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Convocation



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FACULTY CONVOCATION

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PROGRAM

Procession	Seton Hall University Bagpipers
Convener and Master of Ceremonies	Sona Patel, Ph.D. <i>Assistant Provost for Academic Excellence and Assessment</i>
National Anthem Accompaniment	Rahyna Clarke-Lucas, '25 Dena Levine, D.M.A. <i>Associate Professor of Music</i>
Invocation	Reverend Gerald J. Buonopane, Ph.D. <i>Vice Provost for Academics and Catholic Identity</i>
Necrology	Alan Delozier, D.Litt. University Libraries
Message from the Chair of the Faculty Senate	Nathaniel Knight, Ph.D., <i>Professor</i> Department of History
Remarks from the Provost and Senior Executive Vice President	Katia Passerini, Ph.D.
Remarks from the President	Monsignor Joseph Reilly, S.T.L., Ph.D.
Introduction of Faculty Promotions, Tenure, Emeritus and New Faculty	Erik Lillquist, J.D., <i>Deputy Provost, Chief Administrative Officer, and EVP</i> Jonathan Farina, Ph.D., <i>Interim Dean</i> College of Arts and Sciences Joyce A. Strawser, Ph.D., <i>Dean</i> Stillman School of Business

PROGRAM

- Bryan Crable, Ph.D., *Dean***
College of Human Development, Culture,
and Media
- Vikram Dayalu, Ph.D., CCC-SLP., *Interim Dean***
School of Health and Medical Sciences
- Ron Weich, J.D., *Dean***
School of Law
- Monsignor Gerard McCarren, S.T.D., *Rector/
Dean***, Immaculate Conception Seminary
School of Theology
- Courtney Smith, Ph.D., *Dean***
School of Diplomacy and International Relations
- John E. Buschman, D.L.S., *Associate Provost
and Dean***, University Libraries
- Kristi Stinson, Ph.D., RN, APN-BC**
Interim Dean, College of Nursing
- Sona Patel, Ph.D., *Assistant Provost for Academic
Excellence and Assessment***

Merit Update

- John Buschman, D.L.S., *Associate
Provost of Research and Innovation, Dean***
University Libraries

*Introduction of the
Albert Hakim Medal*

- Nathaniel Knight, Ph.D., *Professor***
Department of History

*Albert Hakim Faculty
Service Medal Recipients*

- Mary Ellen Roberts, D.N.P., *Professor***
College of Nursing
- Alisa Hindin, Ph.D., *Professor***
College of Human Development, Culture,
and Media; *Posthumous Recipient*

*Alma Mater
Accompaniment*

- Rahyna Clarke-Lucas, '25**
Dena Levine, D.M.A.
Associate Professor of Music

FACULTY CONVOCATION

Promotions and Tenure

PROMOTED to

Professor

Rabbi Alan Brill, Ph.D.

Department of Religion
College of Arts and Sciences

Matthew Corrigan, Ph.D.

Department of Social Work
College of Arts and Sciences

Mary Ellen Roberts, D.N.P.

Department of Graduate Nursing
College of Nursing

Lawrence R. Winchester III, J.D.

School of Law

PROMOTED to

Professor with Tenure

Bryan Crable, Ph.D.

Department of Communication,
Media, and the Arts
College of Human Development,
Culture, and Media

Doron Dorfman, J.S.D.

School of Law

Jacob Elberg, J.D.

School of Law

Ronald Weich, J.D.

School of Law

PROMOTED to

Associate Professor with Tenure

Joseph Badillo, Ph.D.

Department of Chemistry
and Biochemistry
College of Arts and Sciences

Brandon Buehler, Ph.D.

Department of Communication,
Media, and the Arts
College of Human Development,
Culture, and Media

Katherine Hinic, Ph.D.

Department of Graduate Nursing
College of Nursing

Nancy Innella, Ph.D.

Department of Undergraduate
Nursing
College of Nursing

Christine Lhowe, M.F.A.

Department of Communication,
Media, and the Arts
College of Human Development,
Culture and Media

Juan Rios, D.S.W.

Department of Social Work,
College of Arts and Sciences

FACULTY CONVOCATION

Promotions and Tenure

Gregory Wiedman, Ph.D.

Department of Chemistry
and Biochemistry
College of Arts and Sciences

PROMOTED to

Associate Professor

Reverend Joseph Laracy, S.T.D.

Department of Systematic Theology
Immaculate Conception Seminary
School of Theology

Jurga Marshall, D.M.S.

Department of Physician Assistant
School of Health and Medical Sciences

Leslie Rippon, Ph.D.

Department of Athletic Training
School of Health and Medical Sciences

PROMOTED to

Senior Faculty Associate

Mary Landriau, M.S.W.

Department of Social Work
College of Arts and Sciences

PROMOTED to

Senior Lecturer

Christine Heer, J.D.

Department of Social Work
College of Arts and Sciences

Michael Maloney, Ph.D.

Department of Religion
College of Arts and Sciences

PROMOTED to

Clinical Assistant Professor

Luz-Patricia Torres, Ph.D.

College of Nursing

FACULTY CONVOCATION

AWARDS
Emeritus and Merit

Awarded Emeritus

**COLLEGE OF ARTS
AND SCIENCES**

Richard Blake, Ph.D.

Martha Carpentier, Ph.D.

Charles Carter, Ph.D.

**SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND
MEDICAL SCIENCES**

Anne Hewitt, Ph.D.

**STILLMAN SCHOOL
OF BUSINESS**

Karen Boroff, Ph.D.

Awarded Merit

**COLLEGE OF ARTS
AND SCIENCES**

Dawn Apgar, Ph.D.

Jessica Cottrell, Ph.D.

Kelly Goedert, Ph.D.*

Chair's Merit Award

Daniel Nichols, Ph.D.

Shigeru Osuka, Ph.D.

Gabriella Romani, Ph.D.

Thomas Rzeznik, Ph.D.

Kirsten Schultz, Ph.D.

Travis Timmerman, Ph.D.*

Chair's Merit Award

**COLLEGE OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT,
CULTURE, AND MEDIA**

Renee Robinson, Ph.D.

Catherine Zizik, M.F.A.

Chair's Merit Award

* Receiving Merit and
Chair's Merit Award

FACULTY CONVOCATION

AWARDS
Merit

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Moira Kendra, D.N.P., RN

**SCHOOL OF HEALTH
AND MEDICAL SCIENCES**

Richard Boegers, Ph.D.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
SEMINARY SCHOOL
OF THEOLOGY**

Justin Anderson, Ph.D.

**STILLMAN SCHOOL
OF BUSINESS**

Hongfei Tang, Ph.D.

Chair's Merit Award

**SCHOOL OF DIPLOMACY AND
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

Ann Marie Murphy, Ph.D.

FACULTY CONVOCATION

New Faculty

**COLLEGE OF ARTS
AND SCIENCES**

Sivan Albagli-Kim, Ph.D.

Mathematics
and Computer Science
Israel Institute of Technology

Amanda Bergold, Ph.D.

Psychology
Harvard University

Jason Bundy, Ph.D.

Biological Sciences
John Jay School of Criminal Justice
City University of New York

Subasinghe Nissanga A. Dias, Ph.D.

Biological Sciences
Seton Hall University

Tanasha Driver, M.S.W.

Social Work
New York University

Siyao Gu, Ph.D.

Mathematics
and Computer Science
The University of Texas —
San Antonio

**Isabel G. Guzzardo
Tamargo, Ph.D.**

English
Rutgers, The State University
of New Jersey

Sylvia Hanna, M.D.

Biology
State University of New York
at Brooklyn

Megan Kane, Ph.D.

English
Temple University

Kathleen Kidder, Ph.D.

Languages, Literatures and Cultures
University of Cincinnati

Adam Kuczynski, J.D., Ph.D.

Social Work
Hamline School of Law
Rutgers, The State University
of New Jersey

Jesse Madnick, Ph.D.

Mathematics
and Computer Science
Stanford University

Bradley Martin, Ph.D.

Biological Sciences
University of Arkansas

FACULTY CONVOCATION

New Faculty

Peter Morse, Ph.D.

Physics
University of Oregon

Marius Pelmus, Ph.D.

Chemistry and Biochemistry
Seton Hall University

Gabrielle Rossi, Ph.D.

Social Work
Rutgers, The State University
of New Jersey

Nesrin Sahin, Ph.D.

Psychology
Ege University, Izmir

Courtney Sender, M.T.S., M.F.A.

English
Harvard University, Divinity School
The John Jopkins University

Axel Mark Oaks Takacs, Th.D.

Religion
Harvard University, Divinity School

Aleksy Tarasenko-Struc, Ph.D.

Philosophy
Harvard University

Cynthia-Lee Williams, Ph.D.

Sociology, Anthropology, and
Criminal Justice
John Jay Sch of Criminal Justice, City
University of New York

**COLLEGE OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT,
CULTURE, AND MEDIA**

David Backer, Ph.D.

Education Leadership, Management
and Policy
Columbia University

David Berman, Ph.D.

Communication, Media, and the Arts
University of Pennsylvania

James Corino, Ed.D

Education Leadership, Management
and Policy
Nova Southeastern University

M. Hayden, Ph.D.

Communication, Media, and the Arts
University of Witwatersand,
Johannesburg

Kishon Hickman, Ed.D.

Education Leadership, Management
and Policy
St. John Fisher University

Sooji Kim, Ph.D.

Education Leadership, Management,
and Policy
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

FACULTY CONVOCATION

New Faculty

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Kathryn Tarpey Balsamo, M.S.N.

Stony Brook University,
The State University of New York
and Seton Hall University

Caroline Meza, Ph.D.

Seton Hall University

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
SEMINARY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY**

Jamie Boulding, Ph.D.

Systematic Theology
University of Cambridge

MILITARY SCIENCE

**Lieutenant Colonel
Scott W. Fisher, M.S.**

Kansas State University

**SCHOOL OF DIPLOMACY AND
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

Britta Redwood, J.D.

Yale University

**SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND
MEDICAL SCIENCES**

Christina Barnes, SLPD

Speech-Language Pathology
Kean University

Patrick Bernet, Ph.D.

Interprofessional Health Sciences
and Health Administration
Temple University

Chris D'Andrea, M.S.

Athletic Training
Ashland University

Anna Folckomer, DAOM

Physical Therapy
Pacific College of Health and Science

Ellen James, Ed.D.

Occupational Therapy
Teachers College
Columbia University

Jessica Latawiec, M.S.

Speech-Language Pathology
Hunter College

Melissa Morano, M.S.

Physical Therapy
Seton Hall University

FACULTY CONVOCATION

New Faculty

Jeffrey Ritter, D.B.A.

Interprofessional Health Sciences
and Health Administration
Nova Southeastern University

Daniel Walsh, M.M.S.

Physician Assistant
Yale University

SCHOOL OF LAW

Galina Abdel-Aziz, J.D.

University of the District
of Columbia, David A. Clarke
School of Law

Andrew Darcy, J.D.

Seton Hall University,
School of Law

Lisette Diaz, J.D.

Seton Hall University
School of Law

Glykeria Teji, J.S.D.

Widener University,
Delaware Law School

**FULBRIGHT
VISITING PROFESSOR**

Giovanni Schiuma, Ph.D.

Libera Università Mediterranea (Italy)

**STILLMAN SCHOOL
OF BUSINESS**

Enrico Forti, Ph.D.

Management
University of Bologna

David Keating, Ph.D.

Management
University of Mississippi

Katri Nousiainen, Ph.D.

Economics and Legal Studies
Hanken School of Economics,
Finland

Carolyn Previti, Ph.D.

Accounting and Taxation
Drexel University

Muhammed Yönaç, Ph.D.

Finance
Baruch College, The City
University of New York

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

Natalie Lau, M.I.

Rutgers, The State University
of New Jersey

FACULTY CONVOCATION

ACUE
Effective Teaching Program
FACULTY

COLLEGE OF ARTS
AND SCIENCES

Joseph Badillo

Jared Best

Jason Bundy

Muhammad Farooq

Rachel Fikslin

Ellen Hayes

Amy Joh

Adam Kuczynski

Gary Martin

Kerry McNeill

Reihaneh Safavisohi

Robert Saronson

Sakina Williams

COLLEGE OF HUMAN
DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE,
AND MEDIA

Shantae Coppock

Charlene Mayer

Melissa Meade

Staysha Taylor

COLLEGE OF NURSING

Yashica Smith

SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND
MEDICAL SCIENCES

Christina Barnes

Marcia Downer

Ellen James

Jessica Latawiec

Jui-Te Lin

Sona Patel

Jeffrey Ritter

SCHOOL OF LAW

Galina Abdel-Aziz

STILLMAN SCHOOL
OF BUSINESS

William Colucci

Hector Lozada-Vega

Eric Rosenberg

Sina Shokoohyar

Rob Weitz

FACULTY CONVOCATION

Albert B. Hakim

FACULTY SERVICE MEDAL RECIPIENT



**Mary Ellen Roberts,
D.N.P., R.N., A.P.N.C., FNAP,**

FAANP, FAAN, has been at Seton Hall since 2011 having returned to the faculty after maintaining a private practice. She has served as faculty in the Graduate Department of the College of Nursing. Her varied roles include Program Director for the Doctor of Nursing Practice and Acute Care Nurse Practitioner programs, she currently serves as chair of the department. Dr. Roberts was first

elected to the Senate in 2016 and has remained a member to the present time. During those years she has served on a number of committees, including the work intensive Faculty Guide and By-Laws Committee, which she co-chaired last year. She has served as Executive Secretary for the Senate for the past three years and co-chair of the Graduate Studies committee.

Dr. Roberts has served in her college, as well as at the university in various capacities including the Middle States and strategic planning subcommittees on Mission and the strategic planning implementation committee, on the Teaching, Learning, and Technology Roundtable, and has been an active participant in the Gem Fellows and Praxis Program of the Advanced Seminar on Mission. In addition, she has served as chair of the College of Nursing Faculty assembly and oversaw the college's accreditation reports in 2014, 2018 and the recent mid-cycle report.

FACULTY CONVOCATION

Albert B. Hakim

FACULTY SERVICE POSTHUMOUS RECIPIENT



Alisa Hindin, Ed.D.

Dr. Alisa Hindin was a Professor in the Educational Studies department at Seton Hall University. She received her B.A. from The George Washington University and her Ed.D. from Boston University. She joined Seton Hall as an Assistant Professor in 2004, and she ultimately attained the rank of Professor. Dr. Hindin specialized in literacy development and instruction. Her research interests included teacher preparation in literacy, home-

school partnerships and literacy, reading fluency, struggling readers, and family literacy. Her most recent research examined the relationship between a home reading intervention and children's reading performance.

Dr. Hindin was a long-serving member of the Faculty Senate, up to and including at the time of her passing in December 2023 after a long illness. She was a tireless advocate for students and faculty, a generous colleague and a deeply engaged member of the Seton Hall community. As a member of the Faculty Senate, she served on a number of committees, including the Admissions Committee and the Calendar Committee. She served several terms as chair of the Educational Studies department and on numerous committees in the College of Human Development, Culture, and Media. She also served multiple terms on the University Rank and Tenure Committee.

Alma Mater

Lyrics by Charles A. Byrne ('37)

Music by Nicola A. Montani

Revised by Walter Cahrssen, 1978

New choral and brass

arrangement by

John Nowik, 2000

1. To Al - ma on Ma - ter all be - loy - al, keep her
2. (When on) life's hard stones you - stum - ble pray to

name in pu - rest Light, ne - ver wa - ver from her
God to be your guide. Think of Se - ton Hall your

pre - cepts guard her ban - ner blue and white.
mo - ther then forge on in stead - y stride.

Oh, sing her praise to high - est skies and be ye faith - ful

in her eyes for she will fos - ter all your dreams her name is Se - ton

Hall, her name is Se - ton Hall. 1. 2. When on Hall.