



COMMENCEMENT

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2020



UNDERGRADUATE CEREMONY

Jefferson College of Architecture and the Built Environment


Jefferson College of Health Professions

Jefferson College of Humanities and Sciences

Jefferson College of Life Sciences

Jefferson School of Continuing and Professional Studies

Kanbar College of Design, Engineering and Commerce





University Mission

We are a university with preeminence in transdisciplinary, experiential professional education, research and discovery, delivering exceptional value for 21st century students with excellence in architecture, business, design, fashion, engineering, health science, and textiles infused with the liberal arts.



This is not how I planned to address you in this important moment of your life.

Which brings me to an important opening statement. However you think your life and career are going, it will not be a straight line. If the COVID pandemic has proven anything, it is that anything can happen!

But that's the future. The fact is that today, this is all about you ... and congratulations, you did it!

Commencement is always an emotional and memorable moment. This year ... well, no one will forget it. Your commencement is a profound accomplishment that happens to be at an extraordinary time. You are, I believe, stepping into a world that needs leadership, that needs professionalism and empathy, that needs you.

The class of 2020 has a number of firsts, starting during the academic year, and ending with the first virtual commencement in the history of Thomas Jefferson University. It reminds me of the virtual commencement celebration held by John Krasinski on his pandemic-inspired virtual show, SGN (Some Good News). I was struck by the advice Steven Spielberg gave:

“One of the things this moment is teaching us is that truly anything is possible. It will be imagination and innovation that gets us to the other side. This is a time of huge loss, but it's also a chance to dream big about our futures together.” *(Steven Spielberg, SGN May 3.)*

He's right. I hope you graduate believing in yourself, and believing in the power of imagination and innovation to get us to the other side.

I also want to acknowledge the loss you've felt by not being together in person for your classes, studio work, labs and final projects, as well as being unable to finish sports schedules, and celebrations among classmates and teammates. All of those make university life rich, and you had to substitute online learning, a digital curriculum and virtual celebrations.

My great hope is that we will all learn from this pandemic. We will learn that our greatest power is human connection, whether in person or virtual. That while science will overcome this virus, it is the human spirit that will sustain us, and drive us to create a better world. In yearning for time with friends and collaborators, I believe we'll know even more deeply the power of creativity, communication and empathy.

Thank you for your amazing work finishing this academic year.



Stephen K. Klasko, MD, MBA
President, Thomas Jefferson University
CEO, Jefferson Health

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Undergraduate Ceremony Program

July 12, 9:00 a.m.

Processional

Trumpet Voluntary
The Jefferson Processional

John Stanley
Burle Marx
Performed by Martin and Shana Hodel

Opening Proclamation

H. Richard Haverstick, Jr.
*Chair, Board of Trustees,
Thomas Jefferson University
and Jefferson Health*

The National Anthem

Margaret A. Lafferty, MD
*Sidney Kimmel Medical College,
Class of 2012*

Convocation and Remarks

Stephen K. Klasko, MD, MBA
*President & CEO
Thomas Jefferson University
and Jefferson Health*

Mark L. Tykocinski, MD
*Provost and Executive Vice President,
Thomas Jefferson University
Dean, Sidney Kimmel Medical College*

Student Speaker

Nick Hammerschmidt

Presentation of the Valedictorian

Valedictorian

Mark L. Tykocinski, MD
Kelly Anne Fallon

Conferring of Degrees in Course

Jefferson College of Architecture
and the Built Environment
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President Klasko
Barbara Klinkhammer, MArch, Dean
Michael Dryer, PA-C, DrPh, Dean
Barbara Kimmelman, PhD, Dean
Gerald B. Grunwald, PhD, Dean
Shelley E. Osagie, EdD, Dean
Ronald G. Kander, PhD, Dean

Recessional

Philadelphia Orchestra, Elgar's 1901
*Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1
in D Major*

Student Speaker

Nick Hammerschmidt '20
B.S in Textile Design



Nick Hammerschmidt is graduating with a B.S. in Textile Design. He was raised in Cherry Hill, NJ. While studying at Jefferson he has been on SGA and is currently serving as Senior Class President. He has also played for the Ultimate Frisbee team of which he most recently was co-captain. Nick participated in Jefferson's Study Abroad program in New Zealand.

Nick wants to thank all of his faculty who instilled creative confidence within him. He also wishes to thank his Mother for not only supporting his education financially but also for supporting his growth as an individual. Nick is very thankful to Jefferson for the many opportunities provided to him as well as all of the faculty, staff and students who have made his experience that much more special.

Jefferson College of Architecture and the Built Environment

Bachelor of Architecture

Nicholas Richard Agnello Mahwah, NJ
Alejandra Arias Dover, NJ
Enya Barquia ‡ Queens, NY
Talcia Adlyn Brown Long Branch, NJ
Joseph E. Burleigh Intercourse, PA
Ross D. Capaccio Hillsborough, NJ
Kyle Austin Chang ‡ Baltimore, MD
Theresa Louise Chiarenza ‡ Cumberland, MD
Patrick Francis Clark West Milford, NJ
Sergio Eduardo Claure Springfield, VA
Zane M. Colville Frenchtown, NJ
Mathew Sean Conrad ‡ Hanover, PA
Blanca Coronel New York, NY
Olivia Choi DeAgro ‡ East Brunswick, NJ
Christine Elise DiTaranti ‡ Clark, NJ
Nhan Chi Dung † Saigon, Vietnam
Anthony Christopher Elia ‡ Lancaster, PA
Dominique Desiree Etienne Brooklyn, NY
Nikos Marios Fasouletos Karpathos, Greece
Anthony Francis Grimaldi Abington, PA
Katelyn J. High Strasburg, PA
Dillan Shannon Hobby Eldersburg, MD
Adam Hoover † Cressona, PA
Andonis B. Hughes Brooklyn, NY
Richard Lawrence Jansen Staten Island, NY
Evelyn Allison Juliano † Philadelphia, PA
Christopher Joseph Marucci Pylesville, MD
Thomas Marzella † Tannersville, PA
Grace Angela Messner Lancaster, PA
Hutten Reeves Moyer ‡ Orwigsburg, PA
Nathan Jeffrey Moyer Reinholds, PA
Austin Robert Natkie Toms River, NJ
Solomon Arhyel Newman † Lagos, Nigeria
Molly Kaitlin Pace ‡ Philadelphia, PA
Helen Phan † Coatesville, PA
Lauren W. Pratty Manhattan Beach, CA
Kelsey Marie Reeser Orwigsburg, PA
Danielle Nichole Robertson ‡ Holtsville, NY
Sarah Ann Rogers Pascoag, RI
Steven Thomas Ruffenach * Exton, PA
Drake Steven Schaefer Red Lion, PA
Matthew J. Scharff Eastampton, NJ
Derek Allan Sibinga †* Glen Mills, PA
Osvaldo Solano-Tavera Gettysburg, PA
NyTesia E. Streeter Philadelphia, PA
Alexandria Turchi ‡ Drexel Hill, PA
Reid Joseph Young Mantua, NJ

Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

Hunter Ashton Dyson Broomall, PA
Teddy Pickering ‡ Philadelphia, PA

Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies

Sarina Baki † Washington Township, NJ
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Dorothy Rand Fitzgerald Allentown, PA
Danielle Schipps Bangor, PA
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Bachelor of Science in Construction Management

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Nicholas Anthony DiLemmo* Doylestown, PA
Michael Anthony Dolecki ‡ Sparta, NJ
Charles Gerard Griffin Staten Island, NY
John Franklin Helms Perkasio, PA
Thomas Andrew Jones Conshohocken, PA
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Nelson Bryan Peralta Philadelphia, PA
Christopher Roscioli Philadelphia, PA
William Andrew Rush Fort Washington, PA
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Bachelor of Science in Interior Design

Paige Mei Angelus	Media, PA	Abigail Cinde Kern ##	Schnecksville, PA
Samantha Evy Barreto	Philadelphia, PA	Anne M. Lederer	Hockessin, DE
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Jefferson College of Health Professions

Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences

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Taryn Harvey	Feasterville, PA	Riley Erin Smith	Clinton, CT
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Jefferson College of Humanities and Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Biopsychology

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Bachelor of Science in Communication

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Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sustainability

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Bachelor of Science in Law and Society

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Bachelor of Science in Psychology

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Jefferson College of Life Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Biology

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Bachelor of Science in Pre-Medical Studies

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Jefferson School of Continuing and Professional Studies

Bachelor of Science in Accounting

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Bachelor of Science in Behavioral and Health Services

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Bachelor of Science in Business Management

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Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences

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Bachelor of Science in Health Services Management

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Philip Forkpa #	Monrovia, Liberia	Terri Marjorie Snyder #	Pottstown, PA
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Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management

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Bachelor of Science in Information Technology

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Bachelor of Science in Leadership in Emergency Services

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Bachelor of Science in Leadership in Homeland Security

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Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership

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Bachelor of Science in Professional Communication and Emerging Media

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Bachelor of Science in Pre-MBA

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Associate of Science in Health and Human Services: Radiologic Technology

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Associate of Science in Occupational Therapy

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Casie Calahan	Feasterville, PA	Cindy B. Nguyen ††	Voorhees, NJ
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Alexander Herrera	Lawrence, NJ	Kathy Carla Smith	Philadelphia, PA
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Kanbar College of Design, Engineering and Commerce School of Design and Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Animation and Digital Media

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Ryan Joseph Coates	Cranford, NJ	Amy Catherine Patrone †	Norton, MA
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Bachelor of Science in Engineering

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Bachelor of Science in Engineering – Mechanical Engineering

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Bachelor of Science in Fashion Design

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Anna DeStefano	Washington Township, NJ	Anna Elizabeth Hutchinson	Warminster, PA
Amanda Lynn Ebeling †	Bethlehem, PA	Allison Noelle Laskowski †	Turnersville, NJ
Mira Franzel	Wynnewood, PA	Meredith Taylor Levy †	Berryville, VA
Shannon Maureen Frawley	Mount Laurel, NJ	Carly Elizabeth McAndrew †	Mount Laurel, NJ

Faith Noelle McGary	San Ramon, CA	Hayley Christine Popolo	Philadelphia, PA
Galilea Montero †	Dallas, TX	Julian Danh Prakansa	Philadelphia, PA
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Bachelor of Science in Graphic Design Communication

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Bachelor of Science in Industrial Design

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Gabriel Cortez	Southampton, PA	Richard James Perfetto †	Brooklyn, NY
Ilan Matthew DiFilippo*	Landenberg, PA	Julia Alyssa Quillen	Malvern, PA
Justin Giuliana	Hatboro, PA	Zachary Michael Samaloni ‡	Blackwood, NJ
Peter William Holderith	Wyckoff, NJ	Daniel James Schunder	Norristown, PA
David Nelson Kahn	Philadelphia, PA	Zane Mazin Shalchi	Doylestown, PA
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Christopher Michael Machuzak	Medford, NJ	Antonio Wooten Jr.	Cincinnati, OH
Victoria Ann March †	Montvale, NJ	Yuhan Zhang †	Baotou, Inner Mongolia
Zachary Ross Montague ††	Ardsley, NY		

Bachelor of Science in Textile Design

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Gabriella DeBlasio ††	Voorhees, NJ	Olivia Claire Pagnotta ‡	Medford, NJ
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Nicholas Albert Hammerschmidt †	Philadelphia, PA	Sabrina Danielle Pinello †	North Massapequa, NY
Neilah Sanyu Lizwelicha ††	Gainesville, FL	Jacob Frederick White	Bridgeport, PA
Courtney Ann Locke †	Towanda, PA	Ryan Albert Wojciechowicz †	Huntingdon Valley, PA

Bachelor of Science in Textile Materials Technology

Ayele Sepopo Nelly-Jocelyne Ayih-Akakpo . Norristown, PA
Madison Rose Carter ## Raleigh, NC
Janay Lynn Crozier † Philadelphia, PA
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School of Business

Bachelor of Science in Accounting

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Gregory James Dawson ## Springfield, PA
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Madeleine Rae McCarren Abington, PA
Dena T. Noiseux ## Merrimack, NH
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Bachelor of Science in Finance

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Caitlyn Marie Cunningham † Dresher, PA
Gunnar Brady Hayes ## Ambler, PA
Thomas John Jakubik Henryville, PA
Milan Mirkovic ## Philadelphia, PA
Angelica Corvette Murphy ## Philadelphia, PA
Victoria Ann Raimondi Lindenhurst, NY
Rashaan Antonio Robe ## Valley Stream, NY
Sahomy Rodriguez ##* Philadelphia, PA
Cesar Armando Solis Philadelphia, PA
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Bachelor of Science in Fashion Merchandising and Management

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Brooke Lee Anderson ## Eastampton, NJ
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Leah Valentine Borelli ## Sinking Spring, PA
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Cassidy Taylor Buch Seaville, NJ
Samantha Elizabeth Burkert ## Mohrsville, PA
Cora Rose Burns ## Langhorne, PA
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Krista Elizabeth Capra Lopatcong, NJ
Grace Spencer Carlson Mullica Hill, NJ
Hannah Mary Costello ## Haddon Heights, NJ
Heather Alicia Cunningham ##* North Wales, PA
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Francesca DiPasquale Nescopeck, PA
Kendra Elizabeth Felt Sayre, PA
Alexa Nicole Giannini ## Medford, NJ
Brianna Rose Giarraputo ## Medford, NJ
Te'a Kaimilani Goode Wilmington, DE
Emily Rose Graciano † Reading, PA
Gina Marie Grasso Philadelphia, PA
Maura Antonia Grigoli York, PA
Victoria Lynn Guarna Philadelphia, PA
Kasie Anne Harris North Abington Township, PA
Jessica Crystal Hatcher Delran, NJ
Emily Lois Hendricksen Hightstown, NJ
Casey Nicole Kiernan Manchester, NJ
Nicole Deanna Knocik ## Blakeslee, PA
Kishanna Marie Sandra Lebrew Reading, PA
Danielle Joy Lehman Lancaster, PA
Celine Camille Links New Hope, PA
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Rebecca Joyce Logue* West Chester, PA
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Dana McGrath Philadelphia, PA
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Chloe O'Neill	Washington Township, NJ	Kelly Ann Schilling ‡	Flanders, NJ
Gemma Michela Pace ‡	Philadelphia, PA	Sierra Dawn Seeley	Denville, NJ
Olivia Marie Palmieri	Nutley, NJ	Alexandra Solsman ‡	Dunmore, PA
Madeline C. Pell	Delran, NJ	Natalie Ann Stein	West Chester, PA
Josephine Louisa Philpott †	Fairfield, CT	Nina Marie Stevenson	Huntingdon Valley, PA
Melasia Pinder †	Philadelphia, PA	Arianna Michelle Sticco ‡*	Philadelphia, PA
Mackenzie Rose Price †	Howell, NJ	Jessica Hannah Vogel	Blue Bell, PA
Emma Corinne Reichley ‡	Franklin, MA	Margaret Marie Wagner †*	Harleysville, PA
Caitlin B. Reilly-Bickel	Philadelphia, PA	Jacqueline Nicole Webb ‡	Flemington, NJ
Jacqueline Emma Rivera	Congers, NY	Kaley Wilson	Baltimore, MD
Alexandra Marie Rybacki ‡*	Pottstown, PA	Madeline Elise Wolf	Highland Park, IL
Nicholette Laura Santilla ‡	Morton, PA	Madison Grace Woytovich	Wyomissing, PA
Savanna Rae Sarcone	New Ringgold, PA	Erin R. Young	Huntingdon Valley, PA

Bachelor of Science in Management

Jack Ryan Galligan	New City, NY	Hunter Michael Roy †	Amsterdam, NY
Kylan Austin Guerra †	White Plains, NY	Myles-Jordan Senior-Campbell	London, United Kingdom
Prince-Charles Hickson	Amityville, NY	Elisha Siegelman †	Philadelphia, PA
Ian Samuel Lake	Pocono Summit, PA	Marlyn Streety	Phoenix, AZ
Ashley Carolyn Lamey	Cape May, NJ	Changwei Wei †	Guangzhou, China
Ryan Lucas	Warminster, PA	David Joseph Wilson	Brick, NJ
Daniel Christopher Ross Jr.	Philadelphia, PA		

Bachelor of Science in Marketing

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Sebastien Durand ‡	Senas, France	Jordan Thomas Purcell	Carlisle, PA
Kayleigh Rose Juba	Perrineville, NJ	Marc Thomas Rivera †	Reading, PA
Jacob Samuel Krieger	Clarks Summit, PA	John Louis Seiner	Sicklerville, NJ
Tiffany Panfile ‡	Pottstown, PA	Michaela Jolee Strangia	Clifton Park, NY

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† Cum Laude (Light Blue)

‡ Magna Cum Laude (Dark Blue)

‡‡ Summa Cum Laude (Dark & Light Blue)

Latin honors indicated in the Commencement Program are unofficial. Official Latin honors will appear on the student's official transcript and diploma.

As final action cannot be taken before the program goes to press, Thomas Jefferson University reserves the right to add or withdraw names from the list of candidates for degrees and certificates.

In curricula such as the degree program in Occupational Therapy, candidates complete formal course work prior to Commencement and fulfill additional clinical requirements during the summer. Students in these programs participate in Commencement Exercises but receive their diplomas only after all requirements have been satisfied.

Honor Societies

Sigma Lambda Alpha Landscape Architecture Honorary Society

Sigma Lambda Alpha (ΣΛΑ) is a scholastic honor society that recognizes academic achievement among students in the field of landscape architecture. It operates within the Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA), a global association of landscape architecture faculty.

Teddy Pickering

Tau Sigma Delta

Tau Sigma Delta, founded in 1913, includes the fields of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, Interior Design and Interior Architecture, Sustainable Design and other fields allied with Architecture. It recognizes intellectual achievement, efforts, and initiative as well as leadership and character.

Enya Barquia

Olivia DeAgro

Melanie Perkins

Kyle Chang

Anthony Christopher Elia

Nicole J. Stough

Theresa Chiarenza

Hutton R. Moyer

Teddy Pickering

Mathew Conrad

Danielle Robertson

Sigma Lambda Chi International Construction Honor Society

The fundamental purpose of Sigma Lambda Chi is to provide recognition to outstanding students in construction curricula. Sigma Lambda Chi is the society that offers students the opportunity to be recognized locally and internationally for their academic accomplishments as a construction major.

William A. Rush

Delta Mu Delta

Delta Mu Delta is an international business honor society that recognizes and encourages academic excellence of students at qualifying colleges and universities to create a DMD community that fosters the wellbeing of its individual members and the business community. Membership in Delta Mu Delta confirms a proven track record of academic excellence, the knowledge and drive to succeed in a business career. Membership in Delta Mu Delta is the highest international recognition you can earn.

Leah Valentine Borelli

Nicole Rutkowski

Alexa Nicole Giannini

Alexandra Rybacki

Lambda Nu

Lambda Nu, the National Honor Society for Radiologic and Imaging Sciences, was founded in 2001 at Arkansas State University. There are currently 184 chapters in 43 states and the District of Columbia. Thomas Jefferson University received a charter to form the Pennsylvania Gamma Chapter of Lambda Nu in 2002. Individuals are selected for membership in Lambda Nu on the basis of promoting the Society's objectives: fostering scholarship at the highest academic levels, promoting research and investigation in the radiologic and imaging sciences and recognizing exemplary scholarship.

Kathy Ann Aikens	Lauren Haenn	Nicole Anne O'Neal
Ayaz Muhammad Anaan	Rachel Christina Hamer	Emily Lynn Peterson
Adrian Rose Arnt	Elizabeth Kania	Melisa Anne Phung
Marlena Marie Arrigale	Mindy Kim	Krish Bakhshi Quarberg
Brianna Nicole Austin	Stephanie Kramer Ladner	Chelsea Denielle Robb
Diana M. Beatty	Samantha Laspada	Emily Catherine Sitar
Danny Chen	Jennifer Le	Stephanie Lee Sleighter-Isenberg
Angela M. Constantino	Michael Joseph Malacari	Tatyana Tkach
James Cody Davis	Alexandria Nicole Marquette	Heather Rosalyn Tracy
Desiree Lynn Dinko	Madison Nichole Martin	Claudia Sthefany Vaca-Aratea
Kelly Ann Dougherty	Jared M. Martine	Trang Thi Minh Vu
Daniel Joseph Fitzsimons	Dennis Joseph McDermott	Lisa Wilcox
Ashlee Marie Franklin	Kaihan Moore	Thomas Joseph Wolf
Sarah Jo Frick	Ashley Brooke Moraglia	Haley Michelle Zukowski-Echols
Darya Galatyuk	Abigail Patricia Morell	
Patrick Guarnieri	Anh Nguyen	

Psi Chi – The National Honor Society of Psychology

Psi Chi is an international honor society whose purpose shall be to encourage, stimulate, and maintain excellence in scholarship of the individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology.

Kaitlyn Farrelly	Darcie Howard	Chyanne Leshner
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Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society

Founded in 1945 at Northwestern University, Alpha Sigma Lambda is a national honor society devoted to the advancement of scholarship and recognition of nontraditional students continuing their education all while fulfilling their many responsibilities home, family, career, community and education.

Membership is restricted to matriculated students in the baccalaureate degree programs offered through the School of Continuing and Professional Studies who have completed at least 24 credits at Thomas Jefferson University, with a minimum of 12 credits in the Liberal Arts. They must maintain a minimum 3.6-grade point average and be in the top 20 percent of those qualified.

Mary Barton	Nadira Harris	Kristen Novitski
Levar Baxter	Maureen Harrison	Belmin Oommen
Kerry Beals	Scott Hutchings	Myettia Peck
Tyler Bonita	Danielle Jamison	Cheryl Pierre
Kerry Borbidge	Ricki Koch	Patricia Richie
Michelle Clemente	Jennifer Leary	Alexis Romney
Benedi Dasonama	Tiffany Lewis	Jason Ruppenthal
Emilyn Giancaterino	Justin McAninley	Bianca Santos Huertas
Alicia Gifford	Lerence Melton	Terri Snyder
Robert Hamell	Christina Najmola	

Philadelphia University Honors Institute at Thomas Jefferson University

Philadelphia University Honors at Thomas Jefferson University provides academically talented, driven and intellectually curious students substantive experiences in professional and multi-disciplinary tracks. Philadelphia University Honors at Jefferson assures direct and meaningful contact with faculty, outstanding peers and industry leaders. In addition to advising from top scholars, Honors students receive guidance about prestigious post-graduate scholarship opportunities. Honors courses focus on perfecting writing, presentation and overall communication skills, while providing a student-centered experience that promotes experimentation and innovation in teaching, learning and scholarship. It brings together students from different majors to build peer groups that deepen intellectual engagement with faculty and advance collaborative, innovative and professional pursuits.

Kendra Ackerman	Gabriella DeBlasio	Danielle Robertson
Brittany Buleza	Brianna Giarraputo	Jeffrey Sharza
Thomas Buonanno	Tristy Paulose	Todd Sweeney

The University Mace

Originally a medieval weapon, the mace evolved from a short staff weighted with metal (used for breaking armor) into a bejeweled and sculptural relic. It fell into disuse by the 16th century as firearms made protective armor and some hand-to-hand combat weapons obsolete. In one of the earliest ceremonial uses of the mace, it was carried by the royal bodyguard before the French king in the 1200s. Examples of the mace as a symbol of authority in modern government include its use in the British House of Commons where the ceremonial mace has a presence on the Treasury table and in the U.S. House of Representatives, where it is placed on a pedestal to the right of the Speaker's podium when the House is convened.

Universities also used the ceremonial mace, borne by the chief marshal, during academic processions. The Thomas Jefferson University Mace, carried for the first time in the 1986 commencement ceremonies by Grand Marshal Robert Mandle, PhD, was designed and cast by Howard Serlick, member of the Guild of Mastercraftsmen, Winterthur Scholar and Chief Conservator (Gilding) of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. It was crafted by silversmith Eugene Zweigle and woodturner Michael Copeland.

The four-foot-long, 14-pound mace is made of ebony highlighted with lapis lazuli to reflect Jefferson's colors (black and blue). It features a miniature of Henry Mitchell's sculpture, the "Winged Ox of Saint Luke," symbol of Saint Luke the Physician, the original of which stands on campus beside the Scott Building on Walnut Street. The miniature was cast in silver by Zweigle.

Mitchell's original statue of the "Winged Ox," adopted by the University in 1976 as its symbol of clinical excellence, is mounted on a column containing the names of 50 medical scientists who have most advanced the art of healing. It also reflects the historical evolution of Thomas Jefferson University from its beginnings as Jefferson Medical College in 1824 to its current. The mace, a grand emblem of the University's heritage, is carried at the head of all formal academic processions.

The Presidential Medallion of Thomas Jefferson University

The President's Medallion was created in 2009 during the tenure of Robert L. Barchi, MD, PhD, the fourth President of Thomas Jefferson University. It replaced the previous, well-worn President's Medallion made in 1977, which had depicted four old corporate seals used in various eras of the institution's history.

The current medallion was designed and crafted by Tiffany & Company, New York. It consists of a sterling silver medallion suspended from a heavy, silver double-link chain. The medallion's obverse depicts the University seal; a bas-relief profile of Thomas Jefferson and the surround reads, "THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY - 1824," the year the institution was founded. The reverse is engraved with the names of the four University Presidents.

Silver is a metal long-associated with medicine and is recognized to have anti-bacterial properties. Hippocrates (ca. 300 BCE) acknowledged the healing powers of silver and the ancients used silver bottles to keep water or wine from spoiling. The expression "born with a silver spoon in your mouth" comes from the

Middle Ages; when the wealthy gave their children silver spoons to suck on to prevent disease. Like many academic traditions, the display of a heavy "chain of office" comes down to us from medieval regalia and represents the weight of responsibility for the wearer. The chain itself connotes strength in unity, as well as strong communication.

The Presidential Medallion is worn by the President at all convocations of the University.

The Jefferson Processional

The Jefferson Processional was commissioned by the Alumni Association of Jefferson Medical College, now named Sidney Kimmel Medical College and played for the first time on November 15, 1974, at the Sesquicentennial Celebration of the Sidney Kimmel Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University. This piece was presented to Thomas Jefferson University by the President of the Alumni Association, John J. Gartland, MD. It was composed by Burle Marx.

Academic Regalia

The attire worn at academic ceremonies evolved from the dress worn by clergy in the 12th and 13th centuries. Throughout the years, European universities have continued to show great diversity in their academic dress. American universities, when they decided to adopt academic dress in 1895, immediately established a code of regulations that today is followed by practically all American institutions.

The code provides for three types of gowns. Those worn by the bachelors are made of black worsted material and have long, pointed sleeves. Masters may wear either black silk or black woolen gowns, made with a long, closed sleeve with an arc of a circle appearing near the bottom, and a slit for the arm. The doctors' gowns are black material, typically silk, with a full, round, open sleeve. They are faced with velvet and have three bars of velvet or chevrons, on each sleeve. The color of the velvet trim may be black or the same color as the velvet, indicative of the discipline, which edges the hood.

The black Oxford or mortarboard-style cap is worn for all degrees, but only the doctor's cap may be made of velvet and only doctors or presidents of institutions may wear a gold tassel on the cap. The tassel fastened to the center of the cap is normally worn in the left-front quadrant of the cap and is made of black thread.

It is the hood, however, that is the most important and distinctive feature of the American Code. The system established by the Intercollegiate Commission enables anyone attending an academic function in this country to distinguish at a glance the bachelors, masters and doctors, and, at the same time, recognize the university that has given the degree.

The doctor's hood, of black cloth matching the gown, is four feet in length and made with a wide panel. The master's and bachelor's hoods are three-and-one-half feet and three feet in length, respectively. They are made of black cloth matching the gowns and follow the Oxford shape. The hoods for all the degrees are lined with silk in the official academic color or colors of the institution conferring the degree.

The binding or trim of all the hoods is of velvet or velveteen, two inches, three inches and five inches wide for the bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees, respectively. The color of this velvet trim indicates the department or faculty to which the degree pertains, each department having been assigned a different color by the Intercollegiate Code

DESCRIPTION OF ACADEMIC DRESS

The colors associated with many of the academic disciplines are

Violet	<i>Architecture</i>	Apricot	<i>Nursing</i>
White	<i>Arts and Letters</i>	Slate Blue	<i>Doctor of Occupational Therapy</i>
Tan or Drab	<i>Business</i>	Maize	<i>Bachelor of Science</i>
Light Blue	<i>Education</i>	Olive	<i>Pharmacy</i>
Teal	<i>Family Therapy</i>	Dark Blue	<i>Philosophy</i>
Green	<i>Medicine</i>	Teal	<i>Physical Therapy</i>
Plum	<i>Midwifery</i>	Salmon	<i>Public Health</i>

Adapted from *The Story of Caps and Gowns*, by Helen Walters, 1939, E.G. Moore: New York.



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