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WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Friends:

It is with a profound sense of pride and gratitude that I write to you on this occasion of the culmination of your years of effort and achievement at the University of Connecticut.

In the 141 years since the founding of our University, there have been many challenges for our community, but few classes can say they have experienced challenges to the extent and intensity faced by you and your peers.

Challenges, though, are merely opportunities for achievement, and your achievements stand among the most impressive of any graduates in our long and proud history. Now, you face the next leg of your journey not only prepared but encouraged by the sure knowledge that you can overcome any obstacle that stands between you and fulfillment.

You are members of a special class, your ranks filled with new scholars of many disciplines and fields, with leaders on issues of urgent public concern, and with innovators who have already embarked on reshaping our world in ways we can scarcely imagine.

I know you will cherish many memories from your time at UConn. Among them, no doubt, will be moments that forged lifelong bonds of friendship; instants of delighted discovery in the classroom or the laboratory; and the feeling of communal empowerment that comes from joining together with thousands of your peers to withstand and overcome the unprecedented challenges of the past few years.

These memories will be a prized possession no matter where your journey leads next. But regardless of your destination, and regardless of how you ultimately reach it, I hope you will always keep in mind one irreducible truth to guide you through the rest of your life as graduates of the University of Connecticut: you are students today, but Huskies forever.

During your study at UConn, our staff and faculty invested in you, offering support, encouragement, and the wisdom that comes with experience. Now it's your turn to carry the torch they passed to you by investing in the lives of those around you and giving back by mentoring others. When you enter the world of work, remember the time and care you received at UConn. Finishing your program does not mean you leave our family at UConn. Just the opposite! You are joining our more than 270,000 alumni. Stay connected, be successful, and know that the greatest joy in life is giving back.

I wish you the very best in all of your endeavors. Again, congratulations! Huskies FOREVER!

Cheers,

Radenka Maric
Interim President
University of Connecticut

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COMMENCEMENT NOTES

Commencement Day at the University of Connecticut is a time of ceremony and pageantry, embracing traditions dating back to medieval times.

The University of Connecticut was founded as the Storrs Agricultural School in 1881 when the General Assembly accepted a gift of money and land from Charles and Augustus Storrs, natives of Mansfield. In 1893 when it became a land-grant college and officially opened to women, the name was changed to Storrs Agricultural College. As the mission of the institution grew, its name was changed in 1899 to Connecticut Agricultural College, and in 1933 to the Connecticut State College. At first a small but vigorous college with limited undergraduate offerings in agriculture, home economics and mechanical arts, with the development of a university program it became The University of Connecticut in 1939. The Graduate program began in 1935, and in 1949 the University awarded its first doctoral degrees. The regional campuses were established in 1946 to accommodate the influx of veteran students. Today, the University is made up of fourteen different schools and colleges. Through its administrative Divisions, Institutes, and Centers, the University is a Land Grant and Sea Grant College and a Space Grant Consortium Institution, privileged to serve the citizens of the State of Connecticut, and beyond.

Enormous expansion has taken place over the years together with increased enrollment. Today, the University has an enrollment of over 32,146 students. At Storrs, there are over 23,837 undergraduates and more than 8,309 graduate students, representing some 113 nations.

This May, the University will award over 9,170 degrees. Of these, approximately 6,125 will be Bachelor's degrees, 1,930 Master's degrees, 156 Juris Doctor degrees, 51 Master of Laws degrees, 83 Doctor of Pharmacy degrees, 49 Doctor of Dental Medicine degrees, 103 Doctor of Medicine degrees, 5 Doctor of Musical Arts degrees, 10 Doctor of Audiology, 5 Doctor of Education degrees, 20 Doctor of Nursing Practice degrees, 29 Doctor of Physical Therapy degrees, and 514 Doctor of Philosophy degrees. Also to be awarded are 62 diplomas in Professional Education and 28 Associate's degrees in the two-year Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture.

The Commencement Ceremony, because of the large number of graduates, is divided into separate exercises, by college or school. The Schools of Dental Medicine and Medicine, located in Farmington, and the Schools of Law and Social Work, both located in Hartford, hold their own exercises. The Commencement procession in each of the exercises at Gampel Pavilion in Storrs is heralded by the ceremonial trumpets, acquired especially for the University's commencement.

THE PROCESSIONAL BANNERS

College and School of Agriculture.....	Brown and Maize
School of Business	Drab Green
Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning	
Bachelor of General Studies	Brown and Blue
School of Dental Medicine	Lilac and Gold
Neag School of Education	Light Blue
School of Engineering	Orange
School of Fine Arts.....	Brown and Pink
The Graduate School	
Masters Candidates	Blue, White and Gold
Doctor of Philosophy	Gold
School of Law	Purple
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences	Navy and Yellow
School of Medicine	Green and Gold
School of Nursing	Apricot
School of Pharmacy	Green
School of Social Work	Citron

The Academic Procession is led by the Bearer of the Mace, followed by the faculty. The University Marshal, identified by her Baton, follows the President, together with the speaker, the Board of Trustees, vice-presidents, deans, and other University officials. The Mace is presented at the center of the stage while members of the platform party enter and take their places. Once the Mace is placed on the stand, it signals the beginning of the ceremony.

COMMENCEMENT

ORDER OF EXERCISES

SCHOOL OF LAW

55 Elizabeth Street, Hartford
Sunday, May 15, 2022 – 10:30 a.m.

PROCESSIONAL

FLAG BEARERS

Jessica Faye Thomas '22, *Juris Doctor, Day Division*
Lillianna Marie Baczeski '22, *Juris Doctor, Evening Division*
Arthur Christian Lefevre '22, *Master of Laws, Energy and Environmental Law*
John Joseph Neumon '22, *Master of Laws, Governance, Risk Management, and Compliance*
David Mauritius Owzar '22, *Master of Laws, Human Rights and Social Justice*
Daniel Gordon Barry '22, *Master of Laws, Insurance Law*
Ismael Hadi Mohammed '22, *Master of Laws, U.S. Legal Studies*
Ridhika Kartan '22, *Juris Doctor, President, Student Bar Association*

SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Carlene Libby Felix '22

INTRODUCTION

Paul Chill '85
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Clinical Professor of Law and Chief Marshal

WELCOMING REMARKS

Eboni S. Nelson
Dean

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Joel Motley
Chairman Emeritus, Human Rights Watch and Member, Council on Foreign Relations

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Jennifer Mailly
Associate Dean for Experiential Education, Clinical Professor of Law and Field Placement Program Director

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Radenka Maric

Interim President

PERRY ZIRKEL '76 DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD PRESENTATION

Eboni S. Nelson

Dean

to

Mary Beattie

Assistant Clinical Professor of Law and Director of Academic Support

STUDENT REMARKS

Marie Elisabeth Lenz '22, Master of Laws

Taylor Marie DiChello '22, Juris Doctor, Evening Division

Morgen Leigh Barroso '22, Juris Doctor, Day Division

ALUMNI WELCOME

James Ruel '99

President, The University of Connecticut Law School Alumni Association, Inc.

RECESSIONAL

SCHOOL OF LAW COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

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Joel Motley

Joel Motley is an independent director of Invesco Mutual Funds and an independent director of the Office of Finance of the Federal Home Loan Bank System. Joel is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and chairman emeritus of the board of Human Rights Watch. Joel also serves on the boards of the Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting, Historic Hudson Valley, and the Greenwall Foundation.

Joel began his career in investment banking at Lazard Freres & Co. in 1985, and he was a founder of Carmona

Motley Inc. in 1992. Prior to investment banking, he served as an aide to Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, serving as chief of the senator's staff in New York City and surrounding counties. Joel joined the Senate staff after five years of corporate law practice, which he began at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett upon graduation from Harvard Law School. He graduated from Harvard College (magna cum laude).

SCHOOL OF LAW

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Julia Audibert
Emma Louise Avery
Saman Azimi
Lillianna Marie Baczeski
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Jeffrey Matthew Beck
Olivia Leigh Benson
Marc George Bernatchez
Priyal Bhargava
Abigail Louise Bicknell
Sara Faith Bigman
Tyson James Blackburn
David Milton Block
Abby Booth
Joan Nettleton Bosma
Alexandra Bostick
James Broderick
Amy Catherine Browen
Meghan Frances Buckley
Christian Peter Burr
Giacomo A. Cabrera
Thomas Robert Carissimi
Sarah Cherfan
Ryan Patrick Coleman
Kristoph John Condos
Joseph Richard Conte III
Patrick Matthew Conway
Collin Sanderson Cowdery
Victoria Rose Damore
Isabella De Lisi
Semir Raif Dervisi
Sharnjit Kaur Dhaliwal
Taylor Marie Dichello
Sarah Lynn Dobson
Patrick John Dudley
James Francis Dunigan IV
Robert Anthony Eagan
Gregory Scott Estabrooks
Emilio A. Estrella Terón
Liana Feinn
Carlene Libby Felix
Kaitlin Rose Fitzgerald
Mariah Isabel Fleming
Matthew John Fratamini

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Marla Katz
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Governance, Risk Management, and Compliance

John Joseph Neumon

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AIR FORCE AND ARMY ROTC

The following have received a commission as Second Lieutenants through the Air Force ROTC program at the University of Connecticut.

Justin Boissonneault
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Logan A. Smith
University of Connecticut

Anthony Bosco
Central Connecticut State University

Nicholas Shpetner
University of Connecticut

Bettina Burke
University of Connecticut

Kamila Sinkevych
University of Connecticut

Army Reserve Officer Training Corps Second Lieutenants Active Duty, National Guard, U.S. Army Reserve

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University of Connecticut
Signal Corps

Aidan Chariton*
University of Connecticut
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Ronald Gaul**
University of Connecticut
Nurse Corps

James C. Bassett**
University of Connecticut
Infantry

Gregory A. Clark
University of Connecticut
Quartermaster Corps

Adam E. Hendrick*
University of Connecticut
Armor

Maria Bilzerian
University of Connecticut
Nurse Corps

Patrick G. Connolly*
University of New Haven
Armor

Elena Hernandez
University of Connecticut
Medical Service Corps

Caleb D. Blanchard*
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Corps of Engineers

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Ryan Zhang

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** Distinguished Military Student*

*** Distinguished Military Graduate*

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Kathleen Wells

Laurel White

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Matt Zadrowski

Kevin Zuchorski

Terra Zuidema

Gaila Zupnik

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Deborah King

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Emily Arciero

Sarita Arteaga

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Thomas Regan

Carla Rivera

Robert Violette

Francine Zeng



The official seal of the University of Connecticut depicts the ancient and mighty oak. Beautiful and sacred, the venerable oak symbolizes wisdom, longevity, and hospitality. To Aristotle, the oak represented human potential.

The oak holds a special place in Connecticut's history. In a time long before statehood, the Connecticut colony's self-governing status was guaranteed by a charter issued by King Charles II of England. When, in 1687, his successor King James II attempted to reinstate the monarchy's authority, the Crown's emissary's efforts were foiled as the Royal Charter was secretly spirited to a temporary hiding place — a majestic oak in Hartford, forever after known as the Charter Oak. The oak became a symbol of freedom worldwide.

The oak has unique meaning for the University as well. In 1884, the commencement exercises of the second graduating class of the Storrs Agricultural School were held in an oak grove on the Storrs campus. This grove, long a favorite gathering place for a variety of open-air meetings, served as the spiritual home to the growing community of scholars.

The University of Connecticut's graphic interpretation of the oak is a stylized synthesis of two acorns and three oak leaves, representing maturation, intellect, and moral strength. The seal is the symbol of a large and diverse institution; it is used by all of the University's schools, colleges, regional campuses, professional schools, and UConn Health. It communicates the broader mission of the University as a center for the pursuit, the creation, and the sharing of knowledge. The University of Connecticut, like the mighty oak, is rooted in a proud past and reaches toward a limitless future.