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GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

*Spring
Commencement Exercises
of the Thirty-Fourth
Academic Year*

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2006

11 A.M.



GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

Celebrating Excellence in Education

Governors State University was officially signed into law by Governor Richard B. Ogilvie 37 years ago, on July 17, 1969. Its mandate? To change the face of higher education.

Even as the foundations for the campus buildings were being poured, GSU's founding administrators and faculty were designing a dynamic educational structure - one that would provide access to the very best education. They shaped a new kind of institution, a university built not for the present, but for the future they hoped to see.

Born amid the turbulent climate of the 1960s, Governors State committed itself to an ideal almost taken for granted today - the belief that education was not for the few, but for the capable. It embraced the idea that an outstanding education could be affordable, should be affordable, and would be affordable.

More important, the university insisted on creating opportunity for students who didn't fit the traditional mold. They created a one-of-a-kind learning environment centered on the needs of working adults. The emphasis was on inclusion and access, diversity and innovation.

GSU has remained true to that early, guiding vision. The university has kept its tuition low, one of the lowest in the state. But it has never sacrificed quality. The university's accreditation successes have been remarkable, reflecting the work of a superior faculty and leading to programs of the highest caliber. Governors State University is today everything it was meant to be - the educational choice for a powerfully diverse, professional, and non-traditional student body.



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Honorary Degree Candidate

Dr. Edward Hirsch

Edward Hirsch was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1950. Dr. Hirsch recalls that his lifelong love of poetry began when he “wandered down to the basement of our house to pick through some of my grandfather’s forgotten books” and read a verse (Emily Brontë’s *Spellbound*) that entranced him. He later studied poetry at Grinnell College and the University of Pennsylvania, where he received a Ph.D. in folklore.

He is widely recognized as a poet, critic, and educator. Dr. Hirsch is the author of six volumes of poems: *Lay Back the Darkness* (Alfred A. Knopf, 2003); *On Love* (1998); *Earthly Measures* (1994); *The Night Parade* (1989); *Wild Gratitude* (1986), which received the National Book Critics Circle Award; and *For the Sleepwalkers* (1981), for which he received the Lavan Younger Poets Award from The Academy of American Poets and the Delmore Schwartz Memorial Award from New York University.

The recipient of numerous other awards, Dr. Hirsch has received the Prix de Rome, a Guggenheim Fellowship, an American Academy of Arts and Letters Award for Literature, and a MacArthur Fellowship. In addition to his outstanding work as a writer, Dr. Hirsch has also taught at Wayne State University, the University of Houston, and Columbia University.

In 2003, Dr. Hirsch became the fourth president of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. The Foundation was established in 1925 by United States Senator Simon Guggenheim with the mission to “add to the educational, literary, artistic, and scientific power of this country, and also to provide for the cause of better international understanding” of the arts and sciences. By providing fellowships to advanced professionals, the Foundation supports individual research and artistic creation.

Today, Governors State University proudly bestows the honorary degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, on Dr. Edward Hirsch for his lifelong commitment to education, research, and the arts and sciences.

Order of Exercises

Saturday, June 3, 2006, 11 a.m.
College of Arts and Sciences
College of Business and Public Administration
College of Education
College of Health Professions
Board of Governors Degree Program

Dr. Stuart I. Fagan
President of the University
Presiding

PRELUDE.....	Encore Concert Band Bill Schuetter, <i>Conductor</i>	
PROCESSIONAL	Dr. Gary Lyon, <i>Grand Marshal</i> "Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1" by Edward Elgar Encore Concert Band	
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	Dr. Stuart I. Fagan, <i>President</i>	
GREETINGS FROM THE GSU BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Kristi DeLaurentiis, <i>Trustee</i>	
PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT	Dr. Paul R. Keys, <i>Provost</i> Conferring of Honorary Degree	Dr. Stuart I. Fagan
Honorary Recipient, Doctor of Humane Letters	Dr. Edward Hirsch	
Commencement Address	Dr. Edward Hirsch	
PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES	Dr. Paul R. Keys College of Arts and Sciences	Interim Dean Sandra Mayfield
College of Business and Public Administration	Dean William Nowlin	
College of Education	Dean Steven Russell	
College of Health Professions	Dean Linda Samson	
Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degree Program	Dean John Stoll	
CONFERRING OF DEGREES	Dr. Stuart I. Fagan	
INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT SPEAKER	Dean John Stoll	
STUDENT ADDRESS	Theodore Miles Carter, Sr.	
INDUCTION INTO THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION	Gerald F. McIlvain, <i>President</i> Governors State University Alumni Association	
CLOSING REMARKS	Dr. Stuart I. Fagan	
RECESSIONAL	Dr. Gary Lyon "Crown Imperial" by William Walton, arranged by Jay Bocook Encore Concert Band	

Ms. Susan Bova, *Sign Language Interpreter*

The audience is requested to rise and remain standing during the Processional and Recessional.

College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Arts

- LaTonya D. Albury
Samer M. Ali
Donathan A. Boyd
** Paul W. Burgess
Lashawnda M. Carter
John H. Churchill
* Natalie A. Clay
Sabrina M. Collins
** John J. Conrad
Monaquia N. Cook
Konya M. Crawford
* Mina B. Data
Victoria Elftmann
Rise' A. Evans
* Lorana M. Frederick
** Eileen Garrison
* Juliann M. George
Rebecca J. Goddard
Jeffrey T. Horbaczewski
Erin M. Hughes
Antoinette M. Keller
Ala T. Liddell-Brown
* Jennifer Anne Lynch
* Camille M. Mack
Sarah R. Martisek
** Rexann A. McKinley
Kimberly C. Neidermyer
Arlether Paraharm
Felisha C. Parker
Michael A. Paukstis
Matthew A. Schlottman
* Urania R. Smith
Shawn E. St. Clair
** Julia A. Staisiunas
Christopher C. Taglieri
** Brenda B. Ternig
Jonathan Thedford, III
* Tracy A. Thomas
Jacob L. Walls
Benjamin D. Ward
Jessica A. Wiley
** Drew A. Williams
** Heather Zigtema

Bachelor of Science

- Paul M. Bladen
Melissa A. Bowers
* Sheba J. Chacko
Sonia Beatriz Diaz
Robert F. Feigl
Jonathan W. Fitzgerald
* Deon D. Flatt
Annette F. Fuller
Joseph M. Gariti
* Benjamin R. Howard
Marla P. Johnson
Christin M. Kohler
** Lauren N. Kost
Jose V. Martinez
David J. Martuz
Jason M. Mateski
* John F. McEvoy
Melissa L. Myers
Kingsley Osei-Asibey
Jaime L. Pape
Maritza P. Pearson
* Bradley John Shinovich
Rakeya R. Smith
Joseph G. Wister
* Diana M. Witt

Master of Arts

- Timothy C. Barnes
Barbara A. Belisle
Bernadette Bosley
Nicole M. Brown-Vinci
Anthony D. Browning
Nancy Burley
Latasha L. Caffey
Anthony William De La Pena
David M. Dortch
Sonja E. Evans
Denise M. Friant
Joseph Gladkowski
Diana A. Hartman
April L. Haynes
Diana Ivy
Lorri D. Jenkins
Lisa A. Kemp
Bertha R. Kirkland
David J. Knudson
Jeffrey C. Marienthal
Ramon E. Marrero
Laura A. Matzen
Marlene R. McDowell
Nicholas C. Michna
Erin M. Moore
Jennifer A. Moore
Elizabeth C. Raimondi
Sonia Sayles
Isidora A. Sonariwo
Tommie D. Spencer
Barbara K. Thomas
Juan Gilberto Valdez
Jennifer A. Vollmer
Kenya M. Warner
Caroll Welch

Master of Science

- Vijayendra Appanagaari
Nour J. Arab
Swetha Beeram
Karthik Birudavolu
Sankeerth Boddu
Shivaji Bolliseti
Vijaya Chella Mittinti
Girish Damireddy
Ram Shyam Kumar Dande
Arun Kumar Reddy Dodla
Govardhan Gaddam
Dineshkumar Gajendran
Kalyan Gandamalla
Raja Vardhan Gangula
Ashwin Garika
Scott N. Gordon
Cornelius O. Jemison
Mengsu Jiang
Ramkumar Jutur
Poornima Kakarala
Swethan Kamshetty
Sunder Kannan
Girish Kumar Keerthipati
Indumouli Mandala
Gitana Matuliukstyte
Ashwin Kumar Reddy Musuku
Pavan Kumar Neerukonda
Vikram Palakodety
Praveen Paranjothi
Prasanth Kumar Parisipogu
F. Douglas Pleticha
Abhishek Potlapalli
Madhavi Putta
Lakshmi Sanagavarapu Venkata
Sandeep R. Sankepalli
Prabhu Subramaniam
Vimal Viswanathan
Michelle A. Wells

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College of Business and Public Administration

Bachelor of Arts

Carolyn M. Anderson
Cicely Cheree Anderson
Selena R. Arroyo-Gomez
Anthony J. Becker
Rosalva Bermudez
* Kimberly L. Borbely
Frank J. Caldario
James D. Cleary
* Brandon R. Daly
Nicholas A. Damico
Jesse Duffing
Marileen Flowers-Cunningham
Christine R. Gibson
Jamie L. Guerra
Laveries A. Jefferson
Christopher J. LePretre
Margaret S. Lesniak
Minerva Marrufo
* Kathy M. Mason
Matthew Paul Shank
Dana M. Smicklas
Scott R. Stephanuik
Untur Taher
* April R. Taylor
Donald C. Terry, Jr.
Justin J. Walker
Julie D. Wasson
Bradley Stephen Watts
Allison A. Wietting

Bachelor of Science

Vickie L. Bosch
Jamie M. Bousman
Victoria A. Brooks
* Rhonda J. Jackson
Winnie Y. Koikai
Toure G. Peck
Randy H. Reavis
Angela M. Rolenc
Eric Roy
Julie M. Trock
Anthony C. Venzio
* Sharon U. Zmucki

Master of Business Administration

Iftikhar Ashraf
Paul A. Belsky
Brian R. Butcher
Maria E. Delmonico
Mohammad N. Iqbal
Amanda Keener
Tricia M. Kerns
Peter C. Makiriyado
Debra L. McGraw
Tiffany L. Pinkston-Wheeler
Regina M. Sanders
Carletta L. Seay
James D. Shelby
Airica Danita Steed
Vetis B. Walker

Master of Public Administration

Kahlil C. Clemmons
Vincent E. Cunningham
Jennifer S. Johnson
Denise E. Jones
Shannon D. King
Contessa Y. McQueen
Eva L. Moore
Jimi Orange III
Novita Sari Rahayu
Audrey R. Ryce
Funmilola O. Sholanke
Caroll Welch
Freda Whisenton-Comer
Frederick P. Woolery

Master of Science

Gregory A. Johnson
Randy T. Towry

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College of Education

Bachelor of Arts

- * Pamela J. Abbott
- ** Linda M. Abdelhadi
- ** Deborah O. Akinwale
- * Beverly Alexander
- Adam Altenbach
- * Jason Avgeris
- Samantha L. Betthausen
- * Maureen L. Boda
- ** Lora L. Bothwell
- Nicole L. Broussard
- Terry R. Brown
- * Malgorzata Brzank
- * James W. Cairns
- Scherrie L. Davis
- * Lorrie Ann DeBoer
- Julie A. Deluca
- Katarzyna M. Domasik
- ** Renee M. Elter
- Gina L. Entwistle
- Linda M. Finner
- Elaina L. Gatto
- Catherine M. Gawel
- Angelique O. Gonzalez
- * Ana R. Gutierrez
- Traci R. Guyton
- David J. Hence
- * Laurel A. Hinds
- Kristin A. Holz
- ** Connie J. Homerding
- James S. Horvath, Jr.
- * Sandra Jager
- Jamila A. Jones
- Amanda C. Kalwasinski
- Jennifer L. Keiss
- * Erin D. Kelly
- Margot Kieffer
- * Lara L. Kill
- ** Marsha S. Kmet
- ** Mariah P. Kraus
- Kelly J. Krueger
- Margaret J. Lake
- Pedro Larios
- * Mary Beth Lawton
- ** Leigh C. Leinweber
- Adrienne E. Martino
- * Allison M. Matuszak
- Ann M. McGann
- Jennifer M. McManus
- ** Christine L. Metcalf
- Rebecca A. Michau
- Nichole M. Norton
- David Patrick O'Brien
- ** Dana J. Orlando
- Camille Page
- ** Carolyn A. Pechtold
- Kimberly Roberts
- Andrea K. Rzegocki
- Jenna A. Schmitt
- * Kathleen Shaughnessy
- La Nette V. Sims
- ** Amber L. Sink
- Janet M. Soto
- ** Jamie L. Spence
- ** Nichole Stanfa
- * Katharine L. Stevens
- Theresa M. Switalski
- Darryl F. Thompson
- * Lyndsay A. Thompson
- Michele Tremmel
- Jennifer M. Turner
- ** Dragana Vesin
- ** Rishawn C. Waters
- ** Linda J. West
- ** Amy A. Wrobel
- * Karen E. Zucker

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College of Education

Master of Arts

Jacalyn S. Bailey
Lori Baker
Joseph J. Banach
Karla T. Bass
Kimberly A. Behland
Mary E. Belsky
Tracy L. Besse
Daniel L. Bierma
Bret J. Burkman
Jeannette V. Catuara
Ericka Clark
Timothy D. Clark
Colleen A. Cloonan
MaryAnn Cook
Michael J. Corbett
Onethya R. Crawford
Brandi E. Davis
Jaime G. Davis
Ross R. Douma
Kathleen Dreger
James B. Duggan
David W. Dybeck
Martin J. Dykas
Joan E. French
Andrew Wayne Furbee
Ann M. Geenen
Judy M. Gonzalez
Deborah L. Grace
Megan E. Griffin
Mina V. Griffith
Nathan L. Griffith
Amy L. Hardwidge
Julie A. Heinlen
Kia J. Henderson
William J. Hermanson

Cary D. Hillegonds
Phyllis V. Huffinan
Thorne W. Humphrey
Marcia Elise James
Louisa Jenkins
Randy L. Johnson
Diane D. Jones
Rodger A. Jones
Robert Juritza
David Christopher Kirkpatrick
Christine E. Kosek
Michelle Kruger
Susan Kathleen Kubik
Walter L. Kunkel
Claudia L. LeBeau
Jay Alexander Leggero
Gail A. Lettman-Matson
Tara L. Liaros
Lynn A. Lubke
R. Scott Maupin
Dawn Elizabeth McAllister
Cara M. McGreal
Gerard D. McManus
Mary Jo Meza
Matthew E. Moran
Shaheedah I. Muhammad
Angela L. Mulligan
Larry V. Nash
Catherine A. Nolan
David S. Nommensen
Sean M. Nugent
Adriane M. Palanca
Zidar J. Patterson
Melissa L. Pelkowski

Amy Christine Pequette
Jennifer M. Perez
Indria S. Perrilloux
Judy A. Peterson
Karen M. Pikosz
Melinda Corrine Pilarski
Arnold Victor Pilmonas
Ann Lillian Pittman
Kimberly Ann Pointer
Tracy Ann Polcyn
Denise R. Poston
Elizabeth A. Powell
Stephen B. Reade
Elizabeth A. Reich
Tina N. Repking
Marilyn Ann Rice
Jacqueline R. Ross
Stacie F. Sevcik
Angela Shama
Michelle E. Shear
Paulette J. Sowonik
Judith A. Splayt
Sherry A. Stokes
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College of Health Professions

Bachelor of Health Administration

Linda K. Erlandsson
Demetria L. Gordon
Brad B. Martin
Marilyn S. Thomas

Bachelor of Health Science

Karen A. Bryant
Connie Denham
* Ruta D. Grigas
** Jennifer L. Jenkover
* Elizabeth I. Mereness
Cynthia Myles
* Suzan Ramadan
* Lynn M. Rhodes
Maria X. Rodriguez

Bachelor of Science

* Sonia M. Hyzy
Hakeem M. Ishola
Vanessa Manning
Roxanne L. Mitchell
** Amanda R. Schkerke
Lassie Latonia Walker

Bachelor of Social Work

Callie M. Armstrong
Jennifer Marie Brown
Alnita M. Buchanan
** Jennifer M. Dean
* Mariam Deshazier
* Jeanne M. Hendrickson
Linda Johnson
Deborah E. Jones
* John E. Kummerer
Christel Lewis
Steven A. Luhrsen
Laurel R. Miller
Jacqueline D. Petrie-Davis
Ayana M. Smith
Kyle C. Turner
Nicole S. Ward

Master of Health Administration

Jolanda D. Dinkins
Joan C. Welch

Master of Health Science

Blanca Arenas
Mary Beth Cepkauskas
Joann Chavez
Arrie Christian
Julie Marie Delaney
Amanda Dinaro
Lisa Marie Garrigan
Gloria A. Hoekstra
Arthur Horton
Molly C. Larson
Andre D. Newsome
Shirl Pearson
Karen M. Pietrusinski
Spencer S. Reese
Jamie T. Smant
Laura A. Strahinich
Michae Wiley

Master of Occupational Therapy

Susan J. Spencer

Master of Physical Therapy

Christi Nicole Livingstone

Master of Social Work

Linda Kaye Anderson
Queen Assaye
Lakeishia E. Baker
Surat T. Bisiriyu-Omokaiye
Barbara J. Boyd
Brienne Leslie Brinkman
Yolanda M. Burgess
April Y. Caffey
Georgette E. Carter
Debra Lynn Conley
Meghan K. Crandall
Annie C. Ford
Stephanie M. Gonzalez
Jacqueline Graham-Sylvestal
Tori. K. Gunty
Tonya L. Hambrick
Beth Marie Hawkins
Craig R. Haygood
Ann Jamie Heise
Jennifer C. Infanger
Nannette E. Jennings-Reed
Imani L. Johnson
Rhonda J. Knockum
Sandra Ellen Latty
Delores Mays
Tammy W. Nemeth
Margaret Olson
Anthonia Yeside Sholanke
Victor O. Sholanke
Erica L. Sidenstick
Shenetta Nicole Suber
Clartrice A. Turner
Lorraine Wormely

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Board of Governors Degree Program

Bachelor of Arts

Maricella T. Aguilar
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Mark D. Allen
Crystal Bagby
** Cheryl L. Baker
* Jacob M. Baumgartner
* Kathleen W. Bopp
Carla L. Bowers
Lyndsey M. Braun
Gloria Brown
** Mary J. Brown
Vincent W. Brown
Gabriel Bullock
Dana W. Carr
Theodore M. Carter, Sr.
Autumn S. Cha
Laura M. Clarke
Chris A. Coglianesse
Paula L. Coleman
Paula D. Cosenza
Melinda Crosby
** Kimberly Curran
* Edward G. Dampf, III
* William S. Dever
Marsha J. Elakkari
* Elise L. Evans
Leanne C. Fanning
Albert D. Fisher, Jr.
Camille Furay
Karen D. Garland
Felicia A. Gholston
Tyra T. Gibbs
* Patricia A. Gira
Darlene Hicks

Brynn E. Howard
Varkey M. Jacob
Kristen M. Johnson
Phinesia A. Johnson
Litty A. Jones
Erin M. Joyce
Faye Marie Kelley
Kara A. Kennedy
VeKea A. Kirkwood
Allyson L. Kitching
Megan M. Knarr
Alison Lee
Jill L. Lendi
Jameela Maddox
Candice N. Malone
Melissa M. Matthews
Maike H.Z. Meyer
Genea L. R. Moore
Ricky L. Moore
Sonya R. Moore
* InaRay Moss
Udai Nair
* Colleen B. Nigg
Robert G. O'Connor
Patty S. Page
Adrian L. Parker
* Sandra A. Pechtold
George C. Pfothenhauer
Sarah K. Piggush
James P. Potter
Sharon Pough
Lindsey A. Puccini
Erica M. Reaves
LaToya D. Richard
Leslie Denise Richardson-Dryg

Kathleen Marie Rodriguez
LaToya Sartin
Daniel K. Schliffka
Staci J. Sessler
Mary Jo Shepard
* Barbara A. Sinwelski
* Thomas K. Smith
* Nicole R. Snyder
Karmen Tyra Steel
Michelle M. Stiff
Michael A. Strnad
Luz A. Suarez
* Colleen Swenson
* Michelle N. Swiat
Mary L. Taffe
Rhonda M. Tate
Ericka D. Terrell
Anne M. Toft
Casandra Luster Walker
Rosie M. Wells
Crystal M. West
Monique R. Whitehead
Candace C. Williams
Christine M. Williams
Karen L. Williams
Edward Wilmes
Etisha Irenella Wofford
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Student Speaker

Theodore Miles Carter, Sr.

Theodore Miles Carter, Sr. may have taken the long road to cross the stage and earn his degree, but it has been a road of purpose and direction, always guided by the desire to improve life for his family and his community.

Today, Carter, who lives in Joliet, will earn his Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degree. It is a degree he has long wished for and worked toward. Life, with its twists and turns, however, often took him down a different path.

Throughout his life, Carter has worked hard. He grew up in Chicago and graduated from the Hyde Park Career Academy. He has held many different positions, often working more than one job at a time. He has served in the military and carried the mail.

He has cultivated several career and business opportunities that make him both busy and successful, but he always wished to return to school and earn his bachelor's degree.

According to Carter, the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degree program fit perfectly with his varied educational career. Governors State University, with its flexible scheduling options, enabled him to continue developing his career while he completed his degree.

Carter is currently a corrections officer with the Illinois Department of Corrections at Stateville Correctional Center. He is president and owner of J.T. Enterprises, an active member of Toastmasters International, enjoys movies, music, and the White Sox.

In addition to all this, Theodore Carter is also the Associate Minister at Good Samaritan Ministries of Joliet where he teaches Sunday School and is the choir director. His pastor, Reverend Lester Brown, is also a GSU alumni.

To help celebrate Carter's great achievement today, he is joined by his four children, and special friends who have inspired and guided him.

Carter epitomizes the graduates of Governors State University. His strong belief in himself and his determination to earn his degree are characteristics that thrive and lead to success at GSU.

Academic Regalia

During the commencement ceremony, students and faculty wear academic costumes indicating the wearers' degrees, colleges/universities, and fields of study.

The Cap

The black mortarboard type is the most common cap worn. Degree candidates wear cap tassels that are black and white, the university colors. Colors worn by the faculty vary according to their fields of study.

The Gown

Gowns are of three kinds. The bachelor's gown is relatively simple, with lines falling straight from a fairly elaborate yoke. Its distinguishing characteristic is the long pointed sleeve. Braided silken cords are worn by students who have achieved special scholastic recognition: gold signifies high honors; white, honors. The master's gown has sleeves, with a back end extending down below the knee in a crescent shape. The doctor's gown is an elaborate costume, with velvet panels down the front and around the neck, with three velvet bars on the bell-shaped sleeves.

The Hood

The official colors of the college or university from which a degree is conferred are represented in the lining of the hood. For each field of study, there is a corresponding trim color. The trim colors for master's hoods are as follows:

Accounting.....	Drab
Addictions Studies	Salmon Pink
Analytical Chemistry	Golden Yellow
Art.....	Brown
Business Administration	Drab
Communication Disorders	Salmon Pink
Communications and Training	White
Computer Science	Golden Yellow
Counseling	Light Blue
Early Childhood Education.....	Light Blue
Education	Light Blue
Educational Administration	Light Blue
English	White
Environmental Biology	Golden Yellow
Health Administration.....	Salmon Pink
Instructional and Training Technology	White
Management Information Systems	Golden Yellow
Multicategorical Special Education	Light Blue
Nursing	Apricot
Occupational Therapy	Slate Blue
Physical Therapy	Teal
Political Studies.....	White
Political and Justice Studies	White
Psychology	Light Blue
Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Social Work	Citric
Sociology.....	White

COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS

University Grand Marshal

Gary Lyon, Assistant Professor of Science, College of Arts and Sciences

Coordinator of Marshals

Robert Donaldson, Professor of Public Administration
College of Business and Public Administration

College of Arts and Sciences

James Coldren, Professor of Criminal Justice
Tim Gsell, Associate Professor of Microbiology
Rashida Muhammad, Professor of English and Secondary Education
Beth Parin, Assistant Professor of Digital Imaging and Photography
Todd Rohman, Assistant Professor of English and Composition
Yun-Yau Shih, Professor of Science

College of Business and Public Administration

Dalsang Chung, Assistant Professor of Management Information Systems
Mary Clark, Assistant Professor of Accounting
Susan Gaffney, Assistant Professor of Public Administration

College of Education

Sandra Gandy, University Lecturer of Education
George Garrett, Professor of Educational Administration
Susan Kinsey, Assistant Professor of Education
Nancy Miller, University Lecturer of Education
Catherine Sori, Professor of Psychology and Counseling

College of Health Professions

Catherine P. Brady, Assistant Professor of Occupational Therapy
Kyusuk Chung, Associate Professor of Health Administration
Clementine Coleman, Professor of Health Administration
Arthur Durant, Associate Professor of Addictions Studies and Behavioral Health
Jay Lubinsky, Chair, Department of Communication Disorders
Beverly Urban, Professor of Social Work

Board of Governors Degree Program

William Craig, Associate Director of Admissions and Student Recruitment
Gary Fisk, Coordinator of Instructional Development, Communications Services
Michele McMaster, Director of Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts Degree Program

The Mace



The governor's mace, carried by the marshal who leads the academic procession, is a symbol of the authority of the university as a degree-granting institution. The legal authority of the university is grounded in the intellectual authority of the distinguished faculty who follow in the procession.

In antiquity, the mace was a weapon used to establish the "authority" of the physically strong. Its transformation into a symbol of intellectual authority is both a tribute to and a reminder of the civilizing force of a university's teaching, research, and community service functions.

Engraved on the four side-panels of the governor's mace are (1) the seal of the state of Illinois; (2) a cardinal, the state bird; (3) the seal of the former Illinois Board of Governors Universities; and (4) an inscription which reads "The governor's mace, a symbol of tradition and authority of Governors State University, dedicated to the search for excellence in the pursuit of truth, knowledge, and the love of learning. Presented by Peter Levin, friend of the university, June 2, 1979."

Atop the mace is a silver rendition of the university logo. The three sides of the "triangle" symbolize the university's teaching, research, and community service functions. The three lines visually suggest the shape of a rocket, reminding us both that the university was founded two days after Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon and that the university is a hope-filled, pioneering community, committed to a better future for all men and women. The circle symbolizes the fact that the university is, indeed, a community. Finally, the fact that the tips of the triangle reach beyond the circle indicates the university's outreach into the region, state, and nation and its commitment to teaching, research, and community service.