

*Jones Hall, Youngstown State University*

JOHN DEITCH NOLLE

# Summer Commencement Youngstown State University

Beeghly Center  
Saturday Morning, August Twenty-first  
Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Nine  
Ten O'Clock

## **ALMA MATER**

All hail to thee, O Youngstown,  
Our Alma Mater fair;  
In sunlight and starshine  
We see thee in all thy glory.  
The Red and the White, thy glorious colors,  
Ever we praise and hold them  
High to the breeze as the symbol of our  
Most loyal allegiance.  
This anthem, O Youngstown,  
Our pledge of trust shall be  
That thy sons and daughters  
Shall keep faith with thee forever.

# PROGRAM

PRELUDE .....	"National Emblem March" by Edward Bagley "Midway March" by John Williams YSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble Dr. Stephen L. Gage, Conductor
ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL .....	"Pomp and Circumstance" from March No. 1 by Edward Elgar / Arranged by H.F. Luckhardt "March Processional" by Clare Grundman
WELCOME .....	Leslie H. Cochran <i>President</i>
NATIONAL ANTHEM .....	Dr. Allan Mosher, <i>Associate Professor of Music Dana School of Music College of Fine and Performing Arts</i>
REFLECTION .....	Rev. Kathryn Adams <i>Director, Protestant Campus Ministries</i>
INTRODUCTION OF TRUSTEES .....	President Cochran
GREETINGS AND INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER .....	Bruce R. Beeghly <i>Chairperson, Board of Trustees</i>
ADDRESS .....	Bernie J. Kosar, Jr. <i>YSU Alumni Association's 1999 Distinguished Citizen Award Recipient</i>
MUSICAL SELECTION .....	"Stars and Stripes Forever March" by John Philip Sousa
RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES ATTAINING UNIVERSITY HONORS .....	Janice A. Elias <i>Assistant Provost for Planning</i>
CONFERRING OF DEGREES .....	President Cochran
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES .....	Peter J. Kasvinsky, <i>Dean of the School of Graduate Studies</i> Barbara H. Brothers, <i>Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences</i> Betty Jo Licata, <i>Dean of the Warren P. Williamson, Jr. College of Business Administration</i> Clara Jennings, <i>Dean of the Beeghly College of Education</i> Charles A. Stevens, <i>Dean of the William Rayen College of Engineering and Technology</i> George McCloud, <i>Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts</i> John J. Yemma, <i>Dean of the Dr. Dominic A. and Helen M. Bitonte College of Health and Human Services</i>
WELCOME FROM YSU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION .....	Leonard J. Campana, <i>President YSU Alumni Association</i>
CLOSING REMARKS .....	President Cochran
ALMA MATER .....	Professor Mosher
RECESSIONAL .....	"March from Suite No. 1 in E Flat" by Gustav Holst

The audience is asked to be seated after the singing of the Alma Mater and to remain seated during the recessional.

Photographs requiring the use of flash equipment may not be taken while exercises are in progress.

Graduates and their guests are cordially invited to attend an informal reception immediately following the Commencement ceremony in the Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center.



## UNIVERSITY HONORS SUMMER 1999

*Because the list of candidates for graduation honors had to be prepared ahead of time, it is tentative. The diploma, together with a certified transcript, is the proof of graduation with honors.*

### BACCALAUREATE DEGREE HONORS

#### Summa Cum Laude

Jessica Allegretto	Jamie Lee Green	Adam Pierce Messner
John Raymond Baechly	William Russell Huff	Holly Kay Mueller
Dorothy Jane Coley	Jeannine Marie Lamanna	Nicole Lee Namish
Daniel Scott Eichorn	Cattaleeya Leelertpong	Jason Edward Simon
Lesley Ann Gent	Kyle James Lowe	

#### Magna Cum Laude

Michael T. Brent	Yigit Atahan Koymen	Scott Richard Roloff
Kelly Marie Burr	Michelle J. Kozak-Elia	Allison E. Saxon
Joel Michael Cohn	Meilani Culanculan Mapa	Ursula Patrice Shugart
Erica Fanny Finegold	Michael Todd Martin	Loralee Sinopoli
Jessica Nell Green	Ronald K. Mc Garry	Jacqueline Snow Twitchell
Audrey Marie Jenyk	Melissa Elaine Morgan	Annjulie Lynn Sitnick

#### Cum Laude

Jeremy Todd Bartell	Erin Melissa Hubbard	Lawrence M. Minor
Terry Diana Benton	Thomas Harold Jeffries	Michelle Lynn Passafiume
James Richard Bruner	Elizabeth Alexandra Joseph	Stephanie Dawn Price
Kelsey Snowe Codner	Joseph Michael Keys	Rodney Daniel Ramps
Ryan Andrew Colapietro	Scott Henry Kline	James Lewis Sheldon
James A. Cvetkovic	Rebecca Louise Latsch	Eileen Vazquez
Michele Nicole Frenchko-Nagy	Heidi Joy Mashiska	Sophia Waheed
Matthew Paul Grote	James Carl Mattern, Jr.	Jennifer Ann Warne
Allison Dawn Heller	Josephine Sue Mc Nutt	

## Commencement Speaker and Candidate for the Degree Honorary Doctor of Science

Today's commencement speaker, **Bernie Kosar, Jr.**, is well known in northeast Ohio and the nation for his accomplishments on the football field. Since he retired from the gridiron, however, Kosar has found new success in business entrepreneurship and public service.

Kosar is director and senior vice president of Precision Response Company, a Miami-based teleservices company. He is also director of ClaimCard, Inc., a developer of software and smartcards in electronic payment systems, and a director of Global Agricultural Technology and Engineering L.L.C., a Florida company involved in improving environmental and worker safety. Notwithstanding his retirement from the Miami Dolphins, Kosar remains chair of the board of the NFL Quarterback Club, which he helped organize while still an active player. In addition, Kosar consults with YSU alumnus Carmen Policy in the return and rebuilding of the Browns in Cleveland.

During his career at Boardman High School, Kosar was named state Football Player of the Year as a senior; he was also one of Boardman High School's top baseball and basketball players. His college career at the University of Miami was highlighted by the Hurricanes' 1983 national championship, in which he was named Most Valuable Player of the Orange Bowl classic.

Kosar graduated from the University of Miami in three years with honors and a major in finance and a minor in economics.

In 1985, he was chosen in the first round of the supplemental draft by the Cleveland Browns, starting ten games that year. During his eight years as quarterback with the Browns, he led the team in three AFC championship games. Midway through the 1993 season, Kosar signed with the Dallas Cowboys and, before the start of the 1994 season, was signed by the Miami Dolphins.

During his football career, he twice received the "Pro Athlete of the Year" award and was inducted into the Orange Bowl Hall of Fame and the University of Miami Hall of Fame.

Kosar maintains strong ties to the northeast Ohio area. He serves as chair of the Paula and Anthony Rich Center for the Study and Treatment of Autism at Youngstown State University and as trustee of the Bernie J. Kosar Charitable Trust. This June, the YSU Alumni Association celebrated Mr. Kosar with its Distinguished Citizen Award.

Kosar and his wife Babette reside in Weston, Florida, with their three daughters.

## CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

*Because the list of candidates had to be prepared ahead of time, it is tentative. The diploma, together with a certified transcript, is the proof of graduation.*

### SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

#### **Doctor of Education**

Richard Anthony Crepage, A.B., M.S. in Ed.  
Youngstown State University  
Educational Leadership  
Dissertation: *School Choice and Ohio's Interdistrict Open Enrollment Policy*

Frederick C. Johnson, B.A., M.Ed.  
Kent State University  
Educational Leadership  
Dissertation: *The Man Who Would Not Be Superintendent: Struggling with On-the-job Socialization*

David Charles Pietro, B.A., M.S. in Ed.  
Geneva College, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania  
Educational Leadership  
Dissertation: *The Perceptions of Principals and Assistant Principals in Western Pennsylvania on Preparation Programs for the Role of the Assistant Principalship*

John Michael Spiesman, B.S. in Ed., M.S. in Ed.  
Lake Erie College  
Educational Leadership  
Dissertation: *The Role of the School When a Family Dissolves: Perceptions of Social Service Professionals, Educators, and Parents*



#### **Master of Arts**

Daniel George Demetriou, B.A.  
Ambassador University  
English  
Thesis: *The Compositionality of Aspect and Its Analysis*

Pandora M. Fecko, B.A., M.S. in Ed.  
University of Notre Dame, Youngstown State University  
History  
Thesis: *Listen to the Silence: The Political Absence of Women in the Post-Revolutionary Era*

Diane Gonda, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
English

Mickey Shawn Huff, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
History  
Thesis: *Healing Old Wounds: Public Memory, Commemoration, and Conflicts*

Kevin C. Kirk, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
Economics

Julia M. Lloyd, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
English

Amy Michelle Munro, B.A.  
Wheaton College  
History

Tracee Marie Murphy, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
History  
Thesis: *The New England Emigrant Aid Company: Its Impact on Territorial Kansas, 1854-1857*

William E. Rausch, Jr. A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
History

Judith A. Rock, M.F.A.  
Youngstown State University  
English

Jeffrey Z. Rothstein, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
History  
Thesis: *The Apotheosis of Discontent: Representations of the Counterculture in American Film and Television During the 1960s*

Laura M. Rupeka, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
English  
Thesis: *Like Eve, Wanting Beets Instead of Apples*

Thomas Robert Wilson, B.S. in Ed.  
Grove City College  
English

Lynn Scarnati Zvara, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
English  
Thesis: *Eliza Haywood and Her Rebellious Pen in Early Modern England*

#### **Master of Business Administration**

Tracie L. Knight, B.S. in B.A.  
Youngstown State University  
Finance

Uma Rajaratnam, B.C.  
University of Jaffna (Sri Lanka)  
General Business

Andrew T. Schaefer, B.A.  
St. Norbert College  
General Business

#### **Master of Health and Human Services**

Nicholas V. Cascarelli, Jr., A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
Health and Human Services

Jennifer Ann Moore, B.S.  
The Ohio State University  
Health and Human Services  
Thesis: *Survey of Views on the Consumer Protection Debate: A Comparison*

## SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES (continued)

### Master of Music

Christopher James Bennett, B.M.  
Youngstown State University  
Performance

Ethan D. Howard, B.M.  
Youngstown State University  
Performance

Jason Tad Howard, B.M.  
Youngstown State University  
Performance

Susan Marie Obergefell, B.M.  
Baldwin-Wallace College  
Music Education

Donald Andrew Opsitnik, B.M.  
Youngstown State University  
Performance

Christopher Scott Poulin, B.M.  
University of Maine at Augusta  
Performance

Jeanine L. Shelley, B.M.  
Mansfield University of  
Pennsylvania Music, Theory  
and Composition

Thomas Sousa, B.S.  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Performance

David Keith Stiver, B.F.A.  
Youngstown State University  
Music, History & Literature  
Thesis: *Transcribing the Hymns  
of the Ephrata Cloister*

### Master of Science

Sam John Amato, B.S.  
Bethany College  
Chemistry  
Thesis: *Enantiomeric Ratios as  
Tracers of Soil-Air Exchange for  
Organochlorine Pesticides*

Jason John Anderson, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Biology  
Thesis: *Microhabitat Use by the  
Meadow Vole, *Microtus-*  
*pennsylvanicus* (Ord), on a  
Reclaimed Grassland*

Nader Ghaleb Atway, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Biology  
Thesis: *The Association of Cell  
Cycle and Growth Related Protein  
Kinases With the Fibroblast  
Cytoskeleton*

Courtney Evelyn Ballard, B.A.  
Cornell University  
Criminal Justice  
Thesis: *Sex Ratios and the r/k Continuum*

Scott Edwin Clark, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Mathematics

Eric Allen Cline, B.S. in A.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Criminal Justice  
Thesis: *A Comparative Analysis of Solved  
and Unsolved Cases of Serial Killings and  
How They Relate to Solvability Factors*

Deborah DeCecco, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
Criminal Justice

Jeffrey K. Ervin, B.S. in A.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Criminal Justice  
Thesis: *Comparative Analysis of Post  
Release Control and the Parole Release in  
Ohio: Which is Reflective of the Purpose in  
Sentencing?*

Thomas Francis Gatto, B.S. in A.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Criminal Justice  
Thesis: *An Examination of the Effective-  
ness of Modern Crime Prevention through  
Environmental Design Principles on  
Convenience Store Crime*

Lynda Sue Kistler, A.B.  
Youngstown State University  
Mathematics

Kimberly Sue Kolacz, B.S.  
The Ohio State University  
Criminal Justice  
Thesis: *Analysis of Elder Abuse and  
Ohio's Adult Protective Law in Trumbull  
County*

Eva Mary Marshall, B.S.  
St. Lawrence University  
Biology  
Thesis: *Measurement of Iso-Orotate  
Decarboxylase Activity in Neurospora  
Crassa*

Jennifer Lin Misel, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Criminal Justice  
Thesis: *Fathers and Stepfathers  
Involved in Child Abuse: A Meta-  
analysis*

Damon C. Patton, B.S.  
Ashland University  
Criminal Justice

Staci Renae Raab, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Biology  
Thesis: *Characterization of Antibod-  
ies to Subcellular Fractions of Skeletal  
Muscles in Patients with Myasthenia  
Gravis and Autoimmune Rippling  
Disease*

Erica Michelle Richards, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Biology  
Thesis: *Microbial Enumeration and  
Assessment of Lower Mahoning River  
Sediment*

Alphonso Robinson, B.S. in A.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Criminal Justice

Lana Yousef Saleh, B.S.  
American University of Beirut  
(Lebanon)  
Chemistry  
Thesis: *Oritidines5' - Monophosphate  
Decarboxylase: Purification and  
Spectral Studies*

Brian Paul Schmidt, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Biology  
Thesis: *The Use of Lactate Dehydro-  
genase for the Detection of Murine  
Natural Killer Cell Function*



## SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES (continued)

Laura Rosemarie Shea, B.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Biology  
Thesis: *Identification of the Sea Urchin Myosin Binding Protein (53kDa) Gene*

Lynn Ann Slaina, B.A.  
Hiram College  
Criminal Justice

Anthony A. Slifka, B.S.  
Park College  
Criminal Justice

Eric Tod Squires, B.A., B.S. in A.S.  
Youngstown State University  
Criminal Justice

Danny Yun, B.S.  
The Ohio State University  
Chemistry  
Thesis: *Iso-ortate Decarboxylase: Attempts at Purification by Mechanism Based Affinity Chromatography*

### **Master of Science in Education**

Kimberly Ann Balash, B.S. in Ed.  
Bowling Green State University  
Educational Administration

Shirley A. Barnett, B.S. in Ed.  
Youngstown State University  
Educational Administration

Carolyn Naples Barry, B.S. in Ed.  
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Master Teacher-Elementary,  
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Jeffrey Alan Baylor, B.S. in Ed.  
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Educational Administration

James F. Beitel, B.A.  
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Master Teacher-Special Education,  
Gifted & Talented Educational  
Specialist

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Houghton College  
Educational Administration

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Master Teacher-Secondary,  
Curriculum

Michelle A. Branchetti, B.S. in Ed.  
Clarion University of Pennsylvania  
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Master Teacher-Secondary,  
Curriculum

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Pennsylvania  
Educational Administration

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Master Teacher-Elementary,  
Early Childhood Education

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Master Teacher-Elementary,  
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Special Education

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Master Teacher-Secondary,  
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Educational Administration

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University of Pennsylvania  
Educational Administration

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Cleveland State University  
Master Teacher-Secondary,  
Curriculum

*Thesis: The Need for Involvement:  
Social, Personal, and Academic  
Development in the Small Scale School*

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Master Teacher-Special Education,  
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Teresa Ann Schultheis, B.S. in Ed.  
Ohio University  
Master Teacher-Special Education,  
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Julie Kathleen Shaffer, B.S. in Ed.,  
M.S. in Ed.  
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Jennifer Lynn Smith, B.S. in Ed.  
State University of New York  
College at Buffalo  
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Educational Administration

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Master Teacher-Special Education,  
Early Childhood Education

Marlene M. Steiskal, B.S. in Ed.  
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Master Teacher-Special Education,  
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Jamie Ann Stevens, B.S. in Ed.  
Youngstown State University  
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B.S. in Ed.  
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Master Teacher-Special  
Education,  
Early Childhood Education

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Bloomsburg University of  
Pennsylvania  
Master Teacher-Elementary, Early  
Childhood Education

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B.S. in Ed.  
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Educational Administration

Anna Marie Tackett, B.S. in Ed.  
Kent State University  
Educational Administration

Susan Ann Tackett, B.S. in Ed.  
Kent State University  
Master Teacher-Elementary, Reading  
Specialist

John P. Vannoy, B.S. in Ed.  
Slippery Rock University of  
Pennsylvania  
Educational Administration

Cynthia Kay Vogel, B.S. in Ed.  
Youngstown State University  
Master Teacher-Elementary,  
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Edith H. Walker, B.S. in Ed.  
Morgan State University  
Master Teacher-Elementary,  
Reading Specialist

William R. Whaley, II, B.S. in Ed.  
Clarion University  
Master Teacher-Secondary,  
Curriculum

Jon W. Whipple, B.S. in Ed., B.A.  
Kent State University  
Educational Administration

**Master of Science in Engineering**  
Saleh Jadaan Saleh Alenzi, B.E.  
University of Bridgeport  
Electrical Engineering

Zheng Huang, B.S., M.S. in Engr.  
Shanghai Jiao Ton University  
(PRC), Youngstown State  
University  
Mechanical Engineering

Christine A. Lesko, B.E.  
Ohio University  
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Steve V. Vardavas, B.S.  
The Ohio State University  
Civil & Environmental  
Engineering

Pattarapol Wattanasupt, B.E.  
Kasetsart University (Thailand)  
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Robert August Williamson, B.S.  
Kent State University  
Civil & Environmental  
Engineering  
Thesis: *The Effects of Riparian  
Corridor Condition on Water  
Quality in the Yellow Creek  
Watershed*

Feiwen Zhang, B.S.  
East China Normal University  
(PRC)  
Electrical Engineering

Zhaonian Zhang, B.S.  
East China Normal University  
(PRC)  
Electrical Engineering

**SUMMER 1999  
HONORS PROGRAM GRADUATES**

Lesley Gent  
Senior Voice Recital  
*Works by Handel, Verdi, Schumann, Gounod,  
Chausson, Rachmaninoff*

Adam Messner  
Student Teaching



**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

**Associate in Applied Science**

Clifton Leroy Harding  
Erin Nicole Naome  
John P. Torday  
Frances K. Vitullo

**Bachelor of Arts**

John S. Albert  
Christopher Mark Bassetti  
Laura Bassi  
Jack Arthur Crews  
Emily Denise Cronk  
Heather Lynn Egan  
Samantha Michelle Feld  
Erica Fanny Finegold  
Mary A. Fox  
Christopher Michael Gault  
Jamie Lee Green  
Jeannine Marie Hunter  
John Kenneth Ivan, Jr.  
Charles Albert Kidder  
Scott Henry Kline  
Louis John Kotel  
Jon Michael Kucala  
Rana Mohamad-Ali Ladki  
Vickie Mace-Yoder

Beth Ann McCabe  
Judi McClendon  
Martha Adaline Mitchell-Cook  
Omar A. Nagi  
Mohandas Karamchand Neehall  
Joshua David Nolan  
Lisa Marie Poltar  
Lora Ellen Post  
Stacie Langley Riley  
Tracie E. Scott  
Richard J. Sylvester  
Caroline Honorah Kathleen Thomas  
Sheri Marie Thomas  
Gregory James Van Valien  
Terrence Wallace Walters

**Bachelor of Science**

Michelle Lynn Arnaut  
Daniel Frank Berndt  
Melissa Sue Callen  
Ryan Andrew Colapietro  
Andrea Suzanne Apisa Dilts  
Jessica Nell Green  
Nicholas Lee Grinder  
Matthew Paul Grote  
Phyllis Christina Haugabook

Thomas Harold Jeffries  
Christie Nicole Jones  
Nicole Ann Kyle  
Rebecca Louise Latsch  
Kyle James Lowe  
Meilani Culanculan Mapa  
Mike T. Martin  
Jason Lee McCartney  
Michael Hazen McKean  
Lora Lynn Merritt  
Jeffrey Allen Meyers  
Stephen Paul Morgan  
Holly Kay Mueller  
Jeffrey Alan Murphy  
Lawrence Allen Payne  
Paul Andrew Speero  
Zachary John Thompson  
Sophia Waheed  
Walter John Wasilewski, III

**Bachelor of Science in Applied Science**

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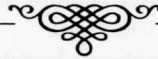
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## ACADEMIC REGALIA AND CEREMONY

The gowns, hoods, and caps worn in academic ceremonies today are relics of clothing worn in medieval times by students and professors. In the early universities—Bologna, Paris, Oxford—the undergraduate students had no prescribed academic dress but wore their usual clerical or ecclesiastical habits. The professors wore more colorful academic regalia than their modern-day descendants. Probably the gowns and hoods were worn for warmth in the unheated halls where the lectures were delivered. From the sixteenth century on, there is a change to somber black and it is only in the hoods worn in academic processions today that the warmth and color of medieval academic pageantry is retained.

The hoods representing degrees granted by various colleges and universities have linings (turned to exhibit their hues to the fullest advantage) in the colors of the granting institutions. In addition, the facing of the hood represents by its color the discipline in which the degree has been granted: white for arts, letters or humanities; golden yellow for science; purple for law; green for medicine; lemon yellow for library science; orange for engineering; drab for commerce or business; light blue for education; pink for music; brown for fine arts; apricot for nursing; dark blue for philosophy; scarlet for theology; citron for social work; sage green for physical education.

Since 1895, in the United States, the colors and types of caps and gowns have been largely standardized; in 1932 the code was revised to some extent, and in 1960 it was revised once more. A few American universities have adopted gowns other than black in color, and in European universities there is more diversity in cut and in the cap than prevails in the United States. Trustees and administrators of American colleges and universities, too, may wear regalia which is

different from that commonly worn. The trustees of Youngstown State University wear a specially designed cardinal gown.

The bachelor's gown is worn closed; the master's gown is worn open or closed, depending partly on its tailoring; and the wearer of the doctor's gown has the privilege of wearing it open or closed. The sleeves of the three types of gowns are of different lengths and cuts, and in addition the sleeves of the doctor's gown have three horizontal velvet stripes. The doctor's gown also has a vertical facing of velvet in front. The stripes and facing may be either black or in the color representing the field in which the wearer has received the doctorate.

There are different opinions about the origin of the caps worn in academic ceremonies. One view is that the "mortar board" is in actuality adapted from the wooden square used by masons. Another is that it stems from the ecclesiastical or clerical head covering of the medieval period. The tassels worn on the caps may or may not be of the same types. In some institutions all masters' and bachelors' tassels are black; in others the tassels, which are the same as the colors of the facings of the hoods, reflect the degree received. The tassels worn by doctors may be black or gold thread.

There is something of the same adherence to tradition in commencement processions that exists in academic garb, although each institution has the right to adapt the ceremony to its own requirement. The chief marshals lead the line of march, followed by the president, the speaker, trustees, and other members of the party to be seated on the platform. Then follow the faculty and the candidates for degrees. The recessional at the end of the ceremony follows the same order.

Recipients of University Honors will receive special insignia, consisting of golden honor cords placed around the shoulders.