



Worcester State College




Commencement 2010


1:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 16, 2010
DCU Center


Greetings from the Class of 2010!

It is with great enthusiasm that we welcome President Ashley, the trustees, administration, and faculty of Worcester State College, as well as family, friends, and our fellow graduates to the Commencement of the Class of 2010.

We have come together today to celebrate the fulfillment of a goal, a milestone in each of our lives. And yet, we have not gathered here for a “conclusion” ceremony. Instead, we refer to today as “Commencement” because it is not an ending, but instead a new beginning for each and every one of us. Today represents a first step in the rest of our lives, and we challenge you to take on whatever tomorrow brings with the same commitment and dedication which you have all demonstrated at Worcester State College. Today, as college graduates, we embark upon a new journey. We are confident that each and every member of this graduating class will change the world in his or her own way, and we wish each of you the best of luck in all that you do!


Mark F. Gawlak, President


Thao T. Ngo, Vice President

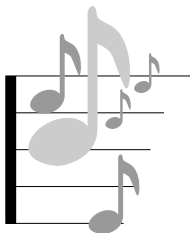

Nicole M. Braga, Treasurer

*“We are what we repeatedly do.
Excellence, therefore, is not
an act, but a habit.”*

~ Aristotle

WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE ALMA MATER

Worcester State, our noble college, we take pride in you,
As we gather gaining knowledge, we will e'er be true.
When we came to our dear campus, strangers all were we,
Forming bonds, we did with many, learning set us free.
Years do pass at Worcester State and as we travel on,
We'll recall the joys we had, our hearts will ne'er be gone.



Chorus:
Worcester State, listen!
Raise each voice, as we now sing your praise!
Memories we all will cherish of our college days!

Lyrics by Cynthia Talbert, Class of '57, M.Ed. '76

Dear Class of 2010,

On behalf of the trustees, faculty and staff of Worcester State College, congratulations on your outstanding accomplishment. Today we celebrate your achievement and welcome you into a fellowship of WSC graduates dating back to 1876 when the first class of students graduated from what was then the “Worcester Normal School.”



The hallmarks of this special fellowship are commitment to rigorous academics and service to others. You have benefitted from our accomplished and devoted faculty and we have benefitted from your many academic contributions and your incredible service to others. Our future depends on your leadership, and I know you will make us proud.

Please stay connected to Worcester State College. We look forward to being your partner in your professional and personal development.

David Starr Jordan said, “Wisdom is knowing what to do next; skill is knowing how to do it, and virtue is doing it.” I am confident that you have all of the wisdom, knowledge and virtue to build a bright future for yourselves, your families and your communities.

With warmest best wishes for your future,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janelle C. Ashley".

Janelle C. Ashley
President

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Colonel Marian J. McGovern



Colonel McGovern's three-decade career with the State Police began as a road trooper in 1979. She later served as a detective and then as commander of the Worcester County State Police Detective Unit. As a major, she was assigned to the crime lab, where she helped develop the unit that enters evidence into the Combined DNA Index System, a national database that seeks to match DNA collected from crime scenes to profiles of known offenders.

Additionally, Colonel McGovern oversaw the implementation in Massachusetts of the AMBER Alert Program, a tool that has proven successful in finding abducted

children. As a lieutenant colonel, she served as commander of the Division of Standards and Training, which oversees internal investigations and the State Police Academy. She was appointed Deputy Superintendent, the department's second-in-command, in January 2009.

Colonel McGovern holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in criminal justice from Framingham State College and a Master of Science degree in criminal justice from Westfield State College. She is a past recipient of the Breaking the Glass Ceiling Award by the National Center for Women and Policing and the Distinguished Law Enforcement Award from Blue Mass, Diocese of Worcester. She was raised in Worcester, where she attended local public schools and Holy Name High School. The Massachusetts State Police department was created in 1865, making it the oldest statewide law enforcement agency in the nation.

CLASS OF 2010 OFFICERS

President: Mark F. Gawlak
Vice President: Thao T. Ngo
Treasurer: Nicole M. Braga

CLASS OF 2010 ADVISORS

Dr. Brandi Silver, Associate Professor, *Department of Psychology*
Mr. Adrian C. Gage, *Assistant Dean, Student Affairs; Director, Residence Life and Housing*

SENIOR CLASS MARSHALS

Brian James Connelly
Lauren Kelly Wright

GRADUATE MARSHALS

Merin Cristina MacDonald
Lisa Marie Swalec

GRADUATE MEDALLION RECIPIENTS

Biotechnology

Susanne M. Scesney

Health Education

Jeanette Ferrelli

Occupational Therapy

Lauren Marie Quatralo

Community Health Nursing

Cheryl Lynn Ferrante

History

Ricardo Simoes

Reading

Donna L. Rice

Early Childhood Education

Bernadette M. King

Leadership and Administration

Victoria M. DeSimone

School Psychology

Anthony Bradley Tourigny
Nancy Binnall Caporello

Elementary Education

Anna Leigh Dufault

Management

Susan C. W. Mukunda

Secondary Education

Michael L. Penney

English

Monica Royston

Middle School Education

Danielle Louise Morin

Spanish

Katelynn Ann Babigian
Jessica Rose Young

Health Care Administration

Joyce A. Chaisson
Gail E. Frigoletto

Moderate Special Needs

Shellie B. Goldman

Speech Language Pathology

Megan Flynn White

Nonprofit Management

Miao-Ju Wang

ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

The academic procession begins with the heralding of the trumpeters announcing the arrival of the academic procession. The Bearer of the Mace, Dr. Melvin Merken, Faculty Marshal, leads the procession. The Master of Ceremonies, Dr. Maureen D. Shamgochian, leads the President, together with the speaker, clergyman, vice presidents, deans, other College officials, and faculty. The Mace is presented at the center of the stage while those processing enter and take their places. Once the Mace is placed on the stand it signals the beginning of the ceremony.

The Mace is used at all academic ceremonies. In medieval times Maces were weapons of warfare, but today the Mace represents the President's authority as the chief academic and administrative officer of the College. Worcester State College's Mace was made at St. Joseph's Abby and donated by Colonel Miriam E. Perry Goll, U.S. Air Force, in memory of her mother, Ada Cheever Perry, *Class of 1905*. The College Seal, designed by Mr. Dominic DiPasquale, Oswego, New York, is executed in great detail on the face of this beautiful wood carving.

Presidential Medallion, the *Silver Chain and Pendant*, worn by the President, was also designed by Mr. Dominic DiPasquale and symbolizes the union between the President and the College. This hand-tooled medallion of the official College Seal is passed on to succeeding presidents.

The official **College Seal** depicts:

The World is used as a background to show the universality of education. The State of Massachusetts is superimposed on the globe to show its relationships and contribution to the world of which it is a part.

The Book, representing knowledge, is placed on the State of Massachusetts where the city of Worcester would be located and thereby indicates the placement of the College within the city and the state.

The Leaves symbolize the living, growing nature of the College and the process of education of which it is a part.



ACADEMIC ATTIRE

Ceremonial garments worn at academic functions take their meaning from the Church of the Middle Ages, the original center of Western learning. Distinctive markings on the gown and hood indicate the level and subject area of the degree earned as well as the institution granting the degree.

The hood offers the most information about its owner. The inner lining identifies the institution at which the degree was earned; the velvet trim indicates the major field of study. A final feature concerns the length and width of the hood. The length of the hood for the bachelor's degree is three feet, the velvet border two inches; the master's is three and one-half feet in length with a three-inch-wide border; the doctoral level is four feet in length with a five-inch border.

The gown is usually black with the cut of the garment signifying the level of degree attained, ranging from the relative simplicity of the bachelor's gown to the velvet panels and bell-shaped sleeves of the doctorate gown.

The cap or mortarboard has been adopted by institutions throughout the United States. It is black with black tassels for holders of bachelor's and master's degrees. Gold tassels are reserved for those with doctorate degrees and for governing officers of educational institutions.

At this ceremony, the colors of many universities and colleges may be seen. Graduates of Worcester State College are wearing a hood, lined in blue and gold. The designated colors for all academic disciplines are as follows:

Arts, Letter, Humanities.....	White
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Fine Arts, Architecture.....	Brown
Journalism.....	Crimson
Law.....	Purple
Library Science.....	Lemon
Medicine	Green
Music	Pink
Nursing.....	Peach
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education.....	Sage Green
Science.....	Golden Yellow
Social Science.....	Cream
Social Work	Citron

AUGUST 2009 GRADUATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Biotechnology

Christian Braithwaite

Early Childhood Education

Kristina M. Young

English

Nancy Schrum Riggs

Monica Royston

Health Education

Jane N. Kimani

History

Edward L. B. Anderson, Jr.

Michael P. Burke

Stephen Roger Godbout

Leadership and Administration

Paul J. Burgess

Carrie L. Butcher

Jocelyn Coughlin

Nicolas Coughlin

Andrea P. Deane

Victoria M. DeSimone

Angela Denise Dyer

Elena Suzanne Morgenlender

Nancy P. O'Coin

Dorothy Quist

Renah Razzaq

Carmen M. Rosado

Management

Odetta Kadi

Middle School Education

Patricia A. McKeon

Danielle Louise Morin

Moderate Special Needs

Allison M. Freeman

Shellie B. Goldman

Occupational Therapy

Alycia Rose Barney

Sarah Clement

Rebecca Ann King

Laura Christine Surprenant

Alexis Healy-Wurzburg

Reading

Laura Ilene Halligan

Jennifer A. Laverdure

Laurie Parker

Secondary Education

Lori A. Blasioli

William F. Gibbs II

Sharon Fournier-Logiudice

Matthew James Perrin

John Staley

Spanish

Lauren Copp Nordberg

Rosario Margarita O'Neil

Speech Language Pathology

Catherine Ruth Lefebvre

Nicole Rose Marino

DECEMBER 2009 GRADUATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Biotechnology

Benjamin J. Parmentier

Community Health Nursing

Caroline Whyte

Early Childhood Education

Renee A. Buzzell

Education

Pearl Ann Watson

Elementary Education

Shannon Michalowski

English

Stephen L. Voter

Health Education

Brooke Serene Johns

Health Care Administration

Mary E. Bonner

Brian Brisbois

Joyce A. Chaisson

Lindsay B. Clark

Leslie R. Fleming

Gail E. Frigoletto

Lauren Beth Iwanicki

Cathy Jewell

Opoku Koranteng

Megan M. Linde

Margaret Naughton

History

Victor Apostolou

Karen L. Henderson

Seth M. Ridinger

Shawn Daniel Ryan

Leadership and Administration

Eileen B. Donahue

Management

Leopoldo M. Fernandes

Susan C. W. Mukunda

Nonprofit Management

Desiree A. Chumsantivut

Timothy E. McGlinchy

Occupational Therapy

Deborah Ann Szala Cicchetti

Secondary Education

Abigail Marie Jannette

Michael L. Penney

Thomas M. Williams

School Psychology

Nancy Binnall Caporello

Amanda Jane Carpenito

Lisa M. Drobinski

Lauren J. Koleros

Bridget Ann Leahy

Stephanie Elaine Sampson

Anthony Bradley Tourigny

Amanda J. Vaughan

Michelle M. White

Spanish

Katelynn Ann Babigian

Ana Maria Seyral

Speech Language Pathology

Ashley Christina Augusta

Taryn Marie Buckley

Deanna Marie Hogan

Judy Ann Hubeny

Ashley Jorge

Shaunna Marie Kelly

Allison Jean Larson

Sarah Elizabeth LeBlanc

Colleen A. McNaught

Lisa E. O'Flanagan

Laurie Rachelle Cereghino Ryan

Abigail Dodge Severance

Jennifer Dawn Conefrey Truong

Margaret Welch

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES

Biotechnology

Christopher M. Hogan
Mary C. Howk
Malory E. Miller
Kwasi Effah Ofori
Rebecca J. Renaud
Susanne M. Scesney

Community Health Nursing

Cheryl Lynn Ferrante
Donna M. Fitman
Maryann Sabetti-Gramajo
Deborah A. Renholm

Early Childhood Education

Bernadette M. King
Katherine Segalla

Elementary Education

Monica I. Arce
Anna Leigh Dufault
Kacey L. McCallum
Carolyn Susan Thaler
Meghan Elizabeth Thompson

Health Education

Maureen A. Burke
Jeanne Kelleher Cutler
Miriam Harrahy Dorsey
Colleen E. Early
Jeanette Ferrelli
Ashley Marie Gustafson

Health Care Administration

Darren J. Bonneau
Amy B. Carlton
Stephanie M. Costello
Kathleen A. Kender
Zhani M. Lito
Ronald J. Meagher
Jessica K. Morreale
Tina L. Rivenburgh-Paul

History

Jesse Jakubiak
Robert McCann III
Ricardo Simoes

Leadership and Administration

Patricia Ann Dargie
Boni-esther Enquist
Melani J. Galante
Heidi Marie Godowski
Kevin O'Connor

Management

Christopher J. Gusha

Middle School Education

Toryn T. Bright
Caroline M. Hagenbuch
Christine Marie Penzone
Lisa Marie Swalec

Moderate Special Needs

Lisa Hussey
Leanne C. Mullin
Darlene Patricia Wilhide

Nonprofit Management

Merin Cristina MacDonald
Gail A. Melgren
Mayama Clevers Sakwa
Miao-Ju Wang

Occupational Therapy

Laura Christine Clifford
Denise Rose DeMello
Lilly Catina Laage Ditto
Elizabeth Michelle Pawlowski
Lauren Marie Quatrala
Sara E. Rodrigues
Jennifer Ruyffelaert
Joelle A. Seelenbrandt
Nicole Judith Waterhouse
Maria Moura-Westdijk
Melissa Mary Whiting

Reading

Jennifer E. Lee
Donna L. Rice
Joann S. Severance

Secondary Education

Frank M. Barbuto Jr.
Thomas J. Davis
Lauren Nicole Anneschiarico Favulli
Karyn Marie Ferdella
Kristina M. Martinelli
Kimberly A. Mason
Elizabeth R. McGovern
Sharyn M. Miller
Ann O'Connor
Jason M. Schmitz

Spanish

Jessica Rose Young

Speech Language Pathology

Kristen Mary Bastarache
Tina Marie Colbert
Danielle Marie Deyorio
Allison Dodge
Abbey Easterbrooks
Lisa Bockweg Hughes
Kerri L. Kern
Angelyn Lorraine LeFave
Mary Grace Lemelin
Christa I. Martin
Rachael Elizabeth Sacco
Amy Marie Sobolewski
Megan Flynn White

CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED GRADUATE STUDIES

School Psychology

Nancy Binnall Caporello
Amanda Jane Carpenito
Lisa M. Drobinski
Lauren Koleros
Bridget Ann Leahy
Stephanie Elaine Sampson
Anthony Bradley Tourigny
Amanda Vaughan
Michelle Marie White

Conferral of a degree occurs when the registrar finalizes the student's academic record and validates that all requirements have been satisfied. Participation in the commencement ceremony and inclusion in this program does not constitute conferral of the degree. A diploma will be issued when all degree requirements have been satisfied and confirmed completed.

Commencement Program

PROCESSIONAL

Fanfare: **Mr. Jonathan Clark**

Faculty Marshal: **Dr. Melvin Merken**, Professor, Chemistry Department

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Dr. Maureen D. Shamgochian '80, Interim Vice President, Academic Affairs

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Soloist: **Mr. Derek P. Sylvester '10**

ALMA MATER AND MUSICAL SELECTION

Worcester State College Chorale

Director: **Dr. Christie B. Nigro**, Professor, Visual and Performing Arts Department

GREETINGS

The Honorable James McGovern, Massachusetts 3rd Congressional District

The Honorable Harriette L. Chandler, Massachusetts State Senate, 1st Worcester District

Mr. John P. Brissette '88, Chair, Board of Trustees

Dr. Janelle C. Ashley, President

Dr. Anne M. Falke, President, Worcester Chapter, Faculty Association (MSCA/MTA/NEA)

Mr. Mark F. Gawlak, President, Senior Class

INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Mr. Mark F. Gawlak

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Colonel Marian J. McGovern

PRESENTATION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOGNITION AWARD

Presenter: **Dr. Janelle C. Ashley**, President

Elizabeth M. Rooney '10

INTRODUCTION OF DEGREE RECIPIENTS AND CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

Mr. John P. Brissette '88, Chair, Board of Trustees

Dr. Janelle C. Ashley, President

Presenter: **Trustee Jean A. Campanello '77**, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees
Doctor of Humane Letters, *Honoris Causa*
Colonel Marian J. McGovern

Presenter: **Trustee Ronald R. Valerio '75**, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees
Doctor of Humane Letters, *Honoris Causa*
Lieutenant General Kevin T. Campbell '73

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Presenter: **Mr. Thomas M. McNamara '94**, Vice President, Institutional Advancement
Mr. Paul V. LaCava '75

PRESENTATION OF GEORGE I. ALDEN EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

Presenter: **Dr. Janelle C. Ashley**, President
Dr. Mary S. Fowler, Mathematics Department
Dr. Eihab Jaber, Chemistry Department

RECOGNITION OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS

Dr. Janelle C. Ashley, President
Professor Francis I. Amory, Urban Studies Department
Dr. C. Kenneth Gibbs, Jr., English Department
Dr. Mary Ellen Meegan, Education Department
Dr. Melvin Merken, Chemistry Department

PRESENTATION OF ELLA M. WHITNEY AWARD

Presenter: **Mr. Timothy J. Sullivan**, Assistant Dean, Student Affairs/
Director, Student Activities and Student Center
Recipient announced at time of presentation

SALUTATIONS

Ms. Lauren M. Kender '10, President, Student Government Association
Mrs. Sharon S. McDonald '86, President, Alumni Association Advisory Board

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Mr. John P. Brissette '88, Chair, Board of Trustees

INTRODUCTION OF DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Dr. William H. White, Associate Vice President
Continuing Education/Outreach and Dean of Graduate Studies
Dr. Lori J. Dawson, Interim Associate Vice President, Academic Affairs

RECESSIONAL

AUGUST 2009 BACCALAUREATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Biology

Elias A. Ayoub
Hailey Anna Farris

Business Administration

Stephanie Lynn Brissette
Zachary J. Camarra
Leeann Marie Gremo
Ian Michael Huntington
Paul Joseph Isgro
Rebecca Kristine Matthews
Matthew A. Pagourgis
Ashley S. Seymour
Louis Arthur Spada, Jr.
Andrew Michael Sullivan
William Thomas Walsh
Jacob Andrew Welton
Jack D. Wilson

Chemistry

† † Hoangdung Thi Nguyen

Communication

Louis Robert Barys
Patrick James Brien
Matthew Joseph DeCiero
Michael John Essery
Renee Christianne Henry
Ernesto Jose Paulino

Communication Sciences and Disorders

Meghan C. Admirand

Community Health

Paul Webb

Criminal Justice

John Wesley McJunkin V
† † † Richard Thomas Rice

Early Childhood Education

Cathy A. Cranston
Margaret C. Lindquist

Economics

Daniel Michael Bilz
Donald Joseph Gosselin, Jr.

English

Ashley Christine Sullivan

Health Education

Christopher Robert Logan
Jennifer A. McClendon

History

Carol Jonae Adade
Patrick Ryan Donahue
Thomas Anthony Egan
Gina M. Lavallee
James Edward Leonardi
Ernest John Lozeau
Jacquelyn Christine Lynch
Casey Anne Murphy

Daniel F. Nanni
Linah B. Shayo

Mathematics

Anna Marie Davies

Natural Sciences

Lauren Ashley Cush
Bobby Joe Hill
Dawn Marie Merdaa
Shannon Robin Rice

Nursing

Deborah Akraasi
† † † Joyce A. Rodgerson
Kate Elizabeth Wohlander

Psychology

Rebecca Estelle Belmont
Jessica Angela Cabrera
Paige Marie Comeau
Catarina J. Faria
Mary Elizabeth Wade Mansoor
Stephanie Anne Russell
† Patzy Andrea Solano
Grissed Enid Vega
Autumn Violet Ward

Sociology

Evan Brian Donnelly

DECEMBER 2009 BACCALAUREATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Biology

Felicia A. Bellabarba
Helen Ogochukwu Chukwurah
† † † Alanna A.S. Madru
Kerry Ann McMahon
Kwame Mintah Ghansah
Noelle Winter Perry
Andrelis M. Ramirez
Reagan Lee Savas
Peter James Simone
Duy Anh Tran

Biotechnology

Bhumika Seth

Business Administration

Samuel Asirifi-Nyarko
Michelle L. Belanger
Dean J. Berube
Alaina Bisceglia
Joseph A. Bourdelais
Daniel W. Colebrook
Katrina Marie Creighton
Amy B. Cummings

Aiste Dacys

† Lyn Elizabeth Dembowski
Jay S. Dunkerly
F. Ryan Durkee
Michelle Mary Crowley Garry
Erica Lynne Kemp-Feudo
Hedro M. Lahdo
Renee A. Leoncini
† Justin Michael Leroux
Steven Alan Liimatainen
Kara Mary Moulton
Hong Huong Nguyen

Christine Muthoni Njoroge
 Michael E. Norwood
 John Paul Power III
 Michelle Lee Radivonyk
 Vanessa McAfee Rivera
 Jennifer Monique Rodriguez
 Joshua Allen Sawyer
 Mark William Schuck
 Harrison Graham Shoup
 † † Susan L. Tarasiak
 David Charles Thompson
 Mark P. Tiede

Chemistry

Ivan Andrey Berezin
 Dariusz Wladyslaw Chlebica
 Hawa Moustaph Fall
 Christina Marie Lovell
 Charles Solarz III

Communication

Paraskevi C. Berdos
 Robert Andrew Bilotta
 Christopher Michael Bonvie
 Kathryn Anne Devane
 Jessica D. Glasier
 Ryan Oneil Josephs
 Meghan Kristin Murphy
 Robert Thomas Roddy
 Kristine Lynn Sulem
 Brian Joseph Taylor

Communication Sciences and Disorders

† Alix Emily Antanavica
 Megan Marie Burnham
 † Marjorie Rosalind Frias-Almonte
 † Lauren Kosinski

Community Health

Chantal Marie Dupre
 Alexandria Lea Garieri
 Ashley Rose Gigarjian
 Ashley Marie Mongeon
 † Luberlandia Gomes O'Connor

Computer Science

Isaac Kofi Boadu
 Matthew M. Laprade
 Cuong C. Nguyen

Scott David Paulhus
 Ricardo Justin Varella

Criminal Justice

Shannon Michele Feeley
 Meghan Rose Kellaher
 Kenneth Anthony Manzella
 Michael James Miczek
 Kevin Andrew O'Brien
 Donald Joseph Oleski
 Alissa Jean Slein
 † Nicole Adriana Vandervalk
 † † Shane Patrick Walsh

Early Childhood Education

Laura Marie Clancy
 Jacklyn Nicole Dembowski
 Caitlin Elizabeth McSweeney
 Katherine Elizabeth Paige
 † † Allison Marie Petri

Economics

Sam Jason Perry

Elementary Education

† † Sarah A. Lynds
 † † † Kathryn Jean Rutledge
 Cheryl Ann Watson

English

Jason Paul Lessard
 Anthony Michael Molta
 David Thomas Taberner
 Rossella Maria Trafecante

Geography

Leah Anne Cross

Health Education

Aaron C. Doray
 Jennifer N. Harris
 Trista Denise Jones

History

† Josiah Kingsley Burden
 Jeremiah James Clark
 Justin Mattley Edwards
 † † † Christy Lynn Provo
 Cheryl A. St.Pierre

Nursing

Maxwell Britt Appiah
 † † Zofia Borowy
 † † † Samira L. Duarte
 Augusta Oluremi Ishola
 Nicole M. Murawski

Psychology

Stephen Lloyd Booth
 † † Amanda Elise Bulger
 Erin Katherine Courtois
 Mark William Cripps
 Jessica Ann D'Amato
 † † Caitlin Jean Desrochers
 Kristina Elaine Donohue
 Christopher Allen Fife
 Cierra Alyse Fitz
 Michelle Jessica Green
 Amanda M. Guenette
 Laura Jean Hamel
 Danielle Rae LaFlamme
 † † Ariana Mary LeBlanc
 Lilly I. Liu
 Katelyn June McKew
 † † Tonia Fay Naughton
 David M. Nielsen
 † † Jennie Lynn Petrie
 Damon Price
 Holly Christina Sousa
 † † Linda Sue St. Germain
 † † Shaun Ryan Tavakolnia
 † Jonida Bessie Theodhoraqi
 Becky Tucker
 Lisa Rose Wagner
 Gwynn Marie Weber

Sociology

† † † Linda Louise Fite
 Benjamin Irwin Gelb
 Corey M. Marino

Spanish

† Andre Maurice Pare

Urban Studies

† Elaine L. Amorello
 Marco Estrella

CANDIDATES FOR THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE

Biology

Teresa Jean Bishop
 Julie Ellen Bollinger
 Nicole Marie Bourque
 Nathan Edward Burritt
 Chelsey Lynn Caron
 Elizabeth Aleksandar Chevreviski
 Kristopher Scott Demers
 Nicole Marie Desrosiers
 Nancy Jay Fellows
 Andrew K. Ferdinand
 † Ira Male
 Christopher George Marion
 † † Caitlin Elizabeth McInnis
 Stacie Ann Moore
 † † Thao Thi Ngo
 Sang T. Phan
 † Kristine Marie Pichel
 † Heather Nicole Regan
 Alissa Ann Routhier
 † Dylan L. Tolomeo
 Tricia Carolyn Walker
 Elizabeth Anne West
 † Lauren Kelly Wright

Biotechnology

† Matthew Richard Barnes
 Iris C. Blanco
 Christopher D. Doty
 Thu Xuan Huynh
 Katherine Mary Kelly
 Mehzabeen Shazana Kennedy
 Kenneth K. Kirangi
 † † Hollyann Lavallee
 Edwin Gitau Macharia
 † † Robert Rennison Reed Messing
 Charlotte Corrin Peloso
 Qifeng Sun
 Kim Quang Tran
 Claire Nansweiza Wakulyaka

Business Administration

Daniel Mensah Acquah
 Dean J. Almeida
 Jaqueline Amarante
 Tina Lynn Andersen
 Kevin Edward Anderson
 Christopher Karl Austermann
 Sandra A. Baning
 Ermir Baolli
 Justin Chase Beach
 Lee Michael Levasseur Belisle
 George Allen Benson
 Michael S. Berard
 Emily M. Blackwood
 Jonathan F. Breed
 Stephanie Marie Brooks
 Andrew Paul Burrill
 † † † Alison Leigh Cantatore
 Ronald Keith Carlucci, Jr.
 Jose Alejandro Castillo
 Lorri Elizabeth Cedrone
 Frank William Ceffalo
 Sheila Marie Champagne
 Roger Joseph Chicoine
 Christopher Matthew Cogoli
 Daniel Christopher Colbert
 Daniel Comeau
 Brian James Connolly
 Alyssa Anne Corazzini
 Laura Anne Cote
 Christopher Croke
 Alyson Nicole Curcuru
 Sarah Elizabeth Dahlstedt
 Mark P. Dawley
 Mariana de Almeida
 Greg A. DeFosse
 Stephen H. Dietz
 Sebastian Arthur Dill
 Micaela Rose Dolan
 Yi Dong
 Sean William Doolin
 John Christopher Dunn
 William H. Earley III
 Michael Iboyite Ebireri
 Jeffrey O. Eke
 Andrew John Evans

† Lisa Danielle Farrugia
 Amanda Nichole Fleming
 Jonathan Flood
 Jeffrey C. Forsman
 Brett Steven Foster
 † Sadie Corinna Fournier
 Michael Joseph Fratturelli
 Daniel Steven Gallupe
 Melissa Ann Gancorz
 † † Nicole Elizabeth Garron
 Erica Lynn Gasbarro
 Michelle Anne Gauthier
 Kamielle Rose Generelli
 Adam M. German
 Kathia Gonzalez
 Andrew Paul Goulet
 Matthew Michael Gour
 Matthew Anthony Grassi
 Patrick Sean Hamilton
 Danny Lee Harris, Jr.
 † † † Timothy James Hart
 Carrie Sue Havenner
 Craig E. Hill, Jr.
 Ronald Paul Holmes, Jr.
 Jason Edward Jablonski
 Jessica Beth Juliani
 Laura Kaczmarczyk
 James Peter Karapatsas
 Shemekia Marie Kea
 Brian Patrick Kelley
 Kwasi Kwarteng
 † Tara Lee Lambert
 † Michelle Amy LaPrad
 Peter Richard Laprade
 Mary Kerwin Lauria
 Michael William Leveroni
 Dwayne C. Lewis
 Annie Xinmin Liu
 Yi Lu
 Joseph Thomas Lucier
 Doris Ann Maher
 David Joseph Manning
 Jorge Samuel Mares
 Daniel Thomas Martin
 Jessica Marie Matasavage
 Ariel Michelle Matre

Craig Thomas McBride
 Beth Ann McClure
 Michael J. McQueeney
 Stephen Richard Melville
 Jonathan David Menard
 Paulina Marie Mikulko
 Kevin Nduati Mwangi
 Dustin Ling Nalven
 Desiree Mary Nelson
 Caroline Njambi Nyaga
 Shawn Michael O'Neill
 Susan A. Obiero
 Deborah L. Omsby Dixon
 Andrea M. Ouellette
 Brian Thomas Pedone
 Cara Marie Penny
 Leah J. Perkins
 Karol Piascik
 † Katherine Michelle Pietrzak
 Seth A. Pitts
 Joena Qeleshi
 Shayne A. Regan
 † † Sarah T. Rivera
 Debbie Ann Robillard
 Bryan A. Russell, Jr.
 Alexander M. Russo
 Ryan Patrick Sarsfield
 Mohammed Anwaruddin Siddiqui
 Robert Frederick Sousa III
 Shane Speicher
 † † † John William Stonebreaker
 † Sean Michael Studders
 † Jorina Sulce
 Tianna Thuy Ta
 † † Jennifer Jean Tauper
 Andrews Tettey
 Brian Robert Tucker
 Shay E. Turman
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Students graduating with honors must attain the following cumulative GPA based on a minimum of 60 credits earned at Worcester State College.

† † †	<i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	3.9 – 4.00
† †	<i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	3.7 – 3.89
†	<i>Cum Laude</i>	3.5 – 3.69

Honor cords presented are in the new Millennium colors in honor of the 125th Commencement.

Conferral of a degree occurs when the Registrar finalizes the student's academic record and validates that all requirements have been satisfied. Participation in the Commencement ceremony and inclusion in this program does not constitute conferral of the degree. A diploma will be issued when all degree requirements have been satisfied and confirmed completed.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Lt. Col. James F. Sheehan '55 USMC Ret. Award — Given to the highest-ranking full-time senior who has completed the majority of his/her course work at Worcester State College.

Recipient: Kathryn F. Fokas

Faculty Achievement Award — Given to the highest-ranking senior who has transferred and completed at least four full-time semesters at Worcester State College.

Recipient: Steven L. Smyth

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Recipient: Sarah T. Rivera

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Each year, the President of the United States, through the Secretary of Defense, grants commissions to Massachusetts students in the Regular Service and in the Reserve Components. The following 2010 Commencement participant was an ROTC student and was commissioned:

Jose Alejandro Castillo
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Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges exists as one of the most highly regarded and long standing honors programs in the nation. For students, the outstanding campus leaders of the year, national recognition by the Who's Who program marks a pinnacle of scholastic achievement.

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Special thanks to all those who helped make Commencement a memorable one.

Colonel Marian J. McGovern

Doctor of Humane Letters

Honoris Causa

You, **Colonel Marian J. McGovern**, are the first woman to lead the Massachusetts State Police and have demonstrated courage, intelligence and compassion in your three-decade career with the State Police. You began as a road trooper in 1979 and later served as a detective and as commander of the Worcester County State Police Detective Unit.

As a major, you were assigned to the crime lab, where you helped develop the unit that enters evidence into the Combined DNA Index System, a national database that seeks to match DNA collected from crime scenes to profiles of known offenders.

You oversaw the implementation in Massachusetts of the AMBER Alert Program, a tool that has proven successful in finding abducted children.

As a lieutenant colonel, you served as commander of the Division of Standards and Training, which oversees internal investigations and the State Police Academy and were appointed Deputy Superintendent, the department's second-in-command, in January 2009.

You are a past recipient of the Breaking the Glass Ceiling Award by the National Center for Women and Policing and the Distinguished Law Enforcement Award from Blue Mass, Diocese of Worcester.

A native of Worcester, Massachusetts, you earned your bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Framingham State College and your master's degree in criminal justice from Westfield State College.

You lead the Massachusetts State Police department, which was created in 1865, making it the oldest statewide law enforcement agency in the nation. Today, it is comprised of more than 2,200 sworn officers and several hundred civilian members. The department operates a Division of Field Services, Division of Investigative Services, Division of Standards and Training, and Division of Administrative Services.

Therefore, it is with great admiration and sincere appreciation of your vision, leadership and dedication that Worcester State College confers upon you, **Colonel Marian J. McGovern**, the degree of **Doctor of Humane Letters**.

Lieutenant General Kevin T. Campbell '73

Doctor of Humane Letters Honoris Causa

You, **Lieutenant General Kevin T. Campbell**, Commander, JFCC-Integrated Missile Defense, are one of Worcester State's most accomplished alumni.

You were commissioned into the Air Defense Artillery branch of the Army when you graduated from Worcester State College in 1973.

You earned a master's degree in personnel management from the University of New Hampshire in 1982. Your military education includes the Air Defense Artillery Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Nike-Hercules Officer Course, Ranger and Airborne Schools, the Army Command and General Staff College, and the Naval War College.

You rose steadily through the ranks and served in a variety of locations, positions, and conflicts in the past 36 years. Currently, you serve your country as the commanding general of the US Army Space and Missile Defense Command/Army Forces Strategic Command and Commander of the Joint Functional Component Command – Integrated Missile Defense and are stationed in Huntsville, Alabama.

Your previous assignments include: Chief of Staff, United States Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.; Director of Plans, United States Space Command; Deputy Commanding General, United States Army Air Defense Artillery Center and Fort Bliss, Texas; Commanding General, 32nd Army Air and Missile Defense Command (AAMDC), Fort Bliss, Texas; Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Combat Developments, United States Army Training and Doctrine Command, Fort Monroe, Va.; Commander, 94th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Darmstadt, Germany; Political-Military Planner (Eastern Europe/Bosnia), J5, the Joint Staff, Washington, D.C.; G3, 32nd AADCOM, Darmstadt, Germany; Commander, 2nd Battalion (PATRIOT), 43rd Air Defense Artillery, Hanau, Germany; Executive Officer, 3rd Battalion (PATRIOT), 43rd Air Defense Artillery, Fort Bliss, Texas.

Your decorations and awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Achievement Medal (with two Oak Leaf Clusters), Southwest Asia Service Medal (with three Bronze Stars), Kuwait Liberation Medal, Ranger Tab, and Parachutist Badge.

Therefore, it is with great admiration and sincere appreciation of your leadership, service and dedication that Worcester State College confers upon you, **Lieutenant General Kevin T. Campbell**, the degree of **Doctor of Humane Letters**.

Mr. Paul V. LaCava '75
Worcester State College
2010 Community Service Award

You, **Paul V. LaCava**, are a proud alumnus of Worcester State College and you have a long commitment to community service dating back to your days as a student.

At that time, you launched an annual holiday toy drive that has continued to grow. As time went on, you realized how many children in the area were in need, you along with a few concerned friends formed the community partnership Bold Steps and then with a group of volunteers you formed the Planting The Seed Foundation. These organizations each have aggressive goals to improve the lives of children and families living in shelters. Planting The Seed Foundation, continues to sponsor the annual toy drive that you founded twenty-five years ago in addition to a host of initiatives and activities for families and young people throughout the year. This past year more than 4,000 toys were distributed to local children, school supplies were provided to children and families through the “Stuff the Bus” initiative and scholarships were provided to send children to summer camp.

You were instrumental in bringing a Liberian delegation to Worcester as part of the UMASS Boston Center for Democracy and Development Workforce program. In addition to leading the effort for the Liberian Welcoming reception at Worcester State College, you involved other local organizations including YMCA of Central Massachusetts, Worcester Technical High School, New England Regional Council of Carpenters Training Center and local enterprises. You then accompanied a delegation to Liberia to seek for ways to assist this nation ravaged by war and poverty.

You devote your time and talent to a wide variety of community groups and organizations, including, but not limited to: the Worcester Boys Club, Minority Business Inclusion Council, Central Massachusetts Homeless Shelter for Veterans Advisory Council, YMCA of Greater Worcester County and the National March of Dimes Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action task Force.

You also were one of the original founders of the Sports Alive Program that for more than 20 years has raised over \$350,000 for the Worcester Public Schools and many neighborhood and community-based youth programs throughout the City of Worcester.

Therefore, in recognition of your extraordinary commitment to education, youth and service here in Worcester and around the world, Worcester State College is proud to award you, **Paul V. LaCava**, the **2010 Community Service Award**.

Dr. Mary S. Fowler
2010 George I. Alden Excellence in Teaching Award
Department of Mathematics
Worcester State College

You, **Dr. Mary S. Fowler**, are an inspiration to us all for your love of teaching, commitment to student success, and tireless efforts to improve the overall educational experience at Worcester State College.

You are an excellent instructor with consistently superb student evaluations. You have taught a wide range of mathematics courses to a variety of audiences. You have demonstrated the use of effective instructional strategies, an ability to accommodate multiple learning styles, an approach to teaching that fosters higher order thinking, and a commitment to continuously improving your teaching.

You have an excellent rapport with your students. You are concerned about student attitudes towards math and cognizant of the need to develop a positive, trusting environment in the classroom.

You took a leadership role in helping to develop a new structure for the Math Lab program, committing a great deal of time and energy to the project. The success and continuous improvement of the remedial program is due in large part to your efforts. You have also engaged many of our majors in independent studies and internships. These projects have led to many graduate school and career opportunities.

You have also provided preparation sessions for students studying for the Massachusetts Teacher's Test and for the GRE.

You are a superb advisor. Students regularly make use of your office hours. You developed an advising template for members of the Mathematics Department to use with their students and to encourage students to think about career options. You also developed a math major concentration to prepare students for jobs in the data analysis field.

For more than three years you have organized regular meetings of all the Statistics I instructors, most of whom are adjuncts. Your leadership has improved the quality and standardization of the course. You have also arranged meetings with faculty members from other academic departments that require that their students take Statistics I in order to insure that the course meets their needs.

You have played a similar role in the redesign of Math 099, first volunteering to teach what is not considered a plum assignment and then working with adjuncts to develop a more standardized course with shared homework assignments, assessments, and class notes.

Your commitment to excellence was further demonstrated by your leadership role as chair of the Mathematics Department's Assessment Committee. You are a major resource on campus for assessment issues. Again, the goal is excellence.

Therefore, in recognition of your exceptional teaching, leadership, and service, Worcester State College is proud to award you, **Mary Fowler**, the **2010 George I. Alden Excellence in Teaching Award**.

Dr. Eihab Jaber
2010 George I. Alden Excellence in Teaching Award
Department of Chemistry
Worcester State College

You, **Dr. Eihab Jaber**, are an inspiration to us all for your quest for knowledge, passion for teaching, and boundless dedication to student success at Worcester State College. In the four short years since you joined the faculty in 2006, you have earned a reputation as an innovative teacher who inspires students to share your love of chemistry and become independent learners.

Your enthusiasm for your subject is evident in all you do. You provide learning experiences for community groups, encouraging young people to get excited about the complex beauty of chemistry. You give unstintingly of your time to students and colleagues, day, evenings, weekends, and holidays. As one of your students wrote, "He enjoys chemistry so much that he wants everybody else to enjoy it too and will do anything and try anything to that end. That is what makes him a great teacher."

Your dedication to teaching has led you to adopt a pedagogy style of inquiry-based learning through group guided activities. You have also implemented creative teaching strategies including Multimedia PowerPoint, in-class animation, and computational chemistry programs. By integrating technology in your courses, you enhance students' experience and their appreciation of course material.

You are widely known for going the extra mile to help students succeed. You restructured the physical chemistry courses to reflect current best practice in teaching chemistry and developed guided tutoring sessions for initial physical chemistry classes to enhance students' mathematical skills, quantitative reasoning, and problem-solving abilities. You have a special interest in encouraging minority students in science education and demonstrate sensitivity to the needs of diverse and non-traditional students. You provide extra learning opportunities for students who are having difficulty with math.

There is no limit to the amount of time you will spend coaching a student who is having difficulty, and you will use any teaching tool that helps your students succeed. As one student wrote, "You saw the potential in me and continued to encourage me to do my best." Another wrote, "Thank you for all your help in class. I know I'm not the easiest student to teach, but you patiently answered all my questions."

Your commitment to your students is paralleled by your commitment to the wider college community. You were a member of the 2007-2009 Alden Teaching Fellow Cohort which surveyed freshmen students and identified weak technology skills. You serve on committees and volunteer for community service projects, guided always by your conviction that learning is an enjoyable life-long pursuit.

Therefore, in recognition of your excellent teaching, dedication, leadership, and service, Worcester State College is proud to award you, **Eihab Jaber**, the **2010 George I. Alden Excellence in Teaching Award**.

BRIEF HISTORY OF WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE

In 1874 education reform was sweeping the Commonwealth. Normal Schools were established based on the principles of Horace Mann, providing people with access to higher education. On September 11, the State Normal School of Worcester opened its doors.

With a growing immigrant population, the Worcester Public Schools desperately needed teachers. Those who enrolled in the new school on St. Ann's Hill attended for free, received their teaching credential and began teaching immediately. The school pioneered a new approach to professional teacher preparation with the introduction of apprentice teaching in the Worcester Public Schools. This approach won wide acceptance and remains in use today.

In the 1920s, the Normal School introduced a four-year Bachelor of Science in Education degree and purchased a 20-acre lot at Chandler and May Streets as the new campus. (In 1942, Mr. Rockwood donated an additional 38 acres of his Willow Farm to the College.)

In 1932, the State Board of Education restyled the Normal School as Worcester State Teachers College and students, faculty and administrators moved into their new college (the Administration Building) on Chandler Street. In 1941, the College earned professional accreditation from the American Association of Teachers Colleges, the first Massachusetts teacher's college to be so honored.

At the end of World War II, there was a surge in enrollment of men and working people. To meet their needs, the College developed a Program of Continuing Education for evening and part-time study. During the 1950s the first graduate degree, a Master of Science in Education, was offered. The post-war growth in enrollment necessitated an expansion of facilities beyond the original 1932 building. The Gymnasium was built in the 1950s, and in 1965, the College opened the Eugene A Sullivan Academic Center with the addition of the Worcester State College Auditorium.

In 1960, the College name was changed to State College at Worcester to reflect an increasing emphasis in liberal arts. In 1963 the Massachusetts State College System was established and the Board of Education renamed the school Worcester State College. The 1970s saw the construction of the Learning Resource Center and Library, the Student Center and Chandler Village.

On the 100th anniversary of the College in 1974, the Nursing program was established, becoming the first Bachelor of Science program for registered nurses in New England and the first to receive accreditation from the National League of Nursing. The College also introduced a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. In the 1980s, the College launched the area's first Master of Science degree program in Speech-Language Pathology and initiated a degree program in Occupational Therapy. Dowden Hall was also built.

In 2000, the College offered a Master of Science in Health Care Administration and a Bachelor and Master of Science in Biotechnology. The year also included a new state-of-the-art athletic field, a campus-wide area network and website and the opening of the new Kalyan K. Ghosh Center for Science and Technology.

In 2002, the College appointed its tenth president, Dr. Janelle C. Ashley, the first woman president of the College. In 2003, the College launched its Laptop Initiative and today the whole campus is a wireless environment. In 2004 the College opened a new 348-bed residence hall, Wasylean Hall, and renovated the main dining room in the Student Center. The year also launched a new Master of Science in Management. In 2005, the Sullivan Academic Center re-opened after a complete renovation, providing new faculty offices and conference spaces and classrooms equipped with multi-media technology, and in Fall 2007, the very first parking garage in the state college system was opened at Worcester State College.

Today, May 16, 2010, Worcester State College celebrates its 134th Commencement. Future students will find the same care and excellence in teaching and academic programs that previous generations have enjoyed.

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