



Commencement

May 15, 2010

WELCOME

Welcome to the Dunham Student Activity Center for Fontbonne University's 2010 May Commencement ceremonies.

Congratulations to each of you on this special day! In order to ensure everyone's enjoyment, we ask that you read the information below and observe our guidelines.

Guests are invited to be seated in the Dunham Student Activity Center in designated areas on the gym floor, in the bleachers, or in the Alumni Caf' on the second floor. The ceremony will be simulcast on closed circuit television in the Alumni Caf'. There is also additional seating in the Lewis Room on the lower level of the Library where the ceremonies will be video-streamed.

For safety reasons, during the ceremonies, guests are not allowed to stand in the following areas in the Dunham Student Activity Center:

- the main entrance lobby
- the hallway at the south end of the gym floor directly behind guest seating
- the third floor running track

Restrooms are located in the Dunham Student Activity Center on the main floor directly behind the guest seating area and to the south of the reception desk opposite the main entrance, and on the second floor at the east end of the Alumni Caf'. Restrooms are located in the Library off the east hallways on all three floors. Smoking is not permitted in any building on campus.

Out of respect for our graduates, please turn off the ringer on your cell phones and pagers. Please avoid conversations with fellow guests so that everyone may hear the speakers' presentations and the graduates' names as they are announced.

A professional photographer will take individual pictures of all graduates as they cross the stage and receive their diplomas.

At the end of the ceremonies, if you are in the Dunham Student Activity Center, please remain seated until the graduates have left the building. At that time, we encourage you to use the exit doors closest to you. Exits are located at the north end of the gym floor on either side of the stage, at the southeast end of the gym floor directly behind the guest seating area, and at the main entrance to the building.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation!

UNDERGRADUATE CEREMONY

Saturday, May 15, 2010, 10 a.m.

Processional	Metropolitan Brass
Invocation	Sarah Schumacher Boul <i>Director of Campus Ministry</i>
Introduction.....	Joseph B. McGlynn, Jr. <i>Chair, Board of Trustees</i>
Commencement Address	Samuel Hazo, Ph.D. <i>Professional educator, writer, and founder of the International Poetry Forum</i>
Presentation of Graduates	Joyce Starr Johnson, Ph.D. <i>Interim Vice President and Dean for Academic Affairs</i>
Conferring of Degrees	Dennis C. Golden, Ed.D. <i>President</i>
Alumni Hood Award	Michael Vitale B.S. '10 (dual majors)
Conferring of Honorary Degree	Dennis C. Golden, Ed.D.
Remarks by Graduating Student	Krystal N. Taylor B.A. '10
Welcome to the Alumni Association	James G. Steinkoetter B.B.A. '00, M.B.A. '04
Alumni Chain Ceremony	Dena Barry B.S. '10 Steve Zeuner B.A. '10
Benediction	Sister Linda M. Straub, CSJ <i>Campus Minister, Catholic Student Center, Washington University</i>
Recessional	Metropolitan Brass

Celebrating 50 Years

Leading today's procession are members of the class of 1960.
We are honored by their presence.

All graduating students are invited to participate in our traditional celebratory
"Ring of the Bell" in the Medaille Meadow immediately after the ceremony.

BACHELOR OF ARTS

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

OPTIONS Program

Kathy A. Best	Marnie R. Koder**	Tracy L. Pool
Stephen Edward Bolen	Alyssa Kay Lindsay	<i>summa cum laude</i>
Dionysia Buchannan	Linda Beth Luks	Cynthia Ann Prost
Marian D. Dillard	Stephanie N. Marshall	<i>magna cum laude</i>
Abigail Wheeler Ercoline	Bruce Anthony Mathews	Crystal Y. Smith
Lisa E. Felix	Tamara Shantel Mathis	Willie James Surgeon, Jr.
Avery Nashai Freeman	Janice Earline McCoy	Stephanie Marie Sutler
Ruth A. Gerike	Rhonda M. McKenzie	B. CharMaine Taylor
<i>magna cum laude</i>	Susan Robin McNabb	Melissa Janeé Thames
Alicia Faye Green	<i>magna cum laude</i>	Shanelle E. Tucker
Carla C. Hargrove	Loletha A. Merritt-Bevly	Ann Margaret Webb
Angelic Marie Henderson	Melva Simone Morgan	Christina Denise White
Jolinda A. Jaques	Juanita Nesbitt	Sherry Denise Wynn
Anjeanette Irene Johnson	Christine A. Oakes	Steven Craig Zeuner
Richard A. Jurado	Debbie Jo Ogle	
	<i>magna cum laude</i>	

Behavioral Sciences Department

Alison Lee Borowiak	Danielle Rose Donze	Katie Ann Radeackar
Xia Nan Chan	Yvonne M. Matlock	Hui-Qing Yin
Kara Lynn Culton	Catherine Elizabeth Meldahl	
<i>cum laude</i>		

Communication Disorders and Deaf Education Department

Rebecca E. Hafner	Elizabeth Ann Rogers
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Education/Special Education Department

Megan Anne Bollinger	LaDarius Antione Lewis	Katherine Marie Sanders
Marnita Elaine Stovall-Brown*	Traci Ann Monsour	Julie Marie Whitley
Erin Michelle Edgar	Lisa Antonette Murphy	<i>cum laude</i>
Jennifer Lynn Frederich	Katherine Suzanne Pointer	Christine Michelle Work
Kathryn A. Kirby	Jeneil Latrice Prince	

English and Communication Department

Jennifer Lea Bensinger	Alyssa D. Brocco*	Sadie Anne Elsberry
<i>cum laude/University Scholar</i>	Scott Raymond Ellis	Mary C. Gould

*August 2010 graduation

** December 2009 graduate

BACHELOR OF ARTS

English and Communication Department (continued)

Caitlin Marie Harvey	Jared M. Kraus	Stephen Leo Werkmeister
Amy E. Holland	Megan Elizabeth Poettgen	
Daniel J. Horn	Jake Patrick Schommer	

Fine Arts Department

Indira Sakeena Jackson

History, Philosophy, and Religion Department

Daniel Lee Bruce	Robin S. Michael-Brown	Gregory F. Sweigart
Christina M. Heisse	<i>magna cum laude</i>	

Interdisciplinary Studies Department

Andrew P. Carr	Roy C. Jones, Jr.	Krystal Nicole Taylor
James J. Dake	Germaine Yvette Robinson	<i>magna cum laude</i>
Laura E. Gorges	Meghan Josephine Schmidt	Kyley J. Williams
Elizabeth Anne Johnson*	Todd Gerard Schulte	

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

OPTIONS Program

Lisa Edelen Barnes	Georgetta Farrow	Michelle A. Hopkins
Sandra F. Baylor	David Charles Feldmann	Carla Renee Hubbard
Marilyn Burt	Tiffany Anne Fessler	Jean M. Joeckel
Daniel P. Callahan, II	<i>magna cum laude</i>	Mark Anthony Jones
Kari J. Clark	Lindsay N. Gilreath	LaShana Deneé Kelley
Vincent Edward Cook	Julia Ann Gooden	Dwight James Kirksey
Keith B. Croak	Jacqueline A. Greenberg Barr	Amanda M. Lee-Wandro
Jean E. Crockett	Dennis C. Griffith	Matthew K. Malabey
Maggie M. Dailey	Kristie L. Grote	Sheri A. Maltagliati
Heather L. Davis	Wakeetah S. Gunn*	Michael Dean Martin
Waun M. Davis	James J. Guyre	Michael E. McLeland
Carol Davis-Gates	<i>magna cum laude</i>	Deborah A. Mertz
Lisa M. DeBerry	Virginia Kathleen Hartley	Jessica M. Moore
<i>magna cum laude</i>	Angelia J. Hayes	Karen Lee Mulitsch-Dickens
Paul D. Donley	Melanie Ann Holmes	Stacy Ann Murphy

* August 2010 graduation

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College of Global Business and Professional Studies

OPTIONS Program (continued)

Theora Murphy	Paula Jean Saunders	Jennifer A. Teeple
Christie A. Newell	Julie E. Schneider-Green	Wendy White
Shawna O'Neal	Marshiana Sharun Shaw	Patsy N. Widmann
Corie L. Robinson Walker	Jason Wesley Silkebaken	Allena R. Wilson
Sharea D. Rodgers	Sheila D. Simmons	

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

Fine Arts Department

Jessica Loren Carr	Rachel Nicole Davis <i>magna cum laude</i>	Kelly Irene Schumacher <i>summa cum laude</i>
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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

Melissa Maria Angarita	Jacob Lee Hirschfeld	Adam C. Rouse
John F. Antone	Devin Henry Homan	Courtney Marie Sawhill
Kyle Christopher Armbruster	Jordan T-J Howes	Scott A. Schenk*
Joshua David Billings <i>cum laude</i>	Matthew Joseph Jackson	Michael Robert Schurwan
Catherine G. Bono	Justin H. Juergensmeyer	Ashley L. Shannon*
Kevin Patrick Brightman	Diana Jane Keller	Preston Matthew Sterett
Jacob Werner Buerke	Andrew Gerald Klingler <i>magna cum laude</i>	Blake Ray Tolan
Julie Ann Capellupo*	Eric Thomas Leonhardt	Blair Paul Turley♦
Brittany Nicole Childress	Clayton James McDaniel	Michael Gerard Vitale♦
Kevin T. Dailey	Brooks Aaron McGee	Kristin Elizabeth Watkins*
Andrew William Dusanowsky	Jonothan Matthew Melloway	Joseph John Watson
Monica Dolores Ellebracht <i>magna cum laude</i>	Megan Marie Meyer	Brittany Renae Watz <i>summa cum laude</i>
Jennifer Elizabeth Enright <i>magna cum laude/ University Scholar</i>	Sharnay Nicole Miller	Sean Adams Worrall
	Samantha J. Pecher	Rachel A. Zuellig

Chrysler Program

Mary Kay Eckelkamp-Derby <i>magna cum laude</i>	Harry J. Goodwin	Meredith Ann Rowden
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* August 2010 graduation ♦ Dual Major

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (continued)

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

OPTIONS Program

Bobby Autry	Beverly Y. Crawford	Todd L. Purcell
Starr Carolyn Birton	Delah R. Jones	Kelly Robertson
LoRita C. Cables	Jamal L. Myers	Francesca H. Scates
Sherman André Calhoun	Robert E. Pittman, Jr.	Michael W. Vassel

Biological and Physical Sciences Department

Jacob Michael Paasch <i>magna cum laude</i>	Hridyaswor Bhakta Shrestha	Antionette Luvie Taylor <i>magna cum laude</i>
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Communication Disorders and Deaf Education Department

Anita Marie Bonstell	Tarah Ashlee Freant	Natalie Claire Melichar
Courtney R. Butts	Kimberly Marguerite Huelsing	Nicole L. Onkle*
Lisl Margaret Clerk	<i>summa cum laude</i>	Jayne Alta Thomas
Catherine M. Eschmann	Leslie Nicole Martin	Ashley M. Vineyard
Kristen Nichole Ferguson	<i>magna cum laude</i>	Jessica N. Wellman

Education/Special Education Department

Lora R. Briscoe	Colleen Marie Hennessy	Katherine Dawn Mueller
Joseph H. Cihon	Rhonda Berneen Johnson	<i>magna cum laude</i>
Erika Therese Cole	Kaitlin Ashley Mack	Hilary Nicole Norman
Sarah Elizabeth Guber	Jamie Anne Matz	Janet V. Zielinski
	Molly E. McFall	

Human Environmental Sciences Department

Casey Christine Alvino	Erica Marie Kempema	Jamie Marie Merritt
Dena L. Barry <i>magna cum laude</i>	Sarah Elizabeth Knoll	<i>cum laude</i>
Nicholas John Catanzaro	Elizabeth Anne Kratzer	Lauren Amber Murphy <i>magna cum laude</i>
Mallorie Anne Clark*	Steffany Marie Leicht	Bridgette Rae Riley
Christine M. Collier	Adela Libic	Heather Michelle Sherrill
Wesley Alan Crawford	Selena Love	Leslie Theresa Wells
Marie Nichole Gorski	Molly Michele Maxwell	Andria C. Winkler
Melanie Jean Horstmann	Nicole Elizabeth McCabe	Juliann Krist Zimmerman

Mathematics and Computer Science Department

Marc Anthony Crabtree	Peter Douglas Papulis <i>magna cum laude</i>
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GRADUATE CEREMONY

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MASTER OF ARTS

Communication Disorders and Deaf Education Department

Early Intervention in Deaf Education

(August 15, 2010 graduation)

Kimberly A. Bax	Lisa R. Inch	Maureen Elizabeth Shaughnessy
Elizabeth Anne Cooper	Racquel E. Pennil	Andrea Vargas
Colleen Marie Groth	Amanda Christine Pinkston	Allison Christine Wrozier

Education/Special Education Department

Melissa Ellen Adlen	Joy Christine Klebolt	Amanda Susan Stahlschmidt
Jeanine Aubuchon	Robert L. Klebolt	Randall David Staub
Tracy J. Barron	Linda M. Krygiel	Janie Elizabeth Strebeck
Paula Dale Brock	Joseph T. Maddock	Barrett Taylor
Janet Marie Dinwiddie	Kelly P. McFarlin	Shelia Thompson-Young
Alexandra L. Eichel	Julie Renee Mohan	Nicole Elizabeth Tiesing
Deborah G. Gotcher	Matthew J. Mueller	Alana Renee Ware
Linda M. Hertelendy-Wein	Tyra Renee Omirin	Amanda Kathleen Webb
Maria Canzadie Hill	Linka Williams Pace	Stacey Beth Wilson
Carol A. Hinners	Robyn Ericka Robinson	Gabrielle M. Woeltje
Lillian K. Hinson	Denise E. Sanford	Kathleen M. Woepke
Ellen Theresa Hoormann	Kathryn Marie Scherry	Theresa J. Young
Bradley King	Joanna Lynn Smith	

Fine Arts Department

Naxin Fan	Calee Ann McCauley	Margaret Murphy Schneider
Lisa Rachel Hampton	Paul Anthony Pagano	Chung-Hsiu Wang
Min-Chih Kao	William Magee Perry	Elizabeth M. Willey
Hwang Yong Kim	Carolyn Lynn Robey	Fo Kwan Yam

Human Environmental Sciences Department

Family and Consumer Sciences

Alice Deloris Bell Mary J. Favazza

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

Education Department

Dana Marissa Chillers	May L. Graham	Emily R. Schechter
Jennifer Ann Foster	Gene LaVigne	Brandon Francis Schwind
	Kelly Elizabeth Mitchell	

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

Christine K. McManus

Rachel L. Schwoeppe

Mohammed Ziauddin

Chrysler Program

Alvin Douglas Ingle, Sr.

OPTIONS Program

Timothy G. Abbott
Roderick Allen
Joseph G. Baker
Austin Thomas Bates
Sara R. Begley
Cheryl E. Benford
Sandra Marie Carroll
Vicki L. Corey
Sophia Renee Douglas
Monica L. Ellis
Chris Michael Epps
Steven L. Faust

Jennifer R. Fletcher
Travis S. Glick
Katie E. Goin
Anedra Kaye Higgins
Sheryl L. Ivory
Latonya Renee Jackson
Coree Yvette Johnson
Erica M. Johnson
Alison L. Mark
Pertella L. Mitchell
Mark C. Oates
Kati Lynn O'Brien

Bridget Renae Owens
Shelitha L. Peppers
Jarret Dean Randall
Timothy Paul Sengpiel, Jr.
Kristin Nichole Short
Carol Janet Stevens
Abigail M. Stockwell
Jerusha D. Taylor
Takisha Denise Walker
Patricia Washington
Joseph Peter Winter

International Program

(July 23, 2010 graduation)

Yen-Ching Chang
I-Ching Chen
Chao-Yi Chiang
Tzu-Yun Chiu
Masayuki Hirai

Tatiwat Kananuruk
Yu-Chun Kao
Chen-Yang Li
Yu-Wen Liu
Araya Ninnopparat
Chia-Hung Pan

Thanaporn Prasobchoke
Pei-Yuan Shih
Auraikan Sinlaparat
Qinyuan Yu
Xin Yue

MASTER OF FINE ARTS

Fine Arts Department

Wanda E. Cummings
Jerome Jeffrey Malone, II

Lisa Marie Nagel
Mark H. Oakley

Jami Lynn Schoenewies
Carol Maryln Stewart

MASTER OF MANAGEMENT

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

OPTIONS Program

LaShanda R. Barnes
Sandra Elaine Burton

Catherine A. Carter
Jon Robert Cline

Dana Lynn Cook
Veronica M. Dalton

MASTER OF MANAGEMENT

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

OPTIONS Program (continued)

Michelle A. Donegan	Rosemary Hodges	Mary Ann Smith
Diane M. Dyn	Brian D. Mabus	Charlene Sowell
Mary Patricia Fairchild	Brian Thomas Miller	Mary Stecich
Michael T. Finley	Sandra Lee Null	Cynthia E. Strawhun
Michael Squire Fox	Teresa A. Reger	Joseph P. Susai
Judith Lynne Grassmuck	Steve A. Ripper	Denise Pearl Sykes-Collins
Ann-Marie Gunn	Michelle D. Schaeffer	Jeffery B. Taylor, Jr.
Martha R. Higgins	Joseph Scot Seger	

MASTER OF SCIENCE

College of Global Business and Professional Studies

Accounting

Holly L. Feldman

Communication Disorders and Deaf Education Department

Speech-Language Pathology

Jamie Marie Chamness*	Tiffany Chaparro Lekas	Amanda Elise Sullivan
Emily R. Dalton	Ellen Michelle McNamara	Kathleen M. Tucek*
Aaron M. Doubet	Ellen M. Melton	Jennifer Lynn Van Horn
Margaret Therese Ebeling	Sharon Christine Powers*	Erin M. Walker
Jessica Nicole Gilham	Michelle Ann Reale	Meghan Celeste Wolf
Robyn Nicole Huber	Keenyn R. Rhodes	Ashleigh E. Zumwalt
Ashley Fawn Kreyling	Rebecca E. Somers*	

Mathematics and Computer Science Department

Christopher L. Breshears	Anthony Paul Grana	Connie J. Manzo
Kristen Collins	Laura Ann Grubb	Erin M. Zuck



HONORARY DEGREE

Fontbonne University celebrates its Catholic identity and heritage with pride and commitment. Faithful to its mission, the University seeks to educate women and men to think critically, decide ethically and serve responsibly. In promoting this philosophy, Fontbonne recognizes individuals whose lives give evidence of embracing the mission, vision, values, commitment and Catholic identity of Fontbonne University.

As a passionate poet, prolific writer, professional educator and the founder of the International Poetry Forum, Dr. Samuel Hazo serves his community and his faith by creating a better place for all of God's people.

Dr. Hazo has served our country as a member of the United States Marine Corps, as a distinguished professor, as a civic leader, and as a role model and inspiration. He joyfully and eagerly shares his talents, knowledge and enthusiasm with his students as well as the public at large.


He has done all of this with wisdom, passion and grace.

In the message he brings to others, Dr. Hazo exemplifies the type of leadership to which Fontbonne graduates aspire.

In recognition of his achievements, the president and the board of trustees of Fontbonne University confer upon

Dr. Samuel Hazo

Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa
This Fifteenth day of May, Two Thousand and Ten



GRADUATING CLASS GIFT FUND

Fontbonne University commends the following graduates for their participation in the Graduating Class Gift Fund. In a spirit of philanthropic support for Fontbonne University's future, each has made a four-year pledge of at least \$25 per year. We thank these graduates and welcome them as partners in our efforts to continue the tradition of quality, private education at Fontbonne.

LaShand R. Barnes	Matthew J. Jackson	Samantha Pecher
Dena Barry	Erica M. Johnson	Cynthia A. Prost
Jennifer Bensinger	Anjeanette Johnson	Kelly Schumacher
Christopher "Kit" Breshears	Diana Keller	Peter Thomas
Kristen Collins	Andrew G. Klinger	Shanelle Tucker
Andrew Dusanowsky	Selena Love	Michael Vitale
Mary K. Eckelkamp-Derby	Linda Luks	Julie Whitley
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Kimberly Huelsing	Theora Murphy	Rachel Zuellig

PARENTS AND FRIENDS GIFT FUND

(alphabetized by student's last name)

Robert E. and Elaine Bidstrup <i>honoring</i> Jennifer Bensinger
Thomas G. and Lee A. Borowiak <i>honoring</i> Alison Borowiak
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Susan Schwind <i>honoring</i> Brandon Schwind
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Kenneth J. and Joyce M. Zuellig <i>honoring</i> Rachel Zuellig

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS

To earn the distinction of University Scholar at Commencement, a student must have fulfilled the requirements of the Honors Program, including 15 credit hours of honors seminars and courses and a senior honors project.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CHAIN CEREMONY

In 1927, the first class of Fontbonne began a tradition that is carried on today. Originally connected to the shovel used for Fontbonne's ground-breaking in 1924, a bronze chain bears the year of the first graduating class at its head, and each subsequent graduating class is connected by square links inscribed with each graduation year. A new link is added each year at commencement ceremonies to continue this unique part of the University's history.

DECADE BANNERS

The banners displayed near the stage during commencement represent each decade of graduates in Fontbonne's history. The purple and gold banners display the school colors in remembrance of the more than 14,000 alumni who have graduated from Fontbonne since the first class in 1927.

THE MEANING OF THE SEAL

The Fontbonne seal contains elements that deal with the University and with the history of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, Fontbonne's sponsoring body. The fleur-de-lis, a French word for lily, is the symbol of the French royal family. In the Fontbonne seal, the fleur-de-lis symbolizes the French origin of the Sisters of St. Joseph, founded in France in 1650. The six fleur-de-lis in the seal represent the first six Sisters who came to the U.S. in 1836. The lily is also the signature of St. Joseph, spouse of the Virgin Mary, foster father of Jesus, and patron saint of the Sisters of St. Joseph. The Latin words, "Virtus et Scientia," indicate the nature of Fontbonne's mission and can be translated as "virtue and knowledge," "valor and erudition," "religion and scholarship."

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

The women of the class of 1949 donated a bell for the Ryan Hall Chapel. For many years, the bell was rung for a variety of occasions including daily prayers. It is believed that the bell was also rung at each Commencement, with the number of rings coinciding with the year of the graduating class (60 rings in 1960, 74 rings in 1974, and so on).

In 2000, a new tradition was started and the bell was rung one time for each graduating student as a way for Fontbonne to celebrate each individual student's effort and success. Now, all graduating students are invited to participate in the ringing. The bell rope will be lowered into the Meadow so each student can ring the bell. This opportunity will be available for approximately 30 minutes after the Commencement ceremony ends.

ACADEMIC DRESS

American academic dress was not established until 1895. It consists of three types of gowns and three styles of hoods, adopted from commencement rituals of English universities. As early as the fourteenth century, the statutes of certain colleges prohibited "excess in apparel" and required the wearing of a long gown. It is still an open question as to whether academic dress finds its sources chiefly in ecclesiastical or civilian dress. It is often suggested that gowns and hoods were the simplest and most effective method of staying warm in the unheated, stone buildings which housed medieval scholars.

The bachelor's gown has long, pointed open sleeves with no ornamentation. The master's gown has even longer sleeves, which are closed at the bottom but feature openings halfway down for the hands. The doctoral gown has full-length lapels of velvet and bell-shaped sleeves with three horizontal velvet bars. The color of caps and gowns is usually black; however, some universities feature doctoral gowns of distinctive colors. Many schools outside the United States have also adopted colorful gowns.

The doctoral hood is the longest and fullest. The major field of study can be determined from the velvet facing on the hood according to the following color scheme. The hood is lined with silk in the colors of the institution which granted the degree. Fontbonne University's hood lining colors are purple and gold.

At Commencement, undergraduates wear the tassel on the right side of their mortarboards, moving it to the left when their degree is conferred.

The gold cord worn by undergraduates represents graduation honors. The purple and gold cord is worn by a University Scholar. Other cords and medallions represent honor societies in which graduates are members.

The wearing of white stoles signifies participation in Academic Convocation.

The academic procession is led by the faculty marshal. The marshal is traditionally the faculty member with the longest service to the University. Following the marshal are the degree candidates. Members of the Fontbonne University faculty and administrative staff then follow, wearing the academic dress of their respective degree-granting institutions. The procession ends with the Fontbonne University Board of Trustees and members of the platform party.

ACADEMIC COLORS

Accountancy, Business, Commerce.....	drab brown
Agriculture	maize yellow
Architecture.....	deep lilac
Arts, Humanities, Letters	white
Dentistry.....	lilac
Economics.....	copper
Education.....	light blue
Engineering.....	orange
Fine Arts	brown
Foreign Service, Public Administration	peacock blue
Forestry	russet brown
Journalism.....	crimson red
Law	purple
Library Science.....	lemon yellow
Medicine	green
Music.....	pink
Nursing.....	apricot
Oratory (Speech)	silver grey
Pharmacy	olive
Philosophy.....	royal blue
Physical Education.....	sage
Public Health	salmon pink
Science.....	gold
Social Work.....	citron yellow
Theology	scarlet red
Veterinary Science	grey

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STATEMENT OF CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Fontbonne affirms its identity as a Catholic university. Sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, it is founded on the beliefs that all creation reveals God, that the ministry of Jesus began a process of redemption that extends to this day, and that the Holy Spirit continues to impart grace through the daily experiences of women and men. Among the many signs of God's grace are teaching and learning, which at Fontbonne are pursued by people sharing a variety of religious beliefs and an understanding of the importance of education.

"Catholic" means "universal" and "throughout the whole," like leaven permeating bread. The permeating quality of Fontbonne is our commitment to know, to love, and to serve the truth that unites faith and reason, nature and grace, the human and the divine. The desire for a greater understanding of creation and its Creator is one of the most profound expressions of human dignity. In this sense, to learn is to augment one's capacity for love so that the thoughtful and loving acts of an educated person are a witness to the transformation of the world that began with the Resurrection and continues with the enlivening of humanity. What makes us truly human helps to unite us with the divine as we seek to understand, love, and serve God and neighbor without distinction.

The permeating and universal nature of Catholicism gives rise to the mission and vision of this university. Because Fontbonne is Catholic, we embrace openness and inclusiveness. Because Fontbonne is Catholic, we pursue educational excellence. And because Fontbonne is Catholic, we seek to recognize the presence of God in all creation and to participate in the continuing transformation of ourselves and a world in need.

MISSION STATEMENT

Fontbonne University, a Catholic coeducational institution of higher learning sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, is rooted in the Judeo-Christian tradition. The university is dedicated to the discovery, understanding, preservation and dissemination of truth. Undergraduate and graduate programs are offered in an atmosphere characterized by a commitment to open communication, personal concern and diversity. Fontbonne University seeks to educate students to think critically, to act ethically and to assume responsibility as citizens and leaders.

Values

Fontbonne University honors the values and heritage of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet by fostering excellence, integrity, respect, diversity, community, justice, service, faith and Catholic identity.

Commitment

Fontbonne University is committed to:

- Achieving academic and educational excellence
- Advancing historical remembrance, critical reflection and moral resolve
- Promoting dialogue among diverse communities
- Demonstrating care and respect for each member of the community
- Serving the larger community
- Preparing individuals to be an ethical and responsible presence to the world.

Vision

Fontbonne University aspires to be acknowledged as one of the nation's premier Catholic universities, educating leaders to serve a world in need.

We will:

- Be known for a synthesis of liberal and professional education that promotes life long learning and that enables students to see themselves as part of a diverse and changing world.
- Work together to develop academic programs and educational opportunities that reflect high standards, interdisciplinary thought and integrated understanding.
- Continue to promote thoughtful experiential and service learning, bridging the gap between theory and practice by taking the student beyond the university walls.
- Build or strengthen alliances with individuals and organizations that are bringing about positive changes in the global community.
- Graduate students who will be distinguished by their appreciation of learning and the arts, their social conscience, and their ability to reflect, communicate and act.



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