

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL ... Selected Marches	The Manchester Pipe Band Jared Otto, <i>Pipe Major</i> Wes Cole, <i>Drum Sergeant</i>
A CALL TO ORDER.....	Marc R. Forster <i>Henry B. Plant Professor of History and College Marshal</i>
A CALL TO COMMUNITY	Rabbi Susan Schein <i>Director of Zachs Hillel House and College Chaplain</i>
AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL	Louise Lawton Brownsberger '16 and Katherine Mary McDonald '16 Constitution Brass Quintet
REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT	Katherine Bergeron <i>President of the College</i>
SENIOR CLASS SPEAKER	Mia Raquel Haas-Goldberg '16
PRESENTATION OF OAKES AND LOUISE AMES PRIZE	Abigail A. Van Slyck <i>Dean of the Faculty</i> <i>Dayton Professor of Art History</i>
PRESENTATION OF ANNA LORD STRAUSS MEDAL	Jefferson A. Singer <i>Dean of the College</i> <i>Faulk Foundation Professor of Psychology</i>
CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE	President Bergeron Dean Van Slyck Pamela D. Zilly '75 <i>Chair, Connecticut College Board of Trustees</i>
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Rukmini Maria Callimachi
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	President Bergeron Dean Van Slyck Dean Singer Elisabeth S. Labriola <i>Registrar</i> Marc R. Forster
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WELCOME	Kenneth R. Kabel '76 P'12 <i>President, Board of Directors, Connecticut College Alumni Association</i>
CLOSING REMARKS	President Bergeron
ALMA MATER	Louise Lawton Brownsberger '16 and Katherine Mary McDonald '16 with Drew James Andre '16, Joseph Patrick Donohue '16, Kolton Harris '14, Samuel Thomas McKeown '16 and Butch Rovani
BENEDICTION	The Rev. Claudia Highbaugh <i>Dean of Religious and Spiritual Life</i>
RECESSIONAL	Constitution Brass Quintet

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE'S ELEVENTH PRESIDENT

KATHERINE BERGERON

Katherine Bergeron became the 11th president of Connecticut College on Jan. 1, 2014.

Bergeron is a passionate teacher, an award-winning scholar and a collaborative administrator who has led Connecticut College during a period of positive momentum and growth. During the 2015-16 academic year, the College received the largest gift in its history – a gift of \$20 million from the family of Robert and Karen Hale – to support financial aid, career education and athletics. The Charles E. Shain Library opened after a \$10 million renovation enabling new forms of collaborative learning. And the entire community participated in a strategic planning process designed to identify the College's major goals and priorities for the next decade.

From the first year of her presidency, Bergeron has championed a bold new venture in integrative education at Connecticut College. The new curriculum, called *Connections*, requires all students to make more intentional connections among the various kinds of work they do in courses, in research, in internships and jobs, and in their lives both on campus and in the world, in order to prepare them for leadership in an era of change: liberal arts for our interconnected world.

Before coming to Connecticut College, Bergeron was dean of the college at Brown University. A music historian, she has held academic appointments at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Tufts University, University of California at Berkeley and Brown. She is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Wesleyan University, and earned master's and doctoral degrees in music history from Cornell. She is the author and editor of numerous scholarly articles and books, including two prize-winning monographs, "Decadent Enchantments" (1998), and "Voice Lessons" (2010).

Throughout her career, Bergeron's teaching and research have been enlivened by performance. She enjoys singing and has performed on campus with students and with her husband, Joseph Butch Rovin, a composer and multimedia artist who chairs the music department at Brown.

Bergeron is currently a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of "Liberal Education," the flagship journal of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, and a member of the NCAA President's Advisory Group. She also serves as a member of the board of directors of the Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra and on the executive committee of the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges.

HONORARY DEGREE

RUKMINI MARIA CALLIMACHI

Rukmini Maria Callimachi's career has been exemplified by a singular commitment to truth-telling in all its forms. As an award-winning foreign correspondent for The New York Times charged with covering terrorism and Islamic extremism, she has reported some of the most important stories of our time. From her efforts to expose the inner workings of Al Qaeda to her reporting on hunger in Africa, Callimachi's work demonstrates courage, creativity and a deep concern for humanity.

A graduate of Dartmouth College with a bachelor's degree in English literature, Callimachi went on to earn a Master of Philosophy in linguistics from Oxford University. She is a three-time Pulitzer Prize finalist, winner of The Michael Kelly Award, and the first journalist in the 75-year history of the Overseas Press Club to win both The Hal Boyle and The Bob Considine awards in the same year.

She joined The Times in 2014. Her series of articles, "Underwriting Jihad showing how ransoms paid by European governments had become one of the main sources of financing for Al Qaeda," won The George Polk Award in International Reporting. In late March, she wrote a front-page story, "Long Before Brussels, ISIS Sent Terror Operatives to Europe," that detailed the sophisticated strategy implemented by ISIS to carry out small-scale attacks in Europe. Her story challenged the existing narrative that the Nov. 13 attacks in Paris were a change in strategy for ISIS. As she has said, "One of the reasons that governments

and media outlets continue to underestimate ISIS is because they do not understand the role of so-called Lone Wolf attacks. These attacks are part-and-parcel of the terror group's strategy."

Before joining The Times, Callimachi spent 10 years at The Associated Press. From 2006 to 2014, she was based in Dakar, Senegal, covering 20 countries as a correspondent and the West Africa Bureau chief for the AP. In 2013, on an assignment for the AP in northern Mali, locals led her to a complex of buildings that had served as the headquarters of Al Qaeda's North African branch. On the floor and in upturned filing cabinets, she found thousands of pages of internal Al Qaeda documents including letters from the man considered to be the general manager of the terror network. Her series "The Al Qaeda Papers" illuminated the inner workings of the extremist organization, revealing that terrorists camping out in the dunes of the Sahara are expected to keep receipts and file monthly expense reports.

Through her fearless reporting and remarkable storytelling, Callimachi has shed light on some of the most pressing issues of security facing the world. Her impressive accomplishments are an inspiration to the extended community of the College, an institution that teaches students to look at complex world issues through multiple lenses to spot unexpected points of convergence. The College is proud to confer upon her the Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*.

THE ANNA LORD STRAUSS MEDAL

Anna Lord Strauss, a remarkable woman, was national president of the League of Women Voters, held five presidential appointments to national and international committees and missions, and served Connecticut College as a trustee for the extraordinary term of 32 years. The Anna Lord Strauss Medal is presented in her honor to the graduating senior who has done outstanding work in public or community service, including service to the College.

TARYN MICHELLE KITCHEN '16

The 2016 Anna Lord Strauss Medal is awarded to Taryn Michelle Kitchen, an extraordinary scholar-activist on campus and within local, national and global communities. Kitchen is a Latin American Studies major, a Holleran Center for Community Action and Public Policy scholar and a Winthrop Scholar, and she has completed the requirements for certification in both Elementary Education and Secondary Spanish Education.

As a dynamic thinker and student organizer, Kitchen reaches across barriers and works to expand understanding of the intersectionality of race, gender and social class. She works with students, staff and faculty to advance equity on campus and has served as a peer tutor in the Human Development Department and a senior fellow for community collaborations with the College's Office of Sustainability. She also served on the Education Department Student Advisory Board and on Blackstone House Council.

Throughout her years at Connecticut College, Kitchen has been a student leader in the Office of Volunteers for Community Service and has worked in partnership programs in multiple classrooms in New London, advancing the achievement of children and youth. At the same time, she engaged in public forums with parents and community members to address structural inequalities in the public education system and improve public policy. Kitchen has been a mentor at B.P. Learned Mission and a tutor at Jennings Dual Language Elementary School and Bennie Dover Jackson Middle School, as well as a classroom aide and language teacher at local charter and magnet schools. As a teacher and tutor, she strives to make programs accessible for all types of learners. She organized college students in the

"Foreign Language Methodology" class to be revolutionary pedagogical thinkers, not only in the way they approached their own learning, but also in the way they developed learning activities for elementary school children at the Regional Multicultural Magnet School.

In pursuit of educational equity, Kitchen also developed a passion for immigrant justice work. She completed an internship at Massachusetts Immigration and Refugee Advocacy (MIRA) and then brought her knowledge and skills to IASC, the Immigration Advocacy and Support Center in New London, as soon as it opened in 2014. In 2015, she led efforts to implement a free citizenship clinic in collaboration with IASC. She worked with MIRA, IASC and students in the "Transmigrants in New England: An Anthropological Perspective" class to design promotional materials and guide people through the process of applying for citizenship. The model she created will be used by IASC each year.

While completing a study abroad program at the Martin Luther King Center in Havana, Cuba, and during a border witness trip to the Arizona-Sonora border, Kitchen explored the liberal arts in action and built understanding and relationships. Kitchen also pursued opportunities to complete construction at an orphanage and a school while on service trips to Reynosa, Mexico, and Danli, Honduras.

Following graduation, Kitchen will continue outstanding public and community work as a Fulbright Scholar in Mexico.

Like the remarkable Anna Lord Strauss, Taryn Michelle Kitchen deeply engages with others in campus, local and global forums to address issues of equity and justice and create communities where all can thrive.

THE OAKES AND LOUISE AMES PRIZE

The Oakes and Louise Ames Prize, named for a president emeritus of the College and his wife, is given to a graduating senior who has completed the year's most outstanding honors study. The prize is offered by the trustees in recognition of the quality of academic achievement that Oakes and Louise Ames fostered during their fourteen years of service to Connecticut College.

LAUREN PAULA MARAZZI '16

Lauren Paula Marazzi, a self-designed bioinformatics major, is awarded the Oakes and Louise Ames Prize for her honors thesis, "Computational Methods for Developmental Gene Expression Analysis in Axolotls." Marazzi's interdisciplinary work focuses on computational approaches to studying developmental gene regulation in axolotls, or Mexican salamanders, and contributes to the larger fields of bioinformatics, computational biology, developmental biology and genomics.

Marazzi's two-part thesis involved performing advanced laboratory experiments and graduate-level computational analyses in addition to understanding and conceptualizing complex biological mechanisms. Although axolotls have been used as a model system to study developmental processes, the genome is complex and has yet to be sequenced. Marazzi's study of microRNA targets in axolotls thus required her to develop new approaches to use the sequence data that is available. These approaches will be useful for further axolotl research as well as for microRNA studies in other organisms whose genomes are not yet sequenced.

In the second part of her thesis, Marazzi focused on genome-wide transcriptional level gene expression by analyzing transcriptome data from taste bud progenitor tissue in axolotl embryos. Using computational methods, Marazzi was able to acquire and assemble all of the RNA sequences present

in the sample, filter the data for noise from the sequencing process and analyze the results to determine the level of gene expression between different developmental stages. She was able to identify 131 differentially expressed genes between two stages of taste bud development.

Marazzi's integrative research required her to collaborate with an interdisciplinary team of faculty and to think critically as both a computer scientist and a biologist. Her thesis sponsor, Associate Professor of Biology Deborah Eastman, says even at the graduate level, it is rare for students to have highly developed skills and conceptual understandings in both computer science and biology. "For Lauren to have already developed such depth and integration as an undergraduate is exceptional," she says.

Marazzi's thesis sets the groundwork for two research articles and for further computational and experimental analysis of microRNA regulation and gene expression in axolotls and in other species with or without sequenced genomes. Says Visiting Assistant Professor in Computer Science and Biology Stephen Winters-Hilt, "I've seen master's theses that have accomplished far less."

With interests in both research and medicine, Marazzi plans to pursue an M.D. and a Ph.D. at the University of Connecticut.

CLASS OF TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Eliza Shirley Abdu-Glass	Salvador Gabriel Bigay	Alyson Olivia Cheney
Daniel John Adair	Joseph Birmingham	Vladimir Chlouba
Nicole Mary Adam	Dezmond Hoyt Bishop	Mahajabin Sultana Chowdhury
Katherine Dunham Crawford Adams	Matthew Paul Bitchell	Laura Brennan Cianciolo
Robert Edward Akeson	Joseph Andrew Blair	Morgan Everette Clark ^{1,6}
Muneeba Alam	Allison Hamilton Blanning	Riley David Clark-Long
Daniel Enrique Albarran Garcia	Robert Donald Bleistein Jr	Alex McKenzie Coffin
Daniel Scott Albers	Tobias Narus Blumberg	Anne Elizabeth Colletta
Catherine Baird Alexander	William Yates Bogle V	Thomas Michael Conlin
Victoria Milliken Allen	Catherine Taylor Boyle	Christine Connolly
Danya Al-Rawi	Thomas Joseph Brady IV	Vanessa Anne Correia
Michael James Amato	Alexandra Daley Breakstone	Raymond Coti
Ashley Anne Amey	Kaitlin Courtney Breck	Morgan Cowie-Haskell
Drew James Andre	Stephan Whatley Brennan	Jessica Priestley Craig
Aline Andreolla Feijó	Olivia Hopestill Briggs	Caroline Winifred Cranna
Alexander Robert Apkin	Katherine Frances Brill	Jessica Elizabeth Cronin
Elias Maximino Aquino	Austin Douglas Brown	Teresa Maria Cruz
Eduardo Araújo	Louise Lawton Brownsberger	Kaitlin Mary Cunningham
DeShawn Kelly Armistead	Marianne Johanne Brunet ¹	Brett Ferguson Curran
Ashley Ann Arthur	Charles Roller Bryant	Megan Elizabeth D'Agostino
Teagan Mighill Atwater	Chelsie Bryant	Jillian Joan Dahrooge
Sophie Hollister Atwood	Nathaniel Tiberius Bubacy	Allisa Joy Dalpe
Matthew Ryan August ^{4,7}	Alem Bukvic	Brian Damacio
Theodore Llewellyn Bakewell	Andrew Daniel Bullis	Kelly Rose D'Ancicco
Benjamin Aymar Ballard	Julia Simmons Burgdorff ^{5,7}	Christian Haynes Daniell
Brittany Gail Baltay	Catherine Louise Burke ⁸	Tonika Deona Davenport ⁷
Kelsey Williams Banker ^{1,6}	Daniel Luc Burns ⁸	Zoë Arden Davis
Mattie Welles Barber-Bockelman	Matthew James Burns	Chrismary De La Cruz
Thomas Edward Barnett-Young	Ariel Alexis Bush	Ryan Edward Dean
Lars Barr ^{1,4,7}	Liliana Alexandra Byron	Jonathan Evan Deeter
Courtenay Elizabeth Barton	Natalie Louise Calhoun	Bradley Ryan DeMarco
Katelyn Ann Beans	Claire Marie Callahan	Tim Anthony DiPretoro
Ciara Leann Beaulieu ¹	Walker McCullough Cammack	Alexandra Leigh Dodge
Ariana Elizabeth Beers	Dana Amelia Canfield ⁷	Casey Louise Domine
Justin Wentzel Bell	Lily Marie Cannon	Joseph Patrick Donohue
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Natalie Retha Bennett	Aleksandr Ross Chandra	Maia Anne Draper-Reich
Kerry Elizabeth Benson	Robert George Chapman III	John Richard Driscoll ⁷
Leah Cady Bevins	Alexis Koumjian Cheney	Nicole Elizabeth Drzewinski

Katherine Elizabeth Dubois	Clara Ann Gross	Yulia Khaitov ⁶
Gretchen Shafer Durning	Hallie Tiana Grossman	Sadikchhya Khanal
Jessica Charbonnet Durning	Anthony Guerrero	Bae Yung Kim
Emily Mary Dykes	Jesse William Guterman	Amelia Ellis King
Michelle Jane Elsas	Mia Raquel Haas-Goldberg	Taryn Michelle Kitchen
Julia Elsa Maria Enos	Grace Mari Hall	Meira Avital Klatzker
Benjamin John Esposito	Zoe Rose Halpert	Alyssa Klein
Abigail Arce Fagan	Benjamin Lee Halvorsen	Elena Catherine Klonoski
Nicholas Evangelos Fantakis	Sami Karl Hamed	Bryce Petersen Kopp
Hannah Ruth Feeney	Madeline Ward Harris ⁸	Jonathan William Kraiger
Sean Greene Felton	Kristina Lee Harrold	Naomi Hannah Krieger
Daniel Samuel Feoktistov	Julia Hayden	Samantha Lou Krieger
Cian Daly Fields	Charlotte Murphy Hecht	Alanna Danielle Krowiak ¹
Grace Anne Finley	Tyler Daniel Hegarty	Abigail Catherine Michel Kulewicz
Nicholas Joseph Fischetti ⁸	Emil William Henry III	Haris Kuljancic
Margaret Hunter Fixler ⁶	Chazz Prescott Higginbotham	Caitlin Michelle Kullberg
Timothy Benjamin Flannery	Amelia Eaton Hinman ⁸	Anthony Sol Kwak
Leah Macy Fleming	Anna Elizabeth Hofmann	Lily Lee Ky
Ariana Dawn Flessas	Maggie Marie Hogan	James Thomas Lafortezza
Juan Eduardo Flores	Nicole Brittany Hogan	Surendra Lama
Christina Ellen Frank	Philip Jay Hooper ⁸	Patrick Gallagher Landes
Rebecca Allison Frawley ⁸	Samuel David Hooper ⁸	Zachary John Thomas LaRock
Andrew Lawrence Fritschi	Jacqueline Parsons Horne	Zachary Gilbert Larson
Charlotte Lucie Fuss	Matthew Harty Hyszczyk	Anna Elizabeth Laurence
Estephany Yolanda Galarza	Mohammed Ibrahim	Jake Austin Le Suer
Michael Peter Galiano	Estefani Ignacio Gallegos	Margaret Hehir Leary
Alheli Garza	Kévin Orly Irakóze ⁷	Victoria Brecker Leeds ^{1,3}
Evan Taylor Gaudio	Summer Elizabeth Irving	Max Samuel Lemper-Tabatsky
Jonathan Kerlin Getz ⁷	Zeina Amine Jabali	Caroline Lindberg Leonard
Ajami-Halisi Simon Gikandi	Susan Manimaletu Jacob	Amy Suzanne Levenson
Brooke Ann Gillen	Thomas Matthew Janick	Sophia Ilise Liebman
James Aaron Gilmore	Momin Javed	Olivia Dubin Liebnick
Gabriel Diego Gladstone-Groth	Zachary Jacob Jay	Claire Isabel Lingham
Anna Meili Glidden	Stephen Montgomery Jones	Katherine Grace Lipman
Connor Chase Gmehlin	Brittany Elizabeth Juliano	Brent Lo ¹
Laura Claire Goldman	Grace S Juster	Adam Cary Lonner
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Daniel Seth Gossels	Aneeka Kalia	Jenna Yve Lovett
Luke Kenefick Graves	Jessica Pearl Kannam	Paul LaSalle Luba
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Anna Marie Grofik	Kamal Abdul Kariem	Matthew Joseph Luciani
John Patrick Grosel ¹	Victoria Anne Kenyon	Glindys Luciano

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 Spencer Kretchmer Lutvak
 Shannon Catherine Lydon
 Paul Castle MacMullin
 Rachel Hilary Maddox
 Sergio Madera
 Kristian Edward Maestri
 Katharine Elisabeth Mahoney
 Ang Mai
 Margaret Frances Maloney
 Melissa Rachel Mangum⁸
 Lauren Paula Marazzi
 Charlotte Patricia Marcoux
 Olivia Drake Markham
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 Anna Elizabeth Marshall
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 Marialyse Vega Martiney
 Melanie Winning Mason
 Susanna Tilghman Mathews⁸
 Rachel Elizabeth Matson
 Molly Nicolay McAleer
 Aaron Jerome McBurnie
 Devon Gay McCarthy
 Brendan Holmes McClintick
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 Bronte Elizabeth McGarrah
 Mary Taylor McKee
 Samuel Thomas McKeown
 Bolster McKinley
 Willa Wolverton McKinley
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 Daniel Mendoza
 Kimberly Rae Meneo
 Carla Simone Menezes
 Joseph Bernard Mercado Jr
 Hannah Josephine Metzel
 David Francis Michaels
 Casey Ellen Miller

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 James Zacharias Moon
 Riana Alexandra Moore⁷
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 Santiago Moran
 Krystal Illyse Moreno
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 Andrea Elizabeth Mullaney
 Lauren Elizabeth Munhall
 Colin Maher Munson¹
 Kui Mondo Murage
 Michael James Murchison^{1, 5}
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 Benjamin Colby Nadell⁶
 Matthew Todd Nathin
 Julia Christine Newman
 Lillian Ngo
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 Hilary Magdalena Noble
 Caroline Morgan Noonan
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 Melissa Turner Oliva⁸
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 Alex J Omartian
 Amanda Diann Onofrio
 Carly Anne Ozarowski
 Hope Catherine Palattella
 Carolina Pallares
 Khushbu Maulesh Pandya
 Mitchell Ryan Paro⁶
 Colin Michael Patch
 Marino Ilija Patrk Jr
 Caitlin Marie Persa
 Sasha Laura Peterson
 Jonathan Pfefer
 Samantha Alexis Pierce
 Gina Pol
 Adeline Rose Poris
 Trevor James Porter

Jose Leonel Portuhondo
 Alexandra Katherine Potts
 Luca Adrian Powell⁷
 Niccolo Marshall Premutico
 Chelsea Renee Preston
 Kendall M Priebe⁷
 Ryan Scott Primrose
 Julia Marie Proft
 Victoria Francesca Pucci
 Olivia Cheyenne Rabbitt
 Emma Glancey Radest
 Sasha Alexandra Ragland
 Luis Enrique Ramos
 Allison Dana Rand
 Megan Mary Ratcliffe
 Stephanie Marin Reeves
 Mollie Reid
 Leela Chaya Riesz
 Kalinda Ellen Roberts
 Grace Kathleen Ayres Robertson
 Cleotis Laterry Robinson III
 Fara Sheila Rodriguez
 Shelly Rodriguez
 Edward Sterling Rogers⁸
 Helen Hope Rolfe
 Douglas E Rosenberg⁶
 Leah D'Albis Rosofsky
 Alexa Jillian Rothenberg
 Emma Linn Rotner
 Kate Olivia Rudolph
 Emily Ryan
 Leah Ashley Sabatino⁷
 Brooke Ayn Safferman
 Alysha Chandra Said
 Mesut Sallah⁶
 Cory Matthew Scarola
 Margaret Mckenna Schroeder
 Nina Emily Schussler⁶
 Lianna Pearl Weiss Schwartzman
 Conrad Penn Sednaoui
 Stephanie Jayne Barone Shannon
 Leah Amelia Shapiro

Sophie Burd Sharps
Andrew Hines Shaw
Molly Christine Shea
Abed Khaled Shelbayeh⁶
Peter Winfield Sholley III⁶
Janan Akram Shouhayib
Gabriella Christine Silva
Chakena Darlisa Sims
Henry John Sinnock
Taylor T Sivori
Marley Brant Slade
Emma Smith
Jeffrey David Smith
Natalia O Smith
Selena Simone Sobanski⁸
David Joseph Socolar
Dana Isabel Sorkin⁸
Anne LaFleur Speranza
Dylan Erich Steiner
Elizabeth Ann Stone
Cailyn Noelle Straubel
Emma Straus
Marina Estelle Stuart
Ta-Ki Shamar Stuart^{2,7}
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Guy Connor Sullivan⁸
Kathryn Taylor Gillette Sullivan
Jacob Roper Summers
Joshua Stefan Suneby⁶
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Lisa Ann Szczesniak
Munya Hossain Talukder
Madeleine Hannah Tasini⁸
Ariana Katelyn Taylor
Gabriela Vesta Taylor
Avery Michaela Thomas
Elizabeth Goddard Thomas
Wyatt Reed Tompkins
Morgan Willett Trapp
Amanda Lauren Traub
Alexandra Thelma Tritto
Leise Crew Trueblood
Max Van de Put⁶
Henry Peter van Vuuren
Eva Denise Vargas
Parker Amos Veroff
Juliette Beth Verrengia
Vivian Sandra Vigliotti
Jane Celia Vinocur

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Morgan Kara Warshaw
Benjamin Elliot Webber
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Sarah Sacks Wills
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Philip Monroe Winchester¹
Emily Louise Winter
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Alexander Garland Woods¹
Jessica Lynn Wright
Abigail June Wrobleski
Erik Michael Wu-Leung
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Lauren Elizabeth Young
Miranda Coxe Young
Abbas Raza Zaidi
Kevin Zevallos

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⁷ Completion of degree requirements expected Summer 2016

⁸ Diploma presented by alumni/faculty/staff/trustee relative

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

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Tim Anthony DiPretoro	Paul LaSalle Luba	Dana Isabel Sorkin
Joseph Patrick Donohue	Alexandra Elyse Luciani	Cailyn Noelle Straubel
Julia Elsa Maria Enos	Shannon Catherine Lydon	Lisa Ann Szczesniak
Brooke Ann Gillen	Charlotte Patricia Marcoux	Munya Hossain Talukder
Alicia Raye Gorin	Anna Elizabeth Marshall	Leise Crew Trueblood
Anna Marie Grofik	Bolster McKinley	Juliette Beth Verrengia

DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Angela Barney, B.A., *State University of New York at Fredonia*, 2012 – Department of Psychology and Women's Studies

Alexandra Keats DiGiammarino, B.A., *Stonehill College*, 2014 – Department of Psychology

Brigida Cristina Palatino, B.A., *Connecticut College*, 2012 – Department of Psychology and Environmental Studies

Trevor Wilson Prophet, B.A., *Connecticut College*, 2011 – Economics and International Relations

COMMENCEMENT HONORS

HONORS STUDY AND DISTINCTION IN THE MAJOR FIELD

Michael James Amato – <i>History</i>	Zachary John Thomas LaRock – <i>Italian Studies</i>
Teagan Mighill Atwater – <i>Computer Science</i>	Lauren Paula Marazzi – <i>Student-Designed Interdisciplinary – Bioinformatics</i>
Maximillian Converse Wood Bender – <i>Computer Science</i>	Rachel Elizabeth Matson – <i>English</i>
Claire Marie Callahan – <i>American Studies</i>	Julia Marie Proft – <i>Computer Science</i>
Aleksandr Ross Chandra – <i>Psychology</i>	Leela Chaya Riesz – <i>Anthropology</i>
Alexis Koumjian Cheney – <i>English</i>	Leah D’Albis Rosofsky – <i>American Studies</i>
Vladimir Chlouba – <i>Economics</i>	Emily Ryan – <i>Dance</i>
Laura Brennan Cianciolo – <i>Government</i>	Leah Amelia Shapiro – <i>Theater</i>
Maia Anne Draper-Reich – <i>Dance</i>	Sophie Burd Sharps – <i>Sociology</i>
Leah Macy Fleming – <i>Behavioral Neuroscience</i>	Janan Akram Shouhayib – <i>Psychology</i>
Juan Eduardo Flores – <i>Art</i>	Dana Isabel Sorkin – <i>Art</i>
Daniel Seth Gossels – <i>International Relations</i>	Elizabeth Ann Stone – <i>The American Chemical Society Certified Major in Chemistry</i>
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AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY CONNECTICUT VALLEY SECTION AWARD for outstanding work in the field of chemistry	Elizabeth Ann Stone
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY DIVISION OF ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY AWARD	Munya Hossain Talukder
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY UNDERGRADUATE AWARD IN ORGANIC CHEMISTRY	Elizabeth Ann Stone
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTS FOUNDATION AWARD for excellence in biochemistry	Munya Hossain Talukder
for excellence in chemistry	Chrismary De La Cruz
CLASS OF 2003 PRIZE IN AMERICAN STUDIES	Margaret Knox Sturtevant
AMERICAN STUDIES PRIZE	Parker Amos Veroff
THE OAKES AND LOUISE AMES PRIZE	Lauren Paula Marazzi
THERESA PERRI AMMIRATI AWARD	Joseph Bernard Mercado
AMMERMAN CENTER FOR ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY SMALLEY/ZAHLER AWARD	Grace S Juster
ARABIC STUDIES STUDENT EXCELLENCE AWARD	Vanessa Anne Correia
ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES AWARD	Mesut Sallah
BRIDGET BAIRD AWARD	Teagan Mighill Atwater Julia Marie Proft
JAMES R. BAIRD PRIZE	Rachel Elizabeth Matson
SENIOR BIOLOGY PRIZE	Hilary Magdalena Noble
BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA YOUNG BOTANIST AWARD	Jacob Roper Summers
E. FRANCES BOTSFORD PRIZE	Jenna Yve Lovett
JULIA WELLS BOWER PRIZE	Maximillian Converse Wood Bender Prapti Kafle Gabriella Christine Silva Alexander Garland Woods
EVA L. BUTLER MEMORIAL PRIZE	Zachary John Thomas LaRock
MORRIS CARNOVSKY AWARD	Charlotte Underwood Weber
CENTER FOR THE COMPARATIVE STUDY OF RACE AND ETHNICITY AWARD FOR PUBLIC INTELLECTUAL EXCELLENCE	Joseph Bernard Mercado
CHARLES "BUD" CHURCH TEACHING AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE	Jessie William Guterman Taryn Michelle Kitchen
CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT PRIZE for excellence in environmental chemistry	Dylan Erich Steiner
COMPUTER SCIENCE AWARD for excellence in research, academics and service	Maximillian Converse Wood Bender Julia Marie Proft

JOAN CONNELL MEMORIAL AWARD	Maia Anne Draper-Reich Sasha Laura Peterson
CRABTREE AWARD	Teresa Maria Cruz
DANCE DEPARTMENT AWARD	Emily Ryan
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CONNOR DONOHUE '07 MEMORIAL AWARD	Anna Karin Westbrook
ELIZABETH Y. DURANTE '10 MEMORIAL AWARD FOR PUBLIC SERVICE	Aleksandr Ross Chandra Kate Olivia Rudolph
EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES & CULTURES PRIZE for excellence in east asian studies	Claire Isabel Lingham Stephanie Jayne Barone Shannon
CHAIR'S PRIZE IN ECONOMICS	Zachary Jacob Jay Melissa Turner Oliva
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FILM STUDIES THEORY/CRITICISM PRIZE	Bae Yung Kim Katherine Grace Lipman
FILM STUDIES CREATIVE PRODUCTION PRIZE	Robert George Chapman
FILM STUDIES SERVICE AWARD	Marialyse Vega Martiney
KATHERINE FINNEY MEMORIAL AWARD	Marcela Diaz Grillo
JANET FOSTER RTC '80 SENIOR AWARD	Shelly Rodriguez
PRESIDENT CLAIRE GAUDIANI '66 AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE SENIOR INTEGRATIVE PROJECT	Leela Chaya Riesz
GENDER AND WOMEN'S STUDIES AWARD FOR FEMINIST COLLECTIVE ACTION	Meira Avital Klatzker Fara Sheila Rodriguez
GERMAN DEPARTMENT PRIZE	Abigail Arce Fagan
CLAIRE GARBER GOODMAN '54 AWARD	Kamal Abdul Kariem Leela Chaya Riesz
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GOVERNMENT & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT PRIZE for outstanding achievement in government	Laura Brennan Cianciolo Susanna Tilghman Mathews
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HISTORY DEPARTMENT PRIZE	
for excellence in latin american studies	Morgan Cowie-Haskell
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for excellence in the thematic concentration of empires and imperialism	Christine Connolly
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ACTIVIST SCHOLAR AWARD	Katherine Dunham Crawford Adams
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SUSANNE K. LANGER AWARD	Miranda Coxe Young
HARRIET BUESCHER LAWRENCE '34 PRIZE	Chakena Darlisa Sims
LGBTQ RESOURCE CENTER LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY AWARD	Courtenay Elizabeth Barton
LIBRARY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD	Allison Hamilton Blanning
CONNECTICUT COLLEGE PRIZE FOR	
UNDERGRADUATE LIBRARY RESEARCH	Caitlin Michelle Kullberg
JOSÉ LIMÓN AWARD	Eva Denise Vargas
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THE MUSEUM STUDIES AWARD	Christina Ellen Frank
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AMERICAN COUNCIL OF TEACHERS OF RUSSIAN POST-SECONDARY RUSSIAN SCHOLAR LAUREATE AWARD	Kamal Abdul Kariem
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RETIRING CONNECTICUT COLLEGE FACULTY

MARYLYNN FALLON

Senior Lecturer, Biology

Marylynn Fallon received her B.A. from Cardinal Cushing College and her M.A. from the University of Northern Colorado. She joined Connecticut College in 1979, serving as both a senior lecturer and lab instructor in biology. She also serves as a faculty adviser for first-year students and biology majors.

Fallon works with students interested in pursuing graduate studies and careers in the medical field as pre-health adviser and chair of the pre-health advisory committee. She coordinates the Pre-Health Club and organizes the internship and shadow program at Lawrence + Memorial Hospital's emergency room, as well as the Medical Board of Practitioners experience program. She's an active member of both the local Association of Advisors for the Health

Professions and the Northeast Association of Advisors for the Health Professions.

In 2007, through these professional organizations, Fallon worked with directors of admission from renowned medical schools, learning about the updated MCAT testing program and alternative medical careers. Her familiarity with these admission directors benefited numerous Connecticut College students interested in furthering their education in medical programs.

Fallon has been a member of the Hewlett Teaching Fellows Program, designed to investigate the intellectual foundations of teaching and learning at the college level. She was born and raised in New London and taught high school biology in Newton, Massachusetts, prior to joining the College.

JANET GEZARI

Lucretia L. Allyn Professor of English

Janet Gezari received her B.A. from Cornell University and her M.Phil. and Ph.D. from Yale University. Since joining the Connecticut College faculty in 1970, she has taught a wide range of literature and writing courses and served several terms as chair of the English Department. She was an early faculty member in the College's Women's Studies program and acting director of the program during its transition to Gender and Women's Studies. She has twice co-directed SATA programs in Mysore, India.

Gezari's writing focuses on Victorian, modern and contemporary literature in English. She is the editor of "Emily Brontë: The Complete Poems" and the author of "Last Things: Emily Brontë's Poems" and "Charlotte Brontë and Defensive Conduct," selected as an Outstanding Academic Book by Choice in 1993 and awarded the Rose Mary Crawshay Prize by the British Academy. Her most recent work on the Brontës is "The Annotated Wuthering Heights." She has also published essays on A.E. Housman,

Joseph Conrad, Vladimir Nabokov, George Eliot and Bob Dylan, among others.

Gezari has received several NEH grants, including three to lead Summer Seminars for School Teachers on both contemporary American women writers and the Brontës. In 2010, she was a Berlin Prize Fellow at the American Academy in Berlin. In 1997, she received the College's Nancy Batson Nisbet Rash Research Scholar Award, presented annually to a Connecticut College professor for outstanding research or artistic accomplishment, and the Lucy Marsh Haskell '19 Chair. She currently holds the Lucretia L. Allyn chair, awarded to the faculty member who has served longest in the rank of professor.

Gezari has a long history of service on faculty and College committees, and has chaired the Faculty Steering and Conference Committee and the Planning, Priority and Budget Committee. She also served on and chaired several strategic planning committees between 1989 and 2005.

RETIRING CONNECTICUT COLLEGE FACULTY

WILLIAM ROSE

Professor of Government and International Relations

William Rose received his B.A. and B.S. from the University of Washington and his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley. He joined Connecticut College in 1983, serving twice as chair of the Government Department and founding the international relations major. Rose has served on various committees, including the Educational Planning Committee, the Academic and Administrative Procedures Committee and the Study Away Committee.

Rose's courses focus on international relations, terrorism and counterterrorism, insurgency and counter-insurgency, U.S. foreign policy, and U.N. peacekeeping. He has published numerous articles – many with College students – that have appeared in books and journals on terrorism, foreign policy and ethnic conflict. Interested in effective teaching methods, he co-authored

“Teaching About the Future of U.S.-Soviet Relations” and “The Professor’s Dream: Getting Students to Talk and Read Intelligently,” both of which appeared in academic journals.

Rose is a member of the International Studies Association and the Sudan Studies Association. He formerly served as a consultant to Brown University’s Choices for the 21 Century Education Project, was a board member of the Southeast Connecticut Committee on Foreign Relations and was an adjunct research fellow at Harvard’s Center for Science and International Affairs.

In 2012, Rose received the John S. King Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching, presented annually to a teacher-scholar with high standards of teaching excellence and concern for students.

THE CONSTITUTION BRASS QUINTET

Ken Bell, *trumpet* Nancy Brown, *trumpet* Steve Bulmer, *tuba*
Walter Lasley, *trombone* Jamie Marci, *horn*

THE MANCHESTER PIPE BAND

The Manchester Pipe Band is one of the oldest continuously operating Pipe and Drum bands in the United States, having been established in Manchester in 1914. In the early years of the Band’s history, it was a parade band whose reputation for spectacular presentations grew over time. The Band participated in many high profile parades and presentations, including several at The White House, Congress,

at Independence Hall in Philadelphia and frequent performances in New York City. For the last fifty years the Band has performed primarily as a competition band in the Eastern United States, Canada and occasionally in Scotland. The Band is currently the only Grade III competition band in Connecticut. The Band is under the direction of Pipe Major Jared Otto and Drum Sergeant Wes Cole.

MARSHALS

College Marshal
Marc R. Forster

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COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

Academic Procession. The symbolism of the academic procession dates back to the Middle Ages and echoes European religious processions.

Academic Regalia. The robes and colorful hoods of the academic regalia also have a religious origin. The garments worn today date back to the 12th century, when universities were the training grounds for Europe's clergy.

Current academic dress in the United States is based on an intercollegiate code established in 1895. The bachelor's gown has long pointed sleeves, is untrimmed and is worn closed. The master's gown, worn either open or closed, has long, crescent-shaped sleeves. The doctor's gown has bell-shaped sleeves, is worn closed, and has velvet panels down the front, around the neck and on the sleeves.

The customary head covering is either the mortarboard or the Oxford cap. The mortarboard tassel is black for bachelor's and master's degree holders and gold for those with doctoral degrees.

The hood, which drapes over the back of the gown, also is significant. The length, width, and the color of the trim and the lining of the hood signify the wearer's highest academic achievement and the degree-granting institution. The velvet trim reveals the wearer's major field of study.

Honor cords, sashes or stoles are often awarded to graduating seniors who are members of honor societies or for various academic and nonacademic achievements, awards or honors.

The Alma Mater. "Alma Mater by the Sea" was written in the spring of 1920 by two Connecticut College students, Olive Littlehales Corbin '21 (words) and Edith C. Smith '20 (music). Their composition prevailed over other original student works in a contest to find a College song. Additional stanzas were added in the late 1980s by Jeffrey G. Barnhart '89 MAT '92 and Claire L. Gaudiani '66.

Bagpipe Music. Scottish or Irish bagpipe bands have long been a special feature of American holiday parades. They are sometimes employed by a college or university to lead commencement processions for the same reason that they are so popular in street parades: they add excitement, drama, color and a peculiarly rousing sound to the occasion.

College Motto. "Tanquam lignum quod plantatum est secus decursus aquarum," which means, "Like a tree planted by the rivers of water (that bringeth forth its fruit in its season)." The motto is a Vulgate version of a phrase from the first psalm. Connecticut College's translation comes from the King James version of the Bible.

College Seal. The College seal is composed of several elements, including two open books, a tree on a background of water

and the College's motto. The current seal is based on a design created by Connecticut College's first president (1913-1917), Frederick H. Sykes.

Commencement Saplings. Thanks to the generosity of Athena Tsakanikas-Phillippides '86 through the Konstantinos T. Tsakanikas Memorial Fund, graduates are presented with individual evergreen saplings, which they carry as they march. The sapling represents the tree on the College seal and each student's continuing connection to the College. This tradition began with the Class of 1993.

International Flags. Connecticut College maintains a collection of international flags, each representing the home country of the College's students, as reflected by the Office of the Registrar. The international flags are displayed on significant ceremonial occasions to celebrate the diverse nature of the student body. The international flag collection is updated each year as new students join the Connecticut College community.

Laurel Chain. In the spirit of Connecticut College's original founding as a women's college, junior class women dressed in white carry chains of laurel through which the graduates march. Laurel was traditionally used as a symbol of honor and fame. The ancients presented laurel wreaths to university graduates in rhetoric and poetry. The laurel chain has been part of Connecticut College's ceremonies since the first Class Day in 1919.

The Mace. A mace was originally a weapon consisting of a staff with a ball of steel or brass at one end. The word "mace" comes from the Latin "mateola," meaning mallet. The mace evolved from an instrument of battle to a symbol of authority. Connecticut College's mace was a gift to the College from The Century Council when Claire L. Gaudiani '66 began her presidency in 1988. Designed and fabricated by Richard Scheller '73, it contains brass sleeves with the names of the College presidents.

'Pomp and Circumstance.' The trio section from Sir Edward Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance" March No. 1 is the most popular musical piece at American graduations. The first of five marches by the composer, the piece is a perfect tune for a graduation because its inspirational quality elicits feelings of promise and optimism, while its stately, wistful quality suggests that a milestone has been reached – that we are bidding farewell to the past.

The Presidential Medallion. Featuring the Connecticut College seal, the presidential medallion is worn on ceremonial occasions as part of the president's regalia. It was created for the Inauguration of the College's 10th president, Leo I. Higdon Jr., and was a gift of Trustee Emeritus Linda J. Lear, a 1962 graduate of the College.

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown they good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown they good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Four areas are designated as gathering spaces for faculty and graduates who wish to connect immediately following the ceremony.

Arts – green side of Palmer Auditorium, across from the information tent

Humanities – in front of Blaustein Humanities Center

Social Sciences – green side of Frederic Bill Hall

Sciences – green side of science center at New London Hall

Remote viewing of the ceremony is provided in the Blaustein Humanities Center at the head of Tempel Green.

ALMA MATER

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE

OLIVE LITTLEHALES '21

EDITH C. SMITH '20



Al - ma Ma - ter by the sea, Our hearts in love are
Hail to our col - lege, white and blue. Keep through the years all our



lift - ed to thee; We'll car - ry your stand - ard for - ev - er,
love deep and true, Our Al - ma Ma - ter we love thee,



Loy - al - ty To C. C. Faith, Friend-ship and Love.
I - vied walls, C. C. calls To Loy - al - ty true.

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