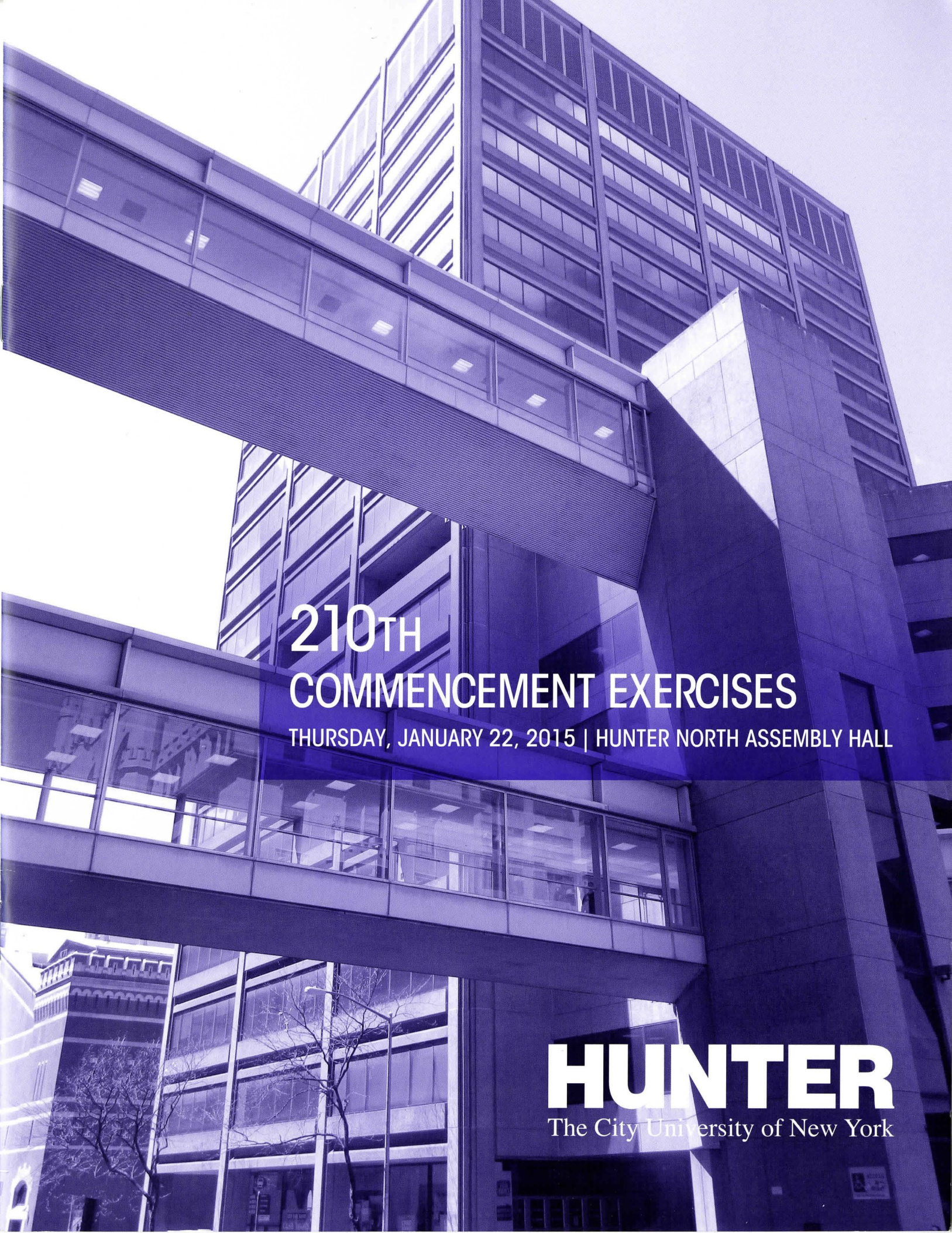

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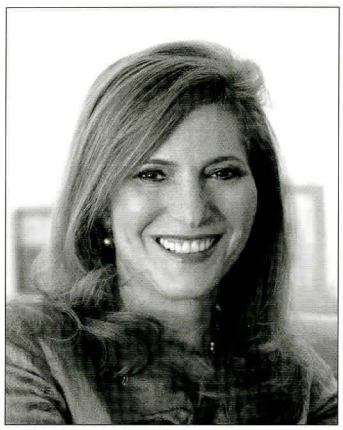

January 22, 2015

Dear Graduates:

Congratulations! You have reached a most significant milestone in your life. Your hard work, determination, and commitment to your education have been rewarded, and you and your loved ones should take pride in your accomplishments and successes. Hunter College certainly takes pride in you.

Your Hunter education has prepared you to meet the challenges of a world that is rapidly changing politically, socially, economically, and technologically. As part of the next generation of thoughtful, responsible, and intelligent leaders, you will make a real difference wherever you apply your knowledge and skills. Endless opportunities await you. As you pursue your goals and move forward with your professional and personal lives, please carry with you Hunter's commitment to community, diversity, and service to others.

We look forward to hearing great things about you, and we hope you will stay connected to the exciting activities and developments on campus. Please remember Hunter College and know that you will always be part of our family.

Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Jennifer J. Raab

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210th Commencement Exercises

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Presiding: Jennifer J. Raab, President
Eija Ayravainen, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students

Opening Ceremony
Sung Mo Chung, *Bachelor of Arts, Special Honors Curriculum, Class of 2015*

Processional
President's Party and Members of the Faculty
Candidates for Degrees

National Anthem
Juella Baltonado, *Bachelor of Arts, Music, Class of 2016*

Bagpiper
Nicholas M. Rozak, *Bachelor of Arts, Class of 2007*

Greetings
Wellington Z. Chen, *Board of Trustees of The City University of New York*

Gloriana B. Waters, *Vice Chancellor for Human Resources Management of The City University of New York*

Charge to the Graduates
President Jennifer J. Raab

Commencement Speaker
Andrew Rasiej, *Founder of Personal Democracy Media*

Recipient of Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters
Twyla Tharp, *Choreographer, Director, Author*

Valedictory Address
Abigail Lyons, *Bachelor of Arts (Major: Health Policy; Minor: English) Macaulay Honors College at Hunter College*

Presentation of Legacy Gift from the Class of 2015

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees
Vita Rabinowitz, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*
Professor Christa Davis Acampora, *Chair of the Hunter College Senate*
Andrew Polsky, *Ruth and Harold Newman Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences (Acting)*
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Gail McCain, *Joan Hansen Grabe Dean of the Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing and Dean of the School of Health Professions*
Jacqueline Mondros, *Dean of the Silberman School of Social Work*
Ayman El-Mohandes, *Dean of the School of Urban Public Health and Dean of the CUNY School of Public Health*

Conferring of Degrees
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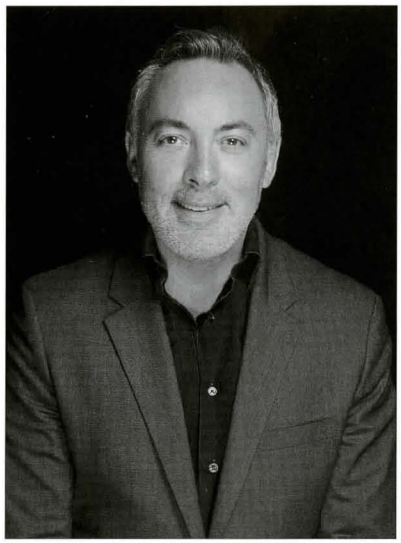
Recessional

Andrew Rasiej—*Commencement Speaker*



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Andrew Rasiej is a civic and social entrepreneur, a technology strategist, and the founder of Personal Democracy Media, which produces the Personal Democracy Forum and other events about the intersection of technology and politics. He is also the founder of MOUSE.org, which focuses on 21st-century public education, and a co-founder of Mideastwire.com, which translates news and opinion pieces from Arabic and Farsi into English.

In addition, Rasiej is chairman of the NY Tech Meetup, a 40,000-member group of technologists, venture funders, and marketers who represent start-up and mature companies that are using technology to transform themselves, New York City, and the world.

In 2012, Rasiej spoke at Roosevelt House, the Public Policy Institute at Hunter College, about how technology and new media are affecting the political landscape—and, in particular, how they were shaping that year's election.

Rasiej is a graduate of the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art.

Twyla Tharp—*Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters*

World-renowned choreographer Twyla Tharp founded her dance company, Twyla Tharp Dance, in 1965—two years after graduating from Barnard College—and since then has choreographed more than 150 works. Her dances are known for creativity, wit, and technical precision coupled with a streetwise nonchalance. By combining different forms of movement—such as jazz, ballet, and her own extraordinarily innovative inventions—Tharp has expanded the boundaries of ballet and modern dance.

In addition to choreographing for her own company, Tharp has created dances for more than a dozen major troupes including American Ballet Theatre, Joffrey Ballet, Martha Graham Dance Company, New York City Ballet, and the Royal Ballet. Among the numerous honors she has received are a Tony Award, two Emmy Awards, 19 honorary doctorates, and a John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Fellowship (a "genius grant").

Tharp's first publicly performed work, a 10-minute dance titled Tank Dive, made its debut at Hunter, in a small theater space within the College's Art Department. Tharp has said that the title reflected her belief that the chance of becoming a successful choreographer is about equal to that of successfully diving from a great height into a thimbleful of water.

Ballet and dance companies around the world continue to perform Tharp's works, and she continues to create.

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School of Urban Public Health

Bachelor of Science
Nutrition and Food Science

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Master of Public Health

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Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing

Bachelor of Science
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Yun Zhang

Master of Science
Nursing

Aleksey Aronov
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Master of Science
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Master of Public Health

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Baccalaureate Program of The City University of New York

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Khaair Morrison
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Dhurata Tahiraj
Robert S. Wheeler

Bachelor of Science

Peter Ahn
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Nathaniel M. Beal
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Colin S. Cherry
Alfio A. Gangemi
Odette Hauke
Benjamin W. Muhammad
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Moti Shitrit
Shairi L. Turner
Iniobong Udosen
Emily C. Walker

General College Honors

Eligibility for Graduating with General College Honors

3.500 - 3.749 . . . . . *Cum Laude*

3.750 - 3.899 . . . . . *Magna Cum Laude*

3.900 or higher . . . . . *Summa Cum Laude*

Valedictorian

Abigail Lyons

Salutatorians

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Ella Cantrell
Sung Mo Chung
Maria Enache
Brittni Goldberg
Marjorie Hopkins
Zachary Hutchinson
Tomasz Jasinski
Luka Kocic
Victoria Licandro
Pascal Maguin
Camila Montes De Oca
Brandon Patallo
Daniela Ramos Farfan
Patrick Rozgonyi
Anthony Vecchio
Alison Wang
William Watkins

Honor Societies

ALPHA KAPPA DELTA
International Sociology Honor Society

Vivian Li

PHI SIGMA TAU
Honor Society for Philosophy

Emily Benjamin
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Dashiell Feiler
Sergio Gomez
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PSI CHI
International Honor Society in Psychology

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Chelsea Estrella
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Petr Kanevskiy
Brooke Kinder
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Irene Yenko

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International Honor Society in Nursing

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Michelle Blasco
Cheryl Blumenfrucht
Erica Dunn
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Carlos Jimenez
Sarah Kemphaus
Rachel Lazar
Kelli Norton
Shanique Omeally-Soto
Tessa-Kay Parker
Mahreen Rashid
Vanderley Turner
Anna Vrabel
Dolker Yehsur
Paula Yoon
Zheng Yue

Graduate

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Maureen Dolan-Doran
Karen Freeman
Sylwia Kiluk
Sua Kim
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LaToya Maragh
Alicia Mitchell
Noreen Requijo
Kimaula Walton
Patricia Jeyoung Yoon

Departmental Honors, Prizes and Awards

School of Arts and Sciences

ACCOUNTING

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Samson Henry
Wanxian Liang
Bi Yao Mei
Melissa Rodriguez

BIOLOGY

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Alla Akselrod
Meshkat Haque
Qing Liu
Pascal Maguin
Girish Ramrattan
Vincent Setang

CHEMISTRY

Departmental Honors
Emilie Bouda
Marta Kazmierowska
Yevgeniy Vvedenskiy

CLASSICAL AND ORIENTAL STUDIES

Chinese Flagship Awards
Ting Ting Chan
Dillon O'Conner
Rossitza Pertrova

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Yeh Chen
Mark Lance Dologuin
Omar Evans
Prince Grijalva
Zachary Hutchinson
Dimitrios Iosifides
Cameron Rivera

DANCE

Departmental Honors
Janice Rosario

Choreography Award
Janice Rosario

ENGLISH

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Mandee Barreto
Elissa Benes
Christine Cohn
Thaisis Conyers
Pawel Dziurawiec
Mikhail Favorov
Julien Garnier
Maha Haroun
Lindsay Mairanz
Andrea Montesdeoca
Amanda Rincon
Jenefer Rosado
Ada Tosku
Brittany Towe
Meghann Williams
Paulina Zawadzka

The Nancy Dean Medieval Essay Prize
Julien Garnier, 2nd Place

The Memoir Prize
Angely Mercado, 1st Place

GEOGRAPHY

Society of Woman Geographers Graduate Fellowship
Silvia Maria Lorenzo

MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES

Certificate of Academic Achievement
Michael Chau
Joe Chan

PHILOSOPHY

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Sergio Gomez

PSYCHOLOGY

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Ketti Barateli
Jenny Mamtora
Francisco Medina
Arnella Mikhaylova
Christina Schoechl
Yasmin Soufian

The Livingston Welch Award
Geneva Berra
Matthew Blazon
Dienane Gregoire
Marjorie Hopkins
Francisco Medina
Arnella Mikhaylova
Brandon Patallo
Leslie Polanco
Tanice Prince
Christina Schoechl
Yasmin Soufian

ROMANCE LANGUAGES

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Victoria Buitron
Alicia Castro
Juan Cruz
Maria Pardo
Maria Robles Ron
Lori Shields
Beau Witka

Gabriela Mistral Award
Victoria Buitron

Rita Sherman Memorial Award
Alica Castro
Juan Cruz
Maria Pardo

SOCIOLOGY

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
Sung Mo Chung
Courtney Ferrissey
Vivian Li
Tess Michelitch
Alyssa Polak

THEATRE

Departmental Honors
Godefroy Babette

URBAN AFFAIRS AND PLANNING

Master of Science in Urban Affairs
Departmental Honors
Robert Jones
Amanda Lewis
Brock Miller
Jill Ryan
Leah Ann Semiken

Master of Urban Planning
Departmental Honors
Lauren George
Summer Greenstein
Jamie Leggett
Susan Liu
Annabelle Meunier
Deborah Stattel

WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES

Departmental Honors
Jillian Melnick

School of Education

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Shirley Cohen Award in Early Childhood Special Education
Emily Colbeck

Gifted Center Outstanding Student Award
Robin Courtwright

Elena D. Gall Award
Carla Martinez

Tara Marie Coyle Award
Shira Moer

School of Urban Public Health

Excellence in Abstract Submission and Student Scholarship
Dana Watnick

Public Health Education and Health Promotion Section Poster Award
Dana Watnick

APHA Scientific Poster Award in Family Planning/ Contraception
Christina Ventura-DiPersia

Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing

Departmental Honors
Undergraduate
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Krystel Marie Bayot
Eresha Bennett
Michelle Blasco
Sarah Brako
Man Kuen Chau
Christine Dennis
Erica Dunn
Deeka-Gaye Graham
Angela Hang
James Herbst
Alina Ivanova
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Kelli Norton
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Tessa-Kay Parker
Milagross Pizarro
Daniela Ramos Farfan
Jocelyn Saleh
Mary Rachel Santos
Oksana Shkurhan
Lygia Sukie
Anna Vrabel
Tsering Yangkyi
Paula Yoon
Zheng Yue

Ann Dillon Award for Caring
Colleen Cleary

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Graduate
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Jessica Berman
Allana Bethel
Kevin Bogue
Rodelio Checa
Rosena Cheng
Sylvia Amor Crispino
Jessica Dellasala
Maureen Dolan-Doran
Jessica Domb
Caitlin Egan
Marcia Fearon
Elana Forrest
Karen Freeman
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Megan Horohoe
Yinji Jin
Barbra Kahan
Shuk Lau
Alysia Makhani
Diana Motti
Irina Niazova
Elizabeth Panora
Nadia Pretto
Noreen Requijo
Su Jin Seo
Cara Tallia
Hoong Yee Tan Libreros
Cheri Tang
Steven White
Patricia Jeyoung Yoon

Excellence in Clinical Practice
Catherine Harrington
Alysia Makhani
Kathleen Renc

Silberman School of Social Work

Departmental Honors
Graduate
Tyese Brown
Melissa Gbain
Don McCarthengliy
Lisa Perez
Lenese Vergara

From the President of the Alumni Association

January 22, 2015

Dear Graduates:

Welcome to your future! Today you receive your degrees from Hunter College, which bestows membership in our Alumni Association. When I graduated, 12 years ago, I thought I had taken advantage of all Hunter had to offer and I was now on my own. I was so wrong! I was invited back to the College as an alumnus and was happily surprised to discover a vibrant, active, multi-generational Alumni Association. Thanks to my membership in the Association, I have not only gained the satisfaction of giving back to the College, but I have also made new friends and colleagues who have greatly enriched my life. It is now my honor to invite each of you to join the Alumni Association and its grand tradition of serving the College and supporting one another — a tradition that has continued since the Association's founding in 1872.

After many years of hard work at one of our country's greatest public institutions, you may feel more than ready to leave school behind. However, as you make your way through the world, remember that you have a globe-spanning family of over 100,000 fellow alumni; some are graduating with you today, many received their degrees years or even decades ago. You have become part of a long and distinguished tradition of women and men who have contributed to the world in many meaningful ways, as evidenced by our growing list of Alumni Hall of Fame members displayed in the West Lobby!

We hope you will help us continue our tradition of alumni service to the College. Involvement in the Alumni Association gives you a lasting way to enhance your life, as well as the lives of future alumni. Attend Association meetings and the annual spring Birthday Luncheon with graduates from many decades. Join the Book Club, the Creative Writing Group, or the Athletic Boosters. Get involved with a local or interest chapter (such as our young alumni chapter, BOND — Bridging Our Next Decades) or start a new one. Follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, Google+, Twitter, and Instagram. Become a mentor. Network with fellow alumni. Serve on our Board of Directors and perhaps become an officer!

Enjoying alumni life at Hunter is easy with an Alumni Card, which gives you access to the campus, the library, the computer lab, recreational facilities, and career development services. Call the Alumni Office (212.772.4087) to get the process started.

Above all, take pride and joy in your great achievement today, and keep Hunter as part of your life tomorrow and forever. Welcome to the Alumni Association of Hunter College!

William Lim '03

President, Alumni Association of Hunter College

From The Hunter College Foundation

January 22, 2015

Dear Graduates:

Congratulations! On this Commencement Day, new and challenging opportunities lie ahead for each of us. As we get ready to pursue advanced degrees or begin our careers, it's a great time to reflect on the Hunter education that has prepared us for exciting futures.

However, though we'll be leaving Hunter and entering the next chapter of our lives, this doesn't have to be goodbye. Every year the graduating class raises funds and presents a Legacy Gift to the College that will represent the class and its unique achievements — and will support the Hunter students of tomorrow. This gift is also an expression of gratitude for the wonderful education we have received — and our first chance to give back to the College that has given us so much.

For 145 years, Hunter has been fulfilling its mission of providing an outstanding education to a diverse student body at an affordable price. Both *U.S. News & World Report* and *The Princeton Review* have consistently given Hunter College high marks in their annual reviews of U.S. colleges.

These rankings increase the value of your Hunter degree. One of the most effective ways you can help keep your degree valuable is by making an alumni gift, because the rankings are based in part on donor participation. Every gift to Hunter, regardless of its size, is essential.

The Legacy Gift Committee has asked all seniors to help choose the perfect gift to leave as our special legacy, a gift that will not only symbolize our class but also benefit future students. In response, the seniors have chosen for a second time to raise money for a Textbook Scholarship, which will greatly benefit future Hunter students.

We are asking you to add your name to the Class of 2015 Legacy Gift campaign. Our suggested donation is $20.15, but every gift is important and greatly appreciated. No gifts are too small, and our goal is to have 100% class participation!

To contribute online, please visit https://community.hunter.cuny.edu/legacygift. Checks can be made out to The Hunter College Foundation, with "2015 Legacy Gift" in the memo line, and mailed to The Hunter College Foundation, 695 Park Avenue, Room E1313, New York, NY 10065.

Or, simply text "Hunter" to 20222 to make an automatic donation of $10.

We are immensely grateful to you for helping to make the Class of 2015 Legacy Gift campaign a success.

Best wishes to you in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Legacy Gift Committee

Academic Heraldry

The caps, gowns, and hoods worn by participants in these exercises are patterned after the attire of monks in the Middle Ages. Those who have earned the bachelor's degree wear a gown with a semi-stiff yoke, long pleated front, intricate shirring across the shoulders and back and long, pointed sleeves. The holder of the master's degree wears a similar gown, but the sleeve is square and closed at the end with the wearer's forearm coming through a slit near the elbow. Those possessing the doctor's degree wear gowns having broad velvet panels down the front and three velvet bars on the full, round, open sleeves. This velvet trimming may be either black or the color of the field of learning represented by the degree.

The hoods, over the shoulders and down the backs of the faculty, reveal the degrees and institutions of the wearers. The velvet binding or edging is distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains. The lining of the hood, in silk, gives the color or colors of the institution granting the degree. The shortest hood is the bachelor's; the longest and the broadest is the doctor's; and the master's is midway between these in size. There is much duplication in the colors of the colleges; therefore, they will be left unidentified. However, there is a standard color for the subjects.

The most common colors for subjects, including those used at Hunter College, are:

Arts, Letters, Humanities	*White*
Business	*Sapphire Blue*
Education	*Light Blue*
Engineering	*Orange*
Health Sciences	*Kelly Green*
Law	*Purple*
Medicine	*Green*
Nursing	*Apricot*
Pharmacy	*Olive*
Philosophy	*Dark Blue*
Sciences and Mathematics	*Golden Yellow*
Social Sciences	*Dark Blue*
Social Work	*Citron*
Theology	*Scarlet*

Historical Note

The Mace carried by the Grand Marshall, who leads the Processional and Recessional, was presented to the College by the Alumni Association at the ceremony marking the Centennial of Hunter College in 1970. It is used each year at Commencement.

Credits

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