194th
Commencement Exercises

Thursday, January 18, 2007
Hunter College Assembly Hall
January 2007

Dear Member of the Class of 2007:

Congratulations, graduate! 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 family should take pride in your accomplishments and success. 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 and technologically. You are part of the next generation of thoughtful, responsible, intelligent leaders who 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 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
President
194th Commencement Exercises
Thursday, the eighteenth of January, two thousand and seven, at three o'clock in the afternoon

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

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

National Anthem
Matthew Klauser, Baritone
Hunter College, Class of 2008

Greetings
Freida Foster-Tolbert
Board of Trustees of The City University of New York

Garrie Moore
Vice Chancellor for Student Development, The City University of New York

Charge to the Graduates
President Jennifer J. Raab

Honorary Degrees
Sonia Sanchez
Poet, Playwright, Activist

Erwin Fleissner
Professor Emeritus of Biology and Former Dean of Sciences and Mathematics, Hunter College

Commencement Speaker
Bonnie Fuller
Chief Editorial Director of American Media, Inc.

Valedictory Address
Yevgeniy Vaynkof
Major: Biology

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees in Course
Vita Rabinowitz, Acting Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Richard Stapleford, Chairman of the Hunter College Senate
Shirley Clay Scott, Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences
David Steiner, Dean of the School of Education
Laurie N. Sherwen, Dean of the Schools of the Health Professions
Jacqueline Mondros, Dean of the School of Social Work

Conferring of Degrees
President Jennifer J. Raab

Recessional
COMMENCEMENT HONOREES

Bonnie Fuller – Commencement Speaker

Bonnie Fuller is one of the biggest success stories in magazine publishing today. Hailed by many as the creator of the celebrity newsmagazine phenomenon, she is currently the chief editorial director of American Media, Inc. where she edits Star magazine and oversees numerous other publications. Under Fuller’s leadership, Star successfully re-launched from a tabloid to a glossy celebrity magazine and its paid circulation has increased to more than 1.5 million.

Also, this past year, she published her first book entitled, The Joys of Much Too Much: Go for the Big Life – The Great Career, The Perfect Guy, and Everything Else You’ve Ever Wanted. In the book, she urges women to always strive for their dreams of romance, career and family, even if it means “having to cram it all in.”

Before coming to Star, Fuller was the editor in chief of Us Weekly – where she turned it into the super-successful celebrity magazine it is today; increased newsstand sales by more than 100%; and was named Advertising Age’s Editor of the Year. She also has been editor in chief of such top magazines as Cosmopolitan, Glamour and Marie Claire.

A graduate of the University of Toronto, Fuller and her husband Michael have four children.

Sonia Sanchez – Recipient of Doctor of Humane Letters

Hunter alumna Sonia Sanchez – an award-winning poet, playwright, activist and scholar – is recognized as one of the most important figures in African-American literature.

Described as “a lion in literature’s forest” by Maya Angelou, Sanchez is the author of 16 books of critically-acclaimed poetry, including Does Your House Have Lions?, Homegirls and Handgrenades, A Blues Book for Blue Black Magical Women and Liberation Poem. In 2001, she received the Robert Frost Medal, one of the highest honors a poet can achieve, and this year the Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History and the Ford Motor Company named Sanchez the Ford Freedom Scholar.

Born Wilsonia Benita Driver in Birmingham, Alabama, Sanchez earned her BA in political science from Hunter in 1955, did postgraduate work at NYU and then formed a writers’ workshop in Greenwich Village attended by many leading poets of the time. She also was a pioneer in developing black studies courses after moving to California in the 1960s.

Sanchez has received many honors for her writing and work in the community, and has lectured at more than 500 colleges. She was the first Presidential Fellow at Temple University, where she began teaching in 1977, and she held the Laura Carnell Chair in English there until her retirement in 1999.

Erwin Fleissner – Recipient of Doctor of Science

Erwin Fleissner has made important contributions to cancer research and science education. Currently Professor Emeritus of Biology at Hunter, he served the College as Dean of Sciences and Mathematics from 1987-1998.

Before coming to Hunter he was a Member of the Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research. There he discovered the protein composition of retroviruses and did research on the roles of cell-derived genes in cancers caused by such viruses in animals.

Professor Fleissner graduated from Yale in 1957 with a BA in Physics and Philosophy. He then went to Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, coming back to the United States two years later to do a PhD in Biochemistry at Columbia University. Upon receiving his degree in 1963, he joined the laboratory of Nobel-Prize winning scientist Fritz Lipmann at Rockefeller University. He accepted an offer from Sloan-Kettering in 1966.

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HEBREW DIVISION

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Chelsea Bunn

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Lital Levin

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Jennifer Zeltmann

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Madeline Pummill

Blanche Colton Williams Fellowship
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NUTRITION AND FOOD SCIENCE TRACK OF THE URBAN PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM

Certificate of Academic Achievement – Undergraduate
Gitit Ariavmorr

THE SCHOOLS OF THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Departmental Honors for RN Pathway Students
Bernadette Dempsey
Janet Kaledzi
Andrea Thomas

MUSIC

Class of 1895 Prize
Dag Gabrielsen

Herbert Rogers Memorial Prize
Miki Fujihara

PSYCHOLOGY

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Eda Inan
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John Losak
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Livingston Welch Award for Outstanding Community Service
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THEATRE

Charles Elson Award for Theatre Production Work
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Charles Elson Award for Design
Miho Kobayashi

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Junghyun Park

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Dina Pirutinsky
To the Graduates of the Class of January 2007:

Congratulations! I am happy to extend highest praise and commendation to you for receiving a degree from one of the most respected institutions of public higher education in this country.

The Alumni Association of Hunter College proudly recognizes your membership in an organization of over 80,000 Hunter College graduates. Welcome! Please plan now to become part of our ever-growing network of Hunter alumni, and to communicate regularly with your Alma Mater and with your Alumni Association.

Soon you will receive invitations to join the activities of the Alumni Association. These will include invitations to meetings and lectures with prominent guest speakers, and annual luncheons and reunion receptions for re-connecting with classmates and friends. You may be interested in joining and attending regional chapter events in various parts of New York and other USA cities. Additionally, we have a thriving Alumni Book Club and an Alumni Creative Writing Workshop.

At Hunter is a publication with news of activities and events of interest, which is sent to alumni from the College at least three times a year. Please inform us of important events in your life and career. Particularly, please let us know of any change of name or address. Please contact us: by phone: 212-772-4087; by e-mail: alumni.relations@hunter.cuny.edu; by mail: Alumni Association of Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue, Room 1314 East Building, New York, NY 10021.

Finally, please follow these procedures to obtain an alumni card. It will be needed to gain access to other services available to Hunter alumni. New graduates should bring proof of graduation (transcript or diploma) to the Alumni Office (1314 East Building). Then go to the Welcome Center (North Building) to receive your new Hunter College Alumni Photo ID card. With your card you will have access to:

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- **Recreational Facilities:** swimming pool, weight room, etc. (They are also open to your family and other guests for a fee.) Please be sure to complete the required medical forms available in the Medical Office in the North Building. Call 212-772-4912 for details.
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- **Career Development Center** 212-772-4850 – free services for up to three years.

Again, congratulations on your graduation, welcome to the Alumni Association of Hunter College and best wishes for your future success!

Cordially,

[Signature]

Agnes A. Violenus
President, Alumni Association of Hunter College
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 semistiff 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, 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 Notes

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 and the Honors Convocation.

The lectern on the left side of the stage belonged to Thomas Hunter. The plaque on the lectern reads: “From this desk Dr. Hunter read the Holy Scriptures from 1850 to 1869 in old Grammar School No. 35.”

General College Honors

Eligibility for Graduating with General College Honors

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“The Care of the Future is Mine”

Motto of Hunter College