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The Scot Pipers

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THE CONFERING OF THE HONORARY DEGREES

THE CONFERING OF THE DEGREES IN COURSE

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Music
Bachelor of Music Education

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The Reverend R. Eldon Trubee

RECESSIONAL

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DEGREES

Doctor of Fine Arts                                        WOODIE KING, JR.
Doctor of Fine Arts                                        JAMES FORTIER STUART
Doctor of Humanities                                      EDITH LUCY BROCKLESBY TURNER
Doctor of Humane Letters                                  GREGORY HOWARD WILLIAMS

Degrees Conferred October 23, 1999

Bachelor of Arts

BOHDAN IVAN CHROBAK  Cleveland  Mathematics
HENRY L. CURTIS II  Cleveland  Business Economics
BRENDAN DRURY GALLAGHER  Columbia, Maryland  Special — Entrepreneurial Studies
JASON ROBERT HAMANN  Rocky River  Communication Studies
SYED WASI HASSAN  Karachi, Pakistan  Economics
VASIOLOIOS KATSAVRIAS  Strongsville  Philosophy
CRAIG SCOTT LISTON  Youngstown  Computer Science
JARED REIS McKEE  Plymouth, Massachusetts  History
MEGAN DYAN McKinney  Sidney  Political Science
JOSHUA ISAIAH PETRASH  Kensington, Maryland  Communication Studies
DEIDTRA RENEE REID  Maple Heights  Communication Studies
EVAN DAVID SIMPSON  Stony Brook, New York  Black Studies
MARSHA AUDREY ELAINE SIMPSON  Hempstead, New York  Black Studies
SYLVESTER STEWART SLAUGHTER  Orrville  History
LINDSEY M. WALSH  Middleport, New York  Spanish
CHRISTOPHER REED WRIGHT  Orrville  Sociology
ANDREW NEWELL YANCHUNAS  Longmont, Colorado  Mathematics

Bachelor of Music

SARAH ELIZABETH FORD  Harwich, Massachusetts  Performance
Degrees Conferred May 15, 2000

Bachelor of Arts

YASER OMAR AL-NIMR  Amman, Jordan  Business Economics
ANNALISE ALBRIGHT  Granville  Theatre  Honors
ABDI NOOR ALI*  Portland, Maine  Political Science
JAMES KENYON ANDERSON  Clyde  Communication Studies
JOSHUA WADE ANDERSON  Dowagiac, Michigan  Philosophy  Honors
PETER WELLS PETERSEN ANDERSON  Lexington, Kentucky  Religious Studies  Honors
RICHARD KENNETH ANDERSON*  Naples, Florida  English
SARAH ANN ANTEL  Mantua  Psychology
BENJAMIN MICHAEL ARNOLD  Mansfield  Chemistry
JULIA RIXEN ASSMUS  Hanover, New Hampshire  English
UMAIR AZIZ*  Clifton, Karachi, Pakistan  Computer Science
GAYAN CHAMINDRA BANDARA  Dubai, United Arab Emirates  Chemistry
MATTHEW MACE BARBEE  Arlington, Virginia  English
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ARDITH COLLEEN BARROW*  Dayton  Biology
SHANE MATTHEW BARTHOLOMEW  Chardon  Mathematics
DAVID MICHAEL BARTLETT*  Greenville, Pennsylvania  Psychology
NATHANIEL CHRISTIAN BAYER  Hagerstown, Maryland  Business Economics
STEPHEN PAUL BAYUK  Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania  Communication Studies
LEAH BROOKE BECKI  Bethel Park, Pennsylvania  Communication Studies
MEGHAN PAULA BELKOT  Westerville  Anthropology
JOSEPH WILLIAM BELYUSAR  Poland  Special — Sports Medicine
EVAN MCKEE BERLINER  Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  Geology
SHAWN TARA BERNER*  Wooster  Spanish
AKHIL BHALLA  Calcutta, India  Biology  Honors
KIRSTEN ELIZABETH BLAKE  Erie, Pennsylvania  History  Honors
KATIE LYNN BOMBA  Mount Vernon  English
KRISTINA MARIE BOND  Huber Heights  Biology
GEOFFREY ALLAN BONVALLET  Westerville  Physics  Honors
HEATHER M. BRAINARD  Grafton  Psychology
MATTHEW BAUGHMAN BROCK  Akron  Economics
CARLY ANNE BRONSON  Moreland Hills  Political Science
AMY RICHHELLE BROWN  Akron  English
DENISE MARIE BROWN  Calabash, North Carolina  Chemistry  Honors
KEVIN J. BROWN  Doylestown  Special — Sports Medicine
MARGARET AMELIA BUCKINGHAM  Boylston, Massachusetts  Communication Sciences and Disorders
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ROBERT JOSEPH BUCKLEY  Middlefield  Computer Science
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MARGARET HANSEL BURGER  Urbana, Illinois  Art History
MATTHEW MARK BURGER  Massillon  Political Science  Honors
JACOB ORIN BURT  Wyoming  History  Honors
JULIE KING BUSS  Cleveland Heights  Biochemistry
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JUSTINE ALEXANDRIA CARR  Foothill Ranch, California  Black Studies
LISA MARIE CARTER  South Euclid  Mathematics
ROSE ANTOINETTE CARTER  Shaker Heights  English
DAVID ROBERT CELEBREZZE  Columbus  Sociology
SRIDHAR CHANDRAMOULI  Juhu Mumbai, India  Physics
REBECCA ADELE CLARK  Twinsburg  Political Science
RYAN ELIZABETH CLARK  Oxford, Michigan  Communication Studies  Honors
EVA RACHAEL CLARKE  Marietta  Studio Art
MARJORIE J. CLAYMAN  Copley  English / History  Honors
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AMANDA COOK  Cleveland  Geology
NICCOLE CRYSTAL COOK  Brooklyn Heights  History  Honors
ALLISON MARLIES CORNETT  Kendallville, Indiana  Geology  Honors
AMANDA C. COUTURE  Indianapolis, Indiana  Philosophy  Honors
CHRISTEN MARIE COYLE  Upper Arlington  Spanish  Honors
   The Jonas O. Notestein Prize
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TOMISLAV CVJETKOVIC  Caracas, Venezuela  Business Economics
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MEGAN LEIGH DISHONG  Amesville  Anthropology  Honors
CHARLIE RICHARD DIVINE  Jefferson  Economics  ♦
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CRAIG STEPHEN DORER*  Rockaway, New Jersey  Theatre
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JESSICA ERIN DUPLAGA  Broadview Heights  French  Honors
NICHOLAS BRANDON DuVALL  Middle Point  Biochemistry  Honors
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JOHN CALVIN ELLENWOOD  Sylvania  Psychology  ♦
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ALLISON LEE ERK  Louisville, Kentucky  Communication Studies
SHOAIB FARHAT  Karachi, Pakistan  Mathematics
AMY ELIZABETH FARLEY  Yarmouth, Maine  Religious Studies
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ADRIENNE MARIE FERRARO  Macedonia  Political Science  Honors
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CAROLYN RENEE FIRCHAK  Newark, Delaware  Communication Sciences and Disorders
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EMILY SUSAN FLEMING  Westlake  Political Science
KAREN LYNN FOSTER  Rochester, New York  History  ♦
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FRANK PAUL GALATI III  Sharon, Pennsylvania  History  ♦
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BENJAMIN ADAM GARTRELL  Dover  Chemistry
JANA LYNN GENZEN  Cleveland  Women’s Studies
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ELIZABETH KATHERINE GILL  Louisville, Kentucky  Cultural Area Studies  Honors
JENNIFER LAURA GLADDEN  Glenview, Illinois  Communication Sciences and Disorders
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LUKE PAUL HOMITSKY  Cranberry, Pennsylvania  Studio Art
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ANNA ELIZABETH JENKS  Barrington, Illinois  Political Science  Honors
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ALLISON BELL JOHNSON  Silver Bay, New York  Communication Studies
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CHRISTINE MARGARET JUDD  Northfield  Spanish
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GEORGETTE MARIE KATSAVRIAS  Strongsville  Communication Studies
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MATTHEW REED KING  Indianapolis, Indiana  English  Honors
CHEMELI TUIYA KIPKORIR*  Nairobi, India  English
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KAUSHIK RATHI  Calcutta, India  Business Economics
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COLLEEN ROBERTS  Batavia  Communication Studies
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WILLIAM P. SCHOFER  Avon  Communication Studies
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JENNIFER RUTH WHITE Maryville, Tennessee Chemistry
CARRIE LEANNE WILES Brewster English Honors
LATECIA EILEEN WILES Creston Philosophy/Anthropology – Honors
TRISHA ANN WILES Sterling Mathematics
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JAMIE JO WILLIAMSON Massillon Sociology
ALLISON ESTELLE WILMOT Paxton, Massachusetts Theatre Honors
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Sarah Elizabeth Young  Lima  Religious Studies
Alexia Charlotte Zdral  Sewickley, Pennsylvania  Religious Studies
Julie Ann Zeller  Defiance  Chemistry  Honors
Timothy Richard Ziegler  North Canton  Religious Studies  Honors

Bachelor of Music
Kevin Stuart Himes  Dalton  Performance  Honors
Kathryn Gail Quimby  Williamsville, New York  Music History / Literature

Bachelor of Music Education
Margaret Lawther Foot  Red Wing, Minnesota  Public School Teaching  Honors
Marshall David Jones  Berea  Public School Teaching
Amanda Kay Kriska  Columbus  Public School Teaching  Honors
Cameron Dawn Smith  Toledo  Music Therapy
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Ahren John-Jaden Stock  Saint Louis, Missouri  Public School Teaching  Honors

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JULIE ANN ZELLER

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Aleashia Siobhan Washington, 1st  Adrienne Marie Ferraro, 2nd

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THE DAN F. LOCKHART OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD
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Aleashia Siobhan Washington, Women  Ian James Lauer, Men

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Aladin Bernard Ferian
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   Julie King Buss and Julie Ann Zeller

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   Julie Ann Zeller

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   Nicholas Gladstone Lewellen and Julie Ann Zeller

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   Jay Martin MacGregor

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   Megan Wells Whinery

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   Aden Russel Pavkov

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   Shiv Siddhant Narayan Kaul

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   Elizabeth Conrad Reiter

THE WHITNEY E. STONEBURNER MEMORIAL PRIZE IN EDUCATION
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   Chemeli Tuiya Kipkorir, Megan A. Tarrant, Nathan Andrew Wilkinson, Poetry

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   CORA OWLETT LATZER PRIZE
   Paul Thomas Richlovsky

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   David Jon Francis, Elizabeth Conrad Reiter, Kenneth Michael Walczak,
   Matthew Mace Barbee, Fiction
   Adam Joseph Budd, Personal Essay

THE WALDO H. DUNN PRIZE IN ENGLISH
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   Marie Christine Salupo

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   Jessica Erin DuPlaga

THE CUMMINGS-RUMBAUGH HISTORY PRIZE
   Marjorie J. Clayman
THE AILEEN DUNHAM PRIZE IN HISTORY
Jacob Orin Burt, Jason Michael Storck and Allen Jay Ward

THE WILLIAM H. WILSON PRIZE IN MATHEMATICS
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THE PI KAPPA LAMBDA PRIZE IN MUSIC
Kevin Stuart Himes and Amanda Kay Kriska

THE JOHN F. MILLER PRIZE IN PHILOSOPHY
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Christina Priscilla Stern

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Katherine Elizabeth Varney

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Ryan Elizabeth Clark and Jeffrey Ryan Tymowicz, *Speech*
Rhiannon Lee Fink, *Dramatics*

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Annalise Albright and Craig Stephen Dorer

THE EDWARD McCREIGHT PRIZE IN DRAMATICS
Adam Scott Howarth and Caroline Elizabeth Mulcahy

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*JUDSON BARE
*JOSEPH WILLIAM BELYUSAR
DENISE MARIE BROWN
MATTHEW MARK BURGER
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NICHOLAS BRANDON DuVALL
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AMY LYNN GRAHAM
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NATHANIEL EDWARD STRICKLER

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JACOB ORIN BURT
JASON EDWARD CRAWFORD
CHERYL RENEE FARNEY
JOHN ROBERT MILLIKEN
HEATHER SUE TRUBEE
ALEX JAY WARD
MEGAN WELLS WHINERY

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ALLISON MARLIES CORNETT
MEGAN LEIGH D’HONG
RHIANNON LEE FINK
MARY BETH IMMOMINO
ANGELA KATHLEEN JOYCE
KRISHNA SARBADHIKARI

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RYAN ELIZABETH CLARK
CHRISTINA PRISCILLA STERN
JEFFREY RYAN TYMOWICZ

Omicron Delta Epsilon (Economics)
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TOMISLAV CVJETKOVIC
HOLLY NICOLE DEEDS
ADRIENNE MARIE FERRARO
JACQUELYN MARIE GRAY
NORMAN DAVID HIRSCHY
SHIV SIDDHANT NARAYAN KAUL
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ATEESHA FARAH MOHAMED
JANAK PAREKH
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AMANDA TAYLOR REARICK
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EMILY SUSAN FLEMING
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THE MARY SANBORN ALLEN PRIZE  Jessica Erin DuPlaga (*French*)
Norman David Hirschy (*German*)

THE HAROLD G. AND HELEN F. ARNOLD SCHOLARSHIP FUND  Elizabeth Katherine Gill

THE WILLIS C. BEHOTEUY PRIZE IN FRENCH  Jessica Erin DuPlaga

THE ROBERT G. BONE HISTORY PRIZE  Nicole Crystal Cook

THE ROBERT JAMES BROWN MEMORIAL PEACE PRIZE  Emily Elisabeth Welty

THE URFLENE F. BROWN SCHOLARSHIP IN THE PERFORMING ARTS  Justine Alexandria Carr

THE THOMAS D. CLARESON PRIZE IN ENGLISH  Megan Wells Whinery
Nathan Andrew Wilkinson

JAMES KENDALL CUNNINGHAM MEMORIAL PRIZE  Christen Marie Coyle

THE DOROTHY REID DALZELL AWARD  Carmen Jean Hotvedt

THE RAYMOND R. DAY PRIZE IN URBAN STUDIES  Tonda Victoria Lee

THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY FOUNDATION PRIZE  Amy Lynn Graham

THE D. IVAN DYKSTRA PHILOSOPHY ROUNDTABLE BOOK PRIZE  John Robert Milliken
Alyssa Lee Wilmot

THE JOHN D. FACKLER AWARD  Rebecca Adele Clark

THE JAMES R. FINNEY PRIZE  Christopher Theodore Matsos

THE MAHESH K. GARG PRIZE IN PHYSICS  Sean Jason English

THE GERMAN DEPARTMENT BOOK PRIZE  Lisa Marie Carter

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THE WILLIAM A. HANNA PRIZE IN ASIAN STUDIES  Elizabeth Katherine Gill

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THE PAUL EVANS LAMELE SCHOLARSHIP IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES  Matthew Mark Burger
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THE FRANCIS AND ELIZABETH TWINEM PRIZE  Julie Ann Zeller
THE FRANCIS AND ELIZABETH TWINEM SCHOLARSHIP  Benjamin Adam Gartrell
THE RICARDO VALENCIA PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE
       DEPARTMENT OF SPANISH  Angela Kathleen Joyce
THE JOSEPH F. VOJIR SCHOLARSHIP  Kathryn Gail Quimby
THE CARY R. WAGNER PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY  Brian Kenneth Mirous
THE ELIZABETH SIDWELL WAGNER PRIZE IN MATHEMATICS  Jennifer Anne Leete
THE DR. JOHN GARDNER WEEKS SCHOLARSHIP FUND  Aleashia Siobhan Washington
THE THEODORE WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP  Whitney Brooke Marsh
THE ROBERT E. WILSON AWARD  Aladin Bernard Ferian
       Kristy Lynn Schavolt
THE WOMEN’S ADVISORY BOARD SCHOLARSHIP  Niccole Crystal Cook
       Aleashia Siobhan Washington

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About Academic Costume

The gathering of the College family this May morning is the present expression of a living tradition and thus forms the visible symbol of four years of joint partnership in the continuing search which is education. That we respect the past by using its form and regalia at the moment of transition to the future is simply our witness to the world that ‘what is past is prologue.’

The wearing of caps and gowns is basically an old English custom. The custom still used today has its origin in the type of dress worn during the twelfth century by all classes. The cloak, with its attached hood, was worn over a long, flowing robe for protection from the weather. In the thirteenth century the hood appeared as a separate article of dress, a kind of pointed bag with an oval opening for the face, the long point hanging down behind.

Scholars in the medieval universities, during the early years after their founding, wore the same type of clothing as everyone else — gowns, cloaks with hoods attached or separate, and caps. Over the years the apparel of scholars changed in detail to differentiate the degrees of learning and the various faculties. As general public styles changed, scholars retained their own styles, which were established by university rules. As an Oxford enactment of 1358 put it, ‘it is honourable and in accordance with reason that clerks to whom God has given an advantage over the lay folk in their adornments within, should likewise differ from the lay folk without.’

The hood, while serving as a badge to distinguish the degree held by the scholar, also served some practical function as an article of dress — ‘whereas reason bids that the varieties of costume should correspond to the ordering of the seasons. . . . it is henceforth allowed that from Easter to All Saints’ Day graduates may wear silken hoods instead of fur ones.’

The origin of the use of the cap as part of the degree ceremony is not clear, but at Oxford the M.A. cap was the sign of a scholar’s independence, as under Roman law a slave was freed by being allowed to put on a cap. There is no agreement on the reason for the shape of the square ‘mortarboard’ style used today, but The Ballad of the Caps (1564) has it that ‘Tis square like scholars and their books: The rest are round but this is square, To shew that they more stable are.’

The English heritage has been reflected in American academic costume from colonial times, particularly at Columbia (King’s College), Yale, and a number of others. Around 1885 a widespread student movement introduced the wearing of caps and gowns at commencement ceremonies. Present practice largely follows the code of an intercollegiate commission of 1895, as revised over the years.

The mortarboard cap is standard. The tassel may be black for any degree, or in the color of the major field of learning in which the degree has been granted. Gold tassels are worn only by doctors.

Gowns are black and fall in straight lines from a fairly elaborate yoke. The master’s gown has long closed sleeves with openings at the wrist. The doctor’s gown has velvet panels down the front and around the neck, with three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves. Harvard permits a crimson doctor’s gown, Yale allows blue for both the masters and doctors, Princeton uses a black gown with orange hashmarks and sleeve lining, and other institutions likewise have special gowns.

The hood shows by its size, width of trimming and shape the level of the degree held. The area of learning in which it was given is indicated by the color of the velvet trimming — white for Arts, Letters and Humanities; green for Medicine; pink for Music; dark blue for Philosophy; golden yellow for Science; scarlet for Theology, etc. The institution granting the degree is identified by the color and pattern of the satin lining which drapes outward from the center of the hood. Foreign universities follow their own systems, e.g., the Sorbonne (Paris) designates its doctor’s degree by a scarf trimmed in white fur.
Flowers for the 2000 Commencement have been given in memory of ESTHER MAE GRABER '34, Director of Food Service 1947 to 1970, and at the time of her retirement in June 1977, Manager of The Wooster Inn.

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