
59TH COMMENCEMENT

MAY 21, 2026



OCEAN
COUNTY COLLEGE

YOU DID IT!

Congratulations!

The day you have worked toward is finally here. All the stress, late nights, hard work, fun times, and accomplishments have led to the day you walk across the stage.

As you continue on your life's journey, I hope you take away the following with you:

- New friendships with people you met here at OCC
- Knowledge that you can do what you put your mind to doing
- New found self-confidence
- A better awareness of the world in which you live
- Respect for talented faculty
- A desire to make the world a better place
- Gratitude for the support you received from family and friends
- A curiosity for what other great things you can learn and do.

We are counting on you to find the next medical cure, to pioneer new technologies, to find and cherish the love of another, to educate others, and to make our world safe and delightful. Answer the call when we ask you to return to campus and inspire the students following in your footsteps. We are always here for you.

All the best,

Pamela Monaco

Dr. Pamela Monaco, President of Ocean County College



COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Processional

4:00 p.m.

RWJBarnabas Health Arena

7:00 p.m.

RWJBarnabas Health Arena

Board of Trustees Welcome...

Steven A. Zabarsky
Chair, Board of Trustees
Ocean County College

National Anthem

4:00 p.m.

Kaitlin Cacoilo

7:00 p.m.

Danielle Adolfsen

Invocation

4:00 p.m.

Senior Pastor Raquel Salguero
Vida City Church,
Lakewood, NJ

7:00 p.m.

Chaplain Barbara A. Miles
Holy Temple of God in Christ and
Community Liaison Chaplain for
Sadie Vickers Resource Center,
Toms River, NJ

President's Remarks.....

Dr. Pamela J. Monaco
President
Ocean County College



The Ocean County College Vocal Ensemble

"Our Time" from Merrily We Roll Along
by Stephen Sondheim

Danielle Adolfsen
Nicholas Bellifemine
Kaitlin Cacoilo
Trish Morales-Vergne
Alejandro Oquendo
Logan Paul
Jakayla Rivera

Directed by
Kristina Terwilliger
Choral Director
Ocean County College Chorus

Faculty of the Year

Dr. Pamela J. Monaco
President, Ocean County College

Message from the OCC Foundation.....

Virginia Haines
Executive Board of Trustees Member

Kean Ocean Remarks

Dr. Joseph Youngblood
Chancellor, Kean University

Student Remarks

4:00 p.m.
Sabrina Watts, Class of 2026

7:00 p.m.
Ryan Kanarkowski, Class of 2026

Awarding of Degrees.....

Dr. Pamela J. Monaco
President, Ocean County College

Conferral of Degrees.....

Dr. Pamela J. Monaco
President, Ocean County College

Closing Remarks.....

Dr. Pamela J. Monaco
President, Ocean County College



GRAND MARSHAL

Maryann Birdsall
Professor of Mathematics

STUDENT MARSHALS

4:00 p.m.
Ellie Dowek and Lola Darcy

7:00 p.m.
Kate Ibarra and Matthew Rose

HONOR GUARD

Sergeant Pereira
Corporal Schilling
S/O Evans
S/O Glass

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS

4:00 p.m.
Vanessa Viera and Althea Deuchar

7:00 p.m.
Vanessa Viera and McKenzie Dowling

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BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Mary Granahan
Television Production Director

ONLINE: OCEAN.EDU

Commencement Week ceremonies will be webcast LIVE on the College's website. Video for each ceremony will remain available for online viewing several weeks after the ceremonies.

OCEAN TV-20

Commencement Week ceremonies will be broadcast on Comcast of Toms River and Long Beach Island (channel 20) and Verizon FiOS of Northern Ocean County (channel 24), according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, May 19	Student Awards Ceremony LIVE.....	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 20	Nurses Pinning Ceremony LIVE	5:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore).....	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 21	Commencement Ceremony LIVE (Part 1)	4:00 p.m.
	Commencement Ceremony LIVE (Part 2)	7:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore).....	9:00 p.m.
	Nurses Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	10:00 p.m.
Friday, May 22	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore).....	7:00 p.m.
	Nurses Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	8:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 23	Nurses Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	7:00 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore).....	8:00 p.m.
	Commencement Ceremony (Encore).....	9:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 24	Nurses Pinning Ceremony (Encore)	7:30 p.m.
	Student Awards Ceremony (Encore).....	8:30 p.m.
	Commencement Ceremony (Encore).....	9:30 p.m.

CANDIDATES FOR THE ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

The Associate in Arts degree is awarded to students who have successfully completed a transfer program consisting of a minimum of 60 semester hours.

◆● Batool Hany Abdelmalak	◆☆ Anthony Dino Boutsikaris		▶ Cody Robert Eletto	
◆ Sydney Anne Ables	◆ Catherine Elizabeth Braica		▶ Chloe G. Emmons	
◆ John Aksan	◆ Grace Ayva Brennan		▶ Michael Eri	
◆ Isabella Mikaela Alberto-Garcia	◆ Logan Patrick Brennan	◆☆ Kaydince Hope Costello	▶ Christina Elisa Espinosa	
◆ Serena Marie Albrink	◆ Emily Grace Brine	◆☆ Rebecca Crick	◆☆ Jack Stephen Eubanks	
◆ Susana Alcalá Merino	◆ Destini Nicole Brinson	◆■ Hannah Elizabeth Cronen	▶ Isabella Fabiani	
◆ Teresa Anne Alfonso	◆ Lindsay Rae Broome	◆ Gianna Crosby	▶ Kayla Rose Fahey	
◆ Philip Raymond Altomare	◆ Gianna Nicole Browner	◆ Shania Cherelle Crump	▶ Hailey Faulkner	◆ Gracie Ryan Hammel
◆ Alexis Violet Alvarado	◆ Madelyn Joy Brue	◆ Jay Lopez Cruz	▶ Alexa Rose Fernandez	◆ Emily Noel Hanson
◆ David Alvarez Aguilar	◆ Ava Catherine Brunson	◆ Naydelin Cruz Castaneda	▶ Isabella Rose Ferrara	▶ Dean Patrick Hare
◆ Alexandria Marie Amato	◆ Laura Bueno	◆☆ Vanesa Cuate	◆ Miley Annabella Ferriolo	◆ Dallas Harker
◆ Jaedan Anderson	◆ Elizabeth Lee Buschiazzo	◆ Catherine Elizabeth Cullen	◆ Lindsey Katherine Fitzpatrick	◆ Shane Harkness
◆ Katelyn Allen Andress	◆ Candice Butler	◆ Jaden Curry	◆ Mikaela Mai Flanagan	◆ Lauren Alexa Harry
◆ Gabrielle Hope Angelicola	◆ Emily Anne Byrne	◆☆ Giuliana Angel Czerniawski	◆ Aidan William Flynn	◆ Mia Nicole Hart
◆ Ethan John Applegate	◆ Jayden Josel Calo	◆ Jaden Hector Daniluk	▶ Sophie Ann Fogler	◆ Ryan Hauser
◆ Abby Lynn Ardoin	◆ Rosa L. Campos	◆ Lola Bee Darcy	▶ Aleksa Gabriela Franco	◆ Vienna Hausser
◆ Alexia F. Arena	◆ Aidan Connor Canzano	◆ Corrado N. De Robertis	▶ Jenna Frazee	◆ Kamryn Lee Hawtin
◆ Paxton S. Armstrong	◆ Jack Cargill	◆ Luke Debenedett	◆ Sophie Louise Gabriel	◆ Lauren Renee Haynes
◆ Joshua Tyler Armeth	◆ Brandon Thomas Carra	◆ Rosaleen Marie DeCoursey	◆ Christina Marie Gach	▶ John Heckel
◆ Nanci Maria Arzola	◆ Michael L. Carter	◆ Michael Anthony DeDominicis	◆ Jimmy Galindo	◆ Faith Hennig
◆ Yahir Avila	◆☆ Isabella Marie Caruso	◆ Alexander Michael DeGruccio	◆ Ariana Faith Gallagher	◆ Kimberly Y. Hernandez-Cervantes
◆ Gabriella Marie Azevedo	◆ Hailey Casella	◆ Madilyn Deichman	◆ Jamil Alexander Garcia	◆ Trinity Hewlett
◆ Ava Marie Bacchione	◆ Domenico Jay Cassese	◆ Rachel Denney	◆ Charlie Gardner	◆ Kayla Rose Hodapp
◆ Aubrey Baccichi	◆ Elena Christine Castillo	◆ Maya Joelle Denny	◆ Francesca Gatta	◆ Adelaide Holden
◆ Kylie Rain Ballin	◆ Kasper Quinn Catalan	◆ John Joseph Deredita	◆ John Stuart Gault	◆ Rylie Ellen Hopkins
◆ Isabella Balsamo	◆ Aureanna Rose Cecilio	◆☆ Isabella Delores Derickson	◆ Maria Genovezos	◆ Ashley Howell
◆ Leah Marie Bantleon	◆ Angelica Marie Charterina	▶ Talia Destafney	◆ Isabella Hope Georgiano	◆ McKenzie J. Howell
▶ Ryan Joseph Barry	◆ Jameson Joseph Chawner	▶ Chase Murphy DeVeau	◆ Gabrielle E. Gibbs	◆ Chase Hudson
◆ Colin Patrick Bartels	◆☆ Addison Pearl Chmura	◆ Adryanna June Diaz	◆ Alexander George Giglio	◆ Giovanni Joe Iannarone
◆ Christopher Joseph Bastin	◆ Ellyse Sophia Cicerello	◆ Jordyn Lynn Diaz	◆ Gabriella Marie Giglio	▶ Anthony Sergio Introna
◆☆ Christnelly Bautista-Lozada	◆ Gabriella Cilenti	◆ Antonia Nicole DiBernardo	▶ Jacob Hayden Gilani	◆☆ Ava Bela Izzarry
◆☆ Christopher William Bayles	◆ Gina Marie Cilenti	◆ Grant T. Diemer	◆ Allie Marie Gisinger	◆ Harrison Nicholas Jaffe
◆ Jack Devine Beauregard	◆☆ Dominick J. Cioffi	◆ Adam Paul DiPasquale	◆ Alanna Glavey	◆ Kiara Nicole Jarensky
◆ Breaua Belanger	▶ Jake Dominic Cirillo	◆ Kathryn Joyce Ditzel	◆ Hayden Thomas Godino	◆ Peter Santo Johnson
◆ Sarah Riley Belavich	◆ Sage Elizabeth Clancy	◆ Delaney Grace Dobbin	◆ Brett Thomas Goldman	◆ Weston James Johnson
◆ Jason Edward Benko	◆ Alexis Marie Clark	◆ Hunter Dolci	◆ Dominic Golini	◆ Alexa Blake Jones
◆ Kyle James Bennett	◆ Josephine Hayes Clarkson	◆☆ Carl Elizabeth Donahue	◆ Christie Gomez	◆ Hannah Jones
◆ Anthony Berghino	▶ Taylor Paige Clarkson	◆ Kassandra Jayne Doty	◆ Shalimar Isabel Gomez	◆ Kristin Jones
◆ Madison Nicole Bernardo	◆ Isaac Daniel Claudio	◆ Ellie Dowek	◆ Abdiel Joel Gonzalez Villafane	◆ Adriana Joan Jonkoski
◆ Patricia Bey	◆ Reagan Katherine Clayton-Carta	◆ Bryce M. Drew	▶ Olivia L. Gonzalez	◆ John Seng-Kee Juchniewicz
◆☆ Lucas Jon Biersack	◆ Gabriella Colasanto	◆ Natalie Grace Dutka	▶ Kailyn Gorga	◆ Ariana Marie Julius
◆☆ Susan Angelina Bischoff	◆ Grace Anne Coletta	◆ Julia Dykeman	◆☆ Lidia Sol Grabowska	◆ Nicolas E. Justiniano
◆ Ashley Elizabeth Blair	◆ Calli Paige Colvin	◆☆ Chaelyn Rose Earp	◆ Samantha Grace	◆ Grace Lucja Kalina
◆ Haylin Nicole Blanco	▶ Owen J. Conaty	◆☆ Christina R. Eason	◆ Darren Robert Graessle	◆ Emily A. Kalman
◆ Alexandria Bloodgood	◆ Adeon-Ethan Connor Congdon	◆ Grace Pauline Eckert	◆☆ Gianna Michelle Grano	◆ Davut Kansu
◆☆ Olivia Mae Bogan	◆ Katarina Rose Connors	◆☆ Travis Richard Edgeworth	◆ LeVesha Grant	◆☆ Averi Grace Kapuscinski
◆☆ Julie Marie Bono	◆ Sydney-Lee N. Cooke	◆☆ Sarah Christine Edwards	◆ Tara Marie Gray	◆ Abigail Rose Kearns
◆ Micaela Marie Booker	◆ Michael James Cordasco	◆☆ Shane Patrick Egan	◆ Nicholas Thomas Green	◆ Andrew Robert Kecskes
◆ Keltan Dean Boshart				◆☆ Kaitlin Mary Kessler
				◆ Ruby Marie Kinoian

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- ◆ ☆ Waylon Cash Klammer
- Amanda Lee Klass
- Jessica Klein
- ▶ Mikayla S. Klein
- Nicholas Micheal Koman
- Nicholas J. Koval
- ◆ ☆ Samantha Krill
- Jessica K. Kruk
- ▶ Mya Shadow Kucharski
- Emeli Jenifer Ladino Calixto
- ◆ Danielle Antoinette LaForge
- Kyle Micheal Lair
- ② Olivia Lamberty
- ▶ Autumn Sarah Lamicella
- ◆ ☆ Brandon Luke Landers
- ▶ Rowan Mae Lapp
- ◆ Alexa Nicole Lapuzz
- ☆ Allison C. Larsen
- Tamara Latimore
- ☆ Ariel Alexa Latorre
- ◆ Julia Mae Lau
- Lillian Marie Lau
- Kyle Stephen Lemke
- ☼ Devynn Lenahan
- Izabella Leon
- Brittany Nestor
- ◆ ☆ Zoe Colleen Lewis
- Grace Eva Leyh
- ☆ Diana Faye Limosnero
- Angela Lopez
- ▶ Yuliana Lopez Arzate
- Stephani Lopez Galeana
- Ali Lopez Robles
- Ashley Lowe
- Annabelle Lumi
- ▶ Stephen Matthew Lychock Jr.
- Juliana Stella Macolino
- Robert Macrae
- ◆ Jaiden Sophia Maganza
- Isabella Dale Malfettano
- ☆ Samantha Nicole Manco
- ▶ Autumn Mangan
- Jessica Mankowski
- ☼ Edward Thomas Mariconda
- Jared D. Martin
- ▶ Carolina Martinez-Alvarez
- ◆ ☆ ● Gianna Marie Masi
- ☆ Michael Frederick Masucci
- Sandrey Josephine Mathie
- Ashleigh Maul
- John Ralph Mauser
- Joseph Edward Mazzaro
- Shabiah Monee McBrayer
- Owen Reilley McCarthy
- Shannon Riley McDonough
- Johnathan McFadden
- ▶ Brooke McGinley
- Molly McGovern
- ▶ Namie Jane McHugh
- Addison Mae McIlvaine
- Sean McWeeney
- ▶ Abigail Mecca
- Joshua Philip Medina
- ◆ ▶ Alex Meireles
- Michelle Mejia
- Andrell Mercier
- Jordan L. Metcalf
- Rachel Lee Miceli
- Rachel Mary Miller
- ☼ Gianna Sophie Minardi
- Mateusz Mioduszewski
- ◆ Giovanni Mattia Miraglia
- Michael Anthony Misseri
- Ana Isabel Montes
- Ingrid Fabiola Morales
- Alyssa Morgan
- Erica Morieko
- ◆ Kaya Morris
- ▶ Madden Mozal
- Mason Mozal
- Kylie Mudry
- Alivia Muhlenbruck
- ◆ ☆ Ayleen Mujica
- ☆ Kendyl Maria Mullarkey
- Brianna Nicole Murphy
- Caleigh Myers
- Annabelle Nagy
- Stephen Nastasi
- ☆ John Wesley Neal III
- Eric Angelo Nelson
- ◆ Jesse A. Nelson
- Samantha Reese Neuman
- ☼ Jean Nichols
- Nikolas Niedziela
- Evan Niemierowski
- Sophia Nieto
- Ericka Elizabeth O' Hare
- Alexia Michelle O'Donnell
- Luke David Sylvio Oizerowitz
- ◆ ☆ Gwendolyn Michel O'Leary
- ▶ Kristopher O'Neill
- Bradley Michael Ortiz
- Amanda Elizabeth Pachella
- ☆ Alyssa Marie Pacora
- ◆ ▶ Mia Kathleen Pagano
- ◆ ☼ Gianna Teresa Pallotta
- ☼ Riley Ellen Paluszak
- Kenneth Pandolf
- ▶ Mario Panebianco
- Nicolette C. Papa
- ◆ Leanna Pardon
- Daisy Paredes
- ◆ Anthony Paris
- Jordan Kyle Pascual
- Gabriella Nicole Pasqua
- ▶ Alexander David Pastore
- ☼ Molly Victoria Pease
- Julia Pecoraro
- Jessica James Pedre
- Melissa L. Perez-Tavarez
- ◆ Sarah Petrecca
- Kristos Petteimerides
- ☼ Joseph Baptista Piccirillo
- Darius Lee Pierce
- ☼ Enzo Antonio Pimenta
- Patrice Ann Pomeroy
- Isabella Quartarone
- ☆ Kelly Quinn
- Savannah Lee Quintero
- Jenna Ann Raeuber
- William Taylor Raney
- Katie Rose Rasmussen
- Tianna Trinity Rauch
- Christopher Charles Raulf
- Brianna Ajenae Reid
- ◆ Elizabeth Lynnlee Resetar
- ◆ Nathaniel Alcober Reyes
- Madison Rhinehart
- Olivia J. Ricciardella
- Angel Marie Rice
- ☼ Benjamin Thomas Ricker
- ▶ Noah Riley
- ◆ ☆ Desirae Michelle Ring
- Cole Rivera
- ▶ Joseph Raymond Roach
- Kaleigh Rae Rocco
- Dominic Xavier Rodenbaugh
- Amanda Rae Rodriguez
- Robert Jacob-Michal Rodriguez
- Logan Roeseler
- Celeste Abella Roman
- Frank Romero-Avila
- ☆ Leeanna Romero
- Jorge Arthur Rosal
- ☆ Lindsey Jordan Rose
- ☼ Sarah Joan Roth
- Darean J. Rowland
- ☼ Hannah Rose Rowley
- ▶ Nicholas Rozell
- ▶ Gabriella Rebecca Ruggiero
- Elizabeth Danielle Russo
- ◆ Ryan David Sabino
- Isabella Rae Sabo
- ▶ Ruqayya Lateef Sagry
- Benjamin Robert Said
- Mariah Sanchez
- Olivia Sansone
- ▶ Melanie Santamaria
- Fernanda Santiago
- Anthony Francis Saragusa
- Julia Marie Sargent
- ☆ ② Emma Elizabeth Schaab
- ▶ Allison Marie Schieman
- Emily Victoria Schott
- ▶ Madeline Ashley Schwartz
- ☆ Trey Scollan
- ◆ Devin Elizabeth Scully
- Shay Jiyi Searles
- Vimarg Elijah Senesic
- Grace Elizabeth Serpica
- Alison Serrano
- ◆ Betsy Serrano Pelaez
- Abigail Lee Seyforth
- Jack Matthew Sharo
- Kathryn Elizabeth Sherman
- Julianne Sholtis
- Emily E. Shornack
- Jake P. Siciliano
- ☼ Kaelyn Isabella Siciliano
- ☼ Marie Filomena Sill
- ◆ Ethan Edward Slaughter
- ◆ Laine Smith
- Tanner Michael Smith
- Dean Charles Snowden
- ☆ Drew Mackenzie Snyder
- ◆ ☆ Julia Sobol
- Alaina Ann Sollas
- ▶ Christian Stephen Speck
- ☼ Kylie Teaghan Stainton
- ▶ Carley Stanziani
- Keeley Patricia Steuber
- Kaelyn Stuhl
- ▶ Jaelyn Ann Szfranski
- ◆ Caitlyn Rose Szczypinski
- Antoni Szewczyk
- Richard Jason Tallmadge
- ▶ Kailyn Taylor Tallman
- Peter Lawrence Tatro
- ◆ David R. Tees
- Tianna Marie Testa
- Cassandra Leigh Tetzlaff
- Kahliyah Thomas
- Zahdia Thompson
- Anna Sophia Thornton
- ▶ Milana Grace Tironola
- Kayla Toback
- ☼ Madyson Elisabeth Tolska
- ◆ Joseph Michael Tonra
- ☼ Alexandria Mary Jean Torres
- ◆ Travis Robert Trempey
- Sofia Rose Triano
- ☼ Jackson Troncoso
- Kenya Alexa Trujillo
- Raylyn Mae Tupper
- ◆ Christopher John Umerovski
- ☼ Kristin Nicole Uphold
- Sebastian Isidro Urbina
- Ellieanna Camilla Vacirca
- ◆ Crystal Ann Vallee
- Kassandra Denise Valverde
- ◆ Donovan James Varga
- Kevin Vargas-Gines
- Manouso George Vasilakis
- Nicholas Gabriel Vecci
- Juliana Sky Vehock
- ② Alexandra Vera Vitalin
- ☼ Isabella Marilyn Vitello
- Michael Joseph Vivolo
- Kelsey Ryan Volk
- ☼ Samantha Michele Voss
- ☼ Casey Walker
- Hassanna Monae Walker
- ◆ Matthew J. Walker
- Sean Thomas Walsh
- Amanda Ward
- ▶ Alexis Grace Warner
- Blake Warren
- ◆ ☆ ● Sabrina Watts
- Riley Marie Weeman
- ◆ Rebecca Anne Weisselberg
- ◆ ☼ Mia Alessandra Whalen
- Avery Lee-Ann Whelan
- Kristine Wiedeman
- Nicholas Thomas Wilkinson
- ☼ Keira Williams
- Shiloh Da'janique Williams
- Marilyn Winn
- ▶ Isabella Grace Wioland
- Mattison Wolf
- Alexander Wylie
- Kirsten Zawada
- ◆ ☆ Maria Zulkarnain

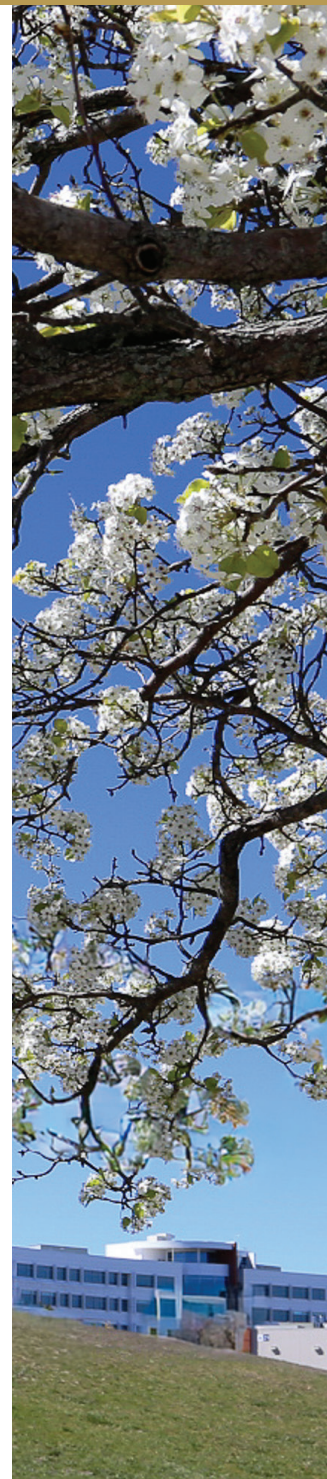
CANDIDATES FOR THE ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

The Associate in Applied Science degree is awarded to students who have successfully completed a minimum of 60 semester hours, 22 of which are in general education. The remaining semester hours are in the field of career-oriented specialization.

Madison Emily Appleby	Karen Dillon	◆ Faith Hannah Koh-Park	Kara Brynn Rotondo
Samantha Virginia Backle	Aleece Marie Errico	▶ Madison Kutschman	▶ Andres Ruiz
Janet V. Ballard	Yozeyda Iliana Espinoza	Karl E. Lambert	Giovanni Andres Ruiz
John David Barbieri	Sabrina Marie Faist	② Olivia Lamberty	② Bella Anne Russo
Nicholle Barcalow	Kathryn Maria Farias	Kimberly Rose Lamparello	Savannah Rose Salamone
Jamie Barmakian	Victoria M. Favale	Mary J. Leriche	Dominique M. Salazar
Erin Sarah Barrett	John Michael Fee	Kate Elisabeth Loeb	◆ Nidia N. Sarpong
Julia Janet Bassie	Jordan Lynn Festa	Dana Lynn Lombard	☆ ② Emma Elizabeth Schaab
Julia Alexis Brooks	Kathaleena Ann Fish	Raquel Lopez	◆ Jordan Grace Schmidt
Nicole Emily Brooks	Haleigh Grace Fitzpatrick	Moseley Charzell Louis	◆ Nicole D. Scott
◆ Tailur Marie Brooks	◆ Brittany A. Flynn	Daniela Sofia Madriz Calderon	☆ Jeffrey L. Sommer
Madison Starr Brown	◆ Cheyenne Frake	Takeira Mayweather	☆ Katelyn Hazel Stanzione
☆ Lindsay Antoinette Brozyna	◆ Lindsey Bridget Freeman	Chinaecherem Prisca Mbaeri	Melissa Stowe
◆ Camille Louise Buzzerio	Erin Mae Galczyński	Katie Rose McGivern	Kathleen M. Sweeney
Roxanne Marie Canfield	Catherine Garcia	Digiana Mejia	◆ Ciarra Mercedes Sweet
Brittany Canino	Nicole Gerbasi	Teresa-Rose Ana Motisi	◆ Sara Terpak
Jenna Rae Cannon	Silvia Safwat Ghaly	◆ Allison Mullaney	Sydney Tornquist
Hannah Carter	Christine Giattino	◆ Angela Murawski	Anthony Vito Trapasso
Leticia Castillo-Torres	Alexa Rose Giordano	Rebecca Nagy	Emily Kristina Trapasso
Sky Cavanaugh	◆ Kaitlyn Skye Giocharis	Riley Newman	Madison Tress
Adriana Chacon	Hayley Gotham	Zuleyma Nieto-Castaneda	Rachel S. Ushock
◆ Gabriella Gaetana Chinappi	Catherine Gottfried	Kyle Robert Nodes	Carolina Isabel Valderrama
Woo Hyuk Choi	Jared Grady	☆ ② Sarah Nicole Nuber	② Alexandra Vera Vitalin
Sophia Marie Cino	Christopher Graf	Robert Pasqualini	Natalia Vrskova
Alexa Nicole Claeys	Jordan Alexandria Granger	Carly Jean Peckham	Briana Cassandra Warren
◆ ② Raymond Anthony Coccovizzo	Skylar J. Griffin	Katherine Rose Rubino	Ashlee Waugh
Mikayla Ann Colonnello	Destini Skylar Hand	Carolin Perez	Noelle Westpy
Edith Conde Sustaita	Amanda Ray Harlan	◆ Monica J. Petyo	◆ Catherine Woods
Jasmine A. Cornejo	Lynez T. Harris	Julia Prickett	Mara Woodward
◆ Erin Counihan	Quinn T. Hartdorn	Jarelys Primmer	◆ Kerry Ann Wren
◆ Gabrielle Cresentello	Jacqueline C. Hay	Patrick Telly Reteracion Pueyo	② Riley Robert Zazenkowski
Aliyah M. Cunningham	Brian Henningsen	Samantha Lynn Puff	Shirley Zeng
Hayly Morgan Cupolo	Colleen Rose Hill	Natasha A. Ramdeen	
Joshua Dacquel	☆ Isabella Marie Hinton	Sylvia LaShawn Reeves	
Kiranpree K. Darcy	Antonio Buda Huertas	◆ Amanda Susan Reid	
Jennie Ann Davis	Steven Humphrey	Hailey Marie Remizowski	
Nathaniel Davis	Dannielle Annastacia Johns	Amy F. Rempfer	
Kimberly De La Torre	Leah Josephs	Amanda Elise Robbins	
Daniella Janeen DeConde	Colleen Mary Kelly	◆ Irving Robles	
Korrine Nicole DiBuono	Holden Zoe Kerekes	Irina Rockwell	
Kourtney Taylor Dietrich	Alexa Lynn Kilfara	Christina Victoria Rodriguez	
Victoria Difilippo	◆ Renee Marie Kleniewski	Karli Marie Romano	

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CANDIDATES FOR THE ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

The Associate in Science degree is awarded to students who have successfully completed a transfer program consisting of a minimum of 60 semester hours, 18 semester hours in a concentration selected from one college department.

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- ☆ Jeniyah Grant
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- ▶ Sean Hankins
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- ◆ Nicholas Richard Jackson
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ANNUAL AWARD CEREMONY RECIPIENTS*

Charles Read Memorial Music Scholarship

Johnny Friedman

In memory of Charles Read, OCC's first professor of Music who taught at OCC from 1966 until 2000 and was the founder and director of the OCC Community Chorus. \$100 is awarded to a graduating student with a 3.5 GPA or higher in all music classes who is accepted into a four year institution as a Music major.

Enrollment Services Leadership & Service Scholarship

Batool Abdelmalak, Ellie Dowek, Kate Ibarra

\$150 is awarded to three graduating Student Ambassadors who have demonstrated exceptional student leadership and a meaningful impact on both prospective and current students. Recipients are trusted peer leaders who enhance the enrollment experience and expand the reach of the college through exemplary academic achievement, initiative, dependability, and a student-first mindset.

Armando Quiroz Award

Kate Ibarra

Donated by Marilyn Kralik, \$200 is awarded to a graduating student for their commitment to biliteracy and second language learning or advocating for cultural responsiveness in their community.

Viking Athletics Commitment Award

Ryan Kanarkowski

\$200 is awarded to a student who has shown outstanding commitment and support of the athletics program and loyalty to the college.

Christopher W. Mannion Scholarship

Giovanni Miraglia

Donated by Dr. Marilyn Kralik, \$200 who has demonstrated a commitment to international travel for the purpose of academic achievement.

Patrick Carroll Award

David Alvarez

\$200 is awarded to a student who has excelled academically, whose influence has been most constructive in the field of Athletics, and who has exhibited satisfactory scholarship, sound citizenship, and loyalty to the college.

Julie Foukarakis Memorial Award

Batool Abdelmalak, Lola Darcy

\$200 each is awarded to two female students who have excelled academically, whose influence has been most constructive in the field of Athletics, and who has exhibited satisfactory scholarship, sound citizenship, and loyalty to the college.

Amanda Cantillon Award

Johnny Friedman

Donated by Marilyn Kralik, \$200 is awarded to a graduating student who has actively supported the Fine Arts program at OCC.

Phi Theta Kappa Fraternity Award

Kate Ibarra, Ellie Dowek, Ana Jimenez,

Nellie Lopez, Ayleen Mujica

A total of \$1,000 is awarded to five students who best exemplify the ideals of the Phi Theta Kappa fraternity, for making significant contributions to the work of the Tau Iota chapter, and promoting intellectual and cultural growth.

Who's Who Among Students at Ocean County College

Batool Abdelmalak, Molly Bryceland,

Kasper Catalan, Lola Darcy, Ellie Dowek,

Liyannys Feliz, Leonello Flavin, Kate Ibarra,

Ryan Kanarkowski, Minseo Kim, Annelie Lopez,

Gianna Masi, Samantha Fredes Mercer,

Anne Nyangaga, Regan Ottinger,

Lucia McGuire-Pettersen, Noemi Reyes,

Matthew Rose, Sabrina Watts

\$250 each is awarded to graduating students nominated in 2026

for significant contributions to Ocean County College in the areas of scholarship and leadership.

Meals on Wheels of Ocean County

Milena Machado

\$250 is awarded to a graduating student interested in pursuing a career in public affairs, policy or government..

Operation Ocean Heroes Scholarship

Anthony Paris, Matthew Rose

\$250 is awarded to a student who has impacted student engagement through SALUTE honor society, student VA, VMRC work-study program or other student organization.

Richard M. Trimble Scholarship

Ellie Dowek

\$250 is awarded to a graduating student who has excelled in historical research and academic development in the field of History. Donated by the OCC History Club in conjunction with the Jersey Shore Civil War Round Table in recognition of the late Richard Trimble.

Jennie Horne Cece Award

Alexa Claeys

Donated by Dottie Cece LaPosa in honor of her mother, Jennie Horne Cece, a working mom with eight children, \$300 is given to a working mother raising her children and pursuing her education simultaneously.

Joseph Hathaway Commencement Speaker Award

Sabrina Watts, Ryan Kanarkowski

Donated by Student Life, \$300 each is awarded to the two student commencement speakers in honor of Joseph C. Hathaway Jr., commencement speaker for the Class of 2012.

The Mathematics Club Award

Daniel Goetchius, Anne Nyangaga, Tanner Rodriguez

A total of \$1,000 is awarded to three graduating students pursuing a degree in Mathematics or related majors. Preference is given to students active in the Mathematics Club.

Faculty Association of Ocean County College

Jesse Nelson

Donated by the Faculty Association of OCC, \$500 is awarded to an outstanding student transferring to a four-year institution.

Probation Officer Todd Benintente Scholarship

John Winkowski

\$500 is awarded to a graduate of the Criminal Justice program in honor of Probation Officer Todd Benintente, who served and protected his community over his career.

Joan M. and William J. Kenneally Scholarship

Albaro Fuentes

A \$500 scholarship donated by Professor Lynn A. Kenneally and Jeffrey J. McWeeny in recognition of Professor Kenneally's parents, who encouraged education

Dr. Albert Socol Memorial Scholarship

Tanner Rodriguez

\$500 is awarded to an outstanding student in Mathematics.

Dr. Stephen A. Kubow Memorial Scholarship

Matthew Rose

Donated by his former colleagues in memory of Kean Ocean's Associate Vice President, \$500 is awarded to a graduating student transferring to Kean University or Kean Ocean from the OCC Equal Opportunity Fund program.

Ocean County Cultural and Heritage Art Award

Gianna Masi

Donated by the Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission, a certificate and \$500 is awarded to an outstanding student in the field of Art.

PTK Heather Muser Memorial Alumni Award

Sabrina Watts

\$500 total is awarded by the Alumni Association of Phi Theta Kappa of Ocean County College to one member of Phi Theta Kappa who has made significant contributions to the programs and activities sponsored by the Tau Iota chapter of Phi Theta Kappa.

The Pauline S. Miller History Award

David Tees

Donated by the Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission, a certificate and \$500 is awarded to an outstanding student in the field of History.

Donald W. Smith Scholarship

Samantha Fredes Mercer, Juanito Quetua

Donated by DW Smith Associates, \$500 each is awarded to two graduating students pursuing education in civil engineering, surveying, planning landscape design and/ or environmental services.

Frank Richetti Sr. Memorial Scholarship

Giovanni Miraglia

\$500 is awarded to a graduating student in honor of Mr. Frank Richetti, Sr. who was an Ocean County College concert band member for over 30 years and served his country in the South Pacific during World War II.

Michael D. Vena Memorial MUA A Scholarship

Devyn Krinic

Donated by the Municipal Utilities Authorities Association of Ocean County, \$500 is awarded to a graduate transferring to a four-year institution and majoring in Environmental Sciences or directly related field.

Viking Spirit Award

Kate Ibarra

\$500 is awarded to a graduating EOF student who exemplifies leadership, service and character.

Ocean County PTA

Clark Marcoon

Donated by the Ocean County PTA in honor of Elise Kelber, \$500 is awarded to a second-year student and resident of Ocean County, based on financial need.

Scott R. Farrell Memorial Scholarship

Kathryn Sternig

Donated by Mary-Ellen Rada, \$500 is awarded in remembrance of a beloved chemistry professor who was dedicated to his students and always had the best interests of the students in mind. As HOSA Club advisor, Professor Farrell constantly did his best to prepare students for their career goals.

Dr. William Rickert Mathematics Award

Daniel Goetchius

Donated by Dr. William Rickert and his wife Lois, \$500 is awarded to a graduating student who has demonstrated outstanding service in promoting mathematics awareness on the Ocean County College campus.

Frank Richetti, Sr. Nursing

Gabriella Chinappi

\$500 is awarded to a graduating nurse in honor of Mr. Frank Richetti, Sr., who was a member of the Ocean County College concert band for over 30 years and served his country in the South Pacific during World War II.

OCC Adjunct Faculty Association Award

Emily Hetzel, Amanda Klass

Donated by the Adjunct Faculty Association of Ocean County College, \$500 each is awarded to two graduating students.

Joyce Previte Memorial Scholarship

Jeffrey Sommer

\$500 is awarded to an outstanding graduate of the Nursing Program who has maintained a 3.0 GPA or better.



Support Staff Association of Ocean County College

Lucia McGuire-Petersen, David Tees, Giovanni Fevola

Donated by the Support Staff Association, \$700 each is awarded to three graduating students who have worked at Ocean County College while earning their degrees.

Andrew T. Baran Scholarship

Britney Santiago

\$750 is awarded to a graduating student enrolled in a four-year institution pursuing a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice.

100 Women Award

Ayleen Mujica

\$750 is awarded on behalf of the 100 Women campaign, an endeavor by the Ocean County College Foundation to bring together dynamic, innovative, and accomplished Ocean County women who will support each other's life and career goals, share their insights and experiences, and encourage education through Ocean County College.

The Paul Family Scholarship

(In memory of Joyce Previte)

Colleen Hill

\$775 is awarded to a student who demonstrates aptitude in the study of Nursing with the intent to pursue a career in Nursing.

Associated Students of Ocean County College Award

(In memory of Thomas J. Brady)

Ryan Kanarkowski, Ana Jimenez,

Alma Ladino, Noemi Reyes

Donated by Student Life, a total of \$1,600 is presented by Student Government to graduating students displaying a consistently strong record of involvement in a cocurricular program.

Norcia Aspiring Attorney Award

Grace McMahon

Donated by OCC alum RJ Norcia, class of 2010, \$1,000 is awarded to a graduating student who has demonstrated interest in attending law school and becoming a practicing attorney in the State of New Jersey.

Phi Theta Kappa Outstanding Service Award

Anne Nyangaga

\$1,000 is awarded to a student who has made outstanding contributions to the activities of Tau Iota Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. The recipient must exemplify the ideals of Phi Theta Kappa as set forth in the four Hallmarks, namely: Leadership, Scholarship, Service and Fellowship.

Outstanding Tutor Scholarship

Felicia Miller

Donated by retired professor of mathematics Dr. William Rickert and his wife Lois, \$1,000 is awarded to an outstanding graduate who also served as a peer tutor within OCC Tutoring Center.

Carleen Sterling Orsi Memorial Award

Kamari Jones, Marcus Kreiger (initial),

Areeba Zulkarnain, Sarah Brush (renewal)

\$1,000 is awarded to two graduates transferring to a four-year institution. (Renewable for second year.)

Douglas C. King Memorial Award

Devon Lindsay

\$1,000 is awarded to a graduate of the Criminal Justice program who is pursuing a four-year degree in Criminal Justice.

James Inman Award

Ellie Dowek

\$1,000 is awarded to a student who demonstrates outstanding qualities of scholarship, loyalty, citizenship, and contribution to extracurricular activities.

Honors by Contract Graduating Awards

Batool Abdelmalak, Molly Bryceland,

Kasper Catalan, Lola Darcy, Ellie Dowek,

Liyannys Feliz, Leonello Flavin, Kate Ibarra,

Ryan Kanarkowski, Minseo Kim, Annellie Lopez,

Gianna Masi, Samantha Fredes Mercer,

Anne Nyangaga, Regan Ottinger,

Lucia McGuire-Petersen, Noemi Reyes,

Matthew Rose, Sabrina Watts

The Ocean County College Foundation awards \$333 to top graduating students who completed the Honors by Contract program.

Joseph J. Quattrock Memorial Scholarship

Rebecca Melendez

\$1,000 is awarded to a nontraditional graduating student with a 3.0 GPA or better, continuing in a four-year institution.

LaVerne D. and Robert R. Weigold Scholarship

Ian Henry

\$1,000 is awarded to an outstanding student demonstrating scholarship abilities and an interest in the area of English or the Humanities.

Ocean County Sheriff's Foundation

John Winkowski

Donated by the Ocean County Sheriff's Foundation, \$1,000 is awarded to Criminal Justice graduate pursuing a four-year degree in Criminal Justice who has demonstrated academic success and service to the community.

Ocean County Society of Professional Engineers

Samantha Fredes Mercer

\$1,000 is awarded to a student for achievement in Engineering.

Sheldon Linz Memorial Award

Ashley Wojcik

Donated by the family of Jennifer Linz Cooper, \$1,000 is awarded to an outstanding Photography and Visual Arts student.

Alumni Fund For Academic Excellence

Brett Goldman

\$1,000 is awarded for scholarships and opportunities for students and alumni of Ocean County College.

NJ Association of Public Accountants Fund

Richard Pristas

\$1,000 is awarded to students committed to a career in accounting.

Thomas R. Dorso Memorial Scholarship

Alyssa Hick

\$1,000 is awarded to a graduating student pursuing a degree in Social Work or Education from Lacey Township School District.

Dover Brick Beach First Aid Public Health Scholarship

Brittany Flynn, Moseley Louis, Hailey Remizowski,

Nidia Sarpong, Jeffrey Sommer

\$1,000 each is awarded to five graduating students in honor of dedicated volunteers who gave of themselves in service to the community. Dover-Brick Beach First Aid Squad offers financial support to those pursuing studies in the Public Health/Sciences field.

Senator John F. Russo Memorial Scholarship

Caitlyn Szczypinski

\$1,000 is awarded to a graduating student with a 3.0 GPA or better, continuing in a four-year institution.

40 For 40 Graduating Award

Olivia Case

\$1,000 is awarded to a student in honor of Foundation Executive Director Kenneth J. Malagiere's 40th birthday; guests were invited to contribute to this unrestricted graduating award. The goal was to raise \$40,000 and they were successful in raising more than double.

Next Gen Engineering and Technology

Samantha Fredes Mercer, Juanito Quetua

The Building a Better World Scholarship awards \$1,000 each to two students enrolled and/or graduating from Ocean County College in the A.S. Engineering or A.A.S. Technical Studies with Industrial/Technical Option programs that demonstrate a commitment to building a better and more sustainable world through engineering and technology.

John F. Powell Award

Kasper Catalan

This \$1,000 scholarship is named in memory of President Monaco's father. Born and raised in Virginia, he worked as a statistician for the Census Bureau, but his love was supporting those who wanted to change their lives through education. He would be very proud of OCC students.

Mildred Kehne Award

Jasmine Telaj

This \$1,000 scholarship is named in memory of Donald Kehne's mother. Born and raised in South Dakota, Mrs. Kehne trained to be a nurse and served in the Pacific Theatre during WWII. She and Don's father settled in Maryland, where she raised nine children. Education was important to the Kehne family, and she would be honored to support a deserving student.

Dr. Charles Abeles Scholarship

Anthony Paris

This \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student who demonstrates outstanding aptitude in languages, literature, or philosophy.

Soroptimist Club of Toms River Scholarship

Camille Buzzerio

\$1,250 is awarded to a graduating female student continuing her education at a four-year institution.

Soroptimist Sigma Award Kean Ocean

Carolin Perez

\$1,250 each is awarded to a graduating student with a 3.0 GPA or better, continuing in a four-year institution.

Ocean County College Board of Trustees Award

Sienna Henninger, Abby Ardoin, Lola Darcy

Donated by the OCC Board of Trustees, \$1,500 each is awarded to three graduating students who have achieved outstanding academic performance at Ocean County College and who will continue their education in the Kean Ocean program.

Dollie and Harry David Sussna Scholarship

Emma Stich, Kate Ibarra (initial)

Max Kripinski, Nayeli Rojas (Renewal Recipients)

Donated by Dollie and Harry David Sussna, an initial \$1,500 each is awarded to two outstanding students transferring to four-year institutions. Possible \$2,000 is renewable upon re-enrollment.

D'Onofrio Foundation Graduating Award

Tyler Abato

\$2,000 is awarded to a student with a 3.0 GPA or better who demonstrates aptitude in the study of Health/Medicine, with the intent to pursue a career in a related field.

William T. Hierung Scholarship

Bryan Bobrowicz

\$2,000 is awarded to an outstanding student who has completed 60 credits at Ocean County College and maintained a 4.0 grade point average.

Roberta W. Wintroe Memorial Award

Irving Robles, Sabrina Watts

Established to honor the memory of a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend. Roberta's love for education, biology, nursing and arts was present in every aspect of her career and avocation. \$5,000 each will be awarded to two graduating students.

Philip G. Zitelli Scholarship in Leadership

Josselyn Alvaro

Donated by Phil Zitelli, a member of the first graduating class of Ocean County College in June 1968, \$5,000 is awarded to an outstanding graduating student leader, with a 3.5 GPA or better, continuing in a four-year institution.

Grace Reinheimer-Lisotto Memorial Scholarship

Renee Kleniewski

\$5,000 is awarded to a woman who is either returning to college after a break or starting her college journey after raising a family. This endowment was created by the family to honor their mother's vision of supporting women pursuing higher education under unique circumstances.

PROGRAM NOTATIONS



■ Honors by Contract

Students recognized for Honors By Contract have taken at least four courses with Honors requirements, received a B or better in each of those courses, and are graduating with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

◆ Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

The National Honor Society of two-year colleges. Any student who has earned at least 15 credit hours at OCC (excluding transfer and remedial credits) and has a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.60 is eligible for membership and invited to join the organization.

✿ Performing Arts Academy

Students graduating from the Ocean County Vocational and Technical School's Performing Arts Academy (PAA) have the option, through Ocean County College's Early College Program, to earn their high school diploma and associate degree in the Performing Arts simultaneously. The PAA serves high school students throughout Ocean County who concentrate in the performing arts, including audio visual arts, dance, music, and theater.

② Graduating with Two Degrees

Students who have met eligibility for two degree programs must complete the second degree without repeating any previous courses in which credit was earned. No courses judged to be at a lower academic level than those previously completed will be used toward the second degree.

● Who's Who Among Students at OCC

Graduates nominated by the campus community. These students are identified as making significant contributions to our campus through scholarship, leadership, and service, maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better and at least fifty percent of all coursework has been completed at OCC.

☆ NJ STARS

Students who are eligible to receive the NJ STARS Scholarship were ranked in the top 15% of their high school class at the end of their junior and/or senior year. To remain eligible, STARS students must maintain a 3.0 grade point average, maintain continuous full-time enrollment, and graduate within 5 semesters once STARS is activated.

▶ Early College / OCC College Academy

Students who took OCC courses during their high school career. The OCC College Academy allows students to earn their high school diploma while simultaneously earning enough credits to obtain an associate degree from Ocean County College in Liberal Arts.

ACADEMIC DRESS

The origins of academic dress date back to the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries when universities in England were taking form. The scholars were also clerics and thus adopted robes similar to those of their monastic orders. Caps were a necessity in the drafty buildings and capes with hoods were needed for warmth.

In the United States, the use of academic dress has been continuous since colonial times. A uniform system was not widespread, however, until about 1895, when the well-defined dress code was adopted by nearly all institutions of higher education.

GOWNS worn by those in the procession vary in design and decoration according to the degree held. Although the gown is more frequently black, certain universities have authorized the use of colored gowns.

HOODS, which are the most distinctive feature of the American code, vary in length according to the type of degree held, and are lined with the official colors of the institution conferring the degree. The velvet border or edging indicates the degree or subject by use of the appropriate color.

THE STANDARD CAP is the mortarboard and is usually the same for all degrees. The standard tassel is black, but the doctor's cap may have a gold tassel. Undergraduates wear the tassel on the right side of the cap until the moment the degree is conferred.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE: The design of the gown is the same as the bachelor's degree.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE: The academic gown has short or regular sleeves. The length of the hood must be three feet.

MASTER'S DEGREE: The academic gown has pointed sleeves. The length of the hood is three and one-half feet.

DOCTORATE DEGREE: The gown has round full sleeves, faced down the front with black velvet trimming and has three bars of the same material across the sleeves or, in some cases, the color of this velvet relates to the field in which the degree is granted. Length of the hood is four feet.

ACADEMIC DRESS: COLOR CODE

Agriculture	Maize	Music	Pink
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Nursing	Apricot
Commerce, Business	Drab	Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Dentistry	Lilac	Pharmacy	Olive Green
Economics	Copper	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Education	Light Blue	Physical Education	Sage Green
Engineering	Orange	Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Fine Arts, Architecture	Brown	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Forestry	Russet	Science	Golden Yellow
Journalism	Crimson	Social Work	Citron
Law	Purple	Theology	Scarlet
Library Science	Lemon	Veterinary Science	Gray
Medicine	Green		

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