



Dear Graduates:

It is a pleasure to celebrate your considerable achievements during your years at the University of Richmond. Today, we also look forward to your still greater achievements in the years to come.

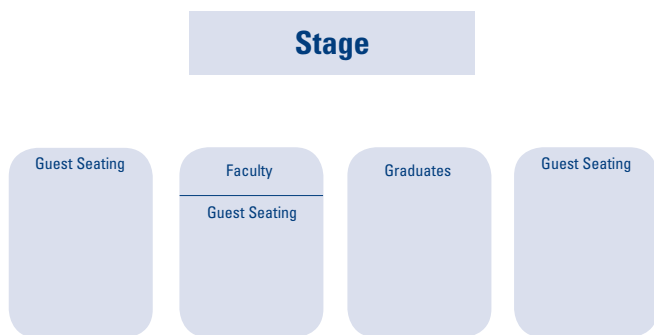
Our shared aim here has been ambitious—our work together characterized by intellectual challenge, expanded knowledge, and fueled imagination. Many of you embraced this work while pursuing careers and raising families—a clear sign of your dedication to learning, which I very much admire.

All of us here share great pride in your accomplishments. It has been a privilege to have you in our community, and I hope you will continue to think of the University as your home throughout your lives.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ed Ayers". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Edward L. Ayers
President



Seating Areas

Degree recipients of the prior December are placed within their respective degree groups.

Order of Recognition

Students are recognized in the order shown in this program.

Photographs

For safety precautions, family members and guests will not be permitted to approach the graduate-seating and stage areas during the ceremony to take pictures. Candid Color, a University vendor, will take a photo of each graduate receiving his or her diploma and again once off stage.

Note: Only authorized press and University photographers are permitted on the arena floor during the ceremony. When the ceremony has concluded and the platform party has recessed, graduates and their families are invited to take photographs in front of the stage.

Kids' Korner—Robins Center Room 242

To ensure the comfort of parents and small children, as well as that of our other guests, room 242 has been designated as a family-friendly area. There will be a live video "feed" of the Commencement program in the room, so parents will still be able to view the program in its entirety. Ushers will be happy to direct you to the Kids' Korner.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

PRESIDING

Dr. Edward L. Ayers
President, University of Richmond

Academic Processional March and National Anthem.....	James River Brass
Invocation	Kate O'Dwyer Randall <i>Acting Chaplain to the University</i>
Welcome	President Ayers
Introductory Remarks.....	Dr. James L. Narduzzi <i>Dean, School of Continuing Studies</i>
Student Speaker.....	Vincent C. West, '09
Introduction of Commencement Speaker	Judy Strickland Casella, '09
Commencement Address	Colonel Kimberly S. Lettner, '06 <i>Chief, Virginia's Division of Capitol Police</i>
Presentation of Awards	Dean Narduzzi
2009 Itzkowitz Family Distinguished Faculty Award.....	Dr. Robert S. Kelley <i>Adjunct Professor</i>
2009 Gibb Family Distinguished Alumni Award	W. Joseph Winston, UC'71
Conferring of Degrees	President Ayers
Benediction	Chaplain O'Dwyer Randall



Other Participants on the Dais

James M. Helms III, <i>Adjunct Professor</i>	University Marshal
Brian L. Taylor, '09	Mace Bearer
Annette Williams Branch, '09	United States Flag Bearer
Kimberly Morgan Harley, '09	University of Richmond Flag Bearer
David Leslie Wade, '09.....	SCS Banner Bearer
Dr. Patricia J. Brown, <i>Senior Associate Dean, School of Continuing Studies</i>	Reader
Susan D. Breeden, <i>Registrar, University of Richmond</i>	Assisting with Diplomas
Sandra S. Kirkland, <i>Director of Student Services, School of Continuing Studies</i>	SCS Marshal
Mary Ramsey Evans, '02, G'06, <i>President, UC-SCS Alumni Association</i>	Presenter

Please join us following Commencement for a reception in the Robins Center Ambulatory and Patio Level hosted by the School of Continuing Studies.

**Mace, Flag, Banner bearers, and other students participating in the program are graduating seniors with the highest grade point averages. In the event of a tie, selection is made by committee.*

Students in Completion of Award Requirements

**CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED STUDIES
GRADUATES — AUGUST 20, 2008**

Anna Louise DiGraziaRichmond, Va.
Lauren Nicole MostromRichmond, Va.
Crystal MacArthur RoseRichmond, Va.
Tatsiana Sergeevna Sauneva Vitebsk, Belarus
Mira SheaRichmond, Va.
Masao TaninobuKitakyushu City, Japan

**CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED STUDIES
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

Anjum Ashraf AliRichmond, Va.
• Sherri D. Balderson Mechanicsville, Va.
+Wibbie Lois BrownRichmond, Va.
Lisa M. Busch Shreveport, La.
+Raymond Michael ConnerMidlothian, Va.
Gary Matthew FletcherMidlothian, Va.
• Kateryna GololobovaDonetsk, Ukraine
Heather A. JenningsRichmond, Va.
• Andrea Denise KingRichmond, Va.
+Mitchell Lee Rama Powhatan, Va.
Kristi L. Rowe Chesterfield, Va.
• Richard Milton Schluter New Orleans, La.
+Anisha DeVonne Trice Louisa, Va.

**POST BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED STUDIES
GRADUATES — AUGUST 20, 2008**

Amy Sue Beverly Maplewood, N.J.
Jennifer Pauline Karapetyan Virginia Beach, Va.
* Sarah Lynn McCormack Glen Allen, Va.
Shakira Janelle Alexander Williams Chesterfield, Va.

**POST BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED STUDIES
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

* +Kimberly Sarah BaileyRichmond, Va.
* Julie Harris BenkovitzRichmond, Va.
* +Laura Elaine Bradlee Elkton, Md.
* +Megan Anne Bradley Chaska, Minn.
* +Kristin Cash BrantnerRichmond, Va.
* +Christopher T. BrooksRichmond, Va.
* Isaiah Brown IIIRichmond, Va.

*Allyson Leanne Bruhn	Lafayette, Colo.
* +Andrea J. Bullis.....	Midlothian, Va.
*Dagmar Kristine Carlsen.....	Glen Allen, Va.
*Erin Elizabeth Casey	Richmond, Va.
* +Erin E.M. Chalifoux	Richmond, Va.
* +Melissa Wilson Cloney.....	Richmond, Va.
*Katherine Jeanne Confer.....	Mechanicsville, Va.
* +Lara Teague Curry.....	Richmond, Va.
*Madeline Ewing Damron	Richmond, Va.
Winston Davenport	Bowie, Md.
*Alicia Jean Epperson.....	Egg Harbor Twp., N.J.
Isela Angelica Espinoza	Fort Worth, Texas
* +Jeffrey C. Gaylord.....	Williamsburg, Va.
*Michelle Lynn Glass	Virginia Beach, Va.
*Kristin Glotzl	Mechanicsville, Va.
* +Jill Lauren Good.....	Concord, N.H.
* +Thomas Reid Gordon.....	Colonial Heights, Va.
* +Kathryn Bailey Griffin.....	Williamsburg, Va.
* +Jessica B. Grubbs	Richmond, Va.
*Sandra Kaye Hamilton.....	Glen Allen, Va.
* +Robert Scott Hanback	Richmond, Va.
*Todd Evans Hansen	Glen Allen, Va.
* +Jessica Grubb Harrington	Richmond, Va.
* +Ryan Hirtz	Richmond, Va.
* +Eleanor Claire Duart Hudson	Virginia Beach, Va.
* +Katherine Jane Johnson	Richmond, Va.
* +Kelly Ryan Kameros.....	Richmond, Va.
* +John Frederick Kirn Jr.	Midlothian, Va.
* +Stacia M. Kowalczyk.....	Colts Neck, N.J.
* +Linda Laino	Richmond, Va.
*David Thomas Lewis	Bowling Green, Va.
* +Robert Matthew McGee.....	Richmond, Va.
* +Helen E. McLendon.....	Richmond, Va.
*Susan Koontz Mills	Richmond, Va.
* +Carrie Ann Morris	Glen Allen, Va.
*Ashley Maria Phelps	Midlothian, Va.
* +Abbie Crouch Radcliffe.....	Richmond, Va.
*Kathryn L. Regan	Richmond, Va.
•Linda D. Samuel	Richmond, Va.
* +Glenda Shulleeta.....	Glen Allen, Va.
*Elizabeth Tanner Smith.....	Church Road, Va.
*Shannon Elizabeth Smith	Richmond, Va.
* +Chad Scott Southward.....	Sandston, Va.
* +Christina Reneé Williamson	Richmond, Va.
* +Justine G. Winn.....	Richmond, Va.
* +Maria Rose Young	Glen Allen, Va.

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN DISASTER SCIENCE
CANDIDATE — MAY 9, 2009**

Daniel H. LoFaro.....Wilmington, Del.

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN HUMAN RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

Edith A. Bassett.....Richmond, Va.
•Katherine M. Black.....Glen Allen, Va.
Marjory Limeira de Oliveira.....Sao Luis, Brazil
Veronica Franco-Aguilar.....Medellin, Colombia
Jacqueline D. Stauffer.....Richmond, Va.
Nancy L. Tobin.....Chester, Va.
+Anne Campbell Viscuso.....Richmond, Va.

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN TEACHER LICENSURE
PREPARATION CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

*Ashley A. Austin.....Pulaski, N.Y.
*Mary Katherine Brill.....Richmond, Va.
*Taylor Anne Cobb.....Richmond, Va.
*Christina Celeste D'Angelo.....Northport, N.Y.
*Christi Hopper.....Richmond, Va.
*Lauren Cheryl Ligon.....Midlothian, Va.
*Joel R. McIlwain.....Aylett, Va.
*Stephanie Bryna Norris.....Richmond, Va.
*Anne Crittenden Pierce.....Richmond, Va.
*Michael Lee Schad.....Boones Mill, Va.
*Kathy Irene Smith.....Flushing, Mich.
*Sarah Ellis Snead.....Powhatan, Va.
*Anne Randolph Tabb.....Richmond, Va.

**ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED STUDIES
GRADUATE — AUGUST 20, 2008**

Thomas Douglas Penny.....Richmond, Va.

**ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED STUDIES
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

+James W. Bowler, *magna cum laude*.....Glen Allen, Va.
+Maya Colette Eakins, *magna cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.
•Angela Powers Morrell.....Gum Spring, Va.
+Karol Hobson Norman, *magna cum laude*.....Mechanicsville, Va.
+Michele A. Stanley, *cum laude*.....Chesterfield, Va.

**ASSOCIATE IN LIBERAL ARTS
GRADUATE — AUGUST 20, 2008**

Brett Watson Haddon, *cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.

**ASSOCIATE IN LIBERAL ARTS
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

Marjorie Jones.....Richmond, Va.
Megan Anne McClung, *summa cum laude* Chesterfield, Va.
+Trishawanna Ryeneshia MurrayRichmond, Va.
•Timothy R. PattersonRockville, Va.
Patrick Jordan SealsRichmond, Va.
Anna Katheryn Penhallow TravisRichmond, Va.

**BACHELOR OF APPLIED STUDIES
GRADUATES — AUGUST 20, 2008**

Ronnie L. ArmsteadRichmond, Va.
Scott Christopher Booth, *magna cum laude*Richmond, Va.
Kirsten Nikai Contaxis.....Richmond, Va.
Gayle R. CrumpRichmond, Va.
Elizabeth Little-Cherry, *magna cum laude*.....Hampton, Va.
Russell Benjamin Milam Jr., *magna cum laude* Alexandria, Va.
David H. Naoroz, *cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.
Donita Simien, *cum laude*.....Chesapeake, Va.
Gene M. Taitano, *summa cum laude* Stafford, Va.
Joseph William Zebrine, *cum laude*..... Chesterfield, Va.

**BACHELOR OF APPLIED STUDIES
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

Pamela Denise Bailey.....Wakefield, Va.
+Todd J. Blair, *cum laude*.....San Mateo, Calif.
•Robert Alan Blakley Jr. Woodbridge, Va.
John H. Boyce Jr., *summa cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.
Leon Jeffery Brooks, *cum laude* Chesterfield, Va.
•Stepahnie Michelle Butler..... Hustle, Va.
Elizabeth Olivia Carreras, *cum laude*..... Baltimore, Md.
+Tyler B. Cary, *magna cum laude*..... Mechanicsville, Va.
Tracy Marie Cauthorn, *magna cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.
•Vivienne Choi.....Richmond, Va.
•Carla Michelle Cook.....Richmond, Va.
Susan Gail Collins Cottle, *cum laude*Richmond, Va.
•Douglas E. Coulter..... Fairfax, Va.
+Frederick C. Crosby II, *magna cum laude*Mechanicsville, Va.
+Shelly Sherman Crowder, *summa cum laude*Prince George, Va.
+Joshua J. Davis Louisa, Va.
•Michael Glynn DavisHopewell, Va.

+ Conferred December 2008 Graduate
• Prospective August 2009 Candidate
* Teacher Licensure Program Candidate

•James Robert Dawson Jr.....	Richmond, Va.
•Kari L. Dottellis.....	Waldorf, Md.
Elizabeth Enos	Richmond, Va.
•Cleavester Ferrell II	Richmond, Va.
Julia M. Fisher, <i>cum laude</i>	Richmond, Va.
•Aleta Michelle Fonville	Richmond, Va.
Karen M. Furgurson, <i>cum laude</i>	Bumpass, Va.
•Christine Marie Gallagher	Manassas, Va.
+Gerald N. Gordon	Glen Allen, Va.
•Mark Downey Hagan	Richmond, Va.
+Jennifer Bernadette Hinkle, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Chester, Va.
+Anthony L. Hood, <i>cum laude</i>	Chesapeake, Va.
•Patrick T. Horrigan	Richmond, Va.
+Edwin Lawrence Jarvis, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Virginia Beach, Va.
+Dennis Keane, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Virginia Beach, Va.
•Martin Carter Kehoe	Warrenton, Va.
Sheila Marie Kennedy, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Midlothian, Va.
+Andrea Sebree Kilpatrick, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Richmond, Va.
+Michelle Simone Larkin	Fredericksburg, Va.
+Robert Carl Leinberger Jr., <i>magna cum laude</i>	Colonial Heights, Va.
+Jeffrey M. Liebold, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Oak Hill, Va.
+Eldred John Samuel MacMillian	Richmond, Va.
+Michael Allen Manning, <i>summa cum laude</i>	White River Junction, Vt.
+William Gildo Marsiglio III, <i>cum laude</i>	Chesterfield, Va.
•Sara Jo Martinez.....	Richmond, Va.
•Robert Martin Matthews Jr.	Chesapeake, Va.
•Archibald S. McFarlane.....	Belize City, Belize, Central America
+Dorene Scarangella McKelvy, <i>cum laude</i>	Richmond, Va.
Christopher Scott Methvin, <i>cum laude</i>	Natchitoches, La.
•Cynthia L. Moore.....	Prince George, Va.
+Adrienne Meador Murray, <i>cum laude</i>	Chesterfield, Va.
Brenda Ann Neckvatal, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Richmond, Va.
•Oyintari G. Oborokumo.....	Delta, Nigeria
Adrian Otero	Richmond, Va.
Erik Arne Owren, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Bolton, Conn.
+James Joseph Profita, <i>cum laude</i>	Chester, Va.
+Theodric Jermaine Rainey, <i>summa cum laude</i>	South Hill, Va.
Jennifer Lee Reeves, <i>cum laude</i>	Fayetteville, N.C.
•Matthew Benjamin Rice Sr.	Aylett, Va.
•John L. Roberts Jr.....	Portsmouth, Va.
•Denise M. Robertson	Richmond, Va.
+Richard W. Rodeheaver	Cumberland, Md.
Jennifer C. Samreny, <i>summa cum laude</i>	San Francisco, Calif.
+Carol Saulnier, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Arlington, Va.
Jennifer L. Smith, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Richmond, Va.
Cory H. Stringer, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Dahlonega, Ga.
+Gregory Daniel Symenow, <i>magna cum laude</i>	Winchester, Va.
+Brian L. Taylor, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Chesapeake, Va.

- Shannon Ashley Thomas..... Chesterfield, Va.
- Troy N. Tilley Chesapeake, Va.
- Jerry Brian Turner Chesapeake, Va.
- Derek Scott Uphold Chesapeake, Va.
- +Amy J. Valdez, *magna cum laude* Virginia Beach, Va.
- +David Leslie Wade, *summa cum laude* Chesapeake, Va.
- +John Andrew Wallace, *cum laude*..... Silver Spring, Md.
- Patricia Louise Woodward, *magna cum laude*..... Mechanicsville, Va.

**BACHELOR OF LIBERAL ARTS
GRADUATES — AUGUST 20, 2008**

- Kelly Lynn Holyfield Angelo, *magna cum laude* Spotsylvania, Va.
- Jason Christopher Brown.....Richmond, Va.
- Joy Eileen Brown, *magna cum laude* Milford, Va.
- James E. Crawford Jr., *summa cum laude* Fredericksburg, Va.
- Steven Forrest Curtis, *magna cum laude*..... Ruther Glen, Va.
- Ashley Alexandra Finotti Drummond, *magna cum laude*.....Colonial Beach, Va.
- Cheri L. Evans, *cum laude*..... New York, N.Y.
- Abigail Asali Hintzen, *magna cum laude*Richmond, Va.
- Robert Patrick Jennell, *magna cum laude*Salem, Va.
- Jade D. Johnson, *cum laude*Buffalo, N.Y.
- Jenny Viola Kurtz, *summa cum laude* Fredericksburg, Va.
- Kimberley Ann Lacks Chesterfield, Va.
- Anita Manor Mahaffey, *magna cum laude*.....Manassas, Va.
- Leigh Anne Mitchell, *magna cum laude* Roanoke, Va.
- Anthony C. Muhammad, *cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.
- Kay Antoinette Portmess, *summa cum laude*..... Spotsylvania, Va.
- Russell Paul Ramsey, *magna cum laude*Richmond, Va.
- Francine Almond Reynolds, *summa cum laude*Richmond, Va.
- Leeanne Higgins Sarkees, *magna cum laude*Richmond, Va.
- Robin Collins Stewart, *summa cum laude* Chester, Va.
- Matthew Brandon Stroud, *magna cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.
- Christopher L. Taylor, *magna cum laude*..... Spotsylvania, Va.
- Julie Ann Yates, *summa cum laude* Roanoke, Va.

**BACHELOR OF LIBERAL ARTS
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

- +Jessica L. Albertson, *summa cum laude*Richmond, Va.
- * Mayra Noemi Alvarez, *cum laude*Richmond, Va.
- Dawn Vanessa Ball, *summa cum laude* ... Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
- Gerald David Bennett Fredericksburg, Va.
- Erica Christine Blackwell, *cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.
- Jodie E. Bostain.....Richmond, Va.
- Annette Williams Branch, *summa cum laude*..... Powhatan, Va.
- Alison Nadira Branker..... Fredericksburg, Va.
- +William Charles Breitenbach, *magna cum laude*.....Richmond, Va.

+ Conferred December 2008 Graduate
• Prospective August 2009 Candidate
* Teacher Licensure Program Candidate

- Catherine Ann Brooks Fredericksburg, Va.
- Judy Strickland Casella Richmond, Va.
- Benjamin Tabor Cronk Richmond, Va.
- Larry V. Dumlao Jr. Waipahu, Hawaii
- + Patricia Ann Franzese, *summa cum laude* Elizabeth City, N.C.
- Gail Lee Green Richmond, Va.
- Kristen Tyler Griffin Richmond, Va.
- Georgianna Allen Hairston Danville, Va.
- * + Kimberly Morgan Harley, *summa cum laude* Richmond, Va.
- Angela Denise Harris Danville, Va.
- Carleen L. Harris, *summa cum laude* Richmond, Va.
- Judy Motley Hiltwine Danville, Va.
- Michele K. Jarvis-Nelms Spotsylvania, Va.
- Terrance L. Jones, *cum laude* Richmond, Va.
- Tracey Denise Jones Richmond, Va.
- Tracy Ann Jones Fredericksburg, Va.
- + Shawn Croker Justis, *magna cum laude* Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Elizabeth Anne Kanady Roanoke, Va.
- Melissa Hux Lee, *cum laude* Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
- + Johanna Cooper Merritt, *magna cum laude* Roanoke, Va.
- Jonathan E. Mills Jr. Danville, Va.
- Angelia B. Neighbors Sandston, Va.
- Eleanor M. Osborne Gretna, Va.
- Vanessa LaVerne Perkins Danville, Va.
- Sabrina M. Peters Stafford, Va.
- Brian T. Peyton Fredericksburg, Va.
- Davina Naomi Redden-Harrison South Ozone Park, N.Y.
- Jonathan Sahlin Spotsylvania, Va.
- Stephanie Lynn Smith, *cum laude* Richmond, Va.
- Stephanie M. Soldan Fredericksburg, Va.
- Robbin Jones Stewart Chesterfield, Va.
- Julia E. Stokes Richmond, Va.
- Rachel Phelps Stowe Dry Fork, Va.
- Zina W. Thaxton, *magna cum laude* Powhatan, Va.
- Tori Vianne Warren Elkwood, Va.
- Vincent C. West Richmond, Va.
- Patricia Dayberry White Buffalo Junction, Va.
- Jesse Alan Young Sandston, Va.

**MASTER OF DISASTER SCIENCE
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

Ellen Ann Black.....	Marietta, Ga.
•Mary Kathleen Gorman	Richmond, Va.
+William A. Lowe.....	Fayetteville, Ga.
•Christopher John Mason	Somerset, Ky.
•Anna Mulé McRay	Henrico, Va.
•Stephanie R. Merkli.....	Haymarket, Va.
•Beth Anne Simonds.....	Richmond, Va.

**MASTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
GRADUATES — AUGUST 20, 2008**

Jennifer Holowka Nourse	Rochester, Mich.
Ruth Woods Tilley	Mechanicsville, Va.

**MASTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
CANDIDATES — MAY 9, 2009**

Stephanie Holt Arner	Richmond, Va.
+Barbara Bolton-Slater.....	Chicago Heights, Ill.
•Kathleen Ann Carmody	Richmond, Va.
•Amel Cuskovic.....	Richmond, Va.
Marguerite Dewey Daniels.....	Richmond, Va.
•Kevin L. Dobbins	Richmond, Va.
•Felicia Cristina Ellis	High Point, N.C.
•Jarita Fife.....	Richmond, Va.
•Thomas Joseph Froncek Jr.....	Richmond, Va.
•Leslie Todd Hanson	Glen Allen, Va.
•Michelle Dawn Holden	Richmond, Va.
•Antoinette D.W. Hopkins.....	Mechanicsville, Va.
•Monica Frenzola Kellam	Martinsville, Va.
Casey J. Kiser	Clemmons, N.C.
Samreen Sumi Lanneau	Herndon, Va.
•Rebecca Nichols	Midlothian, Va.
Albert Edward Pickering IV.....	Richmond, Va.
+Angelia M. Sposa.....	Powhatan, Va.
•Lauren A. Stevens.....	Richmond, Va.

Awards and Honors

2009 BOOK AWARD RECIPIENTS

Book Awards recognize academic success and dedication to the School of Continuing Studies and the University. They are presented to a student in each program, as chosen by the faculty.

Disaster Science

Graduate Programs in Disaster Science Book Award..... Mary Kathleen Gorman

Emergency Services Management

Louis J. Narduzzi Memorial Book Award.....Michael Allen Manning

Human Resource Management

Richard W. Leatherman Sr. and

Ida May Leatherman Book Award Jennifer C. Samreny

Graduate Programs in Human Resource Management

Book Award Anne Campbell Viscuso

Steve Neal Book Award for the Outstanding Undergraduate

Student in Public Safety University Christine Marie Gallagher

Steve Neal Book Award for Outstanding

Graduate Achievement Marguerite Dewey Daniels

Information Systems

George E. Christopher and

George W. Swartz Memorial Book Award.....Andrea Sebree Kilpatrick

IT Management

McDonald Davis Jr. Book Award..... Erik Arne Owren

Liberal Arts

Investment Consultants and Management Company

of Virginia Book Award Larry V. Dumlao Jr.

Paralegal Studies

William R. Marshall Jr. Memorial Book Award Tracy Marie Cauthorn

Teacher Licensure Program

Samuel E. Perry Jr. and

Nancy B. Perry Book Award (Grades K-6)..... Stephanie Bryna Norris

Ann C. Taylor Book Award (Grades 7-12) John Frederick Kirn Jr.

JEAN H. PROFFITT STUDENT SERVICE AWARD

Established in 1996 by the School of Continuing Studies and the SCS Student Government Association, this award is presented to a graduating senior recognized by his/her peers for outstanding service to the University community and/or the community at large. The recipient of this award for 2009 is:

Brenda Ann Neckvatal

ELIZABETH SPINDLER SCOTT BOOK COLLECTION AWARD

Given by her children, her friends, and her students, this award is presented to honor long-time adjunct professor Betty Scott and promote a scholarly interest in books, the development of personal libraries, and encourage undergraduate students to accumulate collections pertaining to some particular area of interest. Student collections are eligible for the award during a student's last year of study leading to a bachelor's degree. The recipient of this award for 2009 is:

Vincent C. West

COLONEL (USA, RET.) PORCHER L. TAYLOR JR., PH.D. BOOK AWARD IN LEADERSHIP

Established in 2006, this award honors Dr. Porcher L. Taylor Jr. and the servant leadership he has exemplified his entire life. Dr. Taylor, a member of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., served in World War II, the Vietnam War, and the Korean War. Dr. Taylor also served as vice president for Student Affairs at Virginia State University and has spent his entire life involving himself in civic, charitable, educational, and religious activities and causes and serving as a role model for youth. This award recognizes a graduating student who has demonstrated natural leadership qualities inside and outside the classroom and exemplifies Dr. Taylor's role model standard in leadership. The recipient of this award for 2009 is:

Aleta Michelle Fonville

JOANITA BBAALE SENOGA BOOK AWARD IN RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE BY A STUDENT WHOSE NATIVE LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH

Established in 2006, this award is given to the student with the highest undergraduate grade point average whose native language is not English. This award is named in honor of its first recipient, Joanita Bbaale Senoga. Ms. Senoga, a refugee from Uganda, overcame many hardships to earn her degree, including escaping persecution in her native land and then struggling to bring her family to the United States. Ms. Senoga worked three simultaneous part-time jobs and raised a family all while attending classes full time. The recipient of this award for 2009 is:

Veronica Franco-Aguilar

**TAYLOR KIE COUSINS MEMORIAL BOOK AWARD
IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP
TO THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING STUDIES
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

Established in 2007, this award is given to a graduating senior and Student Government member who exemplifies outstanding service and leadership to the SGA. This award is in memory of Taylor Cousins' service and commitment to the School of Continuing Studies as a teacher and in recognition of his involvement in service to the community. The recipient of this award for 2009 is:

Carleen L. Harris

ACADEMIC HONORS

General academic honors of three ranks are awarded to members of the graduating class on the basis of their cumulative grade point average on work completed in the School of Continuing Studies.

<i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	3.80–4.00
<i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	3.50–3.79
<i>Cum Laude</i>	3.20–3.49

GOLDEN KEY INTERNATIONAL HONOUR SOCIETY

Golden Key International Honour Society is a nonprofit academic honor organization founded for the purpose of recognizing and encouraging scholastic achievement among students from all academic fields. Junior/Senior status and a GPA of 3.5 or higher are the criteria for membership. At graduation, all senior members are recognized by a stripe on their mortarboards. Additionally, the member with the top academic average in each college is awarded a medallion to be worn at graduation. There currently are over 300 chapters around the world, and the University of Richmond chapter has the top membership acceptance rate in the society.

Biographies

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Colonel Kimberly S. Lettner is the chief of Virginia's Division of Capitol Police in Richmond. She is responsible for ninety-one personnel who serve the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of Virginia's government, as well as its employees and visitors.

Prior to her appointment to that position, Colonel Lettner served more than twenty years with the Virginia Department of State Police. As a captain, she served as director of the Professional Standards Unit. As a lieutenant, she served as the unit commander in the Counter-Terrorism Interdiction Unit and as the assistant human resources director in the Personnel Division. She served as a first sergeant in the Recruitment Unit and in the Criminal Intelligence Division, with primary responsibility over the Computer Evidence Recovery Unit. As sergeant, she worked with the East Criminal Interdiction Team, the Waverly field office, and the Hampton field office, where she supervised motorcycle operations. She served as a special agent in the Tri-Cities area and as a trooper in Waverly, Fredericksburg, and Virginia Beach.

Colonel Lettner earned a master's degree in human resource management from the University of Richmond's School of Continuing Studies after earning a Bachelor of Science degree in physical education/athletic training from Bridgewater State College in Bridgewater, Massachusetts. She is a graduate of the 204th session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Academy, the twenty-first session of the Professional Executive Leadership School, and the Commonwealth Management Institute.

Colonel Lettner serves as a member of the Capital Preparedness Work Group and as an executive board member of the Crater Criminal Justice Regional Academy. She has been active in the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, the FBI National Academy Associates, the International Association of Women Police, the National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives, and the Mid-Atlantic Association of Women in Law Enforcement.

Colonel Lettner received the Mid-Atlantic Association of Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Award in 2000, the Patriot Award from the Virginia National Guard in 1999, and the American Red Cross Lifesaving Award in 1986.

GIBB FAMILY DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

W. Joseph Winston graduated from the School of Continuing Studies in 1971 with a Bachelor of Commerce degree in business and marketing. He is the founder and president of Doctor of Techno Marketing, a marketing and promotional products company in Richmond.

A native of Richmond and graduate of Douglas Freeman High School, Winston worked many years for Owens Corning in the home-building industry before he founded Doctor of Techno Marketing. He was awarded the Sales Manager of the Year award for a manufacturer by the National Association of Home Builders, the largest advocacy group for builders in the nation.

Winston is very active in Richmond's business community. In 2007, he chaired the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce Total Resource Campaign, which exceeded its fund-raising goal of two million dollars. He is former chairman of the Henrico County Business Council and a member of its Board. Winston is a former member of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors.

A longtime supporter of the School of Continuing Studies, Winston has served on the Dean's Advisory Council, of which he is outgoing chair. Winston and his wife, Diana, recently established a scholarship for students in the Teacher Licensure Program.

ITZKOWITZ FAMILY DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARD

Robert S. Kelley joined the School of Continuing Studies in 1985. He is an adjunct faculty member in the undergraduate and graduate Human Resources Management programs. His professional areas of expertise include growth and operations planning, retail operations, food merchandising, productivity, human resources, organizational culture, change management, and service delivery.

Kelley earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Florida State University in 1977. In 1988, he earned a Master of Education degree from Virginia Commonwealth University. In 1991, Kelley took a hiatus from teaching to pursue his doctoral degree in education, which he received from The College of William and Mary in 1998.

Kelley is president and principal consultant of Pure Culture Consulting, a boutique leadership and organization consulting firm he founded in 2004, which specializes in helping CEOs to create and execute growth strategies. Prior to founding Pure Culture Consulting, Kelley spent seventeen years at Ukrop's Super Markets. He joined Ukrop's in 1987 as vice president of human resources and later became vice president of operations. During his tenure at Ukrop's, Kelley led the effort to develop a high-performance service culture that has been featured in numerous books, articles, and television shows.

Kelley has also been a featured speaker at international, national, state, and local conferences for many organizations, including the Food Marketing Institute, the National Grocers Association, and the Society for Human Resource Management.

STUDENT SPEAKER

Vincent C. West earned a Bachelor of Liberal Arts degree from the School of Continuing Studies.

A Richmond native and graduate of Armstrong High School, West served six years in the United States Navy, where he graduated from the United States Navy Nuclear Power School. After his service in the Navy, West went to work for Dominion Resources and served as a senior nuclear reactor operator, licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Now retired, West is an art lover and enjoys drawing and painting.

While a student, West served on the Student Library Advisory Committee and was a student representative to the Board of Trustees Business Management Committee.

Academic Regalia

The Commencement ceremony is the means by which an institution publicly acknowledges and honors the accomplishments of those who have satisfactorily completed one or more programs of study. Although usually a solemn occasion, it is not without color and pageantry. The academic attire is of special significance to the participants, as each part of the costume represents academic accomplishments and traditions.

Commencement attire has its origin in the universities of twelfth-century Western Europe. Gowns and hoods were probably designed for warmth in the damp, unheated lecture halls. The first American institution to use this garb was King's College, now Columbia University, copying the British academic dress in the eighteenth century. Other colleges adopted the attire shortly thereafter, modifying and personalizing it. As the number of colleges and universities increased during the post-Civil War years, so did the styles of the academic attire. A need for uniformity was recognized, and in 1895, the Academic Costume Code was established. Academic regalia basically remained unchanged until 1960, when a committee of the American Council of Education issued revised guidelines.

At the present time, there are four articles of approved academic attire: cap, gown, hood, and stole. The Oxford cap, or mortarboard, is nine inches square on a soft pointed cap. It matches the gown in color and material with a similar color tassel. The doctoral cap is velvet with a gold tassel. The gown for the baccalaureate degree, and all higher degrees, is usually black. The designs of the gowns are basically the same with varying degrees of fullness, sleeve length, and trim as determined by the academic level, the doctoral gown having velvet panels down the front and three velvet bars on the sleeves.

The most recognizable symbol of degree is the hood. Hoods vary in length from the three-foot bachelor's (not worn at Richmond) to the four-foot doctoral hood. The hood is lined with the colors of the institution that conferred the degree and is trimmed in the color representing the academic field of study as designated by the Academic Costume Code. During the ceremonies today, Master of Disaster Science and Master of Human Resource Management candidates will be wearing hoods trimmed in peacock blue and drab, respectively.

The stole, worn only by undergraduates, is made of satin and embroidered with the University of Richmond shield. The color of the stole indicates the school, degree, and program associated with each candidate. The School of Continuing Studies Bachelor of Liberal Arts candidates' stoles are white, and Bachelor of Applied Studies candidates' stoles are peacock for Emergency Management Systems and Human Resource Management, gold for Information Systems, and purple for Paralegal/Legal Assistant.

In addition to the approved academic attire, faculty members who have rendered a quarter century or more of service to the University will be wearing the 25-Years-of-Service Medallion inscribed with the official University Seal.

The University of Richmond hopes you enjoy the color and pageantry of these Commencement Exercises.

Alma Mater

1st Verse

'Mid the pines and rolling hills
Stand the halls we cheer,
Hallowed place our memory fills,
Alma Mater, dear.

2nd Verse

Alma Mater, gracious name
We thy children praise
Home of Honor, Worth and Fame
Love we all our days.

Refrain

Hail to thee, hail to thee,
Hail to Red and Blue!
To thy hallowed memory
May we e'er be true!

University Motto

Verbum Vitae et Lumen Scientiae means “word of life and the light of knowledge.”

