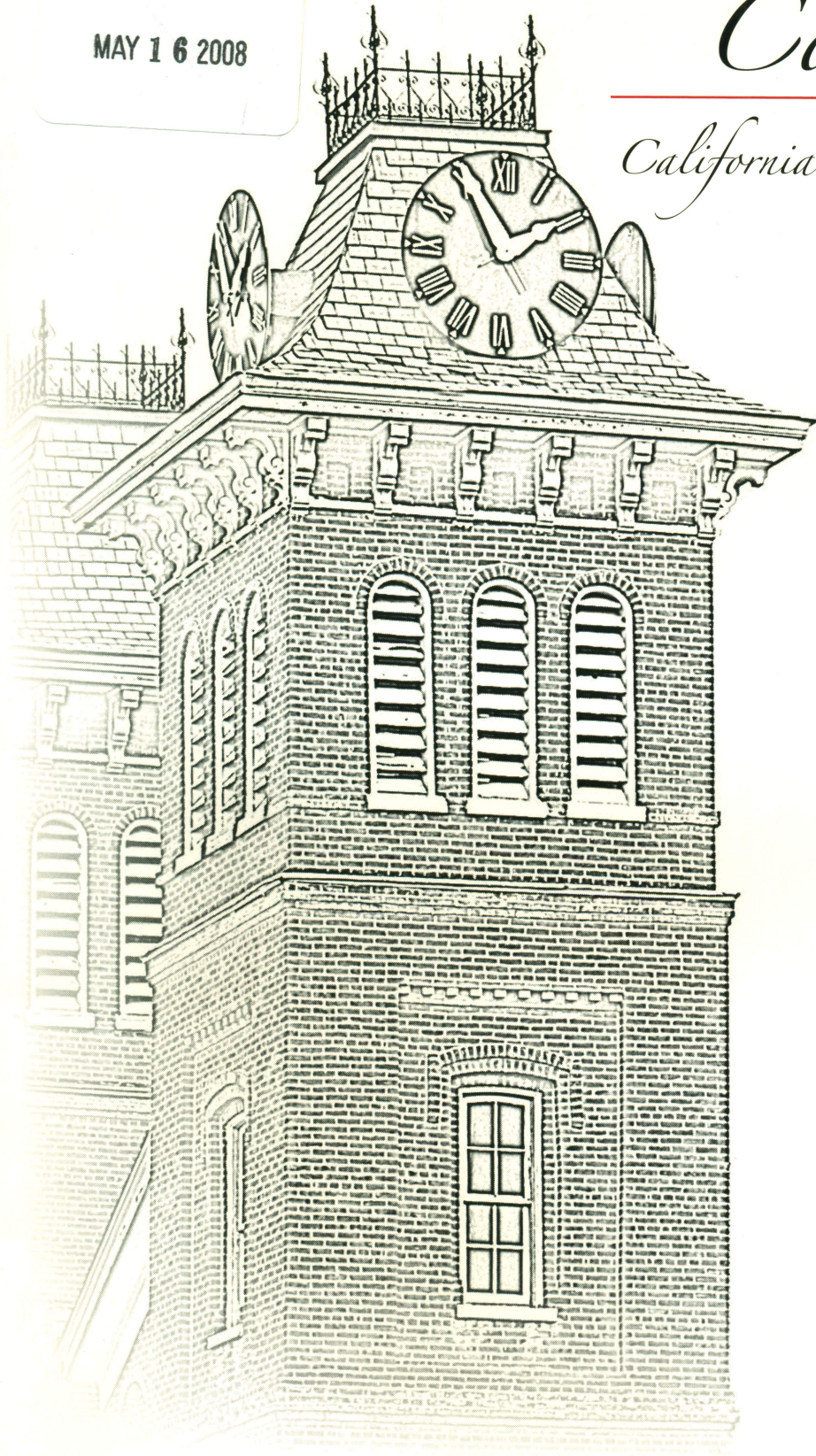


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SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

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Explanation of the Academic Hood	Ronald Wagner, Ph.D., Interim Dean School of Graduate Studies and Research
Presentation of Candidates for Graduate Degrees and Vesting of the Academic Hood	
Sean C. Madden, D.A.....	Provost
Ronald Wager, Ph.D.	Interim Dean, School of Graduate Studies and Research
Rose Reinhart, Ed.D.....	Associate Provost/Registrar
Conferring of Degrees	President Armenti
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Harry E. Serene, M.D.

C l a s s o f 1 9 6 5

Although retired after more than 35 years of Pittsburgh-area service as a board-certified general surgeon, Harry E. Serene, California University of Pennsylvania Class of 1965, remains actively involved in the community's general well being.

At St. Clair Hospital, where he practiced and completed a distinguished medical career, Dr. Serene served as president of the medical staff, chairman of the department of general surgery, president of the board of directors, and co-chairman of the medical ethics committee. In 2003, professional colleagues at St. Clair Hospital named Dr. Serene as the "Physician of the Year."

Since his retirement in 2006, Dr. Serene has continued to serve on both the St. Clair Hospital Board of Directors and the Board of Directors of the St. Clair Hospital Foundation. He is a diplomat of the American Board of Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Throughout three decades of medical practice, Dr. Serene has held memberships in the Allegheny County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the Pittsburgh Academy of Medicine, the Pittsburgh Surgical Society and the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons.



A 1969 graduate of the Creighton University School of Medicine in Omaha, Nebraska, Dr. Serene completed his post-graduate training in Pennsylvania at the Harrisburg General Hospital and at the West Penn Hospital in Pittsburgh. During the years following residency, he practiced in the Pittsburgh area at West Penn Hospital, the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and St. Clair Hospital.

The Serene Family/Cal U Family legacy began in 1960 when Dr. Michael F. Serene, Harry's father, was welcomed to the faculty as professor of science. Since that time, eight Serene family members have become proud alumni of California University of Pennsylvania—all four sons of Dr. Michael and Mrs. Clara Serene—Dr. Frank, '64, Dr. Harry '65, Dr. Michael '67, and Dr. James '71; two spouses of the Serene brothers—Mrs. Linda Hootman '64 Serene and Mrs. Janice Kegel '67 Serene; and the son-in-law and daughter of Dr. Harry and Mrs. Linda Serene—Mr. Jeff Barker, Class of 2006 and Mrs. Amy Serene Barker, Class of 2008. To honor this esteemed legacy and to "pay it forward," the Serene Family established and funds the Dr. Michael F. and Mrs. Clara H. Serene Endowed Scholarship.

In 1978, the California University of Pennsylvania Alumni Association recognized the four Serene brothers with its Meritorious Achievement Award. Dr. Harry Serene currently serves on the Alumni Association Board of Directors. In 1996, the Foundation for California University of Pennsylvania presented the Serene Family with its prestigious Job Johnson Award for excellence, innovation, and community service.

Dr. Harry Serene and members of the Serene Family remain committed to actively serving, supporting and promoting their alma mater.

David L. Amati, Ph.D.

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David L. Amati, Ph.D. '70 '72 is currently Director of Global Automotive Business and Automotive Headquarters, SAE International.

He is responsible for providing leadership and strategic direction to SAE's Global Automotive Business Initiatives, its automotive headquarters in Detroit, and the SAE Automotive Resources Institute.

Dr. Amati directs the Annual SAE World Congress, its staff and industry leadership teams. This project has been designated as SAE's primary business initiative. Dr. Amati is also responsible for direct supervision of the Automotive Business Project Initiatives and oversight for SAE's cross-functional automotive matrix teams. These initiatives include the non-North American-based new automobile manufacturers and partnerships with international industry organizations.

Having held leadership positions in four professional technical organizations prior to joining SAE, Dr. Amati, in his present capacity, offers counsel to SAE's Automotive Vice President who provides leadership to the SAE Board of Directors.

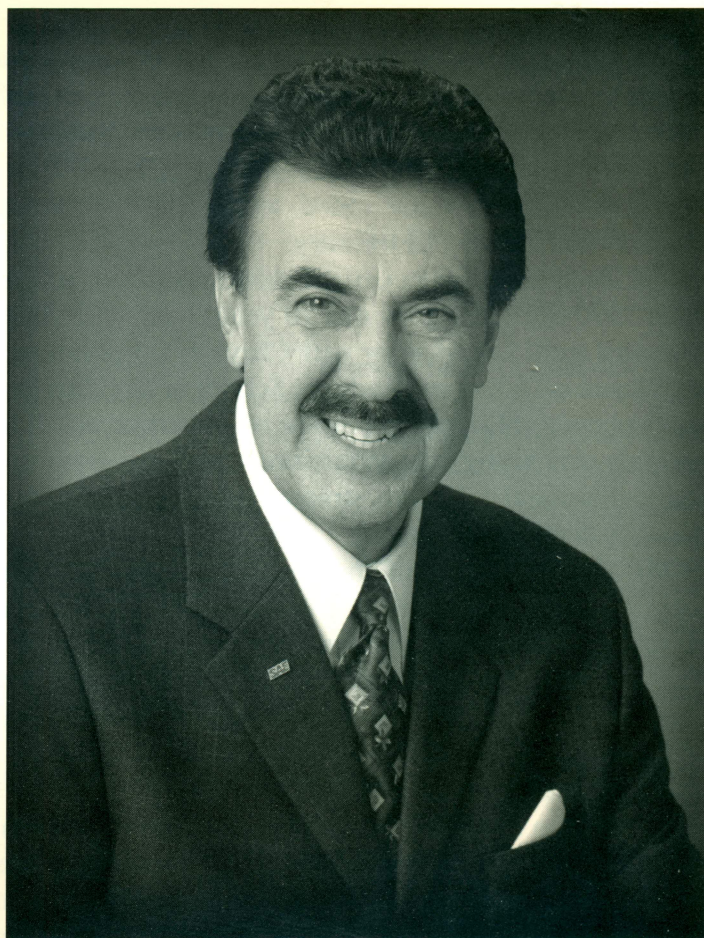
He is active with a number of automotive business organizations and is currently a member of the board of directors of the Detroit Metropolitan Convention and Visitors Bureau, World Bridge (Office of International Programs) at Wayne State University in Detroit and Dapper Dan Charities in Pittsburgh.

Dr. Amati, who holds a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh, received a Master of Elementary Education (1972) and Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education (1970) from California University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Amati's productive career began with positions in education. He met his late wife, Nancy Sivek '67 '73, when they were teaching at the same school, and the couple was married for 32 years. She had a distinguished teaching career for nearly 30 years, the last 28 as a kindergarten teacher in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. The David L. and Nancy M. Sivek Amati Early Childhood Education Scholarship honors her love of teaching by encouraging a new generation of teachers. This endowed scholarship is awarded every year to two deserving Cal U students majoring in early childhood education.

Committed to "paying it forward," Dr. Amati serves as an advisor to the Eberly College of Science and Technology, a board member of the Foundation for California University and a member of the Capital Campaign Steering Committee.

In 2006, Dr. Amati received the California University Alumni Association's W.S. Jackman Award of Distinction awarded to members of the University family who have gained regional, state, national or international recognition in their professions.



Robert J. Brooks

Doctor of Humane Letters, *honoris causa*

In 2004, Robert J. Brooks retired as Executive Vice President, Strategic Development for Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies Corporation (Wabtec), a publicly traded New York Stock Exchange Company. Established in 1869 by George Westinghouse, Wabtec is North America's largest provider of value-added, technology-based products and services for the rail industry.

Mr. Brooks had been Chief Financial Officer at WABCO from 1990-2003; his previous 10 years were with American Standard and 12 years prior with Chrysler Corporation. He is a graduate of Wharton Graduate School at the University of Pennsylvania. His primary areas of expertise are financial analysis and reporting, acquisitions and mergers, investor and institutional relations, strategic planning, and organizational systems development.

Mr. Brooks is part of the small management team that took WABCO private in an LBO in 1990, led it through a private debt placement and finally a public offering in 1995. The company went through approximately 18 mergers and acquisitions until 1999 when it changed its name to Wabtec. It has grown in revenue from just under \$200 million to more than \$1.5 billion since 1990.



In addition to serving as a director at Wabtec on both the governance and audit committees, he currently serves as a director for: Crucible Materials Corporation, a specialty tool steel producer and distributor where he chairs the finance committee and serves on the audit committee; SUEBRO, an investment company; and a charitable foundation. He is also a Regional Director for the First National Bank, Pittsburgh, and Executive Committee Trustee at Franklin & Marshall College where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics. He is a member of Financial Executives Institute (FEI), a Rotarian chairing Vocational Development, an elder and treasurer with the Presbyterian Church, a director of senior living Redstone Highlands, a director and advisor to the Murrysville Library Foundation and a Boy Scout Merit Badge Counselor. In addition, he is actively involved in sports as an investor in the Pittsburgh Pirates, the Pittsburgh Penguins, the Wilkes-Barre Penguins, the Altoona Curve, the Wheeling Nailers, the State College Spikes, the Myrtle Beach Pelicans and the Pittsburgh Indoor Sports Soccer & Lacrosse Center. Real estate operations include an office complex in Salt Lake City, UT, an upscale spa resort in Sedona, AZ, a mixed use development in Fort Myers, FL, and a housing complex in Sarasota, FL.

Mr. Brooks is the chair of the Brooks Family Foundation, which supports a number of regional institutions. He has been a major contributor to California University of Pennsylvania by annually funding a number of scholarships for the Vulcan football team. Two years ago, he issued a challenge grant with another major gift to fund the Angelo Armenti, Jr. Endowed Leadership Scholarship. This scholarship fund currently has more than \$63,000. The first student scholarships will be awarded from this fund in the 2008-09 academic year.

Mr. Brooks resides in Murrysville, PA, where he served as Councilman for 18 years. His wife, Sue, is a graduate of Glassboro State (Rowan) College in New Jersey and currently is a substitute teacher at Franklin Regional Elementary School. They have five grown children, three of which received their undergraduate degrees at Washington and Jefferson College: Rob Brooks '92, Shelli DeCarlo Brooks '94, and Karyn Brooks '95. Their youngest son, Jim Brooks graduated from Franklin and Marshall College '98 and married Melissa Sirianni Brooks (Notre Dame '99).

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Laura Tuennerman-Kaplan, Ph.D.	Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts
Leonard A. Colelli, Ph.D.	Dean, Eberly College of Science and Technology
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GRADUATE DEGREES

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MASTER OF ARTS

English

Kimberly Ann LaFisca Dr. Lisa Schwerdt
 THESIS: Free Will in Selected Twentieth Century
 British Novels

The Geography and Regional Planning Curriculum

Mark Alan Gates

The Tourism Planning and Development Curriculum

Adrienne R. Wills Dr. Susan Ryan
 PROJECT: Establishing a connection between tourism
 education and employment

MASTER OF ARTS TEACHING

W. Scott Bower Dr. Keith Hepner
 THESIS: Increasing Standardized Testing Scores

J. Rolf Briegel Dr. Joseph Zisk
 THESIS: Study to Determine if the Benefits of Single-Sex
 Schools or Single-Sex Classes

Jamie Compeggie Dr. Joseph Zisk
 THESIS: A Study to Determine What Instructional
 Strategies Teachers Can Use to Develop Gender
 Friendly Classes

Patrick Matthew Connors Dr. Joseph Zisk
 THESIS: Cyber Bullying

Patty Beth Cox Dr. Erica L. Bumpers
 THESIS: Cooperative Learning in a Middle
 School Classroom

Jaclyn Patricia Cruz Dr. Connie Monroe
 THESIS: Homogeneous Grouping in Urban Elementary
 and Secondary Settings

William David Fike Dr. Connie Monroe
 THESIS: Study to Determine if Differentiated Instruction
 Enables Students in Mixed-ability Social Studies
 Classrooms To Achieve the Greatest Degree of Learning

David John Gambridge Dr. Marcia Hoover
 THESIS: Study to determine the effects of a traditional
 and open classroom environment on standardized
 test scores

Anne-Marie Joan Layhue

Lisa Marie Kiss Dr. Joseph Zisk and Dr. Erica Bumpers
 THESIS: A Study to Determine if Feedback on Student
 Work Increases Student Writing

Jeffrey Richard Klugh Dr. Joseph Zisk
 THESIS: Student Reading Comprehension: An Analysis
 of the Effectiveness of Graphic Organizers in a Social
 Studies Classroom

Sara Amanda Maits Dr. Connie Monroe
 THESIS: A Curriculum Guide to Integrating an
 Arboretum into a High School Classroom

Lisa Marie Ochoa Dr. Joseph Zisk
 THESIS: Determination of the Relationship between type
 of Anticipatory Sets and Learning Styles

Erin Michelle Omatick
 THESIS: Integrating Calculators into the Classroom

Stephanie Pitoniak Dr. Marcia Hoover
 THESIS: Maximizing Classroom Environments So
 Special Needs Students Will Excel

Kristine Purcell Sacco Dr. Keith Hepner
 THESIS: An overview and action research study of the
 visual arts teacher and implications relating from the
 Individuals of Disabilities Education Act and the No Child
 Left Behind Legislation

Mychele B. Sakolsky Dr. Keith Hepner
 THESIS: Calculators: Harmful or Helpful?

Ashley Marie Snyder Dr. Keith Hepner
 THESIS: A Study of the Effects of Teacher Collaboration
 on Student Achievement

Christina M. Tassone Dr. Connie Monroe
 THESIS: Gender Inequality in Foreign Language Learning

Adam Michael Zyski Dr. Keith Hepner
 THESIS: A Study to Determine if Using Math Games in
 Middle School Improves Students' Test Scores

MASTER OF EDUCATION

The Elementary Education Curriculum

Eileen Marie Dowd
 Laura Elizabeth Kish
 Jennifer Marie McDonough
 Susan Lee Moody
 Rachel K. Mumford
 Regina Eileen Nagy
 Stefanie Ann Nesser
 Erin Jenndell Reiche
 Philip Daniel Rychcik
 Carina B. Stewart
 Mary Elizabeth Thomas Wehner

The School Counseling Curriculum

Justin Mark Cerullo
 John William Fritts, Jr
 Michelle Renee Georgiana
 Valerie Ruth Gregor
 Christi Lynn Gross
 Stephen Joseph Hope
 Kathleen Susan Kolbe
 Juliette Renee Kopay
 Sara Marie Martin
 Elizabeth Ruth Merrell
 Robert Foster Sims
 Lauren Ann Spang

The Mentally and Physically Handicapped Curriculum

Andrea Rochelle Aikins
Donna Dougherty Devlin
Robin M. Durila
Rachael Christine Fike
Mindy Ann Harmon
Kristi Dawn Huey
Paul J. Hrvatin
Jessica Anne Kish
Jodi Lyn McVicker
Kellie Renee Schram
Joey Lynn Smith
Tammy L. Smith
Deborah L. Sauter
Kimberly Brooks Tucker
Elizabeth Lassiter Tuttle

Dr. Kate Mitchem

THESIS: Teacher-monitoring vs. Student Monitoring:
Which is More Effective?

The Reading Specialist Curriculum

Marlene Stockmal Bobish
Lori Elizabeth Greene
Kristy Lynn James
Maggie Phillips Lacock
Charisse Lia Los
Nicole Lynn Mattie
Marisa Ann McFeaters
Christy Lynn Pisula
Suzanne S. Plack
Ronald Milan Sekerchak, Jr.
Nicole Allison Shipley

The Technology Education Curriculum

David Vuick
PROJECT: CFF-GSHS Integration and
Implementation Plan
James E. Wright
PROJECT: Unit Design High School Science

Dr. Daniel Engstrom

Dr. Glenn Hider

MASTER OF SCIENCE

The Athletic Training Curriculum

Mary E. Brunner
THESIS: Accessibility of Athletic Health Care for High
School Student Athletes
Tiffany M. Estes
THESIS: The Effects of Static and Dynamic Stretching
Protocols on the 30-second Wingate Test
Masanao Fujimoto
THESIS: The Relationship Between Shoulder Stretching
and Throwing Velocity in High School Baseball Players
Michael Ryan Goodman
THESIS: The Effect of Fatigue on Center of Pressure and
Impulse During a Single Leg Bound
Kristin Lynn Kenworthy
THESIS: Global Posture of Female Collegiate Gymnasts
and Their Peers

Dr. Carol Biddington

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Dr. Amanda Allen

Christopher Novia

THESIS: The Effect of Dynamic Resistive Tubing as a
Warm Up on the Throwing Shoulder of Collegiate
Baseball Players

Timothy Richard Olsen

THESIS: The Force Production Measurement between
Dominant and Non-Dominant Arm Using the Empty-can
and Full-can Tests

Nicholas J. Schiefelbein

THESIS: A Qualitative Systematic Review of DWUP

Kiyoshi Tada

THESIS: Acute effect of dynamic and ballistic stretching
on peak power of vertical jump performance

Brina J. Wade

THESIS: The Effects of Ankle Prophylactic Devices on
Force Absorption During a Drop

Renee Elizabeth Zingaro

THESIS: A Correlation Between Core Strength and Serve
Velocity in Collegiate Tennis Players

Dr. Thomas West

Dr. Thomas Kinsey

Dr. Rebecca Hess

Dr. Ben Reuter

Dr. Linda Meyer

Dr. Robert Kane

The Business Administration Curriculum

Faten A. Al Khattar
David Francis Bastedo
Ronald R. Celaschi
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Justin Samuel Marcolini
Jessie Kate Elizabeth Punia
Lisa Maria Santoro

The Communication Disorders Curriculum

Paula K. Brandt
PROJECT: The Link Between Cerebrovascular Infarct
and Dysphagia
Renee Russo Caldwell
Lori Beth LaPatka
PROJECT: Parental Preferences: Traditional vs.
Naturalistic Speech Therapy Assignments
Katherine Jean Lewis
PROJECT: Factors Affecting Inclusion of School Children
Heather N. Lynn
PROJECT: Caregivers' Involvement in Driving Cessation
Decisions for Individuals with Dementia
Nathalie Jaye Paulus
PROJECT: Teachers' Opinions on Mainstreaming
Children with Autism
Justine Nola Pupek
Mrs. Nancy Carlino
PROJECT: Oral Care and Long-Term Care Facilities
Alice Rishel
PROJECT: Comparing the Overall Effectiveness of the
Supervisory Process: The Method and Model.
Mary Jane Steffey
PROJECT: Effectiveness of VitalStim Therapy for
Dysphagia after Stroke

Dr. Robert Skwarecki

Dr. Ralph Belsterling

Dr. Denise Joseph

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The Community and Agency Counseling Curriculum

Amanda Lynn Huey
Erin Lynnette Lense

The Exercise Science and Health Promotion Curriculum

William C. Morin III

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Legal Studies: Law and Public Policy

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PAPER: The Authority and Guidelines Granted to the FBI
to Perform Electronic Surveillance in Executive Order
12333 and the Constitution Debate of that Current

Granted Authority

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THE ACADEMIC COSTUME CODE

GOWNS

The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves, with no trimming and is worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has oblong sleeves, open at the wrist, with the rear part of its oblong sleeve square cut and is worn open or closed. The gown for the doctorate degree has bell-shaped sleeves and is faced down the front with velvet and three bars across the sleeves. The facing and crossbars of velvet may be of the color distinctive of the field to which the degree pertains.

For all academic purpose, including trimmings of doctors' gowns, edgings of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different subjects are as follows:

Only a single degree from a single institution should ever be indicated by a single garment.

Agriculture	Maize
Allied Health	Green and Gold
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Drab
Dentistry	Lilac
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts, including Architecture	Brown
Forestry	Russet
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Medicine	Green
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Pharmacy	Olive Green
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration, including Foreign Service	Peacock Blue
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	Citron
Theology	Scarlet
Veterinary Science	Gray

HOODS

The length of the hood worn for the bachelor's degree is three feet, for the master's degree three and one half feet, and for the doctoral degree four feet. The doctoral degree has side panels. The linings of the hood represent the official color of the college or university conferring the degree. The binding or edging of the hood is two inches, three inches, and five inches for the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees respectively. The color is distinctive of the degree held by the wearer.

CAPS

The cap or mortarboard has a tassel fastened to the middle of the cap and wearing over the left side indicates the completion of a degree. The doctoral cap is indicated by a tassel of gold thread.

*Prepared by a Committee on Academic Costumes and Ceremonies
appointed by the American Council on Education, 1960*

THE UNIVERSITY MACE

Vulcan, the Greek god of fire and metalworking, lifts a hammer high over his head, preparing to strike an anvil which is draped with a triangle inscribed with the words education, research and service. He holds the triangle in place with tongs; his face fierce with determination, he kneels at the forge. Captured forever in the act of creation, this Vulcan is memorialized on the University Mace created by artist Thomas Shimrock of Grantsville, Maryland. His interpretation of the California mascot, cast from six pounds of silver, sits proudly on the top of a 52-inch-high wooden mace that made its debut at the 147th commencement.

Mr. Shimrock was commissioned to design and create the mace, a display cabinet and a carrying case by the Foundation for California University. The display cabinet is a work of art in itself. Crafted from bubinga wood, it holds the mace upright within its circular confines. Three graceful bubinga supports, stretching upward from delicately carved ebony ovals, each topped with a different hand-cast silver finial, cradle the circular cabinet body, made up of two curved glass windows and a curved ebonized anegre wood door set in a bubinga wood frame. The carrying case is made from quarter-cut sycamore lined with velvet.

The University Mace, carried by a senior faculty member in all formal academic processions, is on permanent display in the lobby of the Louis L. Manderino Library.

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ALMA MATER

California, alma mater
Now we sing to thee
California, dear forever
In our memory.
With our voices loudly ringing,
Of thy fame we're ever singing.
California, alma mater;
Hail! All hail to thee.

For the friends and joys you gave us,
We give thanks to thee
All thy knowledge we'll make worthy
For Posterity.
May thy reign be ever prosperous
And thy name forever glorious.
California, alma mater;
Hail! All hail to thee.

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CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

IDENTITY

California University of Pennsylvania, a comprehensive regional institution of higher education and a member of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, is a diverse, caring and scholarly learning community dedicated to excellence in the liberal arts, science and technology, and professional studies that is devoted to building character and careers, broadly defined. The University is inspired by its core values of integrity, civility, and responsibility and is guided by its bill of rights and responsibilities: We have the right to safety and security, we have the responsibility to ensure the safety and security of others; We have the right to be treated with respect, we have the responsibility to treat others with respect; We have the right to expect the best, we have the responsibility to give our best; We have the right to be treated fairly, we have the responsibility to treat others fairly.

MISSION: BUILDING CHARACTER AND CAREERS

To advance its ultimate mission of building the character and careers of students, the University shall focus its efforts on three goals: student achievement and success, institutional excellence, and community service. These interrelated ends will be facilitated by the following means: high quality faculty, students, programs, and facilities. These means, in turn, will be funded through an energetic program of resource acquisition and stewardship.

VISION

Be recognized as the best comprehensive public university in America.

What does this mean?

Offer an exceptional, one-of-a-kind character and career-building experience;

Focus character-building on the University's three core values and four rights and responsibilities;

Define career-building broadly to include life-wide (multiple life roles) and life-long (legacy) aspects;

Recruit and retain a distinguished faculty who challenge and mentor students to attain their fullest potential;

Recruit and retain a talented, diverse, and highly motivated student body;

Maintain an administrative staff dedicated to the highest professional standards and service;

Maintain a learning community known for its academic excellence, intellectual rigor, and civil discourse;

Instill not just learning but the love of learning;

Be widely known as a center for thought, inquiry, dialogue, and action in matters of character and leadership;

Maintain a campus of natural and architectural beauty featuring state-of-the-art facilities and equipment;

Reflect a special mission in science and technology through programs in science, technology, and applied engineering, as well as through emphasis on technology and information literacy across the curriculum;

Be widely known for high quality undergraduate and selected masters level graduate programs;

Foster increasingly higher admissions criteria, academic quality, and scholarly expectations;

Incorporate continuous improvement into all programs and activities to ensure competitive excellence;

Prepare students for the world of work or further education from multiple locations through multiple technologies in order to meet the ever changing needs of the Commonwealth and the larger world;

Sustain a reputation for the University's academic excellence, its daring and entrepreneurial spirit, and the integrity, success, and loyalty of its graduates;

Instill a culture of philanthropy among students, faculty, staff, and alumni;

Create an ever larger community of supporters and an endowment that will perpetuate the work of the University and enable constant innovation and renewal.

LEGACY

Founded in 1852, and now in its second 150 years of service, the University is committed above all to academic excellence and intellectual rigor in the context of personal and institutional integrity, civility, and responsibility.

Adopted by the Council of Trustees of California University of Pennsylvania on June 4, 2003.