening classes.

The first day of classes was September 23, 1935, and the first class of students was made up of 159 day and 621 evening students. Tuition for the year was \$375. The college obtained a provisional charter, and its official name was changed to Hofstra College on January 16, 1937. Hofstra College separated from New York University in 1939 and was granted an absolute charter on February 16, 1940.

Hofstra's seal was created by Professor of Art Constant van de Wall in 1937. The insignia was derived from the official seal of the House of Orange-Nassau of the Netherlands, and is used with the permission of the Crown. At the bottom of the seal are the words "Je maintiendray," meaning "I stand steadfast" in Old French.

In 1939 Hofstra had its first four-year commencement, graduating a class of 83 students. The earliest graduates had strong feelings for the new institution, and although they were allowed to choose whether they would receive degrees from New York University or Hofstra, they overwhelmingly chose Hofstra. Academic recognition of Hofstra was affirmed when the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools accepted Hofstra for membership on November 22, 1940. Early in 1941 the college was elected to membership in the American Association of Colleges.

With the advent of World War II, major changes occurred on campus. The armed services and war industries on Long Island brought about a major decline in the size of the student body, and varsity sports were suspended for this period. When the war ended, record enrollments returned, thanks to the returning GIs and the GI Bill.

In 1945 and 1946, intercollegiate sports resumed, and wrestling was introduced as a new sport in 1946, giving Hofstra its first undefeated team. In 1950 Calkins Gymnasium was the site of the first Shakespeare Festival. It was performed on a five-sixths-sized replica of the Globe Theatre.

With the approval of the New York State Board of Regents, Hofstra became Long Island's first private university on March 1, 1963. That same year, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution that launched the effort to make Hofstra architecturally barrier-free for individuals with physical disabilities, stating that all students should have access to higher education. Although this later became federal law, Hofstra was recognized as a pioneer in this regard. Other forward-thinking programs and events followed, including the New Opportunities at Hofstra (NOAH) program, which was established the following year.

In 1963 Mitchel Air Force Base was closed by the military and declared surplus property. The University asked for acreage to be used for educational purposes and was eventually granted 110 acres. Construction soon began on the North Campus, which included Hofstra's first residence halls. Two towers were completed in 1966, two more in 1967, and by 1968 there were six towers, a Student Center, and a span across the Turnpike, which fed into an award-winning library building. The University reorganized its divisions into "schools" in the 1960s, forming the School of Education in 1964 and the Schools of Business and Continuing Education in 1965. Hofstra was authorized by the Board of Regents to offer its first doctoral degrees in 1966. In 1968 the Hofstra stadium added the first outdoor installation of AstroTurf in the East, and the New York Jets became affiliated with the University. The North Campus became home to the New York Jets' summer training center for the next 40 years, until the team moved to its new complex in New Jersey.

Although the late 1960s and early 1970s were a period of student unrest, Hofstra was spared much of the violence that occurred at other educational institutions. Matters were settled peacefully here, and as a result, changes were made in both academic programming and student life.

By 1970 Hofstra established the School of Law, and the first class was admitted in September. In 1973 a Phi Beta Kappa charter was granted to Hofstra. During the recession of the 1970s, and because of declining enrollments, Hofstra was forced to respond by cutting back its staff. As a result, administrative changes took place, and the first imperative was to reestablish a balanced budget. The turnaround in enrollment came in fall 1976 and included students from a great diversity of geographic, economic and ethnic backgrounds. Hofstra was well on its way to becoming a nationally and internationally recognized educational institution. In 1981 Hofstra was acclaimed as the first private university in the United States to achieve the goal of making the entire campus architecturally barrier-free for all programs and activities, and in 1984 the University hosted the International Games for the Disabled. What had begun as a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees in 1963, became part of campus life, as each new building was and is designed to accommodate those with physical disabilities.

By the 1980s, the University was hosting more than 500 cultural events annually, including art shows, film festivals, seminars, concerts, drama and dance programs, and both national and international conferences. One of the most successful and prestigious events has been the Hofstra Cultural Center's Presidential Conference series, which began with an examination of the administrations of U.S. presidents since Hofstra's founding. Presidents who have visited the campus include Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, George H.W. Bush, William Jefferson Clinton, Barack Obama, and Donald Trump, either for these conferences, or for honors or campaign visits.

Hofstra University has consistently provided students with state-of-the-art facilities, whether it was for studying broadcast journalism or participating in intercollegiate sports. A multimillion-dollar facility for the study of television and communications was established in the spring of 1986; James M. Shuart Stadium was the first outdoor stadium in the country to receive Balsam Turf in 1988; and Breslin Hall, a building dedicated to classrooms, was completed in 1990. By 1993 a bird sanctuary was created on the North Campus, while outdoor sculptures were placed in select areas on both the North and South Campuses. In the 1990s Hofstra continued to update its curriculum and add courses for its students, including the establishment of the School of Communication in 1995.

In 2005 the School of Communication celebrated its 10th year, while Hofstra University Honors College celebrated the graduation of its first class. The highlight of 2005, which included the involvement of all areas of the University, was the 11th presidential conference, *William Jefferson Clinton: The "New Democrat" From Hope*. In a fascinating 80-minute speech, President Clinton offered a critique of his administration and record before an audience of nearly 5,000 students, scholars and Hofstra community members.

The 2006-2007 academic year included many landmark events and programs. The year began with a symposium that explored how the tragic events of September 11, 2001, have forever changed our world, as well as a series of lectures and concerts celebrating the 250th anniversary of the birth of Mozart. Hofstra's Center for Civic Engagement launched a variety of inaugural events geared toward encouraging students to be aware and active citizens. There were faculty installation ceremonies for the newly created Kalikow Chair in Presidential Studies and the Monsignor Thomas J. Hartman Chair in Catholic Studies.

In November 2007 the Commission on Presidential Debates announced the selection of Hofstra as the site of the third and final presidential debate. Hofstra's was the first presidential debate to take place at a New York college. That announcement precipitated 11 busy months of preparations as well as the launch of an innovative program titled Educate '08, which brought to campus a variety of high-profile speakers to discuss various political issues. The subsequent debate between then-Senator Barack Obama and Senator John McCain on October 15, 2008 put Hofstra on the global stage. The advent of the debate brought thousands of guests to campus, including more than 3,000 members of the media.

In October 2007 Hofstra President Stuart Rabinowitz announced plans to open a medical school on the Hofstra campus in partnership with North Shore-LIJ Health System (now Northwell Health). The proposed School of Medicine took a major step forward in March 2008 when the joint agreement was finalized between Hofstra and the health system and the appointment of a dean, Lawrence G. Smith, MD, was announced.

In March 2008 President Rabinowitz announced that his Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, was the first recipient of Hofstra's international Guru Nanak Interfaith Prize. The prize was established through an endowment from the family of Sardar Ishar Singh Bindra, and has since been awarded to numerous individuals and organizations for their efforts to facilitate interfaith dialogue.

Other newsworthy events included the expansion of Hofstra's Center for Suburban Studies into The National Center for Suburban Studies at Hofstra University; the launch of the Wilbur F. Breslin Center for Real Estate Studies; the opening of NewsHub, a state-of-the-art converged newsroom and multimedia classroom; the 60th anniversary of the Hofstra Shakespeare Festival; and the faculty installation of the Sardarni Kuljit Kaur Bindra Chair in Sikh Studies.

On June 25, 2009, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education acted to reaffirm Hofstra's accreditation and to expressly "commend the institution for progress to date and for the quality of the self-study process." This very complimentary report acknowledged the hard work that the entire community invested in the self-study, as well as the commitment and dedication of the community to ensuring that Hofstra continues to enhance the excellent educational experience it provides to students.

In addition to the Middle States reaccreditation, the University successfully obtained eight reaccreditations in 2009: AACSB International — The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business accreditation for the Frank G. Zarb School of Business as well as the Department of Accounting, Taxation and Legal Studies in Business; ABA accreditation for the School of Law; ARC-PA accreditation for the Physician Assistant Studies Program; accreditations for the Hofstra University Museum and Diane Lindner-Goldberg Child Care Institute; and TEAC (Teacher Education Accreditation Council) accreditation for the School of Education's Educational Leadership and Teacher Education Programs. The University also successfully received NCAA recertification.

On September 23, 2010, Hofstra began a yearlong celebration of its 75th anniversary — 75 years of academic excellence, growth, community, scholarship, service, success and, most especially, Hofstra Pride and Purpose. Hofstra University kicked off its diamond celebration with exciting events, including the 75th Anniversary Convocation, Hofstra's birthday party, a comedy show featuring Jimmy Fallon, a fireworks spectacular, and the Live at 75 Festival.

In recent years Hofstra University has enjoyed continued success. In 2011 the Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine (now the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell), the first allopathic medical school in Nassau County and the first new medical school in the New York metropolitan area in more than 35 years, welcomed its inaugural class of students. Four years later, the School of Medicine unveiled an ultramodern 63,000-square-foot addition, and announced it had earned full accreditation. Its charter class graduated in spring 2015, after earning a 100 percent placement rate for residencies where they continue their medical training.

In October 2011 the Commission on Presidential Debates chose Hofstra University as the site for its October 16, 2012, presidential debate. This historic experience allowed students and faculty to once again witness the democratic process firsthand, and showcased the University to a national and international audience.

With the establishment of a School of Engineering and Applied Science in 2011, Hofstra became one of only three schools in the New York metropolitan area with colleges of law, medicine and engineering. A new School of Health Professions and Human Services also brought fresh focus and energy to the University's health professions curriculum with the launch of innovative programs such as the Master of Public Health. In addition, the law school was named the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University, after alumnus Maurice A. Deane's transformative gift valued at \$20 million — marking the largest commitment in Hofstra history.

In 2013 the School of Communication was named The Lawrence Herbert School of Communication after distinguished alumnus Lawrence Herbert, inventor of the Pantone Matching System, to honor his generous support of the University and his revolutionary impact on print and design.

In 2015 Hofstra and Northwell Health announced the launch of the Hofstra Northwell School of Graduate Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies, expanding their successful medical school partnership to meet the increasing need for nurse practitioners and physician assistants to deliver community-based health care.

In October 2015 Peter S. Kalikow, a Hofstra trustee and alumnus who had previously endowed a premier center for presidential studies at the University in 2006, expanded his commitment with a multimillion-dollar gift that created a new school devoted to training the next generation of public policy leaders. The Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs incorporates eight academic departments, several interdisciplinary programs and two academic centers, including the Peter S. Kalikow Center for the Study of the American Presidency.

The Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs, along with the School of Education and the newly formed School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts and School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, are housed in the Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

In March 2016 Hofstra University celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Frank G. Zarb School of Business, named in 1994 for alumnus Frank G. Zarb, who earned a bachelor's degree and an MBA from Hofstra. The Zarb School is ranked among the top business schools in the nation and its programs have been recognized by numerous national organizations and publications.

The Commission on Presidential Debates again tapped Hofstra University to host the first presidential debate between candidates Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump on September 26, 2016, making Hofstra the first and only university in the nation to host three consecutive presidential debates. The televised event was the most-watched presidential debate in history.

In October 2016 the School of Engineering and Applied Science was named the Fred DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science after visionary builder Fred DeMatteis, the longtime chairman and chief executive officer of The DeMatteis Organizations, to honor his leadership, his contributions to construction and real estate development in the New York metropolitan area, and his strong commitment to charitable causes through philanthropy and volunteerism.

Earlier this year, the New Academic Building, which houses the departments of History, Rhetoric, and Music as well as faculty offices for the Kalikow School and the Herbert School of Communication, was renamed Joseph G. Shapiro Family Hall in honor of the contributions of Joseph G. Shapiro and his wife, Libby, both Class of 1954 and devoted friends and benefactors of the University. This past spring, nine years after Hofstra University's historic first Globe Stage was retired, a new one – the most authentic replica in America – made its debut with the premiere of *Hamlet* as part of the 2017 Shakespeare Festival.

The Frank G. Zarb School of Business celebrated construction of a state-of-the-art building at a special groundbreaking ceremony in May 2017. The 52,000-square-foot building, projected to be completed in winter 2018, will be equipped with a behavioral science/market research lab, an enhanced start-up business incubator, multiple areas for student independent and collaborative study, and administrative, faculty and student club offices.

In August 2017 Hofstra University and Northwell Health announced the naming of the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell in recognition of the couple's longtime support. Their recent gifts, totaling \$61 million, will support the next generation of health care professionals in medicine, research and nursing.

When Hofstra's doors opened on September 23, 1935, 19 faculty in three programs of study taught a few hundred students in one building, Hofstra Hall. Few would have predicted Hofstra's tremendous growth. Today, about 11,000 students – with 325 undergraduate and graduate program options from which to choose – learn from nearly 500 full-time faculty on our 244-acre campus. Our faculty are leading scholars in their disciplines, and our more than 134,000 alumni are experiencing great success in their chosen careers. Hofstra has achieved prominence on the world stage, and has been recognized on the Best College lists of *U.S. News & World Report*, *Fiske*, *Washington Monthly*, *Forbes*, *The Princeton Review*, and *LinkedIn*.

Just as commencement is the celebration of continued academic and professional growth for our students, Hofstra University continues to grow and evolve to meet the needs of a new generation of students.



# *Commencement Notes*

## *THE FLAG*

The Hofstra flag, bearing the seal of the University, was presented to Hofstra on April 19, 1940, by Dr. Alexander Loudon, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary, in the name of Her Majesty, Wilhelmina, queen of the Netherlands. The seal is derived from the coat of arms of the House of Orange-Nassau. The motto, “Je maintiendray,” means “I stand steadfast.”

## *THE CEREMONIAL MACE*

The ceremonial mace, carried by the grand marshals in the academic procession, was given to Hofstra by Halsted Billings Vander Poel, son of former Trustee W. Halsted Vander Poel.

The mace is made of silver with a shaft of ebony. Its design is based upon one of the oldest maces of Yale University, dating from the time of Queen Anne. Engraved upon the head is the Hofstra seal. Around the upper portion of the haft appears the quotation from the Book of Proverbs: “The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the Lord hath made even both of them.”

The history of the mace in ceremonies begins in the 13th century when ceremonial maces were borne by the sergeant at arms, a royal bodyguard established in France by Phillip II and in England by Richard I. When used in our Commencement Exercises, its presence symbolizes the authority by which commencement is held and under which degrees are granted.

## *THE MARSHALS' SCAPULARS*

The marshals in today's academic procession are wearing specially designed scapulars of their offices. The scapulars draw their basic characteristics from the official seal of the University. Each is designed against a background of silver thread, laid with gold lace and embroidered threads of red, blue and green, the colors of the Hofstra seal.

The scapular of the grand marshal carries the University seal in full color as the breastplate. The breastplates of the other marshals are linked with other significant sections of the seal. The badges of the trustee and guest marshal, faculty marshal and graduate marshal carry four, three or two tassels of gold, in order of rank, while the scapulars of the highest rank, grand marshal, and the baccalaureate marshal are without tassels. Assistant marshals carry batons.



## ACADEMIC HERALDRY

The wearing of caps, gowns and hoods at college and university functions dates to the Middle Ages, when they were first worn by monks and students for warmth in the damp and drafty 12th-century castles and halls of learning. Through the years, their styles and colors have come to represent certain specific meanings.

Gowns for the bachelor's degree have a semistiff yoke, long pleated front, and intricate shirring across the shoulders and back. The bachelor's gown is worn closed and is distinguished primarily by its long pointed sleeves.

The gown for the master's degree has the same yoke effect as that of the bachelor's, but is designed so that it may be worn open or closed. The back of the sleeve is oblong and cut square, with the front part carrying a cutaway arc.

Gowns for the doctoral degree may also be worn open or closed. They have long velvet panels down the front and three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves. This velvet trimming may be either black or the color distinctive of the field of learning to which the degree pertains.

Members of the Hofstra University Board of Trustees wear academic robes and caps in the distinctive colors of the University. A small, embroidered replica of the seal of the University is worn on each lapel.

It is the hood that gives color and definitive meaning to the academic costume. The hood is of varying sizes for master's and doctoral degrees and of material to match the gown. It is lined with the color or colors of the institution conferring the degree. The hood is bordered with velvet of the proper width and color to indicate the field of learning.\*

Business .....	Drab	Law .....	Purple
Communication .....	Crimson	Liberal Arts and Sciences....	White
Education .....	Light Blue	Medicine .....	Green
Engineering .....	Orange	Nursing .....	Apricot
Health Professions and		Philosophy .....	Dark Blue
Human Services .....	Sage Green		

*Midyear 2017 graduates are wearing blue academic attire bearing the Hofstra University crest. Graduates may keep their custom-made attire.*

\*The colors above represent Hofstra University degree-granting schools and colleges. It is also acceptable for PhD graduates to receive dark blue academic regalia regardless of school or college.



## THE GONFALONS

Of the 14 gonfalons, three of the fishtail ensigns plus the Hofstra seal were first presented in University ceremonies during the dedication of the Hofstra Library in 1967. The gonfalon for the Maurice A. Deane School of Law was added in 1970, followed by the Hofstra University Libraries gonfalon in 1993, The Lawrence Herbert School of Communication gonfalon in 1996, the Honors College gonfalon in 2001, the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell gonfalon in 2009, and the Fred DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science and the School of Health Professions and Human Services gonfalons, both dedicated in 2013. The gonfalons of the Hofstra Northwell School of Graduate Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies; Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs; School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics; and School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts were dedicated in 2015.

The history of the ceremonial use of gonfalons seems lost in antiquity. Probably best remembered is their appearance at the head of the parades of the Crusades where they presented the coats of arms of legion commanders. The gonfalons of Hofstra carry the seals of the colleges and schools of the University.

The seal of Hofstra is worked in threads of gold, silver, red, blue and green against a background of white silk, derived from the great seal of the House of Orange-Nassau, and is at the center of the stage. (See note under “The Flag,” on page 6.)

The gonfalons are displayed from left to right.

The gonfalon of Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences carries the seal of the province of Friesland, the original home of the Hofstra family. The fishtail below the seal has the colors of Hofstra, blue and gold, at the left and right, and the colors of the college, white for arts and gold for sciences, through the center.

The gonfalon of the School of Education carries the seal of the province of Groningen. The colors of Hofstra, blue and gold, trim the gonfalon, while the light blue of education is the center color.

The gonfalon of the Frank G. Zarb School of Business carries the seal of the province of Gelderland. The University colors of blue and gold trim the gonfalon, with the traditional “drab” filling the center stripe of the fishtail.

The gonfalon of the Maurice A. Deane School of Law carries the seal of Noord Brabant province, is trimmed in the University colors of blue and gold, and carries a band of purple through the center to indicate law.

The gonfalon of the Hofstra University Libraries carries the seal of the province of Rotterdam. University colors of blue and gold trim the gonfalon. The center area carries the colors of all the colleges and schools and is overlaid with a band of lemon yellow, representing the discipline of library science.



The gonfalon of The Lawrence Herbert School of Communication carries the seal of the province of Arnhem. The University colors of blue and gold trim a center panel of crimson representing communication.

The gonfalon of Hofstra University Honors College adapts the seal of the Frisian town of Tytsjerksteradiel. The gonfalon design uses the University colors in a traditional woven heraldic pattern representing the interrelationship of disciplines in Honors College.

The gonfalon of the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell carries an emblem representing the “staff of Asclepius,” the traditional symbol of medicine. It is trimmed in green to represent the discipline of medicine, and carries bands of the University’s and Northwell Health’s colors.

The gonfalon of the Fred DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science carries the seal of the House of Orange-Nassau coat of arms. University colors of blue and gold trim the gonfalon. The orange center represents the degrees conferred by the school.

The gonfalon of the School of Health Professions and Human Services carries the seal of the province of Overijssel. The University colors of blue and gold trim the center panel of sage green representing health professions and human services.

The gonfalon of the Hofstra Northwell School of Graduate Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies carries an emblem of a shield and flame to represent the professions of nursing and physician assistant studies. It is trimmed in purple to represent leadership, and carries the colors of blue, orange, red and yellow to represent collaboration, humanism, courage and innovation. The flame breaking through the shield embodies the break from the traditional model of education.

The gonfalon of the Peter S. Kalikow School of Government, Public Policy and International Affairs is derived from the Dutch city of The Hague, the seat of government of the Netherlands and the seat of the United Nations International Court of Justice. The words “vrede” and “recht” translate into “peace” and “justice,” the cornerstones of the Kalikow School. The center of the gonfalon includes the three branches of the U.S. government, with the crown being replaced by people, symbolizing a government “by the people.” The gonfalon was created by Peter S. Kalikow, a proud alumnus of Hofstra University.

The gonfalon of the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics displays symbols within a shield that represent the atom, symbolizing the natural sciences; Pi ( $\pi$ ), symbolizing mathematics; and two lions, symbolizing Hofstra pride. The colors represented in the gonfalon symbolize pure reason (white), growth (green), clarity (black), and order (purple), along with the University’s traditional blue and gold.

The gonfalon of the School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts displays symbols within a shield that represent the key to learning, symbolizing humanities; eye and primary colors, symbolizing the visual arts; masks of comedy and tragedy placed on a musical scale, symbolizing performing arts; and lions, representing Hofstra pride. The colors represented in the fishtail symbolize the array of disciplines incorporated in the school, along with the University’s traditional blue and gold.

# *Honorary Degree Recipient*

## *RITA F. CIOLLI*

Rita F. Ciolli's distinguished journalism career at *Newsday* spans four decades. She is currently editor of the editorial and opinion pages for *Newsday* as well as *amNewYork*, a daily paper distributed in New York City, and as a leader in the organization she serves on the executive committee for Newsday Media Group. She began her career at *Newsday* in 1972 as a summer intern. During her senior year at Fordham University, she worked full time covering the Town of Hempstead. After graduating from Georgetown Law in 1977 with a Juris Doctor, she returned to *Newsday* as a specialist reporting on the law.

Ms. Ciolli has had assignments across a broad range of beats and content areas, including almost a decade at *Newsday*'s Washington bureau assigned to the U.S. Supreme Court, the Justice Department, and the FBI. After a long stint as a media and technology reporter, she covered religion before joining the editorial board in 2005. Two years later, she became editor of the opinion section and chair of the editorial board.

Under her leadership, the board has expanded both its digital and print offerings in addition to winning numerous awards. In 2013 *Newsday*'s editorials about the help Long Island needed to respond to the devastation caused by Superstorm Sandy were recognized as finalists for the Pulitzer Prize.

Her series of articles in 1982 about how the decision by a Long Island school district to ban nine books from its library reached the U.S. Supreme Court won the 1983 Silver Gavel Award for legal reporting from the American Bar Association. Her work on that case also won her the prestigious Sidney Hillman Prize for those "who pursue social justice and public policy for the common good."

Ms. Ciolli was awarded a fellowship from The Alicia Patterson Foundation to expand her research on the influence of national fundamentalist groups in censoring textbooks. She has also won multiple awards from New York state organizations for her reporting and editorial writing.

Rita Ciolli is married to Peter Gianotti, *Newsday*'s restaurant critic. The couple has twin daughters.

# *Order of Exercises*

*BACCALAUREATE, GRADUATE AND LAW COMMENCEMENT*

Wednesday, December 20, 2017, 7 p.m.

David S. Mack Sports and Exhibition Complex

## *PRESIDING*

STUART RABINOWITZ, JD

*President of the University*

*Andrew M. Boas and Mark L. Claster Distinguished Professor of Law*

## *Program*

### *PROCESSIONAL, the audience standing*

POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE, NO. 1, SIR EDWARD ELGAR

THE HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

ADAM GLASER, MBA; MM, *Conductor*

*Assistant Professor of Music, School of Humanities, Fine and Performing Arts*

*Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences*

### *MASTER OF CEREMONIES*

GAIL M. SIMMONS, PhD

*Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs*

*Professor of Biology*

### *INVOCATION, the audience standing*

RABBI DAVE SIEGEL, MA; MPA

*Executive Director, Hofstra Hillel*

*Member, University Board of Chaplains, Hofstra University Interfaith Center*

### *NATIONAL ANTHEM and ALMA MATER, the audience standing*

National Anthem and Alma Mater led by EMILY GARNER, *CLASS OF 2018*

Accompanied by THE HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

### *WELCOME AND COMMENTARY*

PRESIDENT RABINOWITZ

## *CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE*

RITA F. CIOLLI, JD  
*Editor, Editorial and Opinion Pages*  
*Newsday and amNewYork*  
*Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa*  
Presented by JANIS M. MEYER, JD, '81  
*Member, Hofstra University Board of Trustees*  
Citation and Conferring of Degree by PRESIDENT RABINOWITZ

## *REMARKS*

RITA F. CIOLLI

## *PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREES*

PROVOST SIMMONS

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### *MASTER OF LAWS*

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### *MASTER OF ARTS (HEALTH LAW AND POLICY – ONLINE PROGRAM)*

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+ JD/MBA DUAL DEGREE  
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# Academic Honors

Some undergraduate students in today's ceremony are wearing special scapulars that identify them as Latin Honors recipients and candidates. They have earned this distinction by maintaining a high grade point average and by completing the requirements for University honors. Latin Honors are conferred upon students who have achieved the following grade point averages:

summa cum laude	3.85
magna cum laude	3.75
cum laude	3.60

*Dean's List* honors are awarded each semester to first-year students who earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average, and to sophomores, juniors and seniors who earn a grade point average of 3.4 or higher.

*Provost's Scholars* are full-time students who achieve a 4.0 grade point average in a given semester.

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*This is the unofficial program of the December 2017 commencement exercises. Degrees and honors will be awarded only upon successful completion of all requirements. This program is based on current information at the time of printing and changes may occur based on pending outcomes. The official program will be archived in August 2018.*

# Latin Honors Recipients and Candidates

The following students graduated August 31, 2017, or will graduate December 31, 2017, or January 31, 2018. Degree candidates with a cumulative grade point average of 3.55 or higher are considered Latin Honors candidates. Degree recipients with a final grade point average of 3.6 or higher will officially qualify for graduation with distinction.

## August 31, 2017, Degree Recipients

GRACE CAROLINA ALBERT	Community Health	CUM LAUDE
SOPHIA KING BLACK	Fine Arts Education	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
ALEC PETER BUCHINA	Fine Arts	CUM LAUDE
CARSON STARR CUEVAS	Global Studies	CUM LAUDE
ALEXANDRIA D'ATTILE	Psychology	CUM LAUDE
MARISSA V. DE CHAVES	Community Health	CUM LAUDE
SPENCER H. DIAMOND	Accounting	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
PATRICK B. HOPKINS	Video/Television and Film	CUM LAUDE
ROBIN KIM	Computer Science	CUM LAUDE
ALEX PAUL MANTIA	Political Science	CUM LAUDE
NATALIE GRACE MILLER	Exercise Science	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
DANIELLE KAITLYN MODICA	Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences	CUM LAUDE
JEFF M. PHILIP	Physician Assistant Studies	CUM LAUDE
ERICA ELYSE RODGERS	Fine Arts	CUM LAUDE
HARMAN SINGH	Accounting	CUM LAUDE
PHILIP J. SPATOLA	Accounting	CUM LAUDE
AMANDA NICOLE SULLIVAN	Psychology and Early Childhood and Childhood Education	CUM LAUDE
LETICIA VALENTE HALADA DE OLIVEIRA	Business Economics	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
ELISHEVA BELLE WEINSTOCK	Public Relations	MAGNA CUM LAUDE

## December 31, 2017, Degree Candidates

MICHAEL GEORGE ANAGNOSTOPOULOS	Health Science	CUM LAUDE
ALEXANDRA GRAY ARP	Psychology and Early Childhood and Childhood Education	CUM LAUDE
ALLON MORRIS AVGI	International Business	CUM LAUDE
JILLIAN ROSE BERARDI	Mass Media Studies	CUM LAUDE
DANIEL T. BRADY	Health Science	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
JACOB AARON BRICKMAN	History and Early Childhood and Childhood Education	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
JUSTIN ELLIS BROCK	Marketing	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
LOURDES JANETH CARBALLO	Journalism	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
CHRISTINE CARVALHO	Public Relations	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
CAITLIN ANNE CHARTIER	Marketing	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
ANISHA CHAUDHRY	Biochemistry	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
NATHAN ANDREW CHOW	Health Science	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
ALEXANDER JOHN COSENZA	Political Science	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
JOSEPH PHILIP COTTONE	Health Science	CUM LAUDE
MIKAELI CRUZ	Drama	CUM LAUDE
CHRISTOPHER S. DANE	Radio Production and Studies	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
JESSICA GRACE DAY	English	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
LINDSAY NICOLE DEMARCO	English	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
OLIVIA ANN DEMILT	Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
HOSNA ESMAELSADAH	Health Science	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
ALEXANDRA FELIZ	Athletic Training	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
DANIELLE THERESA FISENNE	Pre-Medical Studies	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
MICHAEL ANTHONY FLAVONI	Electrical Engineering	CUM LAUDE
ELANA ROSE GALASSI	Athletic Training	CUM LAUDE
LINDSAY KATE GLASER	Legal Studies in Business	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
RAFAL GOLASZEWSKI	Electrical Engineering	CUM LAUDE
ALINA MARIA GONZALEZ	Film Studies and Production	CUM LAUDE
CAROLYN GUBELL	Accounting	MAGNA CUM LAUDE
KATHARINE ELIZABETH GUZOWSKI	Community Health	CUM LAUDE
SAMANTHA JO HANSEN	Accounting	CUM LAUDE
JESSICA LEIGH HARRINGTON	Journalism	CUM LAUDE
JOSEPH FRANK HEGYES	Individually Designed Major in Humanities	CUM LAUDE
DAVID ALAN HIRSCH	Biochemistry	SUMMA CUM LAUDE
ELYSSA HIRSCH	Public Relations	CUM LAUDE
CHRISTINA KAMEL	Mathematics	CUM LAUDE
ARIELLA HANA KATZ	Accounting and Legal Studies in Business	CUM LAUDE
BRIAN THOMAS KELLY	Engineering Science	CUM LAUDE
DANIEL WOENJAE KIM	Chemistry	CUM LAUDE
JOSEPH RAYMOND KOLB	English and Film Studies and Production	CUM LAUDE
ROBERT FRED KOLLMER III	Mechanical Engineering	CUM LAUDE
ANTHONY NICHOLAS KOUFODONTES	Accounting	CUM LAUDE

*January 31, 2018, Degree Participants*

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AUGUST 31, 2017, DEGREE RECIPIENT

### ***PSYCHOLOGY***

BRIANNE CHRISTINE BROWN – *honors*

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### ***ACCOUNTING***

ARIELLA HANA KATZ – *honors*

### ***BIOLOGY***

ZACHARY WILLIAM BRUNACINI – *honors*  
THOMAS JOSEPH CARUANA – *honors*  
CATHERINE AKRAM TAWFIK – *honors*

### ***ECONOMICS***

AAKASH VIRENDRA JHAVERI – *honors*

### ***FINANCE***

GIANNA ROJAS – *honors*

### ***FINE ARTS***

HANNAH ELISABETH MEYER – *honors*

### ***GEOGRAPHY***

CONNOR WILSON MAYES – *honors*

### ***GERMAN***

CONNOR WILSON MAYES – *honors*

### ***RHETORICAL STUDIES***

ROMAN LIPETZ – *honors*

### ***SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES***

JACOB ANSON RODAY – *honors*

JANUARY 31, 2018, DEGREE PARTICIPANT

### ***BIOLOGY***

NICHOLAS ANTHONY MANOUSSOS – *honors*

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# *Honor Societies at Hofstra University*

ALPHA EPSILON DELTA, national premedical honor society

ALPHA KAPPA DELTA, national sociology honor society

ALPHA MU ALPHA, national honor society in marketing

ALPHA PSI OMEGA, national drama honor society

ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA, national honor society for nontraditional adult students

ALPHA UPSILON ALPHA, Alpha Delta Alpha Chapter, honor society of the International Literacy Association

BETA ALPHA PSI, national honor society for financial information professionals

BETA BETA BETA, national biological honor society

BETA GAMMA SIGMA, honor society serving collegiate schools of business accredited by AACSB International

CHI SIGMA IOTA INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, international academic and professional counseling honor society

DELTA ALPHA PI, international honor society for students with disabilities

DELTA OMEGA, Delta Kappa Chapter, national public health honor society

ETA SIGMA GAMMA, national professional health education honor society

GAMMA KAPPA ALPHA, national Italian honor society

GAMMA THETA UPSILON, international geography honor society

IEEE-ETA KAPPA NU, international honor society dedicated to encouraging and recognizing excellence in the IEEE-designated fields of interest

JAPANESE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, national honor society for students studying Japanese

KAPPA DELTA PI, international honor society in education

LAMBDA ALPHA, national collegiate honor society for anthropology

LAMBDA PI ETA, National Communication Association honor society

OMICRON DELTA EPSILON, international economics honor society

PHI ALPHA THETA, international history honor society

PHI BETA KAPPA SOCIETY, oldest and most prestigious undergraduate honors organization in the United States

PHI DELTA KAPPA, international professional education honor society

PHI ETA SIGMA, national freshman honor society

PHI SIGMA TAU, national philosophy honor society

PI DELTA PHI, national French honor society

PI GAMMA MU, international social science honor society

PI KAPPA LAMBDA, national music honor society

PI MU EPSILON, national mathematics honor society

PI SIGMA ALPHA, national political science honor society

PSI CHI, national psychology honor society

SIGMA DELTA PI, national collegiate Hispanic honor society

SIGMA PI, Hofstra University speech honor society

SIGMA PI SIGMA, national physics honor society

SIGMA TAU DELTA, international English honor society

SOCIETY FOR COLLEGIATE JOURNALISTS, Pi Delta Epsilon Chapter, national honor society for meritorious work on campus media

UPSILON PHI DELTA, honor society of the Association of University Programs in Health Administration

UPSILON PI EPSILON, international honor society for computing and information disciplines

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