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AFTERNOON CEREMONY
MAY 15, 2026



DEAR GRADUATES OF SIMMONS UNIVERSITY,

I am delighted to share this Commencement 2026 program with you — a keepsake marking your academic journey and celebrating the achievements of Simmons students graduating between August 2025 and May 15, 2026. Congratulations to all of our graduates. We also recognize our undergraduate Latin honors recipients, Academy members, and inductees into undergraduate and graduate academic and disciplinary honor societies. Your accomplishments are a testament to the dedication and perseverance you have shown throughout your time at Simmons.

During the past week, from May 11–14, we gathered on campus to celebrate your hard work. And now, here at the MGM Music Hall — together with your families, friends, faculty, and mentors — we honor not only what you have achieved, but the promise of all that lies ahead.

You graduate into a world full of both complexity and possibility. Thoughtful, engaged, and courageous everyday leaders are needed now more than ever, in every field and every community. Throughout your time at Simmons, you have challenged yourself academically, learned to think critically, and developed relationships that will last a lifetime. In classrooms and clinicals, internships and research projects, student organizations, and community initiatives, you have demonstrated resilience, curiosity, and a deep sense of passion.

I look forward to the many ways you will carry your Simmons education into the world — how you will use your knowledge, your voice, and your unique strengths to make a meaningful difference in your professions and communities. You are not only prepared for the future, you are ready to help shape it.

So today, take a moment to celebrate how far you have come. And tomorrow, step confidently into what comes next — knowing that your Simmons education has prepared you not just for a career, but for a life of purpose and impact.

On behalf of the entire Simmons University community, congratulations. We are so proud of you. We are thrilled to welcome you to our growing community of more than 78,000 Simmons alumnae/i, and we cannot wait to see what you do next!

Warmly,

Lynn Perry Wooten
President

Out of respect for our degree candidates and their guests, we request that you silence your cellphones for the duration of the ceremony. Graduates and guests are requested to remain until the conclusion of the ceremony. For more coverage of Commencement 2026, visit simmons.edu/commencement. You can also join the conversation on Instagram (@SimmonsUniversity) with the hashtag #Simmons26.

Our new alumnae/i can connect with each other and share updates on Simmons Network (simmonsnetwork.net).

Simmons University will be taking audio and video recordings and photographs during the ceremony. These will be used for a variety of Simmons University marketing and communications purposes.

AFTERNOON CEREMONY

ORDER OF EXERCISES | 1:00 PM

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

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WELCOME

Regina M. Pisa, Chair, Simmons University Board of Trustees

INTRODUCTION

Lynn Perry Wooten, President, Simmons University

INVOCATION

Gary Bailey, Professor of Practice and Master of Social Work Program Director, School of Social Work

STUDENT SPEAKER

Graduate student speaker introduced by **Rae-Anne Butera**, Vice President of Student Engagement and Dean of Students

Angelica Barron Maulucci '17, '18MSW, '26DSW, Doctor of Social Work

CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREE

The Candidate for the Honorary Degree

Presented by **Leanne Doherty**, Vice Provost, Simmons University

Citation read by **Lynn Perry Wooten**, President, Simmons University

Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa

Dr. Anthony Estreet

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Dr. Anthony Estreet

CONFERRING OF THE DEGREES

Candidates for the School of Nursing Doctoral Degrees, Master's Degrees, and Certificates

Presented by **Heather Shlosser**, Dean, School of Nursing

Candidates for the School of Sciences and Health Professions Doctoral Degrees, Master's Degrees, and Certificates

Presented by **Paul Geisler**, Dean, School of Sciences and Health Professions

Candidates for the School of Social Work Doctoral Degrees, Master's Degrees, and Certificates

Presented by **Michael LaSala**, Dean, School of Social Work

Conferring of the degrees by **Lynn Perry Wooten**, President, Simmons University

Academic Leadership

Stephanie Cosner, Provost, Simmons University
Leanne Doherty, Vice Provost, Simmons University
Kelly Hager, Associate Provost, Curriculum, Assessment, and Accreditation, Simmons University
Sanda Erdelez, Dean, School of Library and Information Science
Paul Geisler, Dean, School of Sciences and Health Professions
Ammina Kothari, Dean, Gwen Ifill School of Media, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Michael LaSala, Dean, School of Social Work
Astrid Sheil, Dean, School of Management
Heather Shlosser, Dean, School of Nursing

CLOSING REMARKS

Lynn Perry Wooten, President, Simmons University

RECESSIONAL

Guests are requested to remain seated until the degree candidates have exited MGM Music Hall.

COMMENCEMENT MARSHAL

Naresh Agarwal, Chief Marshal, Professor and Director of the Information Science and Technology Concentration, School of Library and Information Science

This is a commencement program and not a legal document of the University and might not represent a complete and accurate list of 2026 graduates of Simmons University. It is a list of degree candidates invited to participate in the May 15, 2026 commencement ceremonies. Invitation to or participation in the ceremony does not indicate that any candidate has graduated or will graduate from Simmons.

SPEAKER AND HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT



Dr. Anthony Estreet , PhD, MBA, LCSW-C

**Speaker, Commencement Ceremony,
Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa**

Dr. Anthony Estreet is the Chief Executive Officer of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) and a nationally respected leader advancing the profession through scholarship, practice, and executive leadership. His work has significantly shaped social work education, workforce development, and the delivery of behavioral health services.

A former professor and chair of the MSW Program at Morgan State University, Dr. Estreet has published more than 40 peer-reviewed articles and co-edited a pioneering volume on African-centered clinical interventions in mental health practice. He has held numerous leadership roles within NASW, including Vice President of the Board of Directors and Chair of national committees focused on ethics and substance use. He is also the founding President of the National Association of Black Social Workers' Baltimore Legacy Chapter and has served as a clinical and executive leader in behavioral health.

CANDIDATES FOR THE GRADUATE DEGREES

SCHOOL OF NURSING

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

- Arielle List Ades, B.A., *Syracuse University*, B.S.,
Northeastern University, M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Kendra Ann Bruce, B.S.N., *University of New Hampshire*,
M.S.N., *Framingham State University*
- David Carter, B.S., *University of Massachusetts*, B.S.,
*Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health
Sciences*, M.S., *Southern New Hampshire University*
- Abigail Ann Clark, B.S.N., M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Danielle Nelly Cochrane, B.S.N., *Framingham State
College*, M.S.N., *Emmanuel College*
- Caryn L. Coyle, B.S., *University of Massachusetts*, M.S.N.,
MGH Institute of Health Professions
- Kimberly A. Cross, B.S.N., *University of New Hampshire*,
M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Jennifer Elisabeth Doherty, B.S.N., *Chamberlain
University*, M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Lindsay M. Duphiney, B.S.N., *Rivier University*, M.S.,
Simmons University
- Maeve Giangregorio, B.A., *Colby College*, B.S.N.,
University of Massachusetts, M.S.N., *Emmanuel College*
- Lisa Marie Juden, B.B.A., *University of Massachusetts*,
M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Abu Bakarr Kamara, B.Sc., *University of Sierra Leone*,
M.M.S., M.D., *University of Amsterdam*, *Netherlands*,
M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Shaunyetta C. Knight, B.S.N., *College of Notre Dame of
Maryland*, M.S.N., *Notre Dame of Maryland University*,
M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Ashley Lachapelle-Messier, M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Alisa Ssu Yu Lin, B.S.N., *Taipei Medical University*, M.A.,
Lesley University, M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Kaitlin Elizabeth Macdonald, B.S., *Salve Regina
University*, M.S.N., *Simmons College*
- Joseph C. Martin, M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Julia Elizabeth McSweeney, B.S.N., M.S.N., *Boston
College*
- Andrea Elizabeth Milano, B.S.N., M.S.N., *Worcester
State University*
- Patrick Joseph O'Connor, B.S.N., *University of
Massachusetts*, M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Sydney Alexandra Orlando, B.S.N., *Boston College*,
M.S.N., *Curry College*
- Jennifer LaMay Öztan, B.S., *University of California*,
B.S., M.S., *University of Rochester*
- Gregory Nicholas Peters, B.S., *Boston University*, B.S.,
M.S., *MGH Institute of Health Professions*
- Ginny Michele Philippeaux, B.S., *Universidad
Adventista de las Antillas*, *Puerto Rico*, B.S.N., *Simmons
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- Katelyn Marie Rick, B.S.N., *University of Rhode Island*,
M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Rena Carol Schrier, B.S.N., *State University of New York*,
M.S.N., *University of Rochester*
- Kristin Michelle Spadaro, B.S., *University of New
Hampshire*, B.S.N., *Massachusetts College of Pharmacy
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- Meghan Louise Sperry, B.S.N., *Norwich University*,
M.S.N., *University of Cincinnati*
- Shannon Sprenkle, B.S.N., *Drexel University*, M.S.N.,
Simmons University
- Melissa Anne Tilley, B.S.N., M.S., *University of
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- Elizabeth J. Tillotson, B.S., *Cornell University*, M.S.N.,
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- Lindsay Ella Toppen, B.S.N., *University of Colorado*,
M.S.N., *Simmons University*
- Vivian Wilson Williams, B.S., *Northeastern University*,
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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

- Paul Christopher Adkins, B.S.N., *University of Central
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- Monica Bartels-Biswell, B.S.N., *University of Maine*
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 Stacy L. Watson, B.S.N., *University of Massachusetts*
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 Emma Weller, B.A., *Hamilton College*
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 Taylor Wienckowski, B.S.N., *University of Southern*
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 Kira Wollensak, B.S., *University of Vermont*
 Danielle Wood, B.S.N., *University of Massachusetts*
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 Shyla Star Young, B.A., *University of Colorado*

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING WITH HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATOR CERTIFICATE

Jamie Ann Dreher, B.A., *University of Massachusetts*
 Holly Hughes, B.A., *Boston University*

Jessica McDade, B.S.N., *Saint Anselm College*
 Shannon B. Niles, B.S.N., *Laboure College*

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATE

Beth Ann James, B.S.N., *Rutgers University*, M.S.N.,
University of California, D.N.P., *Duke University*

Meredith L. Troutman-Jordan, B.S.N., *The City*
University of New York, M.S.N., *University of North*
Carolina, Ph.D., *University of South Carolina*

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SCHOOL OF SCIENCES AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Behavior Analysis

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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Health Professions Education

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DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

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The Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Award

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Excellence in Behavior Analytic Research and Dissemination Award

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Outstanding Academic Achievement Award: Fall 2025

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The Deborah Heller Award for Outstanding Achievement in Physical Therapy

Emma Radlinski

PUBLIC HEALTH

The Academic Accomplishment in Health Equity Award

Noailles Rodriguez

The Leadership for Social Justice Award

Sam Geheran

The Transformative Health Equity Change Champion Award

Elizabeth Spoering

SOCIAL WORK

The Award for Written Scholarship in Social Work

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The Community Service Award

Adrienne Sacks

DSW Program DEIPAR Award: Fall 2025

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The DSW Student of the Year Award: Spring 2026

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The DSW Student of the Year Award: Summer 2025

Deanna Rymaszewski

The Faculty Award for Achievement in Political Action and Social Justice

Mandie Salmon

The SSW Faculty Leadership Award

Ana Gonzalez Guzman

The Shirley Saks Greenberg Award

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The Iris MacRae Award for Achievement in Social Work

Katherine Sheehy

Mikaela Zelinger

The Outstanding Competence in Multicultural Practice Award

Vanessa Iroegbulem

The Priscilla Mullen Riley Award

Jamaal Israel

The Peter Salgo Award

Kait Nagle

Kevin Preston

ACADEMIC REGALIA

In today's academic procession, the academic mace, carried by the Chief Marshal, is the symbol of the power of colleges and universities to confer degrees to candidates who have earned the privilege of the degree. The Simmons faculty, Board of Trustees, graduating students, and honorary degree recipients wear a variety of gowns, hoods, and caps. Academic regalia dates back to the earliest days of the world's universities in the fourteenth century.

The master's degree gown has oblong sleeves and may be worn open or closed. The doctoral degree gown has bell-shaped sleeves and may be worn open or closed. Doctoral gowns often correspond with the official color or colors of the college or university that conferred the degree.

Today's master's and doctoral degree recipients will be wearing the hood appropriate to that degree.

Arts, Letters, Humanities – White	Health Sciences – Hunter Green	Public Health – Salmon Pink
Business Administration – Beige	Library Science – Lemon	Public Policy – Peacock Blue
Education – Light Blue	Nursing – Apricot	Social Work – Citron
Fine Arts – Brown	Physical Therapy – Teal	

Caps, often made from different materials, always match the color of the gown. Tassels are blue; in some cases, however, doctoral caps are accompanied by gold tassels.

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