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## 2017 Commencement Program

Whittier College

WHITTIER COLLEGE

**114<sup>TH</sup>  
COMMENCEMENT  
CEREMONY**



**MAY 12, 2017**



# ACADEMIC REGALIA

The history of academic costume and ceremony dates from 12th and 13th century Europe and the medieval universities of Bologna, Paris, Oxford, and Cambridge. Originally, the university was an association of "masters of arts" and the degree was the step taken to become a full member. The new master was admitted to begin teaching; the word "commencement" described that rite of passage.

The most common articles of daily attire then were long flowing gowns and cloaks, with hoods attached for headwear; subsequently, hats became prominent. In England, details of scholars' apparel and occasions for use were strictly prescribed by university statutes.

The origin of the Oxford "mortarboard" cap is a mystery. It may well have evolved from forcing the rather square-shaped, outdoor biretta over the close-fitting, indoor skull cap commonly worn by university scholars in medieval times.

American academic regalia is an inheritance primarily from Britain. The 1895 Intercollegiate Code provides the fundamental regulation. Gowns for all three degree levels are basic black and similar in shape, although sleeve patterns differ. Doctoral gowns are faced with velvet, with three bars per sleeve. The black mortarboard cap is common to all degrees.

The hood is the most distinctive feature of academic dress. The color and style distinguish degree level, college or university, and discipline, although the proliferation of fields and institutions does not always allow easy identification. Hoods are all black, and they become longer and wider with more advanced degrees. All are lined inside with silk in the academic colors of the institution that conferred the degree.

The outer velvet trim on the hood, which becomes broader with the higher degrees, indicates the academic discipline. The white border for arts and letters emanates from the fur trim of the Oxford and Cambridge bachelor of arts degree. Red is the traditional color of the Church, and scarlet indicates theology. The royal purple of King's Court signifies the law. Green, the color of medicinal herbs, stands for medicine. Golden yellow indicates science, for through research untold wealth has been given to the world. Oxford pink indicates music. Russet brown for forestry is a tribute to the old-time dress of English foresters. Blue, the color of wisdom and truth, represents philosophy and is used on the trim for most academics who hold the doctor of philosophy degree, regardless of which discipline they studied in the arts and sciences.

## THE MACE

During the Middle Ages, the mace was carried into battle by churchmen who were forbidden by church law to bear edged weapons. The mace was later carried before the king by his bodyguard and eventually became the symbol of authority. A mace is now commonly used by governments and by institutions of higher learning in ceremonial processions.

# THE ONE-HUNDRED FOURTEENTH WHITTIER COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT



*“Hail to the coming singers! Hail to the brave light-bringers!  
Forward I reach and share, all that they sing and dare.”*

—John Greenleaf Whittier

# PROGRAM

## **PRELUDE**

*Three Dances* – Tylman Susato

*Ronde-Saltarel-Pavane*

*Magnificat Primi Toni* – Johann Pachelbel

*Music for Queen Mary II* – Henry Purcell

*March-Anthem-Canzona*

*Canzona per Sonare No. 1: La Spritata* – Giovanni Gabrieli

## **PROCESSIONAL**

*Pomp and Circumstance* – Sir Edward Elgar

Arranged by Stephen Billington

## **INVOCATION**

Paula Sheridan, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Social Work

## **WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE**

Sharon D. Herzberger, Ph.D.

## **WELCOME FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

Alan H. Lund '71, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Steven C. Weston '83, President of the Alumni Board

## **RECOGNITION OF THE FACULTY & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE 2017 NERHOOD TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNER**

President Herzberger

## **STUDENT SPEAKER**

Kourtney Brodnax '17

## **THE CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREE**

President Herzberger

### **Presentation of Solomon D. Trujillo**

Daniel Duran, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Business Administration

## **COMMENCEMENT KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Solomon D. Trujillo

Global Telecommunications, Media, and Cable Industry Executive

## **THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES**

Darrin Good, Ph.D.

Vice President for Academic Affairs & Dean of Faculty

**Presentation of Master of Arts Candidates**

**Presentation of Bachelor of Arts Candidates**

## **CHARGE TO THE CLASS OF 2017**

President Herzberger

## **SCHOOL SONG – FRIENDS FOREVER**

Whittier College Vocal Ensemble

## **RECESSIONAL**

*Trumpet Tune* – Henry Purcell

*Solemn Music* – Walter S. Hartley

*Prelude-Anthem-Postlude*

## **MARSHALS**

Joyce Kaufman, Ph.D., Mace Bearer

Lorinda B. Camparo, Ph.D.

Erica Fradinger, Ph.D.

Sal A. Johnston, Ph.D.

Paul Kjellberg, Ph.D.

Deborah L. Norden, Ph.D.

David I. Paddy, Ph.D.

Brian A. Reed, M.F.A.

Patricia A. Van Oosbree, Ph.D.

(The audience is requested to remain seated until the faculty and graduates have exited.)

*President Herzberger and members of the faculty will host a reception for the Class of 2017 on the baseball field immediately following Commencement.*

*Restrooms are located at the north and south ends of the stadium.*

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Solomon D. (“Sol”) Trujillo is an international business executive who has served as CEO of large-cap global companies in the U.S., European Union, and Asia-Pacific region – including U.S. West (now CenturyLink), Orange (now France Telecom), and Telstra, the Australian media-communications company.

In each he was a digital pioneer, leading the deployment of broadband, smart devices, and digital services – including the mobile internet and ultra-high speed wireless networks – to stimulate productivity and innovation across all

sectors of the economy.

Trujillo currently sits on corporate boards in the U.S., E.U., and China, including: Western Union in the U.S.; WPP plc, the E.U.-based advertising and public relations multinational; and in Asia, SouFun Holdings Ltd. (now Fang Holdings, Ltd.), China’s leading real estate internet portal; and China’s Silk Road Technologies, where he is board chairman.

Trujillo has previously served on the boards of Target, Bank of America, PepsiCo, EDS, Orange, Telstra, and Gannett, the newspaper chain that includes USA Today. In the public sector, Trujillo served as a trade policy advisor to the Clinton and Bush administrations and remains active in public policy issues related to immigration, trade, productivity, and fiscal affairs.

In recognition of his lifetime commitment to workplace diversity, Trujillo received the Ronald H. Brown Corporate Bridge-Builder Award from President Clinton in 1999. Most recently, he received the prestigious National Hispanic Hero Award from the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute, recognizing his pioneering achievements in the telecommunications industry, his advocacy on behalf of Latinos, and his leadership of initiatives to rebrand the Latino community.

Born in 1951 in Cheyenne, Wyoming, Trujillo holds a B.S. in business and an MBA (finance) from the University of Wyoming.

# SCHOOL SONG

## FRIENDS FOREVER

*Hail to thee, dear Whittier,  
Home of friends forever;  
Thou art virtuous, Whittier,  
In thy high endeavor.*

*Now we charge thee, Whittier,  
Home where peace and truth are nourished.  
Grant to youth thy spirit till  
Hopes and dreams have fully flourished.*

*Forward ever, Whittier;  
Falter never, Whittier;  
Friends forever, Whittier;  
Alma mater, Whittier.*

Music by Professor of Music Margaretha Lohmann,  
based on *Gaudeamus Igitur*, C.W. Kindeleben, c. 1781  
Words adapted by Professor of English Herbert Harris and  
Professor of History Marjorie Harris



# Whittier College Academic Year 2016-2017

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California State University, Fullerton

**Kristina Marie Flores**  
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† **Julie Anne Sanchez**  
Whittier College

† **Breanna Nicole Gonzales**  
Concordia University Irvine

**Mary Elizabeth Shaw**  
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† **Katherine Lazo**  
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† **Madison Kylie Shipherd**  
Whittier College

†§ **William Joseph Manning**  
Colgate University

† **Alyssa Catherine McCarron**  
James Madison University

† **Monica Miranda Cadenas de Colmenero**  
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Although the College has maintained no formal affiliation with the Religious Society of Friends since the 1940s, the social values of its Quaker heritage—respect for the individual, freedom of conscience, integrity, justice, and internationalism—strongly influence its ethos. From the beginning, the same egalitarian views that placed Quakers in the forefront of the battle to abolish slavery dictated that the College open its doors to persons of both sexes as well as all races and nations. Today, the College is a cosmopolitan vanguard of 21st century society with more than 50 percent of its undergraduates, and three of its four Rhodes Scholars, from underrepresented ethnic and international groups. This cultural diversity profoundly strengthens intellectual discourse and provides a realistic exposure to the kind of world students will enter upon graduation. Students and faculty continue a long tradition of community service, echoing the Quaker conviction that helping others is a moral obligation. International study opportunities enrich every field and major, reflecting the Quaker idea that truth transcends the boundaries of race, culture, and nation.



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