

College of Professional Studies Convocation

MAY 7, 2026





78TH ANNUAL

Convocation Ceremony

Honoring the Part-Time Student Graduates
of Syracuse University

Class of 2026

Program

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Kristopher Plantz
College Marshal

Shayne Turo
Student Speaker

Susan Conklin
*Professor of Practice and Program Director,
Organizational Development and Leadership*

Arthur P. Thomas, Ph.D.
Professor of Practice and Program Director, Project Management

Imam Amir Durić, Ph.D.
Assistant Dean for Religious and Spiritual Life, Hendricks Chapel

Ryan O. Williams, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, College of Professional Studies

PRESIDING

Ryan O. Williams, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, College of Professional Studies

INVOCATION

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INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER

Ryan O. Williams, Ph.D.
Interim Dean, College of Professional Studies

STUDENT SPEAKER

Shayne Turo

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Nancy C. Gelling Award

Presented to a commuter part-time undergraduate honors student who demonstrates exceptional academic achievement while balancing the demands of life and educational commitments.

Susan E. Wright

Dr. Frank E. Funk Military Student Excellence Award

Recognition of an actively serving military student pursuing a College of Professional Studies undergraduate degree who demonstrates excellence in academics, leadership, and perseverance

James Tarby Jr.

COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES SERVICE AWARDS

Recognizing excellence in service to Syracuse University part-time students.

Dean's Excellence Award

Amy M. Walker

Instructional Language Coordinator, English Language Institute

Faculty Excellence Award

Daniel Hebert, J.D., LL.M.

Assistant Teaching Professor and Program Director, Business Management

Faculty Career Achievement Award

Arthur P. Thomas, Ph.D.

Professor of Practice and Program Director, Project Management

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

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CLOSING REMARKS

Ryan O. Williams, Ph.D.

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BENEDICTION

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SINGING OF ALMA MATER

See last page for lyrics.

Jennifer Marie LaMonica, Vocalist

Michael Guarneiri, Organist

RECESSIONAL

CLASS OF 2026

Certificate, Associate, Bachelor's and Master's Degree Candidates

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts

Gabrielle Applegate
Yooryang Cheong
Elizabeth Costa
Courtney Courchaine-Borum
Caitlyn Davis*
Sofia Ezzaki
Arianna Fedroff
Anna Fishburn
Ryan Fishman*
Amaya Harvey
Gillian Knafelc
Sara Lopez
Jennifer Martinez
Lorri O'Dell*
Sarah O'Reilly
Jaiyah Pierce
Matthew Reese
Deseree Rose
Jordan Rose
Jayia Stallworth
Andrea Turnbull*
Shayne Turo
Susan Wright

Associate in Arts

Kabrey Bonferraro
Cameryn Hill
Iris Maxwell
Javon McIntyre
Hsa Na
Harrison Owens

Ayden Sprague
Qianxiang Sun
Steven Webb

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

Bachelor of Science

Adeline Anderson*
Ryan Peters
Hope Williams

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science

Theresa McDonald

SCHOOL OF INFORMATION STUDIES

Bachelor of Science

Matthew O'Toole

COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Master of Professional Studies

Katryna Anyango
Shaye Baine
Ian Bennett
Gregory Bliss
Jadyn Burney
Berry Buxton III
Jodi Carr
Quinton Coleman
Linda Curry
Arin Dasilva
Kimberly DeStefano
Alexander Dominic
Matthew Dwyer
Jordan Enders
Kendal Farwell
Brittany Flanagan
Elijah Fuentes-Cundiff
Sanaa Gailor
Michael Hanley
William Harrington
Robert Henick

Michael Johnson, Jr.
Michael Keagle
Emma Kenney
Momen Khabbaz
Christopher Koscielski
Lydia Krayenhagen
Joshua Kszystyniak
Jake Kurtz
Jonathan Lamothe
Taylor Larsen
Soana Lea'Ea
Steven Magnotta
Jennifer Matkosky
Juliette Rawda
Ian Richardson
Ryan Silverthorn
Cynthia Smith
Yudaisy Solomon
Olivia Tamburro
Eric Yetman
Taylor Yim

Certificate of Advanced Study

Ashley Barletta
Hind BenGabr
Benjamin Chavez
London Hill
Alexandra Hoskins
Justin Johnson
Najieb Mahmoud
Brittini Metcalf
Nicole Russell
Jonah Waggoner

Bachelor of Professional Studies

John Agnew IV
Levi Amell
Gregory Baird
David Boehm
Anne Breed*
Rodney Brooks*
Benjamin Burnette

Joshua Calocerinos
Alexis Castellanos
Rachel Coleman
Isabella Cortes*
Heidi Delfino
Alyssa Diaz
Melissa Dietzel
Zaid Erzaj
Galadriel Fitzgerald
Paul Goodman
Michael Grajko
Marc Gustafson
Joel Herrera*
Kathryn Hilton
Kelli Holmes
Kenneth Iheanyichukwu
Michele Jones-Loring
Phyllicia Jones
Robert Kelley
John Knipp
Joshua Koehn
Anthony Latessa
Emily Leary
Vincent Loveland*
George Lynch
Brian Matthews
Markeeta McBurrow*
James McIntire
Kevin McInturf
Melanie Merrihew
Benjamin Miller
Samantha Mills
Caitlyn Morse
Anthony Navarro
Thomas Nocevski
James O'Brien
Angela Osorio
Mary Perry
Kristopher Plantz*
Connor Pond
Keanu Ramos
Aaron Randall
Paige Raymond

Jonathan Schulz*
Elijah Scuderi
Vincent Seals
Kenneth Sheeks
Jon Singletary, Sr.
Willow Smith
Jeremy Soberg
Candace Stell*
James Thornburg
Christopher Watson*
Felicia Wingle*
Qiwei Yang

Certificate

Kimani Beckford
James DeLine
Lynnette Easter
Bryan Griffiths
Tomas Hut
Michele Jones-Loring
Jacob Lambeth
Emily Leary
Andrew Turner Mattison
Nathaniel Mignot
Kristopher Plantz*
Douglas Quinn
Mia Sandino
Zachary Selsley
Alexis Stanley
Margaret Washburn
Gavin Wigg

COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Shawn McCauley

Bachelor of Science

Monica Sutton

*Member of Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society (*Bachelor's Degree Recipients*)

Alma Mater

WHERE THE VALE OF ONONDAGA
MEETS THE EASTERN SKY
PROUDLY STANDS OUR ALMA MATER
ON HER HILLTOP HIGH.
FLAG WE LOVE! ORANGE! FLOAT FOR AYE,
OLD SYRACUSE, O'ER THEE.
LOYAL BE THY SONS AND DAUGHTERS
TO THY MEMORY.

-Junius W. Stevens, Class of 1895

