



128TH ANNUAL
COMMENCEMENT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2024

WINTER CEREMONY

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to Fitchburg State University and to this joyous occasion—the winter ceremony of our 128th commencement exercises. Today, we come together to celebrate an extraordinary milestone: the culmination of hard work, perseverance, and academic excellence. Graduation is not only a testament to the remarkable achievements of our students but a reflection of the strength and support they each receive from this incredible community.

I am filled with immense gratitude and pride. Today's ceremony is particularly meaningful for me, as it marks my first commencement as president of Fitchburg State University. Since my arrival this summer, I have had the privilege of experiencing firsthand the warmth, dedication, and agility that define Fitchburg State. I have been inspired by the stories of resilience and determination shared by so many of you, and I am deeply honored to stand with you on this momentous day.



To our graduates, today is a celebration of your dedication and achievement. Each of you has embarked on a journey marked by intellectual curiosity, personal growth, and an unwavering commitment to your goals. You have embraced challenges, explored diverse perspectives, and developed skills that will empower you to make a meaningful impact on the world. Today's ceremony is a reflection of your hard work, and we are so proud of all that you have accomplished.

This celebration is also for the many others who have been part of your journey. To the families and loved ones who have encouraged, supported, and cheered you on, thank you for being the foundation that has helped these graduates succeed. To our dedicated faculty, librarians, and staff, your passion for teaching, commitment to your disciplines, willingness to mentor and support our Fitchburg State students has made today possible. Today, we celebrate all of you as well.

Graduates, as you prepare to begin the next chapter of your lives, know that your education will be a foundation for endless possibilities. It is not merely a culmination but a beginning—a powerful tool to help you navigate myriad opportunities and challenges ahead. You leave Fitchburg State equipped to innovate, problem-solve, and lead. Embrace this next adventure with courage and confidence, and know that the lessons you've learned here will remain with you as you shape a future for yourself, for your families, and for your communities.

On behalf of the entire university, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to each of you. May your future be filled with success, happiness, and fulfillment. As you go forth, always remember that Fitchburg State will remain a home for you, a place that celebrates your achievements and supports your dreams.

With warmest wishes and deepest pride,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donna Hodge". The signature is written in a fluid, cursive style.

Donna Hodge
President

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Winter Ceremony

Presiding

Dr. Donna Hodge, President of the University

Prelude Music

Innovata Brass

“Fanfare from La Peri,” composed by Paul A. Dukas

Master of Ceremonies for the Processional

Dr. Charles H. Sides

Professor of Communications Media

Processional

Innovata Brass

“Pomp and Circumstance,” composed by Edward W. Elgar

Presentation of University Mace and Faculty Gonfalon

Dr. DeMisty Bellinger-Delfeld

Professor of English Studies

2024 recipient of the Faculty Award for Research and Scholarship

Dr. Laura Garofoli

Professor of Psychological Science

2024 recipient of the Faculty Award for Service

Dr. Monica Maldari

Professor of Exercise and Sports Science

2024 recipient of the Vincent J. Mara Award for Excellence in Teaching

Dr. Robert Shapiro

Professor of Education

2024 recipient of the Contributions to the Graduate Program Award

Call to Order

Dr. Patricia A. Marshall

Provost and Executive Vice President

The Star-Spangled Banner

Fitchburg State University Chamber Choir

“The Star-Spangled Banner,” by Francis Scott Key

Montachusett Regional Vocational

Technical School Junior ROTC

Greetings from the Fitchburg Chapter of the MSCA

Ms. Linda LeBlanc

Senior Librarian and Library Program Area Chair

Greetings from the Student Government Association

Mr. Michael Burns, SGA President

Presidential Remarks

Dr. Donna Hodge

Musical Interlude

Innovata Brass "Variations on a Theme of Haydn," by Johannes Brahms

Conferring of Degrees

Dr. Donna Hodge

Ms. Lynn M. Barrieau

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Dr. Franca R. Barricelli

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

Degree Name Readers

Dr. Eric N. Budd, Professor of Political Science

Dr. Laura M. Garofoli, Professor of Psychological Science

Dr. Erin M. Rehrig, Professor of Biology

Dr. Daniel Sarefield, Professor of History

Dr. David Weiss, Professor of Criminal Justice

Greetings from Alumni

Mr. John Garten, Class of 1989

President, Alumni Association

Alma Mater

Fitchburg State University Chamber Choir

"In Old Wachusett's Shadow"

composed by Ms. Priscilla (Taylor) McLean, Class of 1963

Induction

Dr. Donna Hodge

Recessional

Innovata Brass

"Allegro Maestoso," composed by George Frideric Handel

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The audience is requested to stand for the processional, The Star-Spangled Banner, alma mater, and recessional, and to remain in place until the faculty have recessed.

This ceremony is being open captioned live, which may be accessed on your personal communications devices at fitchburgstate.edu/captioning.

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Winter Ceremony

2024 Honors Theses / Performances

Samantha Chandler

*Connecting Math and Observation in Isometric
and Linear Perspective*

Corrado Cruz

United States Foreign Policy in Latin America

Emily Dotson

*Impacts of Personal Identity Aspects on the Provision
and Effectiveness of Foster Care Services
for Children and Young Adults*

Marina Kamayou

*Synthesis of Combretastatin Analogs
and Their Anticancer Activity Screening*

Abigail Leahy

PFAS in Mass? Where and why water is threatened

Ronan Cords

Music of the World(s)

School of Arts & Sciences

Master of Arts

HISTORY

- James David Ethier
LEOMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Jessica Ann Johnson
MORONI, UTAH
- Alison Marshall-Rubin
MONROE, CONNECTICUT

Master of Science

APPLIED COMMUNICATION

- Harriet Nana Yaa Opoku
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Kenny Williams
LEOMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

- Daniel Grady Adorn
WALPOLE, MASSACHUSETTS
- Scott D. Cormier
ASHBURNHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
- Kyle F. Grady
PAXTON, MASSACHUSETTS
- Sean D. McCue
FITCHBURG, MASSACHUSETTS
- Adelys J. Ortega
LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS
- Kelsey Diana Robillard
HUBBARDSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
- Tristan R. Straker
LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS

School of Business & Technology

Master of Business Administration

- Emmanuel Ilarisis Abi
LOGANVILLE, GEORGIA
- Eric J. Abreu
LANCASTER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Abdellah Achouham
GARDNER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Colivea Acquaye
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Ademidun Peace Adewale
LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS
- Adeboye Adedotun Adu
HOWELL, NEW JERSEY
- Timileyin Iwalu Ahmed
EDGEWATER PARK, NEW JERSEY
- Grace Isimemen Airebanmen
STOUGHTON, MASSACHUSETTS
- Idowu Adeniyi Ajuwon
HOUSTON, TEXAS
- Dare Taiwo Akomolede
EAST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT
- Hala Albaiti
HOUSTON, TEXAS
- Andrew J. Allen Jr.
SOUTHWICK, MASSACHUSETTS
- Nadine Alvarez
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
- Andrew Alward
MILLVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
- Jamilia F. Amerson
RICHTON PARK, ILLINOIS
- Oscar Angulo
DALLAS, TEXAS
- Trevor Angwenyi
NAIROBI, KENYA
- Jasmine M. Arneaud
LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA
- Ashley Lynn Arseni
HOLDEN, MASSACHUSETTS
- Padelis C. Astrinidis
RED HOOK, NEW YORK
- Ayomide Awopetu
STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK
- Monica L. Baggio Tormey
FITCHBURG, MASSACHUSETTS
- Christine Marie Bahosh
AUBURN, MASSACHUSETTS
- George Owusu Baidoo
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Michelle C. Baity
PITTSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

- Alpha Amadou Balde
FAYVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
- Stephenie Marie Baptiste
WEST WAREHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
- Philip Joseph Barbato
PORT JEFFERSON STATION, NEW YORK
- Matthew Anthony Barbuzzi
SWAMPSCOTT, MASSACHUSETTS
- Lynn Beals
FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS
- Danielle Rose Bean
HUDSON, FLORIDA
- John P. Beckwith
ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS
- Ashley S. Bennett
WESTMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Samuel Berroa de La Rosa
ALLEN TOWN, PENNSYLVANIA
- Michelle Bettencourt
GREENFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
- Tatsat Ajay Bhatt
CHELMSFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
- Rebecca Lynn Bissonnette
MARLBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS
- Samuel Boakye
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS
- Jonathan Boparai
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- Nikolas Alexander Borodin
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- Yomanie Montique Campbell
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- Nancy K. Cao
BRAINTREE, MASSACHUSETTS
- Abigail Castaneda
BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY
- Jeremy Alexander Castro
NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
- Citlali Cespedes Cuatecontzi
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Please be courteous to all graduates by remaining in your seats for the duration of the ceremony.

The list of candidates was prepared before final grades were reported and inclusion herein does not constitute evidence of graduation. Conversely, the absence of a student's name from this list does not mean that the person will not be awarded a degree.

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Mupimibirimano Chidzonga
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LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS

Joy Rattai Cooper
PUT IN BAY, OHIO

Tarique Alfredo Henry Cooper
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Kyle William Corey
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Rebecca Rosemarie Cunha
ASHBY, MASSACHUSETTS

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HOLDEN, MASSACHUSETTS

George Evans Curry
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CHAITANYAPURI, INDIA

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Manisha Bodige
VALIGONDA, INDIA

Narasimha Reddy Boyapalli
CHENNAI, INDIA

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VIJAYAWADA, INDIA

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YADADRI BHONGIR, INDIA

Omkareswar Daggumalli
VIJAYAWADA, INDIA

Shyam Sunder Daggupati
VIJAYAWADA, INDIA

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Preethi Devanaka
HYDERABAD, INDIA

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Bhuvana Nandini Ejjineni
HAMSALADEEVI, INDIA

Sai Ravi Teja Gajavalli
KORITEPADU, INDIA

Lakshmi Manjusha Gajvalli
BAPATLA, INDIA

Jashwanth Reddy Gangula
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VIJAYAWADA, INDIA

Saichander Reddy Mugala
KARIMNAGAR, INDIA

Bala Krishna Mundru
ROMPICHERLA, INDIA

Fnu Musab Rashid Mahmood
HYDERABAD, INDIA

Mani Parimala Nalam
AMEENPUR, INDIA

Naga Sai Harsha Namana
MOPIDEVI, INDIA

Yoganand Sarath
Chandu Nandyala
RAJAMPET, INDIA

Kumar Narayana Settygari
BILLERICA, MASSACHUSETTS

Jeremiah Ewache Ochepo
MAKURDI, NIGERIA

Hemanth Oruganti
KANDUKUR, INDIA

Sushma Panchaneni
GUDAPALLE, INDIA

Nagaraju Pandi
VIJAYAWADA, INDIA

Pratapa Reddy Peram
DONDAPADU, INDIA

Satish Kumar Reddy Polireddy
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Graduate Degrees

Akhil Addicherla	Kara Michelle Cohen	Danielle M. Guillaume-Knauer
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Dare Taiwo Akomolede	Alicia Ruth Condron	Mattea A. Hakala
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Laura Allen	Kristin M. Corbett	Annabelle Prosser Harris
Tanya Amato	Kyle William Corey	Thomas Leo Hart
Kyra Tyrie Amerson	Emma Grace Coye	Katherine Leigh Harte
Trevor Angwenyi	Emily Katherine Creedon	Madison R. Heath
Mackenzie Lee Antonelli	Eliseo B. Cruz Garcia	Karolyn Marie Higgins
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Anna Maria Axas	Nana Adwoa Curran	Debra S. Horwath
Christine Marie Bahosh	Gabrielle Marie Custer	Ryan Hoyt
Erin Elizabeth Banty	Ryan Joseph Daley	Annemarie Hunter Nolty
Sharaai Barrett	Victoria Danso	Ariana Rose Hyland
Kathryn M. Barsevich	Madison Davick	Muhammad Nageeb-Ul Islam
Tatsat Ajay Bhatt	Melissa DiLorenzo	Emily Janvrin
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Cassandra Boell	Derek O'Dean Docken	Chelsey Jobe
Jeffrey P. Bolio	Clayton Michael Doody	Jalil Abdul Johnson
Gabrielle Marie Bongiorno	Eric Douglas	Marissa Lauren Keleher
Elizabeth S. Bouchard	Kian Brendan Dunn	Kassie M. Kelleher
Jenna P. Bourgault	Stephanie E. Dupuis	Garrett Michael Kelley
Jovanne C. Buckmire	Morgan Rae Durocher	Corey Kelly
Kelly Brooke Burch	Sreenivas Eeshwaraju	Avery Jane Kelton
Sara Kathleen Burke	Riarco Marwin Ellis	Jeremy Saul King
Jenna Marie Calisi	Brittany L. Elrod	Yaibat Kinoshi
Yomanié Montique Campbell	Danya Enamorado Velasquez	Marguerite Elizabeth Klobucher
Scott Capuzziello	Danell Ann Felizardo	Kathleen F. Knapp
Sydney Grace Carrington	Mark Joseph Ferioli	Krish J. Kulka
Jeremy Alexander Castro	Julia Michele Flaminio	Kevin Kurti
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Tammy Chamberland	Jennifer Lynn Gentile	Nguyen Cao Lam
Dwayne Lee Chamble	Jacquelyn Gervais	Michael Conrad LeBeau
Stacy Nicole Chan	Jami Lynn Geselle	Samuel Lee
Haley M Chase-Crocker	Sarah Armstrong Giavroutas	Ian Leonard
Caroline H. Chizek	Colene Lanpher Gibbons	Yin Kristine Liu
Amanda Rose Clarke	Jennifer Arielle Gibbons	Kristie Lynne Lojzim
Patrick Newton Claycomb	Ashley Nicole Gilligan	Daniel Robert Loring
Claud'Jena Clotaire	Evan Carl Goduco	Jayme Alyson Lownsdale
Christopher Gerald Cochran	Gyanesh Manohar Gohel	Allison Nicole Luck
Daniel James Cohen	Nadia Gopie	Yanshen Xu Lucki
	Amulya Gottipati	Lilly Anne Grace Mahoney
	Melissa E. Grader	Dolly Winnet Mamunda

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Cara Moore
Savannah Moore
Tyrese Desmond Akeem Moore
Yakshwanth Mopidevi
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Jack Moriarty
Brittany A. Morse
Aaron D. Murphy
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Joseph Tanner Raimondi
Jonathan David Revil
Jessica Joy Ricketts
Katrina Lee Riley
Amanda Lee Risner
Rachel M. Ritchie
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Jorge A. Roa
Kelsey Diana Robillard
Christina Theresa Robinson
Chelsea Lee Rodrigue
Lisette Rosell Pimentel
Maureen Reilly Russell
Emma Salamone
Samantha Marie Sarantakis
Kara M. Schofield
Stella Giulietta Schwartz
Morgan Patricia Scott
Catherine Lynn Shaffer
Amy Elizabeth Shattuck
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Brendan Kendall Smith
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Adam John Taylor
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Jackson J. Vail
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Meagan Patricia Woodruff
Melissa Meghan Woods
Kimberlee Wright
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Vamsi Yarraguntla
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Thomas Zamonski
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Lauren Alexis Zimmerman

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Andre Arzola
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Ann Nordin Augusto
Shaki Yayah Auston
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Joshawa Alan Babb
Mackenzie Lynn Bailey
Caroline Simoura Barroso
Quejanae Crystal Beavers-Hatter
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Brooklyne Carrigg
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Kyle Charpentier
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Hannah Leigh Cravedi	Alyssa R. Mayer	Willie Bounkham Vongphachanh
Joseph J. Czajkowski	David Alexander Mayson Jr.	Joseph James Weston
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Julianna Justine Davis	Molly McNulty	Sarah Xenidis
Mikayla Marie Dec	Mckenzie Angel Melendez	Destiny Alexis Zayas
Lacrinia Joy Dirtion	Sarah Joan Merrill	Alanna K. Zelic
Zoe-Ann Gladys Emery	Sophie Kathryn Mitchell	
Trinity Nakri Erlandson	Ngoan Thi Nguyen	
Mark Joseph Estano	Nicholas Xavier Notenboom	
Cole William Fisher	Dillon Brady O'Brien	
Spencer Edward Froilan	Trinity Joy O'Connor	
Jack Farrell Gangemi	Nicolas Irving Oliveri	
Brian K. Gasco Jr	Dayshalis Palacios Benitez	
Matthew J. Gauthier	Stephanie Pelletier	
Abaigeal Casey Gilman	John N. Pereira	
Cyrus Maina Gitau	Nicholas Saro Picciotto	
Ashaunti Danae Gordon	Cherish D. K. Racine	
Lex Lierow Guertin	Ainsley Elizabeth Rager	
Michelle Dakotah Gunton-Lamothe	Kurtis J. Reace	
Eduardo Guzman	Brock Donald Richmond	
Emily Dorothy Hallock	Kelli Marie Riddell	
Casey Bright Hallowell	Riss L. Roberts	
Asher G. Harris	Thomas Paul Roberts	
Olivia Rose Herman	Dalicia Cataliana Rodriguez	
Casey L. Holmes	Cooper Davis Rogers	
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Keyloni Jackson	Aleysha Liz Santos Lora	
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Jonathan R. Kirlaw	Jake A. Snyder	
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2024 FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Dr. Vincent J. Mara Award for Excellence in Teaching



Dr. Monica Madari

Dr. Monica Maldari, Professor of Exercise and Sports Science, received the Dr. Vincent J. Mara Award for Excellence in Teaching. The award was established in 1989 in honor of former university President Vincent J. Mara to recognize exceptional achievement in the classroom by a

Fitchburg State University educator. Dr. Maldari brings her many years of experience working in cardiac rehabilitation centers to her role as a professor of wellness, health promotion, and other areas of sports science. For her excellence in the classroom, she has earned the respect of both her students and colleagues, who describe her as “a creative educator and caring advisor who works tirelessly to create opportunities for students to succeed in their academic careers and beyond.”

Contributions to the Graduate Program Award



Dr. Robert Shapiro

Dr. Robert Shapiro, Associate Professor of Education, is the recipient of the Contributions to the Graduate Program Award. The award recognizes outstanding contributions by a member of the Fitchburg State faculty to graduate programming. An alumnus of

Fitchburg State’s master’s program in counseling psychology, Dr. Shapiro brings his experience as a manager of a facility for adults with cognitive disabilities to his work in his graduate classroom. He believes that the practical application of graduate learning is key to teaching graduate students and preparing them for their professional careers. Adopting this approach himself, he is ever mindful of his graduate students’ high expectations for the educational experience they are seeking.

Faculty Award for Research and Scholarship

Dr. DeMisty Bellinger-Delfeld

Dr. DeMisty Bellinger-Delfeld, Professor of English Studies, is this year's recipient of the Faculty Research and Scholarship Award. A poet and creative writer, Dr. Bellinger-Delfeld supports her writing through deep and wide-ranging research. While pursuing her doctorate, she developed a commitment to demonstrating the scholarly grounding and rigor of her creative work by engaging in research on literature and composition, and her dissertation became her first historical novel. Dr. Bellinger-Delfeld has maintained this approach to her creative work as a member of the English Studies Department faculty, her research focusing on equity and issues surrounding race, class and gender.



Faculty Award for Service

Dr. Laura Garofoli

Dr. Laura Garofoli, Professor of Psychological Science, is the recipient of the Faculty Award for Service. This award recognizes superior sustained service contributions to the department, university, and the greater community. Dr. Garofoli has been an active member of the campus community since her arrival in 2005. Joining Psychological Science when it became its own department in 2015, Dr. Garofoli played an instrumental role in shaping and revising the curriculum, developing new courses, and helping to design the department's internship program. No less significant is her widespread university engagement in campus governance, teaching and learning, and, significantly, the development and implementation of the First-Year Experience program.



Dr. Vincent J. Mara Excellence in Teaching Award

PAST RECIPIENTS

2023	Jannette McMenamy
2022	Kisha Tracy
2021	Elizabeth S. Gordon
2020	Paul I. Weizer
2019	Randy Howe
2018	Elizabeth (Beth) R. Walsh
2017	Kelly C. Morgan
2016	Meledath Govindan
2015	Benjamin A. Railton
2014	Sean C. Goodlett
2013	Joshua B. Spero
2012	George F. Bohrer
2011	Howard H. Thomas
2010	Jane A. Fiske
2009	Christine Cosgrove
2008	Peter Laytin
2007	John J. Paul
2006	Eric N. Budd
2005	Gerald M. Higdon
2004	Louis J. Zivic
2003	Barbara S. Cammuso
2002	Thomas Battinelli
2001	Maria M. Jaramillo
2000	Andrea J. Wallen
1999	Edmund B. Thomas
1998	Lee N. Cunningham
1997	Robert F. Champlin
1996	Colin E. Bourn
1995	Pasquale E. Micciche
1994	Rosemarie S. Giovino
1993	Helen O'Flaherty
1992	Caroline A. Murphy
1991	Donald J. Schmidt

Faculty Award for Service

PAST RECIPIENTS

2023	Danielle Wigmore
2022	Sean Goodlett
2021	Meledath Govindan
2020	Jenn Berg
2019	Eric N. Budd
2018	Megan M. Krell
2017	Elizabeth S. Gordon

Contributions to the Graduate Program Award

PAST RECIPIENTS

2023	Daniel Sarefield
2022	Xuzhou "Brady" Chen
2021	James Alicata
2020	Daneen Deptula
2019	Joseph E. McAloon
2018	John M. Hancock
2017	Chola Chisunka
2016	Nancy L. Murray
2015	Harry Semerjian
2014	Anne M. Howard
2013	Richard J. Spencer
2012	Elaine E. Francis
2011	Michele M. Zide
2010	Rosemarie S. Giovino

Faculty Award for Research and Scholarship

PAST RECIPIENTS

2023	Adem Elveren
2022	Samuel Tobin
2021	Michael Hove
2020	Catherine Buell
2019	Kisha Tracy
2018	Katherine R. Jewell
2017	Teresa Fava Thomas
2016	Eric N. Budd
2015	Jeffrey E. Warmouth
2014	Benjamin A. Railton
2013	Michael B. Hoberman
2012	Susan R. Williams
2011	Joshua B. Spero
2010	Jannette M. McMenamy
2009	Susan M. Wadsworth
2008	Maria M. Jaramillo
2007	Christopher K. Cratsley
2006	Robert J. Wellman
2005	Benjamin D. Lieberman
2004	Paul I. Weizer
2003	Robin D. Dinda
2002	Cynthia Crosson
2001	Nan Wiegersma
2000	Howard H. Thomas

ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVES

Our thanks to all alumni who are participating.

Greetings

1989 John Garten
 President, Alumni Association

Alumni Gonfaloniere

1990 Dawn M. (Polascak) Morton

Alumni Representatives

1956 Tim M. Bauman
1969, 1973 John M. Marion
1981 Francine M. (Pericotti) Meigs
1988, 1994, 2019 Bonnie F. McCullough
1990 Suzanne (Glockner) Garten
1991, 1995 Stephen M. Tulli
1995, 2002 Sherisa M. Sterling
2008, 2013 Michael P. Kushmerek
2011 Eric A. Gregoire
2011, 2020 Jasmine L. (Wilder) Yang
2015 Tracey Betts Sarefield
2021 Tanya Hoos Crowley
2021 Kedie Kella

UNIVERSITY SYMBOLS

The university's colors are white, gold and green. White and gold were formally adopted in June 1900, and green was added in 1979. They signify wisdom, inspiration, purity and perfection. The school motto, also adopted in 1900, is Perseverantia. This Latin word was freely translated to mean "achievements brought about by quiet will."



The university flower, the saxifrage, exemplifies the motto. The saxifrage, a small white flower with a golden center, was often found growing through cracks of rocks in early spring. Tiny as the flower is, it appeared to be so strong it could break rocks, through its gentle perseverance, its ability to overcome difficulties in its growth from seed to fruition, from lower to higher, from darkness to light. These triumphs parallel each individual's growth through education.

In 1900, the saxifrage was adopted as the original college seal. Its white flower petals were surrounded by a golden wreath of saxifrage leaves.

The seal has evolved along with the institution, most recently in 2010 with the attainment of university status. The saxifrage and the motto remain prominent in the design, though they are depicted with a clean, elegant, contemporary look. The current academic logo incorporates a multitude of visual symbols: a shield, a book, an abstract set of wings, and, finally, a subtle "F" in the negative space.

PRESIDENTIAL COLLAR

At formal academic occasions, the president of Fitchburg State University also wears the Presidential Collar. The links in the collar are engraved with the names of Fitchburg State's eleven presidents and years of service. The Presidential Medal, which incorporates the university seal, is suspended from the collar.

Principals / Presidents

2024–Present	Donna Hodge
2015–2024	Richard S. Lapidus
2003–2015	Robert V. Antonucci
2002–2003	Michael T. Rivard (Interim)
1995–2002	Michael P. Riccards
1975–1995	Vincent J. Mara
1963–1975	James J. Hammond
1953–1963	Ralph F. Weston
1950–1953	Ellis F. White
1945–1950	William J. Sanders
1927–1945	Charles M. Herlihy
1920–1927	William J. Parkinson
1895–1920	John G. Thompson

REGALIA

An intercollegiate commission met at Columbia University in 1894 to establish a standard academic costume code, and over the years it has been revised by an official committee of the American Council on Education. The committee's prescriptions, while regulating, still allow for great pageantry at formal academic events.

From the cap, gown and hood it is possible to distinguish the institution from which the wearer was graduated, the field of learning in which the degree was earned, and the level of the degree—bachelor, master, or doctoral.

The distinguishing feature of the black mortarboard cap, standard at most colleges and universities in the United States, is the color of the tassel—black for the holder of a bachelor's or master's degree, gold for a doctor's degree or the governing officers of educational institutions. A few institutions have soft velvet tams instead.

The gown is normally black, and the gown's cut and trim indicate the level of the degree held. The bachelor's has long, pointed sleeves, while the master's has oblong sleeves, open at the wrist, with the front part cut in an arc. The doctor's sleeves are bell-shaped, with three bars of velvet, and the gown is trimmed with velvet down the front as well.

The hood tells the most about the wearer. The length of the hood and width of the binding vary according to degree. The hood is lined with the official colors of the college (Fitchburg State University's colors are white, gold, and green). The color of the hood's binding indicates the area of study in which the degree was granted.

Graduate Colors:

ARTS & SCIENCES

- Applied Communication – White
- Arts Education – Light Blue
- Counseling – White
- Criminal Justice – White
- English Studies – White
- History – White
- Interdisciplinary Studies – White

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

- Business Administration – Drab
- Computer Science – Golden Yellow
- Construction Management – Golden Yellow
- Occupational Education – Light Blue

EDUCATION

- Curriculum and Teaching – Light Blue
- Early Childhood Education – Light Blue
- Educational Leadership & Management – Light Blue
- Elementary Education – Light Blue
- Education 5-12 – Light Blue
- Pedagogy and Learning – Light Blue
- Special Education – Light Blue

HEALTH & NATURAL SCIENCES

- Forensic Nursing – Apricot

Undergraduate Colors:

ARTS & SCIENCES

- Communications Media – White
- Creative Arts Enterprise – White
- Creative Arts Therapies – White
- Criminal Justice – White
- Digital Media Innovation – White
- Economics – Copper
- English Studies – White
- Game Design – White
- History – White
- Human Services – White
- Interdisciplinary Studies – White
- Political Science – Light Gold
- Sociology – White

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

- Applied Science and Technology – Golden Yellow
- Business Administration – Drab
- Computer Information Systems – Golden Yellow
- Computer Science – Golden Yellow
- Construction Management – Golden Yellow
- Engineering Technology – Golden Yellow
- Industrial Technology – Golden Yellow
- Occupational/Vocational Education – Light Blue

EDUCATION

- Education – Light Blue

HEALTH & NATURAL SCIENCES

- Biology – Golden Yellow
- Chemistry – Golden Yellow
- Environmental and Earth Science – Golden Yellow
- Exercise & Sports Science – Golden Yellow
- Geographic Science & Technology – Golden Yellow
- Mathematics – Golden Yellow
- Nursing – Apricot
- Psychological Science – Golden Yellow
- Public Health Science – Golden Yellow

HISTORY

Established in 1894 by an act of the Massachusetts Legislature, the State Normal School in Fitchburg opened in temporary quarters in the old high school building on Academy Street. Principal John G. Thompson, aided by a teaching staff of three, implemented a two-year teacher training program for women that had forty-six participants. In December 1896, the school expanded into a new building, known as Thompson Hall, and set up the State Schools of Observation and Practice in city buildings on Day Street and Highland Avenue.

In the next decade the school was a trendsetter for programs in Education. The Edgerly School opened, originally as an eighth-grade model and practice school, and then in 1910, it became one of the first junior high schools in the United States. The following year the school initiated the first practical arts teacher training course in the country for men.

In 1930, the State Normal School was authorized to offer a bachelor's degree in practical arts, and in 1932, when it became the State Teachers College at Fitchburg, four-year degrees were offered in all areas of education.

Under the auspices of the State Division of University Extension, summer courses were first offered in 1915, marking the beginning of the college's commitment to Continuing Education programs. In 1935, the college was also authorized to establish graduate programs and in 1954 the first evening courses were offered.

In 1960, the college changed its name and expanded its mission. The State College at Fitchburg diversified its programs to include degrees in disciplines other than education. In 1965, its name was officially changed to Fitchburg State College. In July, 2010 the governor signed legislation renaming us Fitchburg State University. Today we have 15 academic departments that offer 34 undergraduate majors, 50 minors, 20 master's degree programs, two Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study programs, and various undergraduate and graduate certificate programs. Enrollment is up to 2,900 full-time and 3,900 part-time students. The campus has expanded from a single structure on High Street to 59 buildings on 280 acres, becoming the educational center for the Montachusett region. The University proudly offers traditional and non-traditional programs to serve the educational needs of its students as undergraduate, graduate, and continuing education students.

On July 28, 2010, Gov. Deval L. Patrick signed legislation establishing a State University system in Massachusetts, and the institution's current name—Fitchburg State University—was enacted.

ALMA MATER

IN OLD WACHUSETT'S SHADOW

Words and music by Priscilla (Taylor) McLean, Class of 1963

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "In Old Wa-chu - sett's Sha - dow our Al - ma Ma - ter stands. Her proud New Eng - land_ ban - ner_ she holds a - loft to all the land. Hail to Al - ma Ma - ter! Oh raise her name! Al - ways may her sons and daugh - ters just - i - fy her fame."



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