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**CONFERRAL OF
UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES**

Saturday, May 8, 2021 at 4 p.m.

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ORDER OF EXERCISES

WELCOME

NICOLE MONAHAN
Senior Director

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

JESSICA CALDWELL
Director of Academic Advising

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

PAUL J. LEBLANC, PH.D
University President

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

LAURIE SANTOS, PH.D
Professor Of Psychology, Yale University
Host Of *The Happiness Lab*

Presented and Conferred By
PAUL J. LEBLANC, PH.D
University President

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

LAURIE SANTOS, PH.D

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

ADAM T. KUVER, MBA
SNHU Advantage Program Director

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

PAUL J. LEBLANC, PH.D
University President

WELCOME TO NEW ALUMNI

JOHN "JR" RISTAINO '82
President of SNHU Alumni Association

TRADITIONAL CONGRATULATORY CLAPLINE

Faculty and Staff of
Southern New Hampshire University

HONOR SOCIETIES

ALPHA CHI NATIONAL COLLEGE HONOR SOCIETY (EPSILON CHAPTER)

SNHU is home to the Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Chi, the National Honor Society for liberal arts majors, which recognizes outstanding scholastic achievement, service, and character. Membership is open to liberal arts majors who have completed at least one half of the work required for a baccalaureate degree, rank in the top 10% of the class, and have earned cumulative GPA of 3.85 or above. Graduates wear blue and green cords. (Symbol: AC)

ALPHA PHI SIGMA HONOR SOCIETY (NU IOTA CHAPTER)

Alpha Phi Sigma is the National Criminal Justice Honor Society, offering membership to qualifying SNHU students with a GPA of 3.2 or higher within the Justice Studies, Policing and Law Enforcement, Crime and Criminology, Terrorism and Homeland Security, or Law and Legal Process programs. Members of SNHU's Nu Iota Chapter wear blue and yellow cords at graduation, while executive board members don yellow and blue stoles. (Symbol: APS)

ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA HONOR SOCIETY

Founded with the goal of helping non-traditional students connect and further their academic and career goals, Alpha Sigma Lambda is a national honor society recognizing adult learners who display outstanding academic achievement. Students must have completed a minimum of 24 graded semester hour credits at SNHU (with at least 12 in Liberal Arts/Sciences courses) and have a minimum 3.2 GPA. Graduates wear gold and burgundy cords. (Symbol: ASL)

DELTA MU DELTA HONOR SOCIETY (GAMMA NU CHAPTER)

Delta Mu Delta is an international honor society recognizing outstanding scholastic achievement among both undergraduate and graduate students pursuing business degree programs. To qualify for membership, students must display good character, have completed more than half of their degree program, achieve a GPA of at least 3.6, and be in the top 20% of their class. Members of SNHU's Gamma Nu chapter wear gold and purple cords at graduation. (Symbol: DMD)

ETA SIGMA DELTA HONOR SOCIETY

An international hospitality management honor society, Eta Sigma Delta recognizes the academic and professional achievements of students pursuing hospitality management, tourism, and culinary arts degrees. Undergraduate students must achieve a cumulative GPA of at least 3.2, while graduate students must maintain a GPA of at least 3.5 to be eligible for membership. (Symbol: ESD)

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF COLLEGIATE SCHOLARS

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS) is a non-profit honor society established to encourage and recognize academic achievement. Emphasizing scholarship, leadership, and service, NSCS accepts members who rank in the top 20% of their class, achieve a cumulative GPA of at least 3.4, and attend a college or university with an active NSCS chapter on campus. Membership is for life and is by invitation only. Graduates wear gold cords. (Symbol: CS)

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS

The nation's largest leadership honor society, the National Society of Leadership and Success (NSL, S) provides a step-by-step program to help build leadership skills among its members. To be nominated for membership, undergraduate students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA, while graduate students must have a GPA of 3.5 and have completed nine credits. NSL, S members wear gray and black cords at graduation. (Symbol: LS)

ORDER OF OMEGA

The Order of Omega is an honor society exclusively for Greek Letter Organizations, and students who display strong leadership, character, and academic achievement. To be eligible for membership, students must be a junior or senior enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program, actively participate in a Greek organization on campus, maintain a GPA above the average Greek GPA, and display good character. Order of Omega members wear white and yellow cords at graduation, while executive board members wear white stoles with gold lettering. (Symbol: OO)

HONOR SOCIETIES

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society that recognizes and encourages scholarship among students in two-year associate degree programs. Dedicated to developing leadership, fellowship, and service opportunities, Phi Theta Kappa members must have completed at least 30 credits (15 at SNHU) as part of a two-year program and maintain a 3.5 GPA or higher. Members wear blue and yellow cords or a gold stole at graduation.

(Symbol: PTK)

PI LAMBDA THETA

The most selective honor society for educators, Pi Lambda Theta recognizes the academic achievement and outstanding disposition of education students. Undergraduate students must achieve at least a 3.5 GPA to earn membership, while graduate students must achieve a GPA of 3.9. All members must demonstrate exceptional disposition throughout their academic program. Upon graduation, members wear gold cords. (Symbol: PLT)

PSI CHI HONOR SOCIETY

Psi Chi is an international honor society for psychology students and is designed to encourage, stimulate, and maintain excellence in the pursuit of academic achievement. Membership is open to undergraduate students enrolled in a psychology programs (major or minor) who have completed at least 45 credits (nine in psychology courses), have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.2, and have a minimum GPA of 3.2 in psychology courses. Graduates wear blue and gray cords. (Symbol: PC)

SIGMA GAMMA TAU

Sigma Gamma Tau (SGT) is a national honor society for Aeronautical Engineering. It was founded at Purdue University in 1953 to offer appropriate recognition to persons of superior scholarship, outstanding character, and professional achievement in the field of Aeronautical Engineering. Today the society has about 50 chapters and 29,000 members. Undergraduate students who are in the upper third of the senior class, upper quarter of the junior class, or upper fifth of the sophomore class are eligible for membership. The society's constitution allows chapters to be established only at universities which have ABET-accredited programs in Aerospace or Aeronautical Engineering. (Symbol: SGT)

SIGMA TAU DELTA HONOR SOCIETY (ALPHA PI PSI CHAPTER)

Sigma Tau Delta is an international English honor society, recognizing academic achievement among students enrolled in English Language and Literature and Creative Writing programs. To be eligible, undergraduate students must have completed at least three semesters at SNHU, have completed two or more literature courses beyond General Education requirements, and have maintained a GPA of at least 3.3. Graduate students must maintain a 3.3 GPA and have completed at least 6 semester hours at SNHU. Members wear red and black cords at graduation. (Symbol: S)

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

SNHU ADVANTAGE PROGRAMS

Associate in Science or Associate in Arts

- * With Honors
(GPA 3.500–3.699)
- ** With High Honors
(GPA 3.700–3.849)
- *** With Highest Honors
(GPA 3.850–4.000)

Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts

- * Cum Laude
(GPA 3.500–3.699)
- ** Magna Cum Laude
(GPA 3.700–3.849)
- *** Summa Cum Laude
(GPA 3.850–4.000)

The list of names published in this program is not an official list of degree recipients. Names listed here include those who have completed all of their degree requirements as well as those who are expected to complete their degree requirements by May 31, 2021. An official list of degrees conferred is maintained by the Office of the University Registrar.

ADVANTAGE PROGRAM SPRING 2020

Bachelor of Science

Hannah Elizabeth Austin
Jacob Chammas
Danielle Marie Demers ***
Jacob Michael Dubois
Evan Hunt
Zachary Cole Kneeland LS
Marcus Marino
Tamara Marie Naser
Dante Stephen Sapienza *

Associate in Arts

Kevin Scott Anker *
Jason C. Azevedo
Andrew David Bilodeau
Yusuf-Ahmad Blaik **
Alexander Boyle *
Santino John Cerino ***
Dean Coletti ***
Kylie Grace Costello
Kara Isabella DiLorenzo ***
Fiona Rose Doherty **
Danielle J Doyle * CS
Ellen Farrell
Sophia Ferreira
Emma Elise Gagne ***
Connor Dennis Grasso **
Molly C. Kneeland **
Elise Labranche
Catherine Joan Larochele
Derek Leslie Malone **
Patrick Thomas McDermott
Jessley Andrea Molina
Angela Michelle Naser **
Annalise Nicole Nett ***
Timothy J Roscoe
Kaileigh Elizabeth Row ***
Carmela Noela Souza *** ASL
LS
Justin Sundstrom
Alexis Nicole Van Loan *
Joseph Tyler Vavra *
Taylor Nicole Woods *** LS
James Guy Zell

ADVANTAGE PROGRAM FALL 2020

Bachelor of Science

Alyssa Caouette ***

Associate in Arts

Andrew Branchina

Maren Brynn Higgins

ADVANTAGE PROGRAM SPRING 2021

Bachelor of Science

Tyler Robert Chaisson
Dean Coletti ***
Sean Owen Donahue
Chase Mark Dunajski LS
Jack Higginbottom * LS
Dylan Salvo
Sarah Ann Sullivan * LS
Adrianna Nicole Tenhagen ***
ASL LS
Matthew Thistle ** LS
Alex Waller ***

Associate in Arts

Pedro Arzuaga *
Hannah Baker
Braden Dorr
Alexa Rose Burns ***
Haley Elizabeth Burns
Cameron Chagnon ***
Caitlin Angela Conrad **
Anthony Conte
Allison E Cote ***
Ryanne Amer Darwich **
Jacob Dillon
Katrina Nancy Golas
Jonathan Hanna
Kaleb Matthew Harrington
Corey Hollins
Lars Thomas Johnson *** ASL
Harry Kaloostian
Samuel Hunter Kneeland
Stephanie Marsden
Troy C. Merrill **
Madison Monette **
Kiersten Sean Morin
Erin Murray
Elizabeth Madeline O'Driscoll
Sean M O'Neill
Christina Rose Prunier *** LS
Nicholas Robertson **
Stanley LeGrant **
Anna Elisabeth Toli
James F. Trites
Jacob H. Williams

Congratulations to our newest graduates!

We are proud to welcome you to the SNHU Alumni Association, and honored to celebrate your accomplishments and the determination that got you here today. You're joining the ranks of more than 155,000 SNHU alumni worldwide, a diverse and accomplished network of professionals, community leaders, and change makers.





Remember that your alma mater is here for you after you graduate, with a multitude of ways to stay connected to the SNHU community, from volunteering as a career coach to building your regional SNHU network to attending regional and virtual events.

Be sure to visit alumni.snhu.edu to update your alumni profile, leverage career resources, learn about upcoming events, access other great benefits, and find meaningful ways to continue your journey with SNHU.

With Penmen Pride,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "JR Ristaino". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John "JR" Ristaino '82
President of SNHU Alumni Association

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