

# GORDON COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Class of 2025

## Congratulations to the Gordon College Class of 2025

## GORDON COLLEGE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THIRD COMMENCEMENT

Saturday, May 17, 2025 10 A.M.

Michael D. Hammond, President, presiding

#### Prelude

Shenandoah—Frank Ticheli
March from Second Suite—Gustav Holst

The Gordon College Symphonic Band Gabe Southard, *Conductor* 

#### \* Processional

Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1-Edward Elgar; arr. James Ployhar

#### \* National Anthem

The Star-Spangled Banner—John Stafford Smith; arr. Henry Fillmore

Words by Francis Scott Key

Oh, 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, through 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 through the night that our flag was still there.

Oh, say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave

O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave!

★ Invocation Alberto Maties P'25

Ephesians 2:8-10

Scripture

Welcome and Charge to the Class of 2025 Michael Hammond

President

**Presentation of Senior Class Gift**Melissa Mercedes Tejeda, Class of 2025

Senior Class Representative

Kristi Keyes P'23, P'25, P'26

Remembrance of Amanda Costa H'25 Peter Bayreuther '07

Director of Alumni Engagement

Special Awards and Announcements Sandra Doneski '93

Induction of Members of Phi Alpha Chi Recognition of Retiring Faculty Distinguished Faculty Awards Provost

Out of respect for the graduates, please silence all cell phones and pagers.

<sup>★</sup> Assembly, please stand as you are able.

for Interpretation for the deaf and amplification for the hearing-impaired are available. Speak with an usher for assistance.

#### **Conferring of Honorary Degrees**

Richard Timothy Breene,
Doctor of Business Administration, *honoris causa* 

Makoto Fujimura,

Doctor of Fine Arts, honoris causa

President Hammond Carrie Tibbles '93 Chair, Board of Trustees

#### **Commencement Address**

Makoto Fujimura

**Conferring of Baccalaureate Degrees** 

President Hammond

Provost Doneski

**Board Chair Tibbles** 

Academic Deans and Program Directors

**Conferring of Graduate Degrees and Hooding Ceremony** 

Beholding for Generations: The Art of Becoming

President Hammond

Provost Doneski

**Board Chair Tibbles** 

Academic Deans and Program Directors

\* Benediction

Robert Whittet '78

Chaplain

#### \* Recessional

Stars and Stripes Forever—John Philip Sousa Nobles of the Mystic Shrine—John Philip Sousa

#### Marshals:

Isaac Picariello, Class of 2027 Executive President, Gordon College Student Association, 2025-2026

Sara Doughty, Ed.S. Class of 2026

Sandra Doneski '93

Provost

Jon Welty Peachey

Dean of Academic Affairs

#### Macebearer:

Paul Brink
Chair, Faculty Senate
Professor of Political Science

#### Flagbearers:

Audrey Bond, Class of 2028 Executive Vice President, Gordon College Student Association, 2025-2026

Rachael Walsh, Class of 2027 Executive Vice President, Gordon College Student Association, 2024–2025

Flags will be displayed around the quad, marking where faculty, students and their families can gather with their program after Commencement. If it rains the flags will not be used.

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Born in Turkey, raised in Belfast and a scholar of Trinity College Dublin, **Richard Timothy Breene** has been a lifelong student embracing the extraordinary diversity and wonder of the world in a career that has spanned more than five decades and taken him to more than 40 countries. In that time he helped some of the world's leading multinationals navigate tumultuous changes, such as the fall of the Berlin Wall, the opening of the Chinese economy and the ending of apartheid. More recently Breene has led initiatives addressing poverty and climate change in places as diverse

as Malawi, Burundi, Rwanda and Kenya and come alongside refugees fleeing conflict zones in South Sudan, DR Congo, Jordan and Syria.

Breene began his career in brand marketing with Unilever before joining McKinsey, the world's premier strategy consultancy, in 1978, where he subsequently became global lead of their marketing practice. He then spent a decade working in a variety of international leadership roles in advertising, consumer goods and retail before joining Andersen Consulting, which he helped take public as Accenture in 2001. While at Accenture Breene was responsible for the development of its worldwide Management Consulting Business, its High-Performance Business research and its Strategy and Corporate Development function—leading vision casting, advising on organization and business-model design and pioneering Accenture's approach to acquisitions and acquisition integration. He also founded and led Accenture's digital marketing and consulting organization—now the largest in the world. His insights on strategy development, innovation and renewal have been published by HBR Press both in articles and the book *Jumping the S-Curve*.

Since retiring from business in 2011, Breene has used his gifting and experiences in service of the Church both here and overseas. He has contributed to Christian leadership development and healing and reconciliation initiatives with his wife Michele, leading World Relief, serving as a trustee of Gordon College and most recently as executive vice president of strategy and innovation at Gordon.



Makoto Fujimura is a leading contemporary artist whose work has been featured in galleries and museums around the world, including the Museum of Contemporary Art in Tokyo, The Huntington Library, the Tikotin Museum, Belvedere Museum, C3M North Bund Art Museum and Pola Museum. His process-driven, refractive "slow art" has been described by David Brooks of *The New York Times* as "a small rebellion against the quickening of time."

Born in Boston and educated in Japan and the United States, Fujimura was the first non-Japanese citizen to be accepted

into the post-MFA doctoral program at Tokyo University of the Arts in the longstanding lineage of Nihonga tradition. He also holds a Master of Fine Arts from the Tokyo University of the Arts and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Bucknell University.

Fujimura is the author of five books: *Art Is: A Journey Into the Light* (Yale University Press, forthcoming October 2025); *Art+Faith: A Theology of Making; Silence and Beauty; Refractions;* and *Culture Care*. He is also the recipient of numerous awards, including the 2023 Kuyper Prize for Excellence in Reformed Theology and Public Life and the American Academy of Religion's 2014 Religion and the Arts award. An advocate for the arts, from 2003–2009 Fujimura served as a presidential appointee to the National Council on the Arts and more recently was a visiting scholar at the University of Pennsylvania for the 2024-25 academic year.

In 2013 Gordon's Barrington Center for the Arts hosted the "QUARTETS" exhibition. The show featured paintings by Fujimura and was developed in collaboration with Bruce Herman, painter and former Gordon College Lothlórien Distinguished Chair in Fine Arts; composer Christopher Theofanidis; and theologian Jeremy Begbie. The exhibition included works in paint, poetry and music, all developed in response to T. S. Eliot's Four Quartets. Paintings from the Qu4rtets project will again be exhibited at the Barrington Center for the Arts alongside new works by Fujimura next fall, August 27–October 15, 2025.

#### **BACCALAUREATE DEGREES**

## Adams School of Music and the Arts

#### Kiersten N. Beam

Art (Fine Art Studio Concentration) East Wakefield, NH Summa cum laude

#### Isabella A. Cox

Art (Fine Art Studio Concentration) Northville, NY Summa cum laude

#### Ella G. Gerrard

Art (Fine Art Studio Concentration) Natick, MA Summa cum laude

#### Grace K. Harrington

Art (Fine Art Studio Concentration) Warwick, RI

#### Yena Jung

Art (Design Studio Concentration) Seoul, Republic of Korea Magna cum laude

#### Cassidy Dian Smith

Art (Design Studio Concentration) Ipswich, MA Cum laude

#### Hannah Aguilar

Communication Arts Simsbury, CT

#### Lauren J. Colquett

Communication Arts, Fashion Marketing and Communication (Pike Honors) Tampa, FL Cum laude

#### Lillyan Elizabeth DeFeo

Communication Arts (General Studies Communication Arts Concentration) Wakefield, MA

#### Kristen Elizabeth Deiley

Communication Arts (General Studies Communication Arts Concentration) South Portland, ME Summa cum laude

#### Reagan L. Forbes ^

Communication Arts (General Studies Communication Arts Concentration) North Haven, CT Magna cum laude

#### Amaris Y. Hernandez-Diaz

Communication Arts (General Studies Communication Arts Concentration), Christian Ministries (Social Impact Ministries Concentration) Orlando, FL Cum laude

#### Jocelyn A. Hoffman

Communication Arts Freeport, ME Summa cum laude

#### Jason M. Hubbard

Communication Arts (General Studies Communication Arts Concentration) Wakefield, MA

#### Jeffrey D. Kiser

Communication Arts Braintree, MA

#### Noelle Lydia Ledford

Communication Arts, Arts Administration and Advocacy (Pike Honors) Coopersburg, PA Magna cum laude

#### Henry W. E. Lonstein

Communication Arts Boylston, MA Summa cum laude

#### Wesley J. Marquardt

Communication Arts Berwyn, PA

#### Jose A. Maties Casados

Communication Arts Barcelona, Spain

#### Frankie K. Noguera

Communication Arts Stamford, CT

#### Isaac A. Reitz

Communication Arts Nyack, NY

#### **Sherley Obidia Robles Reyes**

Communication Arts Lynn, MA

#### Bryce A. Smith

Communication Arts San Francisco, CA

#### Jordan R. Sundel

Communication Arts (General Studies Communication Arts Concentration) Sound Beach, NY

#### Mengru Wang ^

Communication Arts Wenzhou, China Summa cum laude

#### Mariah L. Wells

Communication Arts Merrimack, NH

#### Sonyangelie Del Valle

Music Chelsea, MA

#### Faith C. Ettlich

Music Honolulu, HI *Summa cum laude* 

#### Liam R. King

Music Salem, MA

#### Jordan T. Rukstela

Music, Social Welfare Brooklyn, CT

#### Ashish Varughese ^

Music (Composition Concentration) Bangalore, India Cum laude

#### Mason D. Ketcham

Music Education Plaistow, NH *Cum laude* 

#### John A. Mejia

Music Education North Chelmsford, MA

#### Bodey R. Towle

Music Education Colchester, VT

#### Eliza R. Weigelt

Music Performance Arlington, VA Summa cum laude

#### Chloe E. Agyare

Theatre Arts, Kinesiology Randolph, NJ

#### Katherine Faith Haley

Theatre Arts, Christian Ministries (Social Impact Ministries and Youth Ministries Concentrations) South Paris, ME Summa cum laude

#### Abigail R. Maxwell

Theatre Arts, English Language and Literature South China, ME Magna cum laude

#### Bianca N. Russo

Theatre Arts Huntsville, AL

#### David A. Scott

Theatre Arts Dover-Foxcroft, ME Summa cum laude

#### Crisana E. Speer

Theatre Arts, Communication Arts Fairview, TX

## Herschend School of Education

#### Carolyn A. Day

Communication Sciences and Disorders Wolfeboro, NH Summa cum laude

#### Amaris F. Goodwin

Communication Sciences and Disorders Torrington, CT Summa cum laude

#### **Anamaris Isabel Rivera**

Communication Sciences and Disorders Litchfield, NH

#### Kylie Marie Strum

Communication Sciences and Disorders New Brighton, PA

#### Madelyn R. Christensen

Early Childhood Education Gloucester, MA

#### Maille I. Considine

Early Childhood Education Renovo, PA

#### Olivia A. Elder

Early Childhood Education Windham, ME

#### Olivia Grace Fleming

Early Childhood Education Northbridge, MA Summa cum laude

#### Liliana A. Galdamez

Early Childhood Education East Boston, MA Cum laude

#### Isabelle I. Harper

Early Childhood Education Ipswich, MA

#### **Ashley Knepp**

Early Childhood Education Dracut, MA Summa cum laude

#### Monicka Pradieu

Early Childhood Education Kenscoff, Haiti

#### Elizabeth V. Romeo

Early Childhood Education Bolton, MA *Magna cum laude* 

#### Brynn T. Barnhard

Elementary Education San Diego, CA

#### Rebekah J. Bollacke

Elementary Education, Applied Spanish Language and Culture (Pike Honors) New Fairfield, CT Summa cum laude

#### Marisa Mary Grant

Elementary Education East Dennis, MA

#### Shinnuri Hong

Elementary Education Wenham, MA *Cum laude* 

#### Hahee Lee

Elementary Education Hwaseong-Si, Republic of Korea *Summa cum laude* 

#### Yayi Li

Elementary Education Wenzhou, China Summa cum laude

#### Miao Miao ^

Elementary Education Wenzhou, China Magna cum laude

#### Lacey A. Morgan

Elementary Education Bedford, NH Summa cum laude

#### Zhien Pan

Elementary Education Wenzhou, China Summa cum laude

#### Maggie Elizabeth Rejmer

Elementary Education Whitinsville, MA

#### Sinai Phynesse Robinson

Elementary Education Lowell, MA

#### Anne B. Shoemaker

Elementary Education Hingham, MA Summa cum laude

#### Shuen Xie

Elementary Education Wenzhou, China

## **School of Business**

#### Alexander W. Carl

Accounting Bristol, CT

#### Cassia A. Gonsalves

Accounting, Finance Lowell, MA Magna cum laude

#### Jihang Lee

Accounting, Economics Seoul, Republic of Korea

#### Tianze Pan

Accounting, Finance China Summa cum laude

#### Ethan D. Park

Accounting Franklin, MA

#### Emily A. Peterson

Accounting, Finance Goffstown, NH

#### Timothy C. Su

Accounting Kaohsiung, Taiwan *Cum laude* 

#### Matthew J. Fish

Business Administration (Marketing Concentration) Mashpee, MA

#### Yufeng Gao

Business Administration (International Business Concentration), Economics Beijing, China

#### Sarah Goncalves Figueiredo

Business Administration (Management Concentration) Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Magna cum laude

#### Hakyung Lee

Business Administration, Economics Hwaseong, Republic of Korea

#### Cole J. Levis

Business Administration (Sport Management Concentration) Newtown Square, PA Magna cum laude

#### Sarah E. Morrell

Business Administration, English Language and Literature North Berwick, ME Summa cum laude

#### Bruno S. Mota

Business Administration Waltham, MA

#### Carleton D. Riester

Business Administration (Sport Management Concentration) Lynnfield, MA

#### Michael J. Scott

Business Administration (Marketing Concentration) Peabody, MA

#### Megelet M. Simachew

Business Administration (Marketing Concentration) Wenham, MA

#### Aba K. Asante

Business Management, Marketing Lafayette, IN

#### Lucas D. Barnes

Business Management Newport, RI *Cum laude* 

#### Katherine J. Daniels

Business Management (Small Business Management Concentration) Morristown, NJ

#### **Chase Joseph Demers**

Business Management (Sport Management Concentration) Sandy Hook, CT Cum laude

#### Robert J. Dunkle

Business Management, Marketing Trumbull, CT

#### Nicolas A. Flemmi

Business Management (Sport Management Concentration) Braintree, MA

#### Ashley S. Fomenou

Business Management Lynnfield, MA

#### Hannah R. Geerts

Business Management (Sport Management Concentration) Durham, NC

#### Nicolette M. Georgotas

Business Management Westborough, MA

#### Elisabeth A. Gonyer

Business Management Redding, CT

#### Anna M. Heintz

Business Management Boxford, MA

#### Jacob W. Hitchcock

Business Management Goodyear, AZ

#### Abigail A. Hopkins

Business Management (Human Resource Management Concentration) Stillwater, NY

#### Owen K. Ingram

Business Management (Small Business Management Concentration) Kissimmee, FL Magna cum laude

#### Elijah J. McCaig

Business Management (Small Business Management Concentration) New Boston, NH

#### Bernard J. McGuinness

Business Management Indianapolis, IN

#### Jonathan J. McIntyre

Business Management (Sport Management Concentration) Carmel, NY

#### Naomi M. Nicholson

Business Management, Marketing Eagle Mountain, UT Summa cum laude

#### Emily K. Powers

Business Management Londonderry, NH

#### Joshua N. Ribeiro

Business Management, Marketing Peabody, MA

#### Clara A. Signs

Business Management Mashpee, MA Summa cum laude

#### Nathan S. Sirois

Business Management (Small Business Management Concentration) Ipswich, MA Summa cum laude

#### Luke D. Yamashiro

Business Management Brookline, MA *Magna cum laude* 

#### Jacob H. Blake

Economics, Business Administration North Sutton, NH Magna cum laude

#### Nathan J. Kim

Economics, Business Administration San Diego, CA Summa cum laude

#### Seung Jin Oh

Economics Cheongju-si, Republic of Korea

#### Adrian E. Chiang

Finance, Business Administration Austin, TX Magna cum laude

#### Jenkelvin Flores

Finance, Accounting Boston, MA

#### **Shane Gillet**

Finance Medford, NJ

#### Ethan A. Keyes

Finance, Business Management Danvers, MA Summa cum laude

#### Jacob A. Lyle

Finance, Accounting Honesdale, PA

#### Noah T. Martin

Finance, Business Administration Whitehouse Station, NJ Summa cum laude

#### Mario L. Mateo Serrano

Finance Madrid, Spain

#### Victoria Maties Casados

Finance, Business Administration Barcelona, Spain Cum laude

#### Joseph P. Paccione

Finance, Business Administration Oviedo, FL *Cum laude* 

#### Enric Porcar ^

Finance Girona, Spain Magna cum laude

#### Seppo F. Rapo

Finance Marstons Mills, MA

#### **Ashley Sa**

Finance Southborough, MA Summa cum laude

#### Christopher E. Taylor

Finance, Business Administration Rindge, NH

#### Jacob R. Turner

Finance Milford, NH

#### Benjamin J. Wright

Finance Franklin, TN Cum laude

#### Shuhui Xie ^

Finance Wenzhou, China Magna cum laude

#### Gehrig S. Zimmerman

Finance, Business Administration Austin, TX

#### Abigail E. Colbert

Marketing Hamden, CT

#### Mikaela A. Dillow

Marketing, Business Management Litchfield, NH Summa cum laude

#### Jacob S. Enfield

Marketing, Business Management Topsfield, MA

#### Sumin Kim

Marketing, Business Management Bucheon-Si, Republic of Korea

#### Wilton W. Lestage

Marketing, Economics Ipswich, MA

#### Joshua L. Noel

Marketing Ennis, TX Summa cum laude

#### Brenndan K. Teeter

Marketing, Business Management Barrington, NH Summa cum laude

#### Madison C. Vavala

Marketing, Business Management, Economics Newtown Square, PA *Summa cum laude* 

## School of Humanities and Social Sciences

#### Hannah R. Allender

English Language and Literature (Creative Writing Concentration) Woburn, MA

#### Gabriella N. Bolds

English Language and Literature Yorktown, VA

#### Julianna L. Dickson

English Language and Literature Altamont, NY

#### Marilyn C. Farkas

English Language and Literature Gilsum, NH

#### Emily H. Jones

English Language and Literature (Creative Writing Concentration) Ipswich, MA Summa cum laude

#### Grace J. Kpor

English Language and Literature Fall River, MA

#### Jennifer L. LaRocca

English Language and Literature, History Glen Cove. NY

#### Dylan C. Larson

English Language and Literature (Creative Writing Concentration) Vernon, CT

#### Evelyn G. Murphy

English Language and Literature Brockton, MA Summa cum laude

#### Gina R. Ouellette ^

English Language and Literature Foxboro, MA Magna cum laude

#### **Noah James Prince**

English Language and Literature Worcester, MA

#### Sophie Elizabeth Robertson

English Language and Literature Springvale, ME

#### Cameron A. Shepard

English Language and Literature Franklin, NH

#### Timothy M. Vande Brake

English Language and Literature (Professional Writing Concentration) Rochester, NY Summa cum laude

#### Jack B. Whittlesey

English Language and Literature Medfield, MA

#### Cara R. Abromowitz

History Newton, NH *Magna cum laude* 

#### Abraham D. Antonelli

History Danielson, CT Summa cum laude

#### Lillian S. Jache

History Warren, PA Summa cum laude

#### **Brooke Looman**

History Shelburne Falls, MA Summa cum laude

#### Marco R. Nachtigall

History (Public History and Museum Studies Concentration) Salem, OR Magna cum laude

#### Erin K. Richardson

History (Public History and Museum Studies Concentration) Augusta, ME Summa cum laude

#### Charles B. Smith

History Nashua, NH

#### Christian M. Smith

History Loudonville, NY

#### MeiQing Wang

History, Linguistics Cangzhou, China *Cum laude* 

#### Joseph T. Barbee

International Affairs Peyton, CO Summa cum laude

#### Emmanuelle J. Feria

International Affairs, Journalism (Pike Honors) West Caldwell, NJ Summa cum laude

#### Gabrielle F. Guimaraes

International Affairs Sutton, MA Magna cum laude

#### Taekyung Kim

International Affairs, Political Science Seoul, Republic of Korea Summa cum laude

#### Melissa Mercedes Tejeda

International Affairs (International Development Concentration), Political Science Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic Summa cum laude

#### Jacob Bair

Linguistics Mifflinburg, PA

#### **Amy Ruth Dever**

Linguistics Santa Clarita, CA Summa cum laude

#### Evangeline E. Gillard

Linguistics Cambridge, MN Summa cum laude

#### Daniel A. Buckley

Philosophy (Philosophy and Religion Concentration) Salem, NH

#### Jazondria Leann Davis

Philosophy (Law Concentration) Swansea, MA

#### Matthew W. Fish

Philosophy (Language and Linguistics Concentration) Stoneham, MA Summa cum laude

#### Thomas S. Flynn

Philosophy (Justice, Peace and Conflict Concentration) Plainville, MA

#### Michael O. Kelly

Philosophy (Philosophy and Religion Concentration) Wallkill, NY

#### Caleb Ethan Michaels

Philosophy (Law Concentration) Exeter, NH Summa cum laude

#### Nina V. Ruiz

Philosophy (Justice, Peace and Conflict Concentration) Vienna, VA

#### Amanda Godwin

Political Science, Economics, Peace and Conflict in Global Context (Pike Honors) Orlando, FL Magna cum laude

#### Lukas I. Karagiorgos

Political Science Methuen, MA Summa cum laude

#### Ellen Amelia Rourke

Political Science Danvers, MA

#### Bethany F. Smith

Political Science (Peace, Security and Conflict Resolution Concentration) Thompson, CT Summa cum laude

#### Stephanie F. Vaz

Political Science Lowell, MA Summa cum laude

## School of Ministry, Theology and Biblical Studies

#### Auguste A. Ciorra

Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration) Wells, ME Summa cum laude

#### Lucas Ignacio Galdamez

Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration) East Boston, MA

#### **Amaury Bryan Gutierrez**

Biblical Studies (New Testament Concentration)
Garfield, NJ

#### Abigail J. North

Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration) Nashua, NH

#### Anna G. Schoolar

Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration), Linguistics Lindenwold, NJ Summa cum laude

#### Elijah D. Sutton

Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration) Leesburg, VA

#### Tianle Xu

Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration) Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China Summa cum laude

#### Jacob M. Almeida

Christian Ministries (Youth Ministries Concentration) Cohoes, NY

#### Jason A. Caputo

Christian Ministries (Pastoral Ministries Concentration) North Arlington, NJ

#### Kayla R. Davidson

Christian Ministries (Youth Ministries Concentration) Dracut, MA

#### Gianna M. Dipietro ^

Christian Ministries (Pastoral Ministries Concentration) Gloucester, MA

#### Madison D. Dortch

Christian Ministries (Social Impact Ministries Concentration) Bedford, TX

#### Daniel P. Erikson

Christian Ministries (Youth Ministries Concentration), Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration) Reading, MA

#### Nathaniel R. Hayes

Christian Ministries (Social Impact Ministries Concentration) Hedgesville, WV

#### Maggie M. Holden

Christian Ministries (Global Christianity Concentration) Chelmsford, MA Summa cum laude

#### Deven M. Kindl

Christian Ministries (Youth Ministries Concentration) Mendon, MA

#### Jaffrey Emilyn Morgan

Christian Ministries (Global Christianity Concentration) Leominster, MA

#### Maile M. Paris

Christian Ministries, Art Ministry (Pike Honors) Englewood, CO Summa cum laude

#### Noah M. Snyder

Christian Ministries (Youth Ministries Concentration) Centereach, NY

## School of Psychology and Human Services

#### Mikayla M. Andrews

Psychology (Human Development Concentration) Tiverton, RI Magna cum laude

#### Sophia M. Arthur

Psychology (Human Development Concentration) Valparaiso, IN

#### Hannah F. Barlow

Psychology Brooks, ME

#### Davi F. Butkowsky

Psychology (Clinical Concentration) Vineyard Haven, MA

#### Carizza M. Cayabyab

Psychology (Human Development Concentration) Bow, NH Summa cum laude

#### Johanna L. Chesshir

Psychology (Cognitive Neuroscience Concentration) Beverly, MA

#### Ana Luiza Do Amaral Bueno

Psychology Sao Paulo, Brazil Magna cum laude

#### Joshua M. Faircloth

Psychology, Biology (Professional Biology Concentration) Virginia Beach, VA

#### Zachariah G. Fay

Psychology (Counseling Concentration) Newburyport, MA

#### Loryn E. Fitch

Psychology (General Psychology Concentration) Piscataway, NJ Magna cum laude

#### Jaimee W. Hanly

Psychology (Clinical Concentration) Mattituck, NY Summa cum laude

#### **Bethany Hicks**

Psychology Granada, Spain

#### Katherine M. Holt

Psychology (General Psychology Concentration) Glenville, NY

#### Kayla M. Kilmer

Psychology Fort Worth, TX Summa cum laude

### Madison E. Kooyman

Psychology (General Psychology Concentration) Pomona, CA

#### Amber Lynn Martin

Psychology Bedford, NH Summa cum laude

#### Kaitlyn G. Mini

Psychology Malden, MA

#### Seth J. Morgan

Psychology Websterville, VT

#### Erin G. Muir

Psychology Groveland, MA *Cum laude* 

#### Annie J. Murphy

Psychology Wenham, MA Summa cum laude

#### Mackenzie R. Murray

Psychology (Human Development Concentration) Lakeville, MA Magna cum laude

#### Madison N. Murray

Psychology (Human Development Concentration) Lakeville, MA Summa cum laude

#### Angel G. Nooks

Psychology (Human Development Concentration) Hartford, CT

#### Mateo G. Oggiano

Psychology (Clinical Concentration) Stoughton, MA

#### Michelle M. Peck

Psychology (Clinical Concentration) Kingston, MA Summa cum laude

#### Latise P. Pelham

Psychology Woonsocket, RI

#### Caroline F. Piorkowski

Psychology Millis, MA

#### Alexa C. Quinones

Psychology (General Psychology Concentration) Stoughton, MA

#### Laysa G. Santos

Psychology Fitchburg, MA

#### Jennie Rose Sienkiewicz

Psychology (Clinical Concentration) Topsfield, MA

#### Angel A. Sosa

Psychology Providence, RI

#### John C. Sullivan

Psychology (Clinical Concentration) Malden, MA

#### Sophia Thagouras

Psychology, Biblical Studies (General Biblical Studies Concentration) Stamford, CT Summa cum laude

#### Jonathan Torres

Psychology, Biblical Studies (New Testament Concentration) Everett, MA

#### Hannah Vidu ^

Psychology (General Psychology Concentration) Wenham, MA Summa cum laude

#### Patrick G. Williams

Psychology Snellville, GA

#### Lucy L. Bowler

Social Welfare, History (Public History and Museum Studies Concentration) Whitinsville, MA Summa cum laude

#### Sarah Paige Chase-Bigelow

Social Welfare, English Language and Literature (Creative Writing Concentration) Rutland, VT Cum laude

#### Kristi M. DiRico

Social Welfare Wayne, PA

#### Fabiana A. Garcia

Social Welfare Carolina, Puerto Rico

#### Rachel C. Gonsalves

Social Welfare Lowell, MA

#### Alice G. Gould

Social Welfare Boxford, MA Magna cum laude

#### Cady J. Malkemes

Social Welfare Boston, MA

#### Shelby T. Markey

Social Welfare Glastonbury, CT

#### **Ana Maties Casados**

Social Welfare Barcelona, Spain

#### Aislyn G. Ramos

Social Welfare Chester, NY

#### Mikhaila Irina Whittam

Social Welfare Wilton, NY

#### Wren L. Worth

Social Welfare Avon, CT

## School of Science and Health

#### Ashley N. Esteban

Biochemistry Rowley, MA

#### Zachary S. Barneson

Biology, Conservation Law Enforcement (Pike Honors) Cambridge, MA Magna cum laude

#### Allison C. Cook

Biology (Marine Biology Concentration) Dalton, MA Cum laude

#### Anna M. Dost

Biology (Human Biology Concentration) Watertown, CT

#### Grace A. Forsey

Biology (Professional Biology Concentration) Northville, NY Magna cum laude

#### Jenna C. Freitas

Biology (Ecology and Conservation Concentration) Middleboro, MA Magna cum laude

#### Kewana K. Gooden

Biology (Professional Biology Concentration) West Barnstable, MA

#### Janelle Goodwin

Biology (Professional Biology Concentration) Braintree, MA Summa cum laude

#### Chara Ceidy Larson

Biology (Ecology and Conservation Concentration) East Greenwich, RI Summa cum laude

#### Mary H. Lun

Biology (Professional Biology Concentration) East Hartford, CT (Myanmar)

#### Alison M. Machinski

Biology (Dual Degree Nursing Concentration) Sanford, ME Cum laude

#### William D. McCormick

Biology (Environmental Studies Concentration) Norfolk, VA

#### Elizabeth P. Norton

Biology (Marine Biology Concentration) Arvada, CO Summa cum laude

#### Paige Melissa Paul

Biology (Marine Biology Concentration) North Attleboro, MA

#### Hannah V. Rutten

Biology (Marine Biology Concentration), English Language and Literature (Creative Writing Concentration) Amherst, NH Summa cum laude

#### Camila Santos Cunha

Biology (Professional Biology Concentration) Reading, MA (Portugal) Summa cum laude

#### Sara Santos Cunha

Biology (Professional Biology Concentration) Reading, MA (Portugal) Summa cum laude

#### Jaina S. Sparling

Biology, Neuroscience (Pike Honors) Fayette, ME Summa cum laude

#### Abagael Edith Swenson

Biology (Environmental Studies Concentration) Alton, NH

#### Nicole Tawadros

Biology (Health Professions Concentration) Reading, MA Summa cum laude

#### Zi Wang

Biology (Biotechnology Concentration) Wenzhou, China Summa cum laude

#### Lori Sue Yoder

Biology (Biotechnology Concentration) Stetson, ME Cum laude

#### Yayi Zhang

Biology (Health Professions Concentration) Wenzhou, China Magna cum laude

#### Erik M. Andersen

Computer Science Green Pond, NJ Summa cum laude

#### Jason T. Asonye

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Computer Science, Data Science Porto Alegre, Brazil

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#### Luke W. Hart

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#### Matthew A. Jones

Computer Science Upland, IN Magna cum laude

#### Danya Li

Computer Science North Dartmouth, MA Magna cum laude

#### Benjamin J. Myers

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#### Alison Ramirez

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#### Sofia Grace Stonehouse

Computer Science Baku, Azerbaijan Summa cum laude

#### Zhijie Wang

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Kinesiology (Health Professions Concentration) Gloucester, MA Summa cum laude

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Kinesiology Meredith, NH

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Mathematics Wenzhou, China Summa cum laude

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Mathematics Seoul, Republic of Korea *Magna cum laude* 

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Mathematics Anacortes, WA Summa cum laude

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Mathematics Marlton, NJ

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#### Honors

 Summa Cum Laude
 3.75-4.00

 Magna Cum Laude
 3.60-3.74

 Cum Laude
 3.50-3.59

Honors listed in the program are calculated based on the cumulative grade point average as of the end of the fall semester. Actual honors will be based on the cumulative grade point average in the student's final term.

#### Granting of Degrees

Candidates for degrees listed in this Commencement program are those who completed requirements in the fall or who are expected to complete their degree this spring, summer or fall. Inclusion in this publication should not be considered documentation of completed degree requirements. A degree is certified by receipt of a diploma or an official transcript noting degree conferred.

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#### UNDERGRADUATE HONORS AND AWARDS

#### Phi Alpha Chi Scholastic Honor Society

Phi Alpha Chi was founded at Gordon in 1928 as a scholastic honor society. The Greek letters stand for *Philoi Aletheias Christou*—Lovers of the Truth of Christ. On the foundation of its evangelical commitment, Phi Alpha Chi is dedicated to the encouragement and recognition of scholarly research, clear thinking and creativity by Christians in every discipline. Persons eligible for membership must be graduating seniors who have pursued studies at Gordon for at least four semesters and have a high cumulative GPA, which is limited to include the top 15 percent of the graduating class.

Erik M. Andersen
Joseph T. Barbee
Rebekah J. Bollacke
Lucy L. Bowler
Carolyn A. Day
Kristen Elizabeth Deiley
Mikaela A. Dillow
Daniel D. Fagerland
Evangeline E. Gillard
Amaris F. Goodwin
Janelle Goodwin
Grace Amali Haxhinasto
Maggie M. Holden
Lillian S. Jache
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Joey Keltner
Ethan A. Keyes
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Ashley Knepp
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Tyler Larsen
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#### **Departmental Honors Program**

Several departments have established honors programs for exceptional majors. To be eligible to graduate with honors a student must maintain a 3.5 GPA in the major with an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0. General requirements for the program include a substantial research project culminating in a written honors thesis, which is orally presented and defended in front of department faculty.

Biology Philosophy History Chara Larson Marco Nachtigall Thomas Flynn Chemistry International Affairs **Physics** Zi Wang Melissa Mercedes Tejeda Zachary Hall Timothy Smith English Music Evelyn Murphy Eliza Weigelt

#### Collegian of the Year

The Collegian of the Year award is intended to recognize the graduating senior who has made the greatest total contribution while attending Gordon. The recipient must have shown evidence of mature Christian character, a GPA of above 3.0 and leadership in cocurricular activities. The selection is made by vote of the faculty, staff and Gordon College Student Association members.

## 2025 Recipient:

Naomi Nicholson

#### **Outstanding Academic Achievement**

In addition to other academic honors, students who maintain a 4.0 GPA are recognized for their outstanding academic achievement.

Erik M. Andersen Joseph T. Barbee Rebekah J. Bollacke Carolyn A. Day Evangeline E. Gillard Ashley Knepp Chara Ceidy Larson Alison Ramirez Ashley Sa Jaina S. Sparling Sophia Thagouras Hannah Vidu Eliza R. Weigelt

#### Kenneth L. Pike Honors Program

The Kenneth L. Pike Honors Program provides exceptional students with individualized, flexible academic experiences that challenge them to utilize all their academic potential. Students must have completed at least one semester at Gordon College and have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5. Cumulative grade point average must not fall below 3.5 for three terms. Normally, the equivalent of 56 semester hours must be earned under the program. No grade below a C may be earned in any course. A student who withdraws from the program or is discontinued may not be reinstated.

Zachary Barneson Emmanuelle Feria Rebekah Bollacke Amanda Godwin Lauren Colquett Noelle Ledford

Maile Paris
Jaina Sparling

#### **Dokes Ministry Scholars Program**

The Dokes Ministry Scholars program honors the legacy of Robert and Carol Dokes, two Gordon theology graduates who dedicated their lives to Christian ministry and service. This program provides a curricular pathway for students who are passionate about full-time ministry or theological study to complete a bachelor's and master's dual-degree program. The Dokes program provides students with a rich theological foundation, a formational learning community and practical ministry skills and aptitudes to become difference-makers for Christ.

Jason Caputo Kayla Davidson Lucas Goldamez Katherine Haley Maggie Holden Noah Snyder Eli Sutton

#### Clarendon Scholars

Adoniram Judson Gordon was led to pastor the Clarendon Street Baptist Church in Boston, MA, in the mid-1800s. Under Gordon's leadership the church experienced a spiritual revival and became the birthplace of Gordon College. In recognition of our beginnings, Gordon College awards scholarships to diverse student leaders from cities in the United States, selected to attend college together as a team known as the Clarendon Scholars. This four-year program creates an educational experience that encourages positive cultural understanding, equipping all students to be agents of change. Through peer support, mentoring relationships with faculty and staff and rigorous leadership training, scholars are taught to succeed in all areas of their college experience while nurturing their vision for service in the city.

Jazondria Davis Jenkelvin Flores Fabiana Garcia Akim-Jeremiah Jocelyn Cady Malkemes Frankie Noguera Angel Nooks Sinai Robinson

#### **Global Honors Scholars**

Adoniram Judson Gordon was committed to the global church throughout his life and ministry. The Global Honors Scholars Program combines his love for God's world with academic excellence in this four-year honors program designed to cultivate a life-orienting commitment to global engagement, Christian maturity and creative contribution to God's Kingdom. Scholars are prepared to be thoughtful Christian leaders through honors courses, international experiences, leadership development and mentoring relationships with faculty and staff.

Abraham Antonelli Adrian Chiang Faith Ettlich Lukas Karagiorgos Nathan Kim Chara Larson Melissa Mercedes Tejeda Evelyn Murphy Zhien (Matthew) Pan Jaina Sparling Jonathan Torres Isabel White

#### A. J. Gordon Scholars

Adoniram Judson Gordon was an author, composer, pastor-orator, missionary advocate and founder and first president of Gordon College. In the spirit he exhibited as a lifelong learner, the A. J. Gordon Scholars program encourages the development of select students as emerging Christian scholars and promising leaders. The four-year program fosters integrated formation of Christian character; academic development; and leadership through mentoring relationships with faculty, administrators and other leaders. A. J. Gordon Scholars are expected in turn to invest themselves in other students and opportunities.

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#### Master of Music Education

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Music Education South Weymouth, MA

Alexis MacKay MacTaylor

Music Education Salem, MA Marisabel Merchan Valero

Music Education Ipswich, MA (Venezuela)

Kendra L. Weber

Music Education Waltham, MA

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#### **Education Specialist**

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Reading Winchester, MA

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Educational Leadership (Christian Education Concentration) Savannah, GA

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Reading Cincinnati, OH

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Reading Marblehead, MA

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Reading Boston, MA

Olivia Mae Eastwood ^

Reading South Boston, MA

Elizabeth Rose Exton ^

Reading Arlington, MA Katherine Ann Gallagher ^

Reading Peabody, MA

Randy Grajal

Educational Leadership Boxford, MA

Stacie Greene ^

Educational Leadership (Christian Education Concentration) Bluffton, SC

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Reading Apopka, FL

Kate Marie LeBlanc

Reading Waltham, MA

Chelsea Rona Loper

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Mathematics Specialist Georgetown, MA

#### Master of Education

#### Anna Elizabeth Bailey

Early Childhood Roxbury Crossing, MA

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World Languages: Spanish Haverhill, MA

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Educational Leadership (Supervisor/Director Concentration) North Reading, MA

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#### **ACADEMIC REGALIA**

American academic dress has its origin in the garments worn at medieval British universities, particularly Oxford. From the three items of academic attire—the cap, gown and hood—it may be possible to distinguish the institution from which the wearer graduated, the field of learning in which the degree was earned and the level of the degree.

The black **mortarboard cap** is standard at most colleges and universities. Its distinguishing feature is the color of the tassel, which is black for holders of the bachelor's and master's degrees and which may be gold for those with doctoral degrees and for governing officers of educational institutions.

**The gown** is normally black, although the chief officers of many universities wear colored gowns, and many institutions have authorized optional doctoral gowns which embody the institution's colors. The level of the degree held is indicated by the gown's cut. The bachelor's gown is relatively simple and may be recognized by its long, pointed sleeves. The master's gown is somewhat fuller, and its sleeves, which reach nearly to the wearer's knees, are square at the ends. The gown for the doctoral degree is more elaborate. It is cut rather full, and velvet panels reach down the front and around the neck of the gown. The sleeves are bell-shaped and are decorated with three horizontal velvet bars.

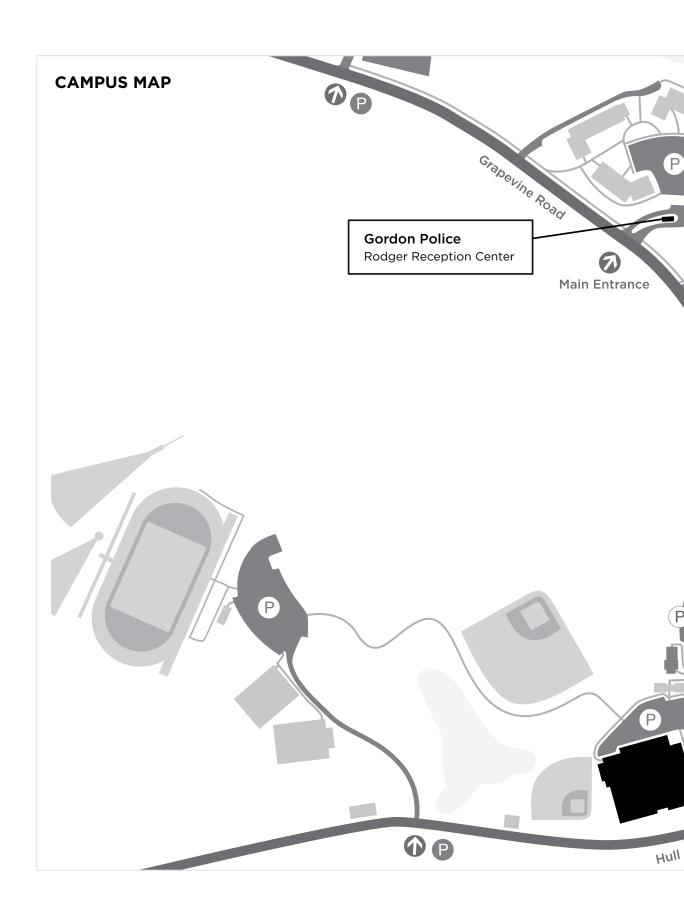
In the United States **the hood** is the most distinctive feature of academic attire. Used originally as a cowl, as a shoulder cape and as a container in which to collect alms, it is now worn at the back suspended from the shoulders. The length of the hood and the width of the velvet border indicate the level of the degree held. The inner lining of the hood is colored with the official colors of the institution conferring the degree, while the color of the border indicates the field of learning in which the degree was earned.

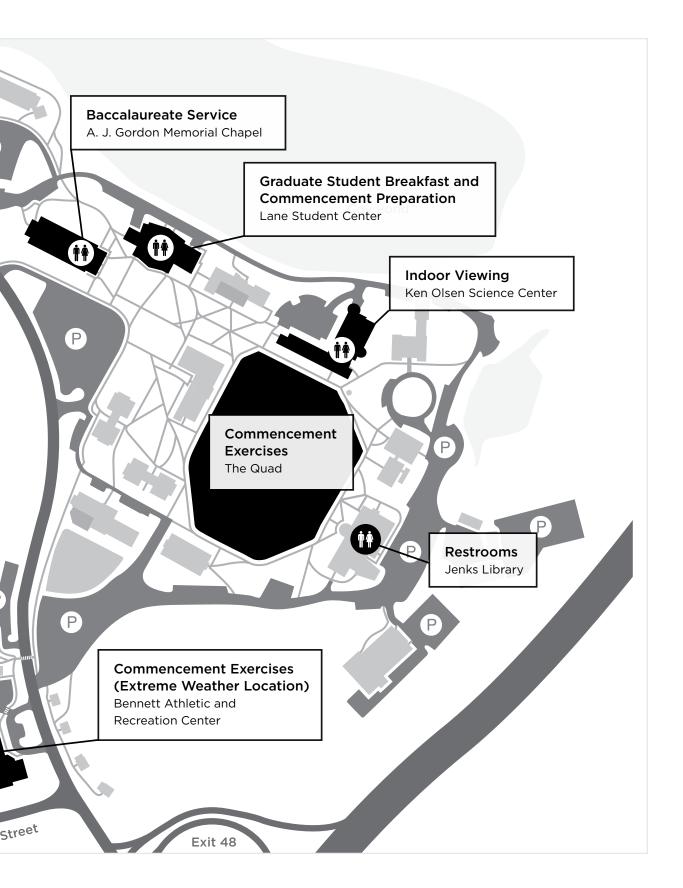
Hoods conferred by Gordon have a white and royal blue inner lining. Based on academic tradition, education degrees have a light blue border, finance is drab, leadership is white, music is pink and public health is salmon pink.

**The president's regalia** is designed with the Gordon College colors of blue and white, inspired by the Scottish flag and Clan Gordon tartan. A unique feature is the fourth chevron on each sleeve, which is reserved for the chief officer of the College. The hood is designated with blue and white silk lining and blue velvet trim to represent Gordon College. A six-sided black velvet tam with silver tassel completes the look.

The ceremonial mace reminds us of the transformative potential of Christian higher education and the power of knowledge. Originally a scepter carried by royal messengers, the academic mace was one of the earliest distinctive signs of medieval government and academic officials. It symbolizes the College's governing authority and is present only when College leadership is in attendance, signifying that the proceedings have official sanction. The mace was commissioned by President Michael Hammond and hand carved by alumna Sophie Linnell '18 from a piece of southern yellow pine taken from Frost Hall, and it bears the seal of Gordon College.

**The president's medallion** serves as symbol of authority and service to all constituents of the College: students, faculty, staff, parents, alumni and friends.







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