

Commencement

SPRING SEMESTER 2020



PENN STATE BRANDYWINE

May 9, 2020





National Anthem

by Francis Scott Key

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming;
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Alma Mater

by Fred Lewis Pattee

For the glory of old State,
For her founders, strong and great,
For the future that we wait,
Raise the song, raise the song,

Sing our love and loyalty,
Sing our hopes that, bright and free,
Rest, O Mother dear, with thee.
All with thee, all with thee.

When we stood at childhood's gate,
Shapeless in the hands of fate,
Thou didst mold us, dear old State,
Dear old State, dear old State.

May no act of ours bring shame
To one heart that loves thy name,
May our lives but swell thy fame,
Dear old State, dear old State!

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Program

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Amina Faye '20, Musical Theatre, College of Arts and Architecture

PRESIDING

Eric J. Barron, B.S., M.S., Ph.D.

President of The Pennsylvania State University

SPECIAL REMARKS

President Barron

REMARKS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Nicholas P. Jones, B.E., M.S., Ph.D.

Executive Vice President and Provost of the University

AUTHORIZATION TO CONFER DEGREES

Mark H. Dambly, B.S.

Chair, Board of Trustees

RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT

Penn State Students

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Presiding: Provost Jones

Conferring: President Barron

INDUCTION INTO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Randolph B. Houston, Jr., B.A., J.D.

President, Penn State Alumni Association

SPECIAL THANKS

Penn State Students

PENN STATE ALMA MATER

Penn State Students

Penn State Blue Band

Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees

This program contains the list of candidates for graduation as of April 6, 2020. Students who indicated their intent to graduate after that production date are not listed. If you have questions about your name, degree or distinction listed in this program, please reach out to the Office of the Registrar at bw-registrar@psu.edu or 610-892-1400.

Subject to completion of all degree requirements, degrees will be conferred as indicated upon the individuals listed herein and upon such others as may meet the requirements.

★ Indicates student is a veteran.

◆ Indicates student is Cum Laude.

◆◆ Indicates student is Magna Cum Laude.

◆◆◆ Indicates student is Summa Cum Laude.

Capital College

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

Rodney Babb

College of Engineering

ENGINEERING (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

Christopher Guay

University College

AMERICAN STUDIES (BACHELOR OF ARTS)

Wendy D'Angelo◆◆

Galen Ross

BIOLOGY (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

Hajar Boujida

Taylor Chantilope

Nicholas Sacco

David Satzman

BUSINESS (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

Michael Abatangelo

Joseph Buoni

Lauren Burke

Kara Clarke

Selina Davis

Victoria DePietro

Sophia DiBerardo

Ashley Gardner◆◆◆

Gabrielle Gaskill

Meenakshi Kuriakot

Kevin Lawson

Thomas Le

Matthew Merrone

Brianna Messina

Catherine Mills

Troy Mucchetti

Jameson Pownall★

William Rodgers

Antonio Schiano di Visconte

Andrew Smith

Patrick Tackney

Jennifer Wells★

Damere Young

John Young

COMMUNICATION ARTS AND SCIENCES (BACHELOR OF ARTS)

Meghan Coyle◆

Sean Donahue◆

Thomas Donahue◆

Michael Green

Joanna McGinn

Deja Smith

COMMUNICATIONS (BACHELOR OF ARTS)

John Dettinger

Diana Dopheide

Emanuel Folkes

Deja Footes

Patrick Gallagher

Alexis Harpster

Danielle Haskins

Brandi Johnson

Carly Kimball

Michael Ryan

ENGLISH (BACHELOR OF ARTS)

Taylor Blazinsky◆

Christopher Boles

Soakapeh Weh-Dorliae

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

Tarryn Alston

Patricia Blair

Christina Britt◆◆

Aiyana Carter

Edward Caufield

Danielle Chattin

Frances Chea

Kyle Cruse

Carly Dill◆

Antonios Mironidis

Iyona Precia

Chloe Przybylski

Claudia Przybylski◆

Hannah Sarafinas

Samantha Shanahan

Compassion Sharpe

Saiyana Stovall

Lilia Walker

Rachel Weir

Caroline Whitnell

Nicole Yaunches

INFORMATION SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

Sebastian Adebanjo

Michael Donofrio

Taharih Rogers

Alexa Cervella

George Fraser

Justin Sohu

Vishal Desai

Duc Luong

Matthew Whitney

LETTERS, ARTS, AND SCIENCES (BACHELOR OF ARTS)

Kadija Danfa

Christopher Deleo

Steven Disipio

PSYCHOLOGY (BACHELOR OF ARTS)

Kevin Boyd

Kelly Maldonado

Chevelle Thomas

Emily Bush

Allyson Moore♦♦♦

David White♦♦

Grace Kellogg♦

Leslie Ortiz

Karlie Kvech

Sonja Teitsort Birog

PSYCHOLOGY (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE)

Talha Alam

Madison Leopold

Jonah Tate

Joseph Boyer

John Li

Lauren Vandewater

Justin Cantz

Angelina Maroulis♦

Nicole Velez

Kenesha Hayles

Vrunda Patel

Fahmida Wahid

Kevin Hua

Ashley Rentos

Brandi James

Swarna Saravanan

Graduation with Distinction

The top 12 percent of the degree candidates from any college is eligible to graduate with distinction if they have achieved at least a grade point average of 3.50 and have completed the required number of credits at Penn State. The 12 percent is divided into 2 percent, "Summa Cum Laude" (◆◆◆); 4 percent, "Magna Cum Laude" (◆◆); and 6 percent, "Cum Laude" (◆).

About Penn State Brandywine

In 1966, the Delaware County Commissioners requested that Penn State establish a local campus to serve residents of the county and surrounding area.

On September 25, 1967, Penn State Delaware County began offering classes in a temporary space underneath a roller skating rink — the Big C Rollerdrome — in the City of Chester, serving 236 students with 11 full-time faculty members. John D. Vairo was the founding campus director.

In December 1970, Penn State Delaware County moved to its current location in Middletown Township, where it offered classes in the newly constructed Main Building on a 50-acre property that was donated by the County of Delaware. The land had been a dairy farm in the 1800s and an apple orchard in the mid-1900s.

The campus continued to grow, with the John D. Vairo Library opening in 1980, the Commons/Athletic Center opening in 1988 and the Edward S. J. Tomezsko Classroom Building opening in 1998. The campus gymnasium has hosted several notable speakers, including Presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton — Bush while in office and Clinton after leaving office.

In 2007, the campus name was changed to Penn State Brandywine to better reflect the campus' regional appeal.

Penn State Brandywine opened Orchard Hall — its first residence hall — and a new student union building in August 2017. With additional land acquisitions over the years, the campus property is now 112 acres.

Today, Penn State Brandywine serves nearly 1,400 students with 13 degrees that can be completed on campus and the first two years of more than 275 Penn State degrees, along with 16 intercollegiate athletic teams, numerous clubs and organizations, and opportunities for undergraduate research and internships.

Penn State graduates who have attended the Brandywine campus have distinguished themselves throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and beyond in professions including business, government, community leadership, medicine, education and more.

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