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The University of Dayton regards its Commencement Exercises as among the most important ceremonial occasions of the academic year. These exercises are filled with symbols and traditions designed to remind us all of the thousands of years that universities have existed and their noble purposes.

The academic costumes of various colors and types are part of the symbolism. They are described on the inside front cover of this program. The bright blue gowns with red trim are worn by those serving as University Marshals for today’s ceremony (see page four of this program). The Marshals wear these distinctive gowns as identification of their official capacity to direct the processional of administrators, faculty, and students who wear the more conventional ceremonial garb and mortarboard.

The chief University Marshal carries the University mace, and the President wears the President’s medallion. On stage are the United States and papal flags. So, too, the music that is played and the words that are spoken have special significance. For example, the deans who have been responsible for the education of the students “present” the students as worthy of graduation to the President. In turn, the President confers the degrees on behalf of the University.

At our Commencement ceremonies, which differ from many universities, each student’s name is read, and the President then congratulates that student. The University believes that this is an important part of the graduation ceremony. The University also has a tradition of faculty coming from their seats behind the stage to congratulate the graduating students. These traditions symbolize the caring and person-oriented spirit of the University.

The University hopes you will both enjoy and respect this Commencement. You can do both by standing for the invocation and the National Anthem, by listening during the awarding of the degrees and by standing to sing the University of Dayton Anthem (see page 43). We are the University of Dayton community, a community which respects and cares for each other. This 163rd Commencement marks another beginning. Let us rejoice together.
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9:00–9:30 A.M.

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Bachelor of Science/Psychology  
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration/Marketing
Rebecca L. Roman  
Bachelor of Arts/Communication  
Bachelor of Fine Arts/Fine Arts
Christina Manuela Sanchez  
Bachelor of Arts/Spanish  
Bachelor of Science/Biology
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The Ceremonial Mace is an ornamented staff of wood, carried before a high official in civic ceremonies by a mace-bearer, intended to represent the official’s authority. The mace as used in our time derives from the original mace used as a weapon to defend a sovereign during public appearances. Today the mace is used in processions, as on parliamentary or formal academic occasions.

This University of Dayton Mace was designed to replace an earlier version that needed repair and was retired from use after the 2008 December graduation ceremony. The new Mace was designed by Charles P. Wanda, S.M. ’59 and executed by Mr. William Wiehe of Artisan Wood Ltd.. The Mace is made of walnut and is topped with the official seal of the University. Below the seal on the staff is a ring of multiple notches that represents the various components of the University — its colleges and all other organizations on campus that fulfill the mission to learn, lead and serve. Below it are two rings — one blue and one red — to represent the school colors. Near the bottom of the staff is a gold ring representing the wealth of knowledge and experiences passed on to generations of graduates.

At the bottom of the staff is a four sided triangular piece with each side bearing the Marianist Cross, a symbol to represent the original four Marianists: Bro. Zehler, Bro. Schultz, Fr. Meyer and Bro. Edel who founded the University in 1850. The entire staff was designed to be a symbol of the torch of knowledge.

The University Mace is only present during official ceremonies when the President of the University is in attendance.
BRIEF HISTORY

In the summer of 1849, Father Leo Meyer and Brother Charles Schultz, the first Marianist missionaries to America, journeyed from France to Cincinnati, Ohio, where they intended to establish a base for the order in this country. They arrived, however, during a cholera epidemic, so Bishop John Purcell of Cincinnati soon sent Father Meyer to Dayton to minister to the sick of Emmanuel Parish. On March 19, 1850, the feast of St. Joseph, Father Meyer purchased Dewberry Farm from John Stuart and renamed it Nazareth. Mr. Stuart accepted a medal of St. Joseph and a promise of $12,000 at 6 percent interest in return for 125 acres, including vineyards, orchards, a mansion and various farm buildings. Meanwhile, more Marianists arrived, and Nazareth became the first permanent foundation of the Society of Mary in the Western Hemisphere.

The University of Dayton had its earliest beginnings on July 1, 1850, when St. Mary’s School for Boys, a frame building that not long before had housed farm hands, opened its door to 14 primary students from Dayton. In 1882, the institution was incorporated and empowered to confer collegiate degrees under the laws of the State of Ohio. Known at various times as St. Mary’s School, St. Mary’s Institute and St. Mary’s College, the school assumed its present identity in 1920, when it was incorporated as the University of Dayton and was given the nickname of the Flyers. In 1922, the College of Law opened, also with evening classes. Other graduate programs followed to augment the professional degree programs which distinguished the University from many of Ohio’s other independent institutions of higher learning. In 1923, the first summer session was held, its classes, like those of the law college, were open to women as well as men. In 1937, the University became the first coeducational Catholic university in the nation.

Enrollment passed a thousand when World War II broke out. By 1950, with the return of the veterans, it reached more than 3,500. The 1960s saw significant increases in female and minority students. In the 1970s, there was a shift to a largely residential student body, and at the same time many more “nontraditional” (older) students matriculated. By the mid-1970s, total enrollment steadied at more than 10,000, with current enrollment of approximately 7,000 full-time undergraduates.

A long-range environmental design has helped integrate new buildings and old, and made the campus more livable by increasing its beauty as well as its efficiency. As the University of Dayton enters the 21st century, it is building modern student facilities. Academically, the University has continued to expand and enrich its offerings and support services, especially since mid-century. Graduate studies, abandoned during World War II, resumed in 1960, with the School of Education leading the way. In 1969, the Department of Biology inaugurated the first doctoral program since 1928. The School of Engineering introduced two doctoral programs in 1973, and in 1992, the first doctoral degrees in educational leadership were awarded. In 1997, the Board of Trustees approved a doctoral program in theology with a focus on the Catholic experience in the United States. It was the first such doctoral program on a Catholic campus nationally.
The University has always maintained a tradition of innovation. In 1874, St. Mary’s Institute’s new Play House gymnasium was the only one of its kind in Ohio, and it is probable that the first organized basketball game in the state took place there. In 1924, the University was the first school to be granted a charter by the National Aeronautical Association. It was one of the first in the nation to offer a course in biophysics (1935). In 1952, it invited persons over 60 to attend its evening classes as guests. Its graduate program in laser optics was one of the earliest in the country. It was one of the first educational institutions to adopt electronic data-processing equipment and to offer degrees in computer science. In 1999, the University of Dayton was the first in the nation to offer an undergraduate degree program in human rights. In 2004, the University of Dayton partnered with Nanjing University, one of the top universities in China, to establish the University of Dayton-Nanjing University Suzhou Executive Training Center. The University is the first American university in China’s Suzhou Industrial Park (SIP) to provide graduate education to employees of American corporations and other international companies.

More than just a breeding ground for academic excellence, the University also responds to the needs of society and the region. Sponsored research at the University began in 1949 with a few faculty members and student assistants doing part-time research for industry and government agencies. In 1956, the University of Dayton Research Institute (UDRI) was formed to consolidate the administration of the growing research activities. Annual research volume has increased from $3,821 in 1949, to more than $90 million today. A center for discovery, development and technology commercialization, UDRI is the largest nonmedical research facility on a Catholic university campus.

The Dayton Early College Academy, a charter school that emerged from a partnership between the University of Dayton and Dayton Public Schools, has already attracted notice from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation as one of the five most innovative “small scale” high schools in the country. Students take college coursework while earning their high school diplomas. Many of the DECA graduates matriculate at the University of Dayton or at other regional higher education institutions.

The University of Dayton’s RISE (Redefining Investment Strategy Education) Forum has grown into the world’s largest student investment forum. Some of the most influential and respected financial leaders travel to Dayton to interact with students and faculty from around the globe. The United Nations Global Compact joined UD as a co-sponsor for the forum in 2007. Additionally, strategic partners include some of the most well-respected names in international finance, including The New York Stock Exchange, NASDAQ, TIAA-CREF, The Wall Street Journal, CNBC Shanghai Stock Exchange, Amman Stock Exchange (Jordan), Palestine Securities Exchange, Colombo Stock Exchange (Sri Lanka), Bovespa Stock Exchange (Brazil), and Deutsche Asset Management, to name a few.

From its humble roots as a private boarding school for boys, the University of Dayton today ranks among the best Catholic universities in the country. It is the largest independent university in Ohio and draws students from around the country and the world.
THE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON ANTHEM

On mountain high and hillside,
O’er meadow and through dell
In busy mart and hamlet,
Where hearts their story tell,
A clarion voice is ringing,
It rises, now it falls
Arouse, all ye of Dayton,
Your Alma Mater calls.

UD, we hear you calling,
Fidelity’s the test,
Your sons and daughters answer from
North, South, East and West,
With measured tread advancing,
Our emblem full in view,
We sound your praise and pledge
Our loyalty to the Red and Blue.
GRADUATION MEDAL

With the entire Marianist Family throughout the world, the University of Dayton celebrated in 2011 the 250th anniversary of the birth of Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, the founder of the Society of Mary (Marianists). That year, the University began a new tradition that grounds us in our mission and demonstrates the University of Dayton’s commitment to act boldly and imaginatively in community. Honoring that tradition, we entrust to graduates a medal bearing the image of Blessed William Joseph Chaminade on one side and the seal of the University on the other.

Blessed William Joseph Chaminade
In 1850, four members of the Society of Mary founded a school which has become the University of Dayton; the Society continues its sponsorship of the University today. The whole campus community joins with the members of the Society of Mary in honoring Blessed Chaminade’s life and vision which inspires us as a community of faith and encourages us to become a community of transformation — to learn, lead and serve. Blessed Chaminade saw that in the midst of social change, which can be radical and disruptive, institutions can remain vibrant and grow. New times he believed called for new methods. That philosophy guides us every day as we live out the Marianist mission on campus. As a community, we read the signs of the times and act boldly and imaginatively.

Chaminade and his Marianist legacy created faith communities and educational institutions that have made the Gospel come alive in every age. We honor the founder of the Society of Mary because Chaminade’s vision of faith communities inspires the University to be a living community, a community that today demonstrates the Gospel being lived out with passion and vitality, with creativity and a collaborative spirit, and with deep faith and openness to go where the Spirit calls us to be.

University seal
The University seal communicates through images and words. The flaming torch in the center symbolizes the light and guidance of faith, a commitment of our University to educate for formation in faith. The open book represents the arts and sciences and their humanizing influence on the professional schools of the University. The wheel/gear conveys the idea of engineering and technology and the other professional studies, avenues through which service to God and to country (Pro Deo et Patria) can be rendered. The letter “M” which appears over the flame of the torch proclaims Mary, the Seat of Wisdom and the Mother of Jesus; it represents the influence of the Society of Mary (Marianists), the religious order of men that founded and sponsors the University. The “M” likewise recalls the original name of the University, Saint Mary’s Institute. Pro Deo et Patria (“For God and Country”) is the motto of the University—a motto that expresses the twofold duty all have to serve both God and humanity. (Patria, translated, means “country” or “nativeland,” but is interpreted today as embracing the whole world.) The figure “1850” in the outer rim of the seal is the foundation date of the school. The name, UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON, was adopted in 1920. The idea of completeness of education (religious, moral, intellectual, aesthetic, social and physical) is revealed in the circular shape of the seal itself.