

170TH Commencement
Tufts University
Sunday, May 17, 2026

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Commencement 2026

School of Arts and Sciences

School of Engineering

School of Medicine and
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

School of Dental Medicine

The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine

The Gerald J. and Dorothy R. Friedman
School of Nutrition Science and Policy

Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life

University College

The lists of degree candidates will be available on the Commencement website in July at commencement.tufts.edu.

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Tufts University Commencement

Overview of the Day

8:45–9:00 a.m. MUSICAL PRELUDE

8:45 a.m. ALIGNMENT

Degree candidates assemble in areas as designated by marching order card or school.

SCHOOL	AREA
School of Arts and Sciences School of the Museum of Fine Arts School of Engineering	In front of Braker Hall, on the Tisch Library roof, in the Eaton Hall Atrium, in the Blakeley Hall Courtyard, or in front of Miller Hall (as designated by marching card)
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Engineering Graduate Programs	In front of Houston Hall
School of Medicine Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences	Inside Eaton Hall, Room 260
School of Dental Medicine	Inside Carmichael Dining Hall
The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy	Inside Mugar Hall
Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine	Inside Eaton Hall, Room 260
Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy	Inside Eaton Hall, Room 260

8:45 a.m. Chapel bells begin ringing (last warning for alignment).

9:00 a.m.* PHASE I

Academic procession begins when the chapel bells stop ringing.

9:30 a.m.* All-University Commencement ceremony begins.

11:00 a.m.* Recessional and end of All-University Commencement ceremony.

11:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.* PHASE II

Ceremonies for individual schools, colleges, and departments.

SCHOOL	AREA
School of Arts and Sciences	Various locations and times (see page 6 for details)
School of Engineering (bachelor's degrees)	The Green, 11:30 a.m.
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences	Students should attend the School of Arts and Sciences departmental ceremony for their specific discipline.
School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences: Doctor of Medicine degrees Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences degrees	Gantcher Family Sports and Convocation Center, 11:30 a.m.
School of Medicine: Graduate Programs (M.P.H., M.B.S., MS-HIA, P.A., and D.P.T.)	Carmichael Quad, 4:00 p.m.
School of Dental Medicine	Carmichael Quad, 11:30 a.m.
The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy	Fletcher Field, 11:30 a.m.
Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine	Grafton campus, 3:00 p.m.
Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy	Cohen Auditorium, 11:30 a.m.



Viewing the Ceremony From Indoors

Guests are invited to view the All-University Commencement ceremony from several sites around campus. These rooms will open at 8:00 a.m. All sites are accessible. The following sites will be screening the ceremony:

- ASEAN Auditorium, Cabot Center
- Cohen Auditorium
- Halligan Hall, Room 169

Rain Plan

Regardless of weather, Phase I and indoor or tented ceremonies in Phase II will take place.

Note for guests: Please refrain from taking photos in the stage area during the ceremonies.

Graduation Ceremonies: School of Arts and Sciences and School of Engineering

Phase II

Boxed lunches will be available on the lawn adjacent to Tisch Library. *Preordered tickets required.*
11:30 a.m. ceremonies are followed by lunch.
1:30 p.m. ceremonies are preceded by lunch.

Africana Studies
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

American Studies
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

Anthropology
 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

Arabic
 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Archaeology
 1:30–3:00 p.m., the tent on
 Tilton Lawn

**Architectural Studies
 (Arts and Sciences)**
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

**Art and Architecture
 (History of)**
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

Astrophysics 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 The Green (between Bendetson
 and Ballou halls)

Biochemistry 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 The Green (between Bendetson
 and Ballou halls)

Biology 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 The Green (between Bendetson
 and Ballou halls)

Biopsychology
 1:30–3:00 p.m., the tent on
 J Field; or 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 The Green (between Bendetson
 and Ballou halls)

Chemistry 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 The Green (between Bendetson
 and Ballou halls)

**Child Study and Human
 Development** 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Bromfield-
 Pearson Lawn

Chinese 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Civic Studies
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on J Field

Classical Studies
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

Clinical Psychology
 1:30–3:00 p.m., the tent on
 J Field

Cognitive and Brain Sciences
 1:30–3:00 p.m., the tent on
 J Field

Community Health
 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cohen Auditorium

**Computer Science
 (Arts and Sciences)**
 1:30–3:00 p.m., the tent on
 Triangle Field (See also School
 of Engineering)

Data Analytics
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Triangle Field

Digital Tools Premodern Studies
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

**Diversity, Equity, Inclusion,
 and Justice Leadership**
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., Cousens
 Athletic Complex

Earth and Climate Sciences
 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 The Green (between Bendetson
 and Ballou halls)

Economics
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Triangle Field

Education 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 Cousens Athletic Complex

Engineering
 (See School of Engineering)

Engineering Psychology
 1:30–3:00 p.m., the tent on
 J Field

English 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

**Environmental Engineering
 Policy and Planning**
 3:30–5:00 p.m., Cohen
 Auditorium

Environmental Geology
 1:30–3:00 p.m., The Green
 (between Bendetson and
 Ballou halls)

**Environmental Policy
 and Planning** 3:30–5:00 p.m.,
 Cohen Auditorium

Environmental Studies
 1:30–3:00 p.m., The Green
 (between Bendetson and
 Ballou halls)

Film and Media Studies
 1:30–3:00 p.m., Distler Hall,
 Granoff Music Center

French 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Geological Sciences
 1:30–3:00 p.m., The Green
 (between Bendetson and
 Ballou halls)

German 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Greek 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the
 tent on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

History 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the
 tent on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

History and Museum Studies
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

**International Literary and
 Visual Studies** 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

International Relations
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on J Field

Italian Studies 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Japanese 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Judaic Studies 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

**Languages (International
 Literary and Cultural Studies,
 and Romance Studies)**
 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Latin 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the
 tent on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

Latin American Studies
 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Leadership 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 Cousens Athletic Complex

Mathematics
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Middle Eastern Studies
 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Museum Education
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on Bromfield-Pearson Lawn

Music
 1:30–3:00 p.m., Distler Hall,
 Granoff Music Center

Occupational Therapy
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 Breed Memorial Hall,
 51 Winthrop Street

Philosophy
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., ASEAN
 Auditorium, Cabot Center

Physics and Astronomy
 1:30–3:00 p.m., The Green
 (between Bendetson and
 Ballou halls)

Political Science
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., the tent
 on J Field

Psychology 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 the tent on J Field

Quantitative Economics
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Triangle Field

**Race, Colonialism,
 and Diaspora Study**
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

Religion 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

Russian 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

School of Engineering
 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.,
 The Green (between Bendetson
 and Ballou halls). Includes
 Biomedical Engineering,
 Chemical Engineering,
 Civil and Environmental
 Engineering, Computer
 Engineering, Computer
 Science, Data Science,
 Electrical Engineering,
 Engineering, Engineering
 Physics, Engineering Science,
 Environmental Health,
 Human Factors, and
 Mechanical Engineering

**School of the Museum of Fine
 Arts (SMFA)** 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cousens Athletic Complex

**Science, Technology, and
 Society** 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

Sociology 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 the tent on Tilton Lawn

Spanish 1:30–3:00 p.m.,
 Cummings Ballroom

Sustainability 3:30–5:00 p.m.,
 Cohen Auditorium

**Theatre, Dance, and
 Performance Studies**
 1:30–3:00 p.m., Distler Hall,
 Granoff Music Center

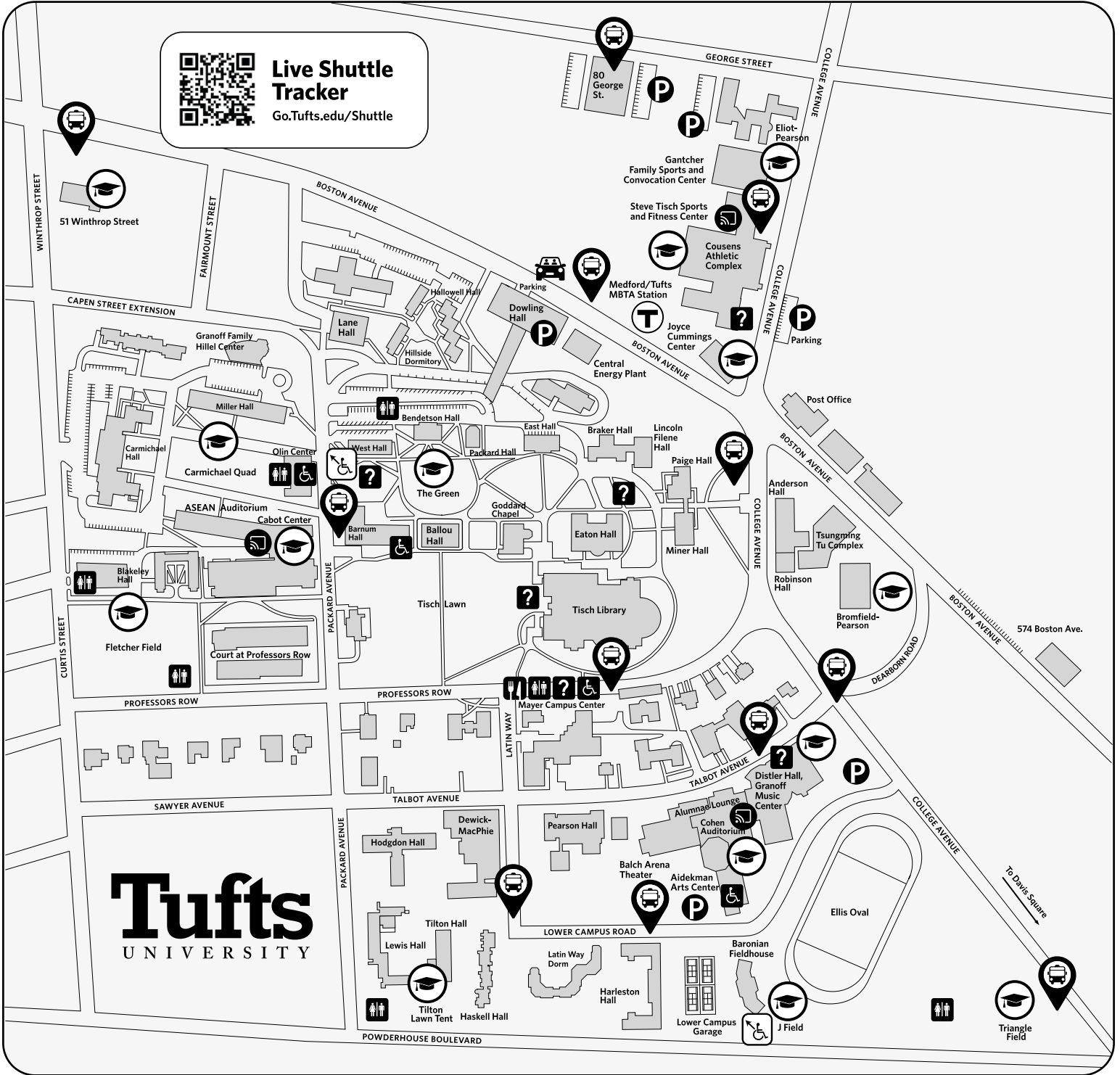
**Urban and Environmental
 Policy and Planning**
 3:30–5:00 p.m.,
 Cohen Auditorium

**Women's, Gender,
 and Sexuality Studies**
 1:30–3:00 p.m., the tent on
 Tilton Lawn

Medford/Somerville Campus Map



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Shuttle Stops



Ride Share Drop-Off and Pick-Up Locations



Graduation Ceremony Locations



Information Booths
Packard Avenue in front of West Hall; near Eaton Hall; in front of Tisch Library; Cousens Athletic Complex; Mayer Campus Center; and Granoff Music Center



Webcast Viewing Areas

ASEAN Auditorium, Cabot Center; Cohen Auditorium; and Halligan Hall, Room 169



Accessible Drop-off Locations

Packard Avenue, next to The Green; and Powderhouse Boulevard, next to J Field



Food Service

Mayer Campus Center



Restrooms

Behind West Hall; on Fletcher Field; on Tilton Lawn; on Triangle Field; and at the Mayer Campus Center



Accessible Restrooms

Barnum Hall; Olin Center; Mayer Campus Center; and Aidekman Arts Center

First Aid

Patrons needing medical attention should notify any uniformed official.

University Commencement

Order of Events

Musical Prelude

Tufts University Wind Ensemble
Douglas McRay Daniels, *Director*

Commencement Marshal

Paul J. Tringale, A82, Fo1, *Secretary of the Corporation*

Processional

Presenter

Boris Hasselblatt, *Professor of Mathematics*

Alumni Marshal

Amy Kumpel, *Representing the 25th Reunion Class*

National Anthem

Sophia E. Crummel, A26

Invocation

The Reverend Elyse Nelson Winger, *University Chaplain*

Opening Remarks

Sunil Kumar, *President of the University*

Conferring of Honorary Degrees

Sunil Kumar, *President*

Recipients of Honorary Degrees

Terri Lyne Carrington, Doctor of Music
Kenneth C. Frazier, Doctor of Business Administration
David R. Walt, Doctor of Science

The Commencement Address

Kenneth C. Frazier

Recipient of Dean Emeritus Certificate

Alastair Cribb, *Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine*

University Commencement

Order of Events

Recipients of Emeritus/a Certificates

Diana W. Bianchi, School of Medicine
Christoph Börgers, School of Arts and Sciences
Rachel Joy Buchsbaum, School of Medicine
Andrew Catley, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy
Peggy Cebe, School of Arts and Sciences
C. Hwa Chang, School of Engineering
Robert G. Cook, School of Arts and Sciences
Alva Lind Couch, School of Engineering
Jens Eldrup-Jorgensen, School of Medicine
Jianping Feng, School of Arts and Sciences
Lawrence S. Friedman, School of Medicine
Richard Kopelman, School of Medicine
Jinyu Li, School of Arts and Sciences
Daniel G. Maxwell, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy
John McDonald, School of Arts and Sciences
Austin Napier, School of Arts and Sciences
Dominique Penninck, Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine
Henry Querfurth, School of Medicine
Cynthia Robinson, School of Arts and Sciences
Pearl T. Robinson, School of Arts and Sciences
Hope Schreiber, School of Medicine
Roman Schumann, School of Medicine
Iqbal Singh, School of Dental Medicine
Miguel J. Stadecker, School of Medicine
Paul Summergrad, School of Medicine
Arthur S. Tischler, School of Medicine
Loring Tu, School of Arts and Sciences
Monica H. Ulmann, School of Medicine
Tina Wasserman, School of Arts and Sciences
Jonathan Zuckerman, School of Medicine

Conferring of Degrees in Course

Sunil Kumar, *President*
Jeffrey M. Moslow, *Chairman, Board of Trustees*
Caroline Attardo Genco, *Provost and Senior Vice President*
Bárbara Brizuela, *Dean, School of Arts and Sciences*
Kyongbum Lee, *Dean, School of Engineering*
Helen W. Boucher, *Dean, School of Medicine*
Nadeem Karimbux, *Dean, School of Dental Medicine*
Kelly Sims Gallagher, *Dean, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy*
Alastair Cribb, *Dean, Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine*
Christina Economos, *Dean, The Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy*

Remarks

Jeffrey M. Moslow, *Chairman*

Closing

Sunil Kumar, *President*

Benediction

Khan Asfandyar Shairani, *Muslim Chaplain*

After the benediction and recessional of the platform party and the faculty, graduates' guests are invited to attend Phase II of the Commencement exercises at the various sites.

University Commencement

Dear Alma Mater

Leo R. Lewis A1887

*We con, beside thy knee,
Dear Alma Mater,
Earth's book of mystery,
Dear Alma Mater.
We track the storied past,
Dear Alma Mater,
Over plains of learning vast,
Dear Alma Mater, With thee.*

*Speed on thy sunlit way,
Dear Alma Mater,
We vow new faith today,
Dear Alma Mater!
May glory light thy name,
Dear Alma Mater,
All thy children sing thy fame,
Dear Alma Mater, For aye!*

Academic Mace

Ceremonial maces were originally carried as a symbol of royal authority, dating back to the Middle Ages. The academic mace is a symbol of the authority invested in the president by the university's governing body. Tufts' mace is adorned with the official seal of the university on the crowning medallion and is carried before the president in academic processions in

Academic Regalia

Traditional academic regalia has been worn by the Tufts faculty since the Commencement of 1906. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. The master's degree gown has elbow-length, pointed sleeves; the doctoral degree gown has bell-shaped sleeves; both may be worn open or closed. The doctoral degree gown is faced, and the sleeves are trimmed with velvet. By its color and arrangement, the hood worn with the gown indicates the wearer's highest advanced degree, the field in which it was awarded, and the school from which it came. The lining of the hood carries the school's colors, brown and blue in the case of Tufts. The velvet edging on the hood, wider for the doctoral degree than for the

Tuftonia's Day

Elliot Wright Hayes A1916

*Steady and true, rush along, Brown and Blue.
Raise a mighty score today.
Fearless tear down the field and never yield!
Brown and Blue, Brown and Blue for aye!
Hammer them hard, boys, and break through their guard.
That is old Tuftonia's way.
And our glorious banner once again will wave o'er
Tuftonia's Day.
T-u-f-t-s, T-u-f-t-s, Hurrah! Hurrah! for dear old Brown
and Blue!*

*Refrain:
Up on the Hill tonight all will be gay.
Victorious in the fight, we'll raise the standard of dear old
Tufts to glory!
Pile up a mighty score.
It's bound to soar.
Now one goal more!
Nothing can stop us; it's Tuftonia's Day.*

formal ceremonies such as commencement and inaugurations. The mace was designed in 1938 and donated by the Alumni Council. The mahogany stand displaying the mace was designed and built by students from Medford Vocational Technical High School and was presented to President Anthony P. Monaco in 2015.

master's degree, signifies by its color the field in which the degree was designated. Science hoods are trimmed in yellow, engineering in orange, medicine in green, dental medicine in lilac, doctor of philosophy in blue, and veterinary medicine in gray. The mortarboard or Oxford-type cap is the one usually worn, but of late, the soft cap, which resembles an oversized beret, has come into favor because of its comfort. Tassels, other than the universally accepted black, may indicate by the various colors the field of learning in which the degree is earned, while the gold tassel generally signifies a doctoral degree. Many international universities show great diversity, following traditions that extend back for centuries.

Recipients of Honorary Degrees

Celebrating 40 years in music, the National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Masters Fellow and four-time Grammy Award-winning drummer, producer, and educator **TERRI LYNE CARRINGTON** started her professional career in Massachusetts, where, at age 10, she became the youngest person to receive a union card in Boston.

Today, Carrington serves as founder and artistic director of the Berklee Institute of Jazz and Gender Justice, as well as artistic director for the Next Jazz Legacy program, a collaboration with New Music USA. She has performed on more than 100 recordings, and has toured and recorded with Stan Getz, Herbie Hancock, Wayne Shorter, Esperanza Spalding, and many others.

In 2019, Carrington collaborated with the band Social Science to release the album *Waiting Game*, inspired by the ever-evolving social and political landscape. That double album earned the Edison Award for music and a Grammy Award nomination. Her most recent album—the critically acclaimed *We Insist 2025!*—is a poignant reimagining of the *Freedom Now Suite* originally created by Max Roach in collaboration with Abbey Lincoln. Reflecting upon the past while challenging the present, this latest album honors Roach’s original masterpiece and furthers Carrington’s passion for using jazz as a tool for social activism.

Carrington is the author of two books, *Three of a Kind: The Allen Carrington Spalding Trio* and *New Standards: 101 Lead Sheets by Women Composers*. The latter was accompanied by the Grammy Award-winning album *New Standards Vol. 1* and the New Standards art installation, presented at Detroit’s Carr Center, Emerson Contemporary Media Art Gallery (Boston), and Arena Stage (Washington, D.C.) as part of the Jazz Without Patriarchy project.

A member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Carrington holds honorary doctorates from York University, Manhattan School of Music, and Berklee College of Music. She is a proud graduate of Medford High School.

Carrington will receive an honorary Doctor of Music degree.

KEN FRAZIER is chairman of General Catalyst’s Health Assurance initiatives, and is the former president, CEO, and executive chairman of the board of directors of Merck.

Under Frazier’s leadership, Merck delivered innovative lifesaving medicines and vaccines as well as long-term and sustainable value to its multiple stakeholders. He substantially increased Merck’s investment in research—including early research—while refocusing the

organization on the launch and growth of key products that provide far-reaching benefits to society.

Currently, Frazier guides strategy for General Catalyst’s Health Assurance initiatives, focusing on collaborative partnerships with health care companies and the pharma industry, and investments in these areas. He provides mentorship to founders who are building companies that are well positioned to transform the health care industry through collaborative innovation. At General Catalyst, Frazier harnesses his deep passion for health equity, workforce transformation, and responsible innovation, partnering with General Catalyst to continue to drive necessary positive change and leadership in the industry and beyond.

Throughout his career, Frazier has committed himself to organizations dedicated to leading social change and equity for all people. He serves on the boards of numerous organizations and holds several chairmanships, including as co-founder and co-chair of SkillsRight (formerly known as OneTen), a coalition of leading organizations committed to upskilling, hiring, and promoting people without four-year degrees into family-sustaining jobs.

He has received numerous awards, including the Penn State Alumni Fellow Award, the Association of Corporate Counsel’s Excellence in Corporate Practice Award, and the Equal Justice Initiative’s Equal Justice Champion Award.

Frazier graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1975 with highest honors and earned his J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1978.

Frazier will receive an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree.

Scientist, educator, and entrepreneur **DAVID WALT** is the Hansjörg Wyss Professor of Bioinspired Engineering at Harvard Medical School and professor of pathology at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women’s Hospital. Walt is also a core faculty member at the Wyss Institute for Biologically Inspired Engineering at Harvard and a Howard Hughes Medical Institute professor.

In 1981, Walt joined the Department of Chemistry in the School of Arts and Sciences at Tufts University, where he was Robinson Professor of Chemistry for a number of years. In 2014, he rose to the rank of university professor.

Soon after joining the Tufts faculty, Walt became interested in sensors and biosensors. Conversations with collaborators led him to recognize a need in the field for more sensitive genetic analyses on a much larger scale. The microwell array technology that he invented is the basis for most of the high-throughput genetic sequencing

Recipients of Honorary Degrees

platforms on the market today. As a direct result of Walt's invention, both sequencing and genotyping costs were reduced by nearly a millionfold in less than a decade.

Today, Walt's lab focuses on creating and using novel technologies to solve unmet clinical diagnostics problems. Their work includes the development of new diagnostics tools and biomarker assay technologies based on single-molecule detection and high-throughput analysis of extracellular vesicles. His lab applies these new technologies to the early detection of cancers (including breast and ovarian cancer) and diagnosis of neurodegenerative diseases, including Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, and ALS. His lab also works on new diagnostic methods for tuberculosis and HIV rebound that can be used in low- and middle-income countries. The lab is deeply involved in understanding long COVID and is pursuing fundamental research on single-enzyme molecules to provide insight into enzyme mechanisms.

Walt is the scientific founder of Illumina Inc. and Quanterix Corp. and has co-founded multiple other life sciences startups.

Walt is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, the National Academy of Medicine, and the American Philosophical Society. He is also a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the National Academy of Inventors. He has been inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

He has received numerous national and international awards for his fundamental and applied work in the field of optical microwell arrays and single molecules. His honors include the Kabiller Prize in Nanoscience and Nanomedicine and the Fritz J. and Dolores H. Russ Prize from the National Academy of Engineering. In 2025, Walt received the National Medal of Technology and Innovation from President Biden.

Walt graduated from the University of Michigan in 1974 and earned his Ph.D. in chemical biology from Stony Brook University in 1979.

Walt will receive an honorary Doctor of Science degree.

School of Arts and Sciences

Order of Events

Undergraduate and graduate students in the School of Arts and Sciences participate in department ceremonies. Each celebration has a unique order of events that reflects the character of the departments involved.

We invite you to enjoy the ceremonies (see Page 6). The recognition of our students is well deserved. We congratulate all of our graduates for their academic achievement and wish them well in the future.

Ceremony Hosts

Bárbara Brizuela, Dean, the School of Arts and Sciences

Mary Davis, Senior Associate Vice Provost for Education

Scheri Fultineer, Dean, School of the Museum of Fine Arts

Yu-Shan Lin, Dean, Academic Affairs for the School of Arts and Sciences

Camille Lizarribar, Dean of Students and Chief Student Life Officer for the School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering

Carmen Lowe, Dean, Academic Advising and Undergraduate Studies

Danillo Marshesini, Dean of Research for the School of Arts and Sciences

Nimah Mazaheri, Dean, Academic Affairs for the School of Arts and Sciences

Tasha Oren, Dean, Academic Affairs for the School of Arts and Sciences

Colleen Ryan, Vice Provost for Faculty

Cigdem Talgar, Vice Provost for Education

School of Engineering

Order of Events

Presenter

C. Andrew Ramsburg, Ph.D., *Dean, Undergraduate Education*

Greetings

Kyongbum Lee, Ph.D., *Karol Family Professor and Dean, School of Engineering*

Remarks

David V. Rosowsky, E85, EG87, *Senior Advisor to President Michael Crow at Arizona State University*

Recognition of Graduate Degrees

Kyongbum Lee, Ph.D., *Professor and Dean*

Presentation of Undergraduate Degrees

Kyongbum Lee, *Professor and Dean*

C. Andrew Ramsburg, Ph.D., *Dean, Undergraduate Education*

Department Chairs

Closing Remarks

Kyongbum Lee, Ph.D., *Professor and Dean*

School of Medicine and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Order of Events

Musical Prelude

Processional

Chief Marshal

Deborah Erlich, M.D., MMedEd, FAAFP, *Vice Dean, Academic Affairs, ad interim, School of Medicine*

Presenter

Laura E. Baecher-Lind, M.D., M.P.H., *Dean, Educational Affairs, School of Medicine*

Invocation

Elyse Nelson Winger, M.Div., *University Chaplain*

Welcome

Helen W. Boucher, M.D., *Dean, School of Medicine*

Greetings

Michael T. Chin, M.D., Ph.D., *Dean, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences*

Presentation of Faculty Emeritus Certificates

Recipients:

Diana Willa Bianchi, M.D., *Professor of Pediatrics*

Rachel Joy Buchsbaum, M.D., *Professor of Medicine*

Jens Elrup-Jorgensen, M.D., *Professor of Surgery*

Lawrence Samuel Friedman, M.D., *Professor of Medicine*

Richard I. Kopelman, M.D., *Professor of Medicine*

Henry W. Querfurth, M.D., Ph.D., *Clinical Professor of Neurology*

Hope Schreiber, PsyD, ABPP/CN, *Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry*

Roman Schumann, M.D., FASA, *Professor of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine*

Miguel J. Stadecker, M.D., Ph.D., *Professor of Immunology*

Paul Summergrad, M.D., *Professor of Psychiatry*

Arthur S. Tischler, M.D., *Professor of Anatomic and Clinical Pathology*

Monica H. Ultmann, M.D., *Clinical Professor of Pediatrics*

Jonathan Burton Zuckerman, M.D., *Clinical Professor of Medicine*

School of Medicine Student Address

Amodhya Samarakoon, *Doctor of Medicine and Master of Public Health Candidate and M26 Class President*

Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences Student Address

Caroline Reynolds, *Doctor of Philosophy Candidate*

Presentation of Diplomas to M.D./M.P.H. Candidates, School of Medicine

Helen W. Boucher, M.D., *Dean, School of Medicine*

Amy B. Kuhlik, M.D., *Senior Advisor to the M.D. Program*

Owais Gilani, Ph.D., *Associate Professor, Public Health and Community Medicine, and Co-Director, M.D./M.P.H.*

Degree Program

John A. Matias, M.Ed., *Associate Dean, Student Affairs and Admissions*

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Mary E. Brown, M.D., M.S., *Dean of Student Affairs, ad interim*

Shane M. Davis, M.D., M17, *Assistant Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*

School of Medicine and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Order of Events

Presentation of Diplomas to Maine Track Candidates, School of Medicine

Helen W. Boucher, M.D., *Dean, School of Medicine*

Douglas B. Sawyer, M.D., Ph.D., *Chief Academic Officer, MaineHealth*

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Dena L. Whitesell, M.D., *Assistant Dean for Students, Tufts Maine Track*

Eliza R. Bullis, M.D., M11, *Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine*

Presentation of Diplomas to M.D. Candidates, School of Medicine

Helen W. Boucher, M.D., *Dean, School of Medicine*

Presentation of Diplomas to M.S. Candidates, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Michael T. Chin, M.D., Ph.D., *Dean, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences*

Alexei Bygrave, Ph.D., *Assistant Professor, Neuroscience Program and Genetics, Molecular and Cellular Biology Program*

Presentation of Diplomas to Ph.D. Candidates, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Michael T. Chin, M.D., Ph.D., *Dean, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences*

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Christopher Dulla, Ph.D., *Chair, Neuroscience*

Doctoral Faculty Advisors

Presentation of Diplomas to M.D./Ph.D. Candidates, School of Medicine and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Helen W. Boucher, M.D., *Dean, School of Medicine*

Michael T. Chin, M.D., Ph.D., *Dean, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences*

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Doctoral Faculty Advisors

Administration of Modern Hippocratic Oath

Hamish R. M. Haddow, M.D., M18, *Associate Medical Director of Adult Services, Spring Harbor Hospital, Maine*

Musical Recessional

School of Medicine: Graduate Programs

Order of Events

Greetings

Josh Cooper, M.Ed. J.D., *Associate Dean, Student Services, School of Medicine Graduate Programs*

Welcoming Remarks

Helen W. Boucher, M.D., *Dean, School of Medicine*

Student Address

Eliot Konzal, *M.S. in Biomedical Sciences Candidate*

Recognition of D.P.T. Candidates and Faculty Address

Deborah Erlich, M.D., MMedEd, FAAFP, *Vice Dean, Academic Affairs, ad interim, Professor and Vice Chair for Education*

Recognition of M.P.H. Candidates and Faculty Address

Kimberly Dong, Dr.P.H., M.S., R.D., L.D.N., *Program Director, Public Health Program*

Margie Skeer, Sc.D., M.P.H., M.S.W., *Interim Chair of Public Health and Community Medicine*

Recognition of M.S. in Biomedical Sciences Candidates and Faculty Address

Jim Kubilus, Ph.D., *Director, M.S.—Biomedical Sciences Program*

Vivian Stephens-Hicks, M.P.H., M.Div., *Program Manager, M.S.—Biomedical Sciences Program*

Recognition of M.S. in Biomedical Sciences/M.P.H. Candidates

Kimberly Dong, Dr.P.H., M.S., R.D., L.D.N., *Program Director*

Jim Kubilus, Ph.D., *Director, M.S.—Biomedical Sciences Program*

Recognition of M.S. in Medical Science Candidates and Faculty Address

Deborah Erlich, M.D., MMedEd, FAAFP, *Vice Dean, Academic Affairs, ad interim*

Closing Remarks

Helen W. Boucher, M.D., *Dean*

School of Dental Medicine

Order of Events

Musical Prelude

Woodvale String Quartet

Processional

Aruna Ramesh, D.M.D., B.D.S., M.S., *Faculty Marshal and Presenter*

Robin Jeehye Lee, *Student Marshal*

Omar Rahim Khan, *Student Marshal*

Ritika Lahoty, *Student Marshal*

Shivani Vasudev-Patel, *Student Marshal*

Welcome Greetings

Aruna Ramesh, D.M.D., B.D.S., M.S., *Associate Dean, Academic Affairs, and Professor of Diagnostic Sciences, Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology*

Invocation

The Reverend Daniel Bell, M.Div., *Protestant Chaplain*

Remarks

Nadeem Karimbux, D.M.D., M.M.Sc., *Dean of School of Dental Medicine and Professor of Periodontology*

Jaylon Antón Johnson, *President of the Class of D2026*

Richard Alexandro Bustamante, *President of the Class of DI2026*

Recognition of Faculty Emeritus

Iqbal Singh, D.M.D., B.D.S., *Professor Emeritus*

Teaching Awards

THE PROVOST'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING TEACHING AND SERVICE

Aikaterini Papathanasiou, D.M.D., D.D.S., M.B.A., *Chair and Professor, Department of Comprehensive Care*

THE DEAN'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL TEACHING

Louisiana Espinoza, D.D.S., *Assistant Professor, Department of Endodontics*

THE DEAN'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN PRECLINICAL TEACHING

Kerith Rankin, D.M.D., *Director of Predoctoral Endodontics and Assistant Professor, Department of Endodontics*

THE DEAN'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN BASIC SCIENCE TEACHING

Najla Fiaturi, Ph.D., M.D., *Associate Professor, Medical Education, Tufts University School of Medicine*

Presentation of Master of Science and Doctor of Science in Dentistry Degrees and Hooding

Nadeem Karimbux, D.M.D., M.M.Sc., *Dean and Professor*

Riki Gottlieb, D.M.D., M.S., *Associate Dean of Admissions and Student Affairs and Professor, Department of Comprehensive Care*

Naciye Guzin Uzel, D.M.D., D.M.Sc., *Director of Research Education and Assistant Professor, Department of Periodontology*

School of Dental Medicine

Order of Events

Recognition of Honors and Awards

Aruna Ramesh, D.M.D., B.D.S., M.S., *Associate Dean and Professor*

Geraldine Garcia-Rogers, D.M.D., *President, Tufts University School of Dental Medicine Alumni Association*

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD

In Honor of Dr. Jerome S. Casper, D76

Presentation of Doctor of Dental Medicine Degrees

Nadeem Karimbux, D.M.D., M.M.Sc., *Dean and Professor*

Riki Gottlieb, D.M.D., M.S., *Associate Dean of Admissions and Student Affairs and Professor*

Janis Moriarty, D.M.D., *University Trustee and Member, Dental Board of Advisors*

Ancy Verdier, D.M.D., *University Trustee and Member, Dental Board of Advisors*

Doctor of Dental Medicine Hooding

Taha Mohammed Masood Akhtar, B.D.S., M.S.D., *Assistant Professor, Department of Prosthodontics*

Louisiana Espinoza, D.D.S., *Assistant Professor*

Sotirios Gotsis, D.D.S., *Assistant Professor, Department of Prosthodontics*

Amalia Katsampoula, D.D.S., *Assistant Professor, Department of Prosthodontics*

Ronald Perry, D.M.D., M.S., *Director of International Student Program and Professor, Department of Comprehensive Care*

Group Practice Recognition

Alan Epstein, D.M.D., *Lead Practice Coordinator and Assistant Professor, Department of Comprehensive Care*

Alex Miele, D.M.D., *Lead Practice Coordinator and Assistant Professor, Department of Comprehensive Care*

David Paul, D.M.D., *Lead Practice Coordinator and Associate Professor, Department of Comprehensive Care*

Oath for the Dental Graduate

Dara Rogers, D.M.D., *Interim Associate Dean of Clinical Affairs and Associate Professor, Department of Comprehensive Care*

NOTE TO SPECTATORS

Arrangements have been made for professional photographers to take photographs of each of the degree recipient on stage. These will be available for download from the school's website at a later time. We ask that family members and friends of the degree recipients refrain from approaching the stage to take photographs during the Commencement Ceremony.

The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy

Order of Events

Processional

Greetings and Remarks

Kelly Sims Gallagher, Foo, FGo3, *Dean*

Presentation of the James L. Paddock Teaching Award

Recipient: Chidi Odinkalu, *Professor of the Practice of International Human Rights Law*

Faculty Address

Chidi Odinkalu, *Professor of the Practice of International Human Rights Law*

Presentation of the Edmund A. Gullion Prize

Awarded to a graduating student who best exemplifies high academic achievement with participation at the school

Presentation of the Leo Gross Prize

Awarded to a graduating student who has excelled in law-related studies

Presentation of the Peter Ackerman Award

Presented by: Kelly Sims Gallagher, Foo, FGo3, *Dean*

Recipient: Lima Halima-Khalil and Joey Ching Aracena

Student Address to Graduates

Presentation of the Dean's Medal

Presented by: Kelly Sims Gallagher, Foo, FGo3, *Dean*

Recipient: The Honorable Dr. Shashi Tharoor, F76, F77, FG79, *Member of Parliament, India*

Keynote Address to Class of 2026

The Honorable Dr. Shashi Tharoor, F76, F77, FG79, *Member of Parliament, India*

Presentation of Doctor of Philosophy Diplomas

Kelly Sims Gallagher, Foo, FGo3, *Dean*

Doctor of Philosophy in Economics and Public Policy

Doctor of Philosophy in International Relations

Presentation of Diplomas

Kelly Sims Gallagher, Foo, FGo3, *Dean*

Master of Arts (M.A.)

Master of Arts in Law and Diplomacy (MALD)

Master of Arts in Transatlantic Affairs (MATA)

Master in Global Affairs (M.G.A.)

Master of Global Business Administration (G.B.A.)

Master of International Business (M.I.B.)

Master of Laws in International Law (LL.M.)

Master of Science in Cybersecurity and Public Policy (CSPP)

Closing Remarks

Kelly Sims Gallagher, Foo, FGo3, *Dean*

Recessional

Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine

Order of Events

Musical Prelude

Welcome

Alastair Cribb, D.V.M., Ph.D., *Dean*

Introduction of Dignitaries and Distinguished Guests

Recognition of Faculty Emerita

Dominique Penninck, D.M.V., Ph.D., *Professor, Large Animal Clinical Sciences*

University Greetings

Hugh R. Roome III, B.A., A74, MALD, F77, M.A., AG74, Ph.D., FG80, *Chair, Board of Advisors and Trustee Emeritus*

Graduate Class Address

McKenzie Raquel Langford

Presentation of Diplomas to M.S. Candidates

Marvin Schulte, Ph.D., *Associate Dean, Graduate Education*

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Allen Rutberg, Ph.D., *Associate Research Professor, Infectious Disease and Global Health*

Christopher Whittier, D.V.M., V97, Ph.D., *Associate Teaching Professor, Infectious Disease and Global Health*

Presentation of Diploma to Ph.D. Candidate

Marvin Schulte, *Associate Dean*

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J. Hellen Amuguni, B.V.M., Ph.D., VG11, *Professor, Infectious Disease and Global Health*

Graduate Faculty Address

Megan Mueller, B.A., A08, M.A., AG10, Ph.D., AG13, *Associate Professor, Comparative Pathobiology*

D.V.M. Class Address

Holden J. Sakala

D.V.M. Class Gift

Remi Dolan, *Co-President*, and Taylor Miller, *Treasurer*

Presentation of Diplomas to D.V.M. and D.V.M./Dual Degree Candidates

Kumari Andarawewa, B.V.Sc., Ph.D., *Associate Clinical Professor, Comparative Pathobiology*

Meera Gatlin, M.P.H., MG16, D.V.M., V16, *Assistant Teaching Professor, Infectious Disease and Global Health*

Melissa Mazan, D.V.M., V93, *Associate Dean, Professional Education*

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Elizabeth Rozanski, D.V.M., *Professor, Small Animal Clinical Sciences*

Laurence Sawyer, D.V.M., V99, *Assistant Teaching Professor, Small Animal Clinical Sciences*

D.V.M. Faculty Address

Nicole Freeman, D.V.M., Vo2, *Assistant Clinical Professor, Small Animal Clinical Sciences*

Administration of the Veterinarian's Oath

Monica Mansfield, D.V.M., *Past-President, Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association*

Closing Remarks

Alastair Cribb, *Dean*

Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy

Order of Events

Processional

John Baboian (Guitar) and Bob Sinicrope (Bass)

Greetings and Remarks

Timothy Griffin, Ph.D., *Dean for Educational Affairs and Associate Professor, Teri and Barry Volpert Family Professorship in Nutrition, Agriculture, and Sustainable Food Systems*

Christina D. Economos, Ph.D., N96, *Dean and Professor, New Balance Chair in Childhood Nutrition*

Class Address

Maya Elizabeth Momeni Sandhofer

Commencement Address

Curt Ellis

Presentation of Diplomas

Timothy Griffin, Ph.D., *Dean for Educational Affairs and Associate Professor*

Matthew Hast, M.A., AG11, *Assistant Dean, Student Affairs*

Presentation of Student and Faculty Awards

Timothy Griffin, Ph.D., *Dean for Educational Affairs and Associate Professor*

Sara Folta, Ph.D., No5, *Dean, Faculty Affairs*

STANLEY N. GERSHOFF, SIMON J. AND ARPI A. SIMONIAN PRIZE FOR RESEARCH EXCELLENCE IN NUTRITION SCIENCE AND POLICY

MARIANNE LOUISE MOCK DALLAS MEMORIAL FUND AWARD

JEANNE GOLDBERG STUDENT PRIZE

JOAN M. BERGSTROM STUDENT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN GLOBAL NUTRITION

SABINA ROBILLARD STUDENT PRIZE

REBECCA ROUBENOFF AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

FRIEDMAN SCHOOL OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

FRIEDMAN SCHOOL INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE AWARD

MOZAFFARIAN FAMILY AWARD FOR PUBLIC IMPACT

Presentation of Faculty Emeritus Certificates

Sara Folta, Ph.D., No5, *Dean, Faculty Affairs*

Presentation of Diplomas and Hooding of Candidates for the Doctor of Philosophy

Timothy Griffin, Ph.D., *Dean for Educational Affairs and Associate Professor*

Matthew Hast, M.A., AG11, *Assistant Dean, Student Affairs*

Doctoral Faculty Advisors

Closing Remarks

Timothy Griffin, Ph.D., *Dean for Educational Affairs and Associate Professor*

A reception in the Remis Sculpture Court will follow the ceremony.

Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life

Presidential Awards/*Honos Civicus* Inductees

The only university-wide college of its kind, the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life studies and promotes the civic and political engagement of young people at Tufts University, in our democracy, and around the world.

Tisch College supports an undergraduate major in civic studies and offers innovative courses, programs, and partnerships across Tufts University to embed civic learning for all students, including: the Tisch Scholars, Tufts Civic Semester, the Tisch Summer Fellows, community service learning programs in the health sciences, the Institute for Global Leadership (IGL), and the Tufts University Prison Initiative of Tisch College (TUPIT). Tisch College's leading research centers focus on understanding the challenges and opportunities of democracy and civic life, including: the Center for Information & Research on Civic Learning and Engagement (CIRCLE), the Center for State Policy Analysis (CSPA), the Vuslat Foundation Generous Listening and Dialogue Initiative (GLADi), and the Tisch College Community Research Center (TCRC).

Each year, Tisch College honors and publicly recognizes graduating students across the university who have excelled in civic engagement with the Presidential Award for Civic Life and induction into the *Honos Civicus* Society.

For the class of 2026, 14 honorees were recognized with the Presidential Award for Civic Life in a ceremony on May 12, and 168 graduating students were inducted into the *Honos Civicus* Society on May 15.

School Leadership

Dayna L. Cunningham, *Dean*

Peter Levine, *Associate Dean*

Taina S. McField, *Associate Dean*

Cong Tony Sun, *Executive Administrative Dean*

