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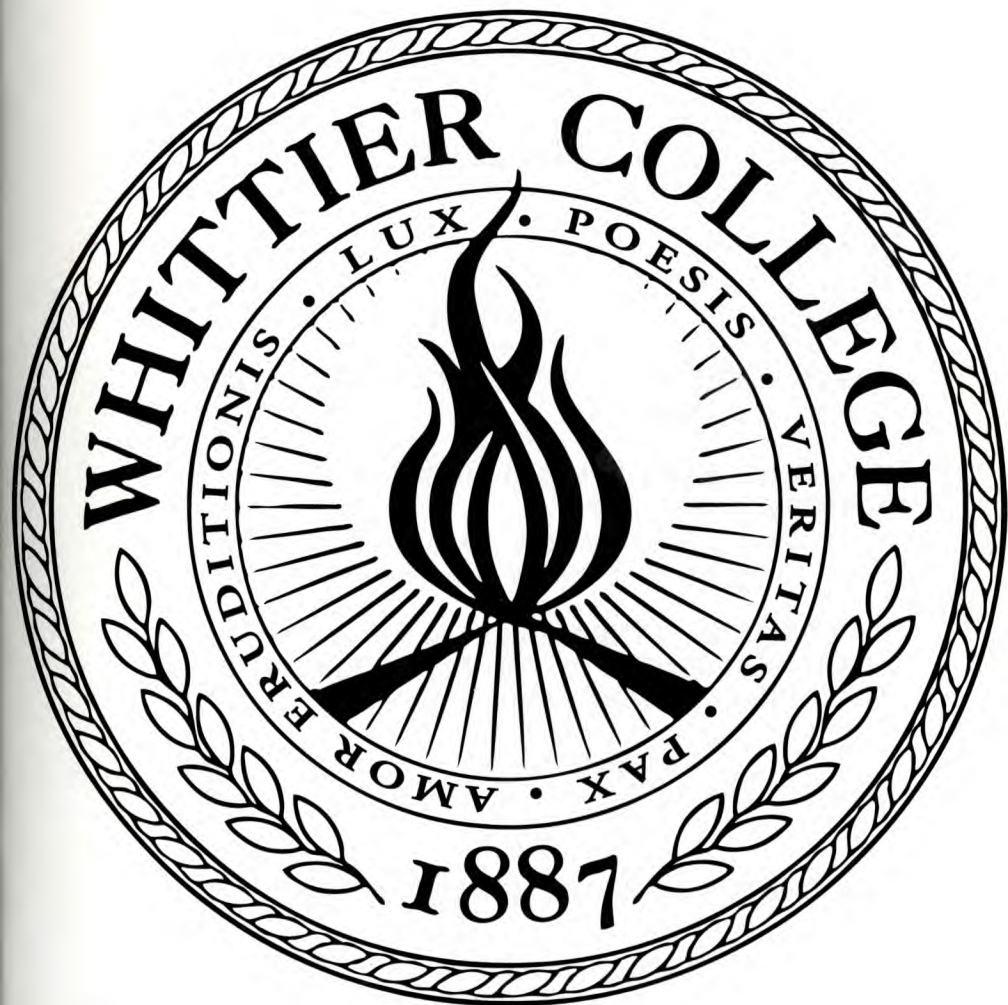
113TH COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

MAY 13, 2016





THE ONE-HUNDRED THIRTEENTH
WHITTIER COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT



*"Hail to the coming singers! Hail to the brave light-bringers!
Forward I reach and share, all that they sing and dare."*

—John Greenleaf Whittier

PROGRAM

PRELUDE

Three Dances – Tylman Susato

Ronde-Saltarel-Pavan

Magnificat Primi Toni – Johann Pachelbel

Music for Queen Mary II – Henry Purcell

March-Anthem-Canzona

Canzona per Sonare No. 1: La Spritata – Giovanni Gabrieli

PROCESSIONAL

Pomp and Circumstance – Sir Edward Elgar

Arranged by Stephen Billington

INVOCATION

M. Hasna Maznavi

Founder and President, The Women's Mosque of America

WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE

Sharon D. Herzberger, Ph.D.

WELCOME FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Alan H. Lund '71, Chairman of the Board

Steven C. Weston '83, President of the Alumni Board

RECOGNITION OF THE FACULTY & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE 2016 NERHOOD TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNER

President Herzberger

STUDENT SPEAKER

Shane Francis

THE CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREE

President Herzberger

Presentation of the Honorable Maria Contreras-Sweet

Lana Nino, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Business Administration

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Maria Contreras-Sweet, Administrator

United States Small Business Administration

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Presentation of Master of Arts Candidates

Presentation of Bachelor of Arts Candidates

Darrin Good, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs &
Dean of Faculty

CHARGE TO THE CLASS OF 2016

President Herzberger

SCHOOL SONG – “FRIENDS FOREVER”

Whittier College Vocal Ensemble

RECESSIONAL

Trumpet Tune – Henry Purcell

Solemn Music – Walter S. Hartley

Prelude-Anthem-Postlude

MARSHALS

Michael J. McBride, Ph.D., Mace Bearer

Lorinda B. Camparo, Ph.D.

Erica Fradinger, Ph.D.

Sal A. Johnston, Ph.D.

Deborah L. Norden, Ph.D.

David I. Paddy, Ph.D.

Brian A. Reed, M.F.A.

Patricia A. Van Oosbree, Ph.D.

(The audience is requested to remain seated until the faculty and graduates have exited.)

President Herzberger and members of the faculty will host a reception for the Class of 2016 on the baseball field immediately following Commencement.

Restrooms are located at the north and south ends of the stadium.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Maria Contreras-Sweet is the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and a member of President Obama's cabinet.

The SBA is charged with supporting America's 28 million small businesses, which create a majority of U.S. jobs and employ half of the nation's private-sector workforce.

As a business leader, California state cabinet official, and entrepreneur, Contreras-Sweet's achievements in bringing efficiencies and modernization to large-scale organizations have earned her international acclaim. Her

drive to bring the SBA into the digital age, and expand into broader domestic and global markets, has yielded record results in lending and contracting for small businesses.

Contreras-Sweet started three businesses, including a community bank in downtown Los Angeles which focused on small and mid-size businesses. She served as its executive chairwoman for seven years.

Prior to that, Contreras-Sweet served as the California cabinet secretary of the Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency, where she oversaw 44,000 employees, a \$14 billion budget, and 14 state departments, including transportation, highway patrol, housing, financial institutions, corporations, real estate, and the Department of Motor Vehicles. She also oversaw the creation of the Department of Managed Health Care and its office of patient advocate. During the state's energy crisis, Contreras-Sweet was asked to serve on the board of California's electrical power grid, CA-ISO, and helped to stabilize the volatile energy market amid the state's rolling blackouts.

At the age of 24, Contreras-Sweet served as a district manager for the U.S. Census Bureau, hiring and managing 700 employees. She was then recruited by Westinghouse and joined their commercial division's 7UP/RC Bottling Company, at the time the largest 7UP bottler in the world, where she later became an equity partner. During her tenure, they posted double the national average sales and she helped lead California's legislative negotiations for the creation of the Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act.

Contreras-Sweet is a founding director of The California Endowment, a \$3 billion foundation dedicated to improving the health status of Californians. She served on the boards of Blue Cross of California and numerous nonprofit organizations.

Contreras-Sweet sees entrepreneurship as a force that can change lives and lift whole communities around the world. Entrepreneurship helps people realize dreams and brings dignity to those who embrace its challenges.

SCHOOL SONG

FRIENDS FOREVER

*Hail to thee, dear Whittier,
Home of friends forever;
Thou art virtuous, Whittier,
In thy high endeavor.*

*Now we charge thee, Whittier,
Home where peace and truth are nourished.
Grant to youth thy spirit till
hopes and dreams have fully flourished.*

*Forward ever, Whittier;
Falter never, Whittier;
Friends forever, Whittier;
Alma mater, Whittier.*

Music by Margaretha Lohmann, Professor of Music, based on
Gaudeamus Igitur, C.W. Kindeleben, c. 1781
Words adapted from Professor of English Herbert Harris and
Professor of History Marjorie Harris.

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Whittier College, founded in 1887, was named for the Quaker abolitionist poet John Greenleaf Whittier. Since that time, the institution has grown into a distinctive, national liberal arts college and law school. It serves a diverse student population with unique, widely praised curricula. The College campus provides an intimate environment in which about 1,700 students live and study with more than 100 distinguished faculty. Like other excellent liberal arts colleges, Whittier encourages students to become broadly educated rather than merely trained for a specific career. It emphasizes small, interactive classes led by full-time faculty members and requires that students cultivate the analytical, critical, and rhetorical skills that all liberally educated persons enjoy.

Although the College has maintained no formal affiliation with the Religious Society of Friends since the 1940s, the social values of its Quaker heritage - respect for the individual, freedom of conscience, integrity, justice, and internationalism - strongly influence its ethos. From the beginning, the same egalitarian views that placed Quakers in the forefront of the battle to abolish slavery dictated that the College open its doors to persons of both sexes as well as all races and nations. Today, the College is a cosmopolitan vanguard of 21st century society with more than 50 percent of its undergraduates, and three of its four Rhodes Scholars, from underrepresented ethnic and international groups. This cultural diversity profoundly strengthens intellectual discourse and provides a realistic exposure to the kind of world students will enter upon graduation. Students and faculty continue a long tradition of community service, echoing the Quaker conviction that helping others is a moral obligation. International study opportunities enrich every field and major, reflecting the Quaker idea that truth transcends the boundaries of race, culture, and nation.

The Whittier Law School, located on a separate campus in Costa Mesa, was founded in 1977 and accredited by the American Bar Association in 1985. The School extends Whittier's educational values to the study of law, which is the professional discipline most closely related to the liberal arts. Here, some 500 students prepare for legal careers through a curriculum that emphasizes social service, conflict resolution, international jurisprudence, and professional ethics, which mirrors the historic values of the College. Cooperative educational activities, interdisciplinary colloquia, and a pedagogical commitment to small classes further connect the College and Law School, producing synergies that benefit students on both campuses, particularly in the areas of philosophy, history, child development, social work, economics, political science, and international studies.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The history of academic costume and ceremony dates from 12th and 13th century Europe and the medieval universities of Bologna, Paris, Oxford, and Cambridge. Originally, the university was an association of “masters of arts” and the degree was the step taken to become a full member. The new master was admitted to begin teaching; the word “commencement” described that rite of passage.

The most common articles of daily attire then were long flowing gowns and cloaks, with hoods attached for headwear; subsequently, hats became prominent. In England, details of scholars’ apparel and occasions for use were strictly prescribed by university statutes.

The origin of the Oxford “mortarboard” cap is a mystery. It may well have evolved from forcing the rather square-shaped, outdoor biretta over the close-fitting, indoor skull cap commonly worn by university scholars in medieval times.

American academic regalia is an inheritance primarily from Britain. The 1895 Intercollegiate Code provides the fundamental regulation. Gowns for all three degree levels are basic black and similar in shape, although sleeve patterns differ. Doctoral gowns are faced with velvet, with three bars per sleeve. The black mortarboard cap is common to all degrees.

The hood is the most distinctive feature of academic dress. The color and style distinguish degree level, college or university, and discipline, although proliferation of fields and institutions does not always allow easy identification. Hoods are all black, and they become longer and wider with more advanced degrees. All are lined inside with silk in the academic colors of the institution that conferred the degree.

The outer velvet trim on the hood, which becomes broader with the higher degrees, indicates the academic discipline. The white border for arts and letters emanates from the fur trim of the Oxford and Cambridge bachelor of arts degree. Red is the traditional color of the Church, and scarlet indicates theology. The royal purple of King’s Court signifies the law. Green, the color of medicinal herbs, stands for medicine. Golden yellow indicates science, for through research untold wealth has been given to the world. Oxford pink indicates music. Russet brown for forestry is a tribute to the old-time dress of English foresters. Blue, the color of wisdom and truth, represents philosophy and is used on the trim for most academics who hold the doctor of philosophy degree, regardless of which discipline they studied in the arts and sciences.

THE MACE

During the Middle Ages, the mace was carried into battle by churchmen who were forbidden by church law to bear edged weapons. The mace was later carried before the king by his bodyguard and eventually became the symbol of authority. A mace is now commonly used by governments and by institutions of higher learning in ceremonial processions.

Founded by Quakers in 1887, Whittier College is an independent, four-year college offering a traditional liberal arts program integrated with both professional and pre-professional courses of study. With an emphasis on diversity, community, and curricular innovation, the College's primary mission is to endow students with the education, skills, and values appropriate for global leadership and service.

