



**COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY**

**MAY 9, 2011**

# **COMMENCEMENT 2011**

**Monday, May 9, 2011, 3:00 p.m.**

*Gibson Amphitheatre, Universal City*

## **PROCESSIONAL**

*“Pomp and Circumstance” - Sir Edward Elgar  
“Triumphal March” from “Aida” - Giuseppe Verdi*

## **PRESIDER**

**Thomas J. Blumenthal**

*Trustee*

## **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**Sarah Tuttle '11**

## **INVOCATION**

**Gail Gresser**

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**Jacqueline Powers Doud, Ph.D.**

*President*

## **CARONDELET MEDAL PRESENTATION**

**Michael A. Enright**

*Chair, Board of Trustees*

## **COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

**Judy Vaughan, CSJ, '68**

*Founding Director, Alexandria House*

# **COMMENCEMENT 2011**

## **PROGRAM GREETINGS**

**Priscilla Pineda '11**

*Associate of Arts, Liberal Arts*

**Donna L. Poole '11**

*Associate of Arts, Nursing*

**Alfred Lorenzo Weeks III '11**

*Bachelor of Science, Business Administration  
Weekend College*

**Chloe Anne Long '11**

*Bachelor of Arts, Political Science*

**Riley Allen Wilkinson '11**

*Master of Arts, Humanities*

## **BACCALAUREATE CLASS TRIBUTE**

**Gretchen Lynn Manlapaz '11**

*Bachelor of Science, Nursing*

## **CONFERRING OF DEGREES**

**Michael A. Enright**

*Chair, Board of Trustees*

**Jacqueline Powers Doud, Ph.D.**

*President*

**Graduate Candidates hooded by:  
Department Chairs/Program Directors**

# **COMMENCEMENT 2011**

**Candidates presented by:**  
**Eleanor Siebert, Ph.D.**  
*Provost and Academic Vice President*

**ALUMNAE WELCOME**  
**Betsy Dickerson Azariah '66**  
*President, Alumnae Board*

**BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES**  
**Reverend George P. O'Brien, Ed.D.**  
*Chair and Associate Professor, English*

**RECESSIONAL**  
*"Suite No. 2" - Gustav Holst*

**Brass Quintet**  
**MSMC Music Faculty**  
Rob Schaer, trumpet  
Adam Bhatia, trumpet  
Dylan Hart, French horn  
Noah Gladstone, trombone  
Aubrey Foard, tuba

*Due to fire code regulations, and in consideration of others, audience members cannot stand or move from their seats to photograph, videotape or speak to graduates during the ceremony.*

# **CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**

Jennifer R. Aglubat

*DPT students and pro-bono physical therapy practice*

Olajode Akinwale

*Social responsibility and cultural competence in physical therapy students*

Melissa Kathleen Albrecht

*Conservative treatment of diastasis rectus abdominis in the postpartum population*

Daniel Stephen Anderson

*Reliability of an iPhone inclinometer compared to a universal goniometer for measuring joint motion of the shoulder in apparently healthy subjects: A pilot study*

Krysta Iola Caingcoy

*DPT students and pro-bono physical therapy practice*

Candice Marie Coker

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Lauren Asthorne Donahue

*Mobilization vs. massage and straight leg testing*

Lauren E. Eberhardt

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Kristina Lynn Farnsworth

*Mobilization vs. massage and straight leg testing*

Susannah Victoria Guzmán

*Barriers to reporting ethical and legal violations during clinical rotations*

Denise Mitsuko Hiuga

*Pain and autonomic system function*

Garrett Hom

*Pain and autonomic system function*

Ashten Y. Kawabe

*Pain and autonomic system function*

Jessica Michelle Keeler

*Conservative treatment of diastasis rectus abdominis in the postpartum population*

Priyanka Kumar

*Barriers to reporting ethical and legal violations during clinical rotations*

Elena M. Lora-Johnson

*Adaptation of professionalism curriculum in physical therapy gross anatomy course*

David L. MacAyaon

*Social responsibility and cultural competence in physical therapy students*

Nicole Grace Marquez

*Mobilization vs. massage and straight leg testing*

Robin J. Pottukalam

*The reliability and validity of the iPhone inclinometer for measuring range of motion at the hip*

Sarah McPhee Riley

*Adaptation of professionalism curriculum in physical therapy gross anatomy course*

Peter Leung Siu

*The reliability and validity of the iPhone inclinometer for measuring range of motion at the hip*

Gabrielle G. Spence

*Barriers to reporting ethical and legal violations during clinical rotations*

Pauline Evelyn Steward

*Social responsibility and cultural competence in physical therapy students*

Serkan Tusu

*The reliability and validity of the iPhone inclinometer for measuring range of motion at the hip*

Kristin Marie Valles

*The reliability and validity of the iPhone inclinometer for measuring range of motion at the hip*

Kevin Varee

*Reliability of an iPhone inclinometer compared to a universal goniometer for measuring joint motion of the shoulder in apparently healthy subjects: A pilot study*

Lena Maria Volland

*Adaptation of professionalism curriculum in physical therapy gross anatomy course*

Jennifer Ann Wilson

*Social responsibility and cultural competence in physical therapy students*

**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE  
MASTER OF SCIENCE**

**Counseling Psychology**

Jennifer Anne Butler

Nicole Arnau Casimiro

Doris Dorell Cooper

Diane Holland Crandall

Thomas Holland Crandall

Kristin Marie Cronin

Justine Elyse Curtis

Yuliana Garcia

Jennifer Crystal Graham

Danielle Robin Honzik

Shannon K. Huckestein

Kristin M. Kaiser

Kathrin Keshishzadeh

Nicholas Robert Koontz

Amy Chihuei Ling

Sara Muñoz

Wendy Paula Nuño

Anush Petrosyan

Elizabeth Ruiz-Rodriguez

Catarina Juan Simon

Jose Alberto Teposte

Carla I. Tott

Jenna I. Washington

Arthur Leroy Wharton

## **Education**

Kristel Aquino Bedford

*Rubrics and peer reviews in junior high narrative writing*

Timothy Ballaret

*Using peer-tutoring to motivate student athletes in the math classroom.*

Catherine A. Batarse

*Improving organization and word choice: The effect of guided writing in second grade*

William Erick Brown

*Interventions to improve spelling among secondary students: Exploring the potential role of PLATO, a computer-based spelling software*

Karyna Delgadillo

*Promote and implement early literacy*

Paulina Esparza

*Investigating if lecture-free strategies lead to increased student engagement and test scores in biology*

Alma Flores

*Does using word boxes strategy improve spelling skills for first and second graders?*

Felicia Patrice Garcia

*An effective vocabulary strategy: Word of the day*

Lilia Christine Arrañaga Kubasek

*Motivating students to read beyond the classroom*

Melisa Lowell

*Addressing social skills in a middle school setting*

Kimberly Ann Marlow

*Online discussion forums in the classroom: Using social media technology to foster literacy skills and strengthen communication*

Meghan Catherine McCarthy

*Effective classroom management: Using positive praise as a form of positive reinforcement to motivate students to read out loud*

Neil A. McCarthy

*Improving the essay composition of sixth grade students*

Michelle McPeck

*Inspiring creative thinking through art: The use of visual artifact journals in secondary art classes*

Carmen María Melgar Del Cid

*The Spanish classroom: Implementing learning centers in high school*

Mylene Vidad P. Mendoza

*Step one towards reading: Phonological awareness*

Karmin Mendoza

*Cooperative group learning in secondary English*

Necole Giovanni Newton

*Check in strategy: Does it reduce conflict among students in structured and/or unstructured settings?*

Maricarmen Ornelas

*Teaching grammar through writing*

Jeannie Reese

*Engaging reluctant readers in high school SSR through the implementation of book bistros*

Frانيا Iris Rodriguez

*Improving students' critical thinking by embedding math concepts in constructivist activities*

Georgia A. Rodriguez

*Reading fluency: Will rhythm walks enhance repeated readings?*

Victor M. Serna

*The effectiveness of the DRAW strategy in a health science class*

Charles Chester Sharp

*Teaching place value concepts: Is exposure to an Asian numerical language helpful?*

Yoko Tamanoi

*Lessons from educators who talk to children about race*

Emily Villa de Rey

*Helping all students succeed in the secondary math classroom: The role of frequent assessment, reflection, and practice*

Gretchen Wahlstedt

*Fact or myth: A survey of United States history textbooks*

Tina Marie White

*Improving the composition skills of struggling writers by using the self-regulated strategy*

Nancy Lee Williams

*Teachers – what kind of phonemic awareness instruction do you use?*

## **Nursing**

Mary M. Ahmadian

*Stress in accelerated baccalaureate nursing students*

Jeffrey Bergen

*An analysis of seasonal influenza declinations*

Beverly Berlin

*Assessment of value of reflective thinking for clinical learning*

Haijin Eo

*Preventive education on obesity and diet*

Katherine M. Falco

*Factors that contribute to adherence of female participants in a wellness center walking program*

Quincyann Dela Cuesta Febre

*An evaluation of central line care education on nursing staff*

Rubette Mayo Harford

*A methodology for bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) education on the medicare paradigm*

Saba Jamalpanah

*Development of a needs assessment to identify an educational program for registered nurses relating to the care and management of central lines*

Maria Elena Kay

*Violence against Latina women: A class to increase awareness*

Vanessa Jazmin Lopez

*Domestic violence: A class for nurses*

Eufracia Fran Milan

*Key elements of insulin therapy improving diabetes care in the primary care setting: A class design and presentation for nurses*

Lauren Katherine Mills

*Predicting in-hospital mortality using the CARING criteria*

Gladys Wacheke Njuguna

*Professional nurse autonomy*

Ada Obah-Okpoko

*Use of the direct observation therapy (DOT) program for clients with T. B. in the public health setting*

Katia Pinto Ribeiro

*The missing touch in nursing practice*

Ekinadoese Medina Salami

*Awareness of complication of type 2 diabetes among elderly people in a senior center*

Leslie Diane Sutherland  
*Demographics as predictors of ambulatory care  
healthcare worker seasonal influenza vaccination  
acceptance*

Kirsi Toivanen  
*Effective nursing leadership and emotional intelligence*

***The following candidates are simultaneously  
receiving a Master of Science in Nursing and a  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree***

Sheava Bidari  
*Implementation of a tool to decrease adverse events in  
home health*

Ernest Garcia Jr.  
*Emergency department registered nurses' perceptions of  
workplace violence*

John Paul Pareja Josen  
*A written learning needs assessment for emergency room  
nurses in a Southern California emergency department*

Katherine L. Koch  
*The safety and efficacy in women of commonly  
prescribed cardiac medications*

Joycelyn M. McDonald  
*Retention of ethnic minority students in an ADN to MSN  
degree program*

Denise L. Ortiz  
*Nursing faculty perceptions of critical thinking*

Lashonna Smith  
*An analysis of indicators that facilitate nurse manager  
job satisfaction*

**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE  
MASTER OF ARTS**

**Humanities**

Martha Sanchez Baca

*The road to identity in America explored through subject  
of food found in literature*

Diana Barrera

*The little known contributions to desegregation of  
Mexicans and Mexican-Americans that paved the way  
for Brown*

Marcelyn Bible

*The use of slang and coded language in society, and why  
we need them*

Rosalinda Borgioli

*Latino folklore from Aztec heritage to the Chicano  
renaissance in two novels of magical realism*

Yolanda Fernandez-Marquez

*The margin in focus: Latino immigrants in Los Angeles  
through the lens of myth, memory, and metaphor*

Hope Hartman

*New media and the tyranny of public opinion*

Ileana Hernandez

*Ten: A horror screenplay*

Mitchell Horn

*The transgender phenomenon: Changing conventions  
and norms in the contemporary United States*

Reina G. Martinez Rivas

*Through the eyes of a female revolutionary: Leila Khaled*

Carole Maurer

*Defying conventions: A method for critically analyzing the unconventional elements in contemporary hybrid literature*

Mary Louise Downing Rutberg

*The last bird in the world: A collection of poetry by Mary Louise Downing Rutberg*

Deirdre Sloyan

*The disquieting muse: Discovering surrealism in the work of William Faulkner*

Riley Allen Wilkinson

*Barbie taught me how to wear a plastic smile: A memoir*

## **Religious Studies**

Barbara Riviello Guerin

*Women at work: A feminist theological perspective*

KimLoan Thi Le

*The roles of Vietnamese laywomen in the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles*

# **MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Neal James Anderberg

Alba Luz Andrade

Urowoli Elsie Anyia

Farzana Asaduzzaman

Ujjwal Bhowmik

Roberto De Leon

Gloria Jean Donaldson

Mary-Antoinette Figueroa Doran

Radfar Eliassi

Alexandra Caldwell Evans

Barbara Farrell

Judith Fernandez

Christine A. Frandsen

Michelle Marlaine Geoar Fuga

Analuz Garcia

Rachel Gotiong

Jacquelyn Hernandez

Jonathon Edward Hicks

Bryan Martinez Horvath

Daryan Hubbard

Johanna L. Huerta

Pamela R. Jurado

Frances Nagem Kuhn

Cheryl Lynn Lindsey

Claudia Yesenia Martinez

Kevin McDaniel

Suzanne Shepard McGarry

Alexander Ryan McKaie

Joseph David Melendrez

Teresa Marie Nuñez

Daniel Pendergast

Alejandro Perez

Edgar Martin Perez

Sandra Pérez

Marina Elizabeth Pink

Maria de Fatima Real

Ljubica Reinhart

Poya D. Soleimani

Evangelina Torres

Michelle Kené Totanes

Jennifer Auxiliadora Vargas

# CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS

## **Art**

Miranda Isabel Diaz  
Veronica Sepulveda Florez  
Mallorie Jane McConnell  
Mariana Ruiz, *cum laude*

## **Art & Spanish Studies**

Viviana Nicole Morales

## **Business Administration**

Kenya Edlin Aguilar  
Cindy Priscilla Aguiluz, *cum laude*  
Candice Julia Aranda, *cum laude*  
Kristinefora B. Banag, *cum laude*  
Lisa Buenviaje  
Nicole Bugante  
Zuleyma De Leon  
Sylvia Duran  
Brittany Galin, *magna cum laude*  
Brenda Eloisa Godinez  
Rosa Gabriela Gonzalez  
Deborah Andrea Guerrero  
Juana Isabella Hernandez Martinez  
Annie Hua  
Alejandra Luna

Ines Marcial  
Anna Lisa Mendoza  
Wendy Montoya  
Vanessa Marie Ontiveros  
Jennifer Elizabeth Peñate, *cum laude*  
Erika Christy Peraza  
Abigail Ruiz Estrada  
Roxanne Salazar  
Mariott Estefania Sánchez  
Melissa Serrano  
Edith Varela, *cum laude*  
Michelle Villa  
Cassia R. Wade  
Orathai Zavaleta

### **Business Administration & English**

Julia Francesc Cardenas-Cuyuche

### **Business Administration & Spanish**

Karen M. Bahena

### **Child Development**

Irene B. Alvarado  
Esmeralda Elizabeth Cendejas  
Gabriela Cristina Corona, *cum laude*  
Haidee-Margaret Estolano Dizon, *magna cum laude*  
Leslie Janette Giron

Robyn Amanda Guillory  
Crystal Luna  
Marcela Marquez  
Nancy Mercado  
Alice Del Carmen Moreno  
Lauren Danielle Pangcog  
Laura Patricia Rios  
Janny Marcela Rivera  
Ursula Atef Zreik

## **Child Development & Psychology**

Beatriz Del Carmen Rivera, *cum laude*

## **English**

Kenza Lucille Banoza, *summa cum laude*  
Lorraine Olga Johanson Bedros  
Christina Ponce Cetto  
Mallory Graves  
Linda Ann Jackson  
Porshana Monique Magee  
Emily Domenica Massa, *cum laude*  
Tuesday Phillips  
Henrietta Lorraine Williams

## **English & History**

Breanna Nicole Bello

## **English & Psychology**

Elizabeth Rios

## **English & Religious Studies**

Julia Rose Sauter, *summa cum laude*

## **Film and Social Justice**

Melissa Cook

Monica Elise Hernandez, *cum laude*

Rebecca Lena Jauregui, *cum laude*

Christina Massari, *cum laude*

Judy Ramirez

Anna Claire White

## **Gerontology**

Valerie Mae Diwa, *cum laude*

Emma Louise Mack

Christine Marie Montes, *magna cum laude*

Ashley Craige Stinson, *magna cum laude*

Mary Tran

## **Gerontology & Spanish**

Angela Larios

## **Healthcare Policy**

Amanda Leigh Urban

## **History**

Jamie Nuccitelli

Julie Okun

## **History & Philosophy**

Elizabeth C. Borer-Nodolf

## **Liberal Arts**

Luis Alberto Bautista

Dora Briseno

Bory Chan

Christine E. Danley-Armand

Yvonne Alicia Fide, *summa cum laude*

Linda French

Joaquin Alfonso Gonzalez

Mae-Antonette R. Larrazabal

Raul Rodriguez

Lorraine Agnes Irene Thomas

Brooke A. Williams

## **Liberal Studies**

Vivian Janett Becerra  
Sue Ann Leavy, *magna cum laude*  
Holly Ann Lihau Merryman  
Margarita Fabiola Reyes  
Sonia Rosales  
Diana D. Tran, *cum laude*

## **Liberal Studies & Spanish**

Yuvana Natali Lopez

## **Mathematics**

Debani Maria Olivares  
Marianita S. Paniagua

## **Music**

Sarah Elizabeth Tuttle, *magna cum laude*

## **Philosophy**

Marysol Jauregui

## **Political Science**

Sophia Tesfaye Bati, *cum laude*  
Genevieve L. Cawthorn, *magna cum laude*  
Mayra Duque, *cum laude*  
Adriana Garrido, *cum laude*  
Claudia Stephanie Gomez  
Tania T. Guzman  
Mayra Herrera Morales  
Harte Donaldson Hill  
Yevgeniya Kutepova, *summa cum laude*  
Doneida A. Marroquin  
Brenda Elizabeth Navarro  
Stephanie E. Perez, *cum laude*  
Paola Posada  
Jurga Ragaisyte  
Gema Alicia Rodriguez  
Bridget Nicole Sikorski  
Natasha Tadros, *magna cum laude*

## **Political Science & American Studies**

Alicia Herrera, *cum laude*

## **Political Science & English**

Perla Reina Olivas  
Alexandra Pakzad, *magna cum laude*

## **Political Science & Film and Social Justice**

Chloe Anne Long

## **Political Science & Spanish**

Vernice Andrea Grajeda

## **Psychology**

Daniela Bobadilla

Michelle Castillo

Analysa Chavez

Maria G. Cruz

Danielle Equisoain

Alexandra Desmond Erb

Mayra D. Figueroa

Eileen Xiomara Granados

Melissa Ha

Gricelda Noemi Huezo

Karen A. Lemus

Daisy Luna Torres, *cum laude*

Tiffany Luu

Cindy Judith Najera

Claudia Osorio

Jaimie Charitee Rosanne Paniagua

Deborah Perez

Jenny S. Perez

Tabitha Erika Pineda, *magna cum laude*

Marilyn Jeannette Ramos

Marlenne Rosales

Malia Sanchez, *magna cum laude*  
Regina Isabel Sanzon, *magna cum laude*  
Alexandra Marie Soto  
Nickea Ida Michele Steen  
Heather Marlene Vanegas  
Brittany Amber Velasco  
Whitney Brejee Williams  
Sanam Yaghtin  
Sennia I. Zambrano

### **Psychology & American Studies**

Jessica Patricia Palacios

### **Psychology & Child Development**

Blanca Elizabeth Ibarra, *summa cum laude*  
Jennifer Mentado  
Lizet Rubio

### **Psychology & Film and Social Justice**

Glenda Magaly Mejia, *cum laude*

### **Psychology & Philosophy**

Lizette Saucedo

## **Psychology & Sociology**

Mirna Bañuelos

## **Religious Studies**

Kristen Marie Rosauer

## **Sociology**

Clemencia Aguilar Ruiz

Stephanie Ann Lorraine M. Aquino

Veronica S. Barcena

Jacqueline Bolanos-Ortega

Lilia K. Campos, *cum laude*

Hellen Carcamo

Denise Carillo

Ashley Cathryn Catano

Barbara Cheree Chavez

Nadia Cisneros

Susana Sara Concha

Ariel R.D.C Cruz

Meera Dhawan

Carmina Samantha Divinagracia

Jennifer L. Douglas

Ianna Marie Dumas

Kristy Geraldine Escobar

Nina De La O Esquivel

Samantha Lauren Gallaway

Edlin Ivette Galvez

Maricela Gama

Gabriela Garcia, *cum laude*  
Jessica G. Giron  
Nadia Monique Gonzales, *magna cum laude*  
Sarisha Guerra  
Arianna Haro  
Michelle Lanea Hollier  
Zuzene G. Ison  
Lissa Denise Lavalley  
Shawnta Lynn Lee  
Susana Lopez  
Kristine Joyce Malana  
Crystal Jynette Marentes  
Diana Marquez  
Guadalupe Diana Martinez  
Debbie Xiomara Orellana  
Evelyn Oyuela  
Beatriz Palacios Cruz  
Jessica Noemi Palma  
Natalie Ann Paredes  
Lina Marie Perez, *cum laude*  
Adriana Alejandra Ramos  
Karina Eleana Ramos  
Amanda Rodriguez  
Samantha Nadine Wesolowski Rojas  
Jessica Christina Romero  
Brenda Patricia Rosa  
Melissa Libeth Ruiz  
Cecelia M. Schumake  
Anna Monica Sebastian  
Sandy Suarez

## **Sociology & Art**

Monica Y. Alvarez

## **Sociology & Child Development**

Linda Cariño, *summa cum laude*

## **Sociology & Film and Social Justice**

Jessica M. Akintunde, *cum laude*

Christina Esperanza Vega

Paige E. White

## **Sociology & Gerontology**

Debbie Cristabel Serrano, *magna cum laude*

## **Sociology & Political Science**

Monica Ramirez

## **Sociology & Spanish**

Paola Elizabeth Guzman

## **Spanish**

Bianca Nicole Matta

## **Spanish & Psychology**

Jaimie Dominique Martinez

## **CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

### **Biochemistry**

Marina Abramchayeva, *cum laude*

Zitadel Anne Perez, *magna cum laude*

Jasmine Arianna Rios, *cum laude*

Ludmila Youchkovets

### **Biology**

Leslie Caroline Acuña

Priscilla Bravo

Danielle Cobb

Jenna Rose Gharzeddine, *summa cum laude*

Victoria Celia Gutierrez

Nancy Herrera Morales

Chelsea Noelle Jones

Danielle Christina Lara, *cum laude*

Minette Christine Lagman Malinao

Lauren Shanelle Moore

Ann Thy Ngo, *cum laude*

Ashley E. Price

### **Business Administration**

Maribel Aguilar

Cristina Aispuro

Lucinda V. Casillas

Carol Elizabeth Chen

Brandi Darshawn Clark

Arcelia Clementson

Antoinette Renee Falice

Maria Victoria Fuentes

Jamie Lynn Lozmack, *cum laude*

Sandra Patricia Peña

Eduardo Quintero

Jenny Lynn Ruiz, *cum laude*

Rocio Saucedo

Marion J. Thomas, II

Alfred Lorenzo Weeks III

Tanesha Whitehead

### **Chemistry**

Stephanie May Juson

### **Individually Designed Major**

Emily Linnea Patricia Berg

## **Nursing**

Christina Lynn Adam-Martinez

Veronica Aguirre

Maricris Santiago Aldaba

Angela Mae R. Allen

Amanda C. Alulema

Sarah Andrews, *cum laude*

Nicole Nadores Apsay

Dawn Jenee Arceneaux

Tanya Monique Arredondo

Tarconnie Rodriguez Arzaga

Charis Ann A. Balasan

Chandni Balsara

Karen Emad Bassali

Amber Marie Beaston

Barbara Sison Behzadi

Jacqueline Margaret Birdsell

Irene Endrenal Bobadilla

Maria (Masha) Bogatyreva

Alexandria Rebecca Borys

Katherine E. Branch

Jeff Bryan

Ferdinand Pancho Bunag

Nina Morgan Burkes

Maria Fidela Canete

Renee Elaine Cauntay

Justin A. Centino

Maryam Chakmakjian

Alice Y. Chang

Kathleen Cheetham

Cho, Yeun-Jin

Megan Kathleen Colon

Juan Carlos R. Comia  
Lynn V. Compton  
Christopher Tria Coronel  
Lawrence Anthony Crisostomo, *cum laude*  
Patricia Cruz Bravo  
Jo Ellen Tulka Cyffka  
Mari Danielian  
Sinval DePaula  
Jennifer Lynn Depew  
Stephanie Marie Dill  
Francis Lasmarias Dimacali  
Kristine Marie Dizon  
Kaitlyn Rachelle Doelman  
Daryl Kris Olaybar Dumadag  
Carolina Emperatriz Elias  
Katarina Beth Esmeralda  
Setareh Faghani  
Niaz Farzadfar  
Sara Lauren Felix, *cum laude*  
Tiffanie Feng  
Trent Richard Foust  
Melissa Luisa Franco  
Andrea Frankel  
Katrina Therese Caro Fuertes  
Ashley Noelle Galbraith  
Candace Patricia Gallagher  
Claire Alexandria Gensert, *magna cum laude*  
Amanda Jolie Jauregui Gonzalez  
Brenton R. Gonzalez, *cum laude*  
Geraldine Gonzalez  
Lisa Gonzalez  
Mariel-Alyssa Guerra  
Stacey Starr Guynn

Tarris Renae Hahn  
Connie Hsu  
Christine Inochkin  
Helen Young Oak Joo  
Julia Kim  
Hayley Garland Kincaid  
Sona Kirakasian  
Sarah May Kotani  
Katherine Valverde Lapsys  
Cara E. Lazarus  
Lauren Nichole Ledesma  
Sarah S. Lee  
Elizabeth Lemus, *magna cum laude*  
Kristie Joy Cusi Limos  
Paolo Jesus B. Liwanag  
Dianne Brigette Peñalosa Llorico  
Dianne Talpe Locquiao  
Phuong N. Ly  
Dominic Silva Magtahas, *cum laude*  
Ivy Sunshine Apuya Manibo  
Gretchen Lynn Manlapaz, *summa cum laude*  
Kevin Larry Garcia Mariano, *cum laude*  
Patricia Mariz Mariano Marquez  
Kaily Michelle McGrath  
Catherine Maeve Scott Mercado  
Lauren Jessica Michelson  
Katherine Laboure Milton  
Diana Aracely Montano, *cum laude*  
Paolo Angelo Gilberto Evaristo Montenegro  
Arielle Elizabeth Morales  
Keri Hatsumi Nakasone  
Arvin Nazari  
Andre Nazarians

Kelly Newburg  
Vi Nguyen, *cum laude*  
Jennifer Jessie Wise Nulty  
Alissa Asunción Nuñez  
Christie Fe Omnes, *cum laude*  
Pamela Orfano  
Sondra Yvette Ortiz  
Angela Joan Gonong Pacada  
Abigail Sangco Parcon  
Irene Park  
Lindsay Ann Peinado  
Gloria Maria Perea  
Cynthia Pham  
Nicole Atienza Plaza  
Elizabeth B. Rafail  
Jenine Michele Raffaniello, *cum laude*  
Azadeh Rahimi  
Aisha Jacildo Ramos  
Raisa Trisha Resuma  
Tahnee Marie Richmond  
Andre Van Obre Rivera, *cum laude*  
Janelle De Vera Rodriguez  
Siobhan Skye Rohde  
Jennifer Rae F. Romero  
Joanne Ruiz Reyes  
Ramzy Ali Saleh  
Maxwell Earl Perez Sales  
Bullet Albert Puriño Salvador  
Jerel Pascual Salviejo  
Eunice Ashley Saul  
Kimberly Rose Schiff, *cum laude*  
Fahd Inocencio G. Sevilla  
Shelley Jinn-Huey Shun

Bhargavi Simhadri  
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## **COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER**

Sister Judy Vaughan '68, CSJ, is the founding director of Alexandria House, a Los Angeles organization offering hospitality and transitional residence for women and children in need.

Vaughan is the recipient of many distinctions, including the Woman of Justice Award from NETWORK, a national Catholic organization dedicated to the global movement for justice and peace. Following her early days as a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet teaching elementary school and at the Mount, she was named director of the House of Ruth emergency shelter in East Los Angeles.

Vaughan has served as coordinator for the National Assembly of Religious Women, a Catholic feminist organization committed to working for justice in church and society. She has co-facilitated more than 100 "Multicultural Look at Racism" workshops throughout the U.S. In addition, Vaughan has served as a college educator in California, including being adjunct faculty in the education department at Mount St. Mary's College.

In 2001, she was named a Woman of the Year by the Los Angeles County Commission for Women. In 2007, both Alexandria House and Vaughan received commendations from the city and county of Los Angeles for their work on behalf of women and children. In 2010, Vaughan was selected by the 4th city council district to be among 12 women to receive special recognition at the May city council meeting.

In addition to her Mount degree, Vaughan holds degrees from San Diego State University and the University of Chicago. Vaughan's sister, Kieran Vaughan, CSJ, '64, is a member of the full-time faculty at the Mount. Vaughan's late father, J. Robert Vaughan, was a Mount trustee. Vaughan's father and her mother, Margaret Vaughan, jointly received the 2005 Carondelet Medal.

## **COLLEGE SEAL**



### **THE HISTORY AND SYMBOLISM OF THE MOUNT ST. MARY'S COLLEGE SEAL**

The Mount St. Mary's College seal, designed by Baker's Heraldic office of London, is in the form of a circular shield. The name of the college appears around the edge of the shield, and 1925, the date of its founding, is in the center. The shield itself has four divisions. An open book at the bottom center bears the college motto: Deus Illuminatio Mea (God My Light). At the upper center, a lily surrounded by thorns symbolizes the Immaculate Conception of Mary. The fleur-de-lis of France at the upper right represents the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, established at Le Puy, France, in 1650. At the upper left, three angel wings with the rose signify the City of Los Angeles. The seal thus symbolizes Mount St. Mary's College founded in the city of Our Lady Queen of the Angels by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet under the loving protection of Our Immaculate Mother.

## ACADEMIC HERALDRY

The history of academic dress reaches back to the days of the oldest European and British universities. The priests or monks who taught in early universities and their students wore gowns and hoods, probably for warmth in the damp, unheated halls where classes were held. From the basic design of this attire, the American colleges devised a symbolism for academic apparel.

Most American institutions have adopted black gowns, but some use other colors. The bachelor's gown has long, pointed sleeves in contrast to the master's gown, which is distinguished by the long, oblong sleeves; the doctor's gown is faced along the front with broad, velvet panels and has full, bell-shaped sleeves each bearing three horizontal bars of velvet.

It is generally the hood that gives color to the academic costume and identifies the degree awarded. The hood is bordered with velvet of the prescribed width and color to signify degrees granted by various colleges and universities. Their linings are the colors of the degree-granting institution.

Opinions differ concerning the origin of the caps worn in academic ceremonies. One view is that the *mortarboard* was adopted from the wooden square used by masons; another maintains that it stems from the privilege accorded to free persons in Rome when slaves were forbidden to cover their heads. Caps worn with the associate's, bachelor's and master's gown generally have black tassels. The tassel for the doctor's cap is usually gold thread.