

# Commencement

MAY 21, 2025



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*Transforming Our Community... One Student at a Time*



## MESSAGE TO THE GRADUATES



# Welcome and Congratulations Graduates!

Today is the culmination of your hard work, dedication to your studies, and belief in the value of a credential from UCNJ. Today is the holiest day of the year – commencement day!

Take the day to celebrate with your peers, family, friends, and anyone that supported you and helped you get to where you are today. On behalf of the faculty, staff, and administration, I want to extend my sincerest congratulations to each one of you. Be as proud of yourselves as we are of you.

It is a time of celebration at UCNJ, and your collective efforts have contributed to UCNJ's success. The College continues to celebrate our recognition as one of the top ten community colleges in the country by the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program. Part of your path to earning your degree may have included attending a tutoring session at UCNJ's Academic Learning Center (ALC). This year, the ALC proudly celebrates 40 years of advancing student success.

Your path to graduation may have been made possible thanks in part to a Union County College Foundation scholarship. The College's donors, individuals and corporations who support our students, provided more than \$1 million in scholarships this year. A sincere thank you to our generous donors.

We are grateful for the incredible support of the College's Board of Trustees and Board of Governors. These community members volunteer their time and expertise for the benefit of the College. Another key partner of the College is the Union County Board of County Commissioners who are committed to our mission and to improving the lives of the residents in Union County through their substantial support and funding of the College.

While this chapter at UCNJ has come to an end, remember to always keep part of the College with you. Recall the lessons learned, the memories shared, and the friends you made along the way. The next part of your journey awaits. Whether you choose to continue your studies at a university or enter the workforce, we look forward to seeing the incredible impact you will make in your communities and in the world. You are the embodiment of our mission to transform our community, one student at a time.

My sincerest congratulations to you, the Class of 2025!

Dr. Margaret M. McMenamin  
President, UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ



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# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

# UCNJ History



*The College's faculty in 1936 at the College's first Commencement Ceremony.*

UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ has a remarkable history as the first of New Jersey's community colleges. The College was founded in 1933 as a one-room night school and is now a comprehensive community college serving almost 12,000 credit and noncredit students in Union County.

U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt founded Union County Junior College as an "emergency junior college" through the federal Works Project Administration, with the original mission of providing jobs for unemployed teachers and professors.

UCNJ is an open-access community college that currently offers over 60 associate degree and certificate programs, as well as noncredit opportunities. The College has campuses in Cranford, Elizabeth, Plainfield, and Scotch Plains. In addition to in-person classes, the College offers online courses and more than 20 fully online degree programs.

The Cranford Campus was expanded in 2016 with the development of a two-story Student Development Building, which houses student services on the first floor in the Helen E. Chaney Student Services Center. The Chaney Student Services Center was named for the generous donor and alumna, Helen Chaney ('48). The second floor has classrooms and faculty offices.

In June 2017, UCNJ's accreditation was reaffirmed by The Middle States Commission on Higher Education, a voluntary, non-governmental membership association that defines, maintains, and promotes educational excellence.

On the Elizabeth Campus, renovations to the Lessner Building were completed in 2018. This included the

development of a new Student Services Center on the first floor. There are offices and classrooms on the lower level for the College's Center for Economic and Workforce Development.

In January 2020, renovations to the Health Science Building on the Plainfield Campus were completed, adding state-of-the-art facilities and labs for the paramedic emergency health science, physical therapist assistant, and respiratory care programs.

UCNJ's Scotch Plains Campus reopened in 2022 with a University Center and became home to the College's Virtual Campus and many community events. This Campus is located on the same property as the Union County Vocational Technical Schools and John H. Stamler Police Academy.

In 2024, the College underwent a rebranding with a new name and logo. UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ unveiled a logo that represents the flame in Fiat Lux, and a U shape. The College's new name helps acknowledge academic excellence and national recognition.

The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program selected UCNJ as a Top 10 community college for the prestigious \$1 million-dollar 2025 Aspen Prize. While previously being named as a Top 150 community college and semifinalist, this is the first time the College has been recognized as a finalist. UCNJ was chosen for this honor among more than 1,000 community colleges nationwide based upon having high and improving levels of learning, graduation, transfer, and workforce outcomes.

With each new program designed to advance students' economic mobility, UCNJ is fulfilling its mission of transforming our community, one student at a time. 



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# The College Mace & Seal

The pomp and ceremony of a UCNJ Commencement traditionally includes a procession led by a senior faculty member carrying a mace. The mace served as a weapon in medieval times, however, the mace as a symbol of civil authority dates to the mid 13th century. Since the 1500s, colleges and universities have used the mace as part of academic regalia in formal ceremonies.

The mace symbolizes the authority of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Governors, and the Office of the President of UCNJ, and also represents the faculty's consent in conferring degrees and certificates.

The UCNJ mace is 38 inches long and sculpted from a solid piece of walnut. The triangular carvings at the base of its shaft reflect the tripartite interaction among research, education, and innovation, which are key drivers of a knowledge-based society. The upper portion of the mace features the round seal of UCNJ with the "Fiat Lux" motto, which is Latin for "Let There Be Light." The head of the mace also displays the College Owl, the mascot that symbolizes the College's 1933 origin when it was a night school for unemployed teachers.



The College Seal, shown at the right, is the original design used in 1933 when the College was founded.

The seal is used primarily for official events such as commencement. The College's motto, "Fiat Lux," which is translated "let there be light," is engraved on the seal along with a torch. The implication of the motto is that to be educated is to let in the light thus dispelling the darkness of ignorance.





# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

## ACADEMIC Attire & Colors

The origins of academic dress date back to the 12th and 13th centuries, when universities were taking form. The ordinary dress of the scholar, whether student or teacher, was that of a cleric. Formal academic attire is an important part of the pageantry of modern day commencement ceremonies.

A college commencement is a colorful celebration of student excellence and achievement. In academic processions each color is a symbol.

### Gowns

The associate gown is black, as is the gown for certificate candidates. This gown, like the bachelor's gown, has pointed sleeves and is worn closed.

Other gowns are black with few exceptions. The master's degree gown has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist, and may be worn open or closed. The gown for a doctoral degree has bell-shaped sleeves, is worn open or closed, and is embellished with velvet crossbars on the sleeves. Doctoral gowns may be colored to represent a particular institution.

### Cowls

Academic cowls identify the degree attained. The color of the cowl a student wears reflects the degree or certificate the graduate is receiving:

- **Associate in Arts Degree:** Black, Gold, and White;
- **Associate in Applied Science Degree:** Black, Red, and White;
- **Associate in Science Degree:** Black, Blue, and White;
- **Certificate:** Black, Green, and Gold.

Bachelor's, master's and doctoral hoods feature velvet edging in the color of the discipline and a lining in the color of the institution.

### Caps and Tassels

UCNJ graduates wear a black mortarboard and the tassel indicates academic achievement.

Students wearing red tassels on their mortarboards have achieved an overall Grade Point Average of 3.75 or better. Students wearing white tassels on their mortarboards have a Grade Point Average of 3.25 or better. The tassel is worn on the right side until the formal conferral of the degree. At that time the tassel is moved to the left.

### Honors

Degree candidates who have been awarded honors in scholarship are distinguished by colored stoles, satin panels draped over the shoulders. Stoles or cords are worn as an accessory to graduation robes and have special meaning:

- **Gold stoles and blue and gold cords** are worn by members of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of two-year colleges;
- **Green stoles** are worn by members of Tau Alpha Pi, the national honor society for engineering technology;
- **Green stoles** are also worn by members of the Engineering and Architecture Honor Society;
- **Burgundy stoles** are worn by members of Mu Alpha Theta, the two-year college mathematics honor society;
- **White and Gold stoles** are worn by members of Union Honors, UCNJ's honors program;
- **Red and Black stoles** are worn by members of the NJ STARS program;
- **White and Red stoles** are worn by members of the Educational Opportunity Fund program;
- **Black and Red stoles** are also worn by student-athletes;
- **Silver cords** are worn by members of The National Society of Leadership and Success;
- **Blue and White cords** are worn by members of Chi Alpha Epsilon, the national academic honor society for the Educational Opportunity Fund.
- **Royal Blue and Gold cords** are worn by members of Delta Alpha Pi, the international honors society that recognizes students with additional needs who demonstrate academic achievement, leadership, and advocacy.

### Colors

For all academic purposes, including the trim of doctoral gowns, the edging hoods, and the tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

Agriculture .....	Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities .....	White
Commerce, Accountancy, Business .....	Drab
Dentistry .....	Lilac
Economics .....	Copper
Education .....	Light Blue
Engineering .....	Orange
Fine Arts, including Architecture .....	Brown
Forestry .....	Russet
Journalism .....	Crimson
Law .....	Purple
Library Science .....	Lemon
Medicine .....	Green
Music .....	Pink
Nursing .....	Apricot
Oratory (Speech) .....	Silver Gray
Pharmacy .....	Olive Green
Philosophy .....	Dark Blue
Physical Education .....	Sage Green
Public Administration, including Foreign Service .....	Peacock Blue
Public Health .....	Salmon Pink
Science .....	Golden Yellow
Social Work .....	Citron
Theology .....	Scarlet
Veterinary Science .....	Gray



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# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY





# ORDER OF EXERCISES

10:00 AM CEREMONY

## UCNJ COMMENCEMENT

### ~ PROCESSIONAL ~

Presiding .....	Dr. Margaret M. McMenamin President, UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ
Invocation .....	Pastor Kip Wright Agape House of Worship, Roselle
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National Anthem .....	Ms. Pamella Garzon UCNJ Student
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Introduction of Dignitaries .....	Dr. McMenamin
Student Speaker .....	Mr. Jackson Harry Donzella UCNJ Graduate, Class of 2025
Presentation of Awards .....	Dr. McMenamin
Presentation of the Post-Day Memorial Award .....	Associate Professor Shahrzad Heidary Chemistry, STEM
Presentation of the Alumni Prize Award .....	Ms. Lisa Marie Vecchione Trustee Union County College Alumni Association, Class of 2003
Charge to the Graduates .....	Dr. McMenamin
Presentation of Candidates for Degrees .....	Dr. Maris Lown Executive Vice President and Provost
Conferral of Associate in Science Degrees .....	Dr. McMenamin Assisted by Mr. Richel and Dr. Lown
Turning of the Tassels & Closing Remarks .....	Dr. McMenamin
Benediction .....	Pastor Wright

### ~ RECESSIONAL ~

*Please Join Dr. McMenamin for Pictures with the President Immediately Following the Ceremony*



# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

## ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

### DEGREE CANDIDATES

The Associate in Science degree is awarded for programs in the areas of mathematics, natural sciences, health sciences, engineering, or technology. It enables students to transfer to a four-year college or university to complete a Bachelor of Science degree.

Aicha Aanzour  
Yanitza Aaron  
Adam W. Aboalatta  
Yasmeen I. Abudalal  
Alice Acheampong  
Tiara T. Adams  
Olateju K. Adewoye  
Chioma E. Adimbite  
Edwina Adjei  
Aubrey Adour  
Kelly Y. Aguilar  
Komlan Ahiadjipe  
Iman Ahmad  
Asma Ahmed  
Jeremy E. Albujar  
Karen D. Aldof  
Esther Alexis  
Mohammed O. Ali  
Shantel S. Allen Henry  
Paul L. Alleyne, Jr.  
Geovanny D. Almache  
Claudia L. Alvarez

Henry Alvarez	Latoya J. Boyd	Alessandra Cordova
Ayesha Alves	Nicole A. Bravo-Saldias	Lily B. Corso
Carla A. Alves	Geralda K. Brice	Kristian A. Cortes
Jessica M. Anaya	Alecia S. Bridgemohan	Susan Costello
Andrew A. Anderson	Yasmeen Brightwell	Christina Courageux
Christopher D. Anderson	Niki P. Brooks	Samanta M. Cubas
Vanessa Andris	Bennisha L. Brown	Andrea K. Cueva
Alan Aparicio	Sharice S. Brown	Bebiana R. Da Silva
Sebastian Aparicio	Kaitlyn A. Browne	Lucas R. Dasilva
Faris G. Areiqat	Kiara Cabrera-Julio	Samantha L. Damiano
Valentina Arizabaleta Tocora	Kayla Cabrera	Monisha M. Davis
Julien A. Armstrong	Gabriella B. Caetano	Laridysa De La Cruz
Nicolas B. Arroyo	Tiana A. Campbell	Daneiry D. De Leon Hernandez
Michelle Arvelo	Karina Cardona	Hosoon A. De Souza
Naomi M. Atuya	Carlos J. Cardoza	Destiny E. Dennis
Gregory Ayube	Janine R. Carino	Marsdane A. Dennis
Khaylia A. Badjue	Monica N. Carlton	Richa K. Desai
Shivani R. Balkarran	Kayla M. Carter	Cedric Desinor
Andreanna Y. Bally	Jacqueline Carter	Katrina Desir
Aj P. Balut	Justin X. Castaneda	Saran Diakite
Alexandra L. Barrientos	Esmirna Castillo	Angelica Diaz
Rebecca G. Bartiromo	Melanie E. Castillo	Ruth C. Diaz
Reynaldo Bautista	Verenice Castillo	Nicholas Di Mare
Pamela A. Bazan	Brandon Chavarro	Zachary K. Donovan
Judith Belton	Mario I. Chavez	Jackson H. Donzella
Banessa L. Beltran-Menjivar	Deyakeisy Checo	Joanne C. Douze
Amarilis V. Benavides	Veronica J. Chesson	Clive Kwesi K. Duffour
Abigael Benoit	Jaime F. Chutz	Tamara M. Dumas-Pierre
Emanuel Betancur Villamil	Ruby A. Cintron	George A. Dumbuya
Joao Bitencourt	Nathaly Claros	Tyrah S. Dupree
Griffin D. Bixler	Dhanisha M. Clervoyant	Alexi S. Duran
Talitha V. Bomar	Sophia Ciuffreda	Blessing Edogiawerie
Ericka M. Bonifacio	Kayla M. Collins	Isabella M. Edwards
Tiffany L. Boston	Yolanda E. Connor	Evelyn E. Effiong
Alexander L. Boulin	Kadie Conteh	Cordis C. Egbeji



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Odudu I. Ekpenyong	Emily E. Gravesande	Patrick A. Joson	Lorraine A. Lynch
Faiman Emon	Joshua Guanipatin	Kevin A. Juarez	Sophia Mack
Jennifer A. Enriquez	Karina Guevara	Jessica E. Juhasz	Gabrielle D. Madric
Keiyona Evans	Sergio Gutierrez	Uchechi Kalu	Catalina Magana
Nairoby Eufracia Paez	Kevin C. Guzhnay	Leo Kapetanakis	Tiara I. Maizonet
Modashley D. Exantus	Anthony Guzman	Erika L. Kasyan	Shruti Manocha
Wilfens S. Exantus	Katerin Guzman	Harkarman Kaur	Tori M. Maple
Julian Faustino	Allison G. Hannah	Kiranpreet Kaur	Katherine Marte Dominguez
Falone Fankwa	Stacy A. Hanson	Tarandeep Kaur	Gloria B. Martillus
Shayna T. Febus	Kimesha L. Harris	Jake R. Kawko	Carmeina D. Martinez
Kelly M. Fernandes	Wendy C. Harris	Courtney L. Kenderes	Catherine Martinez
Brandon Ferrari	Alexander J. Hasan	Ryan Keryc	Maryluz Martinez
Zachary N. Ferraro	Nikos D. Hatzigeorgiou	Alex Kesse	Xavier N. Martinez
Luis O. Fiallos	Emajenee A. Hawkins	Enza M. Kornias	Jenna N. Martinko
Thomas T. Filoramo	Qualeeshia Q. Hawkins	Joe E. Kratzer	Brayan E. Mata
Valenciana Fils	Ryan J. Heesters	Inva Kupi	Taylor Mathis
Starasia K. Finklea	Peter S. Helfman	Andrea R. Laberth	Bruno May
Robin Finney	Crystal R. Henriquez	Ashley G. Landaverde	Haleeyah N. McCoy
Will Fischer	Katherine Henriquez	Nashya M. Lane-Reese	Michael McFadden
Samira Fleuranvil	Getro Henry	Meaghan Lauren L. Lapena	Thembeka McNunu
Wendy j. Flores Basantes	Lisa M. Hernandez	Percy La Rosa	Michelle McKay
Ailyn V. Fonseca	Jean F. Hernandez Quiroga	Arelys Lazo	David J. McKnight, Jr.
Guillermo A. Fonseca	Lina S. Herrera	Vernon R. Lee	Harisa Mehmedovic
Roger L. Fortunato	Liam J. Hester	Tashaun N. Leger	Gianluca Melo
Djeffca Francois	Ayanna O. Heyward	Taneisha T. Lennon	Francisco J. Membreño
Naomie Francois	Regan E. Holmes	Brioni K. Lewis	Alondra Mendez
Shaka M. Fraser	Briana L. Iacono	Delisle C. Lewis	Digna M. Mendoza
Frederick F. Fuentes	Sophia M. Iannelli	Jesse A. Lheureux	Julissa Mercado
Yesenia Garcia	Shahd A. Ibrahim	Yuchan Lim	Myrtha Mesadieu
Eris A. Garcia Villeda	Jennifer Jagmohan	Dominique Littlejohn	Natasha Miles
Joshua Garcia-Pacheco	Randy Jaquez	Danixa Lizarbe	Crystal Minnella
Darius E. Gardner	Tremaine M. Jarrett	Elissa Lleshi	Karyn N. Montes
Caitlin M. Garry	Jennifer Jean	Kevin Loaiza	Diego A. Montes-Medina
Devin D. Geiger	Thomas P. Jedic	Diana P. Loayza	Iris C. Moreno
Kyle C. Giordano	Ujay Johnson	Christian Lopez	Sharaey N. Morrison
Christian P. Glaser	Kemuel Joseph	Raquel A. Lopez	Thomas Mourad
Jolieet M. Gomez	Pierre M. Joseph	Lindsay D. Louis	Mario S. Mucha Alcala
Aileen Grafals	Robenson Joseph	Danny N. Luc	Deija M. Munoz
Paolo C. Granda-Torre	Nosakhare K. Joshua	Brenda Luna	Jorge L. Munoz



# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Alice Mutuguti	Perea Solarte	Michael Romain	Walter Sweeney
Tijana Nallasegaram	Alexandra O. Perez	Ruben J. Roman	Maria D. Sylvester
Christienne Ysabel Napiza	Evelyn M. Perez	Joseph M. Roque	Aneta Szast
Erick R. Naranjo	Jason N. Perez	Karina Rosales	Sherylann C. Taittali
Kayla G. Narvaez	Samir S. Perez	Orletta Y. Ross	Jaiden C. Tanseco
Ailene Navoa	Martha N. Pezo	Cheryl P. Roy	Mikerlove Telamond
Luzmaria Negron	Djonnasline Piercin	Anjelica C. Rubio	Dharti K. Thaker
Karisha S. Nelson	Karen D. Pierre	Wilmer C. Rueda	Djim C. Thezan
Nilson Nieto Aguirre	Carol Pinnock	Keyana K. Ruth	Donye E. Thorpe
Rita A. Nkansah	Yaritza Ponce	Hamidatu Salifu	Calvin L. Thow
Kevin Noriega	Anna M. Profera	Emily N. Samayoa	Hermina A. Timothy
Maria Nyatega	Anthony M. Punina	Jennifer M. Sampson	Melanie Tirado
Angeline A. Ochoa	Ashley D. Quintero	Angie Sanchez	Michelle S. Toapanta
Maryavictoria Ochoa Landino	Serena M. Quinteros	Angie Z. Sanchez	Ivan L. Torres
Esteban D. Ojeda	Dylan A. Quiroga Jaimes	Landon Sanchez	Kimberly A. Torres
Adeyinka A. Okuboyejo	Sarah J. Quispe	Destiny E. Santana	Wedlee L. Toussaint
Pipelayomi J. Olanrewaju	Jakob Ramos	Jennelle Santiago	Chijioke C. Umezinwa
Patrick Oluwehuje	Svetlana Rechter	Pamela A. Saona	Christopher Urquilla
Onyinye R. Onwu	Rooselyanne M. Richard	Arika A. Sargent-Bonds	Genesis V. Vanegas
Derek Ordonez	Jose Richardson	Jenifer A. Saucedo	Christopher Vargas Popoca
Luis A. Orozco	Lynda C. Rios	Bryant M. Sauz	Kristen R. Vazquez
Toby Ortecho-Henry	Kristin R. Rivas	Rosa Schult	Vanessa Vazquez
Isabelle M. Ortega	Raquel Rivera	Damon T. Schumann	Darius J. Vilchez
Amsell J. Osorio Fuentes	Fatima Rizvi	Yasmine Shah	Matthew A. Villanueva
Renee A. Otoole	Eldaly M. Roa Espinal	Kaitlyn M. Sheedy	Melina R. Villanueva
Omowonuola C. Oyedele	Al-Aziz A. Roberts	Brianlynn M. Silva	Peter J. Vislocky
Alleana Marie N. Pabololot	Naci M. Robinson	Daniel T. Silva	Jaslin R. Walker
Kenverly Paguada	Fiorella Roca	Jonathan H. Silva	Chris-Ann Walters
Morgan Paige	Jefferson J. Rodas	Miah V. Simmons	Ryan Ward
Crystal Palacios	Sara A. Rodgers	Gurkirat Singh	Jalil L. Whitaker
Franklin O. Paredes	Allison C. Rodriguez	Efstratia Skouras	Andrea Williams
Wanda Paredes Abad	Arianna M. Rodriguez	Chimere J. Smith	Levaughn A. Wilsonreid
Emely J. Pascarella	Caitlene V. Rodriguez	Jalaiyah Smith	Jianna D. Yan-Francisco
Stephen T. Pascucci	Genaro Rodriguez	Katherine E. Solis	Kayvon B. Yazdani
Angelly S. Pastrana	Jacqueline Rodriguez	Elijah Solomon	Brandon R. Yeager
John Payumo	Keila A. Rodriguez	Devika D. Sookhoo	Aidan T. Yurick
Dialka F. Pena-Shutes	Miguel A. Rodriguez	Aiyetutu Sorinwa	Daniel Zapata
Rafaelina Y. Peralta	Nicholas O. Rodzewics	Rachelle Souffrant	Melissa M. Zavattieri
Yazmin Elizabeth E.	Gwendolyn R. Rogers	Dominik Staskiewicz	



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Conferral of Associate in Science and Applied Science Degrees .....	Dr. McMenamin Assisted by Mr. Richel and Dr. Lown
Conferral of Certificates .....	Dr. McMenamin Assisted by Mr. Richel and Dr. Lown
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# ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

## DEGREE CANDIDATES

This degree forms the foundation of a Bachelor of Arts degree. It enables students to transfer to a four-year college or university. The Associate in Arts degree is awarded for programs in the social sciences or humanities.

Juan E. Acosta	Eric S. Cagua	Aaliyah R. Drew
Ifeoluwa N. Adedayo	Natalie M. Caguana-Fernandez	Alfred M. Duallo
Islam Alhasayna	Madison J. Cajeira	Julian M. Durst
Tasneem M. Alhassayna	Christopher A. Cano	Tyler L. Egan
Madaline Alicea	Jennifer V. Canterbury	Nyiera J. Eliscar
Annahi S. Alvarado	Kenny Carvajal	Steven D. Eras
Jeovanny Alvarado	Vanessa Castro	Serhat K. Erparlak
Allison A. Alvarez	Griffin T. Cederquist	Manuela Estupinan Beltran
Beverly C. Alvarez	Jasmine N. Cepero	Peter O. Eweka
Dianna S. Alvarez	Ashley S. Cerda	Alyssa C. Favata
Gabriel F. Amaya	Christopher A. Chan	Robert C. Fennimore
Yawa O. Ametso	Curtis J. Charles	Beatriz Ferreira
Kevin Argueta	Daniel B. Chudoba	Bryan Figueroa
Teytia Atele	Dylan L. Clark	Lance J. Filler
Sujey N. Avila	Brandon A. Coca	Jean C. Flores Diaz
Zabiel A. Ayala	Kyanna M. Cokley	Rudy J. Fonseca
Tracy O. Baez	Brianna M. Corcoran	Anthony L. Fonville
Jennifer N. Baez-Feliciano	Tony P. Cornejo	Ashley I. Freire
Grace L. Banos	Bonnie D. Correa	Daisy Galeano
Jimena Barajas	Matthew N. Cover	Ivan Gallardo
Tkai R. Barfield	Nicole Cruz	Jennifer B. Garcia
Jonathan Barros	Joshua A. Cunha	Jesus Garcia
Luis K. Becerra	Gislene G. Dasilva	Karla V. Garcia
Anthony M. Bolton	Datu Adzmal B. Datu Abdul	Natalia Garcia
Larissa A. Brito	Sebastian De Los Santos	Yoselin Garcia
Lauren Brown	Ramirez	Naelyn Y. Gatling
Matthew S. Brown	Jucara De Oliveira Santos	Alyssa L. Gentile
Rahmira N. Brunson	Esmeralda E. Delgado	Janine Goeschl
Luna S. Buitrago	Niko Diamantopoulos	Emanuel J. Gonzalez
Ellijah R. Burke	Asia T. Dickerson	Ebony P. Goolsby
Andres F. Bustos	Jessica Dieuveuille	Devin M. Grayson
Destiny M. Bynum Johnson	Ben A. Difabio	Adriana Y. Guallpa



# COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

Zinhle H. Gumede	Margaret Martinez	Denver M. Pimentel	Gia S. Sanchez
Deidra-Mone Harris	Kevin E. Martins	Leah M. Pinheiro	Luciana M. Scariato
Amy J. Hernandez	Christian L. Mendes-Barreto	Camila C. Plaza	Deborah N. Scarlett
Kevin A. Herrera	Braulio Meneses	Lucia Polanco	Declan P. Sheehan
Cara R. Hetem	Marissa W. Mercedat	Luna Popoca	Kayla Silva
Aniyah Y. Hicks	Deval Mewada	Rebecca M. Povoa	Kaitlyn R. Smith
Richard A. Juliano	Gianna D. Miclis	Madison O. Presley	Ryan M. Solenske
Gabriel Higuera Justo	Isabella I. Minch	Quadeira R. Prince	Jimmy R. Soto
Emma S. Hubbard Lopez	Ivan M. Mojica	Santiago Puerto	Amaya N. Spann
Lynnette A. Jacobs	Mirelle S. Mojena	Marisol Ramos-Rodriguez	Emily Stalbird
Yarddy A. Jaramillo	Antonio X. Moncayo	Jack F. Ramsay	Jamie L. Stefanski
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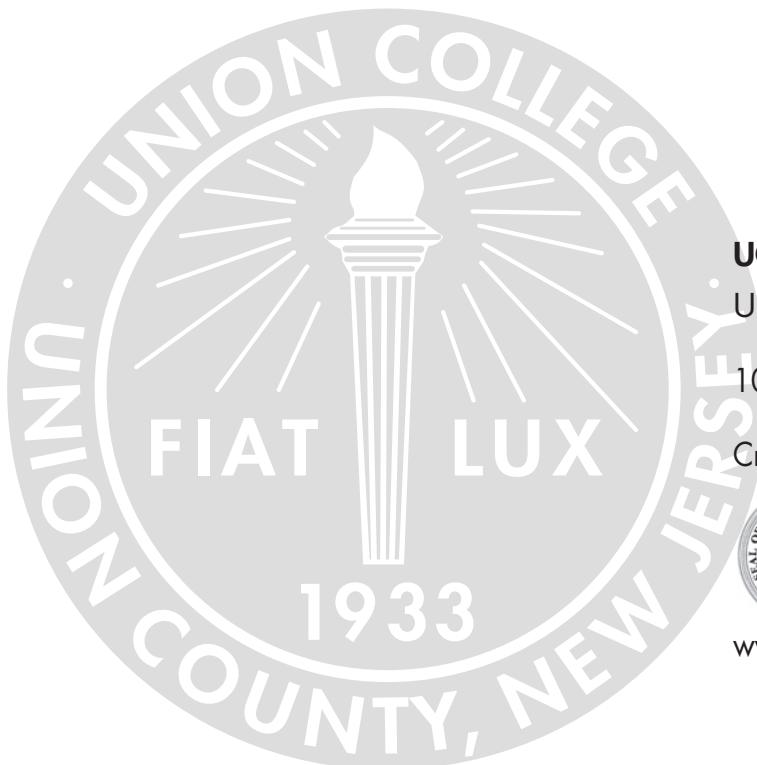
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